

## AWS Storage Extras

### ① AWS Snow Family

Data migration → Snowcone

Snowball edge  
Snowmobile

when network cost,  
limited view, connectivity  
shared BW and hence  
data migration

\* Snow family  
devices are offline  
devices.

Edge computing → Snowcone

Snowball edge

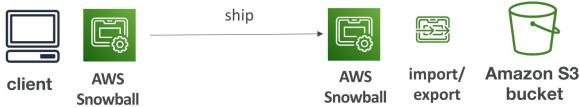
{ when it takes  
more than a week  
for data transfer  
use Snow family ! }

- Direct upload to S3:



limited or no connectivity  
or less computing power.

- With Snow Family:



ships, mines.

preprocess, ML, transactions  
media

### ① Snowball Edge

→ move TBs or PBs of data in & out of AWS

→ pay per data transfer

→ for block & S3 Obj storage

80TB HDD, 104vCPU,

Snowball edge storage optimized

210TB NVMe, 416GiB RAM

Snowball edge compute optimized

42TB HDD, 104vCPU,  
28TB NVMe, 416GiB RAM  
Optional GPU, storage  
clustering

→ large data cloud migration, DR, DC decommission

## ② Snowcone & Snowcone SSD

→ few TBs of data. small, portable, cheap, transportable

snowcone → 8TB of HDD } 2CPUs, 4GB mem  
powers using USB-C

snowcone SSD → 14TB of SSD

→ battery & cable powered

→ either wind offline or use AWS Data sync to send data

per installed graphical interface  
AWS Data sync "to send data"  
like a management console

## ③ Snowmobile { truck? }

→ Transfer Petabytes of data {  $1000 \text{ PBs} = 10^6 \text{ TBs}$  }

→ each snow mobile has 100 PB of capacity.

→ GPS, temperature controlled.

### Usage process

① Request one

provides OI

② install snowball client / AWS OpsHub on your servers.

③ connect snowball to your servers & copy files using client

④ ship back to AWS

\* long term deployment -  
100s of days for com & ball

⑤ Data loaded to S3  
Snowball is wiped.

good benefits. { for EC }

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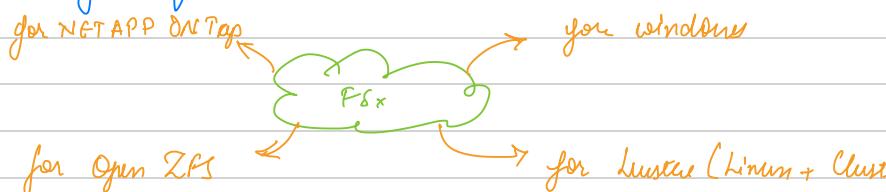
# Solution Architecture: Snowball into Glacier

- Snowball **cannot import to Glacier directly**
- You must use Amazon S3 first, in combination with an S3 lifecycle policy



② Amazon FSx

→ AWS managed service to launch 3<sup>rd</sup> party high performance file systems on AWS.



## Amazon FSx for Windows (File Server)



- FSx for Windows is a fully managed Windows file system share drive
- Supports SMB protocol & Windows NTFS
- Microsoft Active Directory integration, ACLs, user quotas
- Can be mounted on Linux EC2 instances
- Supports Microsoft's Distributed File System (DFS) Namespaces (group files across multiple FS)
- Scale up to 10s of GB/s, millions of IOPS, 100s PB of data
- Storage Options:
  - SSD – latency sensitive workloads (databases, media processing, data analytics, ...)
  - HDD – broad spectrum of workloads (home directory, CMS, ...)
- Can be accessed from your on-premises infrastructure (VPN or Direct Connect)
- Can be configured to be Multi-AZ (high availability)
- Data is backed-up daily to S3

## Amazon FSx for Lustre

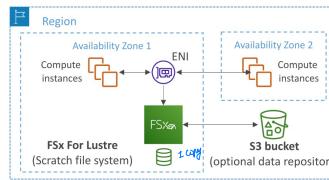


- Lustre is a type of parallel distributed file system, for large-scale computing
- The name Lustre is derived from "Linux" and "cluster"
- Machine Learning, High Performance Computing (HPC)
- Video Processing, Financial Modeling, Electronic Design Automation
- Scales up to 100s GB/s, millions of IOPS, sub-ms latencies
- Storage Options:
  - SSD – low-latency, IOPS intensive workloads, small & random file operations
  - HDD – throughput-intensive workloads, large & sequential file operations
- Seamless integration with S3
  - Can't "read S3" as a file system (through FSx)
  - Can write the output of the computations back to S3 (through FSx)
- Can be used from on-premises servers (VPN or Direct Connect)

# FSx Lustre - File System Deployment Options

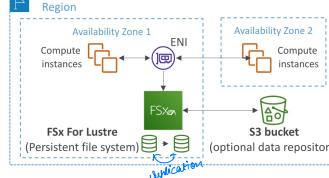
## • Scratch File System

- **Temporary storage**
- **Data is not replicated** (doesn't persist if file server fails)
- High burst (6x faster, 200MBps per TiB)
- Usage: **short-term processing**, optimize costs



## • Persistent File System

- **Long-term storage**
- Data is replicated within same AZ
- Replace failed files within minutes
- Usage: long-term processing, sensitive data storage



## Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

- Managed NetApp ONTAP on AWS
- File System compatible with **NFS, SMB, iSCSI** protocol
- Move workloads running on ONTAP or NAS to AWS
- Works with:
  - Linux
  - Windows
  - macOS
  - VMware Cloud on AWS
  - Amazon Workspaces & AppStream 2.0
  - Amazon EC2, ECS and EKS
- Storage shrinks or grows automatically
- Snapshots, replication, low-cost, compression and data de-duplication
- Point-in-time instantaneous cloning (helpful for testing new workloads)

} many! broad compatibility.

to stage away from production.



Amazon FSx for  
NetApp ONTAP FS

NFS, SMB, iSCSI



## Amazon FSx for OpenZFS

- Managed OpenZFS file system on AWS
- File System compatible with **NFS (v3, v4, v4.1, v4.2)**
- Move workloads running on ZFS to AWS
- Works with:
  - Linux
  - Windows
  - macOS
  - VMware Cloud on AWS
  - Amazon Workspaces & AppStream 2.0
  - Amazon EC2, ECS and EKS
- Up to 1,000,000 IOPS with < 0.5ms latency
- Snapshots, compression and **low-cost**
- Point-in-time instantaneous cloning (helpful for testing new workloads)

good performance



Amazon FSx  
for OpenZFS

NFS (v3, v4, v4.1, v4.2)



## (B) AWS Storage Gateway

{ A bridge between on-premises & data storage on AWS }



### AWS Storage Gateway



- Bridge between on-premises data and cloud data
- Use cases:
  - disaster recovery
  - backup & restore
  - tiered storage
  - on-premises cache & low-latency files access
- Types of Storage Gateway:
  - S3 File Gateway
  - FSx File Gateway
  - Volume Gateway
  - Tape Gateway

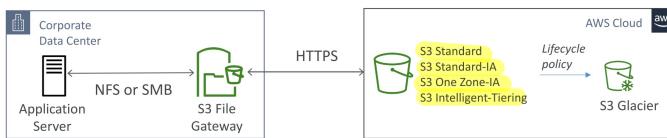


↑ 4 types of gateway

### Amazon S3 File Gateway

NOT  
cached!

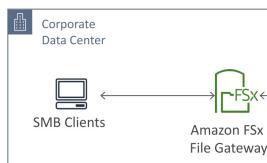
- Configured S3 buckets are accessible using the NFS and SMB protocol
- Most recently used data is cached in the file gateway
- Supports S3 Standard, S3 Standard-IA, S3 One Zone-IA, S3 Intelligent-Tiering
- Transition to S3 Glacier using a Lifecycle Policy
- Bucket access using IAM roles for each File Gateway
- SMB Protocol has integration with Active Directory (AD) for user authentication



### Amazon FSx File Gateway

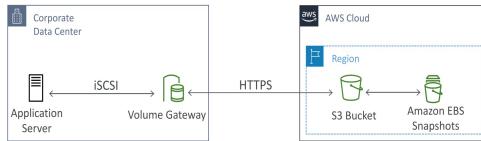
why use gateway  
for FSx  
→ fast access  
→ cache  
→ SMB clients

- Native access to Amazon FSx for Windows File Server
- Local cache for frequently accessed data
- Windows native compatibility (SMB, NTFS, Active Directory...)
- Useful for group file shares and home directories



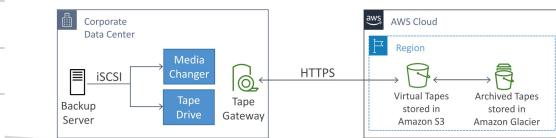
## Volume Gateway

- Block storage using **iSCSI protocol** backed by S3
- Backed by EBS snapshots which can help restore on-premises volumes!
- Cached volumes:** low latency access to most recent data
- Stored volumes:** entire dataset is on premise, scheduled backups to S3



## Tape Gateway

- Some **companies have backup processes using physical tapes** (!)
- With Tape Gateway, companies use the same processes but, in the cloud
- Virtual Tape Library (VTL) backed by Amazon S3 and Glacier**
- Back up data using existing **tape-based processes** (and iSCSI interface)
- Works with leading backup software vendors



## Storage Gateway – Hardware appliance

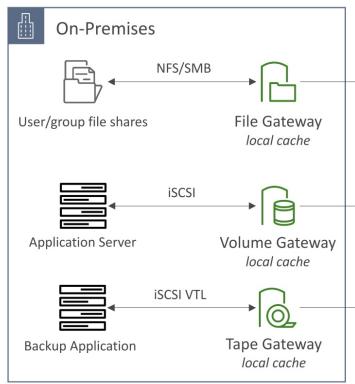
- Using Storage Gateway means you need on-premises virtualization
  - Otherwise, you can use a **Storage Gateway Hardware Appliance**
  - You can buy it on amazon.com
  - Works with File Gateway/Volume Gateway, Tape Gateway
- Has the required CPU, memory, network, SSD cache resources
- Helpful for daily NFS backups in small data centers

Select host platform

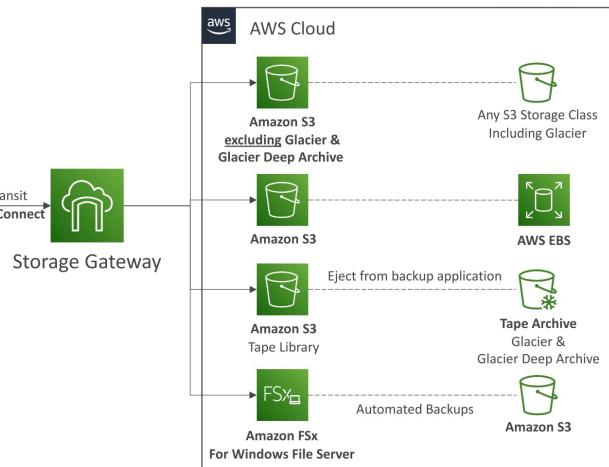
- VMware ESXi
- Microsoft Hyper-V 2012R2/2016
- Linux KVM
- Hardware Appliance** [Buy on Amazon](#) [Activate Appliance](#)



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Gateway Deployment Options  
VM(VMware, Hyper-V, KVM) or Hardware Appliance



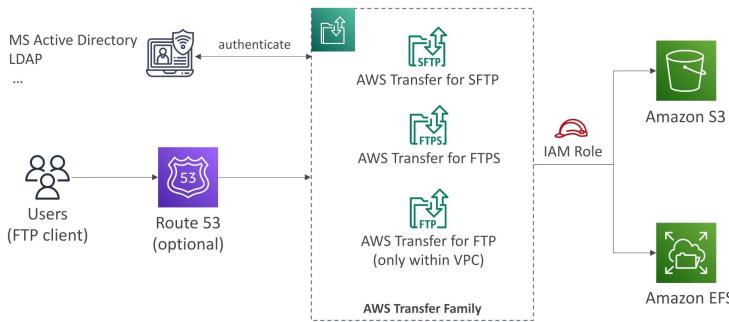
# (4) AWS Transfer Family

for having FTP to transfer files

## AWS Transfer Family



- A fully-managed service for file transfers into and out of Amazon S3 or Amazon EFS using the FTP protocol
- Supported Protocols
  - AWS Transfer for FTP (File Transfer Protocol (FTP))
  - AWS Transfer for FTPS (File Transfer Protocol over SSL (FTPS))
  - AWS Transfer for SFTP (Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP))
- Managed infrastructure, Scalable, Reliable, Highly Available (multi-AZ)
- Pay per provisioned endpoint per hour + data transfers in GB
- Store and manage users' credentials within the service
- Integrate with existing authentication systems (Microsoft Active Directory, LDAP, Okta, Amazon Cognito, custom)
- Usage: sharing files, public datasets, CRM, ERP, ...



## AWS DataSync

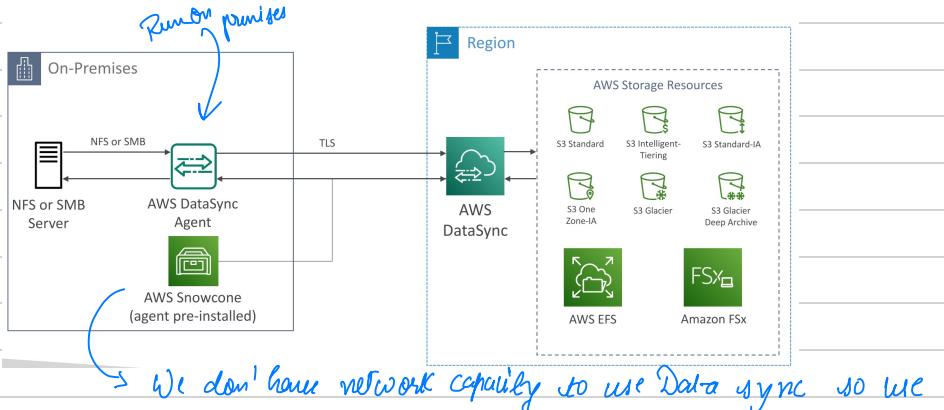


- Move large amount of data to and from
  - On-premises / other cloud to AWS (NFS, SMB, HDFS, S3 API...) – needs agent
  - AWS to AWS (different storage services) – no agent needed
- Can synchronize to:
  - Amazon S3 (any storage classes – including Glacier)
  - Amazon EFS
  - Amazon FSx (Windows, Lustre, NetApp, OpenZFS...)
- Replication tasks can be scheduled hourly, daily, weekly
- File permissions and metadata are preserved (NFS POSIX, SMB...)
- One agent task can use 10 Gbps, can setup a bandwidth limit

not continuous  
regularly!

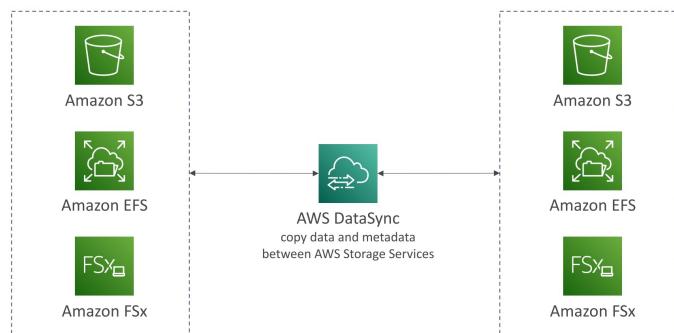
# AWS DataSync

## NFS / SMB to AWS (S3, EFS, FSx...)



## AWS DataSync

### Transfer between AWS storage services



## Storage Comparison

- S3: Object Storage
- S3 Glacier: Object Archival
- EBS volumes: Network storage for one EC2 instance at a time
- Instance Storage: Physical storage for your EC2 instance (high IOPS)
- EFS: Network File System for Linux instances, POSIX filesystem
- FSx for Windows: Network File System for Windows servers
- FSx for Lustre: High Performance Computing Linux file system
- FSx for NetApp ONTAP: High OS Compatibility
- FSx for OpenZFS: Managed ZFS file system
- Storage Gateway: S3 & FSx File Gateway, Volume Gateway (cache & stored), Tape Gateway
- Transfer Family: FTP, FTPS, SFTP interface on top of Amazon S3 or Amazon EFS
- DataSync: Schedule data sync from on-premises to AWS, or AWS to AWS
- Snowcone / Snowball / Snowmobile: to move large amount of data to the cloud, physically
- Database: for specific workloads, usually with indexing and querying

Hybrid

