

Object Storage

Object storage is a method of storing data as distinct objects, each with its own identifier and metadata, in a flat environment for scalable and easy access.

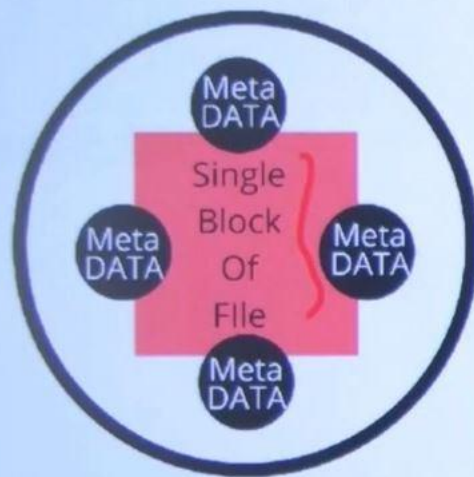


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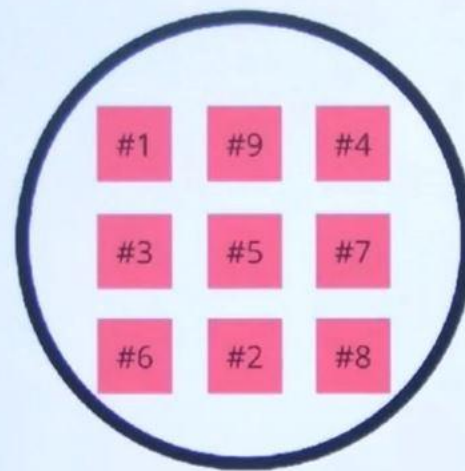
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Block Storage



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Advantages Object Storage

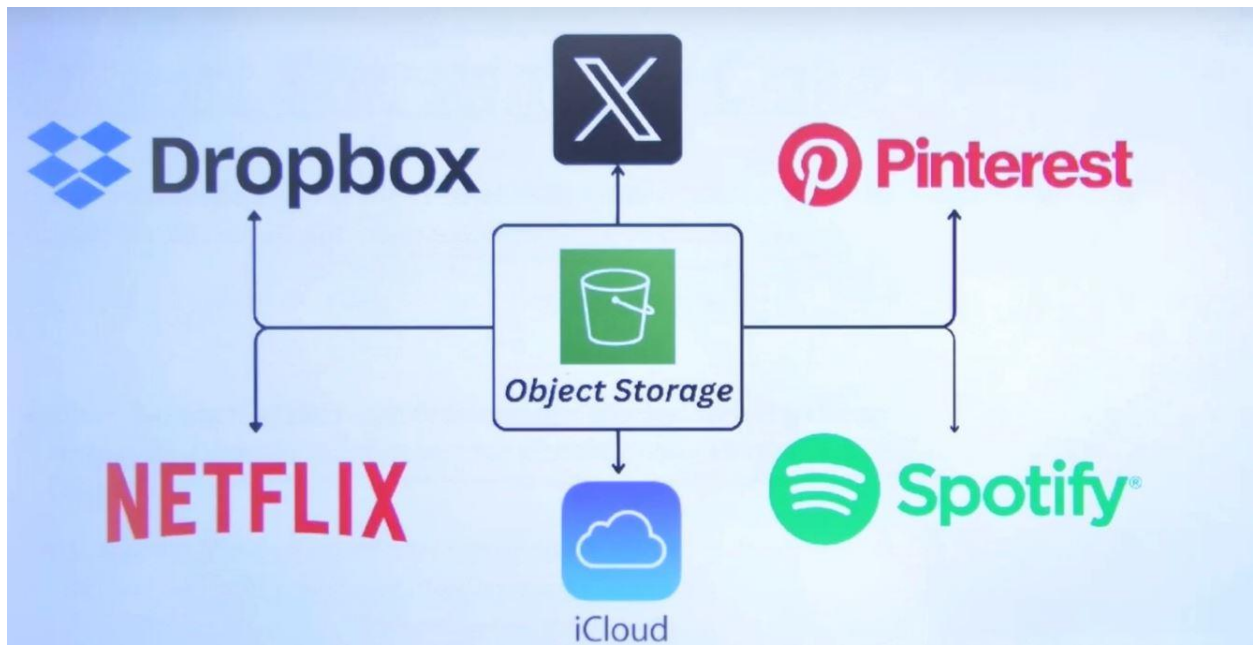
- *Object storage saves data as objects. Each object is stored separately and independently.*
- *Every object includes the data itself, a unique ID to find it easily, and metadata which is additional information about the data.*
- *Each object can be accessed directly via its unique ID, allowing for quick retrieval of data from anywhere.*
- *It's great for storing large amounts of unstructured data like photos, videos, and documents, especially when you need to access them over the internet.*

Disadvantages Object Storage

- *Object storage often has higher latency than block or file storage due to its reliance on HTTP calls for data access.*
- *It can be inefficient for managing a large number of small files because the metadata overhead can disproportionately consume storage space.*
- *Object storage is not optimized for frequent data modifications, requiring complete object rewrites rather than partial updates.*
- *Some older applications may not be directly compatible with object storage, necessitating additional integration work.*

Object Storage Use Case

- *Perfect for keeping big files like photos, videos, and large documents, which don't fit well in traditional databases.*
- *Ideal for backups and storing old data because it can handle lots of information without costing too much*
- *Great for sharing files worldwide easily, like in content delivery networks, because you can access files from anywhere using the internet.*
- *Supports the growth of modern apps by allowing more data to be added smoothly, without making things complex.*



Features

- 99.9% availability Availability

- 99.9999999999% durability (Remember 11 x 9s)

- Files can be from 0 Bytes to 5 TB.

- Virtually unlimited storage

- Versioning

Features

- Storage Classes***

- Lifecycle Management***

- Encryption***

- Event Notifications***

- Management & Monitoring Tools***

Data Consistency Model For S3

- Read after Write consistency for PUTS of new Objects***

- Eventual Consistency for overwrite PUTS and DELETES (can take some time to propagate)***

S3 Charge For

☐ ***Storage***

☐ ***Requests***

☐ ***Storage Management***

☐ ***Data Transfer***

S3 is suitable to store



Images | PDFs | Videos



Backup & Archive



Static Web Hosting




Big Data Analytics



Log Storage

S3 is **Not** suitable to store



Amazon S3 is not suitable for storing data that requires low-latency access, frequent updates, or transactional support, such as active databases or real-time processing systems

Bucket Name Rules

Globally unique

3 and 63 characters long

consist only lowercase, numbers, dots & hyphens (-)

Must begin and end with a letter or number

Must not be formatted as an IP address