



Global Data Movement for Legal & eDiscovery

AT A GLANCE

Challenge

Reducing time to collect, process and review electronically stored information

Use Cases

- Remote data collection
- High-speed data contribution and distribution
- Collaborative review & analysis
- Automated ESI processing and distribution

Solution

- Aspera Connect Server provides a web-based platform for high-speed uploads and downloads
- Aspera *aspex*™ Server enables easy person-to-person file sharing and collaboration from anywhere
- Aspera Sync powers high-speed remote directory synchronization

Results

- Maximum speed and predictable digital delivery for files and directories of any size, regardless of distance and network conditions
- Comprehensive, bullet-proof security in-flight and at-rest
- Ease of automation and integration with existing systems

CHALLENGE

eDiscovery service providers, law firms, and corporate in-house legal teams need to rapidly collect, process, and analyze Electronically Stored Information (ESI).

When ESI data is located remotely, obtaining and transferring files over wide-area networks (WANs) poses fundamental challenges. The WANs that connect remote locations—from local offices to central facilities to partner companies—often vary in speed, quality and distance, causing conventional transfer tools to fail or be rendered impractical.

With legal and eDiscovery teams facing shortened timeframes to collect, prepare, and deliver case strategies for litigation, relying on FTP or stewarding hard drives is fraught with risk. What if the transfers or disks don't arrive on time? Worse, what if critical data gets compromised, corrupted, or doesn't arrive at all?

SOLUTION

A proven standard for high-speed data transport and distribution in many industries (media & entertainment, federal government, life sciences, global enterprise), Aspera technology enables predictable,

secure, location-independent, and automated movement of ESI of any size and file format—over any distance and network, at maximum speed.

Whether the ESI in question is a video deposition, collected voicemails, large collections of emails, TIFF scans, raw disk images or accounting databases, Aspera provides an ideal and optimal method for moving the data over the WAN.

“We wanted to process data as soon as we received it. Aspera fulfilled our need for quick turn-around time.”

 **Ram Prasad**
VP Software Engineering, Servient

With a complete portfolio of software products built on its patented FASP® technology, Aspera offers high-speed file transfer solutions that are ideally suited for legal and eDiscovery applications, including remote data collection, collaborative review and analysis, high-speed data contribution and distribution, and automated processing and distribution of ESI.

BENEFITS

Maximum transfer speed & predictable data transfers

Irrespective of distance and location, Aspera software is unaffected by network latency and perfectly efficient against packet loss, allowing data to be moved at full network capacity—up to hundreds of times faster than FTP.

- Fast, predictable access to data improves productivity and enables distributed teams to collaborate
- Maximum bandwidth utilization optimizes your investment in network and IT infrastructure
- Automatic, adaptive transfer rate control preserves high quality of service for all other business-critical traffic on the network

Comprehensive, bullet-proof security and granular auditing

Every Aspera product includes holistic security capabilities: encryption over the wire and at rest, secure authentication, data integrity verification, detailed reporting and auditing. Aspera software is FIPS 140-2 compliant, validated and trusted by major enterprise customers and government agencies.

- Your confidential client information remains protected and secure
- All aspects of your file transfer activity can be centrally managed, monitored and audited

Ease of automation and integration with existing systems

Aspera solutions include automation capabilities, allowing transfers and third-party processing tasks to be fully or partially automated. We offer a comprehensive Software Development Kit (SDK), to allow our customers to easily embed high-performance transport capabilities in other systems and software applications.

- Increase your productivity by automating repetitive tasks
- Easily enhance your existing systems with high-speed file transfer capabilities

USE CASES

Remote data collection

When data needs to be collected from remote locations over a range of network conditions, Aspera provides predictable, secure, high-speed file transfer solutions to obtain digital assets over any distance.

- Data gathering in support of legal holds
- Cloud ingest for eDiscovery
- Manual collection or automated synchronization and replication of large data volumes from one facility to another

“Aspera fully utilizes the available bandwidth, achieving transfer speeds that FTP can’t match.”

 **Richard Wein**
CEO, Aquipt

High-speed data contribution & distribution

When files must be rapidly gathered and distributed, the Aspera Connect Server makes it easy to complement or replace conventional file transfer tools such as FTP. Built on Aspera’s patented FASP technology, the Aspera Connect Server provides a web-based platform for incorporating high-speed upload and download capabilities into web portals.

- High-performance FTP replacement
- High-speed contribution of ESI for processing

Collaborative review & analysis

Once files have been collected and processed, legal teams must often collaborate with other individuals or groups within or outside an organization to ensure information accuracy and review case-specific documents. The Aspera *faspex*™ solution provides person-to-person file sharing and collaboration—from anywhere globally—through an easy-to-use, familiar, web interface, a mobile app on iOS and Android devices or even directly from Microsoft Outlook.

- File sharing for legal review and analysis between geographically-dispersed teams
- Fast, secure, digital delivery of legal documents to individuals and groups

Automated ESI processing & distribution

In scenarios where files need to be delivered in bulk from one business location to another, Aspera provides a flexible and comprehensive set of file processing and distribution tools. Aspera products are used to schedule, initiate, or automate the distribution of files point-to-point, point-to-multipoint, or through remote directory synchronization techniques using Aspera Sync software.

- File delivery for litigation support
- Data archival, remote backups
- Disaster/recovery

About Aspera

Aspera, an IBM company, is the creator of next-generation transport technologies that move the world’s data at maximum speed regardless of file size, transfer distance and network conditions. Part of IBM Cloud, Aspera software is powered by the Emmy®-award-winning FASP® protocol to deliver the fastest, most predictable file-transfer, share and sync experience across on-premises, cloud, and hybrid infrastructure. Aspera’s core technology delivers unprecedented control over bandwidth, complete security and uncompromising reliability. Organizations across a variety of industries on six continents rely on Aspera software for the business-critical transport of their digital assets.

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