Company
Altibase evolved out of a project that applies RAM to a relational database, which was conducted in 1991 by the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI). The company was officially established in 1999 through an MOU agreement with ETRI, and it has continued to pioneer in the field of in-memory databases.

Challenge
Altibase Hybrid Database* (HDB) supports both on-disk and in-memory databases. The in-memory technology of Altibase HDB supports high speeds and large volumes, translating into advantages in terms of processing in-memory and on-disk reads/writes.

In order to enable the broad use of HDB, Altibase needed a processor capable of addressing large amounts of memory and easing the constraints of an in-memory database management system (DBMS).

Solution
Altibase chose the Intel® Xeon® processor E7 v2 family to take advantage of large memory capacity for in-memory processing and the Intel® Solid-State Drive (Intel® SSD) for high-performance, on-disk database access.

Benefits
Altibase conducted a test of HDB with the Intel Xeon processor E7 v2 family. The results showed that the in-memory data performance improved in comparison to the previous-generation Intel Xeon processor E7 family, and the on-disk data processing performance improved through the use of an Intel® SATA SSD.

The size of a commercial large-capacity in-memory database was usually limited to a few terabytes. The maximum Altibase in-memory capacity increased up to 12 TB with an 8-socket Intel Xeon processor E7 v2 family-based platform, and the in-memory data processing performance of Altibase HDB running on the platform improved by 1.94 times compared to the previous-generation Intel Xeon processor E7 family-based platform.

Furthermore, Intel SSD improved Altibase's on-disk performance. Compared with hard drive-based storage, on-disk data processing improved by 3.27 times using Intel SSD.

The Intel Xeon processor E7 v2 family expands the application of Altibase HDB to new areas and industries, and contributes to additional sales opportunities for Altibase. As a result, Altibase also plans to use the Intel Xeon processor E7 v2 family in other applications that utilize in-memory computing, particularly in the area of ultrahigh-speed data stream analysis.

“...The maximum capacity of the DBMS increased after the application of the Intel® Xeon® processor E7 v2 family, and it enabled the company to propose a large-capacity DBMS that was not possible before. Altibase HDB*, which was used only in specific areas, is now applicable in all areas with the help of the Intel Xeon processor E7 v2 family, and we anticipate that it will contribute to increasing sales for our company.”

JoonHo Park, Director, Altibase