

NVIDIA Quantum-X800 InfiniBand Switches

Accelerate AI workloads with 800G InfiniBand.

NVIDIA Quantum-X800 InfiniBand switches deliver 800 gigabits per second (Gb/s) throughput, with ultra-low latency and advanced NVIDIA In-Network Computing, which is essential for handling trillion-parameter-scale generative AI.

These switches incorporate advanced features, including remote direct-memory access (RDMA), the fourth-generation NVIDIA® Scalable Hierarchical Aggregation and Reduction Protocol (SHARP)[™], adaptive routing, telemetry-based congestion control, self-healing, and Quantum-X Photonics co-packaged optics (CPO) technologies. Such enhancements elevate overall application performance within high-performance computing (HPC) and AI data centers.

Key Benefits

- > Highest Scale for AI: NVIDIA Quantum-X800 switches enable 2X faster speeds and 5X higher scalability for AI compute fabrics. A two-tier Quantum-X800 fattree topology can support over 10,000 800Gb/s host connections.
- > Next-Generation In-Network Computing: Quantum-X800 switches support SHARP for efficient offloading of compute operations to the network, boosting performance by up to 9X. The fourth generation of SHARP adds support for FP8 precision and new collective operations, such as ReduceScatter and ScatterGather.
- > Higher Effective Bandwidth and Performance Isolation: Quantum-X800 switches support enhanced adaptive routing and telemetry-based congestion control. This enables nearly perfect effective bandwidth, as well as performance isolation for multi-tenant and multi-job environments.
- Enhanced Power Efficiency and Resiliency: NVIDIA's new Quantum-X Photonics CPO switch reduces total power consumption, latency, and total cost of ownership (TCO) while enhancing resiliency and serviceability. This is achieved by eliminating the need for pluggable transceivers and minimizing the distance and number of connections between optics and electronics.
- Enhanced Software Operations: Quantum-X800 switches include NVIDIA Networking OS Software (NVOS) for comprehensive chassis management and system configuration. NVOS supports various interfaces, including a commandline interface (CLI), REST APIs, Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), and gRPC Network Management Interface (gNMI) telemetry.



Key Features

- > 800Gb/s speed
- > Ultra-low latency
- > 4th generation NVIDIA SHARP
- > Self-healing technology
- > Enhanced adaptive routing
- Telemetry-based congestion control
- Communications frameworks offloads
- Silicon Photonics CPO technology
- > Power capping

NVIDIA Quantum-X800 InfiniBand switches are pivotal for achieving trillion-parameter-scale generative AI.

NVIDIA Quantum-X800 Switches

The NVIDIA Quantum-X800 Q3400-RA/Q3401-RD 4U switches, the first to leverage 200Gb/s-per-lane serializer/deserializer (SerDes) technology, significantly enhance network performance and bandwidth. They feature 144 ports at 800Gb/s distributed across 72 octal small form-factor pluggable (OSFP) cages. The switches' high radix supports a two-level, fat-tree topology capable of connecting up to 10,368 network interface cards (NICs) with minimal latency and optimal job locality, as well as other topologies providing connectivity to tens of thousands of GPUs. The Q3400-RA is an air-cooled system designed for standard 19-inch rack cabinets, while the Q3401-RD offers the same air-cooled design with support for rack cabinets utilizing DC power.

For smaller-scale platforms or integration with existing infrastructures, the NVIDIA Quantum-X800 Q3200 2U air-cooled configuration switch is ideal. This system houses two independent switches within a single enclosure, each providing 36 ports at 800Gb/s. The Q3200 fixed-configuration switches are well-suited for connecting new compute clusters to previous-generation Quantum and Quantum-2 InfiniBand storage infrastructure.

All NVIDIA Quantum-X800 switches include a dedicated OSFP InfiniBand inband management port specifically for NVIDIA UFM® (Unified Fabric Manager), separated on the front panel from the other ports. This separation allows the full set of standard ports to be used for data network connectivity, simplifying port allocation and streamlining topology design.

Additionally, NVIDIA Quantum-X800 switches feature optional router capabilities, facilitating the expansion of InfiniBand clusters to support a large scale of nodes located across multiple sites.

NVIDIA Quantum-X Photonics

NVIDIA is advancing data center networking into the agentic AI era with copackaged optics (CPO). By integrating silicon photonics directly with the InfiniBand switch ASIC, the Q3450-LD eliminates the need for pluggable optical transceivers—reducing electrical loss, enhancing signal integrity, and improving overall power and thermal efficiency.

With 144 800Gb/s ports connected via direct MPO connectors, the Q3450-LD delivers unmatched port density and radix—ideal for building high-performance AI fabrics at scale. CPO technology reduces the high-speed electrical path to just a few millimeters within the substrate, slashing insertion loss to ~4 dB— compared to 22 dB in traditional pluggable designs. This results in 63× better signal integrity, enabling higher data rates with lower DSP complexity and reduced power per bit.

As part of the NVIDIA Quantum-X800 InfiniBand platform, the Q3450-LD is purpose-built for AI workloads that require ultra-low latency, high bandwidth, and deterministic performance across multiple thousands of GPUs. It also simplifies thermal design and cable management, accelerating the deployment and scaling of power-efficient InfiniBand-based AI Factories.

NVIDIA Quantum-X800 InfiniBand Platform

The Quantum-X800 InfiniBand platform includes the Q3450-LD, Q3400-RA, Q3401-RD, and Q3200-RA switches, the NVIDIA® ConnectX®-8 SuperNIC, and the NVIDIA LinkX® interconnect portfolio of transceivers and cables. The platform achieves end-to-end throughput of 800Gb/s from switch to host. For fabric-scale platform management and monitoring, Quantum-X800 features UFM, which



NVIDIA Quantum-X800 Q3200-RA InfiniBand switch



NVIDIA Quantum-X800 Q3400-RA InfiniBand switch



NVIDIA Quantum-X Photonics InfiniBand switch

enables true software-defined networking with powerful visibility and insights into the performance and health of the network. This end-to-end network platform is purpose-built to deliver the highest performance for the scale-out compute fabrics, enabling massive-scale AI.

System Specifications

	Q3200-RA	Q3400-RA	Q3401-RD	Q3450-LD
Connectivity	Pluggable	Pluggable	Pluggable	MPO12 (Optics-only)
Performance	Two switches each of 28.8Tb/s throughput	115.2Tb/s throughput	115.2Tb/s throughput	115.2Tb/s throughput
Switch radix	Two switches of 36 800Gb/s non- blocking ports	144 800Gb/s non-blocking ports	144 800Gb/s non- blocking ports	144 800Gb/s, non-blocking ports
Connectors and cabling	Two groups of 18 OSFP connectors	72 OSFP connectors	72 OSFP connectors	144 MPO connectors
Management ports	Separate OSFP 400Gb/s InfiniBand in-band management port (UFM)			
CPU	Intel CFL 4 Cores i3-8100H 3GHz			
Security	CPU/CPLD/Switch IC based on IRoT	CPU/CPLD/Switch IC based on IRoT	CPLD/Switch IC based on IRoT	CPU/CPLD/Switch IC based on IRoT
Software	NVOS	NVOS	NVOS	NVOS
Rack mount	2U	4U	4U	4U
Cooling mechanism	Air cooled	Air cooled	Air cooled	Liquid cooled (85%)Air cooled (15%)
EMC (emissions)	CE, FCC, VCCI, ICES, and RCM			
Product safety compliant/certified	RoHS, CB, cTUVus, CE, and CU			
Power Feed	200-240V AC	200-240V AC	48-54V DC	48V DC
Warranty	One year	One year	One year	One year

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