

ConnectX-8 SuperNIC

Highest-performance 800G networking designed for massive-scale Al.



The NVIDIA® ConnectX®-8 SuperNIC™ is optimized to supercharge hyperscale Al computing workloads. With support for both InfiniBand and Ethernet networking at up to 800 gigabit per second (Gb/s), ConnectX-8 SuperNIC delivers extremely fast, efficient network connectivity, significantly enhancing system performance for Al factories and cloud data center environments.

Powerful Networking for Generative AI

Central to NVIDIA's AI networking portfolio, ConnectX-8 SuperNICs fuel the next wave of innovation in forming accelerated, massive-scale AI compute fabrics. They seamlessly integrate with next-gen NVIDIA networking platforms, providing end-to-end 800Gb/s connectivity. These platforms offer the robustness, feature sets, and scalability required for trillion-parameter GPU computing and generative AI applications. With enhanced power efficiency, ConnectX-8 SuperNICs support the creation of sustainable AI data centers operating hundreds of thousands of GPUs, ensuring a future-ready infrastructure for AI advancements.

ConnectX-8 SuperNICs enable advanced routing and telemetry-based congestion control capabilities, achieving the highest network performance and peak AI workload efficiency. Additionally, ConnectX-8 InfiniBand SuperNICs extend the capabilities of NVIDIA® Scalable Hierarchical Aggregation and Reduction Protocol (SHARP)™ to boost In-network computing in high-performance computing environments, further enhancing overall efficiency and performance.

Key Features*

Network Interface

InfiniBand

- > Supports 200/100/50G PAM4
- > Speeds:
 - > 1 port x 800/400/ 200/100Gb/s
 - > 2 ports x 400/200/ 100Gb/s
- > Max bandwidth: 800Gb/s
- > IBTA v1.7-compliant
- > 16 million I/O channels
- > 256 to 4,000 byte MTU, 2GB messages

Ethernet

- Supports 100/50G PAM4 and 25/10G NRZ
- > Speeds:
 - > 1 port x 400/200/100Gb/s
 - > 2 ports x 400/200/100/50/25Gb/s
- > Supports up to 8 split ports
- > Max bandwidth: 800Gb/s

Product Specifications	
Supported network protocols	InfiniBandEthernet
Maximum total bandwidth	800Gb/s
InfiniBand speeds	800/400/200/100Gb/s
Ethernet speeds	400/200/100/50/25Gb/s
Host interface	PCIe Gen6: up to 48 lanes
Portfolio	 PCIe HHHL 1P x OSFP PCIe HHHL 2P x QSFP112 Dual ConnectX-8 Mezzanine

Host Interface

- > PCIe Gen6 (up to 48 lanes)
- NVIDIA Multi-Host™ (up to 4 hosts)
- PCIe switch downstream port containment (DPC)
- > MSI/MSI-X

Optimized Cloud Networking

- Stateless TCP offloads: IP / TCP / UDP checksum, LSO, LRO, GRO, TSS, RSS
- > SR-IOV
- > Ethernet Accelerated Switching & Packet Processing™ (ASAP2) for SDN and VNF:
 - > OVS acceleration
 - Overlay network accelerations: VXLAN, GENEVE, NVGRE
 - Connection tracking (L4 firewall) and NAT
 - Hierarchical QoS, Header rewrite, Flow mirroring, Flow-based statistics, Flow aging

Advanced AI / HPC Networking

- > RDMA and RoCEv2 accelerations
- Advanced, programmable congestion control
- > NVIDIA® GPUDirect® RDMA
- > GPUDirect Storage
- > In-network computing
- > High-speed packet reordering

MPI Accelerations

- > Burst-buffer offloads
- > Collective operations offloads
- > Rendezvous protocol offloads
- > Enhanced atomic operations

AI / HPC Software

- > NCCL HPC-X
- > DOCA UCC / UCX
- > OpenMPI
- > MVAPICH-2

Cybersecurity

- > Platform security
 - Secure boot with hardware root of trust
 - > Secure firmware update
 - > Flash encryption
 - > Device attestation (SPDM 1.2)
- Inline crypto accelerations: IPsec, TLS, MACsec, PSP

Management and Control

- Network Control Sideband Interface (NC-SI)
- > MCTP over SMBus and PCIe PLDM for:
 - > Monitor and Control DSP0248
 - > Firmware Update DSP0267
 - Redfish Device Enablement DSP0218
 - Field-Replaceable Unit (FRU) DSP0257
- Security Protocols and Data Models (SPDM) DSP0274
- Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) to flash
- Joint Test Action Group (JTAG) IEEE 1149.1 and IEEE 1149.6

Network Boot

- > InfiniBand or Ethernet
- > PXE boot
- > iSCSI boot
- Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI)

Ready to Get Started?

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