

QLE2692-CSC

Dual-port Enhanced Gen 5 (16Gb) Fibre Channel Adapter





- QLogic®'s industry-leading, dual-port 16GFC HBA is supported on Cisco® UCS C-Series Rack Servers (C220 M5, C240 M5, and C460 M5)
- Up to 1.3 million IOPS fuel high performance in AFA and highdensity virtualized environments
- Enhanced reliability, diagnostics and accelerated deployment powered by QLogic StorFusion™ technology
- Port isolation design offers deterministic and scalable performance on each port

OVERVIEW -

The QLogic QLE2692-CSC dual-port Enhanced Gen 5, 16GB FC (16GFC) HBA boasts industry-leading native FC performance with extremely low CPU usage with full hardware offloads.

ENHANCED GEN 5 FC

Compared to Gen 5 FC, the QLogic Enhanced Gen 5 FC solution offers higher per-port performance (up to 650K IOPS) with low power consumption. In addition, QLogic StorFusion technology delivers streamlined provisioning, quality of service (QoS), and improved resiliency while addressing the needs of IT organizations that require reliability, integrated management, and guaranteed network performance.

Enhanced Gen 5 FC technology resolves data center complexities by enabling a storage network infrastructure that supports powerful virtualization features, application-aware services, and simplified management. The QLE2692-CSC Adapter provides advanced storage networking features capable of supporting the most demanding virtualized and private cloud environments while fully leveraging the capabilities of high-performance 16GFC and all-flash arrays (AFAs). Powerful management tools automate and simplify SAN provisioning to help reduce cost and complexity, while the unmatched 16GFC performance eliminates potential I/O bottlenecks in today's powerful multiprocessor, multicore servers.

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

The QLE2692-CSC Adapter can accelerate mission-critical enterprise applications by delivering up to 1.3 million IOPS for physical, virtual, and private cloud environments. QLogic adapters deliver the application performance in virtualized and non-virtualized environments with support for up to 650K I/O transactions per-second per-port.

VIRTUALIZATION OPTIMIZED

The QLE2692-CSC Adapter supports standards-based virtualization features. Under VMware® ESXi 6.0 and 6.5, I/O requests and responses can be tagged with the virtual machine-ID (VM-ID) of the appropriate virtual machine, providing end-to-end visibility at the virtual machine (VM) level. Support for N_Port ID virtualization (NPIV) enables a single FC adapter port to provide multiple virtual ports for increased network scalability. In addition, the 16Gbps line rate per physical port delivers unmatched storage performance to maximize the number of VMs per physical server.

QLOGIC STORFUSION TECHNOLOGY

QLogic Enhanced Gen 5 FC Adapters, powered by StorFusion technology, include advanced capabilities when deployed with supported Brocade® switches. By implementing these industry-leading solutions together, SAN

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administrators can take advantage of enhanced features that improve availability, accelerate deployment, and increase network performance.

Improved Total Cost of Ownership and Reliability

StorFusion technology delivers advanced link diagnostics, which improve availability and support for high-performance fabrics. Using the adapter's Diagnostics Port feature with a Brocade switch that supports ClearLink®, administrators can quickly run a battery of automated diagnostic tests to assess the health of links and fabric components.

The QLE2692-CSC Adapter supports link cable beacon (LCB) technology, which enables administrators to visually identify both ends of a physical link. In a large data center with hundreds of ports and cables to manage, a simple command turns on port LED beacons on both ends of a link cable connection. Administrators can use LCB to quickly identify connection peer ports without tracing the cable.

QLogic technology includes the read diagnostic parameters (RDP) feature, which provides detailed port, media, and optics diagnostics. From any point in the fabric, an administrator can use RDP to easily discover and diagnose link-related errors and degrading conditions on any N_Port-to-F_Port link.

The extensive suite of diagnostic tools maximize uptime and performance, allowing organizations to address problems before they impact operations.

Rapid Server Deployment and Orchestration

StorFusion technology includes fabric pre-provisioning services that enable servers to be quickly deployed, replaced, and moved across the SAN. By leveraging the fabric-assigned port world wide name (FA-WWN) and fabric-based boot LUN discovery (F-BLD) capabilities, the creation of zones, LUNs, SAN-based boot images, and other services can be completed before the servers arrive on site—eliminating time-consuming, manual tasks that typically delay server deployment.

Performance SLA Enforcement with VM-level QoS

Network performance can be dramatically improved by implementing the industry-standard class-specific control (CS_CTL)-based frame prioritization QoS, which helps alleviate network congestion. When QLogic adapters with StorFusion technology are connected to supported SAN fabrics, traffic is classified as it arrives at the switch, and is then processed on the basis of configured priorities. Traffic can be prioritized for delivery or subjected to limited delivery options. As a result, mission-critical workloads can be assigned a higher priority than less time-sensitive network traffic for optimized performance.

Higher Resiliency and Performance with Automatic Error Recovery

While forward error correction (FEC) at 16GFC is not required by the Fibre Channel Specification, it is enabled by default to improve performance and link integrity. FEC improves performance and link integrity to support higher end-to-end data rates by automatically recovering from transmission errors without re-sending the frames. FEC automatically

detects and automatically recovers from bit errors, which results in higher availability and performance.

Automatic buffer-to-buffer credit recovery (BB-CR) helps overcome performance degradation, congestion, and link resets caused by buffer credit loss, especially on longer distance and high-loss fiber connections.

SIMPLIFIED MANAGEMENT

The QLogic unified management application, QLogic QConvergeConsole® (QCC), provides single-pane-of-glass management across generations of QLogic FC Adapters. In addition, QLogic supports all major APIs for deployment flexibility and integration with third-party management tools, including VMware® vCenter™, Data Center Network Manger (DCNM), and Brocade Network Advisor.

HIGH AVAILABILITY AND RELIABILITY

QLogic Enhanced Gen 5 FC Adapters continue the tradition of providing complete port-level isolation across their FC controller architecture. This architecture, unlike other vendor solutions, provides independent function, transmit and receive buffers, an on-chip CPU, DMA channels, and a firmware image for each port. These features enable complete port-level isolation, prevent errors and firmware crashes from propagating across all ports, and provide predictable and scalable performance across all ports. The QLogic architecture delivers ultimate reliability to meet the needs of mission-critical enterprise applications, with lower power and fewer CPU cycles, all while maintaining peak performance.

In addition, overlapping protection domains (OPDs) ensure the highest level of reliability as data moves to and from the PCI® bus and FC network.

The QLE2692-CSC Adapter also provides end-to-end data integrity with support for T10 Protection Information (T10 PI), which prevents the risk of silent data corruption in environments running Oracle® Linux® with the Unbreakable Enterprise Kernel.

LEADERSHIP, CONFIDENCE, AND TRUST

The QLE2692-CSC Adapter is compatible with the same FC software driver stack that has been tested and validated across all major hardware platforms and all major hypervisors and OSs. Operating at 16GFC, this adapter is backward compatible with existing 8GFC infrastructure, leveraging existing SAN investments.

Cavium is the undisputed leader in FC adapters, with over 20 years of experience and multiple generations of FC products that have been qualified by all major server OEMs. Cavium owns the most established, proven FC stack in the industry with more FC ports shipped than any other vendor.

Host Bus Interface Specifications

Bus Interface

• QLE2692-CSC: PCle® 3.0×8 (dual port)

Host Interrupts

INTx and MSI-X

Compliance

- PCI Express Base Specification, rev. 3.1
- PCI Express Card Electromechanical Specification, rev. 3.0
- PCI Bus Power Management Interface Specification, rev. 1.2

Fibre Channel Specifications

Throughput

• 16Gbps line rate per port (maximum)

Logins

 Support for 2,048 concurrent logins and 2,048 active exchanges per port

Port Virtualization

NPIV

Compliance

- SCSI-3 Fibre Channel Protocol (SCSI-FCP)
- Fibre Channel Tape (FC-TAPE) Profile
- SCSI Fibre Channel Protocol-2 (FCP-2)
- Second Generation FC Generic Services (FC-GS-2)
- Third Generation FC Generic Services (FC-GS-3)
- PCI Hot Plug Specification, rev. 1.1
- Fibre Channel-Physical Interface-5 (FC-PI-5)
- Fibre Channel-Physical Interface-6 (FC-PI-6)

Tools and Utilities

Management Tools and Device Utilities

 QConvergeConsole integrated network management utility (GUI) for Linux and Windows

Boot Support

• BIOS, Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI)

APIs

• SNIA HBA API V2, SMI-S

Operating Systems

• For the latest applicable operating system information, see http://driverdownloads.qlogic.com

End-to-End Provisioning and Management Features

The following features require a supported Brocade switch running Fabric OS version 7.3.0a or later.

Performance

- QoS CS_CTL
- FEC

Diagnostics

- · Diagnostics Port
- LCB
- RDP

Deployment and Management

- FA-WWN
- F-BLD
- FC Ping
- FC Traceroute
- Fabric device management interface (FDMI) enhancements

Physical Specifications

Ports

• QLE2692-CSC: dual-port, Gen 5 FC

Form Factor

• Low-profile PCle card (6.6 inches × 2.731 inches)

Environment and Equipment Specifications

Temperature

- Operating: 0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F)
- Storage: -20°C to 70°C (-4°F to 158°F)

Humidity

- Relative (noncondensing): 10% to 90%
- Storage: 5% to 95%

Maximum Cable Distances

· Multimode optic:

| Rate | Cable and Distance (m) | | |
|-------|------------------------|-----|-----|
| | 0M2 | OM3 | OM4 |
| 4GFC | 150 | 380 | 400 |
| 8GFC | 50 | 150 | 190 |
| 16GFC | 35 | 100 | 125 |

Agency Approvals—Safety

US and Canada

- UL 60950-1
- CSA C22.2

Europe

- TUV EN60950-1
- TUV IEC 60950-1
- CB Certified

Agency Approvals—EMI and EMC (Class A)

US and Canada

- FCC Rules, CFR Title 47, Part 15, Subpart Class A
- Industry Canada, ICES-003: Class A

Europe

- EN55024
- EN55032
- EN61000-3-2
- EN61000-3-3

Japan

VCCI: Class A

New Zealand and Australia

AS/N7S: Class A

Korea

KC-RRA Class A

Taiwan

• BSMI CNS 13438

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Ordering Information

QLE2692-CSC-BK

- Cisco product ID: UCSC-PCIE-QD16GF and UCSC-PCIE-QD16GF=
- Dual-port 16GFC HBA
- Ships in a bulk-packed box with a standard-height bracket installed
- Ships with SR optical transceivers installed

Compatible Cisco FC SAN Switches

- Cisco MDS 9100 Series Multilayer Fabric Switches
- Cisco MDS 9200 Series Multiservice Switches
- Cisco MDS 9700 Series Multilayer Directors



























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