

QLogic QLE2742-CSC

Dual-port Gen 6 Fibre Channel Adapter





- QLogic® industry-leading dual-port, 32GFC HBA is supported on Cisco® UCS C-Series Rack Servers (C220 M4, C240 M4, and C460 M4)
- Up to 1.3 million IOPS fuel high performance in AFAs 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 QLE2742-CSC dual-port Gen 6 Fibre Channel Host Bus Adapter boasts industry leading native FC performance with extremely low CPU usage with full hardware offloads.

32GFC TECHNOLOGY

The FC solution from QLogic provides the industry's leading Gen 6 adapter. The QLogic FC solution offers higher per-port performance (up to 650K IOPS) with low power consumption. In addition, QLogic StorFusion technology delivers streamlined provisioning, guaranteed quality of service (QoS), and improved resiliency with built-in forward error correction (FEC). StorFusion addresses the needs of IT organizations that require reliability, integrated management, and guaranteed network performance.

The 32GFC technology resolves data center complexities by enabling a storage network infrastructure that supports powerful virtualization features, application-aware services, and simplified management. The QLE2742-CSC Adapter provides advanced storage networking features capable of supporting the most demanding virtualized and private cloud environments. This adapter fully leverages the capabilities of high-performance 32GFC, all-flash arrays (AFAs), and demanding enterprise applications. Powerful management tools automate and simplify SAN

provisioning to help reduce cost and complexity, while the unmatched Gen 6 performance eliminates potential I/O bottlenecks in today's powerful multiprocessor, multicore servers.

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

The QLE2742-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 up to 650K I/O transactions per second, per port.

VIRTUALIZATION OPTIMIZED

The QLE2742-CSC Adapter supports standards-based virtualization features. Support for N_Port ID virtualization (NPIV) enables a single FC adapter port to provide multiple virtual ports for increased network scalability. Standard class-specific control (CS_CTL)-based QoS technology per NPIV port allows bandwidth controls and guarantees per virtual machine (VM). In addition, the 32GFC line rate per physical port delivers unmatched storage performance to maximize the quantity of VMs per physical server.

OLOGIC STORFUSION TECHNOLOGY

QLogic FC Adapters, powered by StorFusion technology, include advanced capabilities when deployed with supported Brocade® switches. By implementing these industry-leading solutions together, SAN administrators can take advantage of enhanced features that improve availability, accelerate deployment, and increase network performance. StorFusion solves the top issues for SAN administrators worldwide.

Improved Total Cost of Ownership and Reliability

StorFusion technology delivers advanced link diagnostics, which improve availability and support for high-performance fabrics. Using the ClearLink® diagnostic port (D_Port), administrators can quickly run a battery of automated diagnostic tests to assess the health of links and fabric components.

The QLE2742-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.

With ClearLink diagnostics, LCB, and RDP, fabric deployment time is reduced. Tedious, manual troubleshooting methods are eliminated, thus saving thousands of man-hours in enterprise environments.

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 CS_CTL-based frame prioritization QoS, which helps alleviate network congestion. QLogic adapters with StorFusion technology, when connected to supported SAN fabrics, enable the classification of traffic as it arrives at the switch. The classified traffic 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

FEC is automatically used at 32GFC as required by the *Fibre Channel Specification* 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. Use of FEC is optional at 16Gbps speeds.

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™ and Brocade Network Advisor.

HIGH AVAILABILITY AND RELIABILITY

QLogic 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 both ports, and provide predictable and scalable performance across both 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 QLE2742-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 QLE2742-CSC Adapter is compatible with the same FC software driver stack that has been tested and validated across all major hardware platforms, all major hypervisors and OSs. Operating at 32GFC, this adapter is backward compatible with existing 16GFC and 8GFC infrastructure, leveraging existing SAN investments.

QLogic 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. QLogic 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

• QLE2742-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

• 32GFC 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

- ClearLink D_Port
- LCB
- RDP

Deployment and Management

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

Physical Specifications

Ports

• QLE2742-CSC: dual-port 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)
- \bullet 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
8GFC	50	150	190
16GFC	35	100	125
32GFC	20	70	100

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/NZS: Class A

Korea

KC-RRA Class A

Taiwan

• BSMI CNS 13438

Ordering Information

QLE2742-CSC-BK

- Cisco product ID: UCSC-PCIE-QD32GF and UCSC-PCIE-QD32GF=
- Dual-port 32GFC HBA
- Ships in a bulk-packed box with a standard-height bracket installed
- Ships with SR optical transceivers installed

Compatible Cisco FC SAN Switches

UCS-EP-MDS9148S-16

 MDS 9148S 16G FC switch, with 12 active ports and 16G SW SFPs

UCS-EP-MDS9148SL2

 MDS 9148S 16G FC 12-port upgrade license and 16G SW SFPs

UCS-EP-MDS9396S-16

 Cisco MDS 9396S 16G switch; 48 enabled ports, 48×16G SW SFP

UCS-EP-MDS9396SL2





























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