

FabreX Top of Rack Switch



Through an all-new architecture, GigalIO™ offers a hyper-performance network that enables a unified, software-driven composable infrastructure. Disaggregation and composability meet the demands of new data-intensive applications and dynamically assigns resources to match changing workloads.

The FabreX™ Switch is the fundamental building block of the FabreX network for true Software Defined Infrastructure (SDI).

The Switch communicates with FabreX host drivers to identify and coordinate resources required by the hosts, then quickly connects the respective resources. Choose from a variety of switch software packages to provide the cluster configurations, management and control you need.

Connections between compute, storage and application accelerator resources in the GigalIO FabreX network are implemented with the rugged, packetized communication protocol of industry-standard PCI Express.

FabreX networking is administered using DMTF open-source Redfish® APIs that provide an easy-to-use interface for configuring computing clusters on-the-fly.

HIGHLIGHTS

Extreme Flexibility

True disaggregation with dynamic composability

Breathtaking Performance

Lowest latency and high bandwidth

Efficiency

Strips away conversion and overhead with 100% PCI Express interconnect

Do More With Less

Less complexity, power, cooling, CAPEX, OPEX

Performance

The non-blocking ports feature latency values of 43nsec with x16 link width and 86nsec for x8 link width for higher throughput and **the lowest latency in the industry**.

The current implementation with PCIe Gen 3 delivers 256Gbits/sec transmission rates at full duplex, soon to scale up to 512Gbits/sec with PCIe Gen 4.

Every port of the FabreX Switch interfacing with the Host is equipped with 4-channel DMA engines for full-duplex data traffic. Virtual channels and traffic classes with egress port arbitration contribute to QoS features of the FabreX network.

Flexibility

Upgrade or add compute, storage and application accelerators at the component level that plug-n-play with your environment. Every major subsystem can now operate on its own upgrade cycle.

The Switch can unite a far greater variety of resources, connecting GPUs, TPUs, FPGAs and SoCs to other compute elements or PCI endpoint devices, such as NVMe, PCIe native storage, and other I/O resources. Span multiple servers and multiple racks to scale up single-host systems and scale out multi-host systems, all unified via the FabreX Switch.

The FabreX network allows for direct memory access by an individual server to system memories of all other servers in the cluster fabric, for the **industry's first in-memory network**. Use Load and Store memory semantics across the interconnect.

Efficiency

Featuring 100% PCI-SIG compliance, the FabreX switch can integrate heterogeneous computing, storage and accelerators into one symmetrical system-area cluster fabric, so you can do more with less. Patented GigaIO technology strips away unnecessary conversion, software layers and overheads that add network delay to legacy interconnects.

The result is lower CapEx and OpEx through less hardware, higher utilization of resources, lower power consumption, and less cooling. Avoid overprovisioning and add just the elements you need. Maximize utilization of the footprint of your data center and contribute to your bottom line.

GigaIO FabreX Switch Specifications

Dimensions	17.4"W (44.2 cm) x 1.75"H (4.5 cm) x 15"D (38 cm)
Width & Height	19" rack-mountable chassis, 1U
Management	Open systems FabreX OS with DMTF Redfish® Composable APIs
Architecture	Fully disaggregated with dynamic composability
Port Side	24 Ports non-blocking x4 PCIe Gen 3 Link -- 19" rack-mountable, 1U chassis
Connectors	PCIe connectors (SFF-8644) – short- and long-range copper and optical
Latency	24 Ports Non-Blocking port to port latency from 43ns x16
Bandwidth	24 Ports Non-Blocking <ul style="list-style-type: none">• x4 (32 Gbits/sec) Half Duplex, (64 Gbits/sec) Full Duplex• x8 (64 Gbits/sec) Half Duplex, (128 Gbits/sec) Full Duplex• x16 (128 Gbits/sec) Half Duplex, (256 Gbits/sec) Full Duplex
Total bandwidth	Total FabreX Bandwidth 768 Gbits/sec Half Duplex, 1,563 Gbits/sec Full Duplex
Fail Over	N+1 with Multi-switch topologies
Power	IEC-320-C13 power receptacle; 100 to 240 VAC, 50 to 60 Hz; 75 Watts typical, 100 Watts Max.