Datasheet
Brocade X7 Director

HIGHLIGHTS
- Scale more devices, applications, and workloads with 64G links
- Maximize NVMe and high-transaction workloads with 50% lower network latency
- Transform telemetry data into actionable insights to optimize performance and ensure reliability
- Automate actions to simplify management and resolve issues without intervention
- Increase visibility and simplify operations with a modern SAN management tool
- Safeguard mission-critical workloads from vulnerabilities with Gen 7 integrated security
- Seamlessly integrate next-generation NVMe into the storage fabric without a disruptive rip-and-replace
- Design flexible architectures to increase agility with concurrent Fibre Channel, NVMe, connectivity

A Faster, More Intelligent, More Resilient Foundation for the On-Demand Data Center

Technology is evolving at an incredible pace, and businesses are demanding more from their IT resources and infrastructure. Rapid adoption of flash storage and the ramp-up of NVMe-based storage unleash advancements in application design that drive new levels of performance and capacity requirements, such as advanced analytics, business intelligence, and data-intensive workloads. With the integration of new technologies that are accelerating the delivery of data and services, the network will need to evolve to keep pace with innovations in storage and demands of modern applications to maximize the full value of investments in next-generation data center infrastructure.

To meet ever-increasing demands for faster, more reliable data access, it is essential for organizations to deploy a modernized infrastructure that reduces latency, increases bandwidth, and ensures continuous availability. Unprecedented performance is not enough on its own. Powerful analytics and advanced automation capabilities are required to transform current storage networks into an autonomous SAN. This requires a network that is capable of delivering these capabilities to maximize performance, simplify management, and reduce operational costs. Legacy infrastructure was not designed to support the performance requirements of evolving workloads and NVMe-based storage. In fact, an aging network will impede the performance of the on-demand data center. By modernizing the storage network with Brocade® Gen 7, organizations will enable a faster, more intelligent, and more resilient network. This will maximize the performance, productivity, and efficiency of their storage investments and resources, even as they rapidly scale their environments.
Features and benefits

Gen 7 Fibre Channel

Brocade Gen 7 Fibre Channel is the modern storage network infrastructure for mission-critical storage, enabling organizations to realize a self-learning, self-optimizing, and self-healing autonomous SAN. It combines powerful analytics, advanced automation, and integrated security capabilities to accelerate data access, adapt to evolving requirements, and drive always-on business operations. The Brocade X7 Director with Gen 7 Fibre Channel and Brocade Fabric Vision® technology is the foundational building block to realize the autonomous SAN for the on-demand data center. Ultra-low latency and 64G links provide the highest level of performance for NVMe workloads. With data-center-proven reliability, seamless scalability, integrated analytics, and automation, the Brocade X7 maximizes the performance, productivity, and efficiency of storage investments and resources.

The Brocade X7 Director provides a modular building block, purpose-built for scalability to accommodate growth and power large-scale storage environments. With a 50% latency reduction compared to the previous generation, Brocade X7 Directors maximize the performance of NVMe storage and high-transaction workloads, eliminating I/O bottlenecks and unleashing the full performance of next-generation storage. In addition, the Brocade X7 Director lays the foundation for the autonomous SAN. With autonomous SAN technology, the director harnesses the power of analytics and the simplicity of automation to optimize performance, ensure reliability, and simplify management. Leveraging these capabilities enables organizations to realize a self-learning, self-optimizing, and self-healing SAN. In addition, the Brocade X7 Director provides cyber-resiliency. With integrated security technology that protects mission-critical operations by validating the integrity of Gen 7 hardware and software, with enhanced security and autonomous SAN technology, organizations can take the guesswork out of protecting and managing a network.

Brocade X7 Directors provide up to 384 64G ports or up to 512 32G ports, enabling organizations to scale more devices, applications, and workloads. With diverse deployment options, multiprotocol flexibility, and mixed blade capability, organizations can adapt and optimize their businesses to meet next-generation storage and server requirements. The Brocade X7 Director supports the concurrent use of both traditional Fibre Channel and NVMe storage traffic, allowing organizations to seamlessly integrate Brocade Gen 7 Fibre Channel networks with next-generation NVMe-based storage, without a disruptive rip-and-replace.

Modern Modular Building Block Designed for Enterprise Deployments

Designed to meet continuous data growth and critical application demands, the Brocade X7 Director is purpose-built to power largescale storage environments that require increased capacity, greater throughput, and higher levels of resiliency and operational efficiency. This modular building block enables organizations to build the highest performing data center SAN fabric that is required for all-flash and NVMe storage environments. The Brocade X7 Director modular design provides flexibility with two customizable chassis that can scale on-demand for more devices, applications, and workloads. Both chassis utilize Brocade UltraScale ICL technology to scale out modular SANs while preserving blade ports for device connectivity and allowing flexible SAN design that supports core-edge or mesh topologies.

The 14U Brocade X7-8 Director is built for large enterprise networks and has eight vertical blade slots to provide up to 384 64G ports or up to 512 32G ports for device connectivity. An additional 32 UltraScale Inter-Chassis Link (ICL) connections provide 128 ports for chassis-to-chassis interconnect.

The 8U Brocade X7-4 Director in built for midsize networks and has four horizontal blade slots to provide up to 192 64G ports or up to 256 32G ports for device connectivity. An additional 16 UltraScale ICL connections provide 64 ports for chassis-to-chassis interconnect.

Each blade slot within the Brocade X7 chassis can be populated with optional port or extension blades. For device connectivity, the following blades are available:

- The Brocade FC64-48 Fibre Channel port blade provides 48 x 64G Fibre Channel ports with backward-compatibility support for 8, 10, and 32G Fibre Channel connectivity.
- The Brocade FC32-X7-48 Fibre Channel port blade provides 48 x 32G Fibre Channel ports with backward-compatibility support for 4, 8, 10, and 16G Fibre Channel connectivity.
- The Brocade FC32-64 Fibre Channel port blade provides 64 x 32G Fibre Channel ports with backward-compatibility support for 4, 8, and 16G Fibre Channel connectivity.
- * FC32-64 Port Blade is only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa

Brocade directors build upon years of innovation and leverage the core technology of Brocade systems to consistently deliver five-nines availability in the world’s most demanding data centers. Delivering nondisruptive software upgrades, hot-pluggable components, and a no-single-point-of-failure design, the Brocade X7 offers a highly resilient solution for today’s enterprise-class storage environments.
Autonomous SAN

The combination of SAN analytics and automation technologies is unlocking the capabilities to deliver a self-learning, self-optimizing, and self-healing autonomous SAN.

Self-Learning:
- Gather and transform billions of data points into network intelligence
- Visualize application and device-based performance and health metrics
- Detect abnormal traffic behaviors and degraded performance
- Eliminate operational steps by automatically learning application flows

Self-Optimizing:
- Optimize critical application performance by automatically prioritizing traffic
- Guarantee application performance by proactively monitoring and actively shaping traffic
- Eliminate human errors and performance impacts through open DevOps automation technology
- Optimize administrative resources with cloud-like SAN orchestration

Self-Healing:
- Instantly notify end devices of congestion for automatic resolution
- Ensure data delivery with automatic failover from physical or congestion issues
- Detect and automatically reconfigure out-of-compliance fabrics
- Eliminate performance impacts by automatically taking corrective action on misbehaving devices

Protect Mission-Critical Workloads with Gen 7 Integrated Security

The sophistication and volume of cybercriminal behavior have dramatically increased as a direct result of the added reliance on digital data by businesses. Counterfeiting and tampering with hardware and software have become a lucrative illegal trade that leads to billions of dollars in losses across all industries. This counterfeiting and tampering within the data center can cause serious damage and risk to your environment. A Brocade Gen 7 cyber-resilient network protects against security threats, enables nonstop operations, and maximizes management automation. Fibre Channel fabrics are secure by design based on controlled access between servers and storage and isolation within the data center. Brocade Gen 7 technology further reduces the risk of vulnerabilities from malware and hijacking attacks by validating the integrity of the switch operating system, security settings, and hardware.

Brocade Fabric OS® (FOS) adds additional security enhancements to validate the integrity and security of Brocade hardware and software. These features include Secure Boot, Brocade Trusted FOS (“TruFOS”) Certificates, FOS hardening with removal of root access, and automated distribution of SSL certificates via SANnav™ Management Portal. Brocade TruFOS Certificates ensure that enterprises running Brocade directors and switches are currently covered with support and securely enabled to perform critical operations without having to worry about whether the operating system has been tampered with. In addition, Brocade has hardened FOS by removing root-level access to the operating system to protect the SAN against malware and hijacking attacks.

Those enterprises using Brocade SANnav® Management Portal have the ability to automatically distribute SSL certificates across the SAN to ensure authenticity and encryption settings. In addition, Brocade SANnav® Management Portal has built-in security features to help protect the network. With Brocade SANnav®, administrators can set up monitoring and alerting for security configuration changes, customize security thresholds, give proper access control to individual admins, and view switch security events.

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Autonomous SAN Innovation

The Brocade X7 Director with Fabric Vision technology provides a robust analytics architecture that delivers autonomous SAN technology through self-learning, self-optimizing, and self-healing capabilities. Brocade Fabric Vision technology is a collection of features that leverage comprehensive data collection capabilities with powerful analytics to quickly understand the health and performance of the environment and identify any potential impacts or trending problems.

Analyze the SAN to Optimize Performance and Reliability

IT organizations are responsible for delivering nonstop performance and reliability to ensure that service-level agreements (SLAs) are met. They need analytics to help extract actionable intelligence from their environment and simplified management tools to quickly and easily understand the state of their environment. This requires an infrastructure that can automatically learn its performance and health characteristics, identify potential risks, and provide recommended actions to resolve issues.

With Gen 7, Brocade products enable a self-learning SAN that gathers and transforms billions of data points into actionable intelligence to make fast, informed decisions to optimize performance and ensure reliability. Brocade products proactively monitor I/O performance and behavior data points through integrated network sensors to gain deep insight into the environment. The information captured is displayed in Brocade SANnav® Management Portal to quickly identify and isolate problems before they impact application availability. With built-in best practice recommendations, organizations can simplify troubleshooting by identifying and isolating issues to resolve them as fast as possible. Combining these tools with automation, Brocade technology can detect abnormal traffic behaviors and degraded performance to automatically take corrective action, eliminating the potential impact of this issue. These new autonomous SAN technologies greatly simplify SAN management and enable unparalleled network performance and reliability.

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Automate the SAN to Simplify Management Complexity

IT organizations spend nearly half of their time performing repetitive daily management tasks, such as zoning, inventory reporting, and operational validation checks. By automating these repetitive tasks, IT organizations can significantly improve their efficiency and dramatically decrease the risk of operational mistakes. Automation in large-scale IT environments integrates diverse infrastructure components with consistency and predictability to deliver greater operational efficiency and agility.

With Brocade automation, the Brocade X7 Director can automate actions to simplify management and resolve issues without intervention to avoid network disruptions and outages. Through open DevOps automation technology, organizations can reliably perform resource-intensive tasks, such as infrastructure deployment and provisioning, in a fraction of the time to expedite IT services, while eliminating human error. In addition, automation proactively monitors the network to self-optimize performance and automatically mitigate fabric-related issues with self-healing capabilities.

With self-optimizing capability, Brocade technology utilizes actionable intelligence to maximize performance. Real-time monitoring of health and performance characteristics enables the network to make smarter decisions on traffic prioritization, congestion management, and notification to ensure optimal network performance for applications and storage. Brocade Traffic Optimizer guarantees critical application performance by automatically
prioritizing traffic. This advanced capability classifies and separates traffic with similar characteristics such as protocol, speed, and latency. In addition, Traffic Optimizer can help avoid application performance impacts by automatically isolating traffic adversely impacting other flows.

Brocade Gen 7 raises the bar for network availability through automatic avoidance and recovery features, delivering a self-healing SAN. When detection of potential disruptions occurs, the network will automatically mitigate or resolve issues without intervention. Brocade software identifies abnormal or unexpected behavior and automatically takes action to avoid a degradation in performance. If congestion occurs, it will instantly notify end devices of the congestion problem through an alerting and signaling process. Once they are alerted, the software ensures data delivery with automatic failover or adjustment of traffic to mitigate the impact of the problem. Brocade SAN management tools can identify various latency severity levels, pinpointing exactly which devices are causing the issues or are impacted by a bottleneck, and quarantine misbehaving devices automatically.

**Instant Visibility and Simplified Processes**

Brocade SANnav* Management Portal and SANnav* Global View empower IT administrators with comprehensive visibility across the entire SAN, from a global view down to local environments. By contextualizing data into visual dashboards and topology views, administrators can quickly detect and isolate points of interest to increase operational efficiencies. In addition, Brocade SANnav* streamlines management workflows to accelerate the deployment of new applications, switches, servers, and storage. All of the SAN telemetry data collected by SANnav* Management Portal can also be streamed to third-party applications via Kafka streaming.

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**Maximum Performance for the On-Demand Data Center**

Evolving critical workloads and higher density virtualization are continuing to demand greater, more predictable performance. The Brocade X7 Director features industry-leading Gen 7 Fibre Channel that increases performance for demanding workloads across 64G links and up to 31Tb/s of chassis bandwidth to address next-generation I/O-intensive and bandwidth-intensive applications. This breakthrough performance speeds up data-intensive application response times and allows more transactions in less time, ultimately improving SLAs. In addition, the Brocade X7 Director increases scalability with double the throughput for high-density VM deployments and larger fabrics. This allows organizations to support more storage devices and meet bandwidth requirements.

Brocade X7 Directors provide unmatched chassis, slot-to-slot, and port performance, delivering the lowest port-to-port latency for any director. For the lowest possible latency, local switching enables data traffic in the same port group to switch within a single ASIC, instead of going through the chassis backplane.

The Brocade X7 Director features IO Insight for nonintrusive, real-time monitoring of NVMe workloads, helping to ensure optimal performance. IO Insight monitors I/O performance and behavior through integrated The Brocade X7 Director features IO Insight for nonintrusive, real-time monitoring of NVMe workloads, helping to ensure optimal performance. IO Insight monitors I/O performance and behavior through integrated network sensors, providing deep insight into problems and helping to ensure service levels. This capability nondisruptively and nonintrusively gathers I/O statistics from any device port and then feeds them to a monitoring policy that sets thresholds and generates alerts. VM Insight applies the IO Insight visibility for each virtual machine (VM). Integrated VM, application, and device-level I/O latency and IOPS monitoring enable administrators to set baseline application performance and identify the VM or physical layer responsible for the degraded performance. Integrated network sensors provide I/O performance management to avoid dependence on invasive and disruptive physical taps.

**Simplified Scale-Out Network Design**

Organizations need to adapt to continuous data growth and seamlessly scale out their storage environments. Brocade UltraScale chassis connectivity leverages optical Inter-Chassis Links (ICLs). These links can connect up to 12 Brocade Gen 5, Gen 6, or Gen 7 directors, enabling flatter, faster, and simpler fabrics that increase consolidation while reducing network complexity and costs. UltraScale ICLs are QSFP-based and enable scalable core-edge and active-active mesh chassis topologies. These high-density chassis topologies reduce inter-switch cabling by 75%. With the UltraScale ICL connections residing on the core routing blades instead of consuming ports on the port blades, up to 33% more device ports are available for server and storage connectivity. This maximizes overall port density within the smallest amount of rack space while freeing up front-facing device ports for server and storage connectivity.

**Extended Distance and Replication with a Scalable, Multiprotocol Extension Solution**

Connecting distributed data centers enables data mobility for advanced data protection. Enterprise data centers need a disaster recovery infrastructure to ensure fast, continuous, and easy replication of mission-critical data to anywhere in the world. Storage administrators need to replicate large amounts of data quickly, securely, reliably, and simply while minimizing operational and capital expenses.

Brocade Fabric Vision technology with SANnav* Management Portal provides insight and visibility for connections between data centers, as well as the fabrics within each data center. With its powerful, integrated monitoring, management, and diagnostic tools, Fabric Vision technology enables organizations to minimize the impact of disruptions and outages for nonstop business operations. Fabric Vision monitors replication traffic for both Fibre Channel and IP storage. Brocade SANnav* Management Portal visualizes the traffic for Fibre Channel and IP storage through in-context topology views to simplify managing complex multi-fabric environments.

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**Adapting to Next-Gen Storage Requirements with Flexible Deployment Options**

To realize the full benefits of flash, organizations will need to transition their high-performance, latency-sensitive workloads to flash-based storage with NVMe over Fibre Channel. The simplicity and efficiency of NVMe enable significant performance gains for flash storage.

The Brocade X7 Director enables flexibility with multiprotocol connectivity, allowing administrators to seamlessly adapt to next-gen requirements and design architectures with concurrent Fibre Channel or NVMe connectivity options. Organizations can seamlessly integrate Brocade Gen 7 Fibre Channel networks with NVMe without a disruptive rip-and-replace. Leveraging the efficiency of NVMe, combined with the high performance and low latency of Brocade Gen 7 Fibre Channel, organizations can accelerate IOPS to deliver the performance, application response time, and scalability needed for next-generation data centers.

For investment protection, Brocade X7 Directors offer three generations of backward-compatibility support for connectivity to 8G, 16G, and 32G Fibre Channel products. Furthermore, the Brocade X7 supports mix-and-match blades, allowing for Gen 6 and Gen 7 blades to be installed within the chassis.
Technical details

BROCADE X7 Director Specifications

System Architecture

Chassis

**Single Chassis:**
- **Brocade X7-8:** Nonblocking architecture  
  - X7-8 Director with 48 64G port blades: 31Tb/s of aggregate chassis bandwidth (384 device ports with a 64G data rate plus 32 4xGen7 ICLs)  
  - X7-8 Director with 64 32G port blades: 22.8Tb/s of aggregate chassis bandwidth (512 device ports with a 32G data rate plus 32 4xGen7 ICLs)  
- **Brocade X7-4:** Nonblocking architecture  
  - X7-4 Director with 48 64G port blades: 15.5Tb/s of aggregate chassis bandwidth (192 device ports with a 64G data rate plus 16 4xGen7 ICLs)  
  - X7-4 Director with 64 32G port blades: 11.4Tb/s of aggregate chassis bandwidth (256 device ports with a 32G data rate plus 16 4xGen7 ICLs)  
  - Each provides support for (E, F, D, M, SIM, and EX) Fibre Channel ports using 48-port 64G Fibre Channel blades.

Control processor

Redundant (active/standby) control processor modules.

Scalability

Full-fabric architecture of 239 switches.

Certified maximum

6000 active devices per switch; 56 switches, 19 hops in Brocade FOS fabrics; larger fabrics certified as required.

Fibre Channel blades

**Brocade FC64-48 port blade** provides 48 ports of 64G Fibre Channel.  
**Brocade FC32-X7-48 port blade** provides 48 ports of 32G Fibre Channel.  
**Brocade FC32-64 port blade** provides 64 ports of 32G Fibre Channel.  
* FC32-64 Port Blade is only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa

Performance

**Brocade FC64-48 Port Blade:**  
- Fibre Channel: 8.5Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 10.53Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 14.025Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 28.05Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 57.8Gb/s line speed, full duplex. Autosensing of 8, 16, 32, and 64G port speeds depending on SFPs used. 10G port speeds with dedicated SFPs.  

**Brocade FC32-X7-48 Port Blade:**  
- Fibre Channel: 4.25Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 8.5Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 10.53Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 14.025Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 28.05Gb/s line speed, full duplex. Autosensing of 4, 8, 16, and 32G port speeds depending on SFPs used. 10G port speeds with dedicated SFPs.  

**Brocade FC32-64 Port Blade:**  
- Fibre Channel: 4.25Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 8.5Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 14.025Gb/s line speed, full duplex; 28.05Gb/s line speed, full duplex. Autosensing of 4, 8, 16, and 32G port speeds depending on QSFPs used.  
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ISL trunking

Frame-based trunking with up to eight 64G SFP+ ports per ISL trunk; up to 512Gb/s per ISL trunk; Exchange-based load balancing across ISLs with DPS included in Brocade FOS.

UltraScale ICL trunking

Chassis-to-chassis linkage through connectors on the Core Routing (CR) blade. Can configure the following maximum number of QSFPs per trunk depending on blade type, connecting:  
- Up to four QSFP ports in a trunk group between two Brocade CR64-4 blades. For trunks that contain four or fewer QSFP ports, ports in a trunk must be located in the same port group on each blade.  
- Up to four QSFP ports in a trunk group between a Brocade CR64-4 blade and a CR64-8 blade. For trunks that contain four or fewer QSFP ports, ports in a trunk must be located in the same port group on each blade.  
- A minimum of two QSFP connections are required for a trunk, and up to four QSFP trunks between pairs of Brocade CR64-8 (CR64-4) and CR32-8 (CR32-4).

Multichassis with UltraScale ICL ports

Up to 4608 Fibre Channel ports; UltraScale ICL ports (32 for 8-slot or 16 per 4-slot chassis, optical QSFP) connect up to 9 chassis in a full-mesh topology or up to 12 chassis in a core-edge topology.
## System Architecture

| Chassis bandwidth | Brocade X7-8: 31Tb/s per chassis with 384 device ports + 32 UltraScale ICL connections supporting 128 ports.  
|                  | Brocade X7-4: 15.5Tb/s per chassis with 192 device ports + 16 UltraScale ICL connections supporting 64 ports.  |

| Slot bandwidth | 3072Gb/s providing line-rate performance for the Brocade FC64-48 blade.  |

| Maximum frame size | 2112-byte payload.  |

| Frame buffers | 24,000 per switching ASIC.  |

| Classes of service | Class 2, Class 3, Class F (inter-switch frames).  |

### Fibre Channel port types

| CR64-8 and CR64-4 CR blades: | E_Port, EX_Port, and D_Port.  
| FC64-48, FC32-X7-48, FC32-64* port blades: | F_Port, E_Port, EX_Port, M_Port, SIM, and D_Port. (FC32-X7-48 at 4G speed supports only F_Port connectivity.)  
Self-discovery is based on switch type (U_Port) with an optional port type control.  |

* FC32-64 Port Blade is only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa.

### Data traffic types

| Fabric switches supporting unicast.  |

### Media types

| Brocade FC64-48 port blade: | 64G FC SFP+ LC connector: SWL, LWL, ELWL  
|                           | 32G FC SFP+ LC connector: SWL, LWL, ELWL  
|                           | 10G FC SFP+ LC connector*: 1: SWL, LWL  |

| Brocade FC32-X7-48 port blade: | 32G FC SFP+ LC connector: SWL, LWL, ELWL  
|                                 | 10G FC SFP+ LC connector*: 1: SWL, LWL  |

| Brocade FC32-64 port blade*: 2: | 4x32G FC QSFP+ MPO connector: SWL  
|                                 | 4x32G FC QSFP+ SMF LC connector: 2 km (fixed at 4x32G only)  
|                                 | 4x16G FC QSFP+ MPO connector: SWL  |

| Core Routing (CR) blades, Brocade CR64-4 and CR64-8: | Gen 7 FC QSFP+ MPO connector: SWL, 2 km*  
|                                                      | 4x32G FC QSFP+ SMF LC connector: SWL, 2 km  
Note: MPO connectors require 1x12 ribbon cable up to 66m over OM3 or 100m over OM4.  
*Use of the Gen 7 2-km ICL QSFP is subject to the following environmental ratings for maximum intake air temperature: 0–40°C at sea level; 0–35°C up to 1500m (4921 ft) elevation; and 0–30°C from 1500m to 3000m (9843 ft) elevation.  
*1 10G FC is only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa  
*2 FC32-64 Port Blade is only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa.

### USB

| One USB port per control processor for firmware download, support save, and configuration upload or download.  |

### Fabric services

| BB Credit Recovery; Brocade Advanced Zoning (Default Zoning, Port/WWN Zoning, Peer Zoning); Congestion Signaling; Dynamic Path Selection (DPS); Extended Fabrics; Fabric Performance Impact Notification (FPIN); Fabric Vision; FDMI; Flow Vision; F_Port Trunking; FSPF; Integrated Routing; ISL Trunking; Management Server; Name Server; NPIV; NTP v3; Port Decommission/Fencing; QoS; Registered State Change Notification (RSCN); Target-Driven Zoning; Traffic Optimizer; Virtual Fabrics (Logical Switch, Logical Fabric); VMID+ and AppServer.  |

### Extension

| Supports DWDM, CWDM, and FC-SONET Devices; Fibre Channel; In-flight Compression (Brocade LZO) and Encryption (AES-GCM-256); BB Credit Recovery; Adaptive Rate Limiting (ARL); Data Compression; Fast Write; Read/Write Tape Pipelining; QoS.  |

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**Brocade X7 Director Specifications (Continued)**

### System Components

| Fibre Channel ports | Brocade X7-8: Up to 384 64G ports or up to 512 32G ports, universal (E_Port, F_Port, EX_Port, M_Port, D_Port, SIM Port).  
|                     | Brocade X7-4: Up to 192 64G ports or up to 256 32G ports, universal (F_Port, E_Port, EX_Port, M_Port, D_Port, SIM Port).  |

| Classes of service | Class 2, Class 3, Class F (inter-switch frames).  |
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<td>Port-to-port latency</td>
<td>Local switching: 460 ns at 64G (including FEC as part of the FC standard).</td>
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<td>Blade-to-blade: 1.4 μs</td>
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<td>Architecture</td>
<td>Nonblocking shared memory; passive backplane; redundant active/passive control processor; redundant active/active core switching blades; redundant WWN cards.</td>
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| Chassis power                         | **Brocade X7-8**  
|                                      | • Four power supplies required for AC low-line (100 VAC to 120 VAC).        |
|                                      | • Two power supplies required for AC high-line (200 VAC to 240 VAC).        |
|                                      | • Chassis ships empty only. PSU and fans must be ordered separately. Three PSUs are required for 2+1 redundancy. Two PSUs provide system power, but four PSUs must be installed to provide power efficiency and 2+2 redundancy. |
|                                      | **Brocade X7-4**  
|                                      | • Two power supplies required for AC low-line (100 VAC to 120 VAC).        |
|                                      | • One power supply required for AC high-line (200 VAC to 240 VAC).          |
|                                      | • Chassis ships empty only. PSU and fans must be ordered separately. One PSU provides system power, but both PSUs must be installed to provide power efficiency and 1+1 redundancy. |
| Cooling                              | **Brocade X7-8**  
|                                      | • Requires three fan tray assemblies. A failure condition is one failed fan from any fan tray. |
|                                      | • Each assembly contains two fans for a total of six fans. The system requires five of six functioning fans for operation in the Brocade X7-8. One fan tray assembly can be hot-swapped and should be replaced immediately in the event of a failure. |
|                                      | **Brocade X7-4**  
|                                      | • Requires two fan tray assemblies. A failure condition is one failed fan from any fan tray. |
|                                      | • Each assembly contains two fans for a total of four fans. The system requires three of four functioning fans for operation in the Brocade X7-4. One fan assembly can be hot-swapped and should be replaced immediately in the event of a failure. |
| Airflow                              | Non-port-side intake (NPI) to port-side exhaust and port-side intake to non-port-side exhaust (NPE*). Options are available. |
|                                      | * only available in Europe, Middle East & Africa                             |
| Solution availability                | Designed to provide 99.999% uptime capabilities; hot-pluggable redundant power supplies, fans, WWN cards, processors, core switching, port blades, and optics; online diagnostics; nondisruptive firmware download and activation. |

#### Management

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<td>Management access</td>
<td>10/100/1000Mb/s Ethernet (RJ-45) per control processor; serial console port (RJ-45) and one USB per control processor module; DHCP/DHCPv6; call-home integration enabled through Brocade SANnav* Management Portal.</td>
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<td>Active Support Connectivity (ASC) and Brocade Support Link (BSL); built-in flow generator; ClearLink® optics and cable diagnostics, including electrical/optical loopback, link traffic/latency/distance; Fabric Performance Impact Monitoring (FPI); flow mirroring; Forward Error Correction; frame viewer; IO Insight for SCSI and NVMe monitoring; Monitoring and Alerting Policy Suite (MAPS); nondisruptive daemon restart; optics health monitoring; POST and embedded</td>
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Management

- Online/offline diagnostics, including environmental monitoring, FCping, and Pathinfo (FC traceroute);
- Power monitoring;
- RAStrace logging;
- Rolling Reboot Detection (RRD);
- Syslog/Audit Log;
- VM Insight.

Mechanical Specifications

Enclosure

**Brocade X7-8**
- 12-blade slots: 14U rack-mountable chassis; 27 in. to 31 in. and 22 in. rail kits for the four-post rack; mid-mount kit for the two-post rack.

**Brocade X7-4**
- 8-blade slots: 8U rack-mountable chassis; 27 in. to 31 in. rail, 18 in. to 24 in. rail, and airflow diversion rack-mount kits for the four-post rack; mid-mount kit for the two-post rack.

Mounting

- Rack-mountable in a standard 19-inch EIA cabinet.

Size

**Brocade X7-8**
- Height: 61.23 cm (24.11 in., 14U)
- Width: 43.74 cm (17.23 in.)
- Depth: 61.04 cm (24.04 in.)

**Brocade X7-4**
- Height: 34.45 cm (13.56 in., 8U)
- Width: 43.74 cm (17.23 in.)
- Depth: 61.04 cm (24.04 in.)

**Brocade X7-4 with airflow diversion rack-mount kit**
- Height: 40.00 cm (15.75 in., 9U)
- Width: 43.74 cm (17.23 in.)
- Depth: 61.29 cm (24.09 in.)

System weight

**Brocade X7-8**
- 35.61 kg (78.5 lb) for chassis
- 145.8 kg (321.5 lb) maximum fully populated configuration

**Brocade X7-4**
- 24.5 kg (54 lb) for chassis
- 68.95 kg (152.0 lb) maximum fully populated configuration

Environmental

**Temperature**
- Operating: 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F).
- Non-operating: −25°C to 70°C (−13°F to 158°F).

**Humidity**
- Operating humidity: 5% to 93% RH non-condensing at 40°C (104°F) with a maximum gradient of 10% per hour.
- Non-operating humidity: 10% to 93% RH non-condensing at 70°C (158°F).

**Altitude**
- Up to 3000 meters (9842 feet).

**Shock**
- Operating: 10g, 11 ms, half sine wave.
- Non-operating: 20g, 11 ms, half sine wave.

**Vibration**
- Operating: 5 Hz to 10 Hz at +5 dB/oct; 10 Hz to 200 Hz at 0.0005 G2/Hz; 200 Hz to 500 Hz at −5 dB/oct; scale 0.5 grms.
- Non-operating: 3 Hz to 10 Hz at +5 dB/oct; 10 Hz to 200 Hz at 0.0065 G2/Hz; 200 Hz to 500 Hz at −5 dB/oct; scale 1.12 grms.

Heat dissipation

**Brocade X7-8**
- 64G 384-port configuration, including ICLs: Typical: 10,953 Btu/hr; Max: 15,530 Btu/hr.
- Power consumed: Typical: 3210W; Max: 4550W.
- Note: Input power is at 200 VAC with full PSU redundancy.

**Brocade X7-4**
- 64G 192-port configuration, including ICLs: Typical: 5596 Btu/hr; Max: 7523 Btu/hr.
- Power consumed: Typical: 1640W; Max: 2204W.
- Note: Input power is at 200 VAC with full PSU redundancy.

Power

**Supported power range**

- **Standard AC Power Supplies**
  - **Input Voltage**
Standard AC input:
Range: 90 VAC to 264 VAC auto-volt
Nominal: 100 VAC to 240 VAC

**Power**

85 VAC to 132 VAC: 1450W
180 VAC to 264 VAC: 2870W

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<th>In-rush current</th>
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## Fujitsu platform solutions

In addition to Brocade X7 Directors Switch, Fujitsu provides a range of platform solutions. They combine reliable Fujitsu products with the best in services, know-how and worldwide partnerships.

### Dynamic Infrastructures

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### Computing products

- **PRIMERGY**: Industry standard server
- **SPARC Enterprise**: UNIX server
- **PRIMEQUEST**: Mission-critical IA server
- **ETERNUS**: Storage system

**Software**

- Interstage: Application infrastructure software
- Systemwalker: System management software

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