

CF8 - 8 Slot, Layer 1 Switch - Data Sheet

OVERVIEW

When considering a layer 1 switch you no longer have to choose between performance, features and affordability. ColdFusion is the only Layer 1 Switch to offer:

- Multimode, Singlemode, AOC, DAC, PSM4
- Any speed up to 128GB
- Any protocol
- Highest scale: 1024 1G to 28GB Ports or 256 up to 128GB ports
- Highest density: 12 rack units for fully populated system
- Full wire-speed unicast, multicast and broadcast mapping
- Port level diagnostics
- Affordable configurations



ColdFusion offers best in class feature set in an affordable design.

Benefits

Lepton's ColdFusion L1 switch addresses the final roadblock in complete test lab automation: the physical layer. Once wired to ColdFusion, test configurations can be initiated using remote commands or API scripting to fully automate tests, eliminating the need for manual set-up. This greatly improves CAPEX and OPEX and optimizes any test automation software deployment.

System Details

ColdFusion's Optical-Electrical-Optical (OEO) architecture is protocol agnostic Layer 1 switch with sub 50 ms connection time, zero insertion loss, and a fixed, deterministic latency of <50ns.

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It intelligently connects up to 256 devices at 128G or 1024 devices at 1G to 28G in a dynamic and agile network environment.

The basic chassis includes four integrated fabric control components, and two replaceable fan units mounted on the back panel which operate at the same variable speed, and adjust automatically with the system temperature. ColdFusion supports four redundant, hot-swappable AC power supplies.

Each ColdFusion chassis supports up to eight modular data blades for scalable applications. Each blade provides up to 32 configurable QSFP28/SFP28 sockets for a total of 256 128G ports/system. Additionally, each data port partitions into four 1G to 28G lanes for 1024 data streams using breakout cables.

ColdFusion is managed via one system control module with a front panel that provides status LEDs, an IP status text display, and management interface ports for remote and local access. ColdFusion is controlled via CLI commands. Automation can be performed using Python API, or RESTful scripting language. Test lab automation software offered by Qualisystems (CloudShell) and Spirent (Velocity) also supports ColdFusion.

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Specifications

Physical Specifications	
Dimensions	21" H x 17.25" W x 17.5" D 53.34 cm x 43.815 cm x 43.815 cm
Rack Mounting	19" with mounting ears, 12RU
Weight (fully loaded system)	120.9 lbs/54.84 kg
System controller Interfaces	Ethernet RJ45 (remote), 2 x USB, HDMI (local monitor), serial port
Optical Characteristics	
Ports	256 QSFP28 sockets. Each port partitions into four 1G to 28G lanes using break-out cables.
Physical Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single Mode, Multi-mode (Including media conversion between mapped ports) • Active Optical Cable (AOC) • Direct Attach Cable (DAC) • PSM4
Application Data Rates	1G to 128G
Application Protocols	Including, but not limited to: Ethernet, Fibre Channel, OTN, and InfiniBand. ColdFusion supports any other serial data communication protocols within the range of 1G to 128G
Fixed Latency (port-to-port, maximum)	<50ns at 128G
Insertion Loss	0 dB
Switching Time	<50ms
Pluggable Fiber-optic Transceivers (Provided by user)	Must comply with FDA CDRH performance standards.

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Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full wire-speed unicast, multicast and broadcast • Link/port flapping simulation - user-defined parameters
Port level diagnostics	TX power, RX power, LOS, temperature
Power Supply Specifications	
Source Input Maximum Current	11.5 Amps per power supply up to 46 Amps per system with four power supplies installed
Source Input Voltage	90-140 VAC (1000 Watts output per power supply at 115 VAC) 180-264 VAC (2000 Watts output per power supply at 230 VAC)
Power Supply Units	115 VAC source: four power supplies required, no redundancy 230 VAC source: two power supplies required, optional two redundant
Input Voltage Range	180-264 VAC = 2000 Watts output at 230 VAC 90-140 VAC = 1000 Watts output at 115 VAC
Frequency Maximum Input	47 Hz to 63 Hz
Current Inrush Current EMI	11.5 Amps at 100/200 VAC
(Conducted and Radiated)	50 Apk
Hold-up Time Nominal Output	Class A
Standby Output LED Status	11 ms at 95% load
	12.2 Volts at 163.9 Amps
	12 Volts at 3.5 Amps
	Solid Green = Main output on Blinking Amber = Standby or No AC power
Environmental Conditions	
Operating Temperature (at full output power)	-17.78°F to 122°F 0°C to 50°C
Operating Altitude	16,400 feet/4998.72 meters
Operating Humidity	< 95%, non-condensing

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Safety and Compliance	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCC Part 15 (Class A) • RoHS Compliant • CE Declaration of Conformity (Europe) • Reach Compliant
Proposition 65 (California)	Lepton products may contain chemicals known to California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.
Management Interface	
Interfaces	CLI and SSH
Application Program Interfaces (API) and Scripting Languages	Python API, RESTful
Test Automation Software Integration	Quali Systems (CloudShell) Spirent (Velocity)



The Basics: What is a layer 1 Switch

A physical layer switch, or Layer 1(L1) switch, operates at the physical layer of the OSI (Open System Interconnection) model. The easiest way to think of a Layer 1 switch is as an electronic, programmable patch panel. It simply establishes the physical connection between ports. The connection is established using software commands and thus, allows test topologies to be automatically or remotely configured. A layer 1 switch does not read, manipulate or use packet/frame headers to route the data. L1 switches are fully transparent to the data and typically have a very low latency. Completely transparent connections between ports are important in testing environments as this allows the tests to be as accurate as if there were a patch cord between the devices.

Line Cards Availability

ColdFusion layer 1 switch is available in two modular form factors 12RU 8 slot chassis and 5RU 2 slot chassis.

Each slot can be independently populated with one of the following Line Card options:

	32 QSFP Based Interfaces	64 SFP Based Interfaces
		
Max number of up-to 128G ports in 8 slot chassis	Up-to 256 ports using any MSA compliant QSFP module	N/A
Max number of up-to 32G-FC ports in 8 slot chassis	Up-to 1024 ports using QSFP and 1->4 breakout cables	Up To 512 ports using any MSA compliant SFP module
Supported Ethernet Rates	100M, 1G, 2G, 5G, 10G, 40G, 100G	100M, 1G, 2G, 5G, 10G
Supported Fibre Channel rates	1G, 2G, 4G, 8G, 16G, 32G, 128G	1G, 2G, 4G, 8G, 16G, 32G
Native Support for Ethernet, RJ45 SFP	NO	YES, up to 512 ports



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