Agilio® LX 2x40GbE SmartNIC

SMARTNIC FOR HIGH-PERFORMANCE CLOUD, SDN AND NFV NETWORKING

Commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) servers are increasingly used as service nodes for networking and security processing, but often need acceleration to support intelligent applications at high data rates across millions of flows. Netronome’s Agilio LX SmartNICs deliver high performance server-based networking functions such as load balancing and virtual switching and can be deployed in standard x86 servers for service node applications in the data center.

The Agilio LX family of SmartNICs are specifically designed for virtualized and non-virtualized x86 server-based service nodes and WAN Gateways. With a unique architectural approach tightly coupling Netronome flow processing cores with general-purpose multicore x86 processors over a high-speed virtualized PCIe datapath, the solution delivers significant scale and efficiencies for networking functions such as security (e.g., IDS/IPS, NGFW, DDoS), load balancing and gateway applications.

Netronome SmartNICs provide a platform to accelerate virtual switching tasks by offloading the entire Open vSwitch (OVS) datapath, eliminating CPU resource constraints, increasing throughput (Mpps) and bandwidth (Gb/s) allowing highly virtualized servers to scale within the data center. Other valuable offloads include L2/L3 switching and routing, packet classification and filtering, NAPT, tunnel handling, intelligent load balancing and cryptography. By offloading these compute-intensive networking functions, performance can be significantly improved.

Based on Netronome’s NFP-6000 flow processor, the dual port 40GbE SmartNIC incorporates two PCIe Gen3x8 interfaces, 8GB of DDR3 memory, and 96 highly threaded flow processing cores. Along with Netronome Agilio software, SmartNICs enable application acceleration with standards-based APIs and SDN configuration protocols delivering unmatched host bandwidth to standard single-, dual- and quad-socket servers optimizing NUMA architectures. The solution enables x86-based COTS servers to deliver application performance and scale at levels previously possible only with custom, proprietary and expensive designs.

Netronome SmartNICs provide a 10X performance increase over traditional NICs for server-based networking applications running on x86-based service nodes. Additional hardware accelerators are provided for cryptography, time stamping and SR-IOV. Large on-chip and on-board memories deliver 8M flow table entries and 128k wildcard rules to satisfy the requirements of the most demanding SDN and

HIGHLIGHTS
- vSwitch datapath offload on popular OS platforms
- SR-IOV, DPDK, zero-copy, packet-direct and stateless offloads
- Server-based SDN with stateless and stateful flow processing
- Comprehensive network acceleration technologies
- Industry-leading intelligent data plane architecture
- Fully programmable control for new network feature rollouts
- Flexible and scalable tunneling and match-action policies
NFV applications. The Agilio LX SmartNIC family provides line-rate programmable packet and flow processing to keep pace with the rapid change in SDN protocols and standards.

**SPECIFICATIONS**

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<tr>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>8GB of DDR3 DRAM @1866 Mhz w/ ECC</td>
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<td>1.1- and 2.0-compatible 2.5, 5.0 or 8.0GT/s link rate x8</td>
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*Please ask your Netronome representative for the latest supported O/S and Hypervisors.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS**

- Operating Temp.: 5 to 50°C
- Storage Temp.: -10 to 60°C
- Relative Humidity: 5% to 95%, non-condensing
- Air Flow: 400 lfm min (passive heat sink), 0 lfm min (active heat sink)

**AGENCY APPROVALS**

- Certification: NRTL, FCC, EU, RoHS, CE

**FEATURES**

**Virtual Switch Data plane Offload**
- VXLAN, NVGRE, MPLS, tunnel encapsulation and de-encapsulation
- Programmable support for custom tunnel types
- Flexible packet parsing
- Flexible exact match-action policy offloads
- Flexible wild card match policy offloads
- Hardware-based match policy for cut-through acceleration
- Stateless and stateful load balancing
- Per-flow metering and QoS

**Network Acceleration and Offloads**
- TCP/UDP/IP stateless offload
- Receive-side scaling (RSS)
- Single-Root IOV (SR-IOV)
- Multiple queues per virtual machine
- DPDK, zero-copy, kernel bypass, packet direct

**Acceleration of Compute-intensive Functions**
- Bulk cryptography & sophisticated hashing
- Deep packet inspection (DPI)
- Atomic operations
- Per-flow real-time statistics

**Other Features**
- Up to 8M flows on card
- Up to 500k tunnels
- P4 and C-programmable for fast feature rollouts

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**Agilio LX 2x40GbE SmartNIC Block Diagram**

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