

NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Adapter Cards User Manual

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#### 1 About This Manual

This User Manual describes NVIDIA® ConnectX®-7 InfiniBand and Ethernet adapter cards. It provides details as to the interfaces of the board, specifications, required software and firmware for operating the board, and relevant documentation.

#### 1.1 Intended Audience

This manual is intended for the installer and user of these cards. The manual assumes basic familiarity with InfiniBand and Ethernet network and architecture specifications.

# 1.2 Ordering Part Numbers

The table below lists the ordering part numbers (OPNs) for the available ConnectX-7 stand-up cards. For the Open Compute Project (OCP 3.0) cards, please refer to <a href="NVIDIA ConnectX-7">NVIDIA ConnectX-7</a> Adapter Cards for OCP 3.0 User Manual.

# 1.2.1 ConnectX-7 PCIe x16 Stand-up Adapter Cards

NVIDIA SKU	Legacy OPN	Form Factor	Data Transmission Rate	No. of Ports and Type	PCIe Support	Secure Boot		Bracket Type	Lifecycle
900-9X766- 003N-SQ0 <sup>1</sup>	MCX75310AAS- NEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR 400Gb/s (Default speed) Ethernet: 400GbE	Single-port OSFP	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X766- 003N-SR0	MCX75310AAC- NEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR 400Gb/s (Default speed) Ethernet: 400GbE	Single-port OSFP	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	<b>√</b>	✓	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X766- 003N-ST0 <sup>2</sup>	MCX75310AAS- HEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR200 200Gb/s (Default speed) Ethernet: 200GbE	Single-port OSFP	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AH- 0086-SQ0	MCX713106AC- CEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 100GbE	Dual-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AH- 0076-ST0	MCX713106AS- CEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 100GbE	Dual-port QSFP112	PCle x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AO- 00C3-STZ	MCX713104AC- ADAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 50/25GbE	Quad-port SFP56	PCle x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	✓	✓	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AO- 0003-ST0	MCX713104AS- ADAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 50/25GbE	Quad-port SFP56	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production

NVIDIA SKU	Legacy OPN	Form Factor	Data Transmission Rate	No. of Ports	PCIe Support	Secure	Crypto	Bracket	Lifecycle
				and Type		Boot		Туре	

#### Notes:

# 1.2.2 ConnectX-7 for Telecommunication Applications

NVIDIA SKU	Legacy OPN	Form Factor	Data Transmission Rate	No. of Ports and Type	PCIe Support	Secure Boot		Timing Capabilities	Bracket Type	Lifecycle
900- 9X7AH- 004N-CT0	MCX713114TC- GEAT	PCIe Full Height, Half Length4.53 in. x 6.6 in. (115.15 mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 50/25GbE	Quad- port SFP56	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	✓	•	PPS In /Out, SMAs, SycnE	Tall Bracket	Engineering Samples

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The MCX75310AAS-NEAT card supports InfiniBand and Ethernet protocols from hardware version AA and higher.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The MCX75310AAS-HEAT card supports InfiniBand and Ethernet protocols from hardware version A7 and higher.

# 1.3 ConnectX-7 Socket Direct Ready Cards for Dual-Slot Servers

NVIDIA SKU	Legacy OPN	Form Factor	Data Transmission Rate	No. of Ports and Type	PCIe Support	Socket Direct Ready - PCIe Extension Option		Crypto	Bracket Type	Lifecycle
900-9X7AH- 0039-STZ	MCX715105AS- WEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR 400Gb/s Ethernet: 400GbE (Default Speed)	Single-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	Optional: PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	✓	-	Tall Bracket	Engineering Samples
900-9X721- 003N-DT0	MCX75510AAS- NEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR 400Gb/s	Single-port OSFP	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	Optional: PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	✓	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X721- 003N-DT1	MCX75510AAS- HEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR200 200Gb/s	Single-port OSFP	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	Optional: PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AH- 0078-DTZ	MCX755106AS- HEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR200 200Gb/s Ethernet: 200GbE (Default Speed)	Dual-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	Optional: PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	<b>√</b>	-	Tall Bracket	Mass Production
900-9X7AH- 0079-DTZ	MCX755106AC- HEAT	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	InfiniBand: NDR200 200Gb/s Ethernet: 200GbE (Default Speed)	Dual-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	Optional: PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	<b>√</b>	✓	Tall Bracket	Mass Production

#### Legacy (EOL) Ordering Part Numbers

#### NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Ethernet adapter card, 400 GbE, Single-port QSFP112, PCIe 5.0 x16, Secure Boot, No Crypto, Tall Bracket

NVIDIA SKU	Legacy OPN	Form Factor	Data Transmission Rate	No. of Ports and Type	PCIe Support	Secure Boot	Crypto	Timing Capabilities	Bracket Type	Lifecycle
900- 9X7AH- 0088-ST0	MCX713106AC- VEAT	PCle Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 200GbE	Dual-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	✓	✓	-	Tall Bracket	End of Life
900- 9X7AH- 0078-ST0	MCX713106AS- VEAT	PCle Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 200GbE	Dual-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	✓	-	-	Tall Bracket	End of Life
900- 9X7AH- 0039-ST1	MCX713105AS- WEAT	PCle Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 400GbE	Single-port QSFP112	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0/5.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s/32GT/s	✓	-	-	Tall Bracket	End of Life
900- 9X7AH- 004N-GT0	MCX713114GC- GEAT	PCle Full Height, Half Length4.53 in. x 6.6 in. (115.15 mm x 167.65 mm)	Ethernet: 50/25GbE	Quad-port SFP56	PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s	<b>√</b>	✓	Enhanced-SyncE & PTP Grand Master support and GNSS/PPS Out	Tall Bracket	End of Life

For more information, please refer to PCle Auxiliary Card Kit.

# 1.4 Technical Support

Customers who purchased NVIDIA products directly from NVIDIA are invited to contact us through the following methods:

- URL: <a href="https://www.nvidia.com">https://www.nvidia.com</a> > Support
- E-mail: <a href="mailto:enterprisesupport@nvidia.com">enterprisesupport@nvidia.com</a>

Customers who purchased NVIDIA Global Support Services, please see your contract for details regarding Technical Support.

Customers who purchased NVIDIA products through an NVIDIA-approved reseller should first seek assistance through their reseller.

## 1.5 Related Documentation

MLNX_OFED for Linux User Manual and Release Notes	User Manual describing OFED features, performance, band diagnostic, tools content and configuration. See MLNX_OFED for Linux Documentation.
WinOF-2 for Windows User Manual and Release Notes	User Manual describing WinOF-2 features, performance, Ethernet diagnostic, tools content and configuration. See WinOF-2 for Windows Documentation.
NVIDIA VMware for Ethernet User Manual	User Manual and release notes describing the various components of the NVIDIA ConnectX® NATIVE ESXi stack. See <a and="" by="" connectx-7="" contacting="" document="" either="" electrical="" href="https://www.news.news.news.news.news.news.news.n&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;NVIDIA Firmware Utility (mlxup)&lt;br&gt;User Manual and Release Notes&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;NVIDIA firmware update and query utility used to update the firmware. Refer to &lt;u&gt;Firmware Utility (mlxup)&lt;/u&gt; &lt;u&gt;Documentation&lt;/u&gt;.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;NVIDIA Firmware Tools (MFT) User&lt;br&gt;Manual&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;User Manual describing the set of MFT firmware management tools for a single node. See MFT User Manual.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;InfiniBand Architecture&lt;br&gt;Specification Release 1.2.1, Vol 2 -&lt;br&gt;Release 1.4, and Vol 2 - Release 1.5&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;InfiniBand Specifications&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;IEEE Std 802.3 Specification&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;IEEE Ethernet Specifications&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;PCI Express 5.0 Specifications&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Industry Standard PCI Express Base and Card Electromechanical Specifications. Refer to PCI-SIG Specifications.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;LinkX Interconnect Solutions&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;LinkX cables and transceivers are designed to maximize the performance of High-Performance Computing networks, requiring high-bandwidth, low-latency connections between compute nodes and switch nodes. NVIDIA offers one of the industry's most complete line of 10, 25, 40, 50, 100, 200, and 400GbE in Ethernet and EDR, HDR, and NDR, including Direct Attach Copper cables (DACs), copper splitter cables, Active Optical Cables (AOCs) and transceivers in a wide range of lengths from 0.5m to 10km. In addition to meeting Ethernet and IBTA standards, NVIDIA tests every product in an end-to-end environment ensuring a Bit Error Rate of less than 1E-15. Read more at LinkX Cables and Transceivers.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and&lt;br&gt;Thermal Specifications&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;You can access the " into="" logging="" nvidia="" nvonline="" or="" representative.<="" specifications"="" td="" thermal="" your=""></a>

When discussing memory sizes, MB and MBytes are used in this document to mean size in MegaBytes. The use of Mb or Mbits (small b) indicates size in MegaBits. IB is used in this document to mean InfiniBand. In this document, PCIe is used to mean PCI Express.

# 1.6 Revision History

A list of the changes made to this document is provided in <u>Document Revision History</u>.

## 2 Introduction

#### 2.1 Product Overview

The NVIDIA ConnectX-7 family of network adapters supports both the InfiniBand and Ethernet protocols. It enables a wide range of smart, scalable, and feature-rich networking solutions that address traditional enterprise needs up to the world's most demanding AI, scientific computing, and hyperscale cloud data center workloads.

ConnectX-7 network adapters are offered in two form factors and various flavors: stand-up PCle and Open Compute Project (OCP) Spec 3.0 cards. This user manual covers the PCle stand-up cards, for the OCP 3.0 cards, please refer to NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Cards for OCP Spec 3.0 User Manual.

Make sure to use a PCIe slot capable of supplying the required power and airflow to the ConnectX-7, as stated in the <u>Specifications</u> chapter.

#### 2.1.1 PCIe x16 Stand-up Adapter Cards

ConnectX-7 HCAs are available in various configurations; Single-port 400Gb/s or 200Gb/s, with octal small form-factor pluggable (OSFP) connectors or Dual-port 100 or 200Gb/s with quad small form-factor pluggable (QSFP112) connectors on PCIe standup half-height, half-length (HHHL) form factor, with options for NVIDIA Socket Direct. Also available, Dual-port 50/25 GbE with quad small form-factor pluggable (SFP56) connectors on PCIe standup full-height, half-length (FHHL) form factor, with timing capabilities.

ConnectX-7 cards can either support both InfiniBand and Ethernet, or Ethernet only, as described in the below table. The inclusive list of OPNs is available here.

ConnectX-7 adapter cards with OSFP form factor only support RHS (Riding Heat Sink) cage.

Supported Protocols	Port Type	Supported Speed					
Ethernet Only Card	Dual-port QSFP112	• 100GbE					
	Quad-port SFP56	• 50/25GbE					
InfiniBand and Ethernet Cards	Single-port OSFP	<ul><li>NDR 400Gb/s and 400GbE</li><li>NDR200 200Gb/s and 200GbE</li></ul>					

#### 2.1.2 Socket Direct Ready Cards

The Socket Direct technology offers improved performance to dual-socket servers by enabling direct access from each CPU in a dual-socket server to the network through its dedicated PCIe interface.

NVIDIA offers ConnectX-7 Socket Direct adapter cards, which enable 400Gb/s or 200Gb/s connectivity, and also for servers with PCIe Gen 4.0 capability. The adapter's 32-lane PCIe bus is split into two 16-lane buses, with one bus accessible through a PCIe x16 edge connector and the other bus through an x16 Auxiliary PCIe Connection card. The two cards should be installed into two PCIe x16 slots and connected using two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses.

To use this card in the Socket-Direct configuration, please order the additional PCIe Auxiliary Card kit according to the desired harness length. Cards that support socket direct can function as separate x16 PCIe cards.

Socket Direct cards can support both InfiniBand and Ethernet, or InfiniBand only, as described below.

Supported Protocols	Port Type	Supported Speed
InfiniBand Only	Single-port OSFP	<ul><li>NDR 400Gb/s</li><li>NDR200 200Gb/s</li></ul>
InfiniBand and Ethernet	Dual-port QSFP112	<ul> <li>NDR200 200Gb/s and 200GbE</li> </ul>
	Single-port QSFP112	<ul> <li>NDR 400Gb/s and 400GbE</li> </ul>

For more information on the passive PCle Auxiliary kit, please refer to PCle Auxiliary Card Kit.

# 2.2 System Requirements

Item	Description			
PCI Express slot	In PCle x16 ConfigurationPCle Gen 5.0 (32GT/s) through x16 edge connector. In Socket Direct Configuration (2x PCle x16)  PCle Gen 4.0/5.0 SERDES @16/32GT/s through edge connector  PCle Gen 4.0 SERDES @16GT/s through PCle Auxiliary Connection Card			
System Power Supply	Refer to Specifications			
Operating System	<ul> <li>In-box drivers for major operating systems:</li> <li>Linux: RHEL, Ubuntu</li> <li>Windows</li> <li>Virtualization and containers</li> <li>VMware ESXi (SR-IOV)</li> <li>Kubernetes</li> <li>OpenFabrics Enterprise Distribution (OFED)</li> <li>OpenFabrics Windows Distribution (WinOF-2)</li> </ul>			
Connectivity	<ul> <li>Interoperable with 1/10/25/40/50/100/200/400 Gb/s Ethernet switches and SDR/DDR/EDR/HDR100/HDR/NDR200/NDR InfiniBand switches</li> <li>Passive copper cable with ESD protection</li> <li>Powered connectors for optical and active cable support</li> </ul>			

# 2.3 Package Contents

Category	Qty	Item	
Cards	1	ConnectX-7 adapter card	
Accessories	1	Adapter card short bracket	
1 Adapter card tall bracket (shipped assembled on the card)		Adapter card tall bracket (shipped assembled on the card)	

#### 2.4 Features and Benefits

Make sure to use a PCle slot capable of supplying the required power and airflow to the ConnectX-7 cards as stated in the <u>Specifications</u> chapter.

This section describes hardware features and capabilities. Please refer to the relevant driver and firmware release notes for feature availability. PCI Express (PCIe) According to the OPN you have purchased, the card uses the following PCIe express interfaces: PCle x16 configurations: PCIe Gen 4.0/5.0 (16GT/s / 32GT/s) through x16 edge connector. • 2x PCIe x16 configurations (Socket-Direct): PCIe Gen 4.0/5.0 ( SERDES @ 16GT/s / 32GT/s) through x16 edge connector PCIe Gen 4.0 SERDES @ 16GT/s through PCIe Auxiliary Connection Card InfiniBand ConnectX-7 delivers low latency, high bandwidth, and computing efficiency for high-performance computing (HPC), artificial intelligence (AI), and hyperscale cloud data center applications. ConnectX-7 is InfiniBand Architecture Specification v1.5 compliant. Architecture Specification v1.5 InfiniBand Network Protocols and Rates: compliant Protocol Standard Rate (Gb/s) Comments 4x Port 2x Ports (4 Lanes) (2 Lanes) NDR/NDR200 IBTA Vol2 1.5 425 212.5 PAM4 256b/257b encoding and RS-FEC HDR/HDR100 IBTA Vol2 1.4 212.5 106.25 PAM4 256b/257b encoding and RS-FEC EDR IBTA Vol2 1.3.1 103.125 51.5625 NRZ 64b/66b encoding FDR IBTA Vol2 1.2 56.25 N/A NRZ 64b/66b encoding Up to 400 Gigabit ConnectX-7 adapter cards comply with the following IEEE 802.3 standards: Ethernet 400GbE / 200GbE / 100GbE / 50GbE / 40GbE / 25GbE / 10GbE

	Protocol	MAC Rate
	IEEE802.3ck	100/200/400Gb/s Gigabit Ethernet (Include ETC enhancement)
	IEEE802.3cd IEEE802.3bs IEEE802.3cm IEEE802.3cn IEEE802.3cu	50/100/200/400Gb/s Gigabit Ethernet (Include ETC enhancement)
	IEEE 802.3bj IEEE 802.3bm	100 Gigabit Ethernet
	IEEE 802.3by Ethernet Technology Consortium	25/50 Gigabit Ethernet
	IEEE 802.3ba	40 Gigabit Ethernet
	IEEE 802.3ae	10 Gigabit Ethernet
	IEEE 802.3cb	2.5/5 Gigabit Ethernet (For 2.5: support only 2.5 x1000BASE-X)
	IEEE 802.3ap	Based on auto-negotiation and KR startup
	IEEE 802.3ad IEEE 802.1AX	Link Aggregation
	IEEE 802.1Q IEEE 802.1P VLAN tags and priority	
	IEEE 802.1Qau (QCN) Congestion Notification IEEE 802.1Qaz (ETS) EEE 802.1Qbb (PFC) IEEE 802.1Qbg IEEE 1588v2 IEEE 802.1AE (MACSec) Jumbo frame support (9.6KB)	
Memory Components	SPI - includes 256Mbit SPI Quad Flash device.	

	• FRU EEPROM - Stores the parameters and personality of the card. The EEPROM capacity is 128Kbit. FRU I2C address is (0x50) and is accessible through the PCIe SMBus. (Note: Address 0x58 is reserved.)	
Overlay Networks	In order to better scale their networks, datacenter operators often create overlay networks that carry traffic from individual virtual machines over logical tunnels in encapsulated formats such as NVGRE and VXLAN. While this solves network scalability issues, it hides the TCP packet from the hardware offloading engines, placing higher loads on the host CPU. ConnectX-7 effectively addresses this by providing advanced NVGRE and VXLAN hardware offloading engines that encapsulate and de-capsulate the overlay protocol.	
Quality of Service (QoS)	Support for port-based Quality of Service enabling various application requirements for latency and SLA.	
Hardware-based I/O Virtualization	ConnectX-7 provides dedicated adapter resources and guaranteed isolation and protection for virtual machines within the server.	
Storage Acceleration	A consolidated compute and storage network achieves significant cost-performance advantages over multi-fabric networks. Standard block and file access protocols can leverage:  • RDMA for high-performance storage access  • NVMe over Fabric offloads for the target machine  • NVMe over TCP acceleration	
SR-IOV	ConnectX-7 SR-IOV technology provides dedicated adapter resources and guaranteed isolation and protection for virtual machines (VM) within the server.	
High-Performance Accelerations	<ul> <li>Collective operations offloads</li> <li>Vector collective operations offloads</li> <li>MPI tag matching</li> <li>MPI_Alltoall offloads</li> <li>Rendezvous protocol offload</li> </ul>	
RDMA Message Rate	330-370 million messages per second.	
Secure Boot	The secure boot process assures booting of authentic firmware/software that is intended to run on ConnectX-7. This is achieved cryptographic primitives using asymmetric cryptography. ConnectX-7 supports several cryptographic functions in its HW Root-of-(RoT) that has its key stored in on-chip FUSES.	
Secure Firmware Update	The Secure firmware update feature enables a device to verify digital signatures of new firmware binaries to ensure that only officially approved versions can be installed from the host, the network, or a Board Management Controller (BMC). The firmware of devices with "secure firmware update" functionality (secure FW), restricts access to specific commands and registers that can be used to modify the firmware binary image on the flash, as well as commands that can jeopardize security in general.  For further information, refer to the MFT User Manual.	

Advanced storage capabilities	Block-level encryption and checksum offloads.				
capabilities  Host Management	ConnectX-7 technology maintains support for host manageability through a BMC. ConnectX-7 PCle stand-up adapter can be connected to a BMC using MCTP over SMBus or MCTP over PCle protocols as if it is a standard NVIDIA PCle stand-up adapter card. For configuring the adapter for the specific manageability solution in use by the server, please contact NVIDIA Support.  Protocols: PLDM, NCSI Transport layer – RBT, MCTP over SMBus and MCTP over PCle Physical layer: SMBus 2.0 / I2C interface for device control and configuration, PCle PLDM for Monitor and Control DSP0248 PLDM for Firmware Update DSP026 IEEE 1149.6 Secured FW update FW Recovery NIC reset Monitoring and control Network port settings Boot setting				
Accurate timing	NVIDIA offers a full IEEE 1588v2 PTP software solution, as well as time-sensitive related features called "5T". NVIDIA PTP and 5T software solutions are designed to meet the most demanding PTP profiles. ConnectX-7 incorporates an integrated Hardware Clock (PHC) that allows ConnectX-7 to achieve sub 20u Sec accuracy and also offers many timing-related functions such as time-triggered scheduling or time-based SND accelerations (time-based ASAP²). Furthermore, 5T technology enables the software application to transmit fronthaul (ORAN) compatible in high bandwidth. The PTP part supports the subordinate clock, master clock, and boundary clock.  ConnectX-7 PTP solution allows you to run any PTP stack on your host.  With respect to testing and measurements, selected NVIDIA adapters allow you to use the PPS-out signal from the onboard SMA connecter, ConnectX-7 also allows measuring PTP in scale, with a PPS-In signal. The PTP HW clock on the Network adapter will be sampled on each PPS-In signal, and the timestamp will be sent to the SW.				
RDMA and RDMA over Converged Ethernet (RoCE)	ConnectX-7, utilizing IBTA RDMA (Remote Data Memory Access) and RoCE (RDMA over Converged Ethernet) technology, delivers low-latency and high-performance over InfiniBand and Ethernet networks. Leveraging datacenter bridging (DCB) capabilities as well as ConnectX-7 advanced congestion control hardware mechanisms, RoCE provides efficient low-latency RDMA services over Layer 2 and Layer 3 networks.				

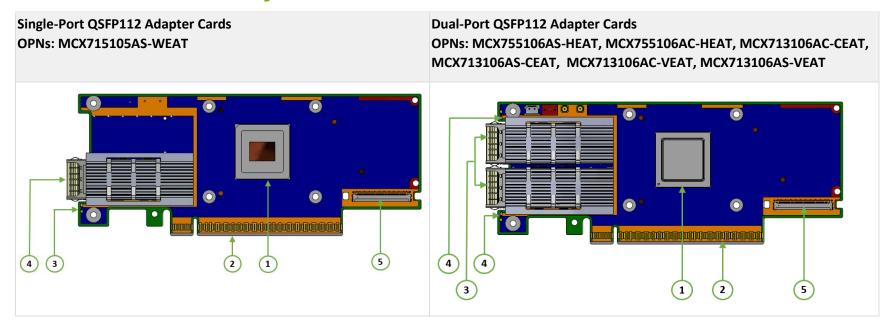
NVIDIA PeerDirect™	PeerDirect™ communication provides high-efficiency RDMA access by eliminating unnecessary internal data copies between components on the PCIe bus (for example, from GPU to CPU), and therefore significantly reduces application run time. ConnectX-7 advanced acceleration technology enables higher cluster efficiency and scalability to tens of thousands of nodes.
CPU Offload	Adapter functionality enables reduced CPU overhead allowing more available CPU for computation tasks.  • Flexible match-action flow tables  • Open VSwitch (OVS) offload using ASAP <sup>2®</sup> • Tunneling encapsulation/decapsulation
PPS In/Out SMAs	Applies to MCX713114TC-GEAT only:  NVIDIA offers a full IEEE 1588v2 PTP software solution, as well as time-sensitive related features called "5T". NVIDIA PTP and 5T software solutions are designed to meet the most demanding PTP profiles. ConnectX-6 Dx incorporates an integrated Hardware Clock (PHC) that allows ConnectX-7 to achieve sub 20u Sec accuracy and also offers many timing-related functions such as time-triggered scheduling or time-based SND accelerations (time-based ASAP²). Furthermore, 5T technology enables the software application to transmit fronthaul (ORAN) compatible in high bandwidth. The PTP part supports the subordinate clock, master clock, and boundary clock.  ConnectX-7 PTP solution allows you to run any PTP stack on your host. With respect to testing and measurements, selected NVIDIA adapters allow you to use the PPS-out signal from the onboard SMA connecter, ConnectX-7 also allows measuring PTP in scale, with PPS-In signal. The PTP HW clock on the Network adapter will be sampled on each PPS-In signal, and the timestamp will be sent to the SW. The SyncE cards also includes an improved holdover to meet ITU-T G.8273.2 class C.

# 3 Supported Interfaces

This section describes the ConnectX-7 supported interfaces. Each numbered interface that is referenced in the figures is described in the following table with a link to detailed information.

The below figures are for illustration purposes only and might not reflect the current revision of the adapter card.

## 3.1 ConnectX-7 Layout and Interface Information



Single-Port OSFP Adapter Cards
OPNs: MCX75310AAS-NEAT, MCX75310AAC-NEAT, MCX75310AAS-HEAT,
MCX75510AAS-NEAT, MCX75510AAS-HEAT

Quad-Port SFP56 Cards
OPNs: MCX713104AC-ADAT, MCX713104AS-ADAT

# Quad-port SFP56 Cards with PPS IN/OUT OPN: MCX713114TC-GEAT 5 4 3

Item	Interface	Description
1	ConnectX-7 IC	ConnectX-7 Integrated Circuit
2	PCI Express Interface	PCIe Gen 4.0/5.0 through x16 edge connector
3	Networking Interfaces	Network traffic is transmitted through the adapter card networking connectors. The networking connectors allow for the use of modules, optical and passive cable interconnect solutions
4	Networking Ports LEDs	Two I/O LEDs per port to indicate speed and link status
5	Cabline CA-II Plus Connectors	In Socket-Direct ready cards, two Cabline CA-II plus connectors are populated to allow connectivity to an additional PCIe x16 Auxiliary card.  Applicable to OPNs: MCX715105AS-WEAT, MCX75510AAS-NEAT, MCX75510AAS-HEAT, MCX755106AS-HEAT and MCX755106AC-HEAT.
6	PPS IN/OUT Interface	Allows PPS IN/OUT Applies to OPN: MCX713114TC-GEAT only.

## 3.2 Interfaces Detailed Description

#### 3.2.1 ConnectX-7 IC

The ConnectX-7 family of adapter IC devices delivers InfiniBand and Ethernet connectivity paired with best-in-class hardware capabilities that accelerate and secure cloud and data-center workloads.

## 3.2.2 PCI Express Interface

ConnectX-7 adapter cards support PCI Express Gen 5.0 (4.0 and 3.0 compatible) through x16 edge connector. The following lists PCIe interface features:

- PCle Gen 5.0 compliant, 4.0, 3.0, 2.0 and 1.1 compatible
- 2.5, 5.0, 8.0, 16.0 and 32GT/s link rate x16/x32 (Socket-Direct configuration)
- Support for PCle bifurcation: Auto-negotiates to x32, x16, x8, x4, x2, or x1
- NVIDIA Multi-Host™ supports connection of up to 4x hosts
- Transaction layer packet (TLP) processing hints (TPH)
- PCle switch Downstream Port Containment (DPC)
- Advanced error reporting (AER)
- Access Control Service (ACS) for peer-to-peer secure communication
- Process Address Space ID (PASID)
- Address translation services (ATS)
- Support for MSI/MSI-X mechanisms
- Support for SR-IOV

## 3.2.3 Networking Interfaces

The adapter card includes special circuits to protect from ESD shocks to the card/server when plugging copper cables.

Protocol	Specifications
Ethernet	The network ports comply with the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet standards listed in <u>Features and Benefits</u> . Ethernet traffic is transmitted through the networking connectors on the adapter card.
InfiniBand	The network ports are compliant with the <i>InfiniBand Architecture Specification, Release 1.5</i> . InfiniBand traffic is transmitted through the cards' networking connectors.

## 3.2.4 Networking Ports LEDs Specifications

For the networking ports LEDs description, follow the below table depending on the ConnectX-7 SKU you have purchased.

SKU	LEDs Scheme
900-9X7AO-0003-ST0 900-9X7AO-00C3-STZ	Scheme 1: One Bi-Color LED
All cards	Scheme 2: Two LEDs

#### 3.2.4.1 Scheme 1: One Bi-Color LED

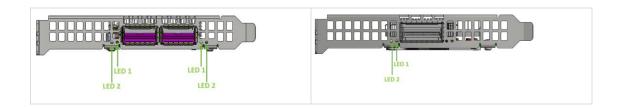
There is one bi-color (Yellow and Green) I/O LED per port to indicate port speed and link status.

State	Bi-Color LED (Yellow/Green)				
Beacon command for locating the adapter card	1Hz blinking Ye	1Hz blinking Yellow			
Error	4Hz blinking Yellow Indicates an error with the link. The error can be one of the following:				
	Error Type	Description	LED Behavior		
	I <sup>2</sup> C	I <sup>2</sup> C access to the networking ports fails	Blinks until error is fixed		
	Over-current	Over-current condition of the networking ports	Blinks until error is fixed		
Physical Activity	The Green LED will blink.				
Link Up	The Green LED will be solid.				
Physical Up (IB Only)	The Yellow LED	) will be solid.			

#### 3.2.4.2 Scheme 2: Two LEDs

There are two I/O LEDs per port to indicate port speed and link status.

- LED1 is a bi-color LED (Yellow and Green)
- LED2 is a single-color LED (Green)



State	Bi-Color LED (Yellow/Green)			Single Color LED (Green)
Beacon command for locating the adapter card	1Hz blinking \	1Hz blinking Yellow		
Error	4Hz blinking Yellow Indicates an error with the link. The error can be one of the following:			ON
	<b>Error Type</b>	Description	<b>LED Behavior</b>	
	I <sup>2</sup> C	I <sup>2</sup> C access to the networking ports fails	Blinks until error is fixed	
	Over-current			
Physical Activity	The Green LED will blink.		Blinking	
Link Up	In full port speed: the Green LED is solid In less than full port speed: the Yellow LED is solid			ON

#### 3.2.5 Cabline CA-II Plus Connectors

Socket-Direct is currently not supported.

Applies to OPNs: MCX755106AC-HEAT, MCX755106AS-HEAT, MCX75510AAS-HEAT, MCX75510AAS-NEAT.

The Cabline CA-II connectors on the Socket-Direct ready cards enable connectivity to an additional Auxiliary PCIe x16 Connection card through the Cabline CA-II harnesses.

#### 3.2.6 PPS IN/OUT Interface

Applicable to MCX713114TC-GEAT only.

Pulse Per Second (PPS) is an out-of-band signal used in synchronized systems. 5T technology support PPS-in and PPS-out on selected devices.

Selected ConnectX-7 adapter cards incorporate an integrated Hardware Clock (PHC) that allows the adapter to achieve sub-20u Sec accuracy and also offers many timing-related functions such as time-triggered scheduling or time-based SND accelerations (time-based ASAP²). Furthermore, 5T technology enables the software application to transmit fronthaul (ORAN) at high bandwidth. The PTP part supports the subordinate clock, master clock, and boundary clock. The PTP solution allows you to run any PTP stack on your host.

With respect to testing and measurements, selected ConnectX-7 adapters allow you to use the PPS-out signal from the onboard MMCX RA connecter. The adapter also allows measuring PTP in scale with the PPS-In signal. The PTP HW clock on the Network adapter is sampled on each PPS-In signal, and the timestamp is sent to the SW.

After the DPU installation, use two standard SMA plug 500hm cables to connect to the SMA connectors on the board. The cables are not included in the package. See the below example:



#### 3.2.7 Clock IN/OUT Interface

Applicable to MCX713114TC-GEAT only.

After the DPU installation, use two standard MMCX plug, right angle, 500hm cables to connect to the MMCX connectors on the board. The cables are not included in the package. See the below example:



#### 3.2.8 SMBus Interface

ConnectX-7 technology maintains support for manageability through a BMC. ConnectX-7 PCIe stand-up adapter can be connected to a BMC using MCTP over SMBus or MCTP over PCIe protocols as if it is a standard NVIDIA PCIe stand-up adapter. For configuring the adapter for the specific manageability solution in use by the server, please contact NVIDIA Support.

## 3.2.9 Voltage Regulators

The voltage regulator power is derived from the PCI Express edge connector 12V supply pins. These voltage supply pins feed on-board regulators that provide the necessary power to the various components on the card.

#### 4 Hardware Installation

Installation and initialization of ConnectX-7 adapter cards require attention to the mechanical attributes, power specification, and precautions for electronic equipment.

## 4.1 Safety Warnings

Safety warnings are provided here in the English language. For safety warnings in other languages, refer to the <u>Adapter Installation Safety</u> Instructions.

Please observe all safety warnings to avoid injury and prevent damage to system components. Note that not all warnings are relevant to all models.

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**General Installation Instructions**Read all installation instructions before connecting the equipment to the power source.



#### **Jewelry Removal Warning**

Before you install or remove equipment that is connected to power lines, remove jewelry such as bracelets, necklaces, rings, watches, and so on. Metal objects heat up when connected to power and ground and can meltdown, causing serious burns and/or welding the metal object to the terminals.



#### Over-temperature

This equipment should not be operated in an area with an ambient temperature exceed-ing the maximum recommended: 55°C (131°F). An airflow of 200LFM at this maximum ambient temperature is required for HCA cards and NICs. To guarantee proper airflow, allow at least 8cm (3 inches) of clearance around the ventila-tion openings.



#### **During Lightning - Electrical Hazard**

During periods of lightning activity, do not work on the equipment or connect or dis-connect cables.



#### **Copper Cable Connecting/Disconnecting**

Some copper cables are heavy and not flexible, as such, they should be carefully attached to or detached from the connectors. Refer to the cable manufacturer for spe-cial warnings and instructions.



#### **Equipment Installation**

This equipment should be installed, replaced, or serviced only by trained and qualified personnel.



#### **Equipment Disposal**

The disposal of this equipment should be in accordance to all national laws and regula-tions.



#### **Local and National Electrical Codes**

This equipment should be installed in compliance with local and national electrical codes.



#### **Hazardous Radiation Exposure**

- Caution Use of controls or adjustment or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure. For products with optical ports.
- CLASS 1 LASER PRODUCT and reference to the most recent laser standards: IEC 60 825-1:1993 + A1:1997 + A2:2001 and EN 60825-1:1994+A1:1996+ A2:20

## 4.2 Installation Procedure Overview

The installation procedure of ConnectX-7 adapter cards involves the following steps:

Step	Procedure	Direct Link
1	Check the system's hardware and software requirements.	System Requirements
2	Pay attention to the airflow consideration within the host system	Airflow Requirements
3	Follow the safety precautions	Safety Precautions
4	Unpack the package	Unpack the package
5	Follow the pre-installation checklist	Pre-Installation Checklist
6	(Optional) Replace the full-height mounting bracket with the supplied short bracket	Bracket Replacement Instructions
7	Install the ConnectX-7 PCIe x16 adapter card in the system	ConnectX-7 PCIe x16 Adapter Cards Installation Instructions
	Install the ConnectX-7 2x PCIe x16 Socket Direct adapter card in the system	ConnectX-7 Socket Direct (2x PCIe x16) Installation Instructions
8	Connect cables or modules to the card	Cables and Modules
9	Identify ConnectX-7 in the system	Identifying Your Card

## 4.3 System Requirements

## 4.3.1 Hardware Requirements

Unless otherwise specified, NVIDIA products are designed to work in an environmentally controlled data center with low levels of gaseous and dust (particulate) contamination.

The operating environment should meet severity level G1 as per ISA 71.04 for gaseous contamination and ISO 14644-1 class 8 for cleanliness level.

For proper operation and performance, please make sure to use a PCIe slot with a corresponding bus width that can supply sufficient power to your card. Refer to the <u>Specifications</u> section of the manual for more power requirements.

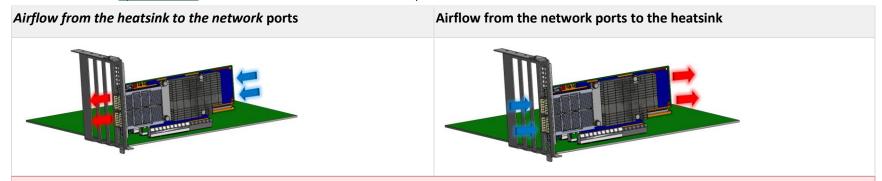
Please make sure to install the ConnectX-7 cards in a PCIe slot that is capable of supplying the required power as stated in Specifications.

ConnectX-7 Configuration	Hardware Requirements
PCle x16	A system with a PCI Express x16 slot is required for installing the card.
Socket Direct 2x PCIe x16 (dual-slot server)	A system with two PCIe x16 slots is required for installing the cards.

#### 4.3.2 Airflow Requirements

ConnectX-7 adapter cards are offered with two airflow patterns: from the heatsink to the network ports, and vice versa, as shown below.

Please refer to the Specifications section for airflow numbers for each specific card model.



All cards in the system should be planned with the same airflow direction.

## 4.3.3 Software Requirements

- See System Requirements section under the Introduction section.
- Software Stacks NVIDIA® OpenFabrics Enterprise Distribution for Linux (MLNX\_OFED), WinOF-2 for Windows, and VMware. See the <u>Driver</u> Installation section.

## 4.4 Safety Precautions

The adapter is being installed in a system that operates with voltages that can be lethal. Before opening the case of the system, observe the following precautions to avoid injury and prevent damage to system components.

- Remove any metallic objects from your hands and wrists.
- Make sure to use only insulated tools.
- Verify that the system is powered off and is unplugged.
- It is strongly recommended to use an ESD strap or other antistatic devices.

## 4.5 Pre-Installation Checklist

• Unpack the ConnectX-7 Card; Unpack and remove the ConnectX-7 card. Check against the package contents list that all the parts have been sent. Check the parts for visible damage that may have occurred during shipping. Please note that the cards must be placed on an antistatic surface. For package contents please refer to <a href="Package Contents">Package Contents</a>.

Please note that if the card is removed hastily from the antistatic bag, the plastic ziplock may harm the EMI fingers on the networking connector. Carefully remove the card from the antistatic bag to avoid damaging the EMI fingers.

- Shut down your system if active; Turn off the power to the system, and disconnect the power cord. Refer to the system documentation for instructions. Before you install the ConnectX-7 card, make sure that the system is disconnected from power.
- (Optional) Check the mounting bracket on the ConnectX-7 or PCIe Auxiliary Connection Card; If required for your system, replace the full-height mounting bracket that is shipped mounted on the card with the supplied low-profile bracket. Refer to <u>Bracket Replacement Instructions</u>.

# 4.6 Bracket Replacement Instructions

The ConnectX-7 card and PCIe Auxiliary Connection card are usually shipped with an assembled high-profile bracket. If this form factor is suitable for your requirements, you can skip the remainder of this section and move to <u>Installation Instructions</u>. If you need to replace the high-profile bracket with the short bracket that is included in the shipping box, please follow the instructions in this section.

During the bracket replacement procedure, do not pull, bend, or damage the EMI fingers cage. It is recommended to limit bracket replacements to three times.

To replace the bracket you will need the following parts:

- The new brackets of the proper height
- The 2 screws saved from the removal of the bracket

## Removing the Existing Bracket

- 1. Using a torque driver, remove the two screws holding the bracket in place.
- 2. Separate the bracket from the ConnectX-7 card.

Be careful not to put stress on the LEDs on the adapter card.

Save the two screws.

#### Installing the New Bracket

1. Place the bracket onto the card until the screw holes line up.

Do not force the bracket onto the adapter card.

2. Screw on the bracket using the screws saved from the bracket removal procedure above.

Use a torque driver to apply up to 2 lbs-in torque on the screws.

# 4.7 Installation Instructions

This section provides detailed instructions on how to install your adapter card in a system.

Choose the installation instructions according to the ConnectX-7 configuration you would like to use.

OPNs	Installation Instructions
All ConnectX-7 cards	ConnectX-7 (PCIe x16) Adapter Card
MCX755106AC-HEAT MCX755106AS-HEAT MCX75510AAS-HEAT MCX75510AAS-NEAT	ConnectX-7 Socket Direct (2x PCIe x16) Adapter Card

## 4.7.1 Cables and Modules

## **Cable Installation**

Before connecting a cable to the adapter card, ensure that the bracket is fastened to the server chassis using a screw to prevent movement or unplugging of the card when the cable is inserted or extracted.

- 1. All cables can be inserted or removed with the unit powered on.
- 2. To insert a cable, press the connector into the port receptacle until the connector is firmly seated.
  - a. Support the weight of the cable before connecting the cable to the adapter card. Do this by using a cable holder or tying the cable to the rack.
  - b. Determine the correct orientation of the connector to the card before inserting the connector. Do not try and insert the connector upside down. This may damage the adapter card.
  - c. Insert the connector into the adapter card. Be careful to insert the connector straight into the cage. Do not apply any torque, up or down, to the connector cage in the adapter card.
  - d. Make sure that the connector locks in place.

When installing cables make sure that the latches engage.

Always install and remove cables by pushing or pulling the cable and connector in a straight line with the card.

- 3. After inserting a cable into a port, the Green LED indicator will light when the physical connection is established (that is, when the unit is powered on and a cable is plugged into the port with the other end of the connector plugged into a functioning port). See <u>LED Interface</u> under the Interfaces section.
- 4. After plugging in a cable, lock the connector using the latching mechanism particular to the cable vendor. When data is being transferred the Green LED will blink. See LED Interface under the Interfaces section.
- 5. Care should be taken so as not to impede the air exhaust flow through the ventilation holes. Use cable lengths that allow for routing horizontally around to the side of the chassis before bending upward or downward in the rack.
- 6. To remove a cable, disengage the locks and slowly pull the connector away from the port receptacle. The LED indicator will turn off when the cable is unseated.

# 4.8 Identifying the Card in Your System

#### On Linux

Get the device location on the PCI bus by running Ispci and locating lines with the string "Mellanox Technologies":

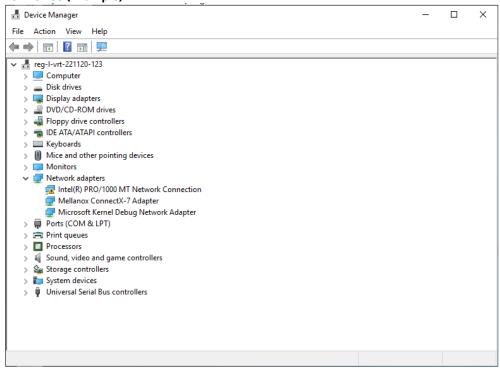
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          05:00.1 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]
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          82:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]
          82:00.1 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]
Direct
Card In the output example above, the first
      two rows indicate that one card is installed in a PCI slot with PCI Bus address 05 (hexadecimal), PCI Device number 00, and PCI Function
(2x
      numbers 0 and 1. The other card is installed in a PCI slot with PCI Bus address 82 (hexadecimal), PCI Device number 00, and PCI Function
PCle
x16)
      numbers 0 and 1.
       Since the two PCIe cards are installed in two PCIe slots, each card
       gets a unique PCI Bus and Device number. Each of the PCIe x16 busses sees two network ports; in effect, the two physical ports of the Co
       nnectX-7 Socket Direct adapter are viewed as four net devices by the system.
Single
          [root@mftga-009 ~]# lspci |grep mellanox -ia
-port
          3:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]
PCle
x16
Card
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On Windows

- 1. Open Device Manager on the server. Click **Start** => **Run**, and then enter **devmgmt.msc**.
- 2. Expand **System Devices** and locate your ConnectX-7 adapter card.
- 3. Right-click the mouse on your adapter's row and select **Properties** to display the adapter card properties window.
- 4. Click the **Details** tab and select **Hardware Ids** (Windows 2022/2019/2016/2012 R2) from the **Property** pull-down menu.

## PCI Device (Example)



5. In the **Value** display box, check the fields VEN and DEV (fields are separated by '&'). In the display example above, notice the sub-string "PCI\VEN\_15B3&DEV\_1021": VEN is equal to 0x15B3 – this is the Vendor ID of Mellanox Technologies, and DEV is equal to 1021 (for ConnectX-7) – this is a valid NVIDIA PCI Device ID.

If the PCI device does not have an NVIDIA adapter ID, return to Step 2 to check another device.

The list of NVIDIA PCI Device IDs can be found at the PCI ID repository.

## 4.9 ConnectX-7 PCIe x16 Installation Instructions

# 4.9.1 Installing the Card

This section applies to all cards.

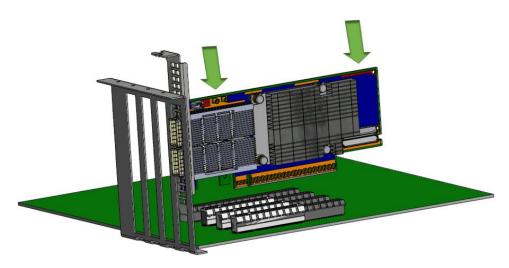
In case you would like to use the Socket Direct configuration (PCIe x32) that is available in MCX75510AAS-HEAT, MCX75510AAS-NEAT and MCX755106AS-HEAT, please refer to ConnectX-7 Socket Direct (2x PCIe x16) Adapter Card Installation instructions.

Please make sure to install the ConnectX-7 cards in a PCle slot that is capable of supplying the required power and airflow as stated in Specifications.

The below images are for illustration purposes only.

Connect the adapter Card in an available PCI Express x16 slot in the chassis.

Step 1: Locate an available PCI Express x16 slot and insert the adapter card to the chassis.

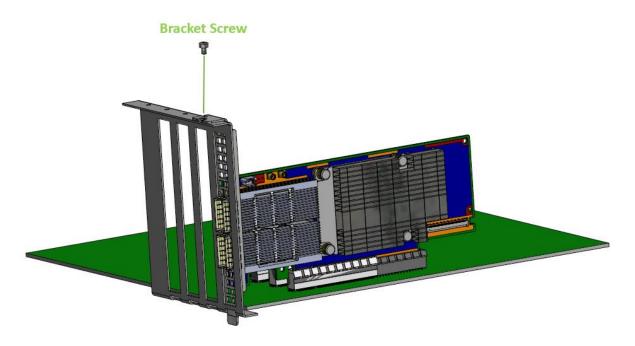


**Step 2:** Applying even pressure at both corners of the card, insert the adapter card in a PCI Express slot until firmly seated.

Do not use excessive force when seating the card, as this may damage the chassis.

## Secure the adapter card to the chassis.

Secure the bracket to the chassis with the bracket screw.



# 4.9.2 Uninstalling the Card

## **Safety Precautions**

The adapter is installed in a system that operates with voltages that can be lethal. Before uninstalling the adapter card, please observe the following precautions to avoid injury and prevent damage to system components.

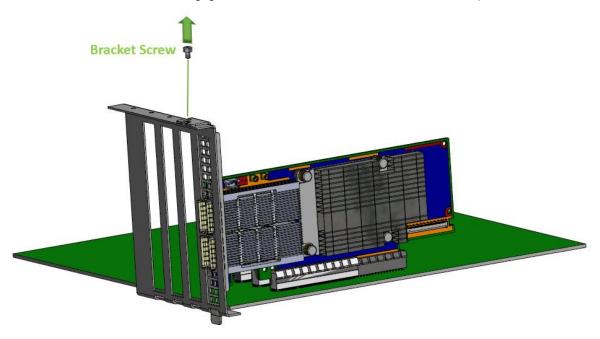
- 1. Remove any metallic objects from your hands and wrists.
- 2. It is strongly recommended to use an ESD strap or other antistatic devices.
- 3. Turn off the system and disconnect the power cord from the server.

#### **Card Removal**

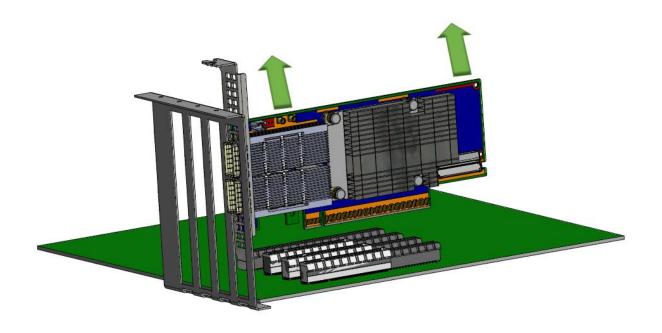
Please note that the following images are for illustration purposes only.

1. Verify that the system is powered off and unplugged.

- 2. Wait 30 seconds.
- 3. To remove the card, disengage the retention mechanisms on the bracket (clips or screws).



4. Holding the adapter card from its center, gently pull the ConnectX-7 card out of the PCI Express slot.



# 4.10ConnectX-7 Socket Direct (2x PCle x16) Installation Instructions

This section applies to the following adapter cards when used as Socket Direct cards in dual-socket servers.

- MCX755106AS-HEAT
- MCX755106AC-HEAT
- MCX75510AAS-NEAT
- MCX75510AAS-HEAT
- MCX715105AS-WEAT

The below images are for illustration purposes only.

The hardware installation section uses the terminology of white and black harnesses to differentiate between the two supplied cables. Due to supply chain variations, some cards may be provided with two black harnesses instead. To clarify the difference between these two harnesses, one black harness was marked with a "WHITE" label and the other with a "BLACK" label.

The Cabline harness marked with the "WHITE" label should be connected to the connector on the ConnectX-7 and PCle card engraved with "White Cable," while the one marked with the "BLACK" label should be connected to the connector on the ConnectX-7 and PCle card engraved with "Black Cable".

The harnesses' minimal bending radius is 10[mm].

# 4.10.1 Installing the Cards

The installation instructions include steps that involve a retention clip to be used while connecting the Cabline harnesses to the cards. Please note that this is an optional accessory.

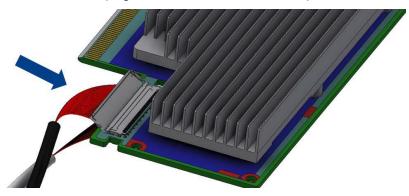
Please make sure to install the ConnectX-7 cards in a PCIe slot capable of supplying the required power and airflow as stated in the Specifications.

Connect the adapter card with the Auxiliary connection card using the supplied Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses.

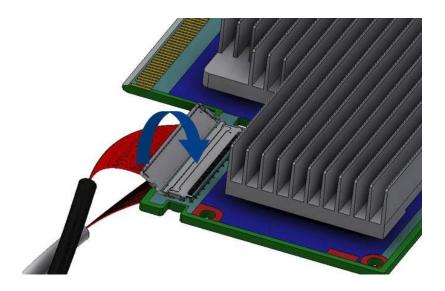
**Step 1:** Slide the black and white Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses through the retention clip while ensuring the clip opening is facing the plugs.



**Step 2:** Plug the Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses into the ConnectX-7 adapter card while paying attention to the color coding. As indicated on both sides of the card, plug the black harness into the component side and the white harness into the print side.



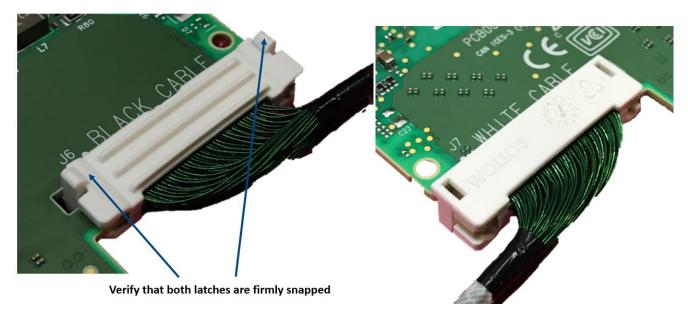
Step 2: Verify the plugs are locked.



**Step 3:** Slide the retention clip latches through the cutouts on the PCB. The latches should face the annotation on the PCB.



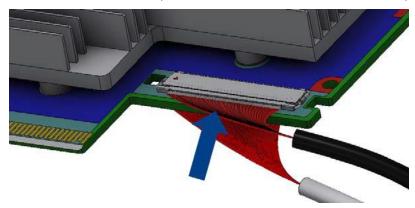
**Step 4:** Clamp the retention clip. Verify both latches are firmly locked.



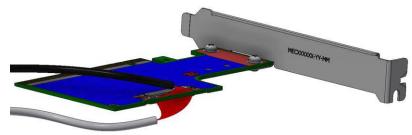
**Step 5:** Slide the Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses through the retention clip. Make sure that the clip opening is facing the plugs.



**Step 6:** Plug the Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses into the PCle Auxiliary Card. As indicated on both sides of the Auxiliary connection card, plug the black harness into the component side and the white harness into the print side.



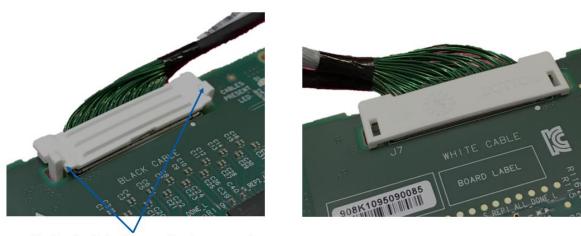
**Step 7:** Verify the plugs are locked.



**Step 8:** Slide the retention clip through the cutouts on the PCB. Ensure latches are facing "Blthe ack Cable" annotation, as seen in the picture below.



**Step 9:** Clamp the retention clip. Verify both latches are firmly locked.

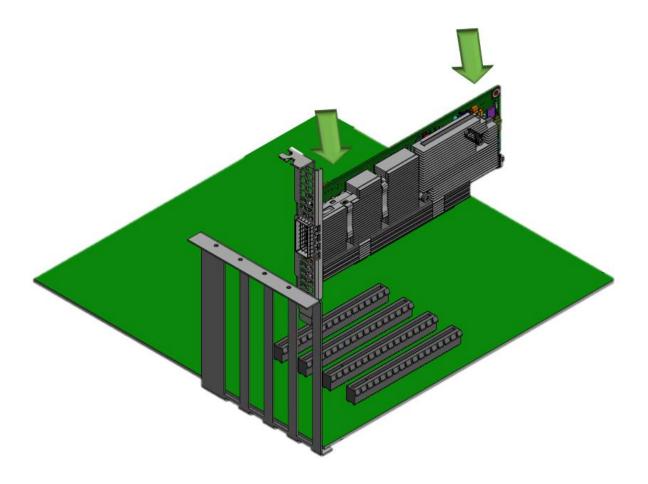


Verify that both latches are firmly snapped

Connect the ConnectX-7 adapter and PCIe Auxiliary Connection cards in available PCI Express x16 slots in the chassis.

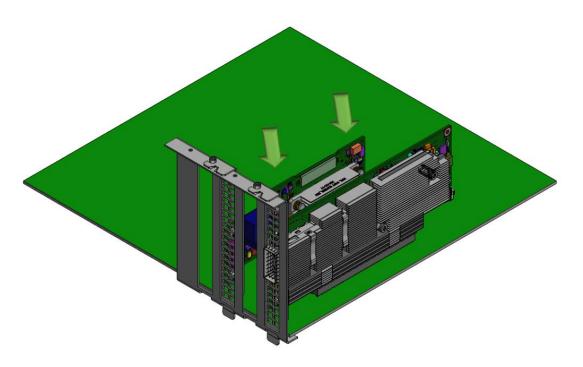
**Step 1:** Locate two available PCI Express x16 slots.

**Step 2:** Applying even pressure at both corners of the cards, insert the adapter card in the PCI Express slots until firmly seated.



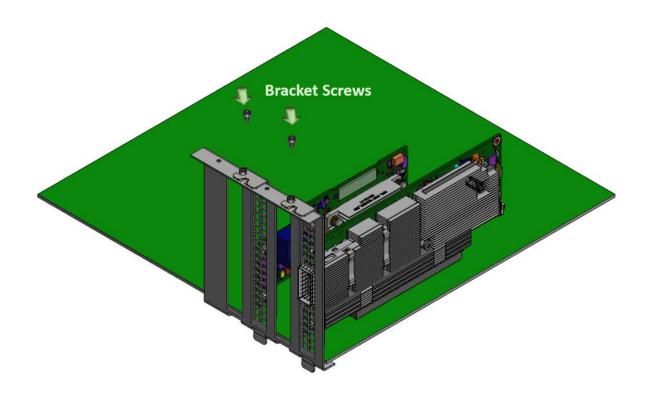
Do not use excessive force when seating the cards, as this may damage the system or the cards.

**Step 3:** Applying even pressure at both corners of the cards, insert the Auxiliary Connection card in the PCI Express slots until firmly seated.



Secure the ConnectX-7 adapter and PCIe Auxiliary Connection Cards to the chassis.

**Step 1**: Secure the brackets to the chassis with the bracket screws.



# 4.10.2 Uninstalling the Cards

## **Safety Precautions**

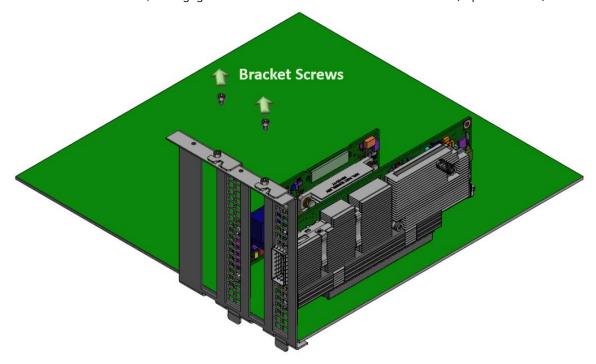
The adapter is installed in a system that operates with voltages that can be lethal. Before uninstalling the adapter card, please observe the following precautions to avoid injury and prevent damage to system components.

- 1. Remove any metallic objects from your hands and wrists.
- 2. Using an ESD strap or other antistatic devices is strongly recommended.
- 3. Turn off the system and disconnect the power cord from the server.

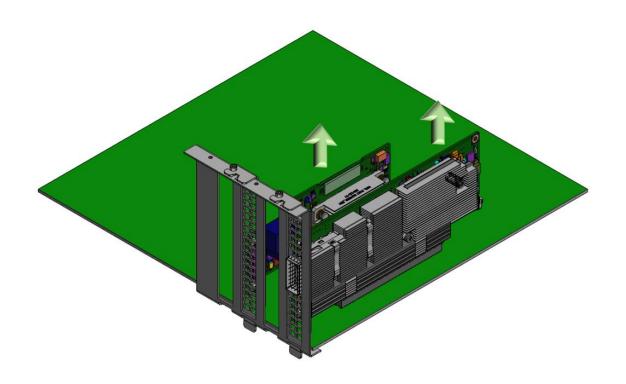
#### **Card Removal**

## Please note that the following images are for illustration purposes only.

- 1. Verify that the system is powered off and unplugged.
- 2. Wait 30 seconds.
- 3. To remove the card, disengage the retention mechanisms on the brackets (clips or screws).



4. Holding the adapter card from its center, gently pull the ConnectX-7 and Auxiliary Connections cards out of the PCI Express slot.



# **5 Driver Installation**

Please refer to the relevant driver installation section.

- Linux Driver Installation
- Windows Driver Installation
- VMware Driver Installation

# 5.1 Linux Driver Installation

This section describes how to install and test the MLNX\_OFED for Linux package on a single server with a ConnectX-7 adapter card installed.

# **5.1.1 Prerequisites**

Requirements	Description
Platforms	A server platform with a ConnectX-7 InfiniBand/Ethernet adapter card installed.
Required Disk Space for Installation	1GB
Operating System	Linux operating system.  For the list of supported operating system distributions and kernels, please refer to the MLNX_OFED Release Notes.
Installer Privileges	The installation requires administrator (root) privileges on the target machine.

# **5.1.2 Downloading MLNX\_OFED**

1. Verify that the system has a network adapter installed by running lspci command. The below table provides output examples per ConnectX-7 card configuration.

ConnectX-7 Card Configuration	Output Examples	
Single-port Socket Direct Card (2x PCIe x16)	[root@mftqa-009 ~]# lspci  grep mellanox -i a3:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] e3:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]	
Dual-port Socket Direct Card (2x PCle x16)	[root@mftqa-009 ~]# lspci  grep mellanox -i 05:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] 05:00.1 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] 82:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] 82:00.1 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] 82:00.1 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]  In the output example above, the first two rows indicate that one card is installed in a PCI slot with PCI Bus add ress 05 (hexadecimal), PCI Device number 00 and PCI Function number 0 and 1. The other card is installed in a PCI slot with PCI Bus address 82 (h exadecimal), PCI Device number 00 and PCI Function number 0 and 1. Si nce the two PCIe cards are installed in two PCIe slots, each card gets a unique PCI Bus and Device number. Each of the PCIe x16 busses s ees two network ports; in effect, the two physical ports of the ConnectX	

ConnectX-7 Card Configuration	Output Examples	
Single-port PCIe x16 Card	[root@mftqa-009 ~]# lspci  grep mellanox -ia 3:00.0 Infiniband controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]	
Dual-port PCIe x16 Card	[root@mftqa-009 ~]# lspci  grep mellanox -ia 86:00.0 Network controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7] 86:00.1 Network controller: Mellanox Technologies MT2910 Family [ConnectX-7]	

2. Download the ISO image to your host.

The image's name has the format MLNX\_OFED\_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label><CPU arch>.iso.

You can download and install the latest OpenFabrics Enterprise Distribution (OFED) software package available via the NVIDIA web site at  $\underline{\text{nvidia.com/en-us/networking}} \rightarrow \text{Products} \rightarrow \text{Software} \rightarrow \text{InfiniBand Drivers} \rightarrow \underline{\text{NVIDIA MLNX\_OFED}}$ 

a.

- i. Scroll down to the Download wizard, and click the Download tab.
- ii. Choose your relevant package depending on your host operating system.
- iii. Click the desired ISO/tgz package.
- iv. To obtain the download link, accept the End User License Agreement (EULA).
- 3. Use the Hash utility to confirm the file integrity of your ISO image. Run the following command and compare the result to the value provided on the download page.

```
HA256 MLNX_OFED_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label>.iso
```

## Installing MLNX\_OFED

## **Installation Script**

The installation script, mlnxofedinstall, performs the following:

- Discovers the currently installed kernel
- o Uninstalls any software stacks that are part of the standard operating system distribution or another vendor's commercial stack
- o Installs the MLNX\_OFED\_LINUX binary RPMs (if they are available for the current kernel)
- o Identifies the currently installed InfiniBand and Ethernet network adapters and automatically upgrades the firmware

  Note: To perform a firmware upgrade using customized firmware binaries, a path can be provided to the folder that contains the
  firmware binary files, by running --fw-image-dir. Using this option, the firmware version embedded in the MLNX\_OFED package will be
  ignored.

## Example:

/mlnxofedinstall --fw-image-dir /tmp/my\_fw\_bin\_files

If the driver detects unsupported cards on the system, it will abort the installation procedure. To avoid this, make sure to add --skip-unsupported-devices-check flag during installation.

### Usage

/mnt/mlnxofedinstall [OPTIONS]

The installation script removes all previously installed OFED packages and re-installs from scratch. You will be prompted to acknowledge the deletion of the old packages.

Pre-existing configuration files will be saved with the extension ".conf.rpmsave".

- o If you need to install OFED on an entire (homogeneous) cluster, a common strategy is to mount the ISO image on one of the cluster nodes and then copy it to a shared file system such as NFS. To install on all the cluster nodes, use cluster-aware tools (suchaspdsh).
- o If your kernel version does not match with any of the offered pre-built RPMs, you can add your kernel version by using the "mlnx\_add\_kernel\_support.sh" script located inside the MLNX\_OFED package.

On Redhat and SLES distributions with errata kernel installed there is no need to use the mlnx\_add\_kernel\_support.sh script. The regular installation can be performed and weak-updates mechanism will create symbolic links to the MLNX OFED kernel modules.

If you regenerate kernel modules for a custom kernel (using --add-kernel-support), the packages installation will not involve automatic regeneration of the initramfs. In some cases, such as a system with a root filesystem mounted over a ConnectX card, not regenerating the initramfs may even cause the system to fail to reboot.

In such cases, the installer will recommend running the following command to update the initramfs:

dracut -f

On some OSs, dracut -f might result in the following error message which can be safely ignore.

libkmod: kmod\_module\_new\_from\_path: kmod\_module 'mdev' already
exists with different path

The "mlnx\_add\_kernel\_support.sh" script can be executed directly from the mlnxofedinstall script. For further information, please see '-- add-kernel-support' option below.

On Ubuntu and Debian distributions drivers installation use Dynamic Kernel Module Support (DKMS) framework. Thus, the drivers' compilation will take place on the host during MLNX OFED installation.

Therefore, using "mlnx\_add\_kernel\_support.sh" is irrelevant on Ubuntu and Debian distributions.

**Example:** The following command will create a MLNX\_OFED\_LINUX ISO image for RedHat 7.3 under the /tmp directory.

```
./MLNX_OFED_LINUX-x.x-x-rhel7.3-x86_64/mlnx_add_kernel_support.sh -m /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-x.x-x-rhel7.3-x86_64/ --make-tgz
lote: This program will create MLNX_OFED_LINUX TGZ for rhel7.3 under /tmp directory.

All Mellanox, OEM, OFED, or Distribution IB packages will be removed.

No you want to continue?[y/N]:y
lee log file /tmp/mlnx_ofed_iso.21642.log

Building OFED RPMs. Please wait...

Removing OFED RPMs...

Treated /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-x.x-x-rhel7.3-x86_64-ext.tgz
```

- o The script adds the following lines to /etc/security/limits.conf for the userspace components such as MPI:
  - \* soft memlock unlimited
  - \* hard memlock unlimited
    - These settings set the amount of memory that can be pinned by a userspace application to unlimited. If desired, tune the value unlimited to a specific amount of RAM.

For your machine to be part of the InfiniBand/VPI fabric, a Subnet Manager must be running on one of the fabric nodes. At this point, OFED for Linux has already installed the OpenSM Subnet Manager on your machine.

For the list of installation options, run:

```
/mlnxofedinstall --h
```

#### **Installation Procedure**

This section describes the installation procedure of MLNX\_OFED on NVIDIA adapter cards.

- a. Log in to the installation machine as root.
- b. Mount the ISO image on your machine.

```
lost1# mount -o ro,loop MLNX_OFED_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label>-<CPU arch>.iso /mnt
```

c. Run the installation script.

```
mnt/mlnxofedinstall
.ogs dir: /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-x.x-x.logs
This program will install the MLNX_OFED_LINUX package on your machine.
The state of the state
```

For unattended installation, use the --force installation option while running the MLNX\_OFED installation script:

/mnt/mlnxofedinstall --force

MLNX\_OFED for Ubuntu should be installed with the following flags in chroot environment:

./mlnxofedinstall --without-dkms --add-kernel-support --kernel <kernel version in chroot> --without-fw-update --force

For example:

./mlnxofedinstall --without-dkms --add-kernel-support --kernel 3.13.0-85-generic --without-fw-update --force

Note that the path to kernel sources (--kernel-sources) should be added if the sources are not in their default location.

In case your machine has the latest firmware, no firmware update will occur and the installation script will print at the end of installation a message similar to the following:

Device #1:

-----

Device Type: ConnectX-X
Part Number: MCXXXX-XXX

PSID: MT\_<version>

PCI Device Name: 0b:00.0

Base MAC: 0000e41d2d5cf810

Versions: Current Available

FW XX.XX.XXXX Status: Up to date In case your machine has an unsupported network adapter device, no firmware update will occur and one of the error messages below will be printed. Please contact your hardware vendor for help with firmware updates. Error message #1:

Device #1:

-----

Device Type: ConnectX-X
Part Number: MCXXXX-XXX

PSID: MT\_<version>

PCI Device Name: 0b:00.0 Base MAC: 0000e41d2d5cf810 Versions: Current Available

FW XX.XX.XXXX

Status: No matching image found

Error message #2:

The firmware for this device is not distributed inside NVIDIA driver:

0000:01:00.0 (PSID: IBM2150110033)

To obtain firmware for this device, please contact your HW vendor.

d. **Case A**: If the installation script has performed a firmware update on your network adapter, you need to either restart the driver or reboot your system before the firmware update can take effect. Refer to the table below to find the appropriate action for your specific card.

Action \ Adapter	<b>Driver Restart</b>	Standard Reboot (Soft Reset)	Cold Reboot (Hard Reset)
Standard ConnectX- 4/ConnectX-4 Lx or higher	-	+	-

Action \ Adapter	Driver Restart	Standard Reboot (Soft Reset)	Cold Reboot (Hard Reset)
Adapters with Multi- Host Support	-	-	+
Socket Direct Cards	-	-	+

**Case B**: If the installations script has not performed a firmware upgrade on your network adapter, restart the driver by running: "/etc/init.d/openibd restart".

- e. (InfiniBand only) Run the hca\_self\_test.ofed utility to verify whether or not the InfiniBand link is up. The utility also checks for and displays additional information such as:
- o HCA firmware version
- Kernel architecture
- Driver version
- Number of active HCA ports along with their states
- Node GUID
   For more details on hca\_self\_test.ofed, see the file docs/readme\_and\_user\_manual/hca\_self\_test.readme.

After installation completion, information about the OFED installation, such as prefix, kernel version, and installation parameters can be retrieved by running the command /etc/infiniband/info. Most of the OFED components can be configured or reconfigured after the installation, by modifying the relevant configuration files. See the relevant chapters in this manual for details.

The list of the modules that will be loaded automatically upon boot can be found in the /etc/infiniband/openib.conf file.

Installing OFED will replace the RDMA stack and remove existing 3rd party RDMA connectors.

#### Installation Results

Software	<ul> <li>Most of MLNX_OFED packages are installed under the "/usr" directory except for the following packages which are installed under the "/opt" directory:</li> </ul>
	o fca and ibutils
	<ul> <li>iproute2 (rdma tool) - installed under /opt/Mellanox/iproute2/sbin/rdma</li> </ul>
	The kernel modules are installed under
	<ul> <li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/updates on SLES and Fedora Distributions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/extra/mlnx-ofa_kernel on RHEL and other RedHat like Distributions</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/updates/dkms/ on Ubuntu</li></ul>
o Firmware	<ul> <li>The firmware of existing network adapter devices will be updated if the following two conditions are fulfilled:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The installation script is run in default mode; that is, without the option 'without- fw-update'</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The firmware version of the adapter device is older than the firmware version included with the OFED ISO image</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> If an adapter's Flash was originally programmed with an Expansion ROM image, the automatic firmware update will also burn an Expansion ROM image.
	In case your machine has an unsupported network adapter device, no firmware update will occur and the

error message below will be printed. "The firmware for this device is not distributed inside NVIDIA driver: 0000:01:00.0 (PSID: IBM2150110033) To obtain firmware for this device, please contact your HW vendor."

## **Installation Logging**

While installing MLNX\_OFED, the install log for each selected package will be saved in a separate log file.

The path to the directory containing the log files will be displayed after running the installation script in the following format:

## Example:

```
ogs dir: /tmp/MLNX OFED LINUX-4.4-1.0.0.0.IBMM2150110033.logs
```

## **Driver Load Upon System Boot**

Upon system boot, the NVIDIA drivers will be loaded automatically.

## To prevent the automatic load of the NVIDIA drivers upon system boot:

a. Add the following lines to the "/etc/modprobe.d/mlnx.conf" file.

```
lacklist mlx5 core
lacklist mlx5 ib
```

- b. Set "ONBOOT=no" in the "/etc/infiniband/openib.conf" file.
- c. If the modules exist in the initramfs file, they can automatically be loaded by the kernel. To prevent this behavior, update the initramfs using the operating systems' standard tools. Note: The process of updating the initramfs will add the blacklists from step 1, and will prevent the kernel from loading the modules automatically.

## mInxofedinstall Return Codes

The table below lists the mlnxofedinstall script return codes and their meanings.

Return Code	Meaning
0	The Installation ended successfully
1	The installation failed
2	No firmware was found for the adapter device
22	Invalid parameter
28	Not enough free space
171	Not applicable to this system configuration. This can occur when the required hardware is not present on the system
172	Prerequisites are not met. For example, missing the required software installed or the hardware is not configured correctly
173	Failed to start the mst driver

Software	<ul> <li>Most of MLNX_OFED packages are installed under the "/usr" directory except for the following packages which are installed under the "/opt" directory:</li> </ul>	
	o fca and ibutils	
	<ul><li>iproute2 (rdma tool) - installed under /opt/Mellanox/iproute2/sbin/rdma</li></ul>	
	The kernel modules are installed under	

	<ul> <li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/updates on SLES and Fedora Distributions</li> <li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/extra/mlnx-ofa_kernel on RHEL and other RedHat like Distributions</li> <li>/lib/modules/`uname -r`/updates/dkms/ on Ubuntu</li> </ul>
o Firmware	The firmware of existing network adapter devices will be updated if the following two conditions are fulfilled:  The installation expire is run in default reads that
	<ul> <li>The installation script is run in default mode; that is, without the option 'without- fw-update'</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The firmware version of the adapter device is older than the firmware version included with the OFED ISO image</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> If an adapter's Flash was originally programmed with an Expansion ROM image, the automatic firmware update will also burn an Expansion ROM image.
	<ul> <li>In case your machine has an unsupported network adapter device, no firmware update will occur and the error message below will be printed.</li> </ul>
	"The firmware for this device is not distributed inside NVIDIA driver: 0000:01:00.0 (PSID: IBM2150110033) To obtain firmware for this device, please contact your HW vendor."

## **Installation Logging**

While installing MLNX\_OFED, the install log for each selected package will be saved in a separate log file.

The path to the directory containing the log files will be displayed after running the installation script in the following format:

### Example:

```
ogs dir: /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-4.4-1.0.0.0.IBMM2150110033.logs
```

## Uninstalling MLNX\_OFED

Use the script /usr/sbin/ofed\_uninstall.sh to uninstall the MLNX\_OFED package. The script is part of the ofed-scripts RPM.

#### **Additional Installation Procedures**

### Installing MLNX\_OFED Using YUM

This type of installation is applicable to RedHat/OL and Fedora operating systems.

### Setting up MLNX\_OFED YUM Repository

- a. Log into the installation machine as root.
- b. Mount the ISO image on your machine and copy its content to a shared location in your network.

```
mount -o ro,loop MLNX_OFED_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label>-<CPU arch>.iso /mnt
```

c. Download and install NVIDIA's GPG-KEY:

The key can be downloaded via the following link: http://www.mellanox.com/downloads/ofed/RPM-GPG-KEY-Mellanox

d. Install the key.

e. Check that the key was successfully imported.

f. Create a yum repository configuration file called "/etc/yum.repos.d/mlnx\_ofed.repo" with the following content:

```
mlnx_ofed]
lame=MLNX_OFED Repository
lame=MLNX_OFED package>/RPMS
labeled=1
loggkey=file:///<path to the downloaded key RPM-GPG-KEY-Mellanox>
loggkey=file:///<path to the downloaded key RPM-GPG-KEY-Mellanox>
loggkey=file:///
```

g. Check that the repository was successfully added.

```
yum repolist
oaded plugins: product-id, security, subscription-manager
his system is not registered to Red Hat Subscription Management. You can use
subscription-manager to register.
epo id repo name
status
llnx_ofed MLNX_OFED Repository
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pmforge RHEL 6Server - RPMforge.net - dag
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epolist: 8,351
```

### Setting up MLNX\_OFED YUM Repository Using --add-kernel-support

- a. Log into the installation machine as root.
- b. Mount the ISO image on your machine and copy its content to a shared location in your network.

```
mount -o ro,loop MLNX_OFED_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label>-<CPU arch>.iso /mnt
```

c. Build the packages with kernel support and create the tarball.

```
/mnt/mlnx_add_kernel_support.sh --make-tgz <optional --kmp> -k $(uname -r) - m /mnt/
lote: This program will create MLNX_OFED_LINUX TGZ for rhel7.6 under /tmp directory.
lote you want to continue?[y/N]:y
lee log file /tmp/mlnx_iso.4120_logs/mlnx_ofed_iso.4120.log
lhecking if all needed packages are installed...
luilding MLNX_OFED_LINUX RPMS . Please wait...
lireating metadata-rpms for 3.10.0-957.21.3.el7.x86_64 ...
lARNING: If you are going to configure this package as a repository, then please note
lARNING: that it contains unsigned rpms, therefore, you need to disable the gpgcheck
lARNING: by setting 'gpgcheck=0' in the repository conf file.
lireated /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-5.2-0.5.5.0-rhel7.6-x86_64-ext.tgz
```

d. Open the tarball.

```
cd /tmp/
tar -xvf /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-5.2-0.5.5.0-rhel7.6-x86_64-ext.tgz
```

e. Create a YUM repository configuration file called "/etc/yum.repos.d/mlnx\_ofed.repo" with the following content:

```
mlnx_ofed]
ame=MLNX_OFED Repository
aseurl=file:///<path to extracted MLNX_OFED package>/RPMS
nabled=1
pgcheck=0
```

f. Check that the repository was successfully added.

```
yum repolist
oaded plugins: product-id, security, subscription-manager
his system is not registered to Red Hat Subscription Management. You can use subscription-manager to register.
epo id repo name status
llnx_ofed MLNX_OFED Repository 108
pmforge RHEL 6Server - RPMforge.net - dag 4,597
epolist: 8,351
```

### Installing MLNX\_OFED Using the YUM Tool

After setting up the YUM repository for MLNX\_OFED package, perform the following:

a. View the available package groups by invoking:

```
yum search mlnx-ofed-
lnx-ofed-all.noarch : MLNX OFED all installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-all-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED all-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-basic.noarch : MLNX OFED basic installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-basic-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED basic-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-bluefield.noarch : MLNX OFED bluefield installer package (with KMP
lnx-ofed-bluefield-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED bluefield-user-only installer
  package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-dpdk.noarch : MLNX OFED dpdk installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-upstream-libs.noarch : MLNX OFED dpdk-upstream-libs installer
   package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-upstream-libs-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED dpdk-upstream-libs-
  user-only installer package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED dpdk-user-only installer package
  (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-eth-only-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED eth-only-user-only installer
  package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-guest.noarch : MLNX OFED guest installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-quest-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED quest-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-hpc.noarch : MLNX OFED hpc installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-hpc-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED hpc-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-hypervisor.noarch : MLNX OFED hypervisor installer package (with
  KMP support)
lnx-ofed-hypervisor-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED hypervisor-user-only
  installer package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-kernel-only.noarch : MLNX OFED kernel-only installer package (with
  KMP support)
hlnx-ofed-vma.noarch : MLNX OFED vma installer package (with KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-eth installer package (with KMP
  support)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-eth-user-only installer
  package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-vma-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-vma-vpi.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-vpi installer package (with KMP
lnx-ofed-vma-vpi-user-only.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-vpi-user-only installer
  package (User Space packages only
```

#### where:

mlnx-ofed-all	Installs all available packages in MLNX_OFED
mlnx-ofed-basic	Installs basic packages required for running NVIDIA cards
mlnx-ofed-guest	Installs packages required by guest OS
mlnx-ofed-hpc	Installs packages required for HPC
mlnx-ofed-hypervisor	Installs packages required by hypervisor OS
mlnx-ofed-vma	Installs packages required by VMA
mlnx-ofed-vma-eth	Installs packages required by VMA to work over Ethernet
mlnx-ofed-vma-vpi	Installs packages required by VMA to support VPI
bluefield	Installs packages required for BlueField
dpdk	Installs packages required for DPDK
dpdk-upstream-libs	Installs packages required for DPDK using RDMA-Core
kernel-only	Installs packages required for a non-default kernel

**Note**: MLNX\_OFED provides kernel module RPM packages with KMP support for RHEL and SLES. For other operating systems, kernel module RPM packages are provided only for the operating system's default kernel. In this case, the group RPM packages have the supported kernel version in their package's name.

Example:

```
lnx-ofed-all-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED all installer package
   for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-basic-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86_64.noarch : MLNX OFED basic installer
  package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-guest-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED guest installer
  package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-hpc-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED hpc installer package
  for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-hypervisor-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED hypervisor
   installer package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma installer package
   for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-eth installer
   package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-vpi-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-vpi installer
   package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-hypervisor-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED hypervisor
  installer package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma installer package
   for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-eth installer
  package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
hlnx-ofed-vma-vpi-3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64.noarch : MLNX OFED vma-vpi installer
   package for kernel 3.17.4-301.fc21.x86 64 (without KMP support)
```

When using an operating system different than RHEL or SLES, or you have installed a kernel that is not supported by default in MLNX\_OFED, you can use the mlnx\_add\_kernel\_support.sh script to build MLNX\_OFED for your kernel.

The script will automatically build the matching group RPM packages for your kernel so that you can still install MLNX\_OFED via yum. Please note that the resulting MLNX\_OFED repository will contain unsigned RPMs, therefore, you should set 'gpgcheck=0' in the

b. Install the desired group.

repository configuration file.

Installing MLNX\_OFED using the "YUM" tool does not automatically update the firmware.

To update the firmware to the version included in MLNX\_OFED package, run: # yum install mlnx-fw-updater

### Installing MLNX\_OFED Using apt-get

This type of installation is applicable to Debian and Ubuntu operating systems.

### Setting up MLNX\_OFED apt-get Repository

a. Log into the installation machine as root.

- Extract the MLNX\_OFED package on a shared location in your network.
   It can be downloaded from https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/networking/ → Products → Software → InfiniBand Drivers.
- c. Create an apt-get repository configuration file called "/etc/apt/sources.list.d/mlnx\_ofed.list" with the following content:

```
leb file:/<path to extracted MLNX_OFED package>/DEBS ./
```

d. Download and install NVIDIA's Technologies GPG-KEY.

```
wget -qO - http://www.mellanox.com/downloads/ofed/RPM-GPG-KEY-Mellanox | sudo apt-key add -
```

e. Verify that the key was successfully imported.

```
apt-key list
pub 1024D/A9E4B643 2013-08-11
iid Mellanox Technologies <support@mellanox.com>
sub 1024g/09FCC269 2013-08-11
```

f. Update the apt-get cache.

```
sudo apt-get update
```

### Setting up MLNX\_OFED apt-get Repository Using --add-kernel-support

- a. Log into the installation machine as root.
- b. Mount the ISO image on your machine and copy its content to a shared location in your network.

```
mount -o ro,loop MLNX_OFED_LINUX-<ver>-<OS label>-<CPU arch>.iso /mnt
```

c. Build the packages with kernel support and create the tarball.

```
/mnt/mlnx_add_kernel_support.sh --make-tgz <optional --kmp> -k $(uname -r) -
    m /mnt/
lote: This program will create MLNX_OFED_LINUX TGZ for rhel7.6 under /tmp
    directory.
lo you want to continue?[y/N]:y
lee log file /tmp/mlnx_iso.4120_logs/mlnx_ofed_iso.4120.log

hecking if all needed packages are installed...
luilding MLNX_OFED_LINUX RPMS . Please wait...
reating metadata-rpms for 3.10.0-957.21.3.el7.x86_64 ...

IARNING: If you are going to configure this package as a repository, then
    please note

IARNING: that it contains unsigned rpms, therefore, you need to disable the
    gpgcheck
IARNING: by setting 'gpgcheck=0' in the repository conf file.
reated /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-5.2-0.5.5.0-rhel7.6-x86_64-ext.tgz
```

d. Open the tarball.

```
cd /tmp/
tar -xvf /tmp/MLNX_OFED_LINUX-5.2-0.5.5.0-rhel7.6-x86_64-ext.tgz
```

e. Create an apt-get repository configuration file called "/etc/apt/sources.list.d/mlnx\_ofed.list" with the following content:

```
leb [trusted=yes] file:/<path to extracted MLNX_OFED package>/DEBS ./
```

f. Update the apt-get cache.

```
sudo apt-get update
```

### Installing MLNX\_OFED Using the apt-get Tool

After setting up the apt-get repository for MLNX\_OFED package, perform the following:

a. View the available package groups by invoking:

```
apt-cache search mlnx-ofed-
pt-cache search mlnx-ofed ......
nem-dkms - DKMS support for mlnx-ofed kernel modules
lnx-ofed-kernel-dkms - DKMS support for mlnx-ofed kernel modules
lnx-ofed-kernel-utils - Userspace tools to restart and tune mlnx-ofed kernel
  modules
lnx-ofed-vma-vpi - MLNX OFED vma-vpi installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-kernel-only - MLNX OFED kernel-only installer package (with DKMS
lnx-ofed-bluefield - MLNX OFED bluefield installer package (with DKMS
   support)
lnx-ofed-hpc-user-only - MLNX OFED hpc-user-only installer package (User
   Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-user-only - MLNX OFED dpdk-user-only installer package (User
  Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-all-exact - MLNX OFED all installer package (with DKMS support)
   (exact)
hlnx-ofed-all - MLNX OFED all installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-vma-vpi-user-only - MLNX OFED vma-vpi-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-eth-only-user-only - MLNX OFED eth-only-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-vma-user-only - MLNX OFED vma-user-only installer package (User
   Space packages only)
hlnx-ofed-hpc - MLNX OFED hpc installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-bluefield-user-only - MLNX OFED bluefield-user-only installer
  package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-dpdk - MLNX OFED dpdk installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth-user-only - MLNX OFED vma-eth-user-only installer package
   (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-all-user-only - MLNX OFED all-user-only installer package (User
   Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-vma-eth - MLNX OFED vma-eth installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-vma - MLNX OFED vma installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-upstream-libs-user-only - MLNX OFED dpdk-upstream-libs-user-
  only installer package (User Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-basic-user-only - MLNX OFED basic-user-only installer package (User
   Space packages only)
lnx-ofed-basic-exact - MLNX OFED basic installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-basic - MLNX OFED basic installer package (with DKMS support)
lnx-ofed-dpdk-upstream-libs - MLNX OFED dpdk-upstream-libs installer package
   (with DKMS support)
```

### where:

mlnx-ofed-all	MLNX_OFED all installer package
mlnx-ofed-basic	MLNX_OFED basic installer package
mlnx-ofed-vma	MLNX_OFED vma installer package
mlnx-ofed-hpc	MLNX_OFED HPC installer package
mlnx-ofed-vma-eth	MLNX_OFED vma-eth installer package
mlnx-ofed-vma-vpi	MLNX_OFED vma-vpi installer package
knem-dkms	MLNX_OFED DKMS support for mlnx-ofed kernel modules
kernel-dkms	MLNX_OFED kernel-dkms installer package
kernel-only	MLNX_OFED kernel-only installer package
bluefield	MLNX_OFED bluefield installer package
mlnx-ofed-all-exact	MLNX_OFED mlnx-ofed-all-exact installer package
dpdk	MLNX_OFED dpdk installer package
mlnx-ofed-basic-exact	MLNX_OFED mlnx-ofed-basic-exact installer package
dpdk-upstream-libs	MLNX_OFED dpdk-upstream-libs installer package

## b. Install the desired group.

```
pt-get install '<group name>'
```

## Example:

pt-get install mlnx-ofed-all

Installing MLNX\_OFED using the "apt-get" tool does not automatically update the firmware.

To update the firmware to the version included in MLNX\_OFED package, run: # apt-get install mlnx-fw-updater

### **Performance Tuning**

Depending on the application of the user's system, it may be necessary to modify the default configuration of network adapters based on the ConnectX® adapters. In case that tuning is required, please refer to the Performance Tuning Guide for NVIDIA Network Adapters.

## 5.2 Windows Driver Installation

For Windows, download and install the latest WinOF-2 for Windows software package available via the NVIDIA website at: WinOF-2 webpage. Follow the installation instructions included in the download package (also available from the download page).

The snapshots in the following sections are presented for illustration purposes only. The installation interface may slightly vary, depending on the operating system in use.

## **5.2.1 Software Requirements**

Description	Package
Windows Server 2022	MLNX_WinOF2- <version>_All_x64.exe</version>
Windows Server 2019	
Windows Server 2016	

Description	Package
Windows Server 2012 R2	
Windows 11 Client (64 bit only)	
Windows 10 Client (64 bit only)	
Windows 8.1 Client (64 bit only)	

Note: The Operating System listed above must run with administrator privileges.

## **5.2.2 Downloading WinOF-2 Driver**

To download the .exe file according to your Operating System, please follow the steps below:

- 1. Obtain the machine architecture.
  - a. To go to the Start menu, position your mouse in the bottom-right corner of the Remote Desktop of your screen.
  - b. Open a CMD console (Click Task Manager-->File --> Run new task and enter CMD).
  - c. Enter the following command.

```
cho %PROCESSOR_ARCHITECTURE%
```

On an x64 (64-bit) machine, the output will be "AMD64".

- 2. Go to the WinOF-2 web page at: <a href="https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/networking/">https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/networking/</a> > Products > Software > InfiniBand Drivers (Learn More) > Nvidia WinOF-2.
- 3. Download the .exe image according to the architecture of your machine (see <u>Step 1</u>). The name of the .exe is in the following format: MLNX\_WinOF2-<version>\_<arch>.exe.

Installing the incorrect .exe file is prohibited. If you do so, an error message will be displayed.

For example, if you install a 64-bit .exe on a 32-bit machine, the wizard will display the following (or a similar) error message: "The installation package is not supported by this processor type. Contact your vendor"

## 5.2.3 Installing WinOF-2 Driver

The snapshots in the following sections are for illustration purposes only. The installation interface may slightly vary, depending on the used operating system.

This section provides instructions for two types of installation procedures, and both require administrator privileges:

- Attended Installation
   An installation procedure that requires frequent user intervention.
- <u>Unattended Installation</u>
   An automated installation procedure that requires no user intervention.

## 5.2.3.1 Attended Installation

The following is an example of an installation session.

- 1. Double click the .exe and follow the GUI instructions to install MLNX\_WinOF2.
- 2. [Optional] Manually configure your setup to contain the logs option (replace "LogFile" with the relevant directory).

```
ILNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v"/l*vx [LogFile]"
```

3. [Optional] If you do not want to upgrade your firmware version (i.e., MT\_SKIPFWUPGRD default value is False).

```
%LNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v" MT_SKIPFWUPGRD=1"
```

4. **[Optional]** If you do not want to install the Rshim driver, run.

```
ILNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v" MT_DISABLE_RSHIM_INSTALL=1"
```

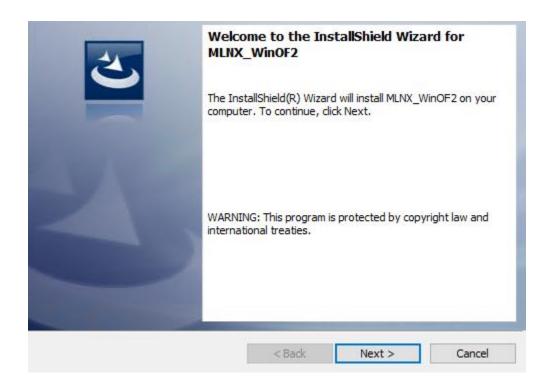
The Rshim driver installanion will fail if a prior Rshim driver is already installed. The following fail message will be displayed in the log:

"ERROR!!! Installation failed due to following errors: MlxRshim drivers installation disabled and MlxRshim drivers Installed, Please remove the following oem inf files from driver store: coem inf list>"

5. **[Optional]** If you want to skip the check for unsupported devices, run.

```
LNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v" SKIPUNSUPPORTEDDEVCHECK=1"
```

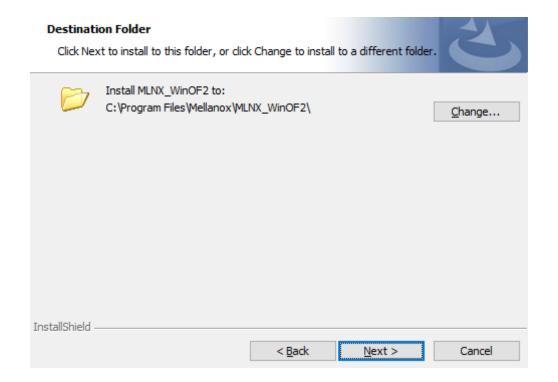
6. Click Next in the Welcome screen.



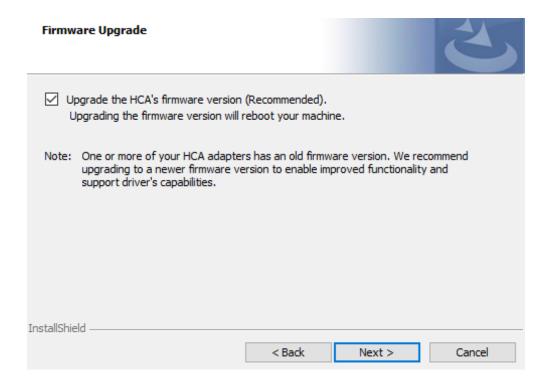
7. Read and accept the license agreement and click Next.



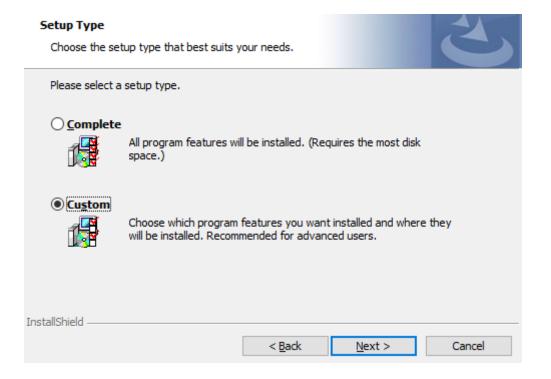
8. Select the target folder for the installation.



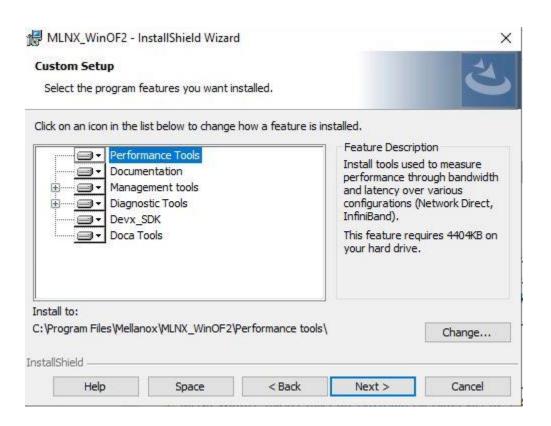
- 9. The firmware upgrade screen will be displayed in the following cases:
  - $\circ\quad$  If the user has an OEM card. In this case, the firmware will not be displayed.
  - o If the user has a standard NVIDIA® card with an older firmware version, the firmware will be updated accordingly. However, if the user has both an OEM card and a NVIDIA® card, only the NVIDIA® card will be updated.



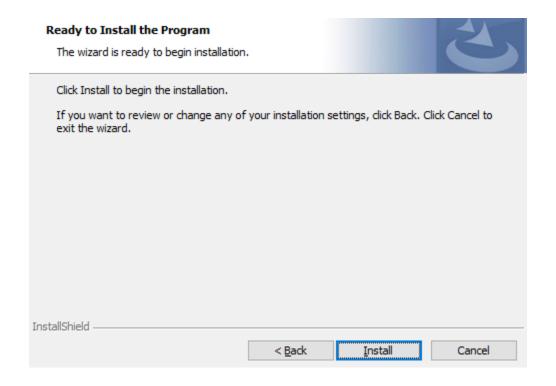
10. Select a Complete or Custom installation, follow <u>Step a</u> onward.



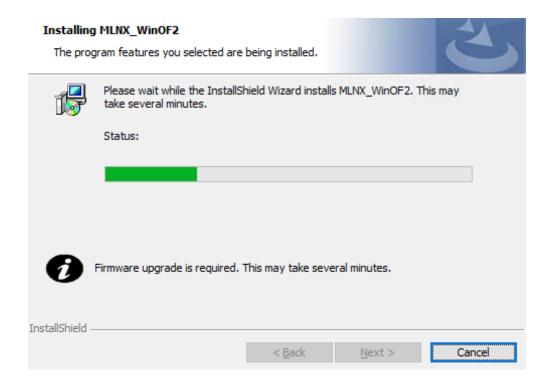
- a. Select the desired feature to install:
  - Performances tools install the performance tools that are used to measure performance in user environment
  - Documentation contains the User Manual and Release Notes
  - Management tools installation tools used for management, such as mlxstat
  - Diagnostic Tools installation tools used for diagnostics, such as mlx5cmd
- b. Click Next to install the desired tools.



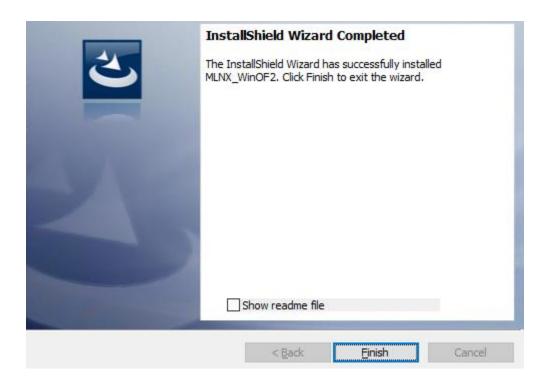
11. Click Install to start the installation.



12. In case firmware upgrade option was checked in <u>Step 7</u>, you will be notified if a firmware upgrade is required (see **1**).



13. Click Finish to complete the installation.



## 5.2.3.2 Unattended Installation

If no reboot options are specified, the installer restarts the computer whenever necessary without displaying any prompt or warning to the user.

To control the reboots, use the */norestart* or */forcerestart* standard command-line options.

The following is an example of an unattended installation session.

- 1. Open a CMD console-> Click Start-> Task Manager File-> Run new task-> and enter CMD.
- 2. Install the driver. Run:

```
ILNX_WinOF2-[Driver/Version]_<revision_version>_All_-Arch.exe /S /v/qn
```

3. **[Optional]** Manually configure your setup to contain the logs option:

```
ILNX_WinOF2-[Driver/Version]_<revision_version>_All_-Arch.exe /S /v/qn /v"/l*vx
[LogFile]"
```

4. [Optional] if you wish to control whether to install ND provider or not (i.e., MT\_NDPROPERTY default value is True).

```
LNX_WinOF2-[Driver/Version]_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /vMT_NDPROPERTY=1
```

5. [Optional] If you do not wish to upgrade your firmware version (i.e., MT\_SKIPFWUPGRD default value is False).

```
ILNX_WinOF2-[Driver/Version]_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /vMT_SKIPFWUPGRD=1
```

6. [Optional] If you do not want to install the Rshim driver, run.

```
LNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v" MT_DISABLE_RSHIM_INSTALL=1"
```

The Rshim driver installanion will fail if a prior Rshim driver is already installed. The following fail message will be displayed in the log:

"ERROR!!! Installation failed due to following errors: MlxRshim drivers installation disabled and MlxRshim drivers Installed, Please remove the following oem inf files from driver store: <oem inf list>"

7. **[Optional]** If you want to enable the default configuration for Rivermax, run.

```
MLNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v"MT_RIVERMAX=1 /l*vx
C:\Users\<user>\log.txt "
```

8. [Optional] If you want to skip the check for unsupported devices, run/

```
ILNX_WinOF2_<revision_version>_All_Arch.exe /v" SKIPUNSUPPORTEDDEVCHECK=1"
```

## **5.2.4 Firmware Upgrade**

If the machine has a standard NVIDIA® card with an older firmware version, the firmware will be automatically updated as part of the NVIDIA® WinOF-2 package installation. For information on how to upgrade firmware manually, please refer to MFT User Manual.

If the machine has a DDA (pass through) facility, firmware update is supported only in the Host. Therefore, to update the firmware, the following must be performed:

- 1. Return the network adapters to the Host.
- 2. Update the firmware according to the steps in the MFT User Manual.
- 3. Attach the adapters back to VM with the DDA tools.

## **5.3 VMware Driver Installation**

This section describes VMware Driver Installation.

## 5.3.1 Hardware and Software Requirements

Requirement	Description
Platforms	A server platform with an adapter card based on NVIDIA devices:
	ConnectX®-7 (InfiniBand/Ethernet) (firmware: fw-ConnectX7)
Operating System	For the complete list of VMware supported operating systems, refer to VMware ESXi async Drivers

Requirement	Description
Installer Privileges	The installation requires administrator privileges on the target machine.

## 5.3.2 Installing NATIVE ESXi Driver for VMware vSphere

Please uninstall all previous driver packages prior to installing the new version.

#### To install the driver:

- 1. Log into the ESXi server with root permissions.
- 2. Install the driver.

```
> esxcli software vib install -d <path>/<bundle_file>
```

### Example:

```
> esxcli software vib install -d /tmp/MLNX-NATIVE-ESX-ConnectX-4-5_4.16.8.8-10EM-650.0.0.4240417.zipesxcli
```

- 3. Reboot the machine.
- 4. Verify the driver was installed successfully.

After the installation process, all kernel modules are loaded automatically upon boot.

## **5.3.3 Removing Earlier NVIDIA Drivers**

Please unload the previously installed drivers before removing them.

#### To remove all the drivers:

- 1. Log into the ESXi server with root permissions.
- 2. List all the existing NATIVE ESXi driver modules. (See Step 4 in Installing NATIVE ESXi Driver for VMware vSphere.)
- 3. Remove each module:

```
> esxcli software vib remove -n nmlx5-rdma
> esxcli software vib remove -n nmlx5-core
```

To remove the modules, you must run the command in the same order as shown in the example above.

4. Reboot the server.

## **5.3.4 Firmware Programming**

- 1. Download the VMware bootable binary images v4.6.0 from the Firmware Tools (MFT) site.
  - a. ESXi 6.5 File: mft-4.6.0.48-10EM-650.0.0.4598673.x86\_64.vib
  - b. MD5SUM: 0804cffe30913a7b4017445a0f0adbe1
- 2. Install the image according to the steps described in the MFT User Manual.

The following procedure requires custom boot image downloading, mounting and booting from a USB device.

# **6 Updating Adapter Firmware**

Each adapter card is shipped with the latest version of qualified firmware at the time of manufacturing. However, NVIDIA issues firmware updates occasionally that provide new features and bug fixes. To check that your card is programmed with the latest available firmware version, download the mlxup firmware update and query utility. The utility can query for available Mellanox adapters and indicate which adapters require a firmware update. If the user confirms, mlxup upgrades the firmware using embedded images. The latest mlxup executable and documentation are available in mlxup - Update and Query Utility.

### Firmware Update Example

```
[server1]# ./mlxup
Querying Mellanox devices firmware ...
Device Type: ConnectX-7
Part Number: MCX75310AAS-HEAT
Description: NVIDIA ConnectX-7 adapter card, 200Gb/s NDR200 IB, Single-port OSFP, PCIe 5.0 x16, Secure boot, No Crypto, Tall
Bracket
PCI Device Name: 0b:00.0
Base MAC: 0000e41d2d5cf810
Versions: Current Available FW 28.33.0800 28.33.1000 Status: Update required
Device Type: ConnectX-7
Part Number: MCX75310AAS-HEAT
Description: NVIDIA ConnectX-7 adapter card, 200Gb/s NDR200 IB, Single-port OSFP, PCIe 5.0 x16, Secure boot, No Crypto, Tall
Bracket
PCI Device Name: 0b:00.0
Base MAC: 0000e41d2d5cf810
Versions: Current Available
 FW
              28.33.0800 28.33.1000
 Status: Up to date
Perform FW update? [y/N]: y
Device #1: Up to date
Device #2: Updating FW ... Done
Restart needed for updates to take effect.
Log File: /var/log/mlxup/mlxup-yyyymmdd.log
```

# 7 Setting High-Speed-Port Link Type

This section applies to ConnectX-7 cards supporting both Ethernet and InfiniBand protocols - see the relevant OPNs in the following table.

The following table lists the ConnectX-7 cards supporting both Ethernet and InfiniBand protocols, the supported speeds and the default networking port link type.

OPN	Data Transmission Rate	Default Protocol and Rate
MCX75310AAS-HEAT	NDR200 / 200GbE	InfiniBand NDR200
MCX75310AAS-NEAT	NDR / 400GbE	InfiniBand NDR
MCX75310AAC-NEAT	NDR / 400GbE	InfiniBand NDR
MCX755106AS-HEAT	NDR200 / 200GbE	Ethernet 200GbE
MCX755106AC-HEAT	NDR200 / 200GbE	Ethernet 200GbE
MCX715105AS-WEAT	NDR / 400GbE	Ethernet 400GbE

To configure the networking high-speed ports mode, you can either use the mlxconfig or the UEFI tools.

UEFI can configure the adapter card device before the operating system is up, while mlxconfig configures the card once the operating system is up. According to your preference, use one of the below tools:

## 7.1 mlxconfig

The mlxconfig tool allows users to change device configurations without burning the firmware. The configuration is also kept after reset. By default, mlxconfig shows the configurations that will be loaded in the next boot. For more information and instructions, refer to <u>Using mlxconfig to Set IB/ETH</u> Parameters.

## **7.2 UEFI**

PreBoot drivers initialize the adapter device, check the port protocol type – Ethernet or InfiniBand - and bring up the port. Then it connects to a DHCP server to obtain its assigned IP address and network parameters and obtain the source location of the kernel/OS to boot from. The DHCP server instructs the PreBoot drivers to access the kernel/OS through a TFTP server, an iSCSI target, or some other service. For more information and instructions, refer to UEFI.

# 8 Troubleshooting

# 8.1 General Troubleshooting

Server unable to find the adapter	<ul> <li>Ensure that the adapter is placed correctly</li> <li>Make sure the adapter slot and the adapter are compatible Install the adapter in a different PCI Express slot</li> <li>Use the drivers that came with the adapter or download the latest</li> <li>Make sure your motherboard has the latest BIOS</li> <li>Try to reboot the server</li> </ul>
The adapter no longer works	<ul> <li>Reseat the adapter in its slot or a different slot, if necessary</li> <li>Try using another cable</li> <li>Reinstall the drivers for the network driver files may be damaged or deleted</li> <li>Reboot the server</li> </ul>
Adapters stopped working after installing another adapter	<ul> <li>Try removing and re-installing all adapters</li> <li>Check that cables are connected properly</li> <li>Make sure your motherboard has the latest BIOS</li> </ul>
Link indicator light is off	<ul> <li>Try another port on the switch</li> <li>Make sure the cable is securely attached</li> <li>Check you are using the proper cables that do not exceed the recommended lengths</li> <li>Verify that your switch and adapter port are compatible</li> </ul>

Link light is on, but with no communication established	•	Check that the latest driver is loaded
	•	Check that both the adapter and its link are set to the same speed and duplex settings

# 8.2 Linux Troubleshooting

Environment Information	cat /etc/issue uname -a cat /proc/cupinfo   grep 'model name'   uniq ofed_info -s ifconfig -a ip link show ethtool <interface> ethtool -i <interface_of_mellanox_port_num> ibdev2netdev</interface_of_mellanox_port_num></interface>
Card Detection	Ispci   grep -i Mellanox
Mellanox Firmware Tool (MFT)	Download and install MFT: MFT Documentation Refer to the User Manual for installation instructions. Once installed, run: mst start mst status flint -d <mst_device> q</mst_device>
Ports Information	ibstat ibv_devinfo
Firmware Version Upgrade	To download the latest firmware version, refer to the NVIDIA Update and Query Utility.

Collect Log File	cat /var/log/messages
	dmesg >> system.log
	journalctl (Applicable on new operating systems)
	cat /var/log/syslog

# 8.3 Windows Troubleshooting

Environment Information	From the Windows desktop choose the Start menu and run: msinfo32  To export system information to a text file, choose the Export option from the File menu.  Assign a file name and save.
Mellanox Firmware Tool (MFT)	Download and install MFT: MFT Documentation Refer to the User Manual for installation instructions. Once installed, open a CMD window and run: WinMFT mst start mst status flint -d <mst_device> q</mst_device>
Ports Information	vstat
Firmware Version Upgrade	Download the latest firmware version using the PSID/board ID from <a href="here">here</a> . flint -d <mst_device> -i <firmware_bin_file> b</firmware_bin_file></mst_device>
Collect Log File	<ul> <li>Event log viewer</li> <li>MST device logs:         <ul> <li>mst start</li> <li>mst status</li> </ul> </li> <li>flint –d <mst_device> dc &gt; dump_configuration.log</mst_device></li> </ul>

•	mstdump <mst_device> dc &gt; mstdump.log</mst_device>

## 9 Specifications

The ConnectX-7 adapter card is designed and validated for operation in data-center servers and other large environments that guarantee proper power supply and airflow conditions.

The adapter card is not intended for installation on a desktop or a workstation. Moreover, installing the adapter card in any system without proper power and airflow levels can impact the adapter card's functionality and potentially damage it. Failure to meet the environmental requirements listed in this user manual may void the warranty.

Please make sure to install the ConnectX-7 card in a PCIe slot that is capable of supplying the required power and airflow as stated in the below table.

# 9.1 MCX75310AAC-NEAT / MCX75310AAS-NEAT Specifications

ConnectX-7 add	apter cards with OSFP form factor support RHS (Riding	g Heatsink) cage only.			
Physical	Adapter Card Size: PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in.	x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm	1)		
Interfaces	See Supported Interfaces				
	PCI Express Gen 4.0/5.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 lanes	(Gen 3.0 compatible)			
	Networking Port: Single OSFP InfiniBand and Ethernet				
Data Rate	InfiniBand (Default)	NDR/NDR200/HDR/HDR100/	EDR/FDR/SDR		
	Ethernet	400/200/100/50/40/10/1 Gb	/s Ethernet		
Protocol Support	InfiniBand: IBTA v1.5 <sup>a</sup> Auto-Negotiation: NDR (4 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, NDR200 (2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 (2 lane x 50Gb/s per lane), EDR (25Gb/s per lane) port, FDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane).				
Ethernet: 400GAUI-4 C2M, 400GBASE-CR4, 200GAUI-2 C2M, 200GAUI-4 C2M, 200GBASE-CR4, 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GA 100GBASE-CR4, 100GBASE-CR2, 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI					
Capabilities	MCX75310AAC-NEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled			
	MCX75310AAS-NEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto	Disabled		
Electrical and Thermal	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA				
Specifications	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16	MCX75310AAC-NEAT	25.9W		
		MCX75310AAS-NEAT	24.9W		
	The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" document. You can access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.				
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C		
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>		
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity		
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity		
	Altitude (Operational)	Altitude (Operational) 3050m			

**Regulatory** Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE

**EMC**: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC

RoHS: RoHS Compliant

### Notes:

a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.

b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

# 9.2 MCX75310AAS-HEAT Specifications

ConnectX-7 ada	apter cards with OSFP form factor support RHS (Riding He	at Sink) cage only.	
Physical	Adapter Card Size: PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6	.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 m	nm)
Interfaces	See Supported Interfaces		
	PCI Express Interface: Gen 4.0/5.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x1	.6 lanes (Gen 3.0 compatib	le)
	Networking Port: Single OSFP InfiniBand and Ethernet		
Data Rate	InfiniBand (Default)	NDR200/HDR/HDR100	)/EDR/FDR/SDR
	Ethernet	200/100/50/40/10/1	Gb/s Ethernet
Protocol Support	InfiniBand: IBTA v1.5 <sup>a</sup> Auto-Negotiation: NDR200 (2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 (2 lane x 50Gb/s per lane), EDR (25Gb/s per lane) port, FDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane).		
	<b>Ethernet</b> : 200GAUI-2 C2M, 200GAUI-4 C2M, 200GBASE-CR4 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-C 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XL	R, 50GBASE-R2 , 40GBASE-	
Capabilities	MCX75310AAS-HEAT	Secure Boot Enabled,	Crypto Disabled
Electrical and Thermal	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA		
Specifications	Typical power with passive cables in PCle Gen 5.0 x16 16.7W		
	The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provi You can access the document either by logging into NVOnlir		• •
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m	
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE		
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC		

### RoHS: RoHS Compliant

- a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.
- b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

## 9.3 MCX755106AC-HEAT / MCX755106AS-HEAT Specifications

The Socket-Direct ready cards kit does not include the PCIe passive auxiliary connection card and two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses. For more information, please refer to PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit.

Physical	Adapter Card Size	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)		
	Auxiliary PCIe Connection Card Size	5.09 in. x 2.32 in. (129.30mm x 59.00mm) Two Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses (white and black)		
Interfaces See Supported Interfaces				
	PCI Express Interface	Gen 5.0/4.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)		
		<b>Optional</b> : Additional PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 18GT/s through the PCIe auxiliary passive card and Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses		
	Networking Ports	Dual QSFP112 InfiniBand and Ethernet		
Data Rate	InfiniBand	NDR200/HDR/HDR100/EDR/FDR/SDR		
	<b>Ethernet (Default Mode)</b>	200/100/50/25/10 Gb/s		
Protocol Support	_	(2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 (2 lane x 50Gb/s per lane), EDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane)		
	Ethernet Protocols	200GAUI-2 C2M, 200GAUI-4 C2M, 200GBASE-CR4, 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2M, 100GBASE-CR4, 100GBASE-CR2, 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI		
Capabilities	MCX755106AC-HEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled		
	MCX755106AS-HEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Disabled		

Electrical and	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX				
Thermal	Maximum current: 100mA				
Specifications	Typical power with passive	MCX755106AC-HEAT	25.9W		
	cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16	MCX755106AS-HEAT	24.9W		
The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" You can access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.					
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C		
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>		
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity		
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity		
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m			
Regulatory	ulatory Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE				
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC				
	RoHS: RoHS Compliant	RoHS: RoHS Compliant			

a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.

b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

## 9.4 MCX715105AS-WEAT Specifications

The Socket-Direct ready cards kit does not include the PCIe passive auxiliary connection card and two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses. For more information, please refer to <u>PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit</u>.

Physical	Adapter Card Size	PCle Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)			
	Auxiliary PCIe Connection Card Size	5.09 in. x 2.32 in. (129.30mm x 59.00mm) Two Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses (white and black)			
Interfaces	See Supported Interfaces				
	PCI Express Interface	Gen 5.0/4.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)			
		<b>Optional</b> : Additional PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 18GT/s through the PCIe auxiliary passive card and Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses			
	Networking Ports	Single QSFP112 InfiniBand and Ethernet			
Data Rate	InfiniBand	NDR/NDR200/HDR/HDR100/EDR/FDR/SDR			
	Ethernet (Default Mode)	400/200/100/50/25/10 Gb/s			
Protocol Support	,	lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, NDR200 (2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 EDR (25Gb/s per lane) port, FDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane)			
	Ethernet Protocols	400GAUI-4 C2M, 400GBASE-CR4, 200GAUI-2 C2M, 200GAUI-4 C2M, 200GBASE-CR4, 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2M, 100GBASE-CR4, 100GBASE-CR2, 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI			
Capabilities	Secure Boot Enabled, Cryp	to Disabled			
Electrical and Thermal	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA				
Specifications	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16	24.9W			
	· ·	d thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" document. ent either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.			

Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C	
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>	
Humidity		Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity	
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity	
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m		
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE			
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC			
	RoHS: RoHS Compliant			

a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.

b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

## 9.5 MCX75510AAS-HEAT Specifications

The Socket-Direct ready cards kit does not include the PCIe passive auxiliary connection card and two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses. For more information, please refer to <u>PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit</u>.

Physical	Adapter Card Size	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in.	x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)		
	<b>Auxiliary PCIe Connection Card Size</b>	5.09 in. x 2.32 in. (129.30mm x 59.00mm)			
		Two Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses (wh	ite and black)		
Interfaces	Supported Interfaces				
	PCI Express Interface	Gen 5.0/4.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x	16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)		
		<b>Optional</b> : Additional PCle x16 Gen 4.0 card and Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses	0 @ SERDES 16GT/s through the PCIe auxiliary passive		
	Networking Ports	Single OSFP InfiniBand			
Data Rate	InfiniBand	NDR200/HDR/HDR100/EDR/FDR/SDF	R		
Protocol Support	InfiniBand: IBTA v1.5 <sup>a</sup> Auto-Negotiation: NDR200 (2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 (2 lane x 50Gb/s per lane), EDR (25Gb/s per lane) port, FDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane)				
Capabilities	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Disabled				
Electrical and Thermal Specifications	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA				
	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16	19.6W			
	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" by contacting your NVIDIA representative.		
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C		
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>		
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity		
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity		
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m			

Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC
	RoHS: RoHS Compliant

### Notes:

a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.

b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

## 9.6 MCX75510AAS-NEAT Specifications

The Socket-Direct ready cards kit does not include the PCIe passive auxiliary connection card and two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses. For more information, please refer to <u>PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit</u>.

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Physical	Adapter Card Size	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)		
	<b>Auxiliary PCIe Connection Card</b>	5.09 in. x 2.32 in. (129.30mm x 59.00mm)		
	Size	Two Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses (white and black)		
Interfaces	See Supported Interfaces			
	PCI Express Interface	Gen 5.0/4.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)		
		<b>Optional</b> : Additional PCIe x16 Gen 4.0 @ SERDES 16GT/s through the PCIe auxiliary passive card and Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses		
	Networking Ports	Single OSFP InfiniBand		
Data Rate	InfiniBand NDR/NDR200/HDR/HDR100/EDR/FDR/SDR			
Protocol Support	InfiniBand: IBTA v1.5 <sup>a</sup> Auto-Negotiation: NDR (4 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, NDR200 (2 lanes x 100Gb/s per lane) port, HDR (50Gb/s per lane) port, HDR100 (2 lane x 50Gb/s per lane), EDR (25Gb/s per lane) port, FDR (14.0625Gb/s per lane), 1X/2X/4X SDR (2.5Gb/s per lane)			
Capabilities	Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Dis	abled		
Electrical and Thermal	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA			
Specifications	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16			
	· ·	rmal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal an access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA		

Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C	
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>	
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity	
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity	
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m		
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE			
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC			
	RoHS: RoHS Compliant			

- a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.
- b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

# 9.7 MCX713106AC-CEAT and MCX713106AS-CEAT Specifications

Adapter Card Size: PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.	71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm	x 167.65 mm)		
See Supported Interfaces				
PCI Express Gen 4.0/5.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16	lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compa	tible)		
Networking Ports: Dual-port QSFP112 Ethernet (cop	per and optical)			
MCX713106AC-CEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, C	rypto Enabled		
MCX713106AS-CEAT	Secure Boot Enabled, C	rypto Disabled		
Data Rate	Ethernet	100/50/40/25/10/1GbE		
Ethernet Protocols: 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2M, 100GBASE-CR4, 100GBASE-CR2, 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI				
Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA				
Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0	MCX713106AC-CEAT	17.5W		
x16	MCX713106AS-CEAT	16.8W		
The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" document. You can access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.				
Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C		
	Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>b</sup>		
Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity		
	Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity		
Altitude (Operational) 3050m				
Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE				
EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC				
RoHS: RoHS Compliant				
	See Supported Interfaces PCI Express Gen 4.0/5.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 Networking Ports: Dual-port QSFP112 Ethernet (cop MCX713106AC-CEAT MCX713106AS-CEAT  Data Rate Ethernet Protocols: 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBAS 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2I  Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA  Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0 x16  The complete electrical and thermal specifications a Specifications" document. You can access the docur representative.  Temperature  Humidity  Altitude (Operational)  Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE  EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC	PCI Express Gen 4.0/5.0: SERDES @ 16/32GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 comparational)  Networking Ports: Dual-port QSFP112 Ethernet (copper and optical)  MCX713106AC-CEAT  Secure Boot Enabled, C  MCX713106AS-CEAT  Secure Boot Enabled, C  Secure Boot Enabled, C  Bethernet  Ethernet  Ethernet Protocols: 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2M, 100GBASE-CR4, 100GB  50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25G  1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI  Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX  Maximum current: 100mA  Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 5.0  MCX713106AC-CEAT  The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA C Specifications" document. You can access the document either by logging interpresentative.  Temperature  Operational  Non-operational  Humidity  Operational  Non-operational  Altitude (Operational)  Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE  EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC		

Physical Adapter Card Size: PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 6.6 in. (68.90mm x 167.65 mm)

- a. The ConnectX-7 adapters supplement the IBTA auto-negotiation specification to get better bit error rates and longer cable reaches. This supplemental feature only initiates when connected to another NVIDIA InfiniBand product.
- b. The non-operational storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

# 9.8 MCX713106AC-VEAT and MCX713106AS-VEAT Specifications

Gans 0: SERDES @ 16 0GT/s/32GT/s v16 lanes /4 0 2 0		See Supported Interfaces							
Gen5.0: SERDES @ 16.0GT/s/32GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0, 3.0, 2.0 and 1.1 compatible)									
Networking Ports: Dual-port QSFP112 Ethernet (copper and optical)									
Data Rate	Ethernet	200/100/50/40/25/10/1 GbE							
Ethernet Protocols: 200GAUI-2 C2M, 200GAUI-4 C2M, 200GBASE-CR4, 100GAUI-2 C2M, 100GAUI-1 C2M, 100GBASE-CR4, 100GBASE-CR2, 100GBASE-CR1, 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASE-CR, 50GBASE-R2, 40GBASE-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, XLAUI C2M, XLPPI, SFI									
MCX713106AC-CEAT Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled									
MCX713106AS-CEAT Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Disabled									
Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA									
Maximum power available through QSFP112 cage	11W per port (Not the supported)	11W per port (Not thermally supported), 5.1W per port (Thermally supported)							
The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" document. You can access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.									
Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C							
	Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>a</sup>							
Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity							
	Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity							
Altitude (Operational)	3050m								
Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE									
EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC									
RoHS: RoHS Compliant									
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# 9.9 MCX713104AC-ADAT and MCX713104AS-ADAT Specifications

The physical board dimensions are compliant with PCI Express Card Electromechanical Specification Revision 4.0 except for minor differences with the edge finger alignment, bracket mounting scheme, and low-profile bracket opening. These differ slightly from the PCI CEM specification due to the mechanical constraint of the single quad-port SFP56 cage. It is recommended to use the 3D stp file. Please contact your NVIDIA sales representative to get the mechanical simulation.

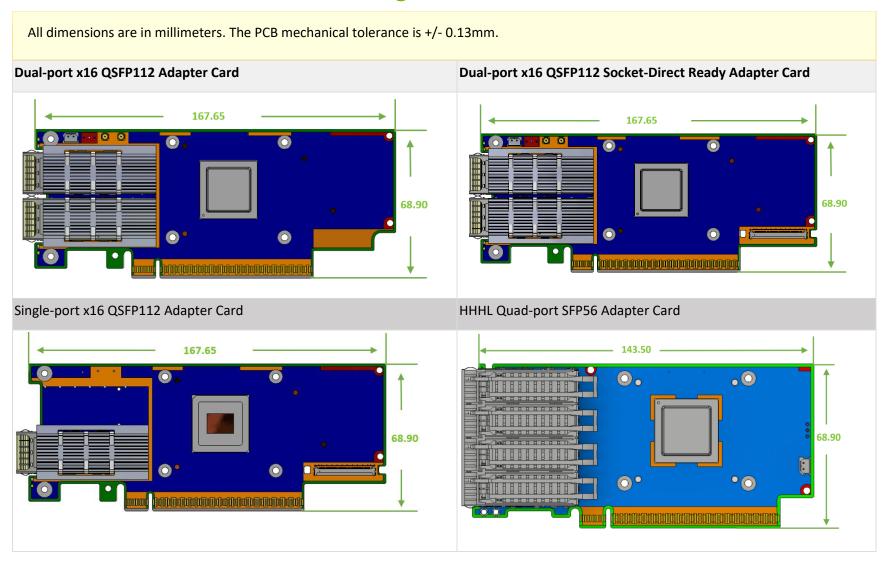
Physical	PCIe Half Height, Half Length 2.71 in. x 5.64 in. (68.90mm x	143.50 mm)						
Interfaces	See <u>Supported Interfaces</u>							
	PCI Express Gen 4.0: SERDES @ 16GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)							
	Networking Port: Quad-port SFP56 Ethernet (copper and op	otical)						
Protocol Support	Data Rate	Ethernet	50/25GbE					
	Ethernet Protocols: 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBASR, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M,		, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-					
Capabilities	MCX713104AC-ADAT: Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled MCX713104AS-ADAT: Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Disabled							
Electrical and Thermal	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX							
Specifications	Maximum current: 100mA							
	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 4.0 x16	MCX713104AC-ADAT	15.8W					
		MCX713104AS-ADAT	15.1W					
	The complete electrical and thermal specifications are providocument. You can access the document either by logging in							
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C					
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>a</sup>					
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity					
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity					
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m						

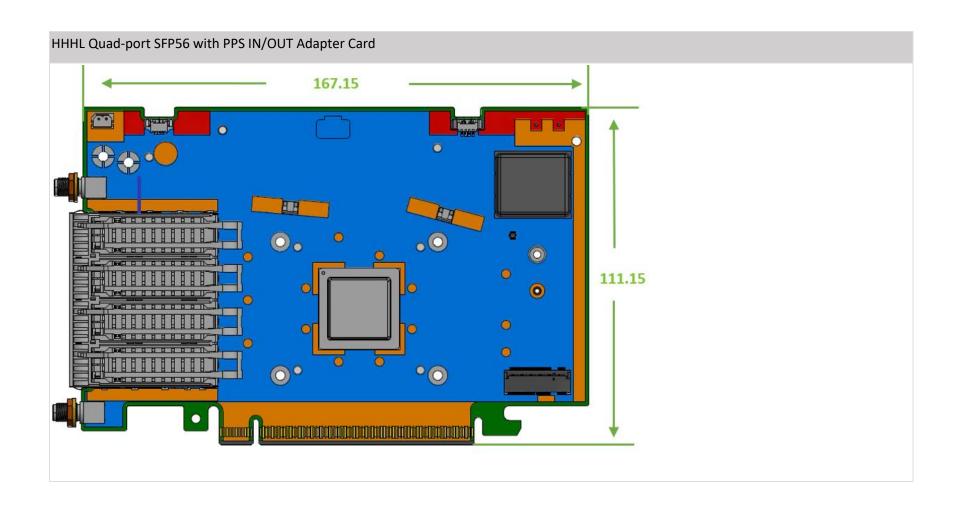
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE
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	RoHS: RoHS Compliant
Notes:	
a. The non-operat	ional storage temperature specifications apply to the product without its package.

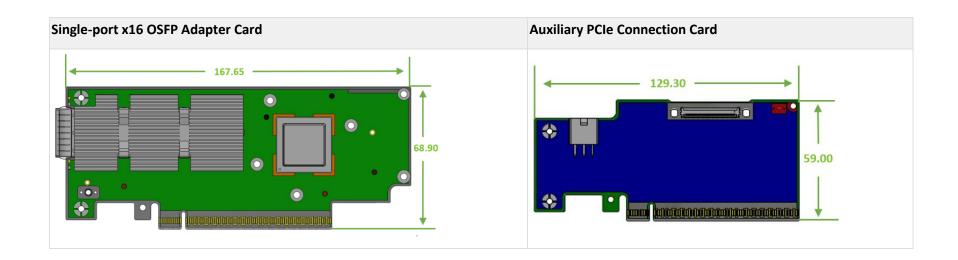
# 9.10MCX713114TC-GEAT Specifications

Physical	Adapter Card Size: PCle Full Height, Half Length 4.37 in. x 6.6 in. (111.15mm x 167.65 mm)							
Interfaces	See Supported Interfaces							
	PCI Express Gen 4.0: SERDES @ 16GT/s, x16 lanes (4.0 and 3.0 compatible)							
	Networking Port: Quad-port SFP56 Ethernet (copper and op	tical)						
Protocol Support	Data Rate	Ethernet	50/25 GbE					
	Ethernet Protocols: 50GAUI-2 C2M, 50GAUI-1 C2M, 50GBAS R, 10GBASE-CX4, 1000BASE-CX, CAUI-4 C2M, 25GAUI C2M, X		-CR4, 40GBASE-R2, 25GBASE-R, 10GBASE-					
Capabilities	MCX713114TC-GEAT Enhanced-SyncE & PTP, PPS In/Out, Secure Boot, Crypto Enabled							
Electrical and Thermal Specifications	Voltage: 12V, 3.3VAUX Maximum current: 100mA							
	Typical power with passive cables in PCIe Gen 4.0 x16 15.8W							
	The complete electrical and thermal specifications are provided in "NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Electrical and Thermal Specifications" document. You can access the document either by logging into NVOnline or by contacting your NVIDIA representative.							
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C					
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C <sup>a</sup>					
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity					
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity					
	Altitude (Operational)	3050m						
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE							
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC							
		RoHS: RoHS Compliant						

## 9.11 Cards Mechanical Drawings and Dimensions





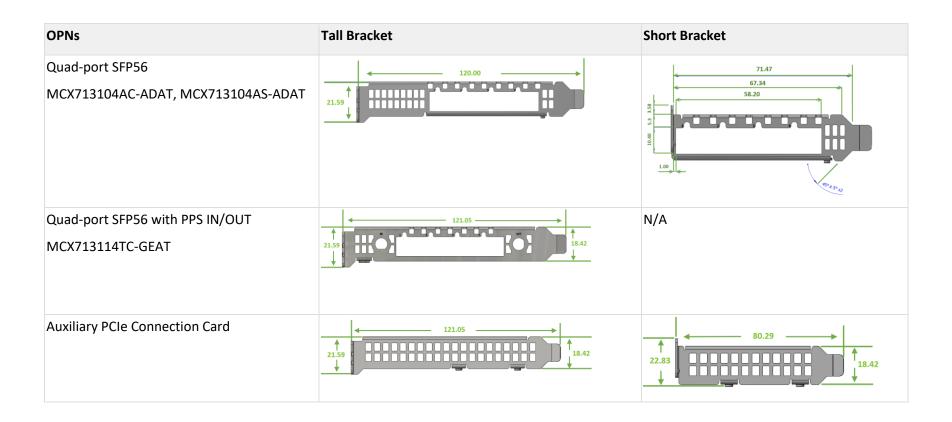


### 9.12 Brackets Mechanical Drawings and Dimensions

Applicable to MCX713114TC-GEAT, MCX713114GC-GEAT, MCX713104AC-ADAT and MCX713104AS-ADAT only:

The physical board dimensions are compliant with PCI Express Card Electromechanical Specification Revision 4.0 except for minor differences with the edge finger alignment, bracket mounting scheme, and low-profile bracket opening. These differ slightly from the PCI CEM specification due to the mechanical constraint of the **single quad-port SFP56** cage. It is recommended to use the associated 3D step file. Please contact your NVIDIA sales representative to get the mechanical simulation.

All dimensions are in millimeters. The PCB mechanical tolerance is +/- 0.13mm. **Tall Bracket Short Bracket OPNs** Single-port QSFP112 MCX715105AS-WEAT 22.83 Dual-port QSFP112 MCX755106AS-HEAT, MCX755106AC-HEAT, 18.42 22.83 MCX713106AC-CEAT, MCX713106AS-CEAT, MCX713106AC-VEAT, MCX713106AS-VEAT Single-port OSFP 121.05 MCX75310AAS-NEAT, MCX75310AAC-NEAT, MCX75310AAS-HEAT, MCX75510AAS-NEAT, MCX75510AAS-HEAT



## 10 Monitoring

### 10.1 Thermal Sensors

The adapter card incorporates the ConnectX IC, which operates in the range of temperatures between 0°C and 105°C.

Three thermal threshold definitions impact the overall system operation state:

- **Warning** 105°C: On managed systems only: When the device crosses the 105°C threshold, a Warning Threshold message is issued by the management SW, indicating to system administration that the card has crossed the warning threshold. Note that this temperature threshold does not require nor lead to any action by hardware (such as adapter card shutdown).
- Critical 115°C: When the device crosses this temperature, the firmware automatically shuts down the device.
- **Emergency** 130°C: If the firmware fails to shut down the device upon crossing the critical threshold, the device automatically shuts down upon crossing the emergency (130°C) threshold.

The card's thermal sensors can be read through the system's SMBus. The user can read these thermal sensors and adapt the system airflow following the readouts and the needs of the above-mentioned IC thermal requirements.

### 10.2 Adapter Card Heatsink

The heatsink is attached to the ConnectX-7 IC to dissipate the heat from the ConnectX-7 IC. It is attached by spring-loaded screws. ConnectX-7 IC has a thermal shutdown safety mechanism that automatically shuts down the ConnectX-7 card in cases of high-temperature events, improper thermal coupling, or heatsink removal.

For the required airflow (LFM) per OPN, please refer to the Specifications chapter.

### 11 Finding the GUID/MAC on the Adapter Card

Each adapter card has a different identifier printed on the label: serial number and the card MAC for the Ethernet protocol and the card GUID for the InfiniBand protocol. InfiniBand/Ethernet cards have both a GUID and a MAC (derived from the GUID). IB only cards have GUID for the InfiniBand protocol.

The product revisions indicated on the labels in the following figures do not necessarily represent the latest revisions of the cards.

### **Board Label Example**



### 12 PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit

This section applies to the following adapter cards when used as Socket Direct cards in dual-socket servers.

- MCX755106AS-HEAT
- MCX755106AC-HEAT
- MCX75510AAS-NEAT
- MCX75510AAS-HEAT
- MCX715105AS-WEAT

Socket Direct network cards, which cost-effectively integrate a single network adapter silicon on a primary board, and an auxiliary PCIe connection card and Slim Line SAS harnesses connecting the two. Socket Direct enables direct access from each CPU to the network through its dedicated PCIe interface as the card's 32-lane PCIe bus is split into two 16-lane buses, with one bus accessible through a PCIe x16 edge connector and the other bus through an x16 Auxiliary PCIe Connection card. The two cards should be installed into two PCIe x16 slots and connected using two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses.

The PCIe auxiliary kit can be purchased separately to operate in a dual-socket server. The below table lists the available PCIe auxiliary kit ordering part numbers, depending on the desired length of the Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses.

Ordering Part Number	Passive Auxiliary Connection	Cabline SA-II Plus Harnesses Length
MTMK9100-T15	PCIe Gen 4.0/5.0 x16 connection card	2x 150mm harnesses
MTMK9100-T25	PCIe Gen 4.0 x16 connection card	2x 250mm harnesses
MTMK9100-T35	PCIe Gen 4.0 x16 connection card	2x 350mm harnesses

The two Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses in the PCIe auxiliary kit have different routings. To distinguish between these two harnesses, one black harness is marked with a "WHITE" label while the harness is marked with a "BLACK" label.

The Cabline harness marked with the "WHITE" label should be connected to the connector on the networking card and PCIe Auxiliary card engraved with "White Cable" while the one marked with the "BLACK" label should be connected to the connector on the networking card and the PCIe Auxiliary card engraved with "Black Cable". The Cabline SA-II Plus harness mates with two 60-pin IPEX connectors (P/N 20790-060E-01), on both sides. The black Cabline SA-II Plus harness mates with the connector on the component side (top side) of the network card, while the White Cabline SA-II Plus harnesses mates

with the pint side (bottom side) of the main network card. For hardware installation, please refer to ConnectX-7 Socket Direct (2x PCIe x16) Installation Instructions.

## 12.1 PCIe Auxiliary Card Package Contents

Category	Qty	Item
Cards	1	MTMK9100-T15: PCle x16 Gen 5.0/4.0 Auxiliary Connection Card MTMK9100-T25 and MTMK9100-T35: PCle x16 Gen 4.0 Auxiliary Connection Card
Harnesses	1	Cabline CA-II Plus harness (white) - Length according to kit OPN (15, 25 or 35cm)
	1	Cabline CA-II Plus harness (black) - Length according to kit OPN (15, 25 or 35cm)
Accessories	2	Retention Clip for Cabeline harness (shipped assembled on the harnesses - optional)
	1	PCIe Auxiliary card short bracket
	1	PCIe Auxiliary card tall bracket (shipped assembled on the Auxiliary card)

### 12.2 Channel Insertion Loss

To be updated in a future version of this document.

### 12.3 Cabline CA-II Plus Harness Pinouts

## 12.3.1 Component Side

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
1	GND	GND BAR			1
2	PCIE_REFCLK1_P	Micro coax	Primary PCIe clock from the motherboard to the Network Adapter Main card, to be used for the x16 Cabline harness PCIe interface. This clock must meet all the PCIe SIG spec requirements. It should be driven from the motherboard side.	38	2
3	PCIE_REFCLK1_N	Micro coax	Primary PCIe clock from the motherboard to the Network Adapter Main card, to be used for the x16 Cabline harness PCIe interface. This clock must meet all the PCIe SIG spec requirements. It should be driven from the motherboard side.	38	3
4	GND	GND BAR			4
5	PCIE_CPU_CX_15N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	5
6	PCIE_CPU_CX_15P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	6
7	GND	GND BAR			7

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
8	PCIE_CPU_CX_14N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	8
9	PCIE_CPU_CX_14P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	9
10	GND	GND BAR			10
11	PCIE_CPU_CX_13N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	11
12	PCIE_CPU_CX_13P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	12
13	GND	GND BAR			13
14	PCIE_CPU_CX_12N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	14
15	PCIE_CPU_CX_12P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	15
16	GND	GND BAR			16
17	PCIE_CPU_CX_11N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	17

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
18	PCIE_CPU_CX_11P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	18
19	GND	GND BAR			19
20	PCIE_CPU_CX_10N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	20
21	PCIE_CPU_CX_10P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	21
22	GND	GND BAR			22
23	PCIE_CPU_CX_9N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	23
24	PCIE_CPU_CX_9P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	24
25	GND	GND BAR			25
26	PCIE_CPU_CX_8N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	26
27	PCIE_CPU_CX_8P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	27

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
28	GND	GND BAR			28
29	PCIE_CPU_CX_7N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	29
30	PCIE_CPU_CX_7P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	30
31	GND	GND BAR			31
32	PCIE_CPU_CX_6N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	32
33	PCIE_CPU_CX_6P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	33
34	GND	GND BAR			34
35	PCIE_CPU_CX_5N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	35
36	PCIE_CPU_CX_5P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	36
37	GND	GND BAR			37

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
38	PCIE_CPU_CX_4N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	38
39	PCIE_CPU_CX_4P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	39
40	GND	GND BAR			40
41	PCIE_CPU_CX_3N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	41
42	PCIE_CPU_CX_3P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	42
43	GND	GND BAR			43
44	PCIE_CPU_CX_2N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	44
45	PCIE_CPU_CX_2P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	45
46	GND	GND BAR			46
47	PCIE_CPU_CX_1N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCIe Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	47

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
48	PCIE_CPU_CX_1P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	48
49	GND	GND BAR			49
50	PCIE_CPU_CX_0N	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	50
51	PCIE_CPU_CX_0P	Micro coax	Connect from the Black Cabline CA-II Plus cable through 220nF capacitors to the x16 PCle Tx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point	38	51
52	GND	GND BAR			52
53	I2C_SMDAT	Micro coax	PCIe compliant SMBus interface to the network adapter. The Network adapter silicon may be accessed through this SMBus interface after the Power-On sequence of the network adapter is completed. The motherboard side serves as the bus master on the SMBus interface. (Please note on AUX board implementation, an I2C EEPROM at address 0x50 is also present on this interface, to allow the server management entity to read the identity of the auxiliary card. For a direct motherboard interface to the Cabline CA-II Plus cables, mounting such FRU EEPROM on the motherboard should be considered – for motherboard management purposes of the Cabline CA-II Plus interface to the network adapter).	38	53
54	I2C_SMCLK	Micro coax	PCIe compliant SMBus interface to the network adapter. The Network adapter silicon may be accessed through this SMBus interface after the Power-On sequence of the network adapter is completed. The motherboard side serves as the bus master on the SMBus interface. (Please note on AUX board implementation, an I2C EEPROM at address 0x50 is also present on this	38	54

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
			interface, to allow the server management entity to read the identity of the auxiliary card. For a direct motherboard interface to the Cabline CA-II Plus cables, mounting such FRU EEPROM on the motherboard should be considered – for motherboard management purposes of the Cabline CA-II Plus interface to the network adapter).		
55	Reserved_01	Micro coax		38	55
56	S_WAKE1_CONN_L	Micro coax	In setups that support operation of the network adapter card during standby operating mode, this optional PCIe compliant Wake signal, may be used for the network adapter silicon to indicate to the motherboard when wake from standby power mode, for example after a magic packet was received. Please consult NVIDA in case of intention to use this signal, as it has not been populated or used in designs so far.	38	56
57	I2C_AUX_SCL	Micro coax	The ConnectX-7 silicon serves as the I2C bus master on this bus. An I2C EEPROM at I2C address 0x57 needs to be mounted on the motherboard side to report to the Cabline CA-II Plus interface parameters to the main-card network adapter silicon, like Cabline CA-II Plus cables length (contact NVIDIA for the format of this EEPROM). If additional optional I2C slave devices need to be managed by the main-card network adapter silicon, they need to be included on this I2C bus as well.	38	57
58	I2C_AUX_SDA	Micro coax	The ConnectX-7 silicon serves as the I2C bus master on this bus. An I2C EEPROM at I2C address 0x57 needs to be mounted on the motherboard side to report to the Cabline CA-II Plus interface parameters to the main-card network adapter silicon, like Cabline CA-II Plus cables length (contact NVIDIA for the format of this EEPROM). If additional optional I2C slave devices need to be managed by the main-card network adapter silicon, they need to be included on this I2C bus as well.	38	58

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	Detailed Description	AWG#	Pin# on the other end
59	S_PRSNT1_L	Micro coax	Connect this pin to GND  No wires are connected to these pins to ensure they do not interfere with the operation of S_PRSNT2_L for the detection when the two Cabline harnesses are installed.	38	59
60		No Wire			60

## 12.3.2 Print Side

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
1	SER_CLK	Micro coax	38		1
2	SER_CAPTURE	Micro coax	38		2
3	SER_DO	Micro coax	38		3
4	Reserved_04	Micro coax	38		4

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
5	SER_DI	Micro coax	38		5
6	S_BIFFURCATE_AUX_BRD	Micro coax		In specific Network Card Assemblies which support bifurcation of the PCIe x16 IPEX interface to two x8 PCIe interfaces, this pin is used for either the motherboard or the network adapter silicon to signal whether the IPEX interface should or should not be bifurcated. This signal has been reserved and hasn't been used in the past, and as a result it's direction has not been fixed yet, to provide for additional options in the future. (pin is marked as Reserved 06 in the generic White IPEX Cable pinout)	6
7	Reserved_07	Micro coax	38	Reserved for future expansion	7
8	Reserved_08	Micro coax	38	Reserved for future expansion	8
9	GND	GND BAR			9
10	PCIE_CX_CPU_OP	Micro coax		Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	10
11	PCIE_CX_CPU_ON	Micro coax		Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	11
12	GND	GND BAR			12

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
13	PCIE_CX_CPU_1P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	13
14	PCIE_CX_CPU_1N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	14
15	GND	GND BAR			15
16	PCIE_CX_CPU_2P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	16
17	PCIE_CX_CPU_2N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	17
18	GND	GND BAR			18
19	PCIE_CX_CPU_3P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	19
20	PCIE_CX_CPU_3N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	20
21	GND	GND BAR			21
22	PCIE_CX_CPU_4P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	22

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
23	PCIE_CX_CPU_4N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	23
24	GND	GND BAR			24
25	PCIE_CX_CPU_5P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	25
26	PCIE_CX_CPU_5N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	26
27	GND	GND BAR			27
28	PCIE_CX_CPU_6P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	28
29	PCIE_CX_CPU_6N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	29
30	GND	GND BAR			30
31	PCIE_X_CPU_7P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	31
32	PCIE_CX_CPU_7N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	32

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
33	GND	GND BAR			33
34	PCIE_CX_CPU_8P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	34
35	PCIE_CX_CPU_8N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	35
36	GND	GND BAR			36
37	PCIE_CX_CPU_9P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	37
38	PCIE_CX_CPU_9N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	38
39	GND	GND BAR			39
40	PCIE_CX_CPU_10P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	40
41	PCIE_CX_CPU_10N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	41
42	GND	GND BAR			42

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
43	PCIE_CX_CPU_11P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	43
44	PCIE_CX_CPU_11N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	44
45	GND	GND BAR			45
46	PCIE_CX_CPU_12P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	46
47	PCIE_CX_CPU_12N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	47
48	GND	GND BAR			48
49	PCIE_CX_CPU_13P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	49
50	PCIE_CX_CPU_13N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	50
51	GND	GND BAR			51
52	PCIE_CX_CPU_14P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	52

Pin#	Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
53	PCIE_CX_CPU_14N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	53
54	GND	GND BAR			54
55	PCIE_CX_CPU_15P	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	55
56	PCIE_CX_CPU_15N	Micro coax	38	Connect from the White Cabline CA-II Plus harness to the PCIe x16 Rx lanes of the CPU/GPU/End-Point. 220nF caps are required on this signal on the ConnectX-7 card.	56
57	GND	GND BAR			57
58	S_PERST1_CONN_L	Micro coax	38	PCIe compliant PERST_L (active low PCI Reset) signal for the PCIe Cabline CA-II Plus Connectors. The direction of this PERST_L signal depends on the implementation: When connecting a CPU root complex to the PCIe Cabline CA-II Plus interface, this signal is driven from the motherboard side (from the CPU), to the network adapter. When connecting a GPU or an end point to the PCIe Cabline CA-II Plus interface, this signal is driven from the network adapter side (which operates as a PCIe switch in this case), to the GPU or end-point on the motherboard side.	58
59		No Wire			59
60	S_PRSNT2_L	Micro coax	38	Connect to a 4.7K pull-up resistor to 3.3V on the motherboard side, to detect if both the Cabline harnesses are connected or not. This signal is connected to S_PRSNT1_L on the network adapter main card. In the motherboard side, read logic low if both Cabline	60

Pin# Signal Name	Wire Type	AWG#	Detailed Description	Pin# on the other end
			harnesses are connected. Read logic 1 (3.3V) if one or both the Cabline harnesses are not connected.  No wires are connected to these pins to ensure they do not interfere with the operation of S PRSNT1 L for the detection when the two Cabline harnesses are installed.	

# 12.4 PCIe Auxiliary Kit Technical Specifications

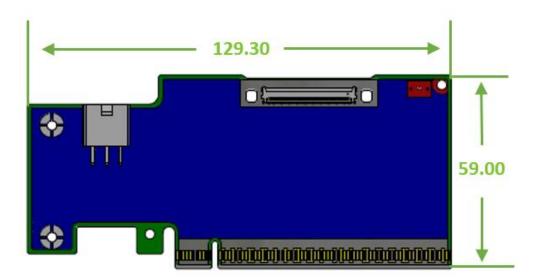
### 12.4.1 Technical Specifications

Physical	PCIe Auxiliary Card Size: 5.09 in. x 2.32 in. (129.30mm x 59.00mm) Two Cabline CA-II Plus harnesses (white and black) Length: 15, 25 or 35cm								
PCIe Connectivity	MTMK9100-T15	PCI Express Gen 5.0/4.0: SERDES @ 16/32 GT/s, x16 lanes (Gen 3.0 compatible)							
	MTMK9100-T25 / MTMK9100-T35	PCI Express Gen 4.0: SERDES @ 16GT/s, x16 lanes (Gen 3.0 compatible)							
Power Consumption	Voltage: 12V, 3.3V_AUX Maximum current: 100mA								
Environmental	Temperature	Operational	0°C to 55°C						
		Non-operational	-40°C to 70°C						
	Humidity	Operational	10% to 85% relative humidity						
		Non-operational	10% to 90% relative humidity						

	Altitude (Operational)	3050m						
Regulatory	Safety: CB / cTUVus / CE							
	EMC: CE / FCC / VCCI / ICES / RCM / KC							
	RoHS: RoHS Compliant							

### 12.4.2 PCIe Auxiliary Card Mechanical Drawings and Dimensions

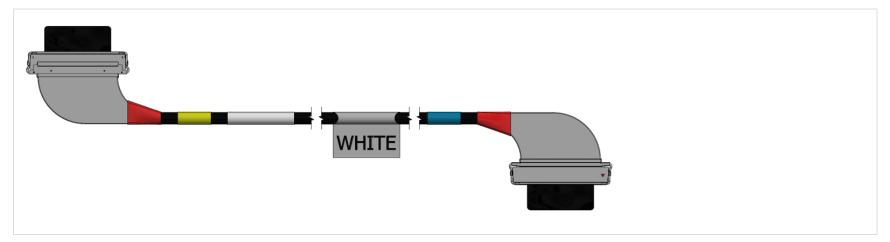
All dimensions are in millimeters. The PCB mechanical tolerance is +/- 0.13mm.



### 12.4.3 Bracket Mechanical Drawings and Dimensions



### 12.4.4 Cabline CA-II Plus Harnesses Mechanical Drawing



# **13 Document Revision History**

Date	Comments/Changes
Aug. 2023	Updated typo in Brackets Mechanical Drawings and Dimensions
Jul. 2023	<ul> <li>Updated MCX713104A cards lifecycle to "Mass Production"</li> <li>Added MCX713105AS-WEAT to the EOL'ed OPNs table</li> <li>Added a note about InfiniBand and Ethernet support for MCX75310AAS-HEAT and MCX75310AAS-NEAT card in Ordering Part Numbers</li> </ul>
Jun. 2023	Added typical power numbers for all adapter cards in Specifications.
May. 2023	<ul> <li>Updated <u>Specifications</u> - added non-operational storage temperature specifications and updated mechanical drawings.</li> <li>Updated board label in <u>Finding the GUID/MAC on the Adapter Card</u>.</li> <li>Added board mechanical drawings in <u>Supported Interfaces</u>.</li> <li>Updated bracket mechanical drawings in <u>Specifications</u>.</li> <li>Added a note about OSFP boards.</li> </ul>
Apr. 2023	Updated Setting High-Speed-Port Link Type.
Feb. 2023	<u>Updated VMware Driver Installation</u> .
Jan. 2023	<ul> <li>Added support for OPN MCX715105AS-WEAT .</li> <li>Updated 400Gb/s Ethernet protocols in <u>Specifications</u>.</li> </ul>
Dec. 2022	<ul> <li>Modified ordering part numbers and product descriptions in <u>NVIDIA ConnectX-7 Adapter Cards User Manual</u>.</li> <li>Added <u>PCIe Auxiliary Card Kit</u>.</li> <li>Updated <u>Monitoring</u>.</li> </ul>
Nov. 2022	First release of the consolidated user manual for all ConnectX-7 adapter cards.

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