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HIGHLIGHTS

- Provides exceptional price/performance value, combining flexibility, simplicity, and enterprise-class functionality in a 48-port switch
- Enables fast, easy, and cost-effective scaling from 24 to 48 ports using Ports on Demand (PoD) capabilities
- Simplifies management through Brocade Fabric Vision technology, reducing operational costs and optimizing application performance
- Simplifies deployment and supports high-performance fabrics by using Brocade ClearLink Diagnostic Ports (D_Ports) to identify optic and cable issues
- Simplifies and accelerates deployment with the Brocade EZSwitchSetup wizard and Dynamic Fabric Provisioning (DFP)
- Maximizes availability with redundant, hot-pluggable components and nondisruptive software upgrades
- Simplifies server connectivity by deploying as a full-fabric switch or a Brocade Access Gateway

Gen 5 Fibre Channel is the purposebuilt, data center-proven network infrastructure for storage, delivering unmatched reliability, simplicity, and 16 Gbps performance. The Brocade 6510 with Gen 5 Fibre Channel unleashes the full potential of high-density server virtualization, cloud architectures, and next-generation storage.

Flexible, Easy-to-Use Enterprise-Class SAN Switch for Private Cloud Storage

To keep pace with growing business demands, data centers are transitioning to highly virtualized, private cloud storage environments. This approach enables organizations to consolidate and simplify their IT resources, resulting in increased business agility and lower capital and operating expenses. But virtualization is not without its challenges. Data centers must keep up with the explosive data growth and dynamic changes driven by virtualized workloads. Selecting the right network is key to realizing the full benefits of these cloud-based architectures.

The Brocade® 6510 Switch meets the demands of hyper-scale, private cloud storage environments by delivering

market-leading Gen 5 Fibre Channel technology and capabilities that support highly virtualized environments. Designed to enable maximum flexibility and reliability, the Brocade 6510 is a high-performance, enterprise-class switch configurable in 24, 36, or 48 ports. It supports 2, 4, 8, 10, or 16 Gbps speeds in an efficiently designed 1U package.

A simplified deployment process and a point-and-click user interface make the Brocade 6510 both powerful and easy to use. The Brocade 6510 offers low-cost access to industry-leading Storage Area Network (SAN) technology while providing "pay-as-you-grow" scalability to meet the needs of an evolving storage environment.



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Brocade Fabric Vision Technology

Brocade Fabric Vision technology, an extension of Gen 5 Fibre Channel, delivers breakthrough technologies that dramatically simplify SAN deployment and management, drive down costs, and offer unprecedented visibility and insight across the storage network. Key advantages include:

Dramatically reduced costs:

- Automates the deployment of threshold-based rules and policies for proactive monitoring and management, reducing operational costs
- Pre-tests and validates the SAN infrastructure to accelerate deployments and simplify ongoing support
- Eliminates the need for expensive third-party monitoring, diagnostics, and test equipment through built-in flow monitoring, flow mirroring, and traffic generator tools

Maximum infrastructure uptime:

- Provides a customizable dashboard that displays the overall health of the SAN, helping to pinpoint problems faster and enabling trend analysis
- Features critical diagnostic and monitoring capabilities, helping to ensure early problem detection and recovery
- Validates the health, reliability, and performance of the network prior to deployment and for ongoing support, reducing downtime risk

Optimized application performance:

- Provides comprehensive visibility into flows in the fabric, including the ability to automatically learn (discover) flows and non-disruptively monitor flow performance
- Instantly identifies congestion or abnormal levels of latency in the fabric, and identifies exactly which devices and hosts are impacted by the bottleneck
- Provides a customizable performance dashboard with all critical information in one screen to easily identify hot spots and potential network congestion

EXCEPTIONAL PRICE/PERFORMANCE FOR GROWING SAN WORKLOADS

The Brocade 6510 with Gen 5 Fibre Channel delivers exceptional price/performance for growing SAN workloads through a combination of market-leading throughput and an affordable switch form factor. The 48 ports produce an aggregate 768 Gbps full-duplex throughput; any eight ports can be trunked for 128 Gbps Inter-Switch Links (ISLs). Exchange-based Dynamic Path Selection (DPS) optimizes fabric-wide performance and load balancing by automatically routing data to the most efficient available path in the fabric (see Figure 1). It augments Brocade ISL Trunking to provide more effective load balancing in certain configurations.

Moreover, a 24-port base configuration, easy administration, 1U footprint, and low-energy consumption—0.14 watts per Gbps and 2.3 watts per port—provide a low Total Cost of Ownership (TCO). Enterprise-class capabilities combined with a low TCO yield 40 percent higher performance compared to 10 Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) alternatives at a similar cost.

INDUSTRY-LEADING TECHNOLOGY THAT IS FLEXIBLE, SIMPLE, AND EASY TO USE

The Brocade 6510 delivers industry-leading SAN technology within a flexible, simple, and easy-to-use solution. The base configuration includes 24 ports, with up to 48 ports on demand. In addition to providing best-inclass scalability, the Brocade 6510 is easy to deploy with the Brocade EZSwitchSetup wizard and ClearLink Diagnostic Ports (D_Ports) feature, which simplifies setup. For maximum flexibility, the switch also features a 1U case less than 18 inches deep and dual-direction airflow options to support the latest hot aisle/cold aisle configurations.

A BUILDING BLOCK FOR VIRTUALIZED, PRIVATE CLOUD STORAGE

The Brocade 6510 provides a critical building block for today's highly virtualized, private cloud storage environments. It simplifies server virtualization and Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) management while meeting the high-throughput demands of Solid State Disks (SSDs). The Brocade 6510 also supports multitenancy in cloud environments through Virtual Fabrics, Quality of Service (QoS), and fabric-based zoning features.

The Brocade 6510 enables secure metro extension to virtual private or hybrid clouds with 10 Gbps Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) link support, as well as in-flight encryption and data compression over ISLs. Organizations can have up to four ports at 8 Gbps and up to two at 16 Gbps of in-flight encryption and data compression per Brocade 6510 Switch. The switch also features on-board data security and acceleration, minimizing the need for separate acceleration appliances to support distance extension. Internal fault-tolerant and enterprise-class RAS features help minimize downtime to support missioncritical cloud environments.

BROCADE ACCESS GATEWAY MODE

The Brocade 6510 can be deployed as a full-fabric switch or as a Brocade Access Gateway, which simplifies fabric topologies and heterogeneous fabric connectivity (the default mode setting is a switch). Brocade Access Gateway mode utilizes N_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) switch standards to present physical and virtual servers directly to the core of SAN fabrics. This makes it transparent to the SAN fabric, greatly reducing management of the network edge. The Brocade 6510 in Brocade Access Gateway mode* can connect servers to NPIV-enabled Brocade B-Series, Brocade M-Series, or other SAN fabrics.

Organizations can easily enable Brocade Access Gateway mode via Brocade Network Advisor or a CLI. Key benefits of Brocade Access Gateway mode include:

- Improved scalability for large or rapidly growing server and virtual server environments
- Reduced management of the network edge, since Brocade Access Gateway does not have a domain identity and appears transparent to the core fabric
- Support for heterogeneous SAN configurations without reduced functionality for server connectivity

SIMPLIFIED MANAGEMENT AND ROBUST NETWORK ANALYTICS

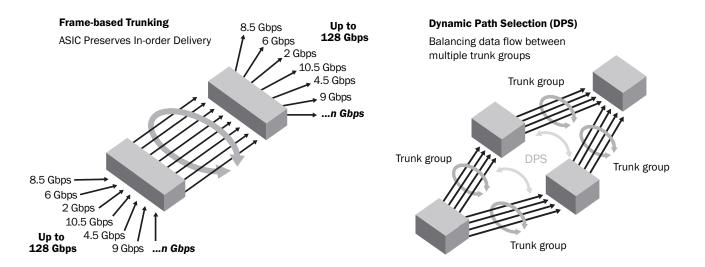
Brocade Fabric Vision technology, an extension of Brocade Gen 5 Fibre Channel, introduces a breakthrough hardware and software solution that maximizes uptime, simplifies SAN management, and provides unprecedented visibility and insight across the storage network. Offering innovative diagnostic, monitoring, and management capabilities, the Brocade 6510 with Fabric Vision technology helps administrators avoid problems, maximize application performance, and reduce operational costs. Brocade Fabric Vision technology includes:

 Flow Vision: Enables administrators to identify, monitor, and analyze specific application and data flows in order to maximize performance, avoid congestion, and optimize resources. Flow Vision includes:

- Flow Monitor: Provides comprehensive visibility into flows in the fabric, including the ability to automatically learn (discover) flows and non-disruptively monitor flow performance. Organizations can monitor all flows from a specific host to multiple targets/LUNs, from multiple hosts to a specific target/LUN, or across a specific ISL. They also can perform LUN-level monitoring of specific frame types to identify resource contention or congestion that is impacting application performance.
- Flow Mirror: Provides the ability to non-disruptively create copies of specific application and data flows or frame types that can be captured for deeper analysis.
- Flow Generator: Provides a built-in test traffic generator for pre-testing and validating the SAN infrastructure including verification of routes and integrity of optics, cables, ports, and ISLs—for robustness before deploying applications.
- Monitoring and Alerting Policy Suite
 (MAPS): Simplifies fabric-wide threshold
 configuration and monitoring. MAPS
 allows organizations to leverage pre-built
 rule/policy-based templates. The result

- is a simple, two-step process for applying thresholds and alerts to ports and switches. Organizations can configure the entire fabric (or multiple fabrics) at one time using common rules and policies, or customize policies for specific ports or switch elements—all through a single dialog. The integrated dashboard displays an overall switch health report, along with details on out-of-policy conditions, to help administrators quickly pinpoint potential issues and easily identify trends and other behaviors occurring on a switch or fabric.
- Brocade ClearLink Diagnostics: Ensures
 optical and signal integrity for Gen 5
 Fibre Channel optics and cables,
 simplifying deployment and support
 of high-performance fabrics. It
 leverages ClearLink Diagnostic Port
 (D_Port) capabilities of Gen 5 Fibre
 Channel platforms.
- Bottleneck Detection: Identifies and alerts administrators to device or ISL congestion as well as abnormal levels of latency in the fabric. This feature works in conjunction with Brocade Network Advisor to automatically monitor and detect network congestion and latency in the fabric, providing visualization of bottlenecks in a connectivity map and product tree, and identifying exactly which devices and hosts are impacted by a bottlenecked port.

Figure 1.Dynamic Path Selection (DPS) augments Brocade ISL Trunking to route data efficiently between multiple trunk groups.



- Integration into Brocade Network
 Advisor: Provides customizable health
 and performance dashboard views to
 pinpoint problems faster, simplify SAN
 configuration and management, and
 reduce operational costs.
- Critical diagnostic and monitoring capabilities: Help ensure early problem detection and recovery.
- Non-intrusive and non-disruptive monitoring on every port: Provides an end-to-end view of the entire fabric using capabilities integrated into the hardware. This allows sophisticated monitoring without imposing an additional burden on switches with frequent polling activity.
- Forward Error Correction (FEC):
 Enables recovery from bit errors in ISLs, enhancing transmission reliability and performance.
- **Credit Loss Recovery:** Helps overcome performance degradation and congestion due to buffer credit loss.
- Real-time bandwidth consumption by hosts/applications on ISLs: Helps easily identify hot spots and potential network congestion.

BROCADE GLOBAL SERVICES

Brocade Global Services has the expertise to help organizations build scalable, efficient cloud infrastructures. Leveraging 15 years of expertise in storage, networking, and virtualization, Brocade Global Services delivers world-class professional services, technical support, network monitoring services, and education, enabling organizations to maximize their Brocade investments, accelerate new technology deployments, and optimize the performance of networking infrastructures.

MAXIMIZING INVESTMENTS

To help optimize technology investments, Brocade and its partners offer complete solutions that include professional services, technical support, and education. For more information, contact a Brocade sales partner or visit www.brocade.com.

BROCADE 6510 SPECIFICATIONS

Systems Architecture	
Fibre Channel ports	Switch mode (default): 24-, 36-, and 48-port configurations (12-port increments through Ports on Demand [PoD] licenses); E, F, M, D, EX ports
	Brocade Access Gateway default port mapping: 40 F_Ports, 8 N_Ports
Scalability	Full fabric architecture with a maximum of 239 switches
Certified maximum	6000 active nodes; 56 switches, 19 hops in Brocade Fabric OS® fabrics; larger fabrics certified as required
Performance	Fibre Channel: 2.125 Gbps line speed, full duplex; 4.25 Gbps line speed, full duplex; 8.5 Gbps line speed, full duplex; 10.53 Gbps line speed, full duplex; 14.025 Gbps line speed, full duplex; auto-sensing of 2, 4, 8, and 16 Gbps port speeds; 10 Gbps optionally programmable to fixed port speed
ISL trunking	Frame-based Trunking with up to eight 16 Gbps ports per ISL trunk; up to 128 Gbps per ISL trunk. Exchange-based load balancing across ISLs with DPS included in Brocade Fabric OS.
Aggregate bandwidth	768 Gbps end-to-end full duplex

Maximum fabric latency	Latency for locally switched ports is 700 ns; encryption/compression is 5.5 µsec per node; Forward Error Correction (FEC) adds 400 ns between E_Ports (enabled by default).
Maximum frame size	2112 byte payload
Frame buffers	8192 dynamically allocated
Classes of service	Class 2, Class 3, Class F (inter-switch frames)
Port types	D_Port (ClearLink Diagnostic Port), E_Port, EX_Port, F_Port, M_Port (Mirror Port); optional port type control
	Brocade Access Gateway mode: F_Port and NPIV-enabled N_Port
Data traffic types	Fabric switches supporting unicast
Media types	16 Gbps: Brocade 6510 requires Brocade hot-pluggable SFP+, LC connector; 16 Gbps SWL, LWL, ELWL
	10 Gbps: Brocade 6510 requires Brocade hot-pluggable SFP+, LC connector; 10 Gbps SWL, LWL
	8 Gbps; Brocade 6510 requires Brocade hot-pluggable SFP+, LC connector; 8 Gbps SWL, LWL, ELWL
	Fibre Channel distance subject to fiber-optic cable and port speed
USB	One USB port for system log file downloads or firmware upgrades

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Mechanical	
Enclosure	Front-to-back airflow; power from back, 1U
	Back-to-front airflow; power from back, 1U
Size	Width: 437.64 mm (17.23 in.)
	Height: 43.18 mm (1.7 in.)
	Depth: 443.23 mm (17.45 in.)
System weight	9.16 kg (20.20 lb) with two power supply FRUs, without transceivers
Environment	
Operating environment	Temperature: 0° to 40°C/32°F to 104°F
	Humidity: 10% to 85% (non-condensing)
Non-operating	Temperature: -25° to 70° C/ -13° F to 158° F
environment	Humidity: 10% to 90% (non-condensing)
Operating altitude	Up to 3000 m (9842 ft)
Storage altitude	Up to 12 km (39,370 ft)
Shock	Operating: Up to 20 G, 6 ms half-sine
	Non-operating: Half sine, 33 G 11 ms, 3/eg axis
Vibration	Operating: 0.5 g sine, 0.4 grms random, 5 to 500 Hz $$
	Non-operating: 2.0 g sine, 1.1 grms random, 5 to 500 Hz
Heat dissipation	48 ports at 375 BTU/hr
Power	
Power supply	Dual, hot-swappable redundant power supplies with integrated system cooling fans
AC input	85 V to 264 V ~5 A to 2.5 A
AC input line frequency	47 Hz to 63 Hz
AC power consumption	110 W with all 48 ports populated with 16 Gbps SWL optics
	72 W for empty chassis with no optics
DC input	40 V to 60 V max current 4.5 A
DC power consumption	112 W with all 48 ports populated with 16 Gbps SWL optics
	53 W for empty chassis with no optics

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