



BlueField Platform Product Update

Q1 2024



Agenda

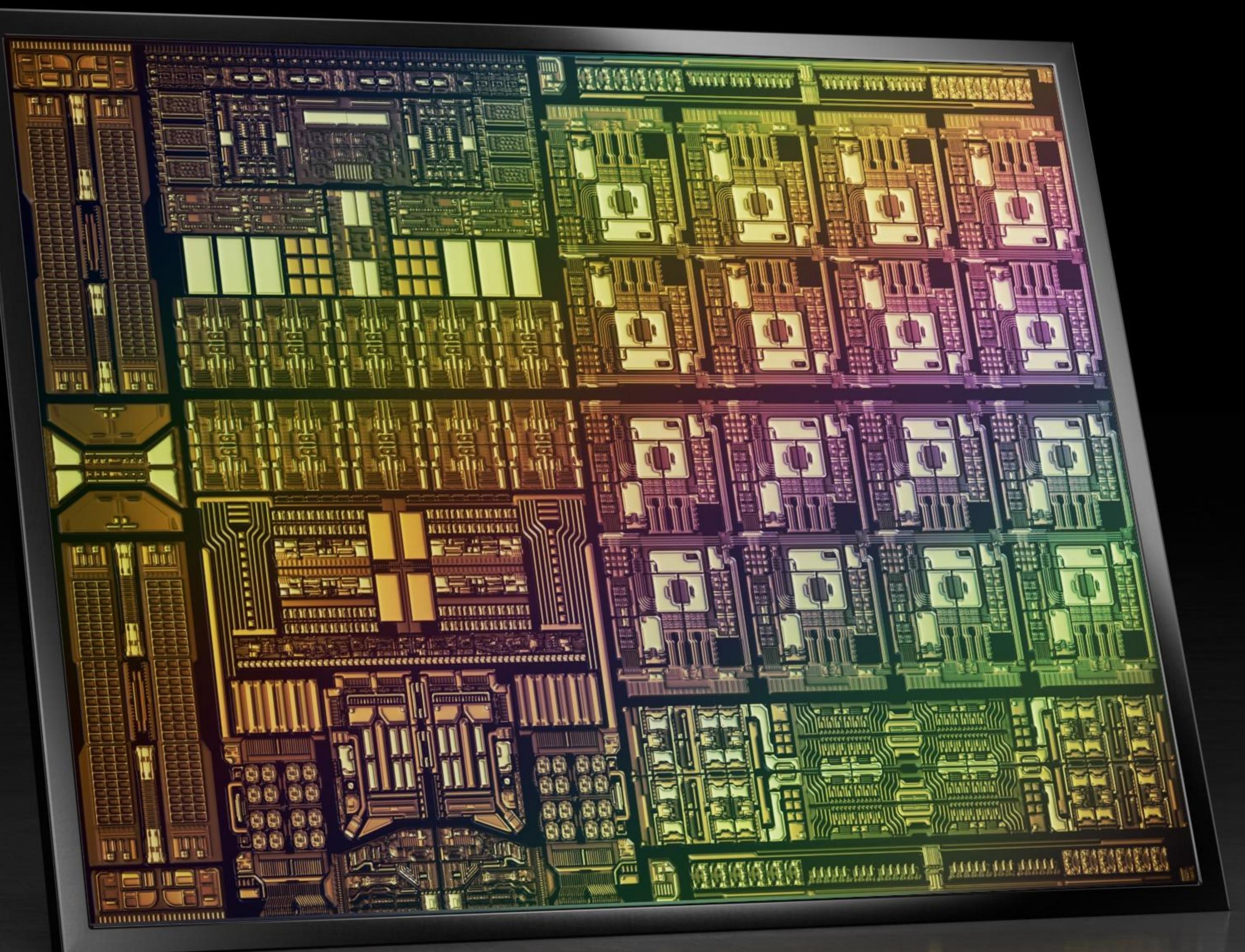
- Nvidia BlueField SoC
- Nvidia BlueField in AI Cloud Data Center
- Nvidia BlueField in Traditional Cloud Data Center
- Nvidia BlueField-3 Product Portfolio
- Nvidia BlueField-3 Management Solution
- Nvidia BlueField-2 Product Portfolio
- Nvidia Software Stack for BlueField Product

Nvidia BlueField SoC

NVIDIA BlueField-3 DPU

400Gbps Processor for data center networking, storage, and security

- Powerful CPU – 16x Arm A78 Cores
- Datapath Accelerator – 16x Cores, 256 Threads
- Offloads and Accelerates Data Center Infrastructure
- Isolates Application from Control and Management Plane



Industry-Leading Performance

Massive Advancements, Built for Cloud Scale

	BlueField-2	BlueField-3
Bandwidth	200Gb/s	400Gb/s
DPDK Max msg Rate	215Mpps	250Mpps
RDMA max msg rate	215Mpps	330Mpps
Compute	SPECINT: 70	SPECINT: 350
VirtIO Acceleration	40Mpps (*)	80Mpps (*)
IPsec Acceleration	100Gb/s	400Gb/s
TLS Acceleration	200Gb/s	400Gb/s
MACsec Acceleration	X	400Gb/s bi-dir
NVMe SNAP	5.4M IOPS @4K	12M-18MIOPS @4K

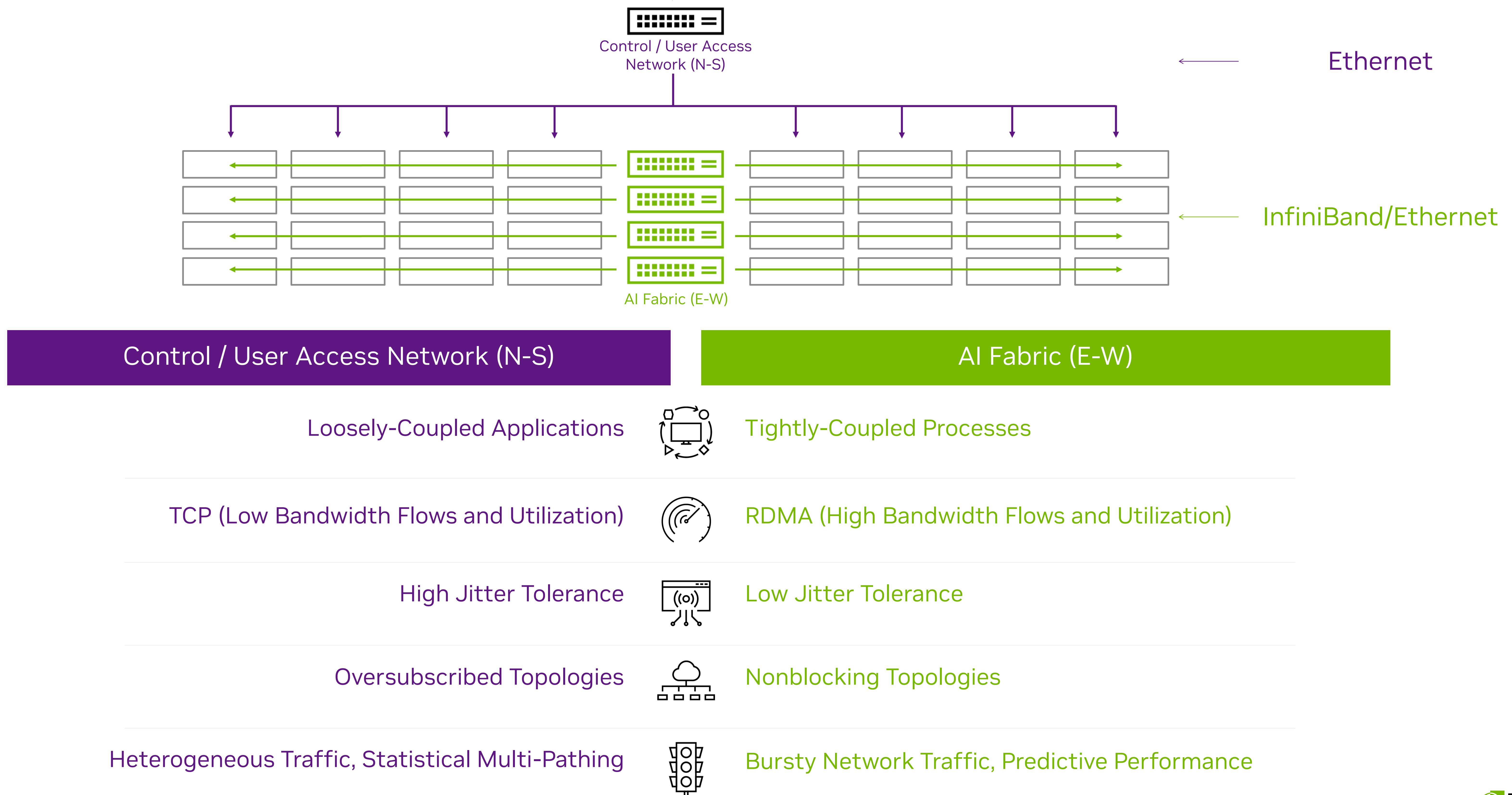


* Total packet rate for the sum of Tx and Rx

Nvidia BlueField in AI Cloud Data Center

Peak AI Performance Demands Optimized Networking

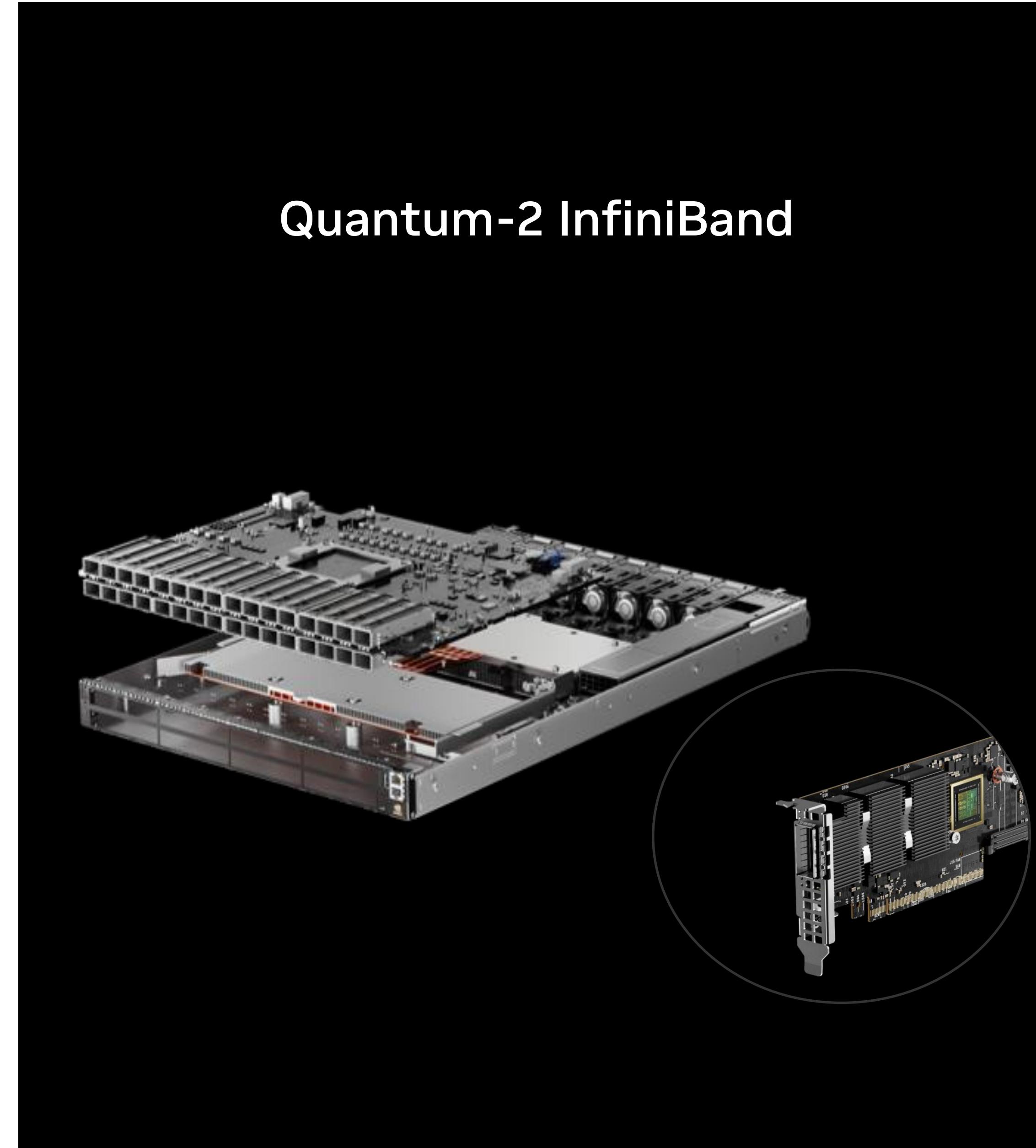
AI Workloads Require an AI Fabric



NVIDIA Networking Platforms

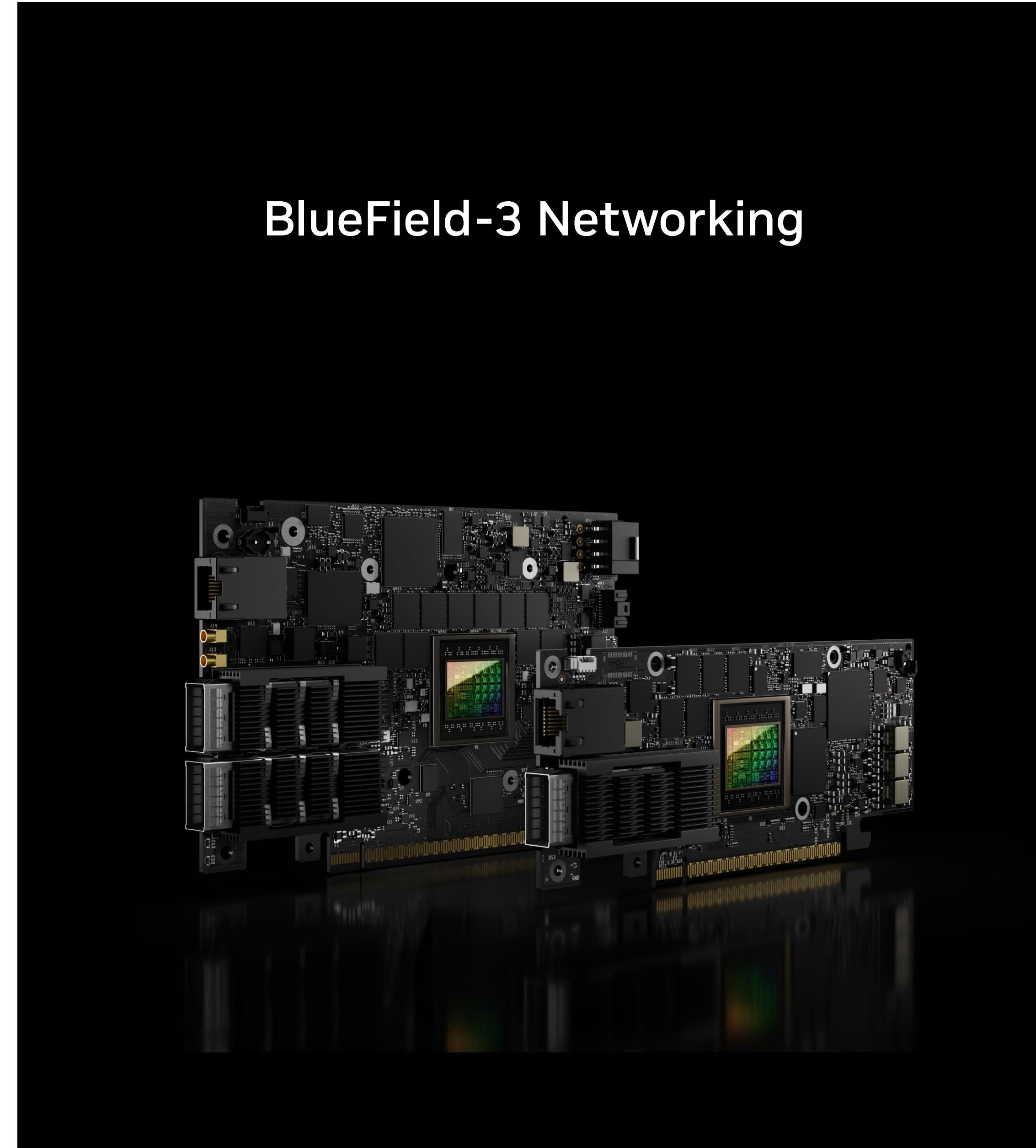
Accelerated Networking Solutions for the Era of AI

Quantum-2 InfiniBand



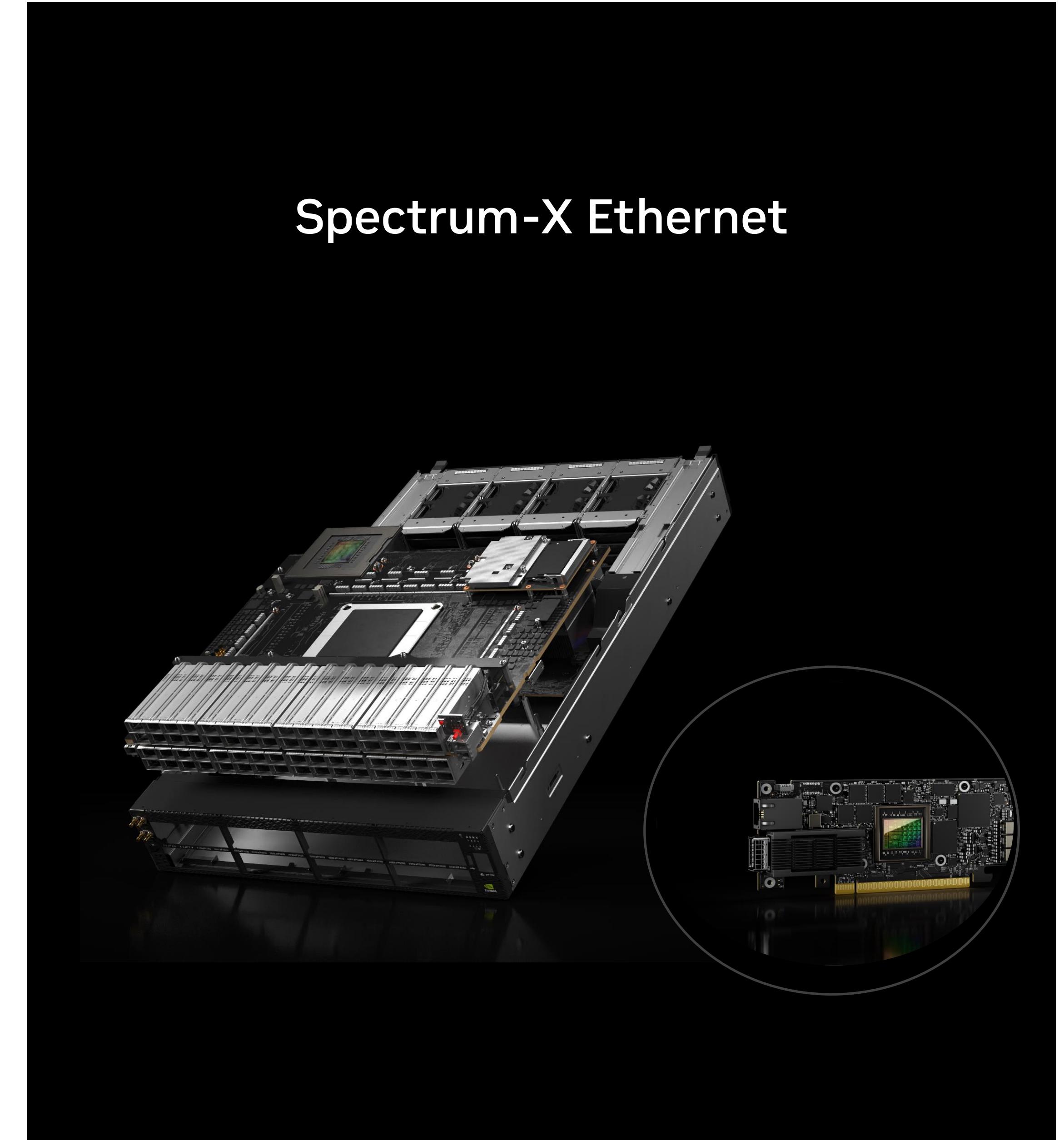
Supercomputing Networking Platform
AI Factories and Cloud-Native Supercomputing

BlueField-3 Networking



Infrastructure Compute Platform
Offload, Accelerate, and Isolate Data Center Infrastructure

Spectrum-X Ethernet

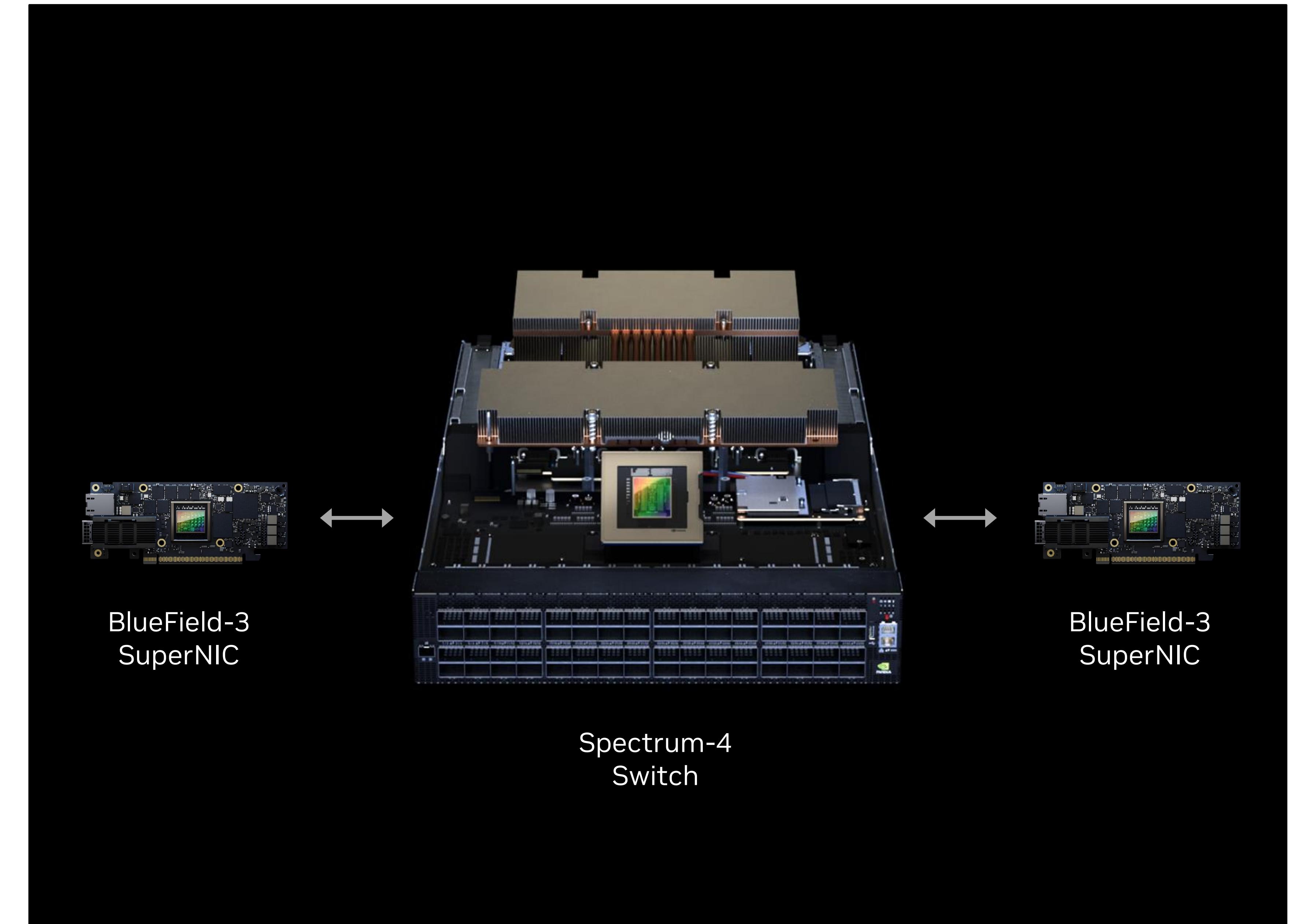


Hyperscale Networking Platform
Purpose-built Ethernet Networking for AI Clouds

NVIDIA Spectrum-X Networking Platform

Ethernet AI Performance Leadership

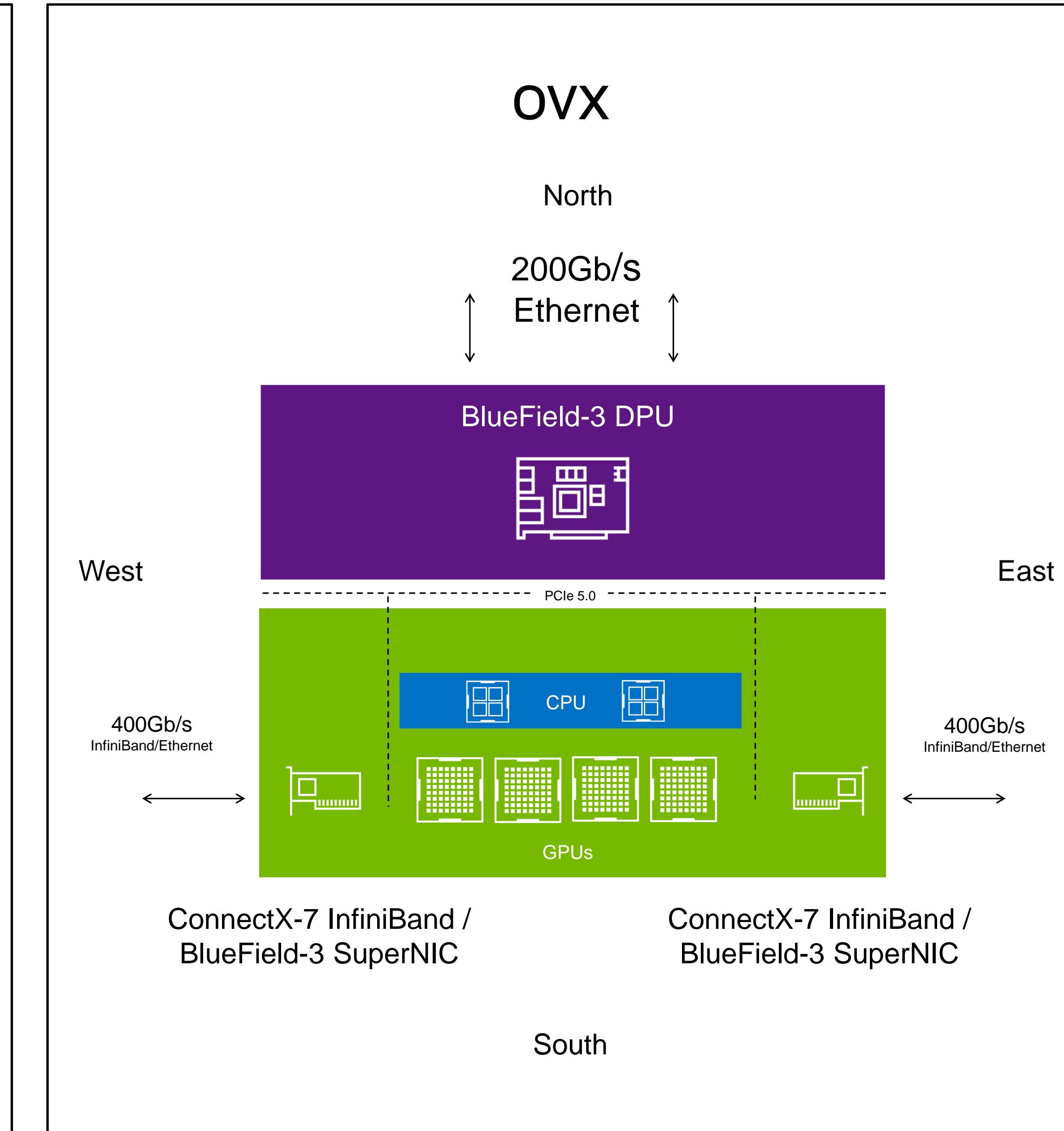
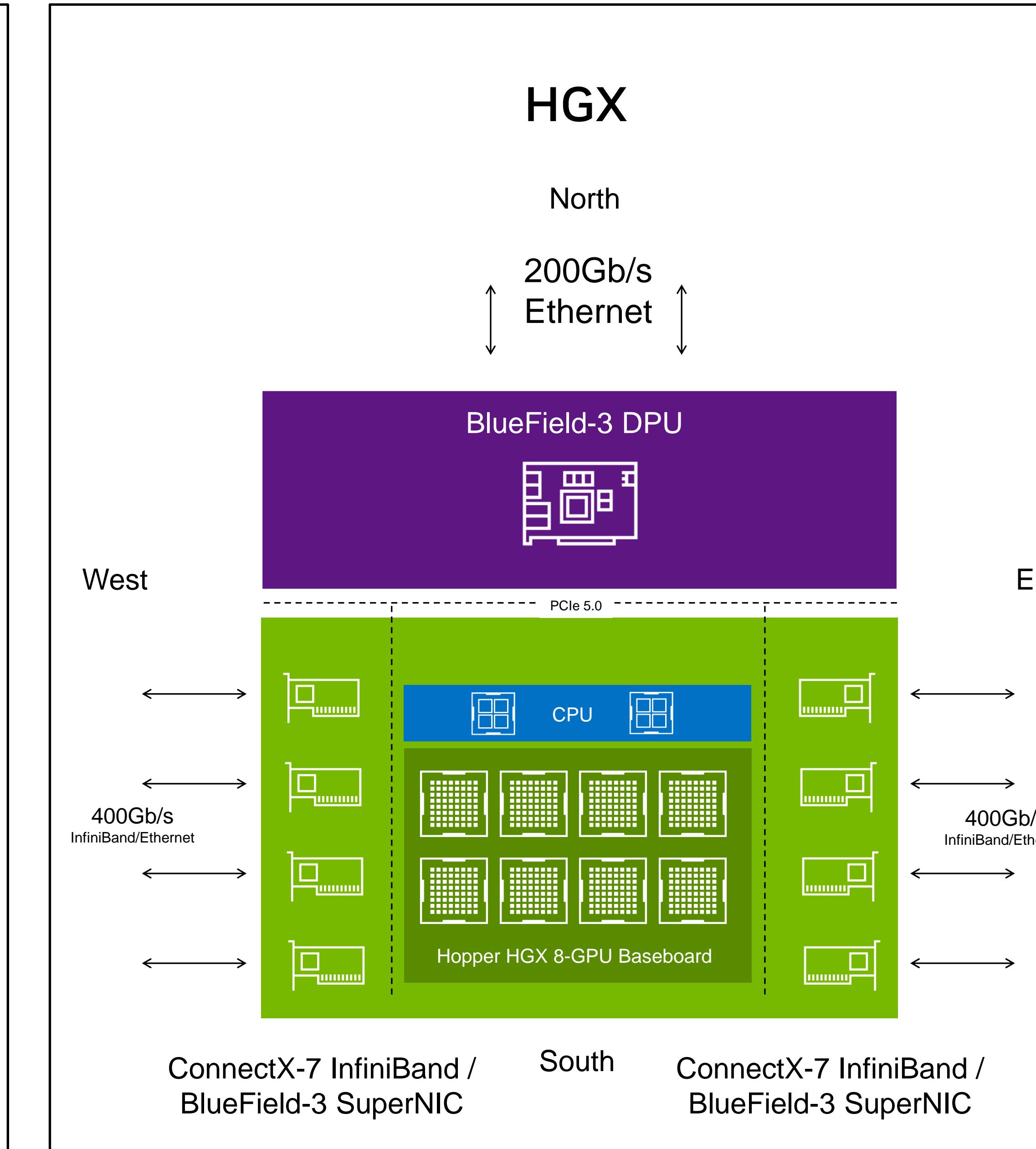
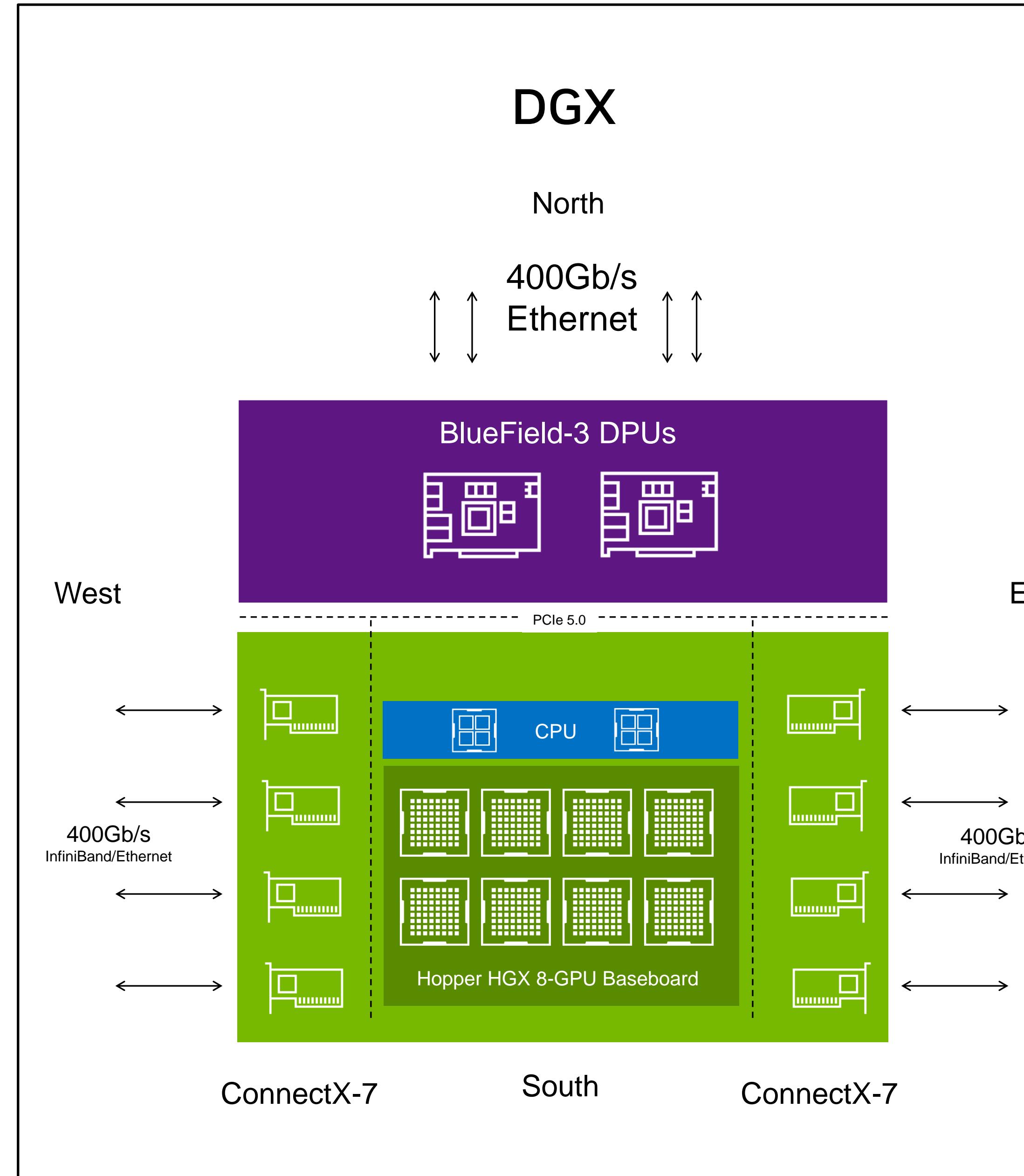
- World's first Ethernet platform purpose-built for AI
- Specialized high-performance architecture
- Standard Ethernet connectivity
- Spectrum-X ROI is much higher than the network cost
- Future proof acceleration with NVIDIA workflow



NVIDIA Spectrum-X Networking Platform
Purpose-built Ethernet Fabric for AI Clouds

NVIDIA Accelerated Systems for Generative AI

BlueField Powers GPU-Accelerated Systems for the Best of NVIDIA AI and NVIDIA Omniverse



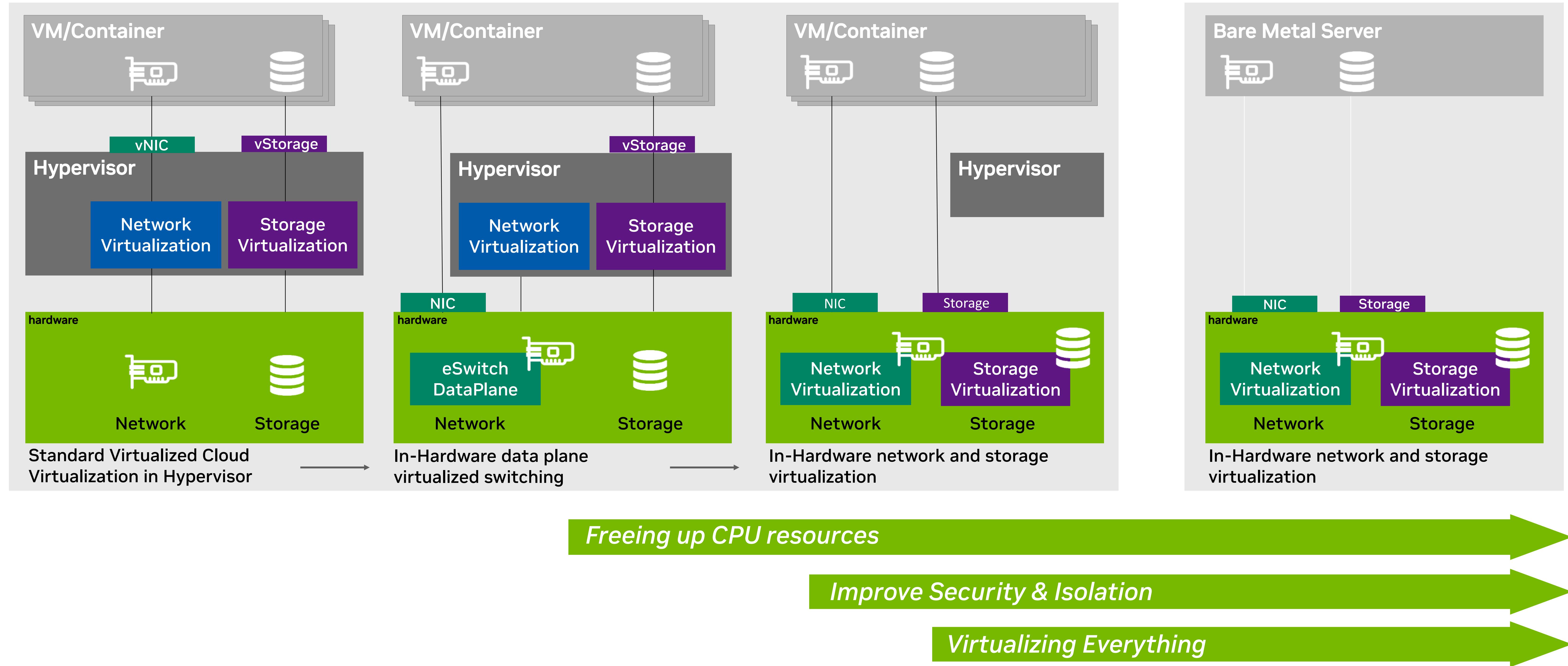
AI services: 400Gb/s InfiniBand/Ethernet (East-West)
Tenant networking: 400Gb/s Ethernet (North-South)

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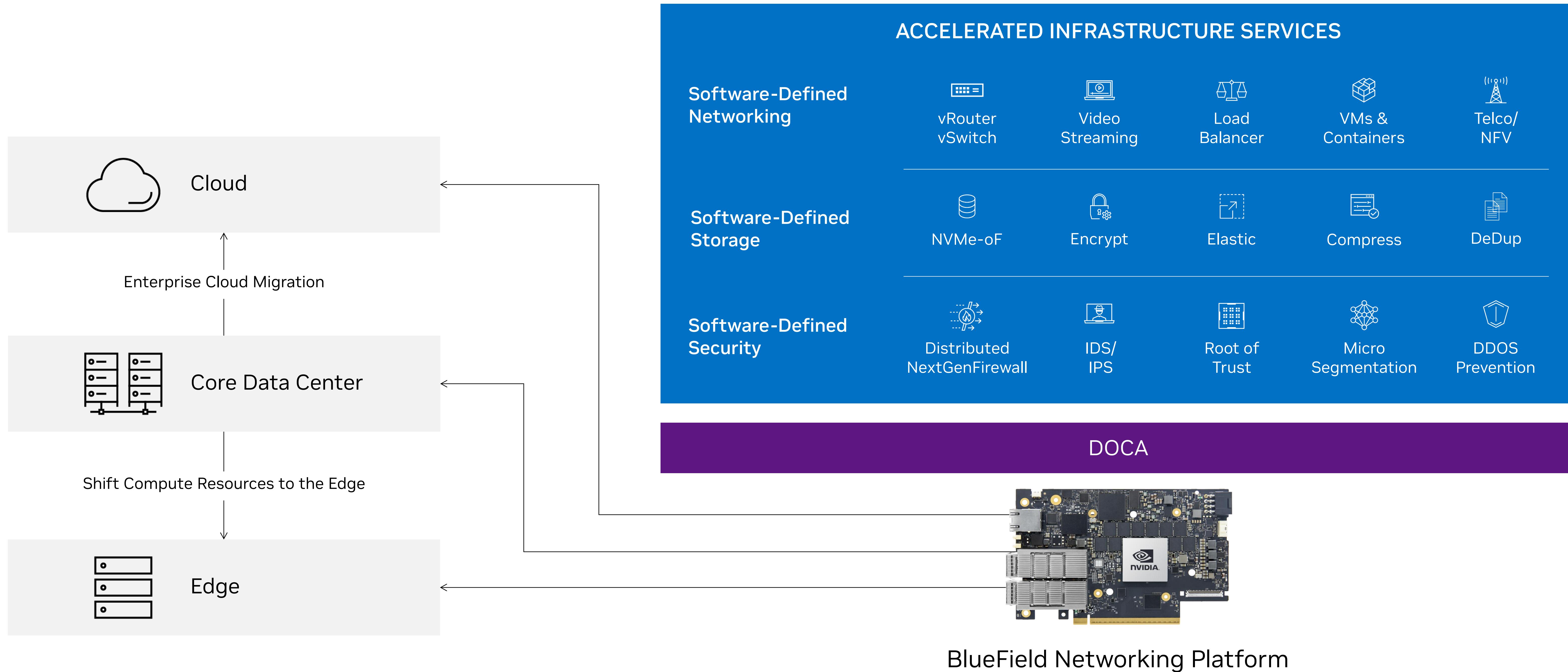
Nvidia BlueField in Traditional Cloud Data Center

Path to Accelerated Virtualization



BlueField is a Cloud Services Compute Platform

NVIDIA BlueField Accelerates Data Center Infrastructure Services from Cloud to Edge



Nvidia BlueField-3 Product Portfolio

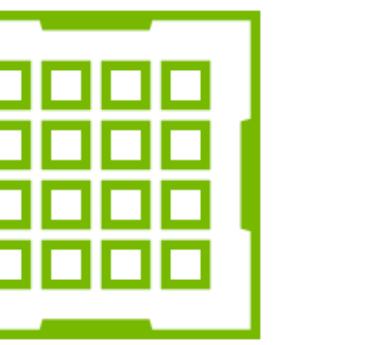
NVIDIA BlueField-3

400Gb/s Infrastructure Compute Platform



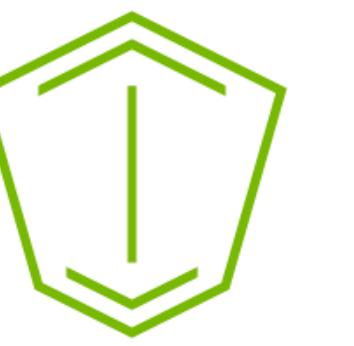
400Gb Networking

RDMA/RoCE Accelerations
SDN/NFV Accelerations
Precision Timing



Programmable Engines

16 x 64-bit A78 Arm Cores
16 Hyperthreaded DPA Cores
Accelerated Pipeline



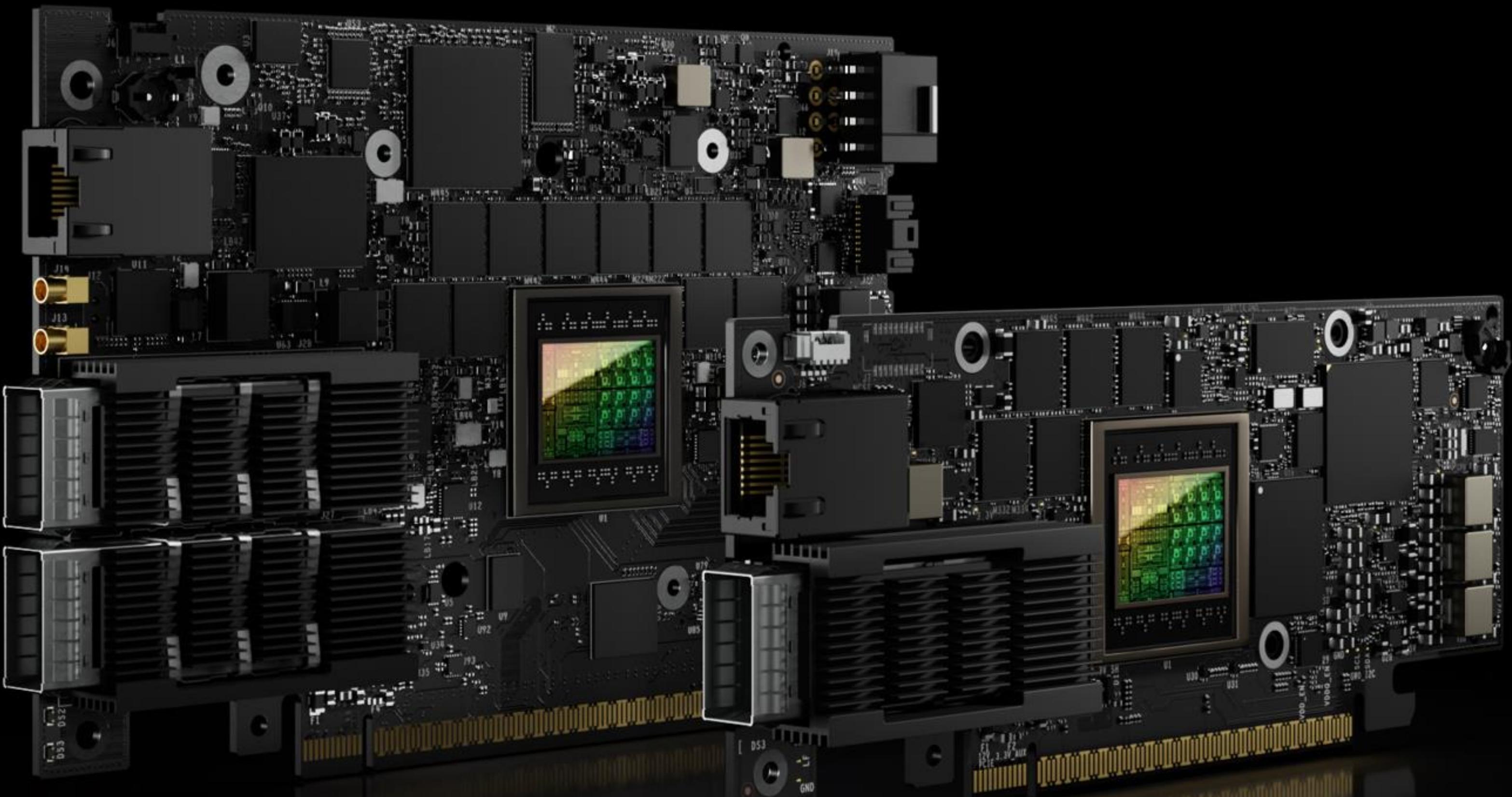
Zero-Trust Security

Platform Security
Crypto Accelerations
Zero-Trust Infrastructure



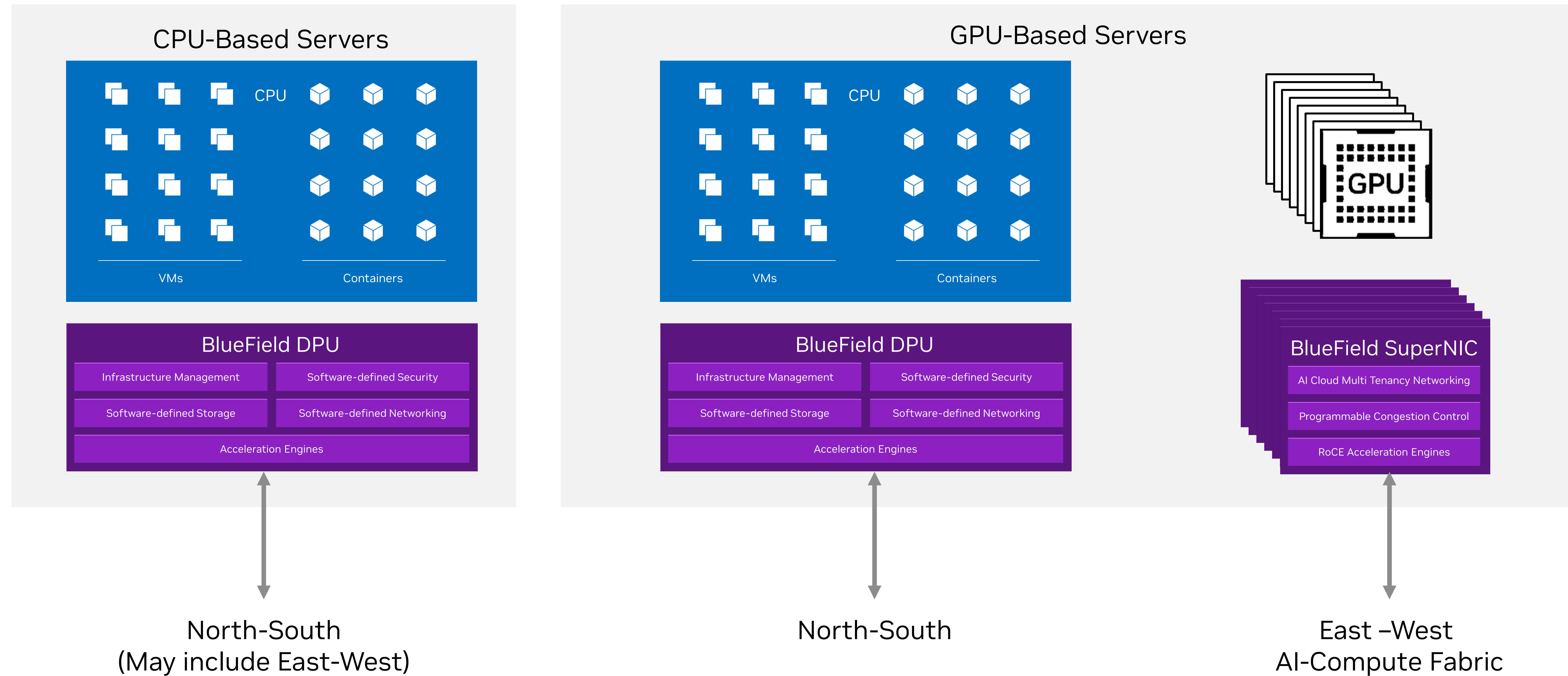
Composable Storage

Storage Disaggregation
NVMe-oF, NVMe/TCP
Storage Encryption



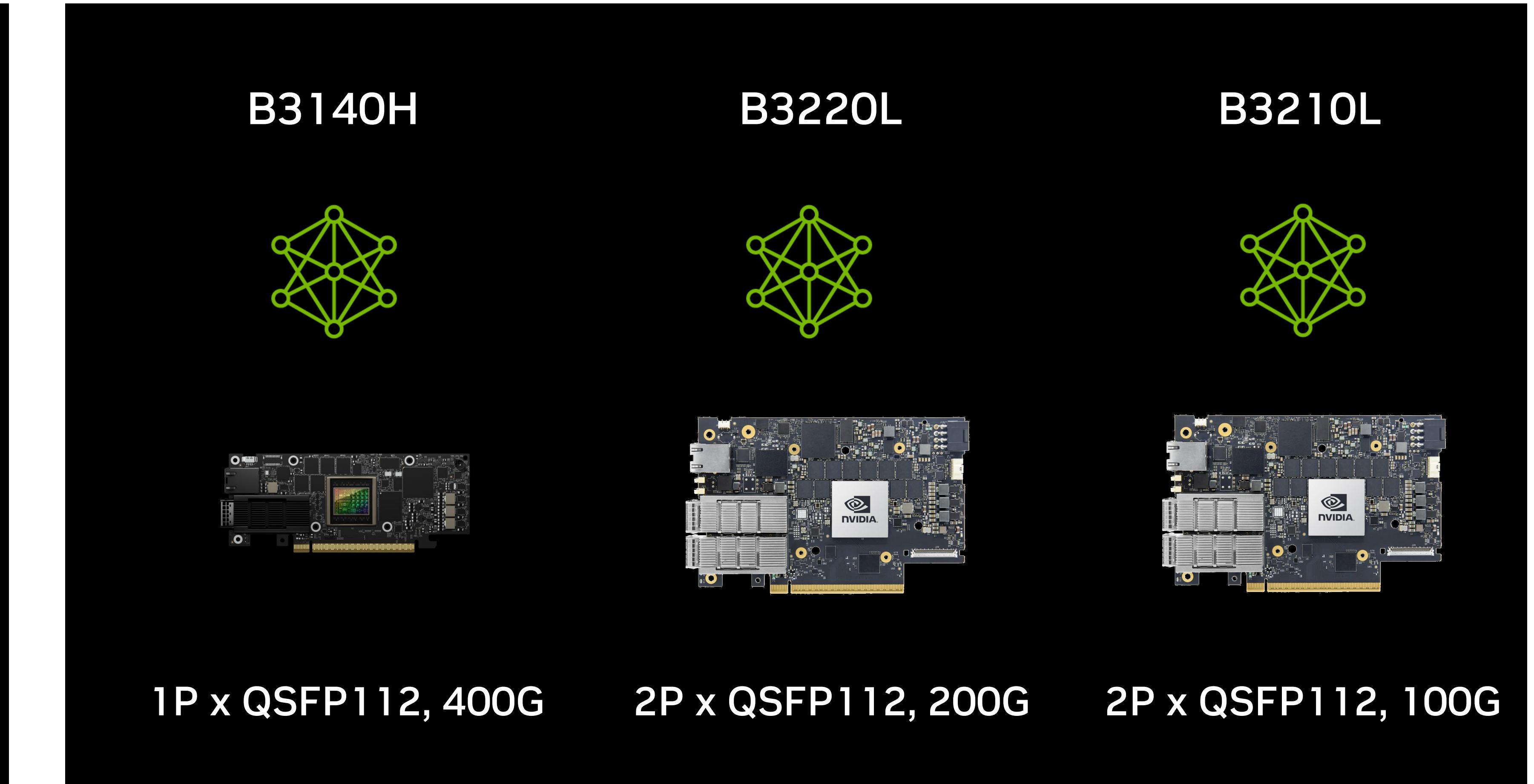
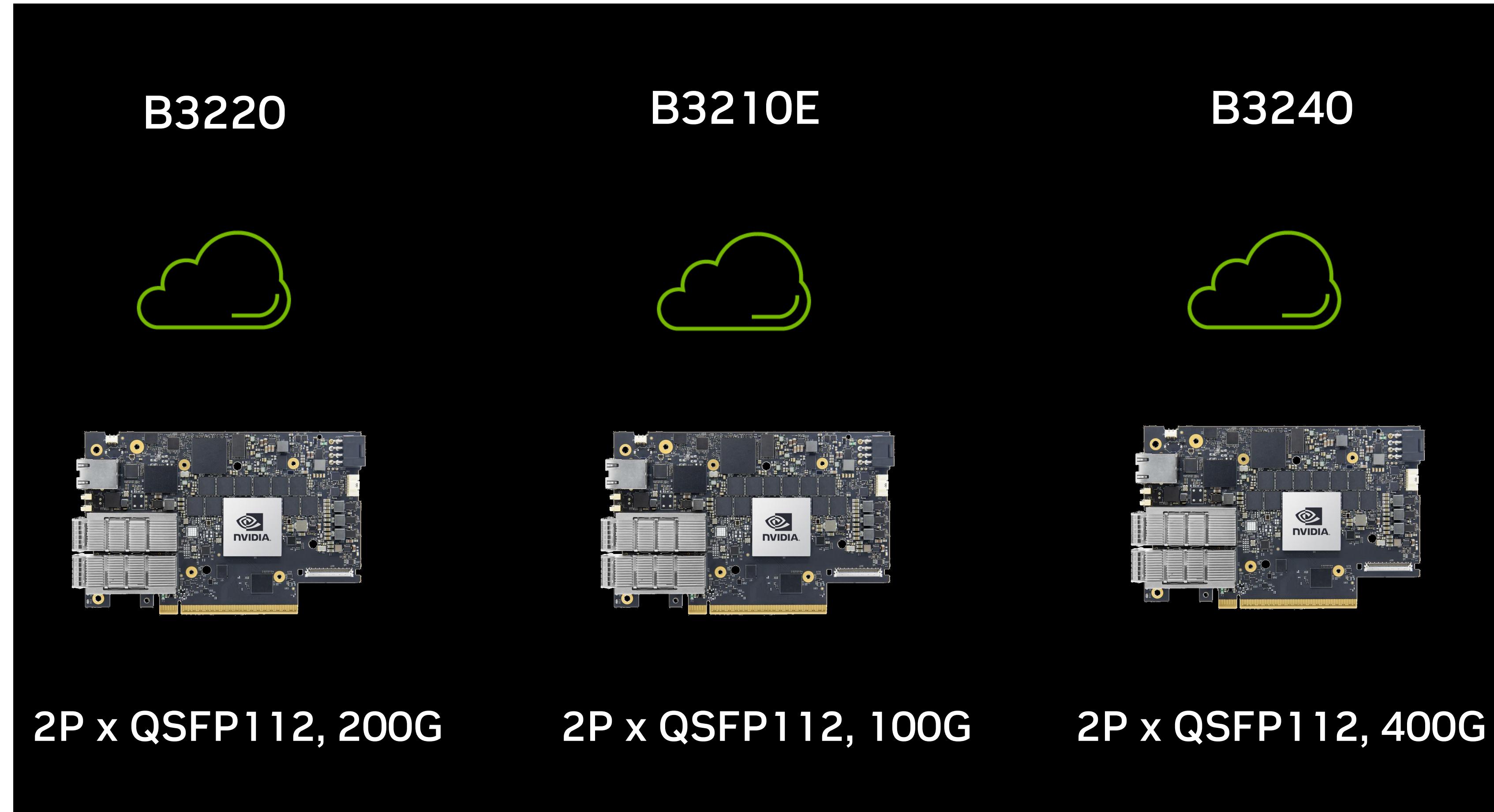
NVIDIA BlueField-3 – One Platform, Two Products

BlueField-3 DPUs and SuperNICs



BlueField-3 Portfolio

DPUs and SuperNICs



- > Ethernet & InfiniBand
- > 16 x Arm A78 @ 2.0/2.2Ghz
- > 32GB DDR5
- > >75w TDP
- > FHHL

- > Ethernet & InfiniBand
- > 8 x Arm A78 @ 2.0Ghz
- > 16GB DDR5
- > <75w TDP
- > FHHL/HHHL

BlueField-3 DPUs
Advanced Programmability, Powerful Computing

BlueField-3 SuperNIC
Lean, Power Efficient

NVIDIA BlueField-3 Networking Platform

Advanced Infrastructure Computing Platform for Powering Generative AI Clouds

	BlueField-3 DPU	BlueField-3 SuperNIC
Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Cloud infrastructure processor➢ Offload, accelerate, and isolate data center infrastructure➢ Optimized for N-S in GPU-class systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Accelerated networking for AI computing➢ Best-in-class RoCE networking➢ Optimized for E-W in GPU-class systems
Shared Capabilities		<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ VPC network acceleration➢ Network encryption acceleration➢ Programmable network pipeline➢ Precision timing➢ Platform security
Unique Capabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Powerful computing➢ Secure, zero-trust management➢ Data storage acceleration➢ Elastic infrastructure provisioning➢ 1-2 DPUs per system	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Powerful networking➢ AI networking feature set➢ Full-stack NVIDIA AI optimization➢ Power-efficient, low-profile design➢ Up to 8 SuperNICs per system

B3220 DPU

400Gb/s Infrastructure Compute Platform

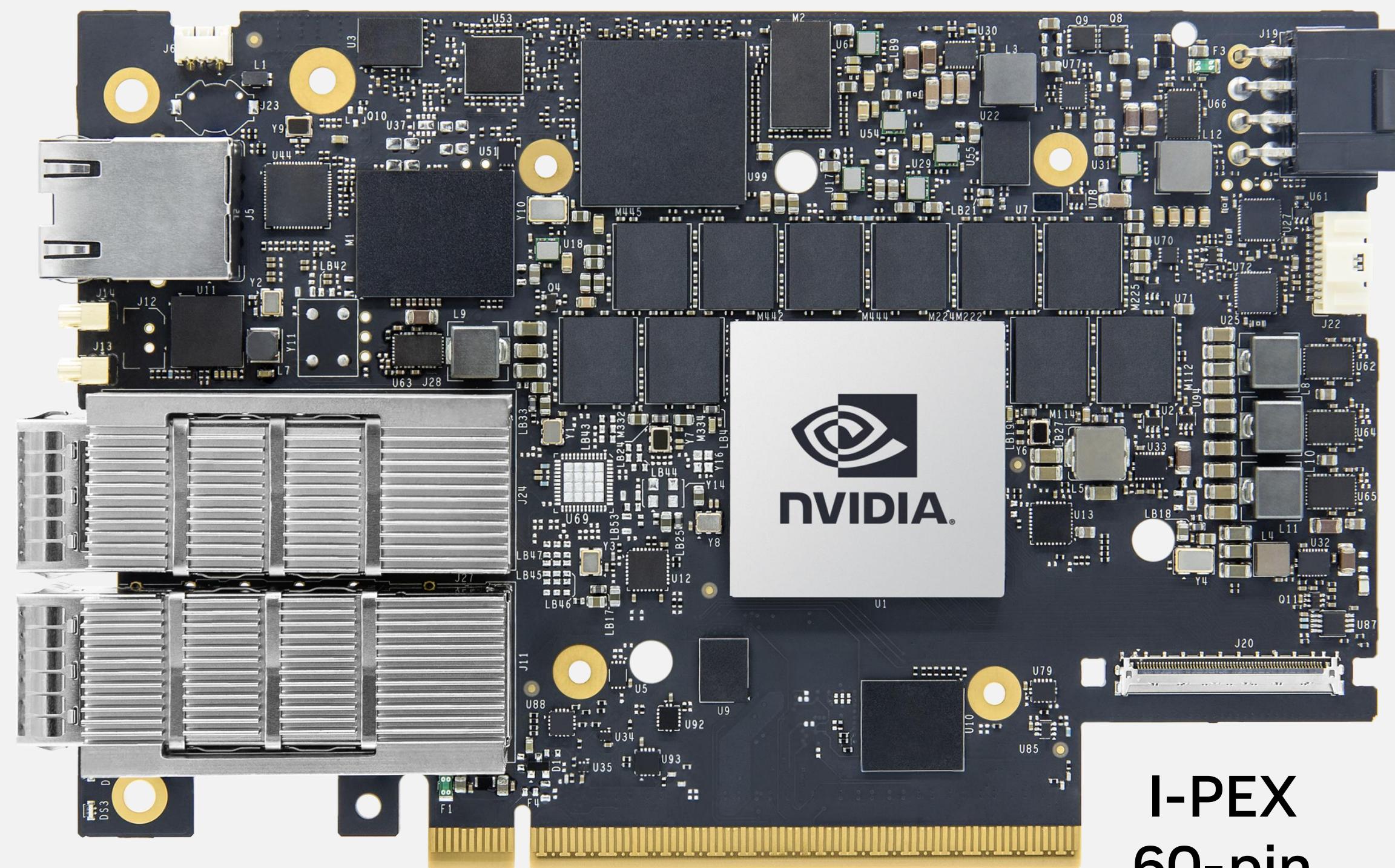
Specifications

Total Bandwidth	400Gb/s
Network Speed	2 x 1/10/25/50/100/200
Interface Type	QSFP112
Programmable Compute	16 x Arm A78 @ 2.2Ghz
Memory	32GB DDR5
Host Interface	Gen5 x16 + x16
TDP Power w/ Active Cables	>75W
Thermal solution	Passive
Form factor	FHHL

Ordering Part Numbers

Crypto Disabled	900-9D3D4-00NN-HAO
Crypto Enabled	900-9D3D4-00EN-HAO

RJ45



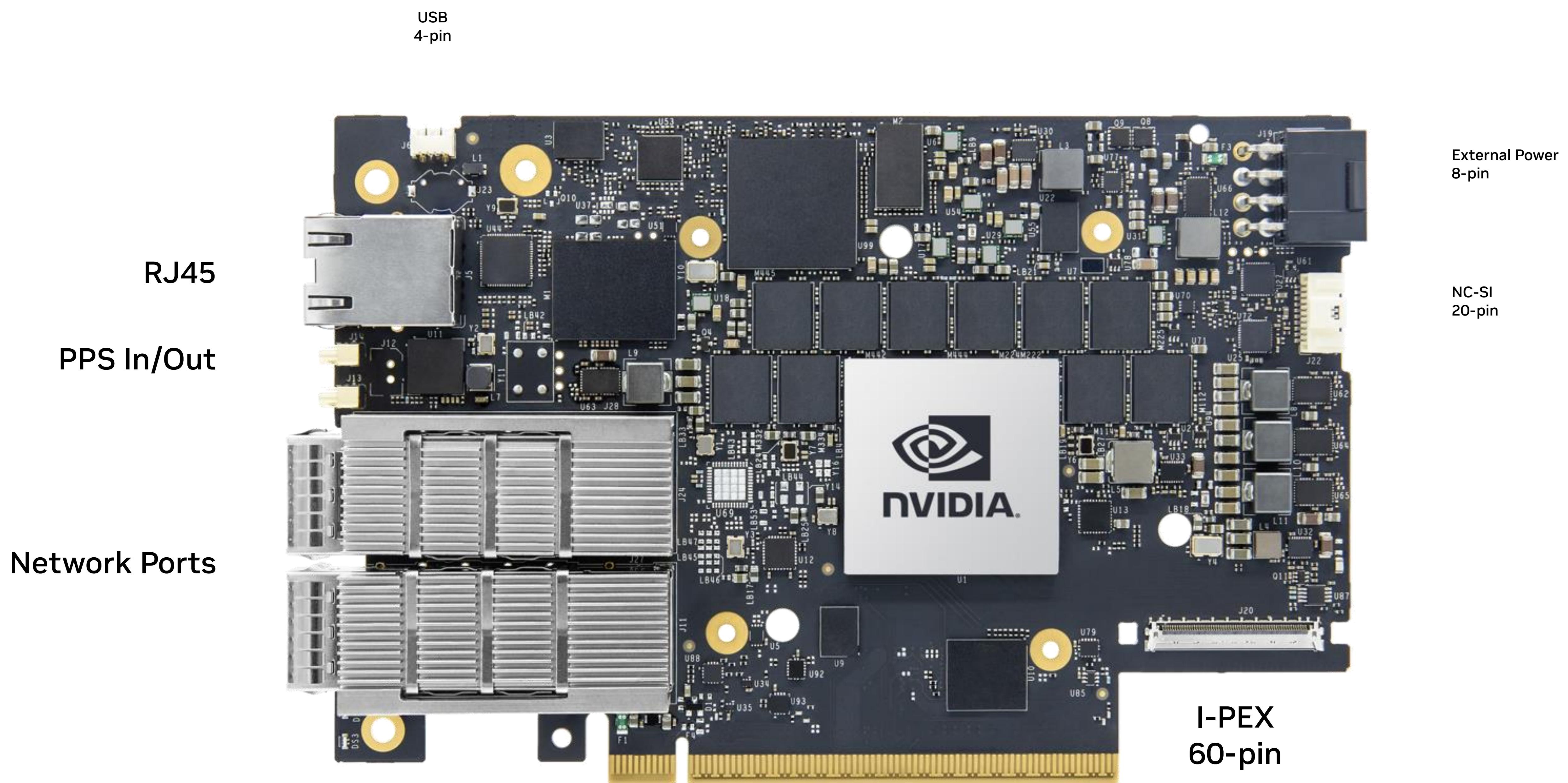
External Power
8-pin

NC-SI
20-pin

I-PEX
60-pin

Network Ports

B32XX Interfaces



B3140H SuperNIC

Network Accelerator for AI Compute Fabric

Specifications

Network Speed	1 x 400Gb/s
Interface Type	QSFP112
Programmable Compute	8 x Arm A78 @ 2.0Ghz
Memory	16GB DDR5
Host Interface	Gen5 x16
TDP Power w/ Active Cables	<75W
Thermal solution	Passive
Form factor	HHHL

Ordering Part Numbers

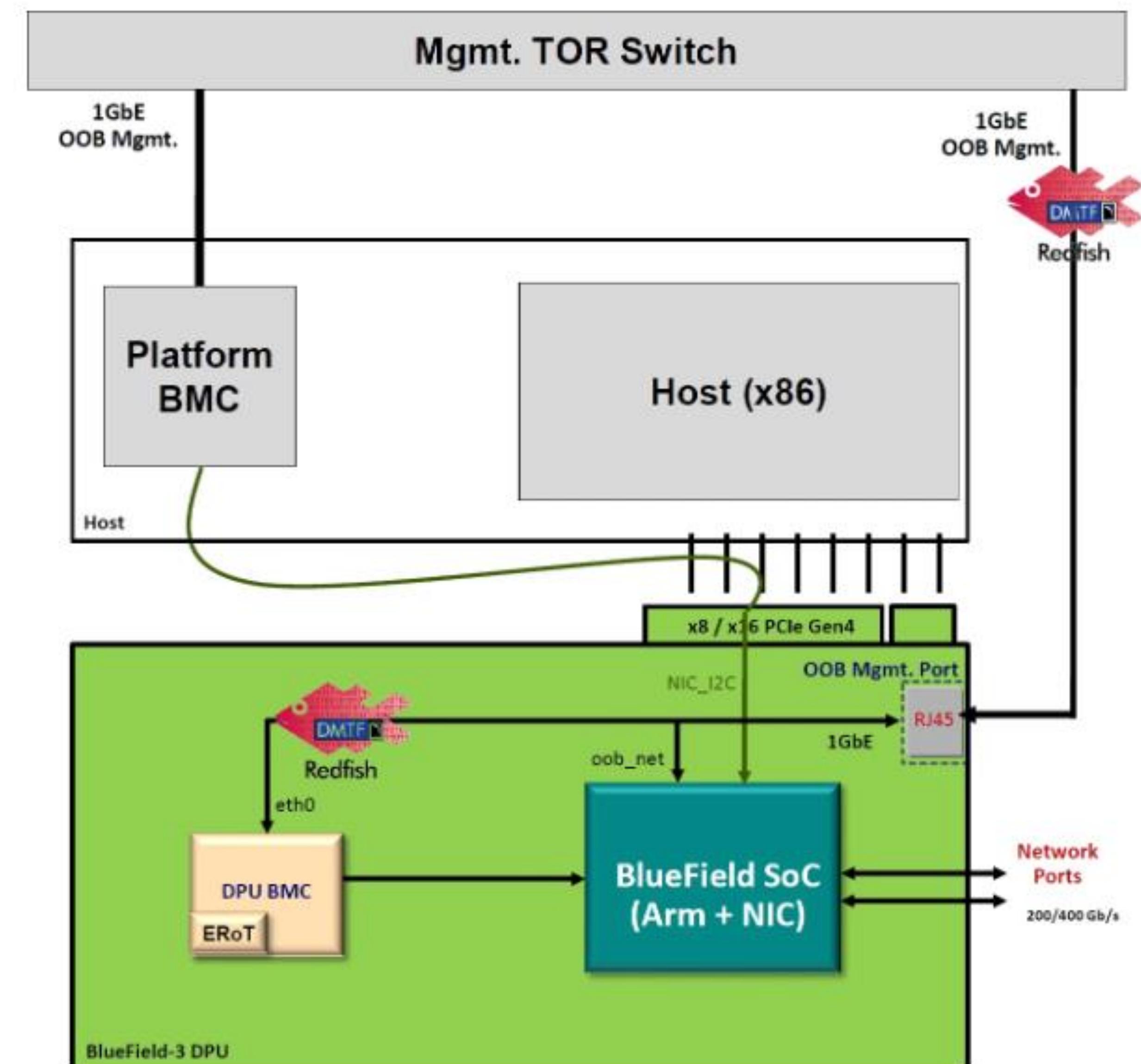
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Nvidia BlueField-3 Management Solution

BlueField-3 Management Solution

- 1GbE OOB connection is required to manage BlueField cards
- Multi-card deployment is simplified with the BlueField management solution.
- Manage all BlueField cards in a server through a single OOB management:
 - Minimize cabling overhead
 - Redfish based management of all DPUs and SuperNICs - consolidated schema
 - Arm telemetry & containers provisioning will be in-band over the high-speed port

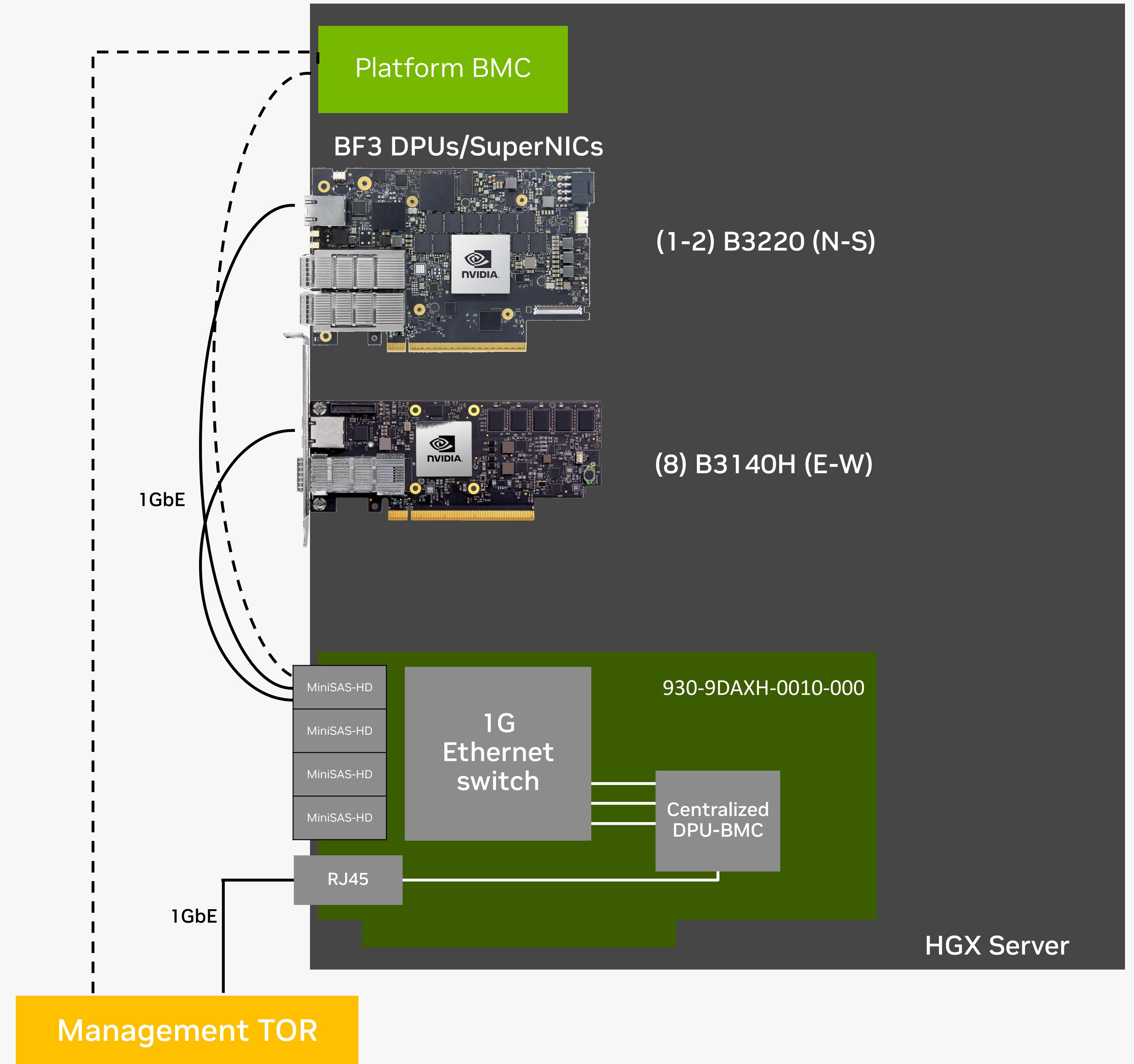


[NVIDIA BlueField DPU Management and Initial Provisioning - NVIDIA Docs](#)

BlueField-3 Management Controller

1GbE-Based Solution

- Ethernet-based solution
 - Auxiliary management card with integrated 1G Eth switch
 - PCIe HHHL form factor
 - Centralized BlueField BMC
 - All BlueField's OOB connect to multiple card
 - All BlueField's OOB connections are external to server
- BlueField management controller:
 - Enables up to 12 x 1GbE connections
 - Enables platform BMC tunneling (optional)
 - Use Redfish schema to manage all DPUs and SuperNICs
- Two options to connect platform BMC:
 - Directly to management ToR switch
 - Use tunneling option via BlueField management card



BlueField-3 Management Controller

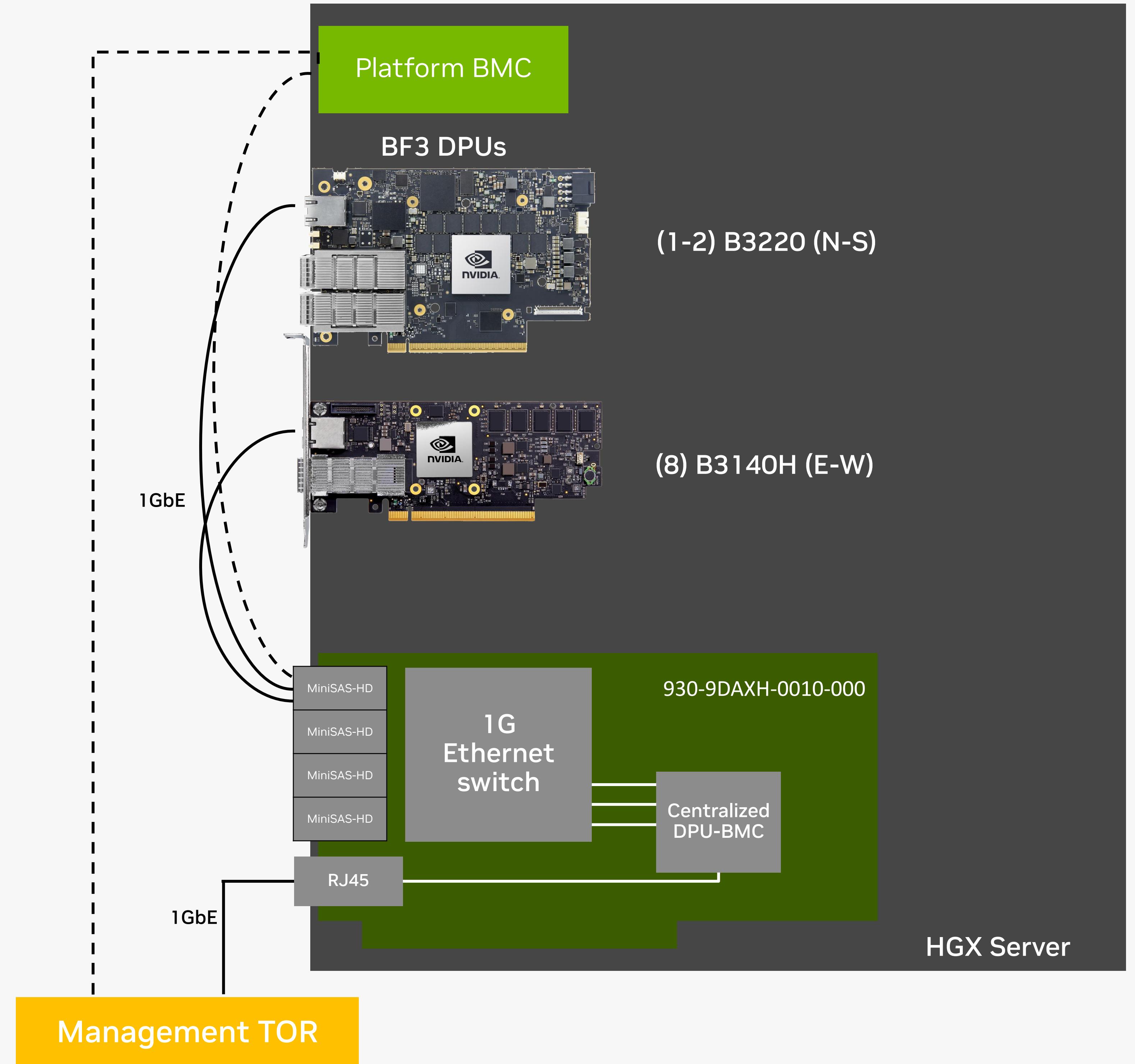
1GbE-Based Solution

Specifications

Network Speed	1GbE
Interface Type	12 x RJ45
Cables length	70 cm (fits 6U server connectivity)
Host Interface	Gen4 x8
Max Power	<25W
Thermal solution	Passive
Form factor	HHHL

Ordering Part Number

BlueField Management 930-9DAXH-0010-000



BlueField-3 Portfolio

Ordering Information

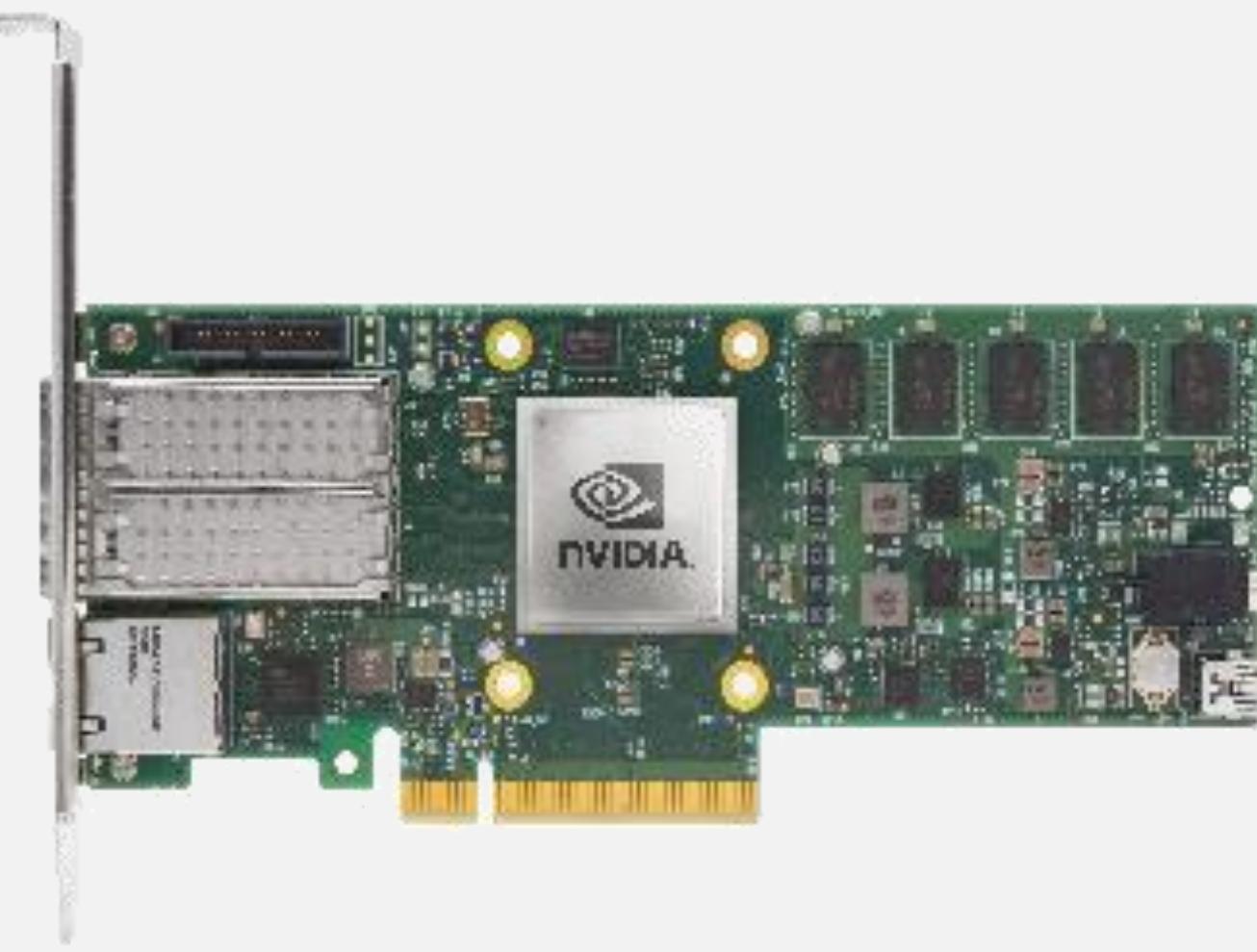
Model	Network Speed	Target Usage	Arm Cores	Host Interfaces [PCIe]	Memory	Ordering Part Number (OPN)	
						No Crypto	With Crypto
B3210E	2 x 100Gb/s	DPU	16 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen5 x16 + x16	32GB DDR5	900-9D3B6-00SC-EAO	900-9D3B6-00CC-EAO
B3220	2 x 200Gb/s	DPU	16 x ArmA78 @2.2GHz	Gen5 x16 + x16	32GB DDR5	900-9D3B6-00SV-AA0	900-9D3B6-00CV-AA0
B3240	2 x 400Gb/s	DPU	16 x ArmA78 @2.2GHz	Gen5 x16 + x16	32GB DDR5	900-9D3B6-00SN-AB0	900-9D3B6-00CN-AB0
B3140H	1 x 400Gb/s	SuperNIC	8 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen5 x16	16GB DDR5	900-9D3D4-00NN-HA0	900-9D3D4-00EN-HA0
B3220L	2 x 200Gb/s	SuperNIC	8 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen5 x16	16GB DDR5	900-9D3B4-00SV-EAO	900-9D3B4-00CV-EAO
B3140L	1 x 400Gb/s	SuperNIC (IL-1)	8 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen5 x16	16GB DDR5	900-9D3B4-00PN-EAO	900-9D3B4-00EN-EAO
B3210L	2 x 100Gb/s	SuperNIC	8 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen4 x16	16GB DDR5	900-9D3B4-00SC-EAO	900-9D3B4-00CC-EAO
B3220SH	2 x 200Gb/s	Storage Controller	16 x ArmA78 @2.0GHz	Gen5 x16 + x16	48GB DDR5	900-9D3C6-00SV-DA0	900-9D3C6-00CV-DA0
MB312	-	Multi-BF Management	-	Gen4 x 8	-	930-9DAXH-0010-000	-

Nvidia BlueField-2 Product Portfolio

BlueField-2 Portfolio

Comprehensive Portfolio to Support Entry Level & Premium Boards

2P X 25G - 2.5GHZ - HHHL
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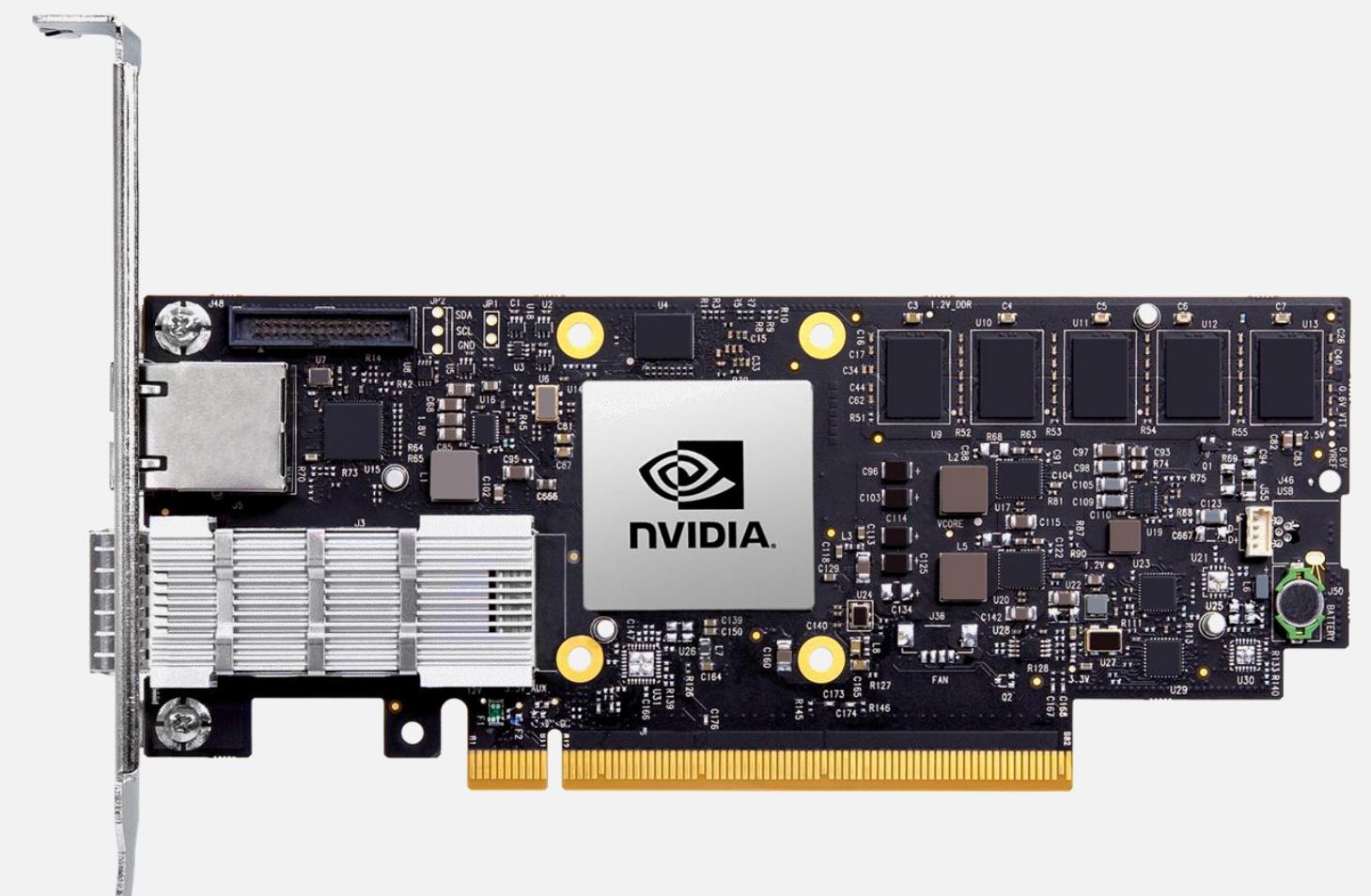
2P X 25G - 2.5GHZ - FHHL
CSP/CRISP/MONTEREY



2P X 100G - 2.75GHZ - FHHL
CSPS/CRISP/MONTEREY



1P X 200G - 2.0GHZ - HHHL
HPC/AI



VMware Project Monterey :

MBF2H532C-AECOT, - NVIDIA BlueField-2 P-Series DPU 25GbE Dual-Port SFP56, integrated BMC, PCIe Gen4 x8, Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled, 32GB on-board DDR

MBF2H536C-CECOT, NVIDIA BlueField-2 P-Series DPU 100GbE Dual-Port QSFP56, integrated BMC, PCIe Gen4 x16, Secure Boot Enabled, Crypto Enabled, 32GB on-board DDR

Nvidia Software Stack for BlueField Product

DOCA Software Packages

Introducing naming and format

Package #1 BlueField Software Bundle

- Installable Image .bfb/.iso with upgrade tool
- BlueField DPU and SuperNIC
- Includes
 - DOCA runtime components for BlueField Arm cores
 - BlueField OS and Platform Firmware
 - DOCA SDK package can be added

Package #2 DOCA-HOST

- Standard Linux package, installable on server itself
- BlueField & ConnectX
- Includes
 - DOCA Runtime Drivers & Libs & Reference Apps
 - DOCA SDK package can be added
 - DOCA Install profiles per usage type

Delivered in this
release

Downloaded
From NGC

(Optional) Added
By Customer

CUSTOMER WORKLOADS

#2 DOCA-HOST

HOST OS

#1 BLUEFIELD SOFTWARE BUNDLE - BFB

CUSTOMER INFRASTRUCTURE APPS

DOCA

DOCA REF. APPS

DOCA SERVICES
NGC HOSTED

DOCA LIBS

DOCA DRIVERS

DOCA TOOLS

BLUEFIELD PLATFORM SOFTWARE

BLUEFIELD OS
CANONICAL UBUNTU

CUSTOMER OS

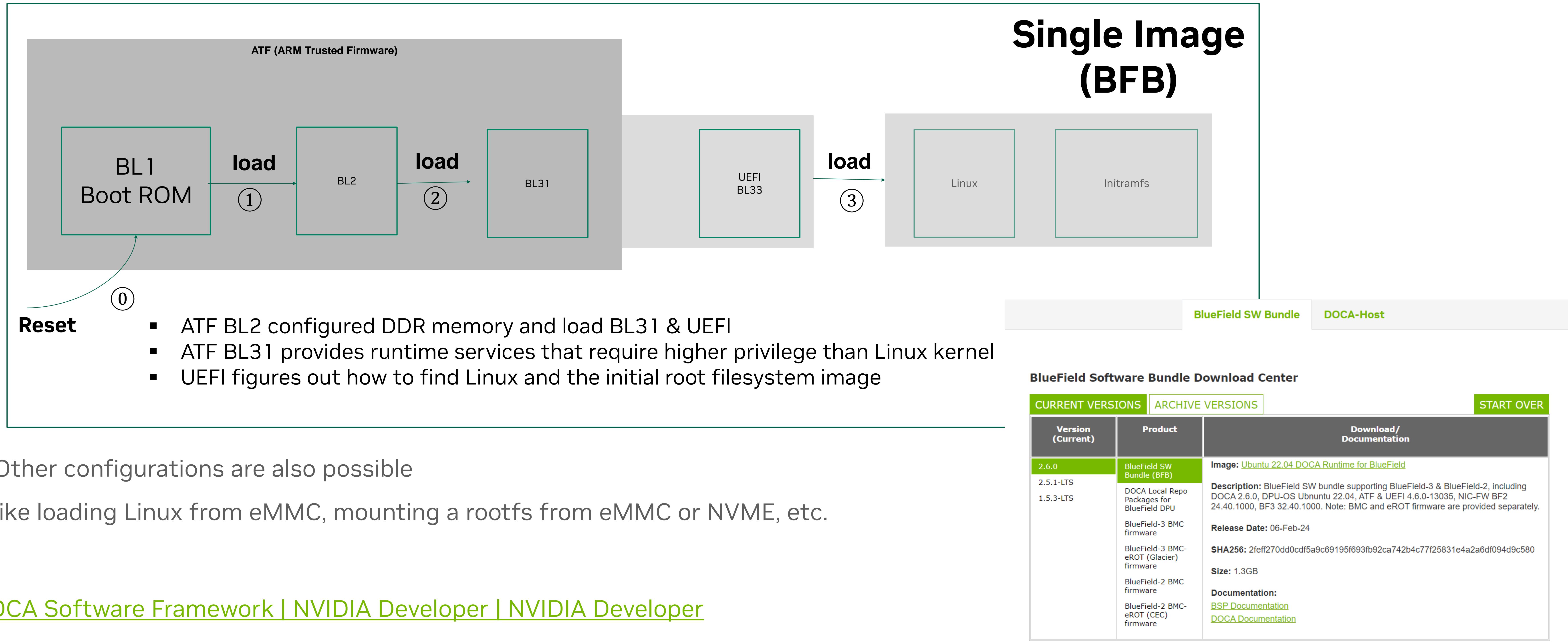
UEFI BOOTLOADER

FIRMWARE - NIC / ARM TRUSTED / BMC / EROT



BlueField BFB

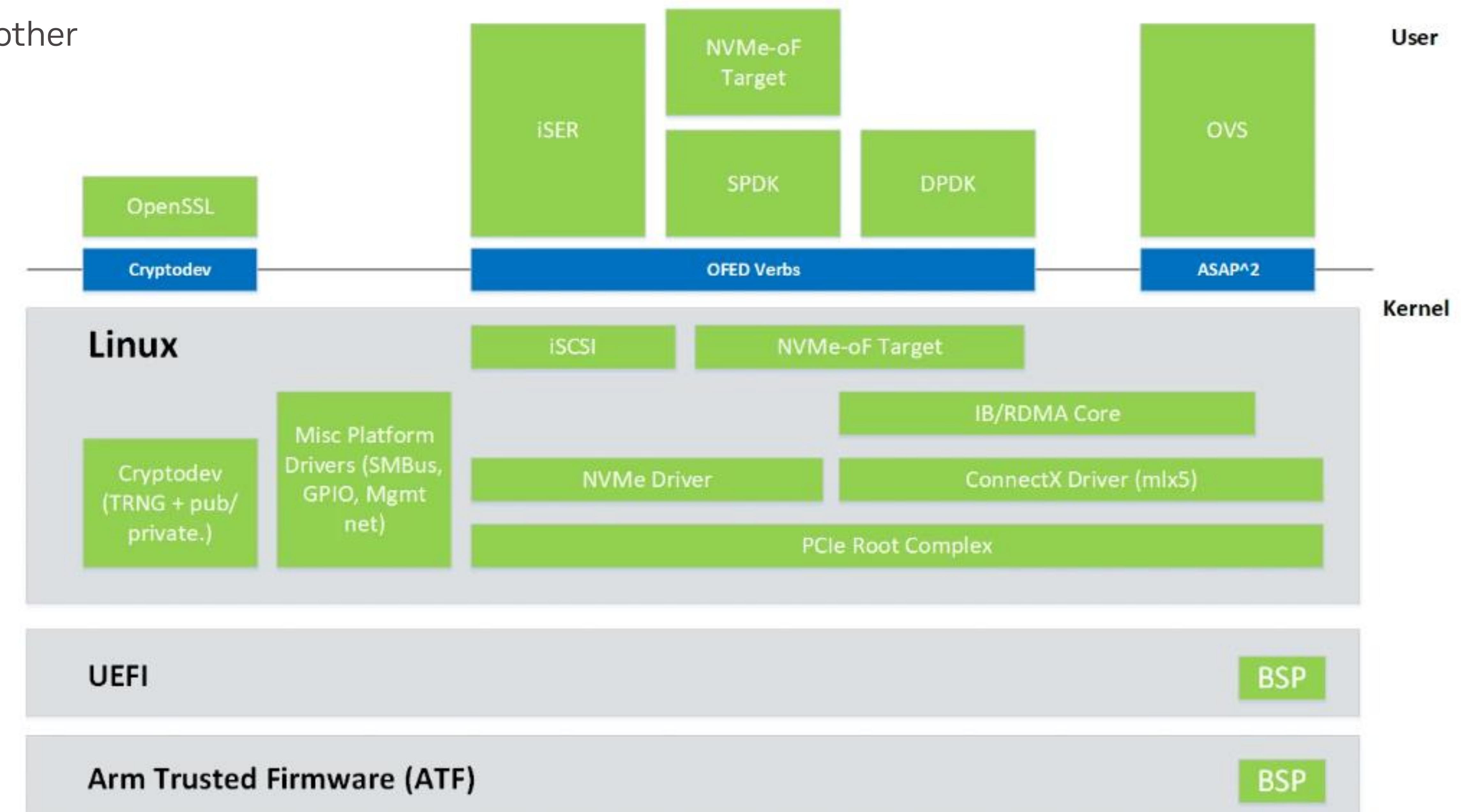
- Typical USB or PCIe boot scenario. All binaries are packed into a single image



BlueField BSP

Board Support Package

- [NVIDIA BlueField DPU BSP v4.6.0 - NVIDIA Docs](#)
- BlueField BSP includes the bootloaders and other essentials for loading and setting software components.



BlueField BMC

Board Management Controller

- [NVIDIA BlueField BMC Software v24.01 - NVIDIA Docs](#)
- Support for IPMI 2.0 (v1.1) Standards
 - Thermal control – access to all relevant temperature sensors, fan control
 - System management – power state control, power on/off, reboot/reset
 - Environmental monitoring – voltage/current/power
 - Serial over LAN (SOL)
 - RMCP/RMCP+
 - Event log management
 - Event alerting
 - VLAN support
- Support for DMTF Standards
 - Redfish specification (DSP0266)
 - Network Controller Sideband Interface (NC-SI) Specification (DMTF DSP0222)
- Support for BMC image update

BlueField SW Bundle DOCA-Host

BlueField Software Bundle Download Center

CURRENT VERSIONS ARCHIVE VERSIONS START OVER

Version (Current)	Product	Download/Documentation
2.6.0 2.5.1-LTS 1.5.3-LTS	BlueField SW Bundle (BFB) DOCA Local Repo Packages for BlueField DPU BlueField-3 BMC firmware BlueField-3 BMC-eROT (Glacier) firmware BlueField-2 BMC firmware BlueField-2 BMC-eROT (CEC) firmware	Image: bf3-bmc-24.01-5_opn.fwPKG Description: Bluefield-3 DPU BMC image Release Date: 11-Jan-24 SHA256: 274707fdb0e8384907cd2c6d036d85f72b4af53bb57652de1ea157b6a48e2fdf Size: 64MB Documentation: BSP Documentation DOCA Documentation

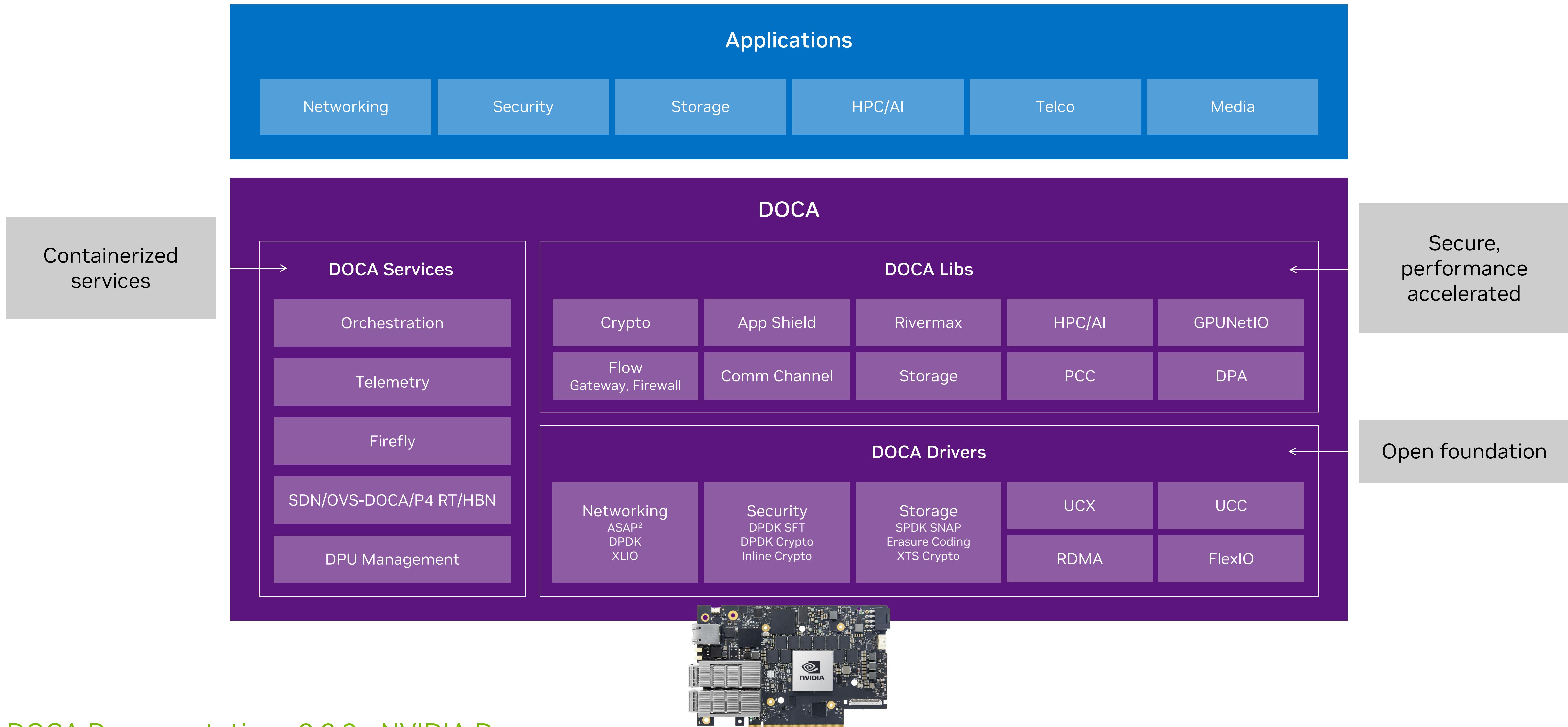
BlueField Firmware

- [NVIDIA BlueField-3 DPU NIC Firmware Release Notes v32.40.1000 - NVIDIA Docs](#)
- [NVIDIA BlueField-2 DPU Firmware Release Notes v24.40.1000 - NVIDIA Docs](#)
- [NVIDIA Networking Firmware Downloads](#)

NVIDIA BlueField DPU Firmware	
Product Line	Network Protocol
NVIDIA BlueField-3	InfiniBand/Ethernet
NVIDIA BlueField-2	InfiniBand/Ethernet

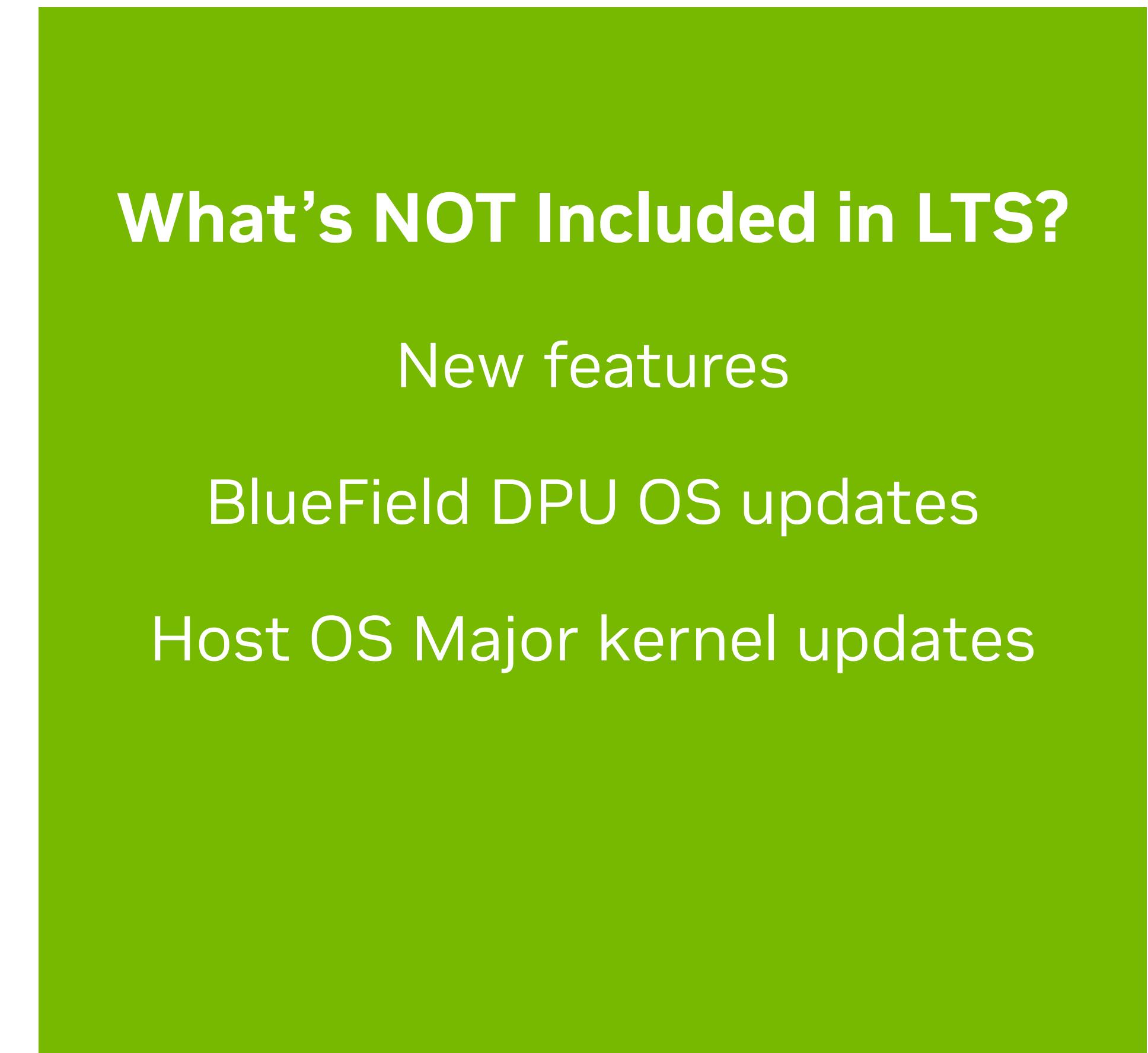
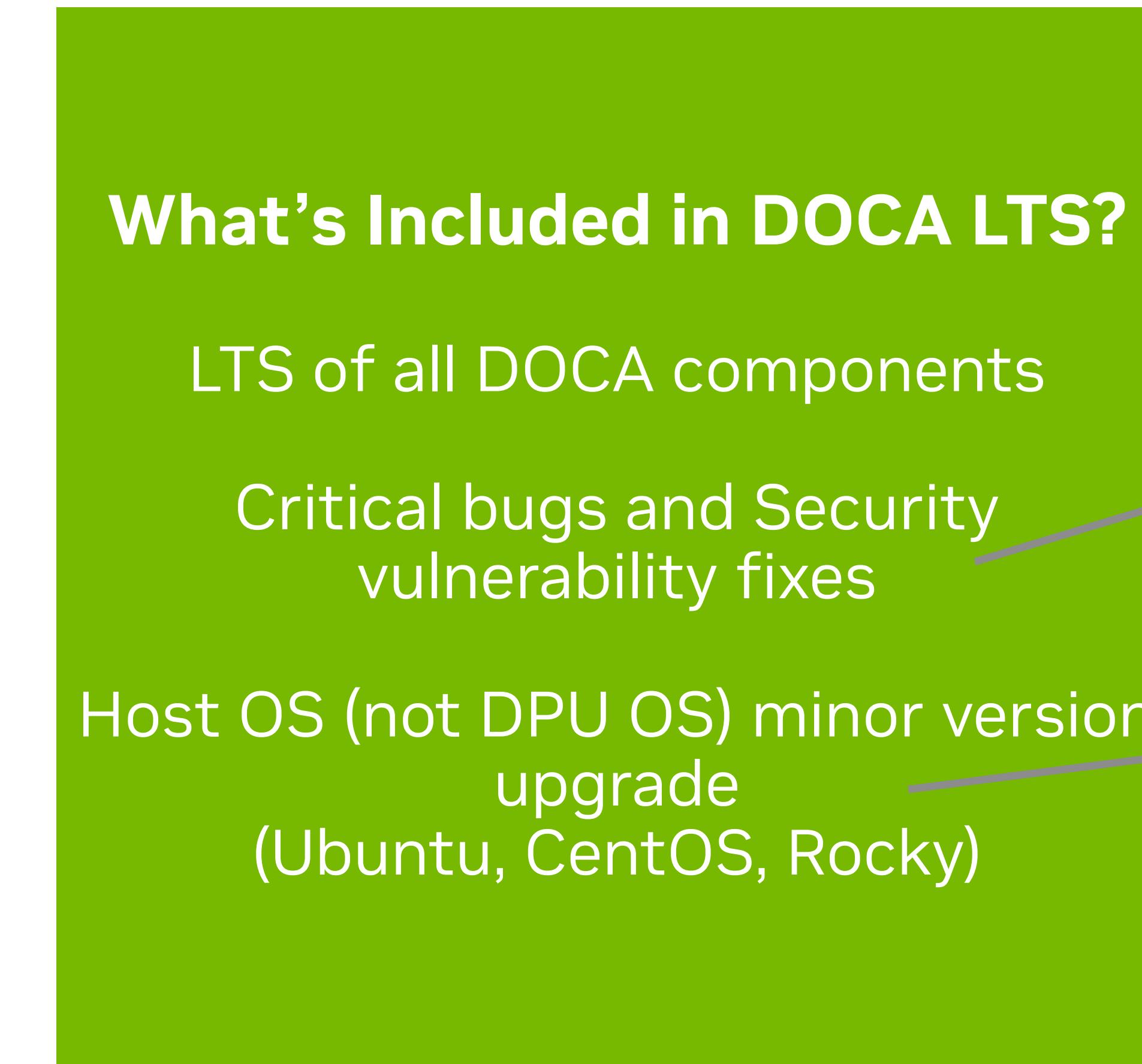
NVIDIA DOCA Stack

Comprehensive Acceleration Framework, SDK, Compilers, Services, and Tools



[DOCA Documentation v2.6.0 - NVIDIA Docs](#)

DOCA LTS



The screenshot shows a user interface for downloading software bundles. At the top, there are tabs for "BlueField SW Bundle" and "DOCA-Host". Below the tabs is a section titled "BlueField Software Bundle Download Center". There are two buttons: "CURRENT VERSIONS" (which is selected) and "ARCHIVE VERSIONS". On the right, there is a "START OVER" button. The main area displays a table with three columns: "Version (Current)", "Product", and "Download/Documentation". The "Version (Current)" column lists "2.6.0", "2.5.1-LTS" (which is highlighted in green), and "1.5.3-LTS". The "Product" column lists "BlueField SW Bundle (BFB)", "DOCA Local Repo Packages for BlueField DPU", "BlueField-3 BMC firmware", "BlueField-3 BMC-eROT (Glacier) firmware", "BlueField-2 BMC firmware", and "BlueField-2 BMC-eROT (CEC) firmware". The "Download/Documentation" column contains links to download pages for each item.

Version (Current)	Product	Download/Documentation
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2.5.1-LTS	DOCA Local Repo Packages for BlueField DPU	
1.5.3-LTS	BlueField-3 BMC firmware BlueField-3 BMC-eROT (Glacier) firmware BlueField-2 BMC firmware BlueField-2 BMC-eROT (CEC) firmware	

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DOCA-HOST

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BlueField SW Bundle DOCA-Host

DOCA-Host Software Download Center

CURRENT VERSIONS	ARCHIVE VERSIONS	START OVER		
Version (Current)	OS distribution	OS distribution Version	Architecture	Download/Documentation
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2.5.1-LTS	UOS	RHEL/Rocky 9.2		
1.5.3-LTS	Sles	RHEL/Rocky 9.1		
	RHEL/CentOS/Rocky	RHEL/Rocky 9.0		
	Oracle Linux	RHEL/Rocky 8.9		
	OPENEULER	RHEL/Rocky 8.8		
	KYLIN	RHEL/Rocky 8.6		
	Debian	RHEL/CentOS/Rocky 8.5		
	CTYUNOS	RHEL/CentOS 8.4		
	BCLINUX	RHEL/CentOS 8.3		
	ALINUX	RHEL/CentOS 8.2		
		RHEL/CentOS 8.1		
		RHEL/CentOS 8.0		

Until DOCA 2.5:

