BROCADE
SERVERIRON 350, 450, AND 850 APPLICATION SWITCHES

HIGH-PERFORMANCE ETHERNET SWITCHING

HIGHLIGHTS
- Purpose-built high-performance and high-availability application switches for business-critical IP and Web services
- Highly-advanced acceleration, security, Web optimization, load balancing and ultra high availability for IP applications
- High density Gigabit and 10-Gigabit Ethernet support for highly-scalable server farms
- Superior DoS protection up to 3.6 million (wire-speed 2.5 Gigabit rate) SYN/sec, and 30 DoS signatures
- Scalable to support 30,000,000 concurrent sessions, 300,000 Layer 4 connections per second and over 10 Gbps of application throughput
- High-availability with hitless and stateful session failover in many advanced modes
- Industry’s most powerful content analysis engine, including HTTP, FIX, DNS and SIP (VoIP)
- HTTP multiplexing and server connection offload to optimize Web server performance and capacity
- Scalable and on-demand expansion for integrated SSL acceleration to support secure Web transactions
- Highly transparent DNS-based global load balancing solution for datacenter redundancy and geographic scalability
- Industry’s most innovative modular, compact and resilient design starting at 2U height
- Integrated wire-speed Layer 2/3 switching and routing, and always-on network monitoring with standards-based hardware-assisted sFlow
- Ultra high availability and scalability for perimeter security devices including Firewalls, Anti-Virus gateways, VPN devices and Intrusion appliances with highly advanced FW and VPN Load Balancings

High Performance Application Acceleration, Web Optimization and Security

Brocade® ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches provide high performance Layer 2 through 7 switching, enabling highly secure and scalable IP and Web application service infrastructure. The Brocade TrafficWorks™ software suite of application traffic management powers the ServerIron switches to efficiently distribute application traffic to the “best” servers using real-time measurements of server utilization and response time. The highly intelligent ServerIron Layer 4-7 application switches use information that resides beyond the traditional Layer 2 and 3 packet headers, deep in the application messages, to direct client requests to available and fast-responding servers. These switches transparently support any IP-based applications, and offer specialized acceleration and optimization features for Web services. The ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches further improve service availability by securing the servers from many forms of Denial of Service (DoS), virus and worm attacks. These switches act as a reliable last line of defense for server farms and applications. Superior performance delivered by innovative third-generation Brocade network processor technology offers security without sacrificing application performance. The switches also simplify server farm management and application patching by allowing resources to be easily removed and inserted into the resource pool. Simplified management reduces operational costs and keeps the total cost of ownership (TCO) to a minimum.

Built on the Brocade JetCore™ ASIC architecture, the ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches support high density Gigabit and 10-Gigabit Ethernet for superior server farm scalability and service performance. The JetCore ASIC supports hardware-assisted standards-based sFlow network monitoring for all application traffic flows, which helps improve manageability and security of network and server resources.
The ServerIron switches forward traffic flows based on Layer 4 through Layer 7 definitions, and deliver industry-leading performance for higher layer application switching functions. Superior content-switching capabilities include support for up to 256 highly customizable rules based on URL, HTTP header, XML, cookie, SSL ID, SIP (VoIP), DNS, and FIX protocol and application content. Furthermore, the ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches provide the foundation for high service availability, disaster recovery, and location and server transparency for consistent user experience from multiple geographically separated data centers.

These systems use highly advanced Brocade multiprocessor technology in the management modules. Each management module is equipped with four processors. One processor is dedicated for reliable device management and control, and the other three processors are used for processing traffic on application flows. The ServerIron switches are upgradeable to include integrated SSL acceleration and Web optimization using a dedicated service module.

ServerIron’s extensive and customizable service health check capability helps monitor Layer 2, Layer 3, Layer 4, and Layer 7 connectivity, service availability, and server response time. The health checks ensure real-time detection of service problems. Client requests are automatically and rapidly re-distributed to other available servers capable of delivering the best service performance. To provide peak IP and Web service availability, ServerIron switches support many advanced modes of high availability options with real-time session synchronization between two ServerIron devices to protect against session loss during switch failures. In the event that one device fails, the other one takes control of client traffic without losing existing sessions or connectivity.

To ease management of two ServerIron switches deployed in high availability modes, Brocade features support for advanced configuration synchronization to minimize configuration errors, and consequently network downtime.

The ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches are simple to configure and manage using the Brocade Command Line Interface (CLI) or built-in Web-browser based interface. The CLI uses well-known industry-standard syntax, allowing network administrative staff to easily configure Brocade products. In addition, the ServerIron switches support Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) to allow device management using applications such as HP OpenView. The IronView Network Manager (INM) can be used to monitor and chart traffic, and also to perform comprehensive configuration management for Brocade switches.

**SERVERIRON 350, 450 AND 850 PLATFORM BENEFITS**

- **High Performance and Modular Design:** Choice of high-performance models starting with the compact 2U high ServerIron 350 to the highly scalable ServerIron 850 with eight modular slots
- **Redundant Power Supplies:** Support for redundant and hot-swappable power supplies on all models, with front serviceability on the ServerIron 450 and 850 systems
- **Hot-Swappable Modules:** Hot-swappable modules, and expansion slots for management and line modules to provide increased performance and port density
- **Dual-Active Management Modules:** Optional second active management module for redundancy and performance upgradeability
- **Upgradable to Integrated SSL Acceleration:** Optional service module future upgrade to add integrated and scalable SSL acceleration
- **Design Flexibility:** Seamless network integration with support for many different topology designs including one-arm, in-line, DSR, and direct attached servers
- **Security:** Wire-speed ACL and sFlow network monitoring combined with highly secure embedded real-time OS
- **Reliability:** Resilient switching and routing foundation with advanced support for RIPv2, OSPF, VRRP and VRRP-E

![Figure 1: ServerIron 450 Switches for Highly Available and Scalable Applications and Server Farms](image)
**Scalability:** Expansion from 2 to 112 Gigabit ports in a single system, and support for 10-Gigabit Ethernet application switching

**Flexible Connectivity:** Copper and fiber gigabit media options, and support for high-density Gigabit over Copper (GoC)

**Investment Protection:** A unique platform to meet existing and future needs for features, performance and scalability

**SERVERIRON 350, 450 AND 850—KEY IP AND WEB TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS**

- **Efficient Server Load Balancing (SLB):** Distribute IP-based application flows, and transparently balance traffic among multiple servers while continuously monitoring server, application and content health, which enhances overall reliability and availability of application services

- **Intelligent Application Content Inspection and Switching:** Avoid replicating application content and functions on all servers, and scale and optimize performance for targeted application needs. Defeat application level attacks by using deep content inspection and filtering of application messages.

- **Disaster Recovery and Global Server Load Balancing (GSLB):** Distribute services transparently across multiple sites and server farm locations, and balance the traffic across those sites/servers on a global basis while monitoring site/server and application health. By directing clients to the best site for the fastest content delivery, ServerIron enhances overall application availability and reduces bandwidth costs. Site level redundancy and rapid transparent failover are supported for disaster recovery.

- **Enterprise Application Support:** ServerIron can be deployed in many Enterprise environments where IP and Web based applications are used, including the popular applications like Oracle, BEA Web Logic, IBM WebSphere, PeopleSoft and Siebel. ServerIron supports customer features to load balance and provide persistence for such applications to deliver the benefits of high availability, security and accelerated performance.

- **SYN-Guard™:** ServerIron protects server farms against multiple forms of Denial of Service (DoS) attacks, such as TCP SYN and ACK attacks, by monitoring and tracking session flows. Only valid connection requests are sent to the server. ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches are capable of defeating DoS attacks at the industry’s highest rate of up to 7.5 million SYN/sec to meet growing security threats.

- **HTTP Multiplexing (Server Connection Offload):** Increases server performance, availability, response time and security by offloading connection management from the servers. Using persistent HTTP 1.0 and 1.1 connections to the server, the ServerIron streams a large number of client connections to few server connections. Connection offload allows the servers to dedicate resources for high-performance application content delivery.

- **Application Rate Limiting:** Protects server farms by controlling the rate of TCP and UDP connections on an application port basis. Protects servers against malicious attacks from high-bandwidth users by rate limiting individual user connections.

- **High Performance Access Control:** Using Access Control Lists (ACLs) and Extended ACLs, network administrators can restrict access to specific applications from a given address or subnet.

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![Figure 2: Virtual Server Farm with Easy Management and Automatic Failover](image-url)
• Application Redirection: ServerIron can use HTTP redirect to send traffic to remote servers if the requested service or content is not available on the local server farm. Clients are transparent to unavailable local resources.

• High Availability Application Switching: When deployed in active-standby mode, the standby ServerIron will assume control and preserve the state of existing sessions in the event the primary load-balancing device fails. In active-active mode, both ServerIron switches work simultaneously and provide a backup for each other while supporting stateful fail-over.

• Integrated SSL Acceleration (Future Upgrade): The ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches can be upgraded to include an SSL acceleration service module in the system to optimize the performance of secure Web transactions. This module can be hot plugged into an installed switch to add SSL acceleration on demand in the application infrastructure.

• Advanced Firewall and Security Device Load Balancing: Increase firewall and perimeter security device performance by distributing Internet traffic load across multiple firewall and other perimeter security appliances. Overcome scalability limitations, increase throughput and performance, and improve resiliency by eliminating the perimeter security devices including Firewalls, Anti-Virus gateways, VPN devices and Intrusion appliances as “single points of failure”.

• Transparent Cache Switching (TCS): Eliminate the need to configure each client browser, improve Internet response time, decrease WAN access costs, and increase overall Web caching solution resiliency by balancing web traffic across multiple caches. ServerIron improves service availability by implementing cache health checking and redirects client requests to the next available cache server or directly to the origin server in the event of a cache or server farm failure.

• Robust Application and Server Farm Security
With the application and content intelligence built in, ServerIron switches detect and discard viruses and worms that spread through application level messages. Legitimate application traffic is load balanced at high performance while preventing and defeating attacks. Industry leading ServerIron switches reliably protect against many forms of DoS and Distributed DoS (DDoS) attacks up to 3.6 million attack packets per second (See Figure 3).

• Massive Application and Server Farm Scalability
Scaling applications and server farms is essential to accommodate growth, and is cost-effectively met by the ServerIron application switches. These switches provide virtually unlimited scalability to IP-based applications by allowing the use of multiple servers with load balancing and failover. There is no need for forklift upgrades to the server farms and disruption to applications.

• High Return on Investment (ROI)
ServerIron application switches provide quick ROI, and also improve the ROI of application and server infrastructure. They support significantly higher application traffic and users on existing infrastructure by maximizing the utilization of installed server resources. With support for “Server Connection Offload” feature, the ServerIron solution reduces connection management overhead on the servers and dedicates server resources to application processing, which improves overall performance and capacity of the server farms. On-demand and unlimited virtual server farm scalability eliminates the need for forklift upgrades, and dramatically improves the ROI of the server infrastructure.

KEY SERVERIRON BENEFITS: MAXIMIZING PERFORMANCE, AVAILABILITY, SECURITY, SCALABILITY AND ROI

Application Infrastructure
Improved Application Performance
ServerIron switches, with their intelligent application-aware load balancing and content switching, significantly improve application performance by optimally utilizing all available server resources. Brocade switches perform highly flexible real-time health checks to the servers, and distribute load efficiently to the best servers. Intelligent content switching maximizes utilization and performance by eliminating the need to replicate content and application functions on all the servers.

Maximum Application Availability
ServerIron switches provide maximum availability to applications by intelligently distributing traffic among available servers, and dynamically monitoring the ability of servers to deliver optimal performance. Using customizable health checks, the switches transparently react in real time to server farm problems by redistributing client traffic. ServerIron switches can be deployed in multiple high-availability modes with hitless and stateful session synchronization and failover to extend high availability of applications even through switch failures.
MULTI-SITE REDUNDANCY AND GEOGRAPHIC SCALABILITY WITH GLOBAL SERVER LOAD BALANCING

The ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 switches can redirect client traffic geographically among multiple sites by site availability, site load, and site response time. These switches also measure client/server proximity as defined by round trip delay and geographic location. All these features can work in conjunction with the network’s existing DNS servers, resulting in minimal network disruption when implementing GSLB. The ServerIron switches continually monitor the sites to detect any changes in servers or services due to varying health and traffic conditions. Configurable site load thresholds enable network administrators to fine tune the health checking parameters to best suit the site’s server and service capabilities.

Additionally, the ServerIron switches use geographic site selection to keep the requests within continental domains. They constantly monitor application traffic to create a knowledge base that enables a more intelligent GSLB methodology, powering smarter site selection criteria. The GSLB solution provides the following key functions:

- Acts as a DNS proxy to transparently intercept and modify the DNS responses, thereby directing users to the best site
- Leverages existing DNS servers and minimizes disruption to the existing DNS environment
- Provides continuous site monitoring to detect changes in site health conditions
- Allows the network administrator to tune individual site load thresholds through configurable settings
- Monitors and selects sites by measuring site, server and application responsiveness
- Adds an evolutionary knowledge based in the global server load balancer that enables smarter site selection as more clients access the site

The Brocade ServerIron systems offer another unique multi-site redundancy solution with “VIP Route Health Injection.” This capability marries VIP and server health with intelligent route propagation to the Internet using standards-based routing protocols. This solution provides business-continuity to IP applications that do not rely on DNS protocol for service name resolution.

**Figure 3: Securing the Server Farms and Applications from High-Speed Malicious Attacks**
### Load Balancing Methods
- Least connections
- Response time
- Response time + least connections
- Round robin
- Weighted distribution
- Bandwidth and Weighted Bandwidth
- Host Proximity

### Layer 2 Switching Capabilities
- 32,000 MAC addresses
- 802.1d Spanning Tree Protocol
- 802.1p prioritization
- Policy-based VLANs
- Port-based VLANs
- Layer 3 protocol VLANs
- Layer 3 protocol and subnet VLANs
- 802.1q VLAN tagging

### Protocol Support
- TCP, UDP, SSL, FTP, Telnet, SMTP, HTTP
- IMAP4, LDAP, NTTP, POP3, DNS, NNTP
- VRRP, VRRPe, RADIUS, VoIP
- SNMP, SNMPv2c, TFTP, WTS
- Integrated Command Line Interface, SSH, Telnet

### Standards Compliance
- 802.3, 10BaseT
- 802.3u 100BaseTX, 100BaseFX
- 802.3z 1000BaseSX
- 802.3z 1000BaseLX
- 802.1Q VLAN Tagging
- 802.1d Bridging
- 802.1w RSTP
- 802.1ad Link Aggregation
- 802.3 Ethernet Like MIB
- Repeater MIB
- Ethernet Interface MIB
- VRRP, VRRP-E, Supports servers on different subnets from that of Virtual IP address

### Network Management
- Integrated Command Line Interface
- SSH
- Web-based GUI
- Telnet
- SNMP
- RMON
- IronView Network Manager (INM)
- HP OpenView

### Safety Agency Approvals
- EN 60950/EN 60825/IEC 950
- UL 1950-CSA 950 Electromagnetic Emission Certification
- FCC Class A-EN 55022/CISPR-22 Class A/ VCCI Class A
- CE Mark

### Immunity
- Generic: EN 50082-1
- ESD: IEC 61000-4-2:4 kV CD, 8 kV AD
- Radiated: IEC 61000-4-3:3 V/m
- EFT/Burst: IEC 61000-4-4:1.0 kV (power line), 0.5 kV (signal line)
- Conducted: IEC 61000-4-6:3 V

### Environmental
- Operating Temperature: 0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)
- Relative Humidity: 5 to 90%,@ 40 °C (104 °F), non-condensing
- Operating Altitude: 10,000 ft (3,000 m) maximum
- Storage Temperature: -25 °C to 70 °C (-9 °F to 158 °F)
- Storage Altitude: 15,000 ft (4,500 m) maximum
- Storage Humidity: 95% maximum relative humidity, non-condensing

### Mounting Options
- 19” Universal EIA (Telco) Rack
- Tabletop

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### Specifications

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<td>Physical Dimensions</td>
<td>3.46” h x 17.45” w x 22.63” d (8.78 cm x 44.32 cm x 57.48 cm)</td>
<td>8.75” h x 17.5” w x 15” d (22.2 cm x 44.5 cm x 38.1 cm)</td>
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**Brocade ServerIron 350, 450 and 850 Ordering Information**

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<td>SI450-DC</td>
<td>4-slot –48V DC chassis equipped with WSM6 (Web Switching Management Module) that automatically aligns itself with up to three additional JetCore based line interface modules installed in the chassis for high-performance Layer 4-7 switching applications</td>
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<td>SI850</td>
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<td>SI850-DS</td>
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<td>S350</td>
<td>3-slot 2U high ServerIron 350 chassis with single AC power supply</td>
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<td>24-port 100Base-FX JetCore line Module</td>
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<td>1-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet Base Module (optics required)</td>
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<td>J-B48E-A</td>
<td>48-port 10/100Base-TX (RJ45) double-wide JetCore line</td>
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<td>J-B2404CF</td>
<td>24-port 10/100Base-TX (RJ-45) and 4-port Gigabit (copper and fiber combo) double-wide JetCore line Module</td>
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**10-Gigabit Ethernet Optics**

| 10G-XNPK-SR     | 850nm serial XENPAK plug-in transceiver (SC), target range of 300m over MMF |
| 10G-XNPK-LR     | 1310nm serial pluggable XENPAK optic only (SC) for up to 10km over SMF |
| 10G-XNPK-ER     | 1550nm serial pluggable XENPAK optic only (SC) for up to 40km over SMF |

**Mini GBIC Options**

| E1MG-SX         | 1000Base-SX mini-GBIC optic, MMF, LC connector |
| E1MTG-SX        | 1000Base-SX mini-GBIC optic, MMF, MTRJ connector |
| E1MG-LX         | 1000Base-LX mini-GBIC optic, SMF, LC connector |
| E1MG-LHA        | 1000Base-LH A mini-GBIC optic, SMF, LC connector |
| E1MG-LHB        | 1000Base-LHB mini-GBIC optic, SMF, LC connector, 150km Maximum reach |
| E1MG-TX         | 1000BASE-TX Mini-GBIC Copper, RJ-45 Connector |

**Premium Software Upgrade**

| TRFWRKs-PREM    | ServerIron chassis Premium TrafficWorks GSLB and Layer-3 Upgrade |