

# Mature at Scale Memory Fabrics for all Performance and Price Points

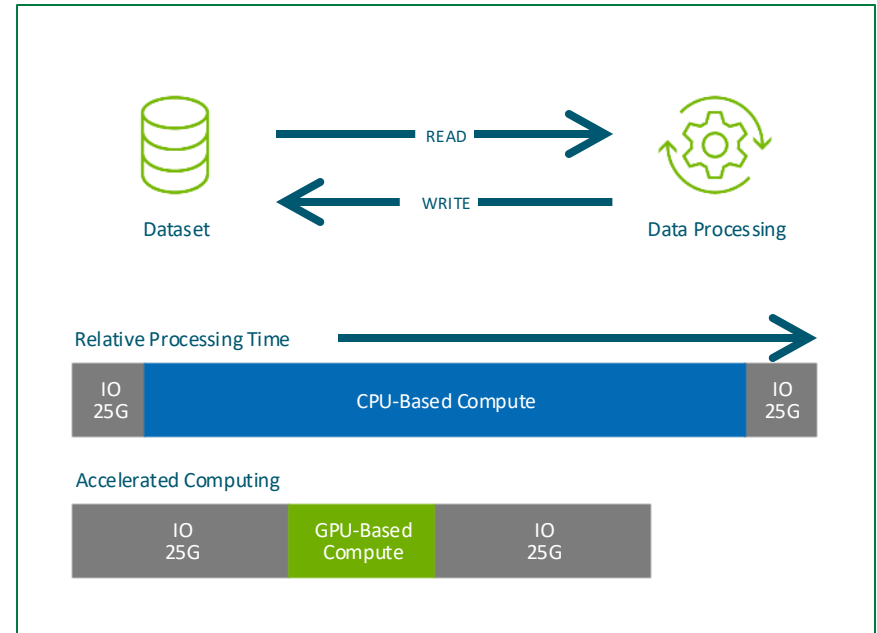
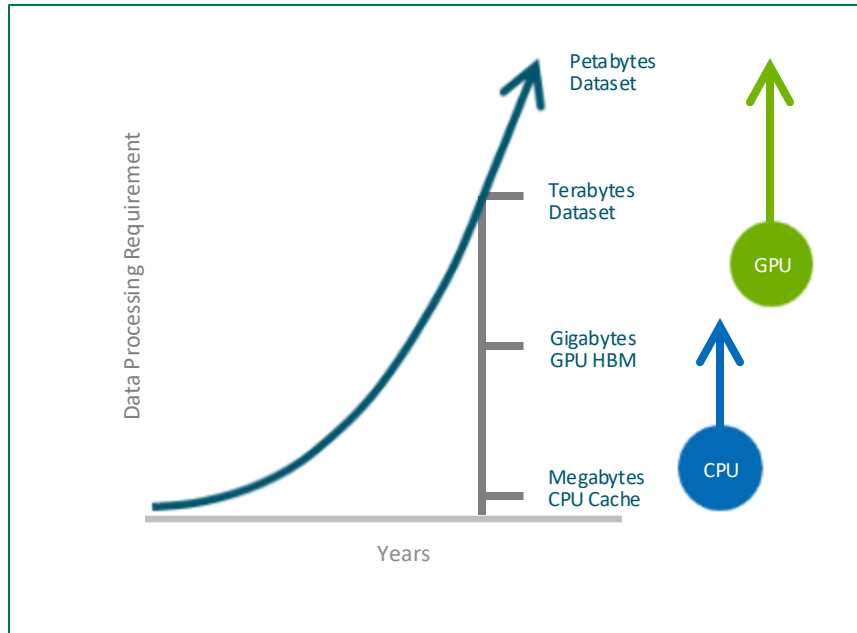
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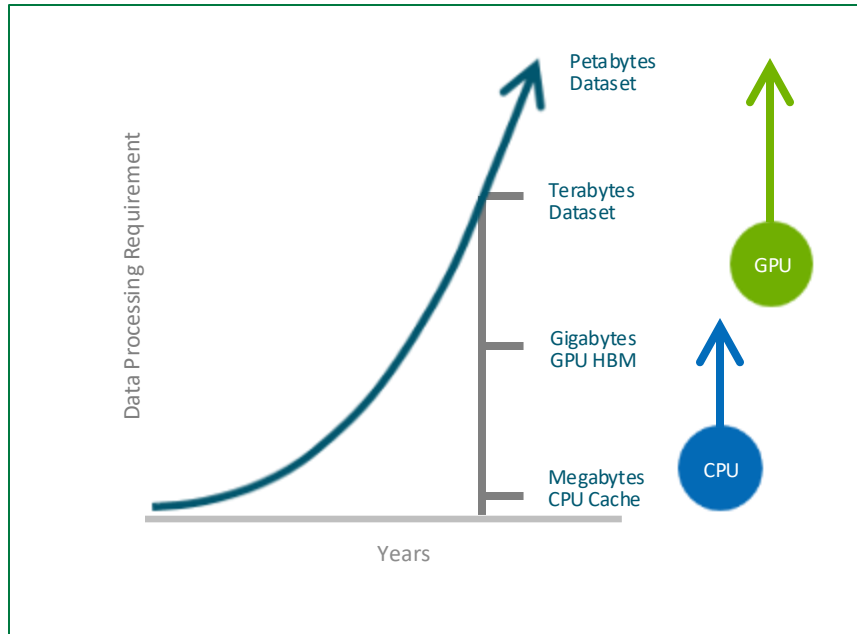


# Networking Challenges for AI

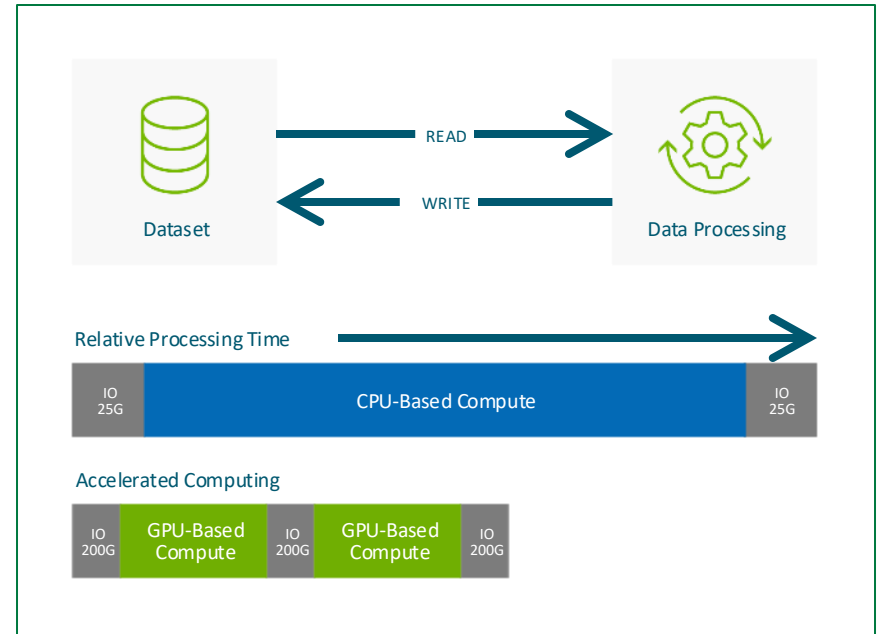


GPU Application Data Sets

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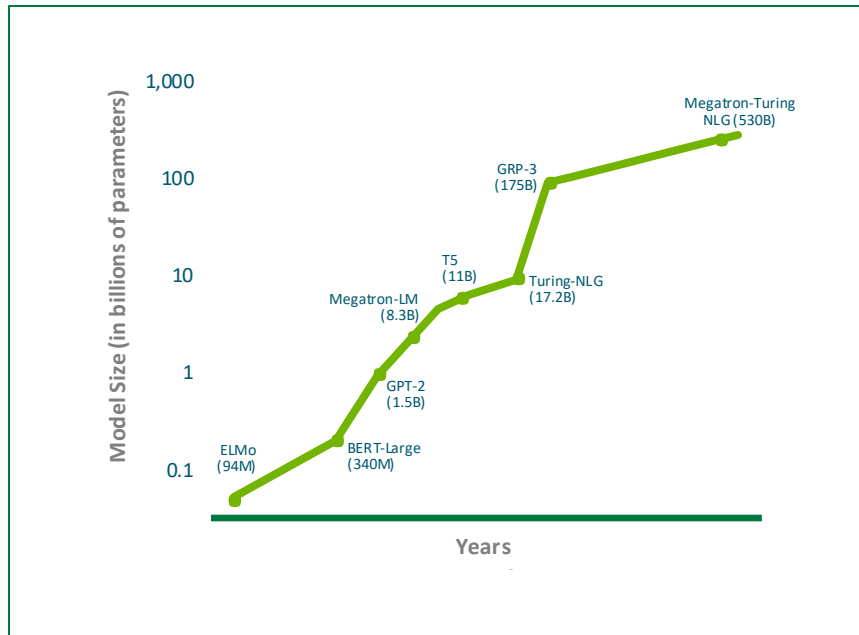


GPU Direct Storage (RDMA)



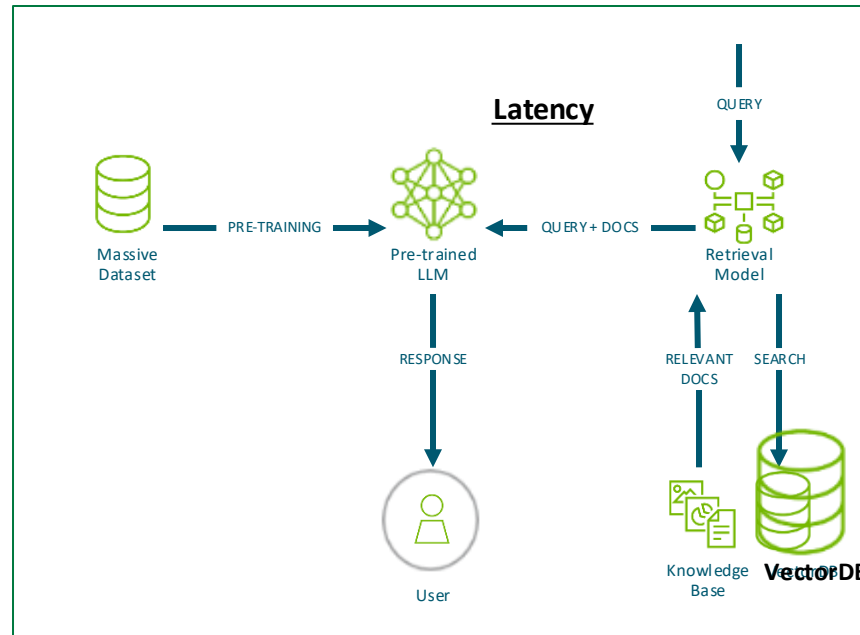
# Next Wave of Performance and Scalability

Training



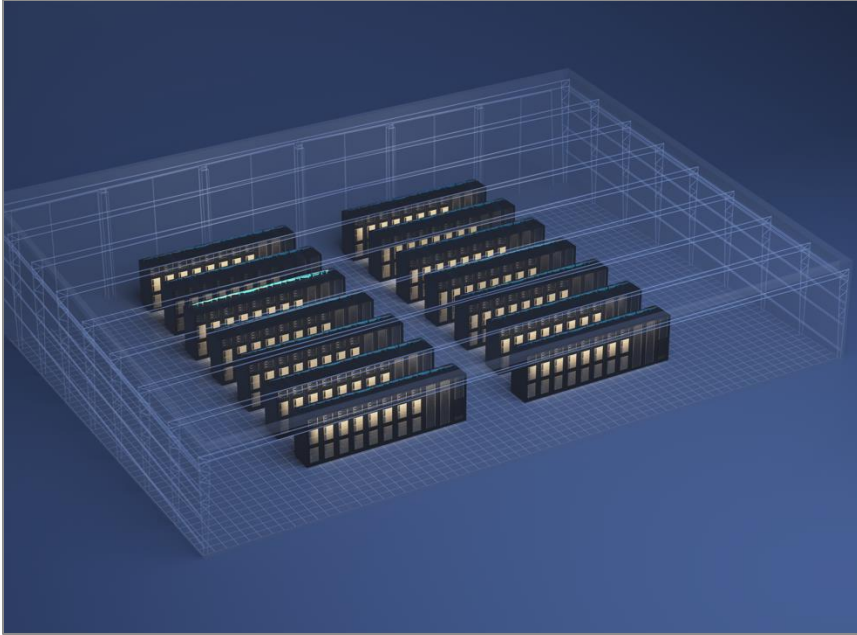
Exploding Model Size

Inferencing



Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG)

# Two Types of AI Data Centers



AI Factories

Single or few users | Extremely large AI models | NVLink and InfiniBand AI fabric

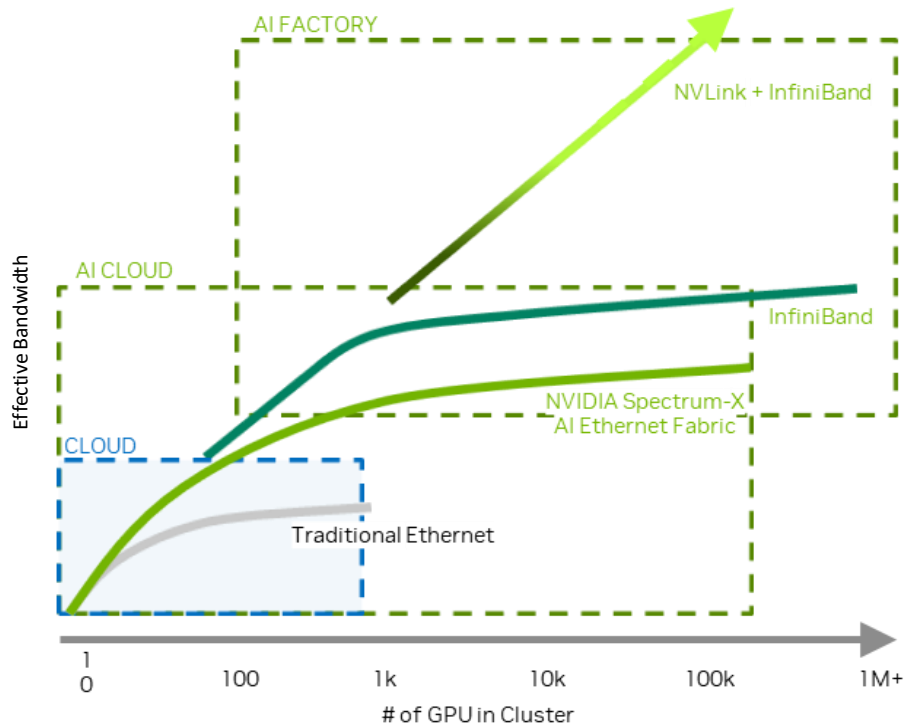


AI Cloud

Multi-tenant | Variety of workloads | Ethernet network



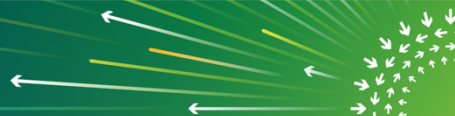
# The Right Network for the Right AI Workload and Scale



**NVLink**  
Fastest  
Compute Fabric  
Connectivity

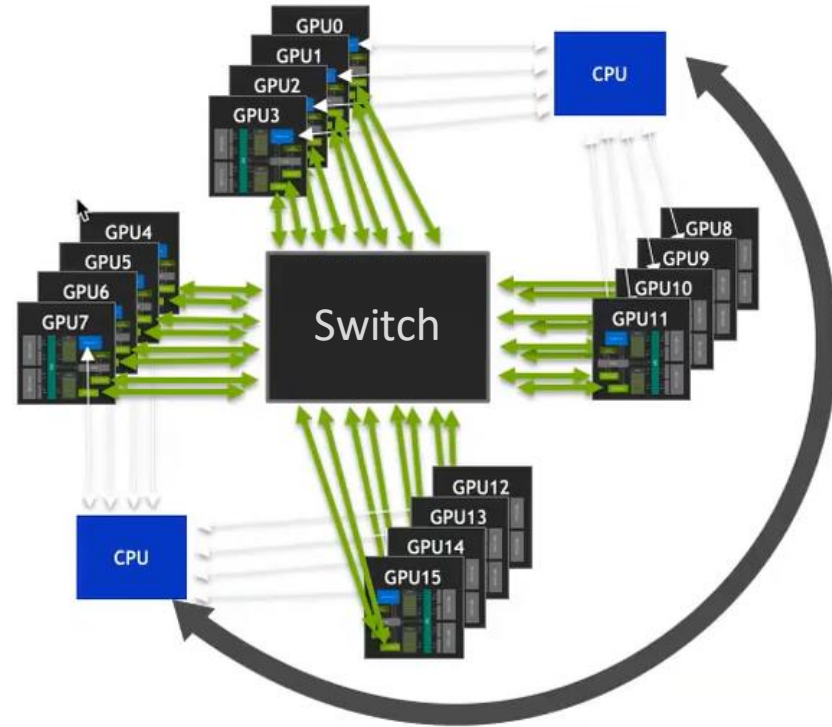
**InfiniBand**  
For Fast Scale-  
Out AI Network

**Spectrum-X**  
Ethernet Optimized  
for AI

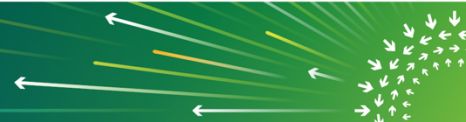
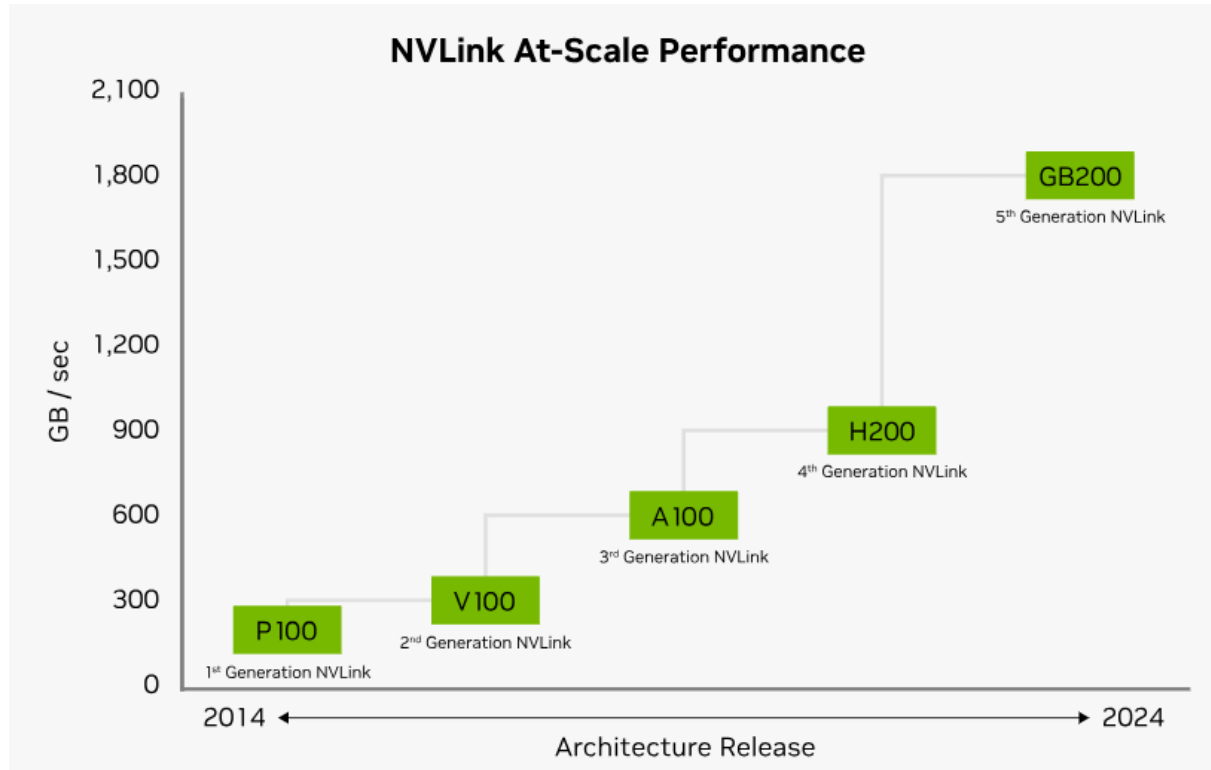


# NVLINK Creates One Gigantic GPU Memory

- From the perspective of the GPUs, all HBMs can be accessed without intervention by other processes
- Load/Store, DMA



# NVLink is Tried and True and VERY Performant

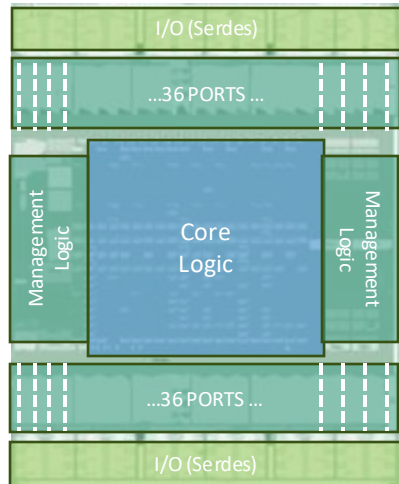




# Fifth Generation NVLink Switch

## Single ASIC

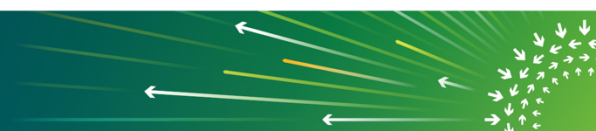
- 72 NVLink Ports
- 100GB/s port speed
- 7.2TB/s Total Bandwidth
- 3.6 TF In-Network Compute



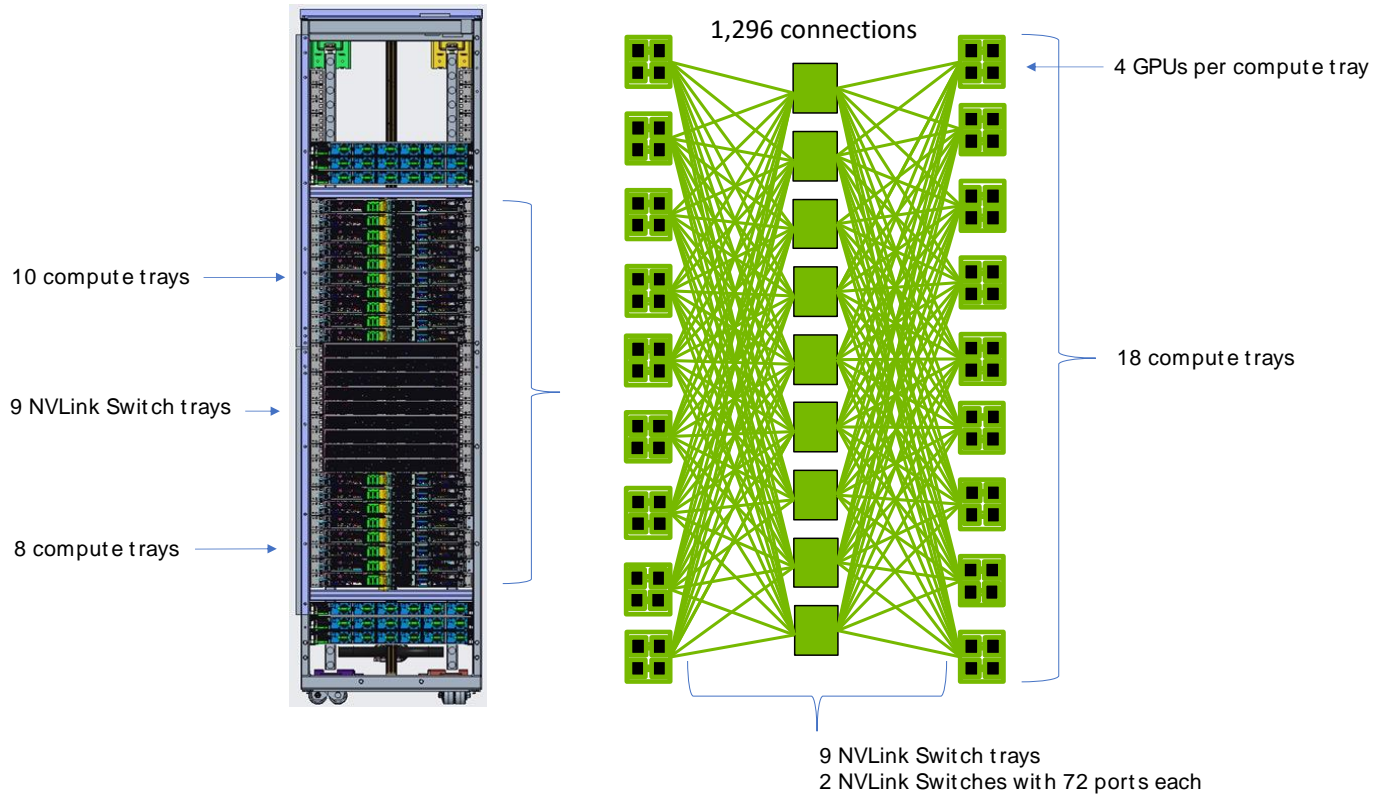
## Rack-Scale to Data Center Scale

- Up to 576 GPU NVLink Domain
- Unified Fabric Management

1.8 TB/s Bidirectional Bandwidth

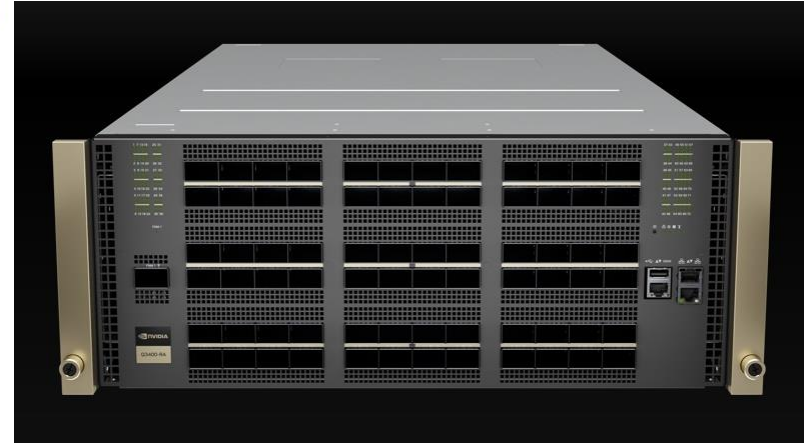
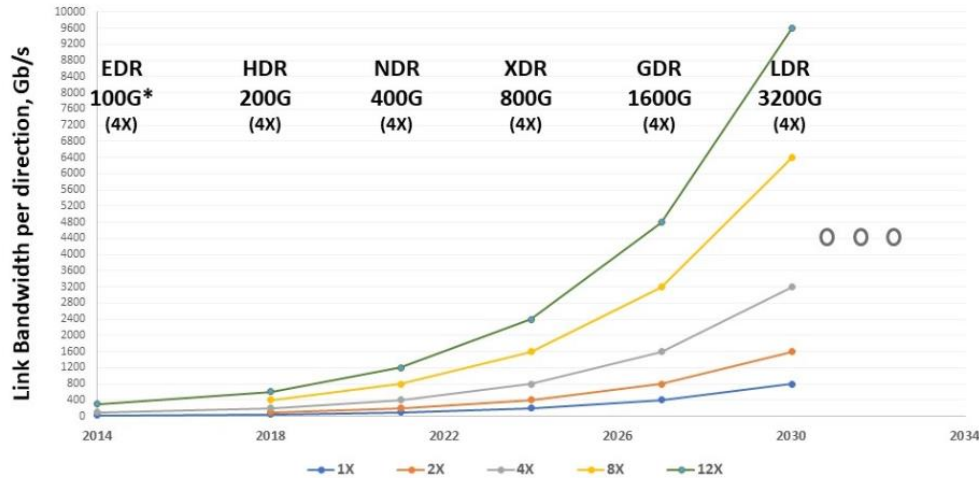


# NVLink Deployed at Rack Scale



# InfiniBand Creates Data Center Scale Memory with RDMA

## InfiniBand Roadmap



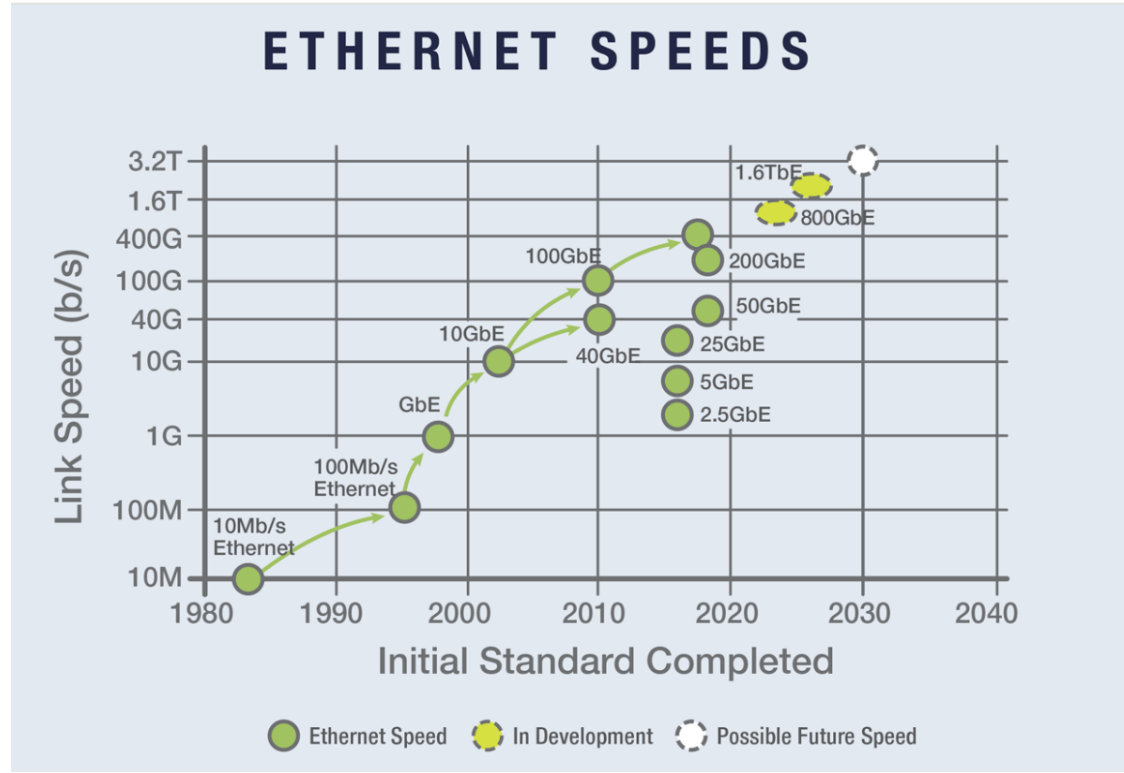
144 port 800Gb/port InfiniBand Switch

# InfiniBand Scales to Hundreds of Thousands of Nodes

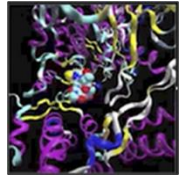
- 10,368 ports (2 levels)
- 746,496 ports (3 levels)
- Adaptive routing and congestion control
- Self-Healing
- Copper between switches (up to 1.5m)



# High Speed RoCE with Enhancements for AI



# Challenges to Running AI Workloads on Traditional Ethernet



AI Workload



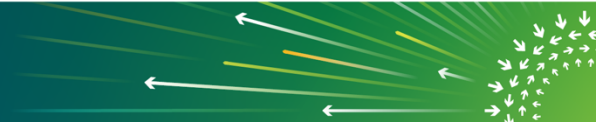
Significant  
Congestion



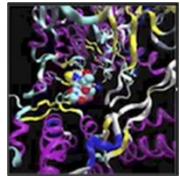
Increased  
Latency



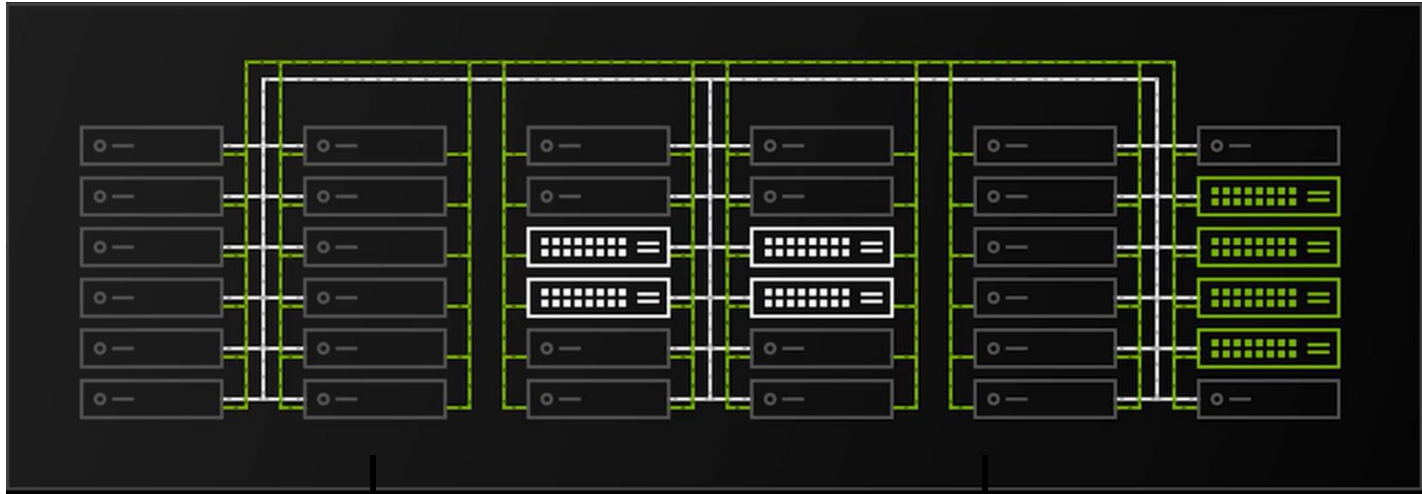
Bandwidth  
Unfairness



# Ethernet Enhancements for AI – Spectrum-X



AI Workload



95%

Higher  
Effective  
Bandwidth

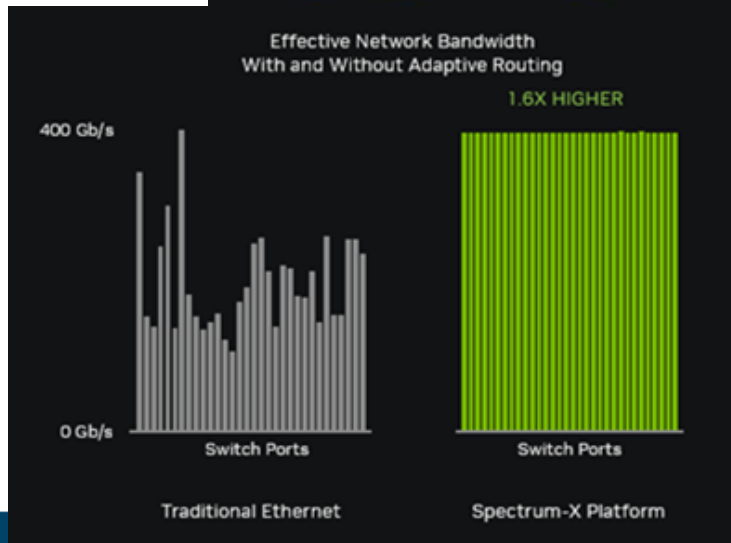
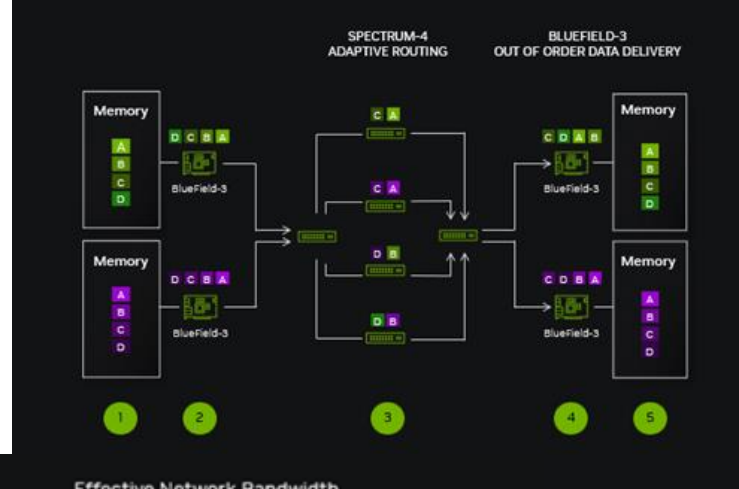
1.6X

Increased  
AI Network  
Performance



# Packet Level Adaptive Routing

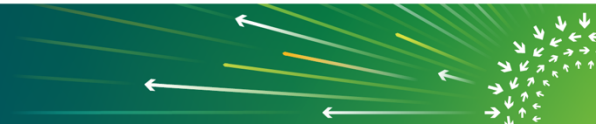
- The NIC sends data into the switch network
- The switch spreads the data packets across all available routes
- The NIC ensures in-order data delivery
- Increase from typical 60% to 95% effective bandwidth





# Call to Action

- NVLink, InfiniBand and Spectrum-X Ethernet solutions are here today to improve GPU efficiency at different performance and price points
- NVLink, InfiniBand and Spectrum-X Ethernet products are available and welcome AI solution partners to test them and show the advantages
- Reach out to us for any questions
- Where to find additional information (URL links)
  - <https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/data-center/nvlink/>
  - <https://www.infinibandta.org/infiniband-roadmap/>
  - <https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/networking/spectrumx/>



# Thank you!



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