ThinkSystem SN850

The orchestration platform for conducting business



Infrastructure Made Simple

The Lenovo Flex System Enterprise Chassis now supports two new blades, incorporating powerful Intel® Xeon® processor Scalable family CPUs: the four-processor Lenovo ThinkSystem SN850 and the two-processor Lenovo ThinkSystem SN550.

The chassis was engineered to support high-speed networking and multiple generations of Intel Xeon processors.

SN850 offers massively increased memory capacity and bandwidth, more processor cores, faster and larger storage capacity, plus enhanced RAS and security features**. As a result, SN850's four-CPU, 48 DIMM-slot design is powerful enough for even your most demanding memory-intensive workloads.

Examples include in-memory databases, batch and real-time analytics, virtualization, large traditional databases, distributed computing, or consolidating multiple past generation servers onto a single blade.

In addition, SN850 is also compatible with your current Flex System Enterprise chassis, protecting your investment in chassis infrastructure.

Elastic Infrastructure for Ever-Changing Workloads

Making your infrastructure more easily composable is what Flex System is all about. Teamed with the Lenovo XClarity management suite, you can compose compute, storage, and networking resources to adapt to changing workload and capacity requirements.

This extreme agility gives customers new levels of command over their resources:

- Faster virtual machine deployment and movement for easier orchestration
- Storage flexibility, from no drives to a choice of SAS/SATA HDDs/SSDs or NVMe/U.2
- NVMe drives, for ultra-fast read/write storage that can be tiered for greater application performance
- Direct-Connect NVMe ports—Four direct motherboard connections for NVMe storage provide ultra-fast read/writes and reduce costs by eliminating PCIe switch adapters. Plus, storage can be tiered for faster application performance to deliver the most cost-effective solution.
- Choice of multiple boot devices, including M.2





These are a few of the incorporated technologies and features that deliver an extremely agile blade architecture, and provide the infrastructure control to free your staff time to focus on innovation and new challenges.

Efficient On Multiple Levels

The Flex System Enterprise Chassis houses up to 7 ThinkSystem SN850 blades and 4 integrated switches, delivering up to 80 percent greater density than 2U 4-processor rack servers and 1U switches*—with the added bonus of reducing the number of cables (and cabling complexity) by nearly half.

The chassis design creates efficiency via:

- Simplified, flexible, and fast deployment and management with Lenovo XClarity Administrator software, for future-defined data centers
- Up to four integrated networking switches for improved throughput and reduced cable count
- Zoned adaptive cooling, which varies system fan speeds as needed, to reduce energy costs
- Energy-efficient components, including 80 Plus Platinum hot-swap/redundant power supplies

Flex System helps save time and money by greatly reducing your costs for energy and floor/rack-space, and by simplifying management. Reduced complexity enables your infrastructure to become a powerful tool -ready for the future-instead of a drain on resources.

A Proven Platform

Flex System is a second-generation blade system that has helped customers streamline their infrastructure since 2012. The ability to run four generations of Intel® Xeon® processorbased blades concurrently in the same chassis, makes Flex System ready for the "futuredefined data center".



The Flex System Enterprise Chassis houses up to 7 SN850 compute nodes, delivering high density.

Redundancy is prevalent throughout, including switches, management modules, blades, power supplies, and cooling systems. There is no single point of failure in Flex System. It also features:

- Enterprise-class CPU RAS—such as MCA Recovery, Memory Post Package Repair, and Fatal Error Handling—to keep systems running.
- Cable-free blades, which accelerate servicing and reduce upgrade times
- The XClarity mobile app, which allows remote diagnostics and management from a credentialed mobile device or smart phone
- Worldwide Lenovo service and support, available in more than 140 countries



ThinkSystem Server Deployment and **Management**

Lenovo XClarity Controller is an all-new hardware embedded management engine common in every ThinkSystem server. XClarity Controller features an uncluttered graphical user interface, industry standard Redfish-compliant REST APIs, and enables booting in half the time of the prior generation servers**, with up to 600 percent faster firmware updates.

Lenovo XClarity Administrator is a virtualized application that centrally manages ThinkSystem servers, storage, and networking. Via reusable patterns and policies, it ramps up and scales infrastructure provisioning and maintenance. It serves as a central integration point to extend your data center management processes to physical IT. Running XClarity Integrators in external IT applications, or integrating through REST APIs, helps you further speed services provisioning, streamline IT management, and contain costs.

Specifications

Form Factor	Double-wide blade for Flex System Enterprise Chassis
Processor	2x or 4x Intel® Xeon® Platinum processors, up to 165W
Memory	Up to 6TB in 48x slots, using 128GB DIMMs; 2666MHz TruDDR4
Expansion Slots	Up to 4x PCIe x16 mezzanine adapters
Internal Storage	Up to 4x 2.5-inch storage bays supporting SAS/SATA HDDs/SSDs or U.2 NVMe SSDs; plus up to 2x mirrored M.2 boot drives (optional RAID 1)
Network Interface	4x 10GbE LOM with fabric connector; or 2x 10GbE, 4x 10GbE or converged network mezzanine adapters
Power Supply	Contained in the chassis
Hot-Swap Components	2.5-inch SAS/SATA/U.2 drives
RAID Support	Software RAID standard (6Gbps SATA); optional hardware basic RAID (12Gbps SAS/SATA); optional hardware advanced RAID (12Gbps SAS/SATA 2GB flash-backed cache)
Systems Management	XClarity Controller embedded management, XClarity Administrator centralized infrastructure delivery, XClarity Integrator plugins, and XClarity Energy Manager centralized server power management
Operating Systems Supported	Microsoft Windows Server, Red Hat SUSE, VMware vSphere. Visitlenovopress.com/osig for details.
Limited Warranty	3-year customer replaceable unit and onsite service, next business day 9x5; optional service upgrades



Featured Options

Lenovo 64GB TruDDR4 2666MHz (4Rx4 1.2V) LRDIMM

7X77A01305

Larger-capacity TruDDR4 DIMM to help improve the performance of your workloads

Lenovo U.2 1.6TB Performance NVMe PCIe 3.0 Hot-Swap SSD

7XB7A05922

High-performance, low-latency drive optimized for write-intensive workloads

Flex System CN4054S 4-port 10Gb Virtual Fabric Adapter with FCoE

01CV790

Converged network adapter that supports Ethernet, FCoE, and iSCSI protocols

Why Lenovo

Lenovo is a leading provider of systems for the data center. The portfolio includes rack, tower, blade, dense, and hyperconverged systems, and provides enterpriseclass performance, reliability, and security. Lenovo also offers a full range of networking, storage, software, and solutions, as well as comprehensive services that support business needs throughout the IT lifecycle.

In addition, Lenovo servers continue to be the industry's #1 most reliable§, with the industry's highest customer satisfaction‡ rating.

For More Information

To learn more about the ThinkSystem SN850 Compute Node, contact your Lenovo representative or Business Partner or visit www.lenovo.com/thinksystem. For detailed specifications, consult the SN850 Product Guide.



** Compared to the prior-generation Lenovo Flex System x440. * 7x ThinkSystem SN850 nodes + 4x integrated switches = 10U; 7x 2U servers + 4x 1U switches = 18U. § 2016-2017 Global Hardware, Server OS Reliability Report, ITIC; October 2016; and ITIC Reliability Study 2016 - 2017 Mid-year Update, May 2017. ‡ 2H16 Corporate IT Buying Behavior and Customer Satisfaction Study, TBR; July 2017.

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