Nokia 7950 Extensible Routing System
Expandable Media Adapters

Nokia Expandable Media Adapters (XMAs) provide cost-efficient Gigabit Ethernet, 10GE, 40GE, 100GE and 400GE interface options for the 7950 XRS family that support the full range of functional requirements for IP routing, Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS), internet peering, infrastructure services and IP/optical integration.

Nokia’s industry-leading 2.4 Tb/s FP4 network processor powers a new generation of XMAs with ultra-high density, 400GE QSFP-DD and 100GE QSFP28 and 400GE CFP8 port configurations, with flexible breakout options for 10GE and 40GE interfaces. Software configurable licensing enables flexible pay-as-you-grow options per line card to expand capacity and QoS scaling capabilities, or upgrade functionality to support various high performance edge and core routing applications as your needs evolve, without replacing hardware.

All XMA variants can be equipped in any platform of the 7950 XRS family. A flexible software licensing scheme allows for customizing the XMAs for diverse core router tasks such as provider routing, Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) peering, MPLS switching, and Layer 2/Layer 3 virtual private network (VPN) infrastructure services, with configurable quality of service (QoS) granularity.

The versatility and flexibility provided by the 7950 XRS Media Adapters enables operators to consolidate core routing systems on a common platform, to protect hardware investments over time and to rapidly respond to evolving requirements with minimal impact and capital outlay.
Each XMA contains one or two FP-based forwarding complexes that perform functions such as packet lookups, traffic classification, processing and forwarding, service enablement and QoS. Each XMA also provides specific interface ports, physical media and optical functions. XMAs are equipped in an XRS Control Module (XCM), which contains a slot-level control plane subsystem with a dedicated multicore CPU and 4G DDR3 memory, and the fabric interface based on two T-chips to interconnect to the system switching fabric modules (SFM).

Each XCM can host two XMAs. The 7950 XRS-20 and 20e each use dedicated XCM variants, and can equip a total of 10 XCMs per chassis. The XCM variants powered by the T3 chip offer 800G full duplex aggregate slot capacity to a pair of FP3 XMAs or C-XMAs. XCM2 variants powered by the T4 chip support FP4 XMAs, and require switching fabric modules based on the S4 chip (SFM2). The XCM2 variant for the XRS-20 offers 3.2 Tb/s full duplex aggregate slot capacity, and the XRS-20e variant offers 4.8 Tb/s. SFM2 supports both XCM and XCM2 and is common for the 7950 XRS-20 and 20e. The Control Processor Modules (CPMs) are common as well, and support both FP3 and FP4 system configurations.

The XMA-XCM concept (see Table 1) enables exceptional modularity and investment protection by decoupling the forwarding logic from control and switching logic. It allows network operators to mix FP4 and FP3 XMAs in a single chassis, and provides the flexibility to upgrade to higher system slot capacity without having to replace existing XMAs. The XCM concept also gives a cost-efficient option to pre-equip XMAs by only powering those that are providing services. Distributing certain control plane capabilities on the XCMs also improves control plane scalability and in-service hardware upgrade performance.

**Figure 1. XMA-XCM modular hardware architecture**

![Figure 1. XMA-XCM modular hardware architecture](image)

**Table 1. Hardware combinations and system configurations**

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Features and benefits

Optimize capacity and flexibility
Traditional core routers deploy custom ASICs that optimize forwarding capacity and port density but often trade off service capabilities, which reduces deployment flexibility and versatility. The Nokia 7950 XRS rejects compromises and avoid dilemmas by leveraging programmable 2.4 Tb/s network processing silicon—the Nokia FP4 chipset. State-of-the-art 16nm 2.5/3D FinFETPlus technology enables FP4 to deliver 6 times the scale and twice the efficiency of FP3. And it adds enhanced packet intelligence and control capabilities to support emerging requirements for dynamic flow optimization, network slicing and distributed denial of service (DDoS) mitigation for cloud, 5G and Internet of Things applications.

As a result, the XRS platform combines tremendous forwarding performance with unprecedented hardware flexibility. Where alternative core routers have to resort to multiple line card variants and additional platforms to cover the spectrum of core routing needs, the 7950 XRS can bring it all on one platform with common hardware and excellent investment protection.

Line card licenses allow for tailoring and tuning the 7950 XRS system to customers’ evolving needs. Capacity licenses enable software configurable pay-as-you-grow expansion options for universal XMA hardware to increase interface capacity and queuing scale as your traffic demands evolve. MPLS, IP core routing, advanced BGP peering, VPN service, virtual private LAN service (VPLS) and advanced QoS and security capabilities can be unlocked through a simple license upgrade, without hardware changes or maintenance windows.

Whether deployed in the metro core, in the IP backbone, as a data center gateway or an internet peering point, the 7950 XRS will meet your networking needs.

Performance and resource efficiency
The FP4 chipset offers deterministic packet forwarding performance under full load, even when complex packet lookup and advanced traffic management operations are required. The P4 chip performs packet processing and integrates intelligent lookup memory to optimize packet lookup operations, and traffic management is performed separately by the Q4 chip. This approach gives the flexibility to optimize line cards designs for different queuing and scheduling requirements.

The 2.4 Tb/s FP4 chipset enables line card designs with an optimal geometry for 100GE and 400GE interfaces at full rate, and pave the way to supporting terabit-rate clear channel interfaces.

Smart, 2.4 Tb/s silicon also helps to reduce the number of hardware components. XMA modules share two FP4 complexes and are able to drive 24 QSFP28 ports at 100 Gb/s rates or 12 QSFP-DD ports up to 400 Gb/s rates, and even 2 ports at Terabit line rates in future. Conversely, competing line card designs with lower speed silicon typically replicate memory for each forwarding complex in separate hardware slices, demonstrate choppy forwarding performance with limited traffic management, and are unable to support 1TE interfaces in future.

Innovation to rely on
While the Nokia 7950 XRS is a highly innovative platform, it leverages field-proven and time-tested technology. The FP3 and FP4 network processors that power the 7950 XRS interface cards also drive the line cards of the Nokia 7750 Service Router (SR) platform. Currently in its fourth generation, FP routing silicon has evolved in a mature and field-proven technology.

The FP4 chipset enables the 7950 XRS to run the same Nokia Service Router Operating System (SR OS) used in the 7750 Service Routing family, and leverage over a decade of software innovation,
field validation and maintenance. Groundbreaking reliability features such as non-stop routing and services were first introduced in the SR OS and set new industry standards on availability.

Operators familiar with the SR OS will find qualification and operational integration of the 7950 XRS effortless. The Nokia Network Services Platform (NSP) enables operators to minimize operational costs and complexity with a converged and consistent management and Carrier SDN WAN solution that spans the entire routing portfolio and select products in optical transport, access and wireless.

**Leading performance**
- Universal 400GE QSFP-DD ports with flexible 10, 40, 100 and 400GE breakout options and intelligent fan-in/fan-out aggregation.
- Universal 100GE QSFP28 ports with high density 10GE and 40GE breakout options with support for SR and LR optics
- Long range 100G clear channel interfaces with CFP2 Digital Coherent Optics (DCO) ports
- XMAs are usable across all XRS platform variants to optimize investments and sparing
- Pluggable optics with Digital Diagnostic Monitoring (DDM) for extended operations, administration, and maintenance (OAM) support

**Rich capabilities**
- Flexible, tiered feature licensing model to pay for only the functionality required, and in-place feature upgrades without changing the hardware
- Scalable IPv4/IPv6 unicast routing (BGP, Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), and Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS) with traffic engineering extensions) covering all-IP core needs
- Scalable IPv4/IPv6 multicast routing (PIM, MSDP)
- MPLS label edge router (LER) and label switch router (LSR)
- Multi-instance IS-IS and OSPF segment routing support
- Layer 2 and Layer 3 virtual leased line (VLL) and VPN services
- Configurable QoS granularity from 8 ingress and 8 egress to 128,000 ingress and 128,000 egress queues per port

**Seamless operation**
- Runs same SR OS binary for reliable, seamless and consistent performance
- Extensive OAM tool set, which provides tightly integrated visibility, management and control of the platform, network and services
- WAN and LAN PHY support options for 10GE cards
- Hot-replaceable
- Multivendor SDN control integration through OpenFlow and NETCONF/YANG support
- Service automation and cross-layer network management through the Nokia NSP
Technical specifications

Table 2. Supported XMAs and licensing options for Nokia 7950 XRS-20 and XRS-20e

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<td>12p QSFP28 universal XMA with intelligent fan-in/out and flexible breakout for 10, 40, 100 and 400 GBASE</td>
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* With intelligent fan-in/fan-out aggregation

Physical dimensions

C-XMAs (200G)
- Height: 314.2 mm (12.37 in)
- Width: 42.9 mm (1.69 in)
- Depth: 460.7 mm (18.14 in)
- Weight: 5.3 kg (11.6 lb)

XMAs (400G)
- Height: 392.4 mm (15.45 in)
- Width: 42.9 mm (1.69 in)
- Depth: 460.7 mm (18.14 in)
- Weight: 7.8 kg (17.2 lb)
Data Sheet

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10GBASE LAN and WAN PHY
- LAN and WAN PHY support options for 10GE cards

QoS support
Configurable through software licenses from 8 ingress and 8 egress queues per port to a total of:
- 128,000 shared queues per FP3 C-XMA
- 256,000 shared queues per FP3 XMA
- 512,000 shared queues per FP4 XMA

MAC address capacity
- IP core:
  - Up to 128,000 media access control (MAC) forwarding information base (FIB) entries per XMA
- Higher scale enabled through additional licenses

IP FIB capacity
- LSR license: 64,000 FIB entries (IPv4 + IPv6)
- IP core license: 1 million FIB entries (IPv4 + IPv6)
- Higher scale enabled through additional licenses

Feature and protocol support highlights
Feature and protocol support within the 7950 XRS family includes, but is not limited to, the following:

IP and MPLS routing features
- IP unicast routing: Routing Information Protocol (RIP), IS-IS, OSPF, Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol (MBGP), Unicast Reverse Path Forwarding (uRPF), comprehensive control plane protection features for security, and IPv4 and IPv6 feature parity
- IP multicast routing: Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP), Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD), Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM), Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP), and IPv4 and IPv6 feature parity
- MPLS: Label edge router (LER) and label switch router (LSR) functions with support for seamless MPLS designs, MPLS-Transport Profile (MPLS-TP), Label Distribution Protocol (LDP) and Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP) for MPLS signaling and traffic engineering, Point-to-Point (P2P) and Point-to-Multipoint (P2MP) label switched paths (LSPs) with Multicast LDP (MLDP), P2MP RSVP and weighted Equal-Cost Multi-Path (ECMP)

Segment routing and SDN features
- Multiple instance IS-IS and OSPF Segment Routing support with shortest path tunnel, Segment Routing Traffic Engineering (SR-TE) LSP, and static and BGP SR policy. The implementation provides LFA, remote LFA and Topology-Independent LFA (TI-LFA) protection for all types of tunnels. PCEP allows the delegation of the SR-TE LSP to the Nokia NSP or a third-party PCE function.
- Programmable forwarding tables via gRPC-based RIB API feature and MPLS forwarding policy
- Extensive set of capabilities using access control list (ACL) logic to steer routes/flows toward various target types, such as IP next-hop SR-TE/RSVP-TE LSP/MPLS-TP and virtual routing and forwarding (VRF), and in a wide range of routing and service contexts such as Global Routing table, Virtual Private Routed Network (VPRN), Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) and Epipe service; supports control interfaces such as OpenFlow, FlowSpec, CLI and NETCONF
- Multivendor SDN control integration through OpenFlow, PCEP, BGP-LS and BGP SR Policy support

Layer 2 features
- Ethernet LAN (ELAN): BGP-VPLS (Virtual Private LAN Service), Provider Backbone Bridging for VPLS (PBB-VPLS), Ethernet VPN (EVPN) and PBB-EVPN
- E-Line: BGP-VPWS (Virtual Private Wire Service), EVPN-VPWS and PBB-EVPN
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• E-Tree: EVPN and PBB-EVPN
• EVPN: EVPN-VXLAN (Virtual eXtensible LAN) to VPLS/EVPN-MPLS gateway functions
• E-Tree: EVPN and PBB

Layer 3 features

• IP-VPN, enhanced internet services, EVPN for Layer 3 services with integrated routing and bridging (EVPN-IRB), and Multicast VPN (MVPN), which includes Inter-AS MVPN and Next Generation MVPN (NG-MVPN)

System features

• Ethernet satellites: Port expansion through local or remote Nokia 7210 SAS-S series GE, 10GE, 100GE and SONET/SDH satellite variants, offering 24/48xGE ports, 64xGE/10GE ports or legacy SONET/SDH ports over GE, 10GE and 100GE uplinks
• OAM: Extensive fault and performance operations, administration and maintenance (OAM) includes Ethernet Connectivity Fault Management (CFM) (IEEE 802.1ag, ITU-T Y.1731), Ethernet in the First Mile (EFM) (IEEE 802.3ah), Bi-Directional Fault Detection (BFD), Cflowd, Two-Way Active Measurement Protocol (TWAMP), and a full suite of MPLS OAM tools, including GMPLS UNI
• Timing: ITU-T Synchronous Ethernet (SyncE), IEEE 1588v2, Network Time Protocol (NTP), BITS ports (T1, E1, 2M), and 1PPS
• QoS: Flexible intelligent packet classification; ingress and egress hierarchical QoS with multitiered shaping and two-tiered, class fair hierarchical policing; advanced, scalable network and service QoS, and end-to-end consistent QoS regardless of oversubscription or congestion
• High availability: Nonstop routing, nonstop services, ISSU, fast reroute for IP, RSVP, LDP and segment routing, pseudowire redundancy, ITU-T G.8031 and G.8032, weighted ECMP, and weighted, mixed-speed link aggregation

Management features

• Model-driven network element management through CLI, NETCONF and gRPC/gNMI using YANG models
• Full SNMP management support, including configuration
• Comprehensive network and node management through the Nokia NSP

Please refer to the Nokia 7950 XRS data sheet and product information for full system details on safety standards, compliance, agency certifications and protocol support.