

**Sun InfiniBand Dual Port 4x QDR PCIe  
ExpressModule Host Channel Adapter M2**

Product Notes



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**Note** – Currently, the radiated emissions will pass if the rack door is closed.

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## Supported Platforms and Operating Systems

Before installing an adapter, ensure that your platform and OS are supported. Go to:

<http://www.oracle.com/us/products/servers-storage/networking/infiniband/index.html>

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**Note** – OFED software version 1.5.1 or higher must be used with any Linux distribution. For the latest BXOFED software, go to:

<https://support.oracle.com/CSP/ui/flash.html>

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The preceding information is up-to-date at the time this document was written. For the latest information, go to:

<http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E19157-01/>

Subsequent versions of this document have a higher number following the final dash. That is, E23924-02 becomes E23924-03.

# Download Firmware

1. Go to the My Oracle Support web site for the most recent firmware for this InfiniBand ExpressModule (part number 375-3697-01):

<https://support.oracle.com/CSP/ui/flash.html>

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**Note** – The latest firmware version is currently 2.11.2010.

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2. Select the software and documentation downloads in the row of the table with this product description:

“Sun InfiniBand Dual Port 4x QDR PCIe ExpressModule HCA M2”

To install the firmware, refer to the *Sun InfiniBand Dual Port 4x QDR PCIe ExpressModule Host Channel Adapter M2 User’s Guide*.

## Known Issues

### g5 Experiences CATERR After Updating CX2 EM FW to 2.11.2000 (Bug 15826772)

This CX-2 firmware is SR-IOV enabled by default and the Server BIOS must have both SR-IOV support and PCI MMIO 64 bits support enabled, even if the Linux driver is not SR-IOV enabled. Failing to correctly configure BIOS can cause the server to hard hang during reboot.

## Oracle Enterprise Linux Issues

### SR-IOV Enabled Linux IB Driver (Bug 16309590)

g5plus MMIO issue with three or more CX2 IB HCAs with FW 2.11.2010. In such situations, do not use all HCAs because the driver fails to load on top of one or more HCAs.

## Hot-Plug Procedure Fails on Intel x86 Platforms (Bug 6969481)

The hot-plug procedure is not currently supported with Oracle Enterprise Linux 5.5 and OFED 1.5.1 software on Intel Westmere based platforms. Performing the hot-plug procedure could cause the Sun Fire X4800 server and Sun Blade X6270 M2 server module to panic.

## Oracle Solaris 10 Issues

### Third-Party HCA Firmware Issue (Bug 15614160)

This issue applies to third-party HCAs (QDR HCAs) that are equivalent to the Sun InfiniBand Dual Port 4x QDR PCIe ExpressModule Host Channel Adapter M2.

In some cases, running with less than the most current firmware on a QDR HCA could result in a panic, because the firmware incorrectly reports an error. If the error occurs, you see a message similar to the following:

```
panic[cpu3]/thread=fffffe80000d1c60: Hermon Fatal Internal Error.  
Hermon state=0xffffffff800e2000
```

In the message log a message similar to the following is displayed:

```
NOTICE: hermon0: Device Error: EQE hca internal error
```

**Workaround:** This issue is unlikely to occur with legacy Sun HCAs or new HCAs from Oracle, because these HCAs ship with the current firmware. If this error does occur, reboot the system and use the `firmwareflash` command to display the current firmware version. The minimum firmware version must be 2.7.8130.

If the firmware is not at Version 2.7.8130 or higher, refer to the HCA user's guide and product notes for obtaining and updating the firmware on all HCAs in the system. Once updated, reboot the system to enable the new firmware.

If this problem occurs on a system in which all HCAs are at this minimum firmware revision, inform your authorized Oracle service representative of the failure and provide the available details.

## Older Firmware Issue

### Boot Over InfiniBand Component of the Firmware Could Exceed the Option ROM Capacity (Bug 6800225)

On some platforms, certain option cards might not get initialized due to the host channel adapter (HCA) taking most of the available Option ROM space in the BIOS.

**Workaround:** Check for and install later versions of the HCA firmware at:

<https://support.oracle.com/CSP/ui/flash.html>

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## Related Documentation

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| All Oracle products  | <a href="http://docs.oracle.com">http://docs.oracle.com</a>                                       |
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| Sun InfiniBand Dual Port 4x QDR PCIe Low Profile Host Channel Adapter M2   | <a href="http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E19241-01/">http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E19241-01/</a>           |
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