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HPE offers Cisco-based networking hardware with the StoreFabric C-series SN6610C 32Gb FC switch and SN8500C 48-port 32Gb FC director module, both promising the performance and flexibility required for next-generation storage fabric.



As the company puts it, "no one solution, vendor or partner is the right option for every environment." As such, the two platforms promise to provide customers with an expansion of choice, while being able to handle the performance requirements of NVMe and all-flash storage through high bandwidth, low latency, easy management and rapid scalability.

The SN6610C allows customers to transition to next-gen storage networks through reduced power consumption and line-rate monitoring for traffic analytics. Expandable from 8 to 32 ports, it is aimed at small departmental SANs (with VSANs for separate), use as a TOR switch or as a native FC SAN extension.

Meanwhile the 48-port 32Gb StoreFabric SN8500C FC director module provides mode deployment options and future-proofs storage fabrics. It enables the deployment of higher-density directors, simplifies management and increases flexibility to enable rapid traffic growth. Network hosted volume management promotes higher storage utilisation and non-disruptive data migration.

Another HPE launch is the StoreFabric B-series SN6650B 128/48 fibre channel switch-- a product designed to reduce SAN bottlenecks through high performance and low latency. It automates SAN zoning configurations, with orchestration via 3PAR in "a few clicks."

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