

LSI[®] Syncro[™] MX-B 6480 and 6240

Rack Boot Appliance helps deliver reliability while reducing cost and power consumption for largest cloud and mega datacenters





LSI Syncro MX-B Rack Boot Appliance

Key Applications

- Mega Datacenter and Cloud Environments
- Rack mount servers including high density optimized servers

Key Features

- RAID 1/10 with redundant fans and power supplies
- Simple, easy integration
- Industry-standard SATA/SAS infrastructure
- 24 and 48 Port Configurations Allows easier scaling
- 24/48 SATA 2.0 Ports at 1.5/3 GB/s
- 1U Form Factor
- Out-of-band Appliance Management via CLI
- OS Independent
- Power Savings
- No Host Software Requirement

Smart, Simple Boot Drive Solution Keeping Systems on in Mega Datacenters

Today's datacenters face enormous challenges with massive data growth, increased cost and power consumption, as well as issues related to reliability, downtime and data loss. The high failure rate of traditional boot drives used in these ever-expanding scale-out datacenters and traditional datacenters is an expensive problem. The LSI Syncro MX-B Rack Boot Appliance is a standalone, pre-configured solution that can increase reliability by up to 100x by replacing the individual server boot drives. The appliance is transparent to the host system and provides as unique boot image for each of up to 48 servers.

Increased RAS, Ease-of-Use, and Power Savings

By removing up to 48 individual boot volumes, and replacing them with the single Syncro MX-B Rack Boot Appliance, cloud and mega datacenter customers can dramatically reduce a common failure point in rack-base servers while increasing reliability/availability/ serviceability (RAS), ease-of-use and power savings. The MX-B appliance stores the boot images for each server on an enterprise SATA RAID volume made up of hot swappable hard drives. Additional RAS is achieved through the use of redundant fans and power supplies within the enclosure, which results in dramatically lower server failure rates when compared to traditional SATA boot methods.

The MX-B appliance is a near "plug and play" solution, with no additional software or driver installation required and the only configuration needed for basic operations is equivalent to the rack server configuration which can be completed via scripting actions in the CLI interface. The boot appliance is transparent to the host system, fits in a standard 1U rack mount, and supports multiple operating systems, which all allow for even more ease-of-use.

Rack Boot Appliance Management

Available in 24-port and 48-port configurations, the Syncro MX Rack Boot Appliance offers easier scaling and configuration flexibility. Management of the Appliance is achieved through the Ethernet Management Port and allows for configuration, status queries, error reporting, and Alerts/Traps in conformance with SNMP v3. SNMP alerts will provide the user with critical information such as a drive failure that will require service without interruption to the attached servers.

LSI Syncro MX-B 6480 Rack Boot Appliance		
SATA Ports	48 - x1 SATA Ports	
RAID Configuration	1 RAID 10 Volume	
Connectivity	12 – x4 mini-SAS HD Connectors	
Visual Indicators	Appliance Status LED, Unit Located LED, Drive Status LED	
Management Interface	Ethernet out-of-band	

LSI Syncro MX-B 6240 Rack Boot Appliance		
SATA Ports	24 - x1 SATA Ports	
RAID Configuration	1 RAID 1 Volume	
Connectivity	6 – x4 min-SAS HD Connectors	
Visual Indicators	Appliance Status LED, Unit Located LED, Drive Status LED	
Management Interface	Ethernet out-of-band	

	LSI Syncro MX-B 6480 Specifications	LSI Syncro MX-B 6240 Specifications
Protocol Compliance	External Interface – SATA 2.0	External Interface – SATA 2.0
	Storage Interface – SATA/SAS 2.0	Storage Interface – SATA/SAS 2.0
Port Configuration	48 – x1 SATA Connections	24 – x1 SATA Connections
Internal Storage Types	1.5, 3.0 or 6.0Gb/s SAS or SATA	1.5, 3.0 or 6.0Gb/s SAS or SATA
RAID Configuration	RAID 10 Volume	RAID 1 Volume
Management Interface	10/100 Ethernet out-of-band	10/100 Ethernet out-of-band
Connectors	Ethernet – RJ-45	Ethernet – RJ-45
	SATA – 12 Mini-SAS HD	SATA – 6 Mini-SAS HD
Firmware	Field upgradeable	Field upgradeable
LED Indicators	Appliance Status LED, Unit Located LED, Drive Status LED	Appliance Status LED, Unit Located LED, Drive Status LED
Power Consumption	125 watts nominal	85 watts nominal
Power Supply	160W – 100-240AC @ 50/60Hz	160W – 100-240AC @ 50/60Hz
Redundant cooling w/ PWM control	Support for 6 fans	Support for 6 fans
Size	1.66" x 17.38" x 13.99" (Appliance Only)	1.66" x 17.38" x 13.99" (Appliance Only)
	1.69" x 18.94" x 13.99" (Rack Mount HW)	1.69" x 18.94" x 13.99" (Rack Mount HW)
Environments	Operating: 5-35C	Operating: 5-35C
	Storage:-20 – 65C	Storage:-20 – 65C
MTBF	TBD	TBD
Compliances	FCC Class A, cULus, CE mark	FCC Class A, cULus, CE mark
Warranty	One Year	One Year



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