Computing Environment
NIC5 cluster hardware overview

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NIC5: Core and Core Complex Die

All NIC5 CPUs are **32 cores AMD EPYC 7542** using a multi-chip-module (MCM): multiple dies combined on one package:

- one more or more Core Complex Dies (CCDs) which contains the cores

- an I/O die which is a grid that connects the CCDs among each other and to external components

A CCD contains eight cores, grouped into **two Core Complexes** composed of **4 cores** sharing 16 MB of L3 cache (4 x 4 MB slices). The cores are equipped with

- 32 KB of L1 data cache (L1d)
- 32 KB of L1 instruction cache (L1i)
- 512 KB of L2 data cache
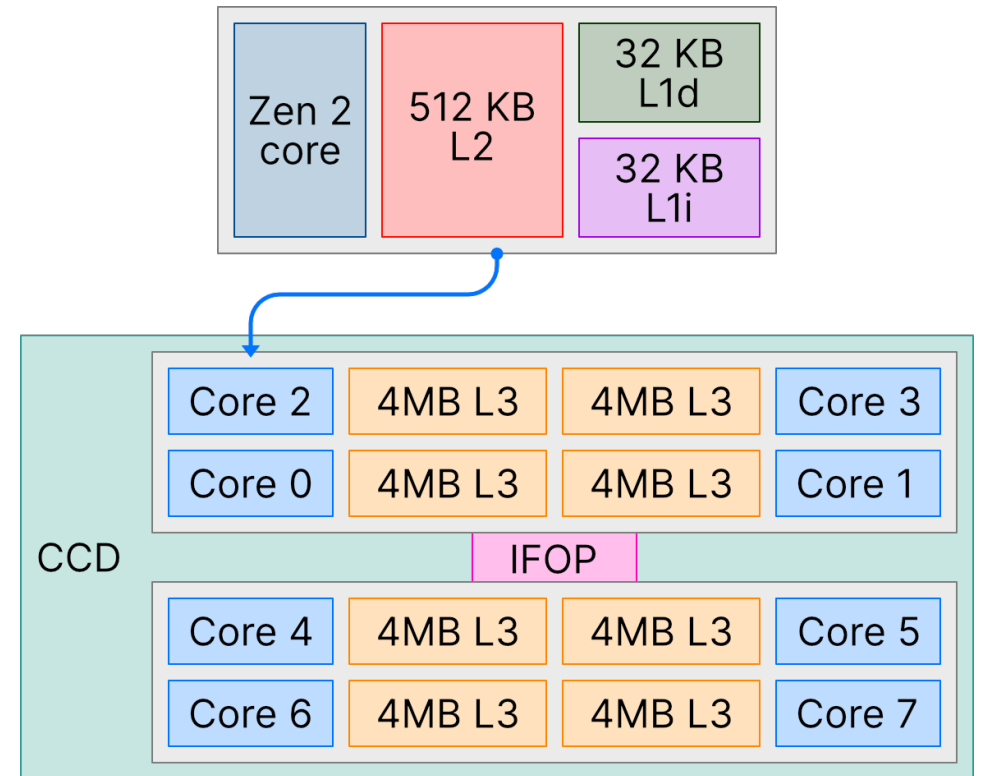
NIC5: The CPUs

- The AMD EPYC 7542 processor has 4 CCDs forming a processor with 32 core (4 x 8 cores CCD)
- An Infinity Fabric on Package (IFOP) interface link the CCD to the I/O die
- Each CCD has two memory controllers: the complete CPU has eight memory controller (channels)

Memory bandwidth:

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3200 MT/s x 8 bytes/transfer x 8 channels = 204.8 GB/s
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Floating-point performance:

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2 units x 4 Flops (AVX) x 2 Flops (FMA) x 2.9 GHz x 32 cores = 1.485 TFlops
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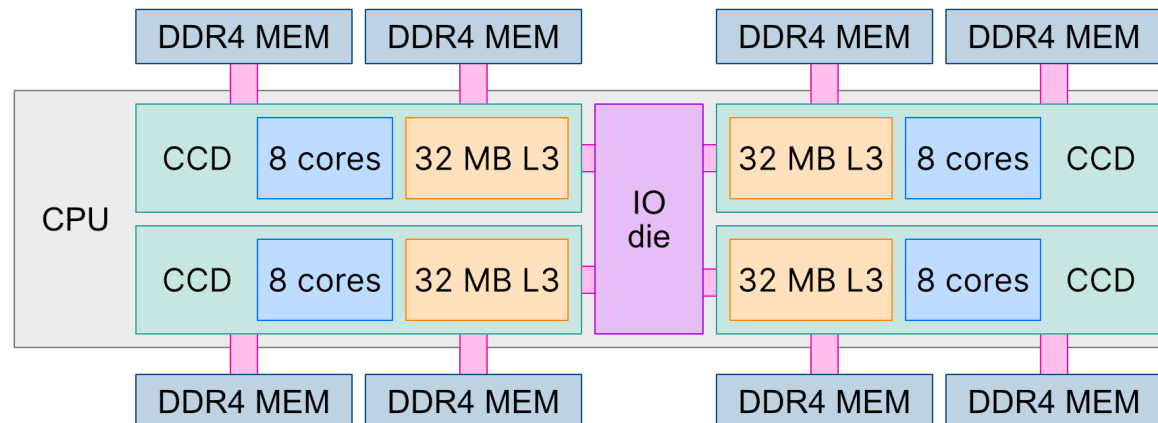
NIC5: Compute node
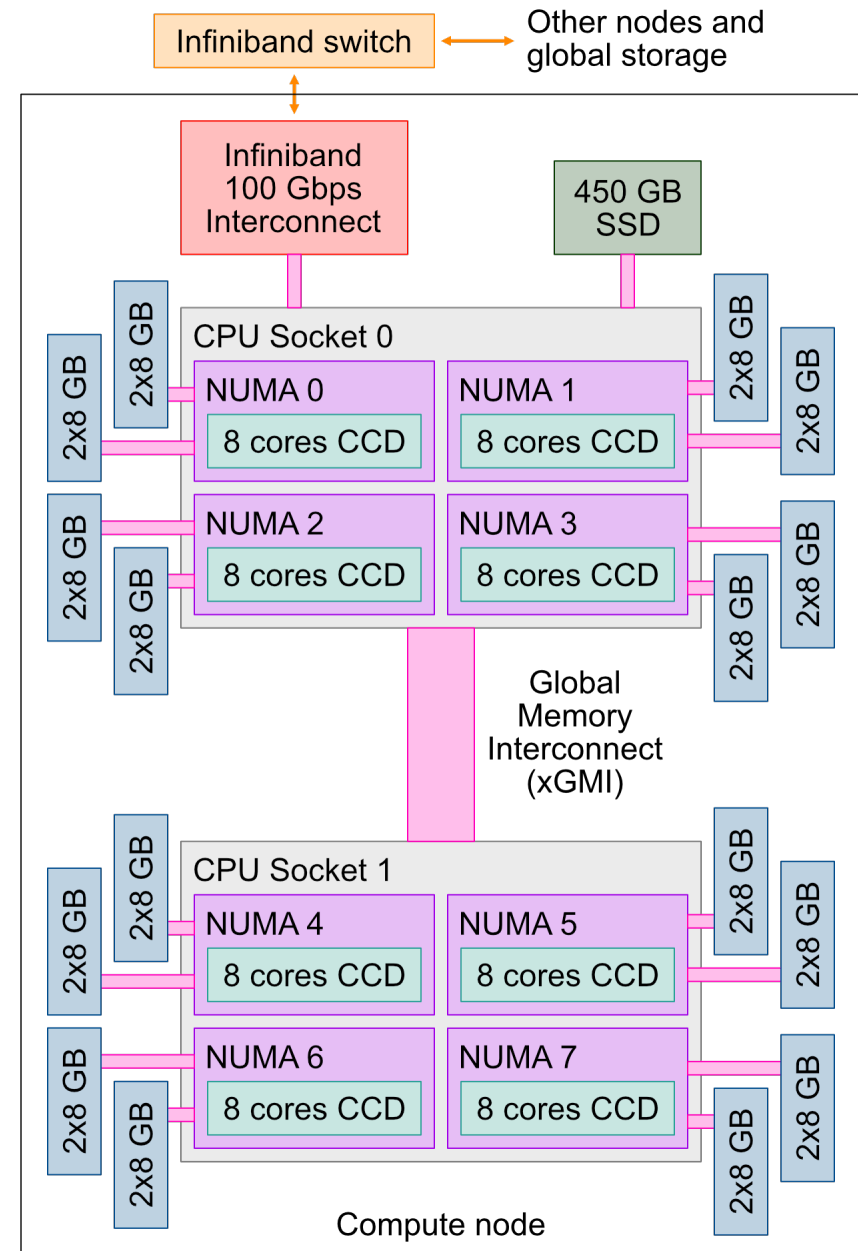
The compute nodes of NIC5 feature two sockets:

- each socket equipped with an AMD EPYC 7542
- a total of 64 cores per compute node
  (2 x 32 cores)

Sockets are interconnected by a specialized link known as Global Memory Interconnect (xGMI)
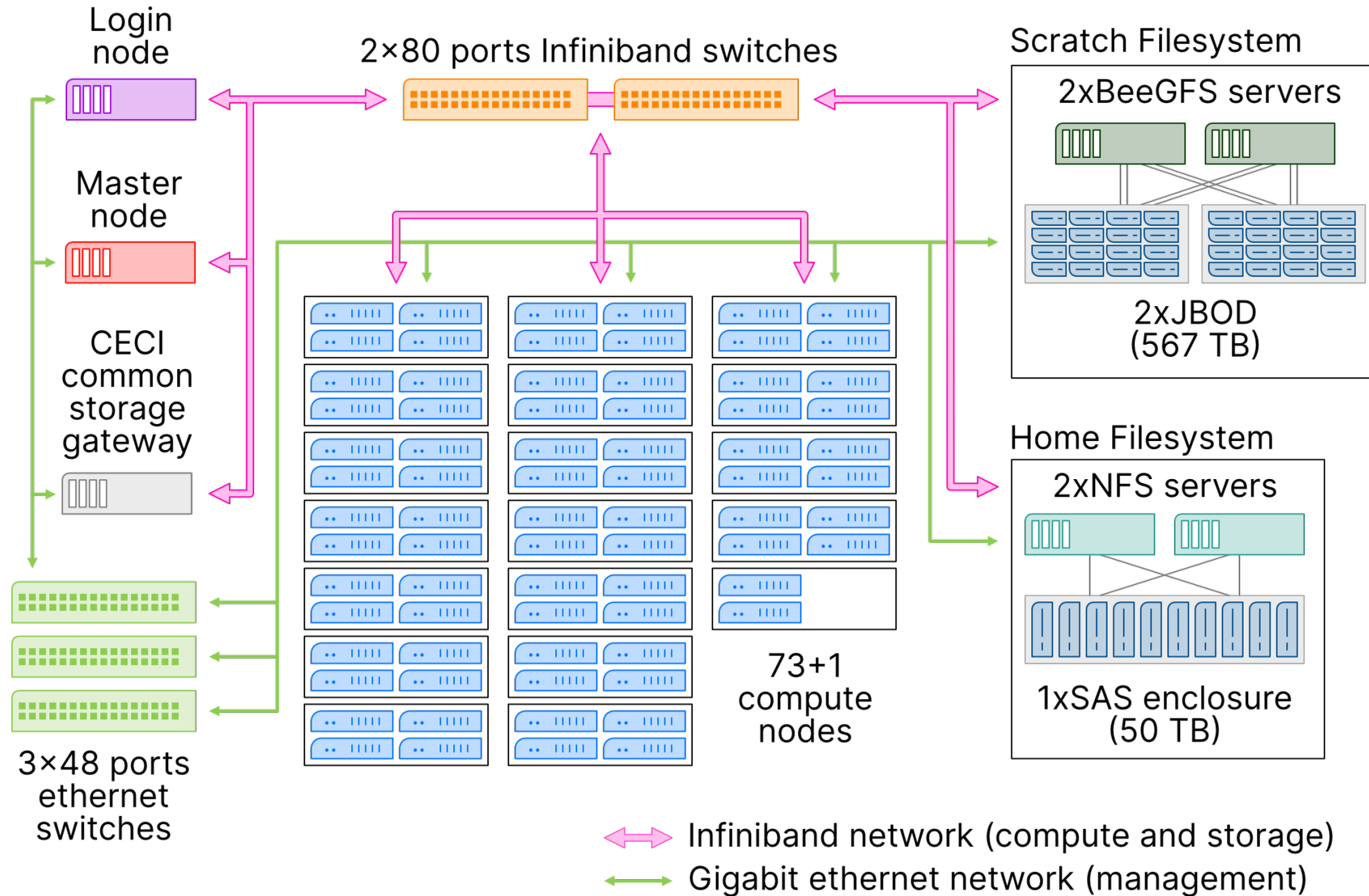
As each CCD is directly linked to two memory controllers, the CPU sockets are partitioned into four Non-Uniform Access Nodes

The compute nodes are also equipped with

- a local SSD storage capacity of 450 GiB
- an InfiniBand HDR100 interconnect, providing a bandwidth of 100 Gbps (12.5 GB/s)

NIC5: Overview of the entire cluster

Login
node

Master
node

CECI
common
storage
gateway

3×48 ports
ethernet
switches

2×80 ports Infiniband switches

73+1
compute
nodes

Scratch Filesystem

2xBeeGFS servers

2xJBOD
(567 TB)

Home Filesystem

2xNFS servers

1xSAS enclosure
(50 TB)

⟷ Infiniband network (compute and storage)

⟶ Gigabit ethernet network (management)

Behind the scene