

Datasheet

RackStation

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High Performance 3U Storage for Enterprise Data Management

Synology RackStation RS4021xs+ is a powerful 16-bay 3U storage solution designed for high throughput and data integrity, made with built-in redundant power. Equipped with an 8-core processor and upgradable to 64 GB memory, the RS4021xs+ is capable of hosting demanding services involving virtualization, mail, office collaboration, and surveillance, to meet the unique requirements of enterprise environments.

Accelerated Performance

Over 403,000 random read IOPS and 6,200 MB/s sequential read performance¹

Powerful Compute

Host multiple compute-intensive services with its 8-core Intel® processor

Upgradability

Two PCIe expansion slots allow for M.2 NVMe cache adapters and high-bandwidth network cards²

Redundant Power

Ensure business continuity with two redundant power supplies

On-demand Scalability

Supports up to 40 drive bays using two RX1217RP/RX1217³

Built to Handle Intensive Workloads

Synology RackStation RS4021xs+ is built to deliver exceptional performance, flexibility, and scalability for demanding enterprise environments.

- Over 403,000 4K random read IOPS and 6,200 MB/s sequential read performance for demanding workloads¹
- Featuring 16 drive bays supporting both SATA HDD/SSD 2.5/3.5" drives⁴, expandable to 40 bays using two Synology RX1217RP/RX1217 expansion units³

Optimized for Data Protection and Integrity

Powered by Synology DSM, our unified data management operating system, and built upon the Btrfs file system, data stored on the RS4021xs+ is safely guarded by modern data protection technologies.

- Advanced snapshots technology provides schedulable and near-instantaneous data protection
 of shared folders and LUNs
- File and folder-level data restoration enables restoration of specific files or folders
- Flexible storage quota system helps admins effortlessly manage available space by specifying storage limits for shared folders
- File self-healing detects and recovers corrupted files using mirrored metadata and RAID configurations
- Inline compression compresses data before writing it to the drive, reducing write commands and optimizing storage space

Virtualization and Certified Storage

DSM streamlines the provisioning and management of storage for virtual machines (VM). Certified for VMware® vSphere™, Microsoft® Hyper-V®, Citrix® XenServer™, and OpenStack, it integrates with your virtualization platform of choice through iSCSI or NFS protocols. Install Synology Storage Console on VMware or Windows platforms for additional management convenience and functionality right in the hypervisor.

Synology Virtual Machine Manager (VMM) is a hosted hypervisor for virtual machines running Windows[®], Linux[®], or virtualized versions of DSM with recovery mechanisms that ensure data protection on each VM⁵.

Data Backup Solutions for IT Infrastructure

- Synology Active Backup Suite is a collection of license-free backup solutions built to protect Windows PCs and servers, VMs, other file servers, and cloud-based storage.
- Active Backup for Business (ABB) consolidates backup tasks for physical and virtual environments and enables rapid restoration of files, entire physical machines, and VMs.
- Active Backup for Google Workspace enables backup of Google Workspace data including Gmail, Contacts, Calendar, and Drive.
- Active Backup for Microsoft 365 enables backup of Microsoft 365 data including OneDrive for Business, SharePoint Online, emails, contacts, and calendar.

On-Premises Collaboration

Synology's collaboration suite is a private SaaS for file sharing, concurrent document editing, emails, instant messaging, and more. By leveraging a private cloud infrastructure, it ensures data ownership while multilayered security enables secure multi-platform access.

- Synology Drive allows data access, synchronization, on-demand file restoration, and backup.
- Synology MailPlus⁶ provides a secure, reliable, and private email server.
- Synology Chat brings teams together through instant multi-platform communication.
- Synology Calendar helps teams keep track of what is most important with convenient calendar sharing and scheduling.

Private Video Surveillance

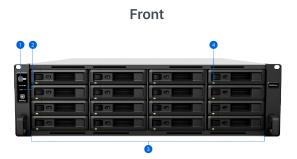
With Synology Surveillance Station, the RS4021xs+ becomes a powerful Network Video Recorder solution with support for up to 90 IP cameras⁷.

- 7,900+ supported camera models
- ONVIF support to prevent vendor lock-in
- Private, subscription-free storage of the recordings
- Access through web browser, dedicated desktop clients, or mobile app
- · Event-based rules to trigger specific actions
- · Email, SMS, or push notification systems

Notes:

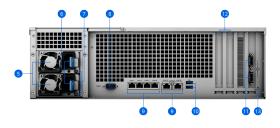
- 1. Performance figures obtained through internal testing by Synology. Actual performance may vary depending on the testing environment, usage, and configuration.
- 2. For the most up-to-date list of compatible NICs, please check our compatibility list (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdsnc) .
- 3. RS4021xs+ supports up to 40 drives with two Synology RX1217RP/RX1217 (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdeu) expansion units, sold separately.
- 4. Check our compatibility list (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdc) for supported drives.
- 5. Certain advanced features require Virtual Machine Manager Pro (http://sy.to/rs4021xspvmmp) . One Virtual DSM license (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdsml) is included, licenses are required for running additional instances.
- 6. Five MailPlus licenses are included, licenses required for additional user accounts. Learn more (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdsmplp) about licenses.
- 7. Surveillance Station includes two free licenses. Connecting more cameras and devices requires additional licenses (http://sy.to/rs4021xspdsdl) .

Hardware Overview



Rear A¹





No.	Name	No.	Name
1.	Power button and indicator	8.	Console port
2.	Alert Off Button	9.	1GbE/10GbE RJ-45 Ports
3.	Drive tray	10.	USB 3.2 Ports
4.	Drive status indicator	11.	Expansion port
5.	PSU fan	12.	PCIe expansion slot
6.	Power Port	13.	Reset button
7.	PSU Indicators & Alert Off Buttons		

Notes:

- 1. On models with the 5th to 7th digits of serial number being T2R. Refer to the Product Change Notification for more information.
- 2. On models with the 5th to 7th digits of serial number being ULR. Refer to the Product Change Notification for more information.

Technical Specifications

Hardware

CPU	
CPU Model	Intel Xeon D-1541
CPU Quantity	1
CPU Core	8
CPU Architecture	64-bit
CPU Frequency	2.1 (base) / 2.7 (turbo) GHz
Hardware Encryption Engine	Yes

Memory	
System Memory	16 GB DDR4 ECC UDIMM
Memory Module Pre-installed	16 GB (16 GB x 1)
Total Memory Slots	4
Maximum Memory Capacity	64 GB (16 GB x 4)
Notes	Please select Synology memory modules for optimum compatibility and reliability. Synology will not provide complete product warranty or technical support if non-Synology memory modules are used for memory expansion.

Storage	
Drive Bays	16
Maximum Drive Bays with Expansion Unit	40 (RX1217 × 2)
Drive Type	3.5" SATA HDD2.5" SATA SSD
Hot Swappable Drive	Yes
Notes	Synology only guarantees full functionality, reliability, and performance for Synology drives listed on the compatibility list. The use of non-validated components may limit certain functionality and result in data loss and system instability.

External Ports	
RJ-45 1GbE LAN Port	4
RJ-45 10GbE LAN Port	2
USB 3.2 Gen 1 Port	2
Expansion Port	2

PCle	
PCIe Expansion	2 x Gen3 ×8 slots (x8 link)

Appearance	
Form Factor (RU)	3U
Size (Height x Width x Depth)	132.3 mm x 482 mm x 656.5 mm
Weight	17.4 kg
Rack Installation Support	4-post 19" rack (Synology Rail Kit - RKS-02)
Notes	The rail kit is sold separately

Others	
System Fan	80 mm x 80 mm x 32 mm x 3 pcs
AC Input Power Voltage	100 V to 240 V AC
Power Frequency	50/60 Hz, Single Phase

Temperature	
Operating Temperature	0°C to 35°C (32°F to 95°F)
Storage Temperature	-20°C to 60°C (-5°F to 140°F)
Operating Humidity	8% to 80% RH
Storage Humidity	5% to 95% RH
Maximum Operating Altitude	5,000 m

General DSM Specifications

Storage Management	
Maximum Single Volume Size	 1 PB (64 GB memory required, for RAID 6 groups only) 200 TB (32 GB memory required) 108 TB
Maximum Internal Volume Number	256
SSD Read/Write Cache (Determining cache size)	Yes
Supported RAID Type	RAID F1,Basic,JBOD,RAID 0,RAID 1,RAID 5,RAID 6,RAID 10
Notes	 Volumes over 108 TB require 32 GB of memory or more. Actual maximum storage pool and volume sizes depend on drive sizes used, the number of drive bays available, and the RAID configuration. Usable capacity for each volume will be lower than the maximum volume size and is dependent on the filesystem and the amount of system metadata stored. When Peta Volume is enabled, validated services and packages are required. Please refer to this article for more information on limitations.

File System	
Internal Drives	Btrfs,ext4
External Drives	Btrfs,ext4,ext3,FAT32,NTFS,HFS+,exFAT

File Services	
File Protocol	SMB,AFP,NFS,FTP,WebDAV,Rsync
Maximum Number of SMB Connections (FSCT-Based)	1,500
Windows Access Control List (ACL) Integration	Yes
NFS Kerberos Authentication	Yes

Account & Shared Folder	
Maximum Local User Accounts	5,120
Maximum Local Groups	512
Maximum Shared Folder	512
Maximum Shared Folder Sync Tasks	32

Virtualization	
VMware vSphere	ESXi 8.0 U2, ESXi 8.0 U1, ESXi 8.0, ESXi 7.0 U3, ESXi 7.0 U2, ESXi 7.0 U1, ESXi 7.0, ESXi 6.7 U3, ESXi 6.7 U2, ESXi 6.7 U1, ESXi 6.7, ESXi 6.5 U3, ESXi 6.5 U2, ESXi 6.5 U1, ESXi 6.5
Microsoft Hyper-V	Windows Server 2022, Windows Server 2019, Windows Server 2016
Citrix XenServer	XenServer 8, Citrix Hypervisor 8.2 LTSR CU1
OpenStack	Cinder

Security

Firewall, encryption shared folder, SMB encryption, FTP over SSL/TLS, SFTP, rsync over SSH, login auto block, Let's Encrypt support, HTTPS (customizable cipher suite)

General Specifications	
Supported Protocols	SMB1 (CIFS), SMB2, SMB3, NFSv3, NFSv4, NFSv4.1, NFS Kerberized sessions, iSCSI, Fibre Channel, HTTP, HTTPs, FTP, SNMP, LDAP, CalDAV
Supported Browsers	Chrome,Firefox,Edge,Safari
Supported Language	English, Deutsch, Français, Italiano, Español, Dansk, Norsk, Svenska, Nederlands, Русский, Polski, Magyar, Português do Brasil, Português Europeu, Türkçe, Český, ภาษาไทย, 日本語, 한국어, 繁體中文, 简体中文
Notes	For an updated list of supported browser versions, check the DSM Technical Specifications.

Packages and Applications

Synology Al Console

Centralize Al management with flexible configurations for Al model integration, user access control, data privacy, usage policies, and resource allocation

Third-Party Al Model Integration	V
Maximum De-Identification Rate	1,500 words per second
Notes	 De-identification performance measurement: Filters for Credit Card Numbers, IBAN, Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, SSN, and Names applied to a 4,355-word English text. To enable de-identification, your device must have at least 8 GB of memory and Container Manager installed.

Synology Drive

Synchronizes files across Windows®, macOS®, Linux®, Android™ and iOS. The built-in cross-platform portal allows access to data anytime and anywhere

Maximum Number of Users	2,700
Maximum Number of Hosted Files	25,000,000 (applies to files indexed or hosted by Synology Drive. For file access through other standard protocols, refer to the File Services section above)

File Station

Provides virtual drives, remote folders, Windows® ACL editor, compression/extraction of archived files, bandwidth control for specific users/groups, creation of sharing links, and transfer logs

Hybrid Share

Synchronize data across multiple sites for fast and efficient multi-site teamwork. Powered by Synology C2 Storage, Hybrid Share requires purchase of a monthly or annual subscription

SAN Manager	
Maximum iSCSI Target Number	128
Maximum LUN	256
LUN Clone/Snapshot, Windows ODX	Yes

Virtual Machine Manager	
Recommended Virtual Machine Instances	16 (Learn more)
Recommended Virtual DSM Number (Licenses required)	16 (including 1 Free License)

Hyper Backup

Supports local backup, network backup, and data backup to other servers and public clouds, including C2 Storage

Snapshot Replication	
Maximum Snapshots per Shared Folder	512
Maximum of System Snapshots	16,384

Synology High Availability

Reduces service downtime by combining two identical NAS into a high-availability cluster

Synology Chat	
Maximum Number of Users	500

Synology Office	
Maximum Number of Users	2,700

Synology MailPlus / MailPlus Server

A secure, reliable, and private mail solution featuring high-availability, load balancing, security, and filtering options

Free Email Accounts	5 (Additional accounts require purchase of licenses)
Maximum Number of Users	3,200

Surveillance Station	
Default Licenses	2 (Additional cameras require purchase of licenses)
Suggested Maximum IP Cameras and Total FPS (H.264)	 1080p: 280 channels, 2800 FPS 3M: 200 channels, 2000 FPS 5M: 120 channels, 1200 FPS 4K: 85 channels, 850 FPS
Suggested Maximum IP Cameras and Total FPS (H.265)	 1080p: 285 channels, 8550 FPS 3M: 280 channels, 2800 FPS 5M: 200 channels, 2000 FPS 4K: 120 channels, 1200 FPS

Central Management System

Provides a single interface to manage and monitor multiple Synology NAS

VPN Server	
Maximum Connections	32

Other packages

Additional 3rd-party packages are available in the Package Center

Environment & Packaging

Environment safety

RoHS Compliant

Packaging Content

- Main Unit X 1
- Accessory Pack X 1
- AC Power Cord X 2
- Quick Installation Guide X 1

Optional Accessories

- DDR4 ECC UDIMM: D4EC-2666-16G
- Expansion Units: RX1217/RX1217RP
- Enterprise Series 3.5" SATA HDD: HAT5300 Series
- Enterprise Series 2.5" SATA SSD: SAT5200 Series
- M.2 SSD & 10GbE Combo Adapter Card: E10M20-T1
- M.2 SSD Adapter Card: M2D20
- 25GbE Network Interface Card: E25G30-F2
- 10GbE Network Interface Card: E10G30-F2/E10G30-T2/E10G18-T1
- Rail Kit Sliding: RKS-02

Notes	All memory modules will operate at the maximum frequency
	specified by the CPU manufacturer.

Warranty	
5 Years	
Notes	The warranty period starts from the purchase date as stated on your purchase receipt. (Learn more)

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