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Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option

Product Overview

The Cisco Nexus[®] 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option (referred to here as the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module) is a highly scalable, high-performance module offering outstanding flexibility and full-featured, non-blocking 100 Gigabit Ethernet performance on each port. The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module (Figure 1) facilitates the deployment of high-density, high-bandwidth, scalable network architecture, especially in large network cores and in service provider and Internet peering environments.

Figure 1. Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option



The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Switches provide the foundation of the Cisco[®] Unified Fabric. They are a modular data center-class product line designed for highly scalable 10 Gigabit Ethernet networks. The fabric architecture scales beyond 15 terabits per second (Tbps), and is designed to support high-density 40 and 100 Gigabit Ethernet deployments. To meet the requirements of the most mission-critical network environments, the switches deliver continuous system operations and virtualized services. The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series is powered by the proven Cisco NX-OS Software operating system, with enhanced features to deliver real-time system upgrades with exceptional manageability and serviceability. The software's innovative unified fabric design is purpose-built to support consolidation of IP and storage networks on a single lossless Ethernet fabric.

Features and Benefits

The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module offers outstanding flexibility and full-featured, non-blocking performance on each port. The module enables the deployment of high-density, high-speed, scalable data center architecture. Up to 32 non-blocking 100 Gigabit Ethernet ports are supported in a single Cisco Nexus 7000 18-Slot Switch chassis. Populating the Cisco Nexus 7000 10-Slot or 9-Slot Switch chassis with this module delivers, respectively, up to 16 or 14 ports of 100 Gigabit Ethernet in a single chassis (Table 1).

Table 1. Non-blocking 100 Gigabit Ethernet Port Density on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Platform

Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Chassis	Non-blocking 100 Gigabit Ethernet Ports
Cisco Nexus 7000 18-Slot Switch	32
Cisco Nexus 7000 10-Slot Switch	16
Cisco Nexus 7000 9-Slot Switch	14
Cisco Nexus 7000 4-Slot Switch	4

The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module has a number of essential features that provide flexible deployment and support for environments requiring the highest performance and comprehensive features. With an optional Scalable Feature License, the module can operate in enhanced XL mode, which enables use of the full forwarding table, essential for large-scale deployments such as Internet peering environments. This larger forwarding table can support multiple copies of the full Internet route table for use in Internet-facing deployments with Virtual Routing and Forwarding (VRF) and Virtual Device Context (VDC) support. The capability to operate in either non-XL or XL mode makes this module extremely versatile and flexible for many types of networking environments, without requiring a hardware module change or upgrade, and delivers a lower total cost of ownership (TCO). Table 2 lists the performance specifications for the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module operating in non-XL and XL modes.

Item	Non-XL Mode	XL Mode (with Scalable Feature License)	
MAC Entries	128K	128K	
IPv4 Routes	128K	Up to 1M [*]	
IPv6 Routes	64K	Up to 350K [*]	
NetFlow Entries	512K	512K	
Access Control List (ACL)	64K	128K	

Table 2.	Performance Specifications for Non-XL and XL Mode Operation
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^{*} Actual limit depends on prefix distribution.

The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module contains two integrated forwarding engines capable of delivering up to 120 million packets per second (Mpps) of Layer 2 and Layer 3 IPv4 unicast forwarding or 60 Mpps of IPv6 unicast forwarding across all ports of a single I/O module. The distributed architecture, with the forwarding engine integrated into each module, scales the forwarding performance of the chassis linearly by the number of I/O modules employed. The 18-slot chassis with 16 Cisco Nexus 7000 M2 Series modules can deliver up to 1.92 billion packets per second (Bpps) of IPv4 unicast forwarding or 960 million packets per second (Mpps) of IPv6 unicast forwarding engines also deliver ACL filtering, marking, rate limiting, and NetFlow with no effect on performance. Powerful ACL processing supports up to 128K entries per module, where entries can address Layer 2, 3, and 4 fields in addition to the Cisco metadata fields that employ Security Group Tags (SGTs).

The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option offers exceptional security with integrated hardware support for Cisco TrustSec[®] technology, including line-rate data confidentiality, data integrity, and ACL processing for SGTs. Data confidentiality and integrity conform to the IEEE MAC security standard (IEEE 802.1AE [MACsec]). Both ports on the module support the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) cipher, using a 128-bit key. New security ACLs are enhanced through hardware support for Cisco metadata headers capable of carrying SGTs. Security group ACLs (SGACLs) use SGT information to provide hardware-based enforcement of security policies, removing dependencies on IP addresses, and thus improving scalability and simplifying manageability.

The Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module buffers data in Virtual Output Queues (VOQ) before the data flows to the fabric. The data flow is controlled by a central arbiter on the supervisor module, using a credit-based buffer design. This architecture offers a lossless fabric that delivers quality of service (QoS) and fairness across all ports, even during congestion.

The comprehensive feature set of the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series module includes Layer 2 and Layer 3 forwarding, with the robust feature set offered by Cisco NX-OS Software: a modular multitasking and multithreaded operating system built with high availability, granular fault management, resiliency, and nondisruptive serviceability at its foundation. This extremely comprehensive set of Layer 2 and Layer 3 functions makes this module ideal for data center networks, where density, performance, and continuous system operation are critical.

Table 3 summarizes the features and benefits of the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option.

Feature	Benefit			
XL mode	XL mode enables a larger forwarding table (up to 1 million IPv4 routes or 350,000 IPv6 routes), providing investment protection through increased system flexibility and ease of sparing.			
High-density 100 Gigabit Ethernet module	 Up to 32 100 Gigabit Ethernet ports are supported in the Cisco Nexus 7000 18-Slot switch. Up to 16 100 Gigabit Ethernet ports are supported in the Cisco Nexus 7000 10-Slot switch. Up to 14 100 Gigabit Ethernet ports are supported in the Cisco Nexus 7000 9-Slot switch. Up to 4 100 Gigabit Ethernet ports are supported in the Cisco Nexus 7000 4-Slot switch. 			
Support for 10, 40, and 100 Gigabit Ethernet	Each port supports operation in 10, 40, or 100 Gigabit Ethernet mode.			
Comprehensive Layer 2 and Layer 3 capabilities	The comprehensive set of Layer 2 and Layer 3 functions makes this module ideal for data center networks.			
VOQ with centralized arbitration	VOQ enables fairness when one or more destinations are congested and supports lossless unified fabric.			
Load sharing across all fabric modules	Through its high-availability design, bandwidth is shared across all fabric modules simultaneously for optimal performance.			
Distributed forwarding	Through its fully distributed data plane, the module offers high-performance parallel forwarding.			
Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)	Supports MPLS forwarding in hardware.			
IEEE 1588 Precision Time Protocol (PTP)	The module supports PTP based on IEEE 1588.			
Integrated hardware support for Cisco TrustSec technology	Cisco TrustSec technology simplifies and scales access control by using SGTs and SGACLs, and delivers data confidentiality and data integrity on both ports, using the IEEE 802.1AE standard.			
Online insertion and removal (OIR)	The module supports hot insertion and removal for continuous system operation.			
Identification (ID) LED	Through the beacon feature, administrators can clearly identify the module for a service condition; ports on the I/O module can send beacons as well.			

Table 3. Features and Benefits*

^{*} Initial software releases may support a subset of the overall hardware capabilities. Refer to the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS release notes for up-to-date software version information and feature support details.

Product Specifications

Table 4 lists the product specifications for the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option.

Item	Specifications			
System				
Product compatibility	 Supported in all Cisco Nexus 7000 Series chassis Supported Fabric-1 or Fabric-2 fabric modules Supported SUP1, SUP2 or SUP2E Supervisor modules 			
Software compatibility Cisco NX-OS Software Release 6.1 or later (minimum requirement)				
Memory	2 GB DRAM			

Item	Specifications			
Front-panel LEDs	 Status: Green (operational), red (faulty), or orange (module booting) 			
	 Link: Green (port enabled and connected), orange (port disabled), blinking orange (faulty port), off (port enabled and not connected), or blinking green and orange in conjunction with ID LED blue (port flagged for identification; beacon) ID: Blue (operator has flagged this card for identification; beacon) or off (module not flagged) 			
Programming interfaces	 Extensible Markup Language (XML) Scriptable command-line interface (CLI) Cisco Data Center Network Manager (DCNM) GUI 			
Physical Interfaces				
Connectivity	2 ports of 100 Gigabit Ethernet (C Form-Factor Pluggable [CFP] optics modules)			
Maximum port density	 32 ports of 100 Gigabit Ethernet for 18-slot chassis 16 ports of 100 Gigabit Ethernet for 10-slot chassis 14 ports of 100 Gigabit Ethernet for 9-slot chassis 			
MAC security	Both ports have built-in IEEE 802.1AE MAC security and an AES cipher with a 128-bit key (requires a software license to enable)			
Queues per port	 Ingress: 8 queues and 2 thresholds (RX: 8q2t) Egress: 1 strict priority queue, 7 deficit-weighted round-robin (DWRR) queues, and 4 thresholds (TX: 1p7q4t) 			
Scheduler DWRR and shaped round-robin (SRR)				
Port buffers	Ingress: 62.46 MB per portEgress: 31.23 MB per port			
Jumbo frame support for bridged and routed packets	Up to 9216 bytes			
Forwarding Engines				
Performance	120 Mpps Layer 2 and Layer 3 IPv4 unicast and 60 Mpps IPv6 unicast			
MAC address entries	128K			
VLANs	16,384 bridge domains and 4096 simultaneous VLANs per VDC			
IPv4 entries	128K (non-XL mode)1M (XL mode)			
IPv6 entries	 64K (non-XL mode) 350K (XL mode) 			
ACLs	 64K (non-XL mode) 128K (XL mode) 			
Policers	16,000			
Fabric Interface				
Switch fabric interface	550 Gbps in each direction (1.1 Tbps full duplex) distributed across up to five Fabric-2 modules 230 Gbps in each direction (460 Gbps full duplex) distributed across up to five Fabric-1 modules			
OIR	Online insertion and removal			
Environmental				
Physical dimensions	 Occupies one I/O module slot in a Cisco Nexus 7000 Series chassis Dimensions (H x W x D): 1.733 x 15.3 x 21.9 in. (4.4 x 38.9 x 55.6 cm) Weight: 17 lb (7.7 kg) 			
Power consumption	 Typical: 690 watts (W) Maximum: 795W 			
Environmental conditions	 Operating temperature: 32 to 104°F (0 to 40°C) Operational relative humidity: 5 to 90%, noncondensing Storage temperature: -40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C) Storage relative humidity: 5 to 95%, noncondensing 			

Item	Specifications
Regulatory compliance	EMC - Emissions • 47CFR Part 15 (CFR 47) Class A • AS/NZS CISPR22 Class A • CISPR22 Class A • EN55022 Class A • ICES003 Class A • VCCI Class A • VCCI Class A • EN61000-3-2 • EN61000-3-3 • KN22 Class A • CNS13438 Class A EMC - Immunity • EN55024 • CISPR24 • EN300386 • KN24
Environmental standards	 NEBS criteria levels SR-3580 NEBS Level 3 (GR-63-CORE, issue 3, and GR-1089-CORE, issue 4) Telecommunications Carrier Group (TCG) Checklist ATT TP76200 level 3 ETSI 300 019-1-1, Class 1.2 Storage ETSI 300 019-1-2, Class 2.3 Transportation ETSI 300 019-1-3, Class 3.2 Stationary Use
Safety	 UL 60950-1 Second Edition CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60950-1 Second Edition EN 60950-1 Second Edition IEC 60950-1 Second Edition AS/NZS 60950-1
Warranty	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Switches come with the standard Cisco 1-year limited hardware warranty

Interface Distances

Table 5 and 6 summarize the interfaces, cabling specifications, and distances of 40 Gigabit and 100 Gigabit Ethernet CFP optics supported by the Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2-Port 100 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option. Not all optics are supported in the first software release. Refer to the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release Notes for up-to-date software version information and optics support.

Table 5.	40 Gigabit Ethernet Interface Distances and Options ¹
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40 Gigabit Ethernet CFP Part Number	Wavelength (nanometers)	Fiber and Cable Type	Core Size (microns)	Modal Bandwidth (MHz [°] km) ²	Cable Distance ³
CFP-40G-SR4	850	Multimode fiber (MMF)	 50.0 (OM2) 50.0 (OM3) 50.0 (OM4) 	 500 2000 4700	 30m 100m 150m⁴
CFP-40G-LR4	1310	Single-mode fiber (SMF)	G.652	-	10 km

¹ See the Cisco 40GBASE CFP Modules Data Sheet for additional information:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/data_sheet_c78-702617.html.

² Bandwidth is specified at transmission wavelength.

³ Minimum cabling distance is 0.5m for -SR4 modules and 2m for -LR4 modules, according to IEEE 802.3ba.

⁴ Considered an engineered link with a maximum of 1 dB allocated to connectors and splice loss.

100 Gigabit Ethernet CFP Part Number	Wavelength (nanometers)	Fiber and Cable Type		Modal Bandwidth (MHz*km) ²	Cable Distance ³
CFP-100G-SR10	850	MMF	50.0 (OM3)50.0 (OM4)	 2000 4700	 100m 150m⁴
CFP-100G-LR4	1310	SMF	G.652	-	10 km

100 Gigabit Ethernet Interface Distances and Options¹ Table 6.

¹ See the Cisco 100GBASE CFP Modules Data Sheet for additional information:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/data_sheet_c78-633027.html. Bandwidth is specified at transmission wavelength.

³ Minimum cabling distance is 0.5m for -SR10 modules and 2m for -LR4 modules.
 ⁴ Considered an engineered link with a maximum of 1 dB allocated to connectors and splice loss.

Ordering Information

To place an order, visit the Cisco Ordering homepage. To download software, visit the Cisco Software Center. Table 7 provides ordering information.

Table 7. Ordering Information

Product Name	Part Number
Cisco Nexus 7000 M2-Series 2 Port 100 GbE with XL Option (req. CFP)	N7K-M202CF-22L
Cisco Nexus 7004 Scalable Feature License	N7K-C7004-XL
Cisco Nexus 7009 Scalable Feature License	N7K-C7009-XL
Cisco Nexus 7010 Scalable Feature License	N7K-C7010-XL
Cisco Nexus 7018 Scalable Feature License	N7K-C7018-XL

Service and Support

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