

# Cisco Nexus 7000 M1-Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option

## Product Overview

The Cisco Nexus<sup>®</sup> 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option (Figure 1) is a cost-effective, highly scalable, high-performance module designed for mission-critical Ethernet networks. The module uses two M1-XL forwarding engines that feature a larger Forwarding Information Base (FIB). The module also supports a wide range of X2 optics, allowing deployment flexibility in various type of networking environment.

The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Switches are a modular data center-class product line designed for highly scalable 10 Gigabit Ethernet networks, with a fabric architecture that scales beyond 15 terabits per second (Tbps), providing support for future 40 and 100 Gigabit Ethernet interfaces. Designed to meet the requirements of the most mission-critical network environments, the switches deliver continuous system operation and virtualized pervasive services. The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series is powered by the proven Cisco NX-OS operating system, with enhanced features to deliver real-time system upgrades with exceptional manageability and serviceability. Its innovative unified fabric design is purpose-built to support consolidation of IP, storage, and interprocess communication networks on a single Ethernet fabric.

**Figure 1.** Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option



## Features and Benefits

The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option has a number of key features that are designed to enable flexible deployment and support for environments requiring the highest performance and rich features. With an optional Scalable Feature License, the module can operate in the enhanced XL mode, which enables utilization of the full forwarding table, essential for large-scale deployments such as Internet peering environments. This larger FIB 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 ability to operate in either non-XL or XL mode makes this module extremely flexible for many types of networking environments, without requiring a hardware module change or upgrade, and delivers a lower total cost of ownership (TCO). The 8-port module supports a broad range of optics, allowing deployment in various types of situations, from a long reach intersite over single-mode fiber to short and medium reaches over multimode fiber for data center and campus environments. The fabric interface on the 8-port module delivers 80 Gbps of bandwidth in each direction.

All Cisco Nexus 7000 M-Series I/O modules contain integrated forwarding engines. The M1-XL forwarding engines on the 8-port module are part of the Cisco Nexus 7000 M1-Series of forwarding engines. The M1-XL forwarding engine is based on the M1 engine, incorporating larger FIB and access control list (ACL) tables. The module is fully compatible with, and offers feature consistency with, all existing M1 modules. The performance specifications for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option operating in non-XL and XL modes are described in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Performance Specifications for Non-XL and XL Mode Operation

Item	Non-XL Mode	XL Mode
MAC entries	128K	128K
IPv4 routes	128K	Up to 1M*
IPv6 routes	64K	Up to 350K*
NetFlow entries	512K	512K
ACL	64K	128K

\* Actual limit depends on prefix distribution.

Each M1-XL forwarding engine delivers up to 60 million packets per second (Mpps) of Layer 2 and Layer 3 IPv4 unicast forwarding or 30 Mpps of IPv6 unicast forwarding across all ports. The 8-port module has dual M1-XL forwarding engines and can deliver up to 120 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 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 sixteen 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Modules with XL Option can deliver up to 1.92 billion packets per second (Bpps) of IPv4 unicast forwarding. Multicast forwarding is built into the I/O module performing egress replication.

The M1-XL forwarding engine also delivers ACL filtering, marking, rate limiting, and NetFlow with no effect on performance. Powerful ACL processing supports up to 64K entries per module in non-XL mode or 128K entries per module in XL mode, where entries can address Layer 2, 3, and 4 fields in addition to new Cisco® metadata fields that employ security group tags (SGTs).

The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option offers exceptional security, with integrated hardware support for the Cisco TrustSec solution. This includes 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]). All eight 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. This removes dependencies on IP addresses, thus improving scalability and simplifying manageability.

The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option buffers data in virtual output queues 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.

Table 2 summarizes the features and benefits of the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option.

**Table 2.** Features and Benefits

Feature	Benefit
<b>XL mode</b>	Enables a larger forwarding table, providing investment protection through increased system flexibility and ease of sparing
<b>8 line-rate 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports per module</b>	Delivers up to 64 line-rate 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports in the Cisco Nexus 7010 and 128 line-rate 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports in the Cisco Nexus 7018
<b>Virtual output queuing with centralized arbitration</b>	Enables fairness when one or more destinations are congested and future support for lossless unified I/O
<b>Load sharing across all fabric modules</b>	Through its high-availability design, shares bandwidth across all fabric modules simultaneously for optimal performance
<b>Distributed forwarding</b>	Through its fully distributed data plane, offers high-performance parallel forwarding
<b>Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)</b>	M1-based feature-rich line cards support MPLS in the hardware, and these MPLS capabilities will be enabled in the future with software upgrades
<b>Integrated hardware support for Cisco TrustSec</b>	Simplifies and scales access control by using SGTs and SGACLs and delivers data confidentiality and data integrity on all 8 ports, using the IEEE 802.1AE standard
<b>Online insertion and removal (OIR)</b>	Supports hot insertion and removal for continuous system operation
<b>Identification (ID) LED</b>	Through the beacon feature, allows administrators to clearly identify the module for a service condition; ports on the I/O module can send beacons as well

## Product Specifications

Table 3 lists the product specifications for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option.

**Table 3.** Product Specifications

Item	Specifications
<b>System</b>	
<b>Product compatibility</b>	Supported in all Cisco Nexus 7000 Series chassis
<b>Software compatibility</b>	Cisco NX-OS Software Release 5.0 or later (minimum requirement)
<b>Memory</b>	2 GB DRAM
<b>Front-panel LEDs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Status: Green (operational), red (faulty), or orange (module booting)</li> <li>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)</li> <li>ID: Blue (operator has flagged this card for identification; beacon) or off (module not flagged)</li> </ul>
<b>Programming interfaces</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extensible Markup Language (XML)</li> <li>Scriptable command-line interface (CLI)</li> <li>Cisco Data Center Network Manager (DCNM) GUI</li> </ul>
<b>Network management</b>	Cisco DCNM 5.0
<b>Physical Interfaces</b>	
<b>Connectivity</b>	8 ports of 10 Gigabit Ethernet using X2 optics
<b>Maximum port density</b>	64 ports of 10 Gigabit Ethernet for 10-slot chassis and 128 ports of 10 Gigabit Ethernet for 18-slot chassis
<b>MAC security</b>	All 8 ports have built-in IEEE 802.1AE MAC security and an AES cipher with a 128-bit key (requires a software license to enable)
<b>Queues per port</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ingress: 8 queues and 2 thresholds (RX: 8q2t)</li> <li>Egress: 1 strict priority queue, 7 deficit-weighted round-robin (DWRR) queues, and 4 thresholds (TX: 1p7q4t)</li> </ul>
<b>Scheduler</b>	Deficit-weighted round-robin (DWRR) and shaped round-robin (SRR)

Item	Specifications
<b>Port buffers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ingress: 92 MB per port</li> <li>Egress: 80 MB per port</li> </ul>
<b>Jumbo frame support for bridged and routed packets</b>	Up to 9216 bytes
<b>Forwarding Engines: Dual M1-XL</b>	
<b>Performance</b>	120 Mpps Layer 2 and Layer 3 IPv4 unicast and 60 Mpps IPv6 unicast
<b>MAC entries</b>	128K
<b>VLANs</b>	16,384 bridge domains and 4096 simultaneous VLANs per VDC
<b>Policers</b>	16,000
<b>Fabric Interface</b>	
<b>Switch fabric interface</b>	80 Gbps in each direction (160 Gbps full duplex) distributed across up to five fabric modules
<b>OIR</b>	Online insertion and removal
<b>Environmental</b>	
<b>Physical dimensions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Occupies one I/O module slot in a Cisco Nexus 7000 Series chassis</li> <li>Dimensions (H x W x D): 1.733 x 15.3 x 21.9 in (4.4 x 38.9 x 55.6 cm)</li> <li>Weight: 14 lb</li> </ul>
<b>Mean time between failures (MTBF)</b>	52,107 hours
<b>Environmental conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operating temperature: 32° to 104°F (0° to 40°C)</li> <li>Operational relative humidity: 5% to 90%, noncondensing</li> <li>Storage temperature: -40°F to 158°F (-40° to 70°C)</li> <li>Storage relative humidity: 5% to 95%, noncondensing</li> </ul>
<b>Regulatory compliance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FCC Part 15 (CFR 47) (USA) Class A</li> <li>ICES-003 (Canada) Class A</li> <li>EN55022 (Europe) Class A</li> <li>CISPR22 (International) Class A</li> <li>AS/NZS CISPR22 (Australia and New Zealand) Class A</li> <li>VCCI (Japan) Class A</li> <li>KN22 (Korea) Class A</li> <li>CNS 13438 (Taiwan) Class A</li> <li>CISPR24</li> <li>EN55024</li> <li>EN60601-1-2</li> <li>EN61000-3-2</li> <li>EN61000-3-3</li> <li>EN300 386</li> </ul>
<b>Environmental standards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NEBS criteria levels</li> <li>SR-3580 NEBS Level 3 (GR-63-CORE, issue 3, and GR-1089-CORE, issue 4)</li> <li>Telecommunications Carrier Group (TCG) Checklist</li> <li>ATT TP76200 level 3</li> <li>ETSI 300 019-1-1, Class 1.2 Storage</li> <li>ETSI 300 019-1-2, Class 2.3 Transportation</li> <li>ETSI 300 019-1-3, Class 3.2 Stationary Use</li> </ul>
<b>Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UL/CSA/IEC/EN 60950-1</li> <li>AS/NZS 60950</li> <li>GB4943</li> </ul>
<b>Warranty</b>	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Switches come with the standard Cisco 1-year Limited Hardware Warranty

## Interface Distances

Table 4 and Table 5 summarize the interfaces and distances of X2 and SFP+ optics supported by the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option.

**Table 4.** Interfaces and Distances of X2 Optics Supported by the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option

X2 Product ID	Wavelength (nm)	Fiber and Cable Type	Core Size (microns)	Modal Bandwidth (MHz.km)	Cable Distance
X2-10GB-SR	850	MMF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 62.5</li> <li>• 62.5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 400</li> <li>• 500</li> <li>• 2000</li> <li>• 160</li> <li>• 200</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 66m</li> <li>• 82m</li> <li>• 300m</li> <li>• 26m</li> <li>• 33m</li> </ul>
X2-10GB-LR	1310	SMF	• G.652	-	• 10 km
X2-10GB-LRM	1310	MMF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 62.5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 400</li> <li>• 500</li> <li>• 500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100m</li> <li>• 220m</li> <li>• 220m</li> </ul>
X2-10GB-ER*	1550	SMF	• G.652	-	• 40 km**
X2-10GB-ZR	1530-1565	SMF	-	-	• 80 km
X2-10GB-LX4	1310	MMF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 62.5</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 500</li> <li>• 400</li> <li>• 500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 300m</li> <li>• 240m</li> <li>• 300m</li> </ul>
X2-10GB-CX4	-	CX4 (copper)	-	-	• 15m
DWDM-X2-xx.xx	1530.33 - 1560.61	SMF	-	-	-

\* Requires 5 dB 1550 nm fixed loss attenuator for less than 20 km. Attenuator is available as a spare. The part number is WS-X6K-5DB-ATT=.

\*\* Links longer than 30 km are considered engineered links.

**Table 5.** Interfaces and Distances of SFP+ Optics Supported by the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option (Requires CVR-X2-SFP10G OneX Converter)

SFP+ Product ID	Wavelength (nm)	Fiber and Cable Type	Core Size (microns)	Model Bandwidth (MHz/km)***	Cable Distance*
SFP-10G-SR	850	Multimode fiber (MMF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 50.0</li> <li>• 62.5</li> <li>• 62.5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 400</li> <li>• 500</li> <li>• 2000</li> <li>• 160</li> <li>• 200</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 66m</li> <li>• 82m</li> <li>• 300m</li> <li>• 26m</li> <li>• 33m</li> </ul>
SFP-H10GB-CU1M	-	Twinax cable, 30AWG cable assembly	-	-	• 1m
SFP-H10GB-CU3M	-	Twinax cable, 30AWG cable assembly	-	-	• 3m
SFP-H10GB-CU5M	-	Twinax cable, 24AWG cable assembly	-	-	• 5m

## Ordering Information

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Table 6 provides ordering information.

**Table 6.** Ordering Information

Product Name	Part Number
Cisco Nexus 7000 Series 8-Port 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module with XL Option (requires X2)	N7K-M108X2-12L
10GBASE-SR X2 Module	X2-10GB-SR=*
10GBASE-LR X2 Module	X2-10GB-LR=*
10GBASE-LRM X2 Module	X2-10GB-LRM=*
10GBASE-ER X2 Module	X2-10GB-ER=*
10GBASE-ZR X2 Module	X2-10GB-ZR=*
10GBASE-LX4 X2 Module	X2-10GB-LX4=*
10GBASE-CX4 X2 Module	X2-10GB-CX4=*
Dense Wavelength-Division Multiplexing (DWDM) X2 Module	DWDM-X2-60.61=**
OneX Converter Module (X2 to SFP+ Adaptor)	CVR-X2-SFP10G=
10GBASE-SR SFP+ Module	SFP-10G-SR=
10GBASE-CU SFP+ Cable 1 Meter	SFP-H10GB-CU1M=
10GBASE-CU SFP+ Cable 3 Meter	SFP-H10GB-CU3M=
10GBASE-CU SFP+ Cable 5 Meter	SFP-H10GB-CU5M=

\* See the X2 modules data sheet for additional information:

[http://cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/ps6574/product\\_data\\_sheet0900aec801f92aa.html](http://cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/ps6574/product_data_sheet0900aec801f92aa.html).

\*\* Also offered in other wavelengths. See the DWDM X2 modules data sheet for additional product number and information: [http://cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/ps6576/data\\_sheet\\_c78\\_489725.html](http://cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/modules/ps5455/ps6576/data_sheet_c78_489725.html).

## Service and Support

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