



Cisco Nexus Dashboard Hardware Setup Guide for ND-NODE-G5S Servers

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CHAPTER 1

Overview

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Overview

Cisco Nexus Dashboard provides a common platform for deploying Cisco Data Center applications. These applications provide real time analytics, visibility and assurance for policy and infrastructure.

The Cisco Nexus Dashboard server is required for installing and hosting the Cisco Nexus Dashboard application.

The appliance is orderable in the following versions:

- **ND-NODE-G5S**: Single-node appliance
- **ND-CLUSTERG5S**: Three-node version that leverages the same configuration as ND-NODE-G5S but with three appliances included

Components

The ND-NODE-G5S appliance is configured with the following components:

- **CIMC-LATEST-D**: IMC SW (Recommended) latest release for C-Series Servers
- **ND-CPU-A9454P**: ND AMD 9454P 2.75GHz 290W 48C/256MB Cache DDR5 4800MT/s
- **ND-M2-240G-D**: ND 240GB M.2 SATA Micron G2 SSD
- **ND-M2-HWRAID-D**: ND Cisco Boot optimized M.2 Raid controller
- **ND-TPM2-002D-D**: ND TPM 2.0 FIPS 140-2 MSW2022 compliant AMD M8 servers
- **ND-RIS1A-225M8**: ND C225 M8 1U Riser 1A PCIe Gen4 x16 HH
- **ND-HD24TB10KJ4-D**: ND 2.4TB 12G SAS 10K RPM SFF HDD (4Kn)
- **ND-SD960GBM3XEPD**: ND 960GB 2.5in Enter Perf 6G SATA Micron G2 SSD (3X)
- Power supplies:

- 1200W AC Titanium Power Supply for C-series Rack Servers
- 1050W -48V DC Power Supply for UCS Rack Server
- 1050W -48V DC Power Supply for APIC servers (India)
- **ND-MRX32G1RE3**: ND 32GB DDR5-5600 RDIMM 1Rx4 (16Gb)
- **ND-RAID-M1L16**: ND 24G Tri-Mode M1 RAID Controller w/4GB FBWC 16Drv
- **ND-O-ID10GC-D**: Intel X710T2LOCPV3G1L 2x10GbE RJ45 OCP3.0 NIC
- **ND-OCP3-KIT-D**: C2XX OCP 3.0 Interposer W/Mech Assy
- **ND-P-V5Q50G-D**: Cisco VIC 15425 4x 10/25/50G PCIe C-Series w/Secure Boot

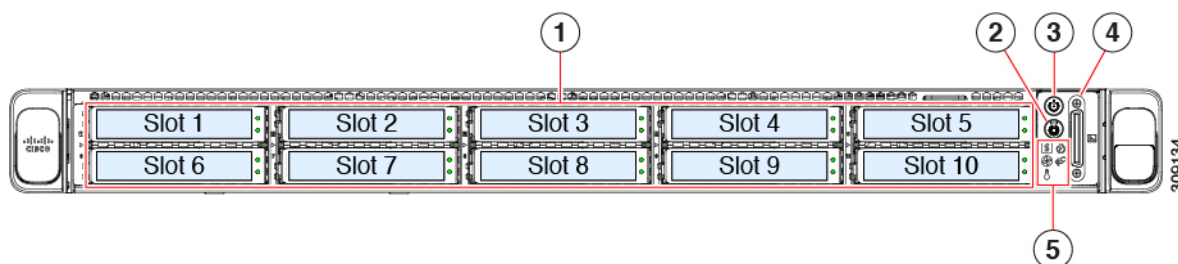
External Features

ND-NODE-G5S Front Panel Features

The following figure shows the front panel features of the small form-factor drive versions of the server.

For definitions of LED states, see [Front-Panel LEDs](#), on page 7.

Figure 1: ND-NODE-G5S Front Panel



1	Drive bays 1 – 10 support SAS/SATA hard disk drives (HDDs) and solid state drives (SSDs).	2	Unit identification button/LED
3	Power button/power status LED	4	KVM connector (used with KVM cable that provides one DB-15 VGA, one DB-9 serial, and two USB 2.0 connectors)
5	System LED cluster: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fan status LED • System Status LED • Power supply status LED • Network link activity LED • Temperature status LED 		-

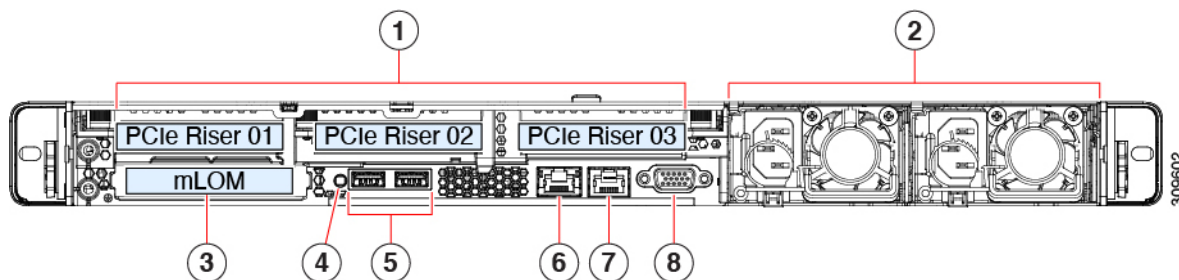
ND-NODE-G5S Rear Panel Features

The rear panel features can be different depending on the number and type of PCIe cards in the server.

The following figure shows the rear panel features of the server with three riser configuration.

For definitions of LED states, see [Rear-Panel LEDs, on page 9](#).

Figure 2: ND-NODE-G5S Rear Panel Three-Riser Configuration

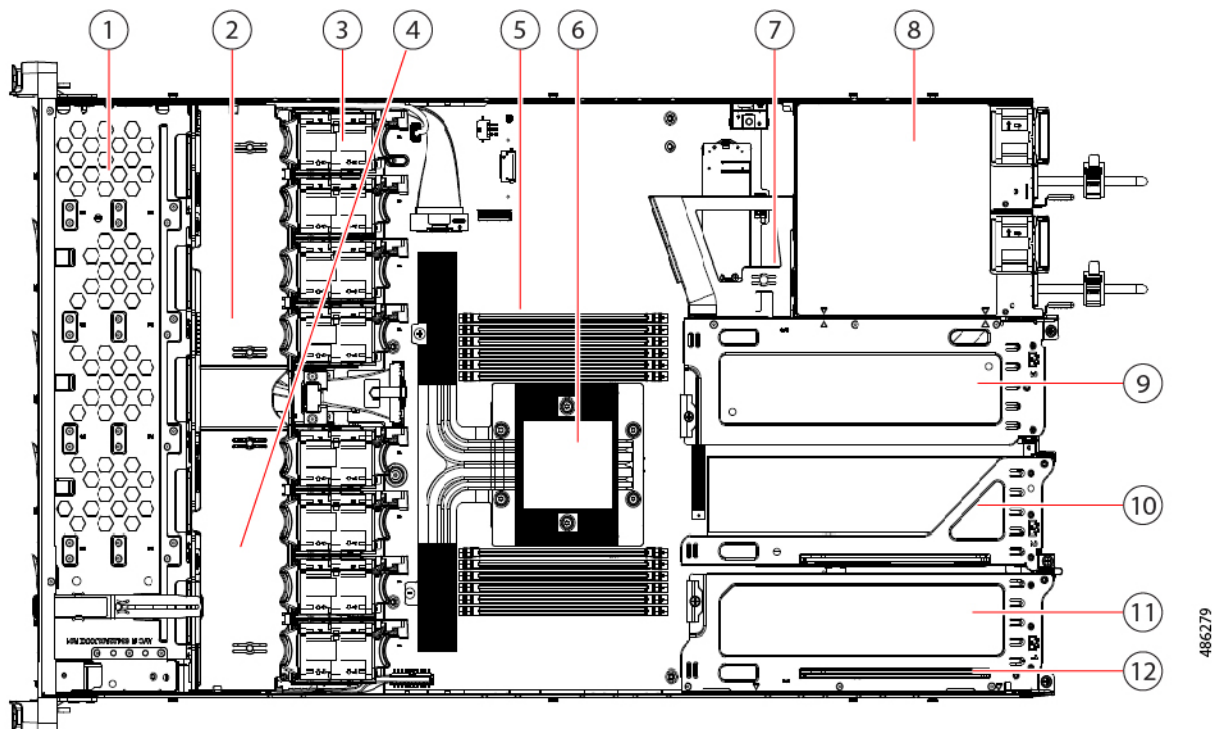


1	PCIe slots Following PCIe Riser combinations are available for 3 HH Riser cage configuration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riser 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riser 1A (PCIe Gen4): Half-height, 3/4 length, x16, NCSI, Single Wide GPU.
2	Power supply units (PSUs), two, which can be redundant when configured in 1+1 power mode.
3	Modular LAN-on-motherboard (mLOM) card bay (x16 PCIe lane)
4	System identification button/LED
5	USB 3.0 ports (two)
6	Dedicated 1 GB Ethernet management port
7	COM port (RJ-45 connector)
8	VGA video port (DB-15 connector)

Component Location

This topic shows the locations of the field-replaceable components and service-related items. The view in the following figure shows the server with the top cover removed.

Figure 3: ND-NODE-G5S Three Riser Configuration Serviceable Component Locations



1	Front-loading drive bays 1–10	2	Cisco M8 24G SAS RAID card or Cisco M8 24G SAS HBA Controller
3	Cooling fan modules, eight. Each fan is hot-swappable.	4	SuperCap module mounting bracket The SuperCap module (not shown) that mounts into this location provides RAID write-cache backup.
5	DIMM sockets on motherboard, 12 total.	6	Motherboard CPU socket
7	M.2 module connector Supports a boot-optimized RAID controller with connectors for up to two SATA M.2 SSDs	8	Power Supply Units (PSUs), two
9	PCIe riser slot 3	10	PCIe riser slot 2
11	PCIe riser slot 1	12	Modular LOM (mLOM) card bay on chassis floor (x16 PCIe lane)

Summary of Server Features

The following table lists a summary of server features for the ND-NODE-G5S.

Feature	Description
Chassis	One rack-unit (1RU) chassis.
Central Processor	One socket, 4th Gen AMD EPYC™ processors, with up to 128 cores.
Memory	Up to 12 DIMM slots per CPU, supports DDR5 memory with speeds up to 4800 MT/s, maximum memory capacity of 3 TB using 256 GB DIMMs.
Multi-bit error protection	Multi-bit error protection is supported.
Video	<p>The Cisco Integrated Management Controller (CIMC) provides video using the Matrox G200e video/graphics controller:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated 2D graphics core with hardware acceleration. • Embedded DDR memory interface supports up to 512 MB of addressable memory (8 MB is allocated by default to video memory). • Supports display resolutions up to 1920 x 1200 16bpp @ 60Hz. • High-speed integrated 24-bit RAMDAC. • Single lane PCI-Express host interface running at Gen 1 speed.
Baseboard management	BMC, running Cisco Integrated Management Controller (Cisco IMC) firmware. Depending on your Cisco IMC settings, Cisco IMC can be accessed through the 1-Gb dedicated management port or a Cisco virtual interface card.
Network and management I/O	<p>Rear panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One 1-Gb Ethernet dedicated management port (RJ-45 connector). • One RS-232 serial port (RJ-45 connector). • One VGA video connector port (DB-15 connector). • Two USB 3.0 ports. • One flexible modular LAN on motherboard (mLOM)/OCP 3.0 slot that can accommodate various interface cards. <p>Front panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One KVM console connector (supplies two USB 2.0 connectors, one VGA DB15 video connector, and one serial port (RS232) RJ45 connector).
Modular LAN on Motherboard (mLOM)/ OCP3 3.0 slot	The Cisco VIC 15425 4x 10/25/50G PCIe C-Series card is installed in the dedicated mLOM/OCP 3.0 slot on the motherboard.

Feature	Description
Power	<p>Up to two of the following hot-swappable power supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1050 W DC.• 1200 W (AC).• 1600 W (AC).• 2300 W (AC). <p>One power supply is mandatory; one more can be added for 1 + 1 redundancy.</p>
ACPI	The advanced configuration and power interface (ACPI) 4.0 standard is supported.
Front Panel	The front panel controller provides status indications and control buttons.
Cooling	Eight hot-swappable fan modules for front-to-rear cooling.
InfiniBand	The PCIe bus slots in this server support the InfiniBand architecture.
Expansion Slots	<p>The server is onboarded with the following configuration of the expansion slot:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Riser 1: One x16 PCIe Gen4/Gen5 Slot, half-height.

Status LEDs and Buttons

This section contains information for interpreting front, rear, and internal LED states.

Front-Panel LEDs

Figure 4: Front Panel LEDs

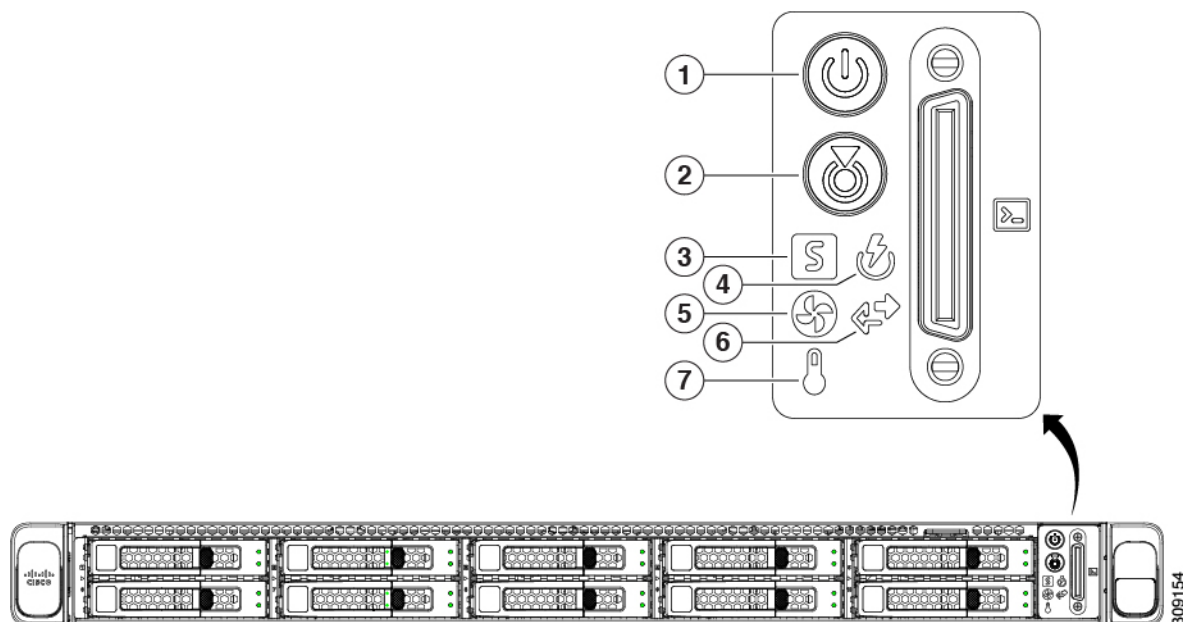









Table 1: Front Panel LEDs, Definition of States

	LED Name	States
1	Power button/LED ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off—There is no AC power to the server. • Amber—The server is in standby power mode. Power is supplied only to the Cisco IMC and some motherboard functions. • Green—The server is in main power mode. Power is supplied to all server components.
2	Unit identification ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off—The unit identification function is not in use. • Blue, blinking—The unit identification function is activated.

3	System health ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green—The server is running in normal operating condition. • Green, blinking—The server is performing system initialization and memory check. • Amber, steady—The server is in a degraded operational state (minor fault). For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power supply redundancy is lost. • CPUs are mismatched. • At least one CPU is faulty. • At least one DIMM is faulty. • At least one drive in a RAID configuration failed. • Amber, 2 blinks—There is a major fault with the system board. • Amber, 3 blinks—There is a major fault with the memory DIMMs. • Amber, 4 blinks—There is a major fault with the CPUs.
4	Power supply status ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green—All power supplies are operating normally. • Amber, steady—One or more power supplies are in a degraded operational state. • Amber, blinking—One or more power supplies are in a critical fault state.
5	Fan status ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green—All fan modules are operating properly. • Amber, blinking—One or more fan modules breached the non-recoverable threshold.
6	Network link activity ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off—The Ethernet LOM port link is idle. • Green—One or more Ethernet LOM ports are link-active, but there is no activity. • Green, blinking—One or more Ethernet LOM ports are link-active, with activity.
7	Temperature status ()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green—The server is operating at normal temperature. • Amber, steady—One or more temperature sensors breached the critical threshold. • Amber, blinking—One or more temperature sensors breached the non-recoverable threshold.

Rear-Panel LEDs

Figure 5: Rear Panel LEDs

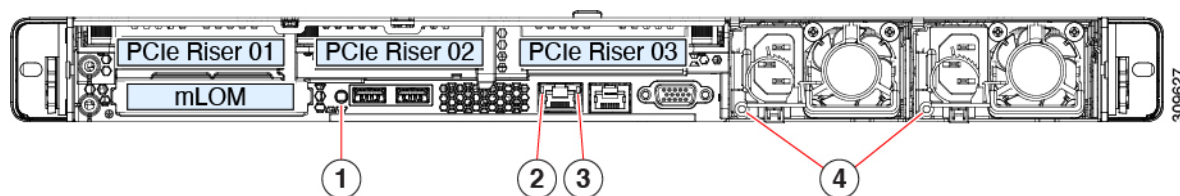


Table 2: Rear Panel LEDs, Definition of States

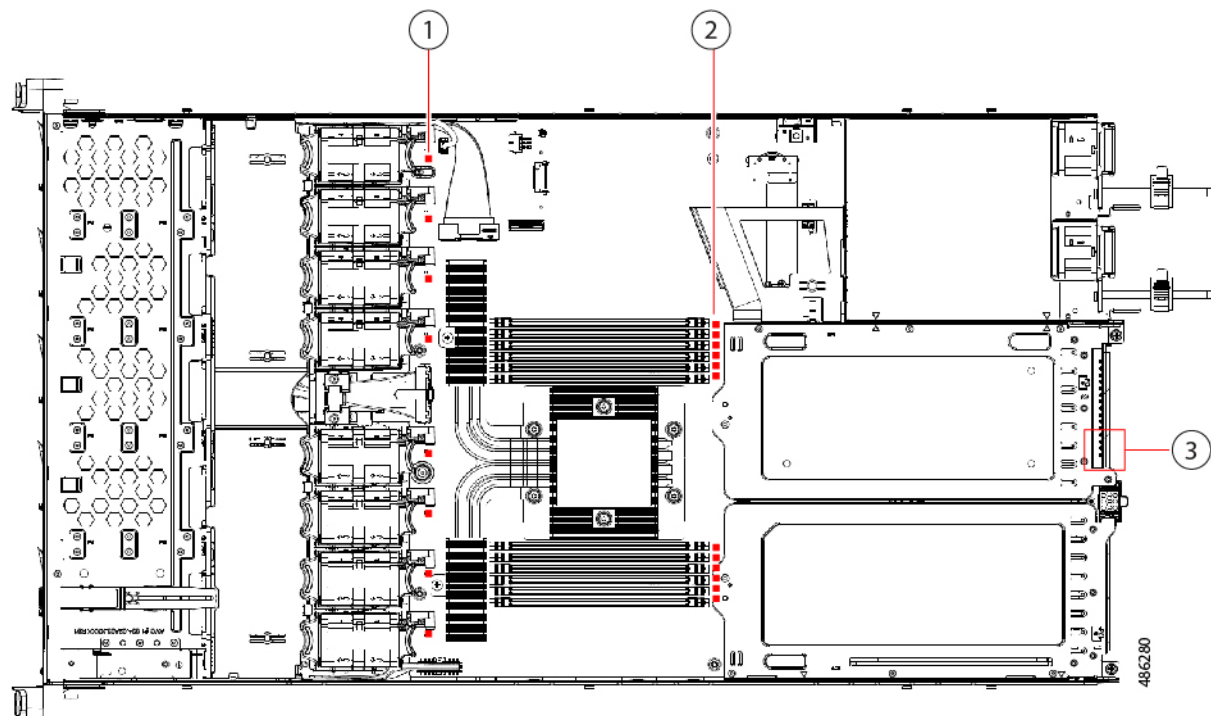
	LED Name	States
1	Rear unit identification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Off—The unit identification function is not in use. Blue, blinking—The unit identification function is activated.
2	1-Gb Ethernet dedicated management link speed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Off—Link speed is 10 Mbps. Amber—Link speed is 100 Mbps. Green—Link speed is 1 Gbps.
3	1-Gb Ethernet dedicated management link status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Off—No link is present. Green—Link is active. Green, blinking—Traffic is present on the active link.

4	Power supply status (one LED each power supply unit)	<p>AC power supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off—No AC input (12 V main power off, 12 V standby power off). • Green, blinking—12 V main power off; 12 V standby power on. • Green, solid—12 V main power on; 12 V standby power on. • Amber, blinking—Warning threshold detected but 12 V main power on. • Amber, solid—Critical error detected; 12 V main power off (for example, over-current, over-voltage, or over-temperature failure). <p>DC power supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off—No DC input (12 V main power off, 12 V standby power off). • Green, blinking—12 V main power off; 12 V standby power on. • Green, solid—12 V main power on; 12 V standby power on. • Amber, blinking—Warning threshold detected but 12 V main power on. • Amber, solid—Critical error detected; 12 V main power off (for example, over-current, over-voltage, or over-temperature failure).
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Internal Diagnostic LEDs

The server has internal fault LEDs for CPUs, DIMMs, and fan modules.

Figure 6: Internal Diagnostic LED Locations



1	<p>Fan module fault LEDs (one behind each fan connector on the motherboard)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amber—Fan has a fault or is not fully seated. • Green—Fan is OK. 	2	<p>DIMM fault LEDs (one behind each DIMM socket on the motherboard)</p> <p>These LEDs operate only when the server is in standby power mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amber—DIMM has a fault. • Off—DIMM is OK.
3	<p>CPU fault LEDs (beside rear USB2 connector).</p> <p>These LEDs operate only when the server is in standby power mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amber—CPU has a fault. • Off—CPU is OK. 	-	



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Preparing for Installation

This section contains the following topics:

Installation Warnings and Guidelines



Note

Before you install, operate, or service a server, review the [Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for Cisco UCS C-Series Servers](#) for important safety information.



Warning

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause bodily injury. Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with standard practices for preventing accidents. Use the statement number provided at the end of each warning to locate its translation in the translated safety warnings that accompanied this device.

Statement 1071

**Warning**

To prevent the system from overheating, do not operate it in an area that exceeds the maximum recommended ambient temperature of: 35° C (95° F).

Statement 1047

**Warning**

The plug-socket combination must be accessible at all times, because it serves as the main disconnecting device.

Statement 1019

**Warning**

This product relies on the building's installation for short-circuit (overcurrent) protection. Ensure that the protective device is rated not greater than: 250 V, 15 A.

Statement 1005

**Warning**

Installation of the equipment must comply with local and national electrical codes.

Statement 1074

**Warning**

This unit is intended for installation in restricted access areas. A restricted access area can be accessed only through the use of a special tool, lock, and key, or other means of security.

Statement 1017

**Caution**

To ensure proper airflow it is necessary to rack the servers using rail kits. Physically placing the units on top of one another or “stacking” without the use of the rail kits blocks the air vents on top of the servers, which could result in overheating, higher fan speeds, and higher power consumption. We recommend that you mount your servers on rail kits when you are installing them into the rack because these rails provide the minimal spacing required between the servers. No additional spacing between the servers is required when you mount the units using rail kits.

**Caution**

Avoid uninterruptible power supply (UPS) types that use ferroresonant technology. These UPS types can become unstable with systems such as the Cisco UCS, which can have substantial current draw fluctuations from fluctuating data traffic patterns.

When you are installing a server, use the following guidelines:

- Plan your site configuration and prepare the site before installing the server. See the [Cisco UCS Site Preparation Guide](#) for the recommended site planning tasks.

- Ensure that there is adequate space around the server to allow for accessing the server and for adequate airflow. The airflow in this server is from front to back.
- Ensure that the air-conditioning meets the thermal requirements listed in the [Environmental Specifications, on page 31](#).
- Ensure that the cabinet or rack meets the requirements listed in the [Rack Requirements, on page 15](#).
- Ensure that the site power meets the power requirements listed in the [Power Specifications, on page 33](#). If available, you can use an uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to protect against power failures.

Rack Requirements

The rack must be of the following type:

- A standard 19-in. (48.3-cm) wide, four-post EIA rack, with mounting posts that conform to English universal hole spacing, per section 1 of ANSI/EIA-310-D-1992.
- The rack-post holes can be square 0.38-inch (9.6 mm), round 0.28-inch (7.1 mm), #12-24 UNC, or #10-32 UNC when you use the Cisco-supplied slide rails.
- The minimum vertical rack space per server must be one rack unit (RU), equal to 1.75 in. (44.45 mm).

Supported Cisco Slide Rail Kits

The server supports the following rail kit options:

- Cisco part UCSC-RAILB-M6= (ball-bearing slide rail kit)
- Cisco part UCSC-RAILF-M6= (friction slide rail kit)
- Cisco part UCSC-CMAF-M6= (cable management arm)

Rack Installation Tools Required

The slide rails sold by Cisco Systems for this server do not require tools for installation.

Slide Rail and Cable Management Arm Dimensions

The slide rails for this server have an adjustment range of 24 to 36 inches (610 to 914 mm).

The optional cable management arm (CMA) adds additional length requirements:

- The additional distance from the rear of the server to the rear of the CMA is 5.4 inches (137.4 mm).
- The total length of the server including the CMA is 35.2 inches (894 mm).

Installing the Server in a Rack

This section describes how to install the server in a rack using the supported rail kit (UCSC-RAIL-M6) that is sold by Cisco.



Warning

To prevent bodily injury when mounting or servicing this unit in a rack, you must take special precautions to ensure that the system remains stable. The following guidelines are provided to ensure your safety:

This unit should be mounted at the bottom of the rack if it is the only unit in the rack.

When mounting this unit in a partially filled rack, load the rack from the bottom to the top with the heaviest component at the bottom of the rack.

If the rack is provided with stabilizing devices, install the stabilizers before mounting or servicing the unit in the rack.

Statement 1006

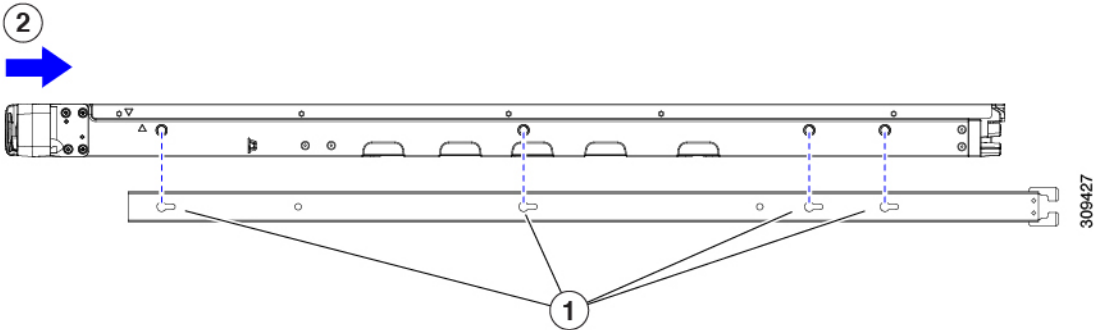
Procedure

Step 1

Attach the inner rails to the sides of the server:

- a) Align an inner rail with one side of the server so that the three keyed slots in the rail align with the three pegs on the side of the server.
- b) Set the keyed slots over the pegs, and then slide the rail toward the front to lock it in place on the pegs.
- c) Install the second inner rail to the opposite side of the server.

Figure 7: Attaching the Inner Rail to the Side of the Server



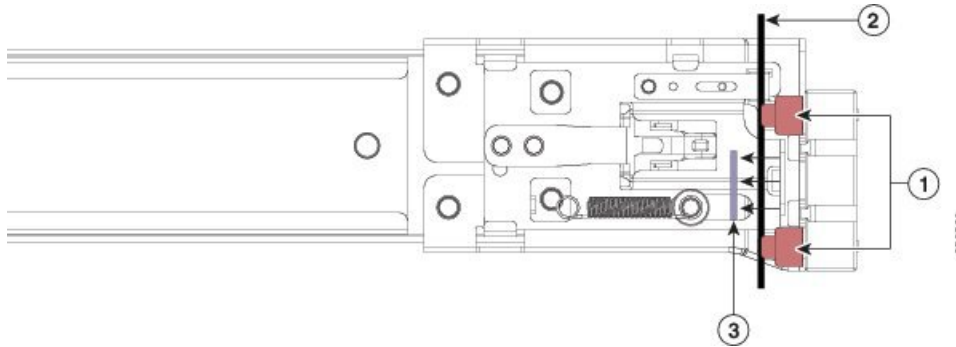
1	Keyed slots in rail	2	Front of server slides into keyed slots
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Step 2

Open the front securing plate on both slide-rail assemblies. The front end of the slide-rail assembly has a spring-loaded securing plate that must be open before you can insert the mounting pegs into the rack-post holes.

On the *outside* of the assembly, push the green-arrow button toward the rear to open the securing plate.

Figure 8: Front Securing Mechanism, Inside of Front End



1	Front mounting pegs	3	Securing plate shown pulled back to the open position
2	Rack post between mounting pegs and opened securing plate	-	

Step 3 Install the outer slide rails into the rack:

- a) Align one slide-rail assembly front end with the front rack-post holes that you want to use.

The slide rail front-end wraps around the outside of the rack post and the mounting pegs enter the rack-post holes from the outside-front.

Note

The rack post must be between the mounting pegs and the *open* securing plate.

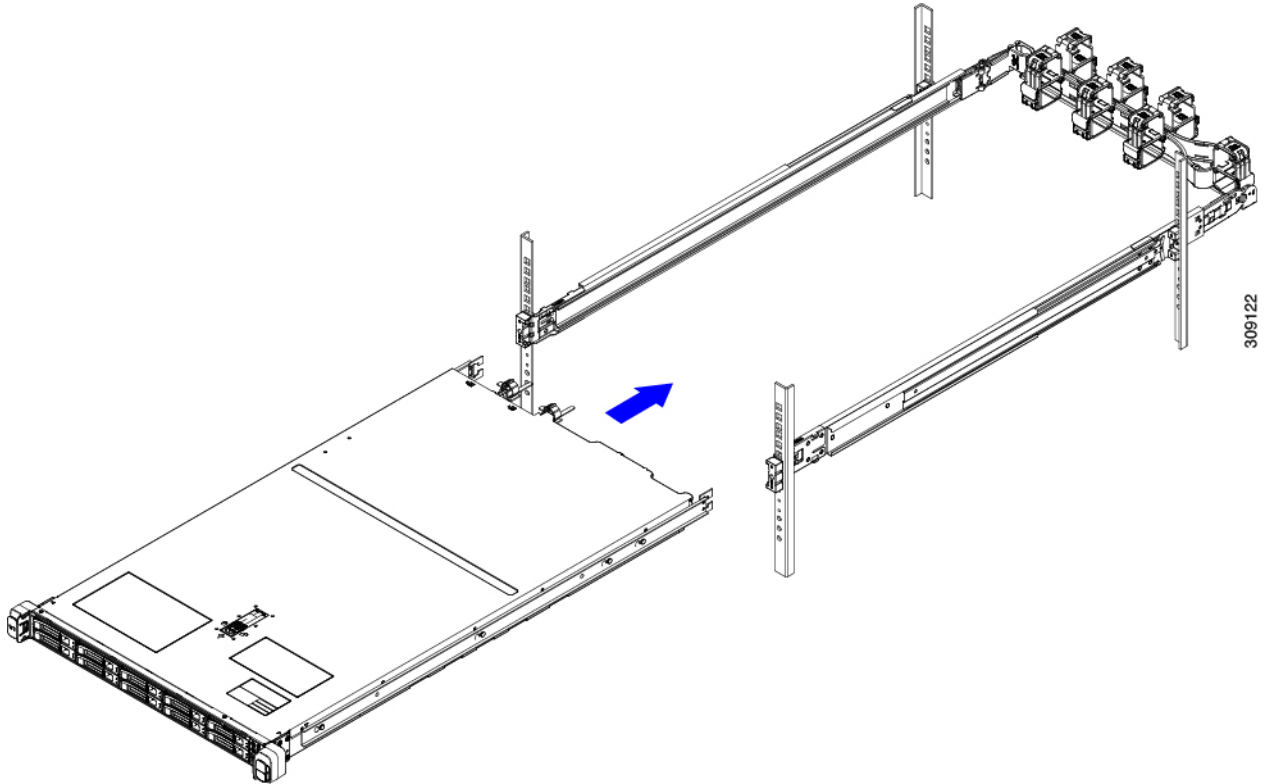
- b) Push the mounting pegs into the rack-post holes from the outside-front.
- c) Press the securing release button, marked PUSH. The spring-loaded securing plate closes to lock the pegs in place.
- d) Adjust the slide-rail length, and then push the rear mounting pegs into the corresponding rear rack-post holes. The slide rail must be level front-to-rear.
- The rear mounting pegs enter the rear rack-post holes from the *inside* of the rack post.
- e) Attach the second slide-rail assembly to the opposite side of the rack. Ensure that the two slide-rail assemblies are at the same height and are level front-to-back.
- f) Pull the inner slide rails on each assembly out toward the rack front until they hit the internal stops and lock in place.

Step 4 Insert the server into the slide rails:**Caution**

This server can weigh up to 60 pounds (27 kilograms) when fully loaded with components. We recommend that you use a minimum of two people or a mechanical lift when lifting the server. Attempting this procedure alone could result in personal injury or equipment damage.

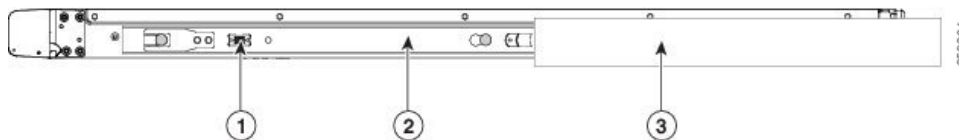
- a) Align the rear ends of the inner rails that are attached to the server sides with the front ends of the empty slide rails on the rack.

- b) Push the inner rails into the slide rails on the rack until they stop at the internal



- c) Slide the inner-rail release clip toward the rear on both inner rails, and then continue pushing the server into the rack until its front slam-latches engage with the rack posts.

Figure 9: Inner-Rail Release Clip



1	Inner-rail release clip	3	Outer slide rail attached to rack post
2	Inner rail attached to server and inserted into outer slide rail	-	

Step 5 (Optional) Secure the server in the rack more permanently by using the two screws that are provided with the slide rails. Perform this step if you plan to move the rack with servers installed.

With the server fully pushed into the slide rails, open a hinged slam latch lever on the front of the server and insert a screw through the hole that is under the lever. The screw threads into the static part of the rail on the rack post and prevents the server from being pulled out. Repeat for the opposite slam latch.

Step 6 (Optional) If applicable, do the following:

- a) Attach the cable management arm. Go to [Installing the Cable Management Arm \(Optional\)](#), on page 19 or [Reversing the Cable Management Arm \(Optional\)](#), on page 20.

- b) Attach the locking bezel.

Installing the Cable Management Arm (Optional)



Note

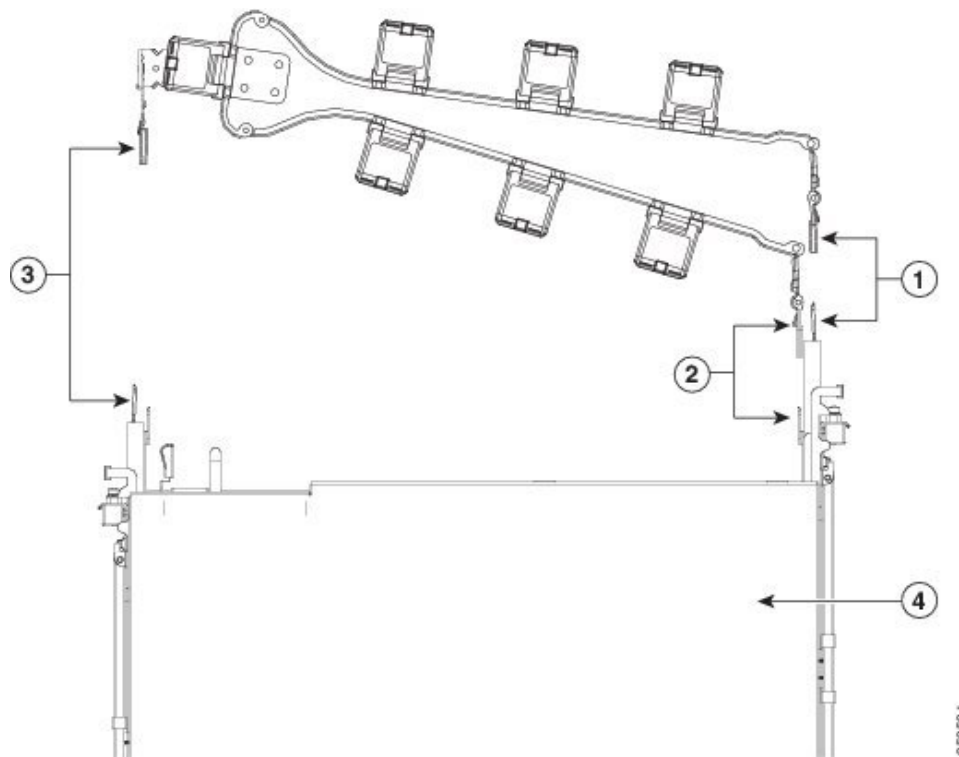
The cable management arm (CMA) is reversible left-to-right. To reverse the CMA, see [Reversing the Cable Management Arm \(Optional\)](#), on page 20 before installation.

Procedure

Step 1

With the server pushed fully into the rack, slide the CMA tab of the CMA arm that is farthest from the server onto the end of the stationary slide rail that is attached to the rack post. Slide the tab over the end of the rail until it clicks and locks.

Figure 10: Attaching the CMA to the Rear Ends of the Slide Rails



1	CMA tab on arm farthest from server attaches to end of stationary outer slide rail.	3	CMA tab on width-adjustment slider attaches to end of stationary outer slide rail.
2	CMA tab on arm closest to the server attaches to end of inner slide rail attached to server.	4	Rear of server

- Step 2

Slide the CMA tab that is closest to the server over the end of the inner rail that is attached to the server. Slide the tab over the end of the rail until it clicks and locks
- Step 3

Pull out the width-adjustment slider that is at the opposite end of the CMA assembly until it matches the width of your rack.
- Step 4

Slide the CMA tab that is at the end of the width-adjustment slider onto the end of the stationary slide rail that is attached to the rack post. Slide the tab over the end of the rail until it clicks and locks.
- Step 5

Open the hinged flap at the top of each plastic cable guide and route your cables through the cable guides as desired.

Reversing the Cable Management Arm (Optional)

Procedure

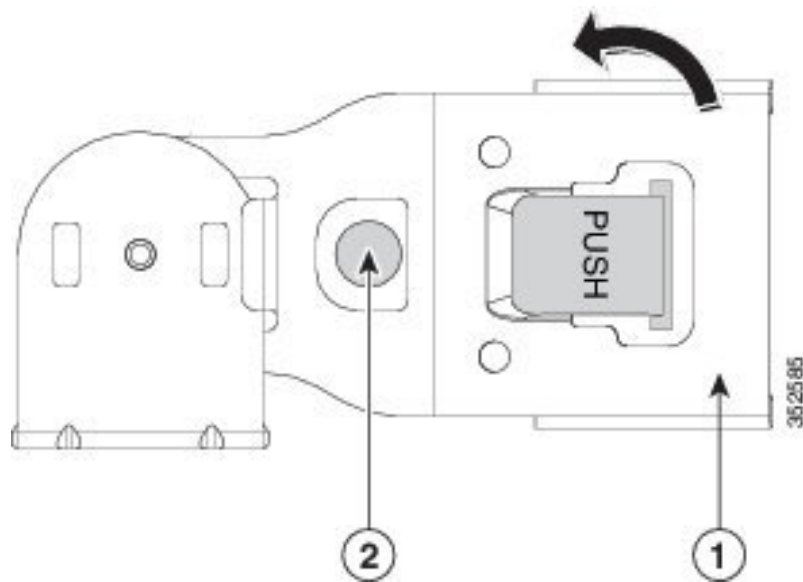
- Step 1

Rotate the entire CMA assembly 180 degrees, left-to-right. The plastic cable guides must remain pointing upward.
- Step 2

Flip the tabs at the ends of the CMA arms so that they point toward the rear of the server.
- Step 3

Pivot the tab that is at the end of the width-adjustment slider. Depress and hold the metal button on the outside of the tab and pivot the tab 180 degrees so that it points toward the rear of the server.

Figure 11: Reversing the CMA



1	CMA tab on end of width-adjustment slider	2	Metal button on outside of tab
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Initial Server Setup



Note This section describes how to power on the server, assign an IP address, and connect to server management when using the server in standalone mode.

Server Default Settings

The server is shipped with these default settings:

- If the server does not have any VIC card, the default NIC mode is **Dedicated**. If the server has a VIC card in Riser 1 slot, the default NIC mode is **OCP**, but the VIC precedence first goes to MLOM, then Riser 1, and then Riser 2.

If you want to use the dedicated management ports to access Cisco IMC, you can connect to the server and change the NIC mode as described in [Setting Up the System With the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility, on page 24](#).
- In *Dedicated* mode, NIC redundancy is set to *None*. In *Cisco Card* mode, the NIC redundancy is set to *Active-Active*. All Ethernet ports are utilized simultaneously.
- DHCP is enabled.
- IPv4 and IPv6 are enabled.

Connection Methods

There are two methods for connecting to the system for initial setup:

- Local setup—Use this procedure if you want to connect a keyboard and monitor directly to the system for setup. This procedure can use the VGA and USB ports on the front of the server.
- Remote setup—Use this procedure if you want to perform setup through your dedicated management LAN.



Note To configure the system remotely, you must have a DHCP server on the same network as the system. Your DHCP server must be preconfigured with the range of MAC addresses for this server node. The MAC address is printed on a label that is on the pull-out asset tag on the front panel. This server node has a range of six MAC addresses assigned to the Cisco IMC. The MAC address printed on the label is the beginning of the range of six contiguous MAC addresses.

Connecting to the Server Locally For Setup

This procedure requires the following equipment:

- VGA monitor

- USB keyboard
- Either the supported Cisco KVM cable (Cisco PID N20-BKVM); or a USB cable and VGA DB-15 cable

Procedure

- Step 1** Attach a power cord to each power supply in your server, and then attach each power cord to a grounded power outlet.
- Wait for approximately two minutes to let the server boot to standby power during the first bootup. You can verify system power status by looking at the system Power Status LED on the front panel. The system is in standby power mode when the LED is amber.
- Step 2** Connect a USB keyboard and VGA monitor to the server using one of the following methods:
- Connect an optional KVM cable (Cisco PID N20-BKVM) to the KVM connector on the front panel. Connect your USB keyboard and VGA monitor to the KVM cable.
 - Connect a USB keyboard and VGA monitor to the corresponding connectors on the rear panel.
- Step 3** Open the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility:
- a) Press and hold the front panel power button for four seconds to boot the server.
 - b) During bootup, press **F8** when prompted to open the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility.

Note

The first time that you enter the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility, you are prompted to change the default password. The default password is *password*. The Strong Password feature is enabled.

The following are the requirements for Strong Password:

- The password can have minimum 8 characters; maximum 14 characters.
- The password must not contain the user's name.
- The password must contain characters from three of the following four categories:
 - English uppercase letters (A through Z)
 - English lowercase letters (a through z)
 - Base 10 digits (0 through 9)
 - Non-alphabetic characters !, @, #, \$, %, ^, &, *, -, _, =, “

- Step 4** Continue with [Setting Up the System With the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility, on page 24](#).
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Connecting to the Server Remotely For Setup

This procedure requires the following equipment:

- One RJ-45 Ethernet cable that is connected to your management LAN.

Before you begin

Note To configure the system remotely, you must have a DHCP server on the same network as the system. Your DHCP server must be preconfigured with the range of MAC addresses for this server node. The MAC address is printed on a label that is on the pull-out asset tag on the front panel. This server node has a range of six MAC addresses assigned to the Cisco IMC. The MAC address printed on the label is the beginning of the range of six contiguous MAC addresses.

Procedure

- Step 1** Attach a power cord to each power supply in your server, and then attach each power cord to a grounded power outlet. Wait for approximately two minutes to let the server boot to standby power during the first bootup. You can verify system power status by looking at the system Power Status LED on the front panel. The system is in standby power mode when the LED is amber.
- Step 2** Plug your management Ethernet cable into the dedicated management port on the rear panel.
- Step 3** Allow your preconfigured DHCP server to assign an IP address to the server node.
- Step 4** Use the assigned IP address to access and log in to the Cisco IMC for the server node. Consult with your DHCP server administrator to determine the IP address.

Note

The default user name for the server is *admin*. The default password is *password*.

- Step 5** From the Cisco IMC Server Summary page, click **Launch KVM Console**. A separate KVM console window opens.
- Step 6** From the Cisco IMC Summary page, click **Power Cycle Server**. The system reboots.
- Step 7** Select the KVM console window.

Note

The KVM console window must be the active window for the following keyboard actions to work.

- Step 8** When prompted, press **F8** to enter the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility. This utility opens in the KVM console window.

Note

The first time that you enter the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility, you are prompted to change the default password. The default password is *password*. The Strong Password feature is enabled.

The following are the requirements for Strong Password:

- The password can have minimum 8 characters; maximum 14 characters.
- The password must not contain the user's name.
- The password must contain characters from three of the following four categories:
 - English uppercase letters (A through Z)
 - English lowercase letters (a through z)
 - Base 10 digits (0 through 9)
 - Non-alphabetic characters !, @, #, \$, %, ^, &, *, -, _, =, “

Step 9 Continue with [Setting Up the System With the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility, on page 24](#).

Setting Up the System With the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility

Before you begin

The following procedure is performed after you connect to the system and open the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility.

Procedure

Step 1 Set the NIC mode to choose which ports to use to access Cisco IMC for server management:

- *Shared LOM EXT* (default)—This is the shared LOM extended mode, the factory-default setting. With this mode, the Shared LOM and Cisco Card interfaces are both enabled. You must select the default *Active-Active* NIC redundancy setting in the following step.

In this NIC mode, DHCP replies are returned to both the shared LOM ports and the Cisco card ports. If the system determines that the Cisco card connection is not getting its IP address from a Cisco UCS Manager system because the server is in standalone mode, further DHCP requests from the Cisco card are disabled. Use the Cisco Card NIC mode if you want to connect to Cisco IMC through a Cisco card in standalone mode.

- *Shared LOM*—The 1-Gb/10-Gb Ethernet ports are used to access Cisco IMC. You must select either the *Active-Active* or *Active-standby* NIC redundancy setting in the following step.
- *Dedicated*—The dedicated management port is used to access Cisco IMC. You must select the *None* NIC redundancy setting in the following step.
- *Cisco Card*—The ports on an installed Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) are used to access the Cisco IMC. You must select either the *Active-Active* or *Active-standby* NIC redundancy setting in the following step.

See also the required VIC Slot setting below.

- *VIC Slot*—Only if you use the Cisco Card NIC mode, you must select this setting to match where your VIC is installed. The choices are Riser1, Riser2, or Flex-LOM (the mLOM slot).
 - If you select Riser1, you must install the VIC in slot 1.
 - If you select Riser2, you must install the VIC in slot 2.
 - If you select Flex-LOM, you must install an mLOM-style VIC in the mLOM slot.

Step 2 Set the NIC redundancy to your preference. This server has three possible NIC redundancy settings:

- *None*—The Ethernet ports operate independently and do not fail over if there is a problem. This setting can be used only with the Dedicated NIC mode.
- *Active-standby*—If an active Ethernet port fails, traffic fails over to a standby port. Shared LOM and Cisco Card modes can each use either Active-standby or Active-active settings.

- *Active-active* (default)—All Ethernet ports are utilized simultaneously. The Shared LOM EXT mode must use only this NIC redundancy setting. Shared LOM and Cisco Card modes can each use either Active-standby or Active-active settings.

Step 3 Choose whether to enable DHCP for dynamic network settings, or to enter static network settings.

Note

Before you enable DHCP, you must preconfigure your DHCP server with the range of MAC addresses for this server. The MAC address is printed on a label on the rear of the server. This server has a range of six MAC addresses assigned to Cisco IMC. The MAC address printed on the label is the beginning of the range of six contiguous MAC addresses.

The *static* IPv4 and IPv6 settings include the following:

- The Cisco IMC IP address.
For IPv6, valid values are 1 - 127.
- The gateway.
For IPv6, if you do not know the gateway, you can set it as none by entering :: (two colons).
- The preferred DNS server address.
For IPv6, you can set this as none by entering :: (two colons).

Step 4 (Optional) Make VLAN settings.

Step 5 Press **F1** to go to the second settings window, then continue with the next step.

From the second window, you can press **F2** to switch back to the first window.

Step 6 (Optional) Set a hostname for the server.

Step 7 (Optional) Enable dynamic DNS and set a dynamic DNS (DDNS) domain.

Step 8 (Optional) If you check the Factory Default check box, the server reverts to the factory defaults.

Step 9 (Optional) Set a default user password.

Note

The factory default username for the server is *admin*. The default password is *password*.

Step 10 (Optional) Enable auto-negotiation of port settings or set the port speed and duplex mode manually.

Note

Auto-negotiation is applicable only when you use the Dedicated NIC mode. Auto-negotiation sets the port speed and duplex mode automatically based on the switch port to which the server is connected. If you disable auto-negotiation, you must set the port speed and duplex mode manually.

Step 11 (Optional) Reset port profiles and the port name.

Step 12 Press **F5** to refresh the settings that you made. You might have to wait about 45 seconds until the new settings appear and the message, “Network settings configured” is displayed before you reboot the server in the next step.

Step 13 Press **F10** to save your settings and reboot the server.

Note

If you chose to enable DHCP, the dynamically assigned IP and MAC addresses are displayed on the console screen during bootup.

What to do next

Use a browser and the IP address of the Cisco IMC to connect to the Cisco IMC management interface. The IP address is based upon the settings that you made (either a static address or the address assigned by your DHCP server).



Note The factory default username for the server is *admin*. The default password is *password*.

To manage the server, see the *Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Server Configuration Guide* or the *Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Server CLI Configuration Guide* for instructions on using those interfaces for your Cisco IMC release. The links to the configuration guides are in the [Cisco UCS C-Series Documentation Roadmap](#).

Updating the BIOS and Cisco IMC Firmware



Caution When you upgrade the BIOS firmware, you must also upgrade the Cisco IMC firmware to the same version or the server does not boot. Do not power off the server until the BIOS and Cisco IMC firmware are matching or the server does not boot.

Cisco provides the *Cisco Host Upgrade Utility* to assist with simultaneously upgrading the BIOS, Cisco IMC, and other firmware to compatible levels.

The server uses firmware obtained from and certified by Cisco. Cisco provides release notes with each firmware image. There are several possible methods for updating the firmware:

- **Recommended method for firmware update:** Use the Cisco Host Upgrade Utility to simultaneously upgrade the Cisco IMC, BIOS, and component firmware to compatible levels.
See the *Cisco Host Upgrade Utility Quick Reference Guide* for your firmware release at the documentation roadmap link below.
- You can upgrade the Cisco IMC and BIOS firmware by using the Cisco IMC GUI interface.
See the *Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Server Configuration Guide*.
- You can upgrade the Cisco IMC and BIOS firmware by using the Cisco IMC CLI interface.
See the *Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Server CLI Configuration Guide*.

For links to the documents listed above, see the [Cisco UCS C-Series Documentation Roadmap](#).

Accessing the System BIOS

Procedure

Step 1 Enter the BIOS Setup Utility by pressing the **F2** key when prompted during bootup.

Note

The version and build of the current BIOS are displayed on the Main page of the utility.

- Step 2** Use the arrow keys to select the BIOS menu page.
- Step 3** Highlight the field to be modified by using the arrow keys.
- Step 4** Press **Enter** to select the field that you want to change, and then modify the value in the field.
- Step 5** Press the right arrow key until the Exit menu screen is displayed.
- Step 6** Follow the instructions on the Exit menu screen to save your changes and exit the setup utility (or press **F10**). You can exit without saving changes by pressing **Esc**.
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Smart Access Serial

This server supports the Smart Access Serial feature. This feature allows you to switch between host serial and Cisco IMC CLI.

- This feature has the following requirements:
 - A serial cable connection, which can use either the RJ-45 serial connector on the server rear panel, or a DB-9 connection when using the KVM cable (Cisco PID N20-BKVM) on the front-panel KVM console connector.
 - Console redirection must be enabled in the server BIOS.
 - Terminal type must be set to VT100+ or VTUFT8.
 - Serial-over-LAN (SOL) must be disabled (SOL is disabled by default).
- To switch from host serial to Cisco IMC CLI, press **Esc+9**.

You must enter your Cisco IMC credentials to authenticate the connection.
- To switch from Cisco IMC CLI to host serial, press **Esc+8**.



Note You cannot switch to Cisco IMC CLI if the serial-over-LAN (SOL) feature is enabled.

- After a session is created, it is shown in the CLI or web GUI by the name `serial`.

Smart Access USB

This server supports the Smart Access USB feature. The board management controller (BMC) in this server can accept a USB mass storage device and access the data on it. This feature allows you to use the front-panel USB device as a medium to transfer data between the BMC and the user without need for network connectivity. This can be useful, for example, when remote BMC interfaces are not yet available, or are not accessible due to network misconfiguration.

- This feature has the following requirements:

- The KVM cable (Cisco PID N20-BKVM) connected to the front panel KVM console connector.
- A USB storage device connected to one of the USB 2.0 connectors on the KVM cable. The USB device must draw less than 500 mA to avoid disconnect by the current-protection circuit.



Note Any mouse or keyboard that is connected to the KVM cable is disconnected when you enable Smart Access USB.

- You can use USB 3.0-based devices, but they will operate at USB 2.0 speed.
- We recommend that the USB device have only one partition.
- The file system formats supported are: FAT16, FAT32, MSDOS, EXT2, EXT3, and EXT4. NTFS is not supported.
- The front-panel KVM connector has been designed to switch the USB port between Host OS and BMC.
- Smart Access USB can be enabled or disabled using any of the BMC user interfaces. For example, you can use the Cisco IMC Configuration Utility that is accessed by pressing **F8** when prompted during bootup.
 - Enabled: the front-panel USB device is connected to the BMC.
 - Disabled: the front-panel USB device is connected to the host.
- In a case where no management network is available to connect remotely to Cisco IMC, a Device Firmware Update (DFU) shell over serial cable can be used to generate and download technical support files to the USB device that is attached to front panel USB port.

Shutting Down and Removing Power From the Server

The server can run in either of two power modes:

- Main power mode—Power is supplied to all server components and any operating system on your drives can run.
- Standby power mode—Power is supplied only to the service processor and certain components. It is safe for the operating system and data to remove power cords from the server in this mode.



Caution After a server is shut down to standby power, electric current is still present in the server. To completely remove power as directed in some service procedures, you must disconnect all power cords from all power supplies in the server.

You can shut down the server by using the front-panel power button or the software management interfaces.

Shutting Down Using the Power Button

Procedure

Step 1 Check the color of the Power button/LED:

- Amber—The server is already in standby mode and you can safely remove power.
- Green—The server is in main power mode and must be shut down before you can safely remove power.

Step 2 Invoke either a graceful shutdown or a hard shutdown:

Caution

To avoid data loss or damage to your operating system, you should always invoke a graceful shutdown of the operating system.

- Graceful shutdown—Press and release the **Power** button. The operating system performs a graceful shutdown and the server goes to standby mode, which is indicated by an amber Power button/LED.
- Emergency shutdown—Press and hold the **Power** button for 4 seconds to force the main power off and immediately enter standby mode.

Step 3 If a service procedure instructs you to completely remove power from the server, disconnect all power cords from the power supplies in the server.

Shutting Down Using The Cisco IMC CLI

You must log in with user or admin privileges to perform this task.

Procedure

Step 1 At the server prompt, enter:

Example:

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server# scope chassis
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Step 2 At the chassis prompt, enter:

Example:

```
server/chassis# power shutdown
```

The operating system performs a graceful shutdown and the server goes to standby mode, which is indicated by an amber Power button/LED.

Step 3 If a service procedure instructs you to completely remove power from the server, disconnect all power cords from the power supplies in the server.

Shutting Down Using The Cisco IMC GUI

You must log in with user or admin privileges to perform this task.

Procedure

Step 1 In the Navigation pane, click the **Server** tab.

Step 2 On the Server tab, click **Summary**.

Step 3 In the Actions area, click **Power Off Server**.

Step 4 Click **OK**.

The operating system performs a graceful shutdown and the server goes to standby mode, which is indicated by an amber Power button/LED.

Step 5 If a service procedure instructs you to completely remove power from the server, disconnect all power cords from the power supplies in the server.



APPENDIX A

Server Specifications

- [Physical Specifications, on page 31](#)
- [Environmental Specifications, on page 31](#)
- [Power Specifications, on page 33](#)
- [Power Cord Specifications, on page 36](#)

Physical Specifications

The following table lists the physical specifications for the server.

Table 3: Physical Specifications

Description	Specification
Height	1.7 in. (43.2 mm)
Width	16.9 in. (429.0 mm)
Depth (length)	Server only: 30 in. (762 mm) Server with slide rail: 31.5 in (800.1 mm)
Weight	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maximum, fully configured with rail kit: 42.43 lb (19.30 kg)• Minimum with 1 HDD, 1 CPU, 1DIMM, and 1 1600 W PSU, no rail kit: 22.32 lb (10.13 kg)

Environmental Specifications

The following table lists the environmental requirements and specifications for the server.

Table 4: Physical Specifications

Description	Specification
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Temperature, Operating	<p>10° C to 35° C (50° F to 95° F) with no direct sunlight</p> <p>Derate the maximum temperature by 1° C per every 300 meters of altitude above sea level.</p> <p>Note</p> <p>Although the ASHRAE guidelines define multiple classes with different operating ranges, the <i>recommended</i> temperature and humidity operating range is the same for each class. The <i>recommended</i> temperature and humidity ranges are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating Temperature: 64.4°F to 80.6°F (18°C to 27°C) <p>For general information, see the Cisco Unified Computing System Site Planning Guide: Data Center Power and Cooling.</p>
Temperature, non-operating (when the server is stored or transported)	<p>Below -40° C or above 65° C (below -40° F or above 149° F)</p> <p>Maximum rate of change (operating and non-operating) 20° C/hr (36° F/hr)</p>
Extended Operating Temperature	<p>5° C to 40° C (41° F to 104° F) with no direct sunlight</p> <p>Maximum allowable operating temperature derated</p> <p>1° C/175 m (1° F/319 ft) above 950 m (3117 ft)</p> <p>5° C to 45° C (41° F to 113° F) with no direct sunlight</p> <p>Maximum allowable operating temperature derated</p> <p>1° C/125 m (1° F/228 ft) above 950 m (3117 ft)</p> <p>System performance may be impacted when operating in the extended operating temperature range.</p> <p>Operation above 40° C is limited to less than 1% of annual operating hours.</p> <p>Hardware configuration limits apply to extended operating temperature range.</p>
Humidity (RH), operating	8 to 90% and 24° C (75o F) maximum dew-point temperature, non-condensing environment
Humidity (RH), non-operating (when the server is stored or transported)	Below 5% or above 95% and 33o C (91o F) maximum dew-point temperature, non-condensing environment
Altitude, operating	0 to 10,000 feet
Altitude, non-operating (when the server is stored or transported)	0 to 40,000 feet
Sound power level Measure A-weighted per ISO7779 LwAd (Bels) Operation at 73°F (23°C)	5.8

Sound pressure level Measure A-weighted per ISO7779 LpAm (dBA) Operation at 73°F (23°C)	43
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Power Specifications



Note Do not mix power supply types or wattages in the server. Both power supplies must be identical.

You can get more specific power information for your exact server configuration by using the Cisco UCS Power Calculator:

<http://ucspowercalc.cisco.com>

The power specifications for the supported power supply options are listed in the following sections.

1050 W DC Power Supply

This section lists the specifications for each 1050 W DC power supply (Cisco part number UCSC-PSUV2-1050DC).

Table 5: 1050 W DC Specifications

Description	Specification
DC Input Voltage	Nominal range: -48 to -60 VDC (Range: -40 to -72 VDC)
Maximum DC input current	32 A at -40 VDC
Maximum input wattage	1234 W
Maximum inrush current	35 A (sub-cycle duration)
Maximum hold-up time	5 ms at 100% load (1050 W main and 36 W standby)
Maximum output power per PSU	1050 W on 12 VDC main power 36 W on 12 VDC standby power
Power supply output voltage	12 VDC
Power supply standby voltage	12 VDC
Efficiency rating	≥ 92% at 50% load
Form factor	RSP2
Input connector	Fixed 3-wire block

1200 W AC Power Supply

This section lists the specifications for each 1200 W AC power supply (Cisco part number UCSC-PSU1-1200W-D).

Table 6: 1200 W AC Specifications

Description	Specification
AC input voltage	Range: 100–230 VAC
AC input frequency	Range: 50 to 60Hz
Maximum AC input current	12.97 A at 100 VAC
Maximum input volt-amperes	1345 VA at 208 VAC
Maximum inrush current	20 A
Maximum hold-up time	12 ms at 1200 W
Maximum output power per PSU	1100 W at 100–120 VAC 1200 W at 208–230 VAC
Power supply output voltage	12 VDC
Power supply standby voltage	12 VDC
Efficiency rating	Climate Savers Platinum Efficiency (80Plus Titanium certified)
Form factor	RSP2
Input connector	IEC320 C14

1600 W AC Power Supply

This section lists the specifications for each 1600 W AC power supply (Cisco part number UCSC-PSU1-1600W).

Table 7: 1600 W AC Specifications

Description	Specification
AC Input Voltage	Nominal range: 200–240 VAC (Range: 180–264 VAC)
AC Input Frequency	Nominal range: 50 to 60Hz (Range: 47–63 Hz)
Maximum AC Input current	9.5 A at 200 VAC
Maximum input volt-amperes	1250 VA at 200 VAC

Maximum inrush current	30 A at 35° C
Maximum hold-up time	80 ms at 1600 W
Maximum output power per PSU	1600 W at 200–240 VAC
Power supply output voltage	12 VDC
Power supply standby voltage	12 VDC
Efficiency rating	Climate Savers Platinum Efficiency (80Plus Platinum certified)
Form factor	RSP2
Input connector	IEC320 C14

2300 W AC Power Supply

This section lists the specifications for each 2300 W AC power supply (Cisco part number UCSC-PSU1-2300).

Table 8: 2300 W AC Specifications

Description	Specification
AC Input Voltage	Nominal range: 100–230 VAC (Range: 90–264 VAC)
AC Input Frequency	Nominal range: 50 to 60Hz (Range: 47–63 Hz)
Maximum AC Input current	13 A at 100 VAC
Maximum input volt-amperes	2515 VA at 208 VAC
Maximum inrush current	30 A at 35° C
Maximum hold-up time	80 ms at 1600 W
Maximum output power per PSU	2300W at 220-240V input and 1200W at 110-120V
Power supply output voltage	12 VDC
Power supply standby voltage	12 VDC
Efficiency rating	Climate Savers Platinum Efficiency (80Plus Platinum certified)
Form factor	RSP2
Input connector	IEC320 C20

Power Cord Specifications

Each power supply in the server has a power cord. Standard power cords or jumper power cords are available for connection to the server. The shorter jumper power cords, for use in racks, are available as an optional alternative to the standard power cords.



Note Only the approved power cords or jumper power cords listed below are supported.

Table 9: Supported Power Cords

Description	Length (Feet)	Length (Meters)
CAB-48DC-40A-8AWG DC power cord, -48 VDC, 40 A, 8 AWG Three-socket Mini-Fit connector to three-wire	11.7	3.5
CAB-C13-C14-AC AC power cord, 10 A; C13 to C14, recessed receptacle	9.8	3.0
CAB-250V-10A-AR AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A Argentina	8.2	2.5
CAB-C13-C14-2M-JP AC Power Cord, C13 to C14 Japan PSE Mark	6.6	2.0
CAB-9K10A-EU AC Power Cord, 250 V, 10 A; CEE 7/7 Plug Europe	8.2	2.5
CAB-250V-10A-IS AC Power Cord, 250 V, 10 A Israel	8.2	2.5
CAB-250V-10A-CN AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A PR China	8.2	2.5
CAB-ACTW AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A Taiwan	7.5	2.3

CAB-C13-CBN AC cabinet jumper power cord, 250, 10 A, C13 to C14	2.2	0.68
CAB-C13-C14-2M AC cabinet jumper power cord, 250 V, 10 A, C13 to C14	6.6	2.0
CAB-9K10A-AU AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A, 3112 plug, Australia	8.2	2.5
CAB-N5K6A-NA AC power cord, 200/240 V, 6 A, North America	8.2	2.5
CAB-250V-10A-ID AC power Cord, 250 V, 10 A, India	8.2	2.5
CAB-9K10A-SW AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A, MP232 plug Switzerland	8.2	2.5
CAB-250V-10A-BR AC power Cord, 250 V, 10 A Brazil	8.2	2.5
CAB-9K10A-UK AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A (13 A fuse), BS1363 plug United Kingdom	8.2	2.5
CAB-9K12A-NA AC power cord, 125 V, 13 A, NEMA 5-15 plug North America	8.2	2.5
CAB-AC-L620-C13 AC power cord, NEMA L6-20 to C13 connectors	6.6	2.0
CAB-9K10A-IT AC power cord, 250 V, 10 A, CEI 23-16/VII plug Italy	8.2	2.5

R2XX-DMYMPWRCORD No power cord; PID option for ordering server with no power cord	NA	NA
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APPENDIX **B**

Storage Controller Considerations

- [Storage Controller Cable Connectors and Backplanes, on page 39](#)

Storage Controller Cable Connectors and Backplanes

This section describes cabling for the storage controllers and backplanes. The SAS/SATA cables are factory-installed and are used for all supported internal controllers.

This section also contains diagrams that show the cable-to-drive mapping.

Cisco 24G Modular SAS RAID Controller or HBA For Up To 10 Drives (UCSC-RAID-HP, UCSC-RAID-M1L16, UCSC-HBA-M1L16)

These controller are supported 10-Drives SSD server version.

This HW RAID or HBA option can control up to 10 front-loading SAS/SATA drives in this server version.

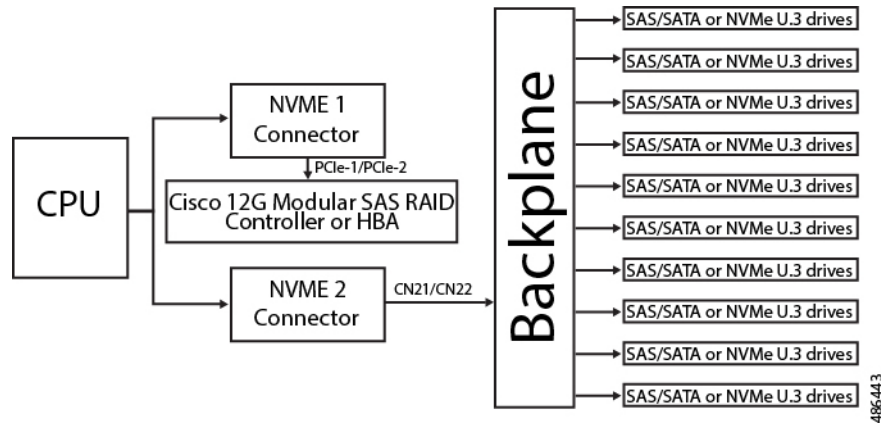


Note Front NVMe drives are not managed by the RAID controllers.

1. Server supports one Cisco M8 24G SAS RAID or Cisco M8 24G SAS HBA Controller that connects to the mother board.
 - Front-loading drive bays 1—10 support 2.5-inch SAS/SATA drives
 - Optionally, front-loading drive bays 1 to 4 support 2.5-inch NVMe SSDs (with optional front NVMe cables). These are not managed by the controller.

Drives 1 and 2 connect to NVMe connector A. Drives 3 and 4 connect to NVMe connector B.

Figure 12: Cisco UCS C225 M8 Block Diagram with Cisco M8 24G SAS RAID or Cisco M8 24G SAS HBA Controller



2. Server supports all NVMe drive version.

- Front-loading drive bays 1—10 support 2.5-inch SAS/SATA or NVMe U.3 drives connected to backplane.

Figure 13: Cisco UCS C225 M8 Block Diagram without RAID Controller

