Cisco Service and Application Module for IP Overview

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The following versions of the Cisco SAMI are available:

- Cisco Service and Application Module for IP (WS-SVC-SAMI-BB-K9)
- spare Cisco Service and Application Module for IP (WS-SVC-SAMI-BB-K9=)

Additionally, a 4-GB memory option is available (MEM-SAMI-6P-4GB). SAMI 4.0 will support 4GB DIMMs in addition to the presently supported 2GB DIMMs. The SAMI hardware limits the number of ranks to 2.

Note

Please reference the documentation for the Cisco software application you are using to determine if the 4-GB memory option is supported.

The Cisco SAMI, is a high-performance Cisco software application module that occupies one slot in the Cisco 7600 Series Router platform.

With an IXP2800 network processor flow-distributor running at 1.4 GHz, and six PowerPCs (PPC) running an instance of the same version of a Cisco software application at 1.25 GHz, the Cisco SAMI offers a parallel architecture for Cisco software applications such as the Cisco Content Services Gateway - 2nd Generation (CSG2), the Cisco Gateway GPRS Support Node (GGSN), the Cisco Mobile Wireless Home Agent (HA), the Cisco Wireless Security Gateway (WSG), the Cisco Broadband Wireless Gateway and Cisco IP Transfer Point (ITP), and the Cisco Long Term Evolution (LTE) Gateway products.

A session to each Cisco software application on a SAMI PCC can be established from the supervisor to configure, monitor, and troubleshoot the application.

Figure 1-1 illustrates the SAMI architecture:
Figure 1-1  SAMI Architecture

[Diagram showing the architecture of the Cisco Service and Application Module for IP (SAMI). The diagram includes details such as Crossbar switch, Processor 0, Line Card Control Processor, DB1 Console, Module Console, EOBC, Compact Flash, DB2 Console, NP1 Console, NP2 Console, Proc 1, Proc 2, Network Processor, and Security Processor.]
Figure 1-2 illustrates the flow of data on the SAMI.

**Figure 1-2 SAMI Data Flow**

The following sections describe the primary SAMI hardware and software features:
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**Hardware Features**

The SAMI provides the following hardware features:
- Backplane Interface, page 1-4
- Line Card Control Processor, page 1-4
- Classification and Distribution Engine, page 1-4
- Network Processor, page 1-4
- Daughter Cards, page 1-5
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Backplane Interface

The SAMI backplane interface is a switch fabric-enabled interface, with a supported bandwidth of 16 Gbps TX/RX.

Line Card Control Processor

On the SAMI, a BCM1250 dualcore CPU running at 700 MHz provides the following functionality as the line card control processor (LCP):

- Brings up the module and various basecard elements and the SAMI daughter cards (DC0 and DC1).
- Interfaces with compact flash to store and retrieve daughter card images.
- Interfaces with supervisor engine during an image bundle upgrade, and automatically upgrades the PPC ROMMON images during the upgrade.
- Provides an Ethernet Out-of-Band Channel (EOBC) interface to the daughter card PPCs that supports features such as the session command, the execute-on command, and the remote console and logging (RCAL) feature.
- Monitors the module (for example, temperature and path health) and manages the various components on the module.
- Provides a 32-bit 33 MHz PCI interface to the network processor (IXP1) and daughter cards (DC0 and DC1).
- Sends error messages to the supervisor engine.

Classification and Distribution Engine

The SAMI classification and distribution engine (CDE) classifies and distributes packets to various source and destinations on the board and provides the Cisco 7600 Series Router chassis backplane interface.

The data flows (Figure 1-2 on page 1-3) are as follows:

- Backplane interface to the network processor (IXP0/1)—Ingress traffic is forwarded to IXP0s based on the CDE VLAN destination configuration.
- Network processor (IXP0/1 to daughter card 1 (DC0) and daughter card 2 (DC1)—IXP0 classifies traffic and forwards to DC0/DC1 PPCs.
- DC0/DC1 to backplane interface—Egress traffic is forwarded to backplane interface. For some applications such as PDSN, LTE PGW and LTE SGW, and the CSG 2, DC0/DC1 also sends packets to Network Processor. Details are available in the respective applications guides.
- LCP to/from DC0/DC1—Control/management traffic.
- DC0 to DC1/DC1 to DC0—Inter-processor, inter-daughter card Cisco software application traffic.

Network Processor

A Intel IXP2800 network processor (IXP0/1) on the baseboard load balances which classifies ingress packets for forwarding to the PPCs on the daughter cards.
Daughter Cards

The two SAMI daughter cards (DC0 and DC1) provide the following primary components:

- First In, First Out (FIFO) queuing interfaces to the baseboard.
- Complex programmable logic device (CPLD) that provides peripheral access.
- Field programmable gate array (FPGA) that classifies and forwards ingress traffic from the network processor to the PPCs, and forwards egress traffic from the PPCs to the backplane interface.
- Six PowerPC (PPC) SC8548H CPUs at 1.25 GHz that support:
  - 2 GB double data rate 2 (DDR2) synchronous dynamic RAM (SDRAM) per PPC at 250 megahertz (MHz), upgradable to one 4 GB dual in-line memory module (DIMM) each.
  - SAMI is enhanced with 4GB DRAM memory modules for each PPC giving a total of 24GB memory per card. But, the available memory is limited to 3264MB per PPC (19GB per card), due to the limitation of 32 bit architecture of the PPC.
  - 32 MB bootflash in which to store ROMMON, nonvolatile variables, crashinfo, and user filesystems.
  - One instance of the same Cisco software application image. (Six instances of the same image per SAMI.)

Each PPC on a SAMI runs the same version of a Cisco software application image. This is the default installation during an image upgrade. Different Cisco software application images can run on separate SAMIs within the same Cisco 7600 chassis.

There are two types PPC operating systems that can run on the Cisco SAMI PPCs - the Cisco IOS or the Common OS Services Linux Infra (COSLI) operating system. The Cisco software application determines the PPC operating system used.

All PPCs can function together as one entity.

The supervisor engine and the SAMI can be configured to store the running configuration of each PPC on the supervisor engine, enabling a SAMI to be replaced while retaining PPC configurations.

- Daughter card data path—32-bit FIFO at 125 MHz DDR (8 Gbps).
- PPC data path—16-bit FIFO at 125 MHz single data rate (SDR) (2 Gbps).

Security Processor

The Nitrox-II security processor is used for packet encryption and decryption, as well as encapsulation and decapsulation offload.

Compact Flash Memory

Configuration, software images, and core files are stored in the compact flash memory.

To generate core files from the TP, configure the `singleip tftp-baseport port` command. This command is available for single IP SAMI.
Software/Firmware Features

Note
Support for the following features is dependent upon the Cisco software application running on the Cisco SAMI PPCs. To determine if a Cisco SAMI feature is supported by the application, refer to the application documentation.

The SAMI provides the following software features:

- PCI Based IXP IPC
- Configuring Multiple IXPs
- Packet Egress Through IXP, page 1-6
- MAC Propagation to IXP for IPv4/IPv6 Addresses, page 1-6
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Packet Egress Through IXP

This feature allows an enabled packet to go through IXP in the PPC egress path. Whether the packet goes through IXP is determined internally by the application running over the PPC.

MAC Propagation to IXP for IPv4/IPv6 Addresses

This feature enables propagation of MAC addresses to the IXP. In the IXP dataplane, when the IXP forwards the packet, it needs to know the MAC address of the next-hop. The MAC resolver helps by maintaining an updated record of IP to MAC mapping using the data from ARP/IPv6 ND. It shares this MAC information with the IXP, which in turn helps the IXP to pick up the destination MAC for the packet.

This feature is an internal feature used to facilitate datapath acceleration, and not configurable by the user.

IXP Configuration Using Packet Trailers for CSG2 R5.0

The Packet Trailers feature allows the CSG to add additional data at the end of an IP packet. The CSG may use this to share some data with the IXP to facilitate an acceleration path. This feature is an internal feature used to facilitate datapath acceleration, and not configurable by the user.
IPC Load Management

The IPC Management feature identifies and monitors resources that are critical for the IPC. The number of IPC messages on the Cisco CSG2 application is expected to be high, thus the need to manage those messages.

PPC Configuration File Storage on the Supervisor Engine

The PPC Configuration File Storage on the Supervisor feature enables the startup configuration file of each of the SAMI PPCs to be stored in the supervisor engine bootflash. This feature enables a SAMI in a specific slot to be replace without losing the configurations associated with each of the PPCs on the SAMI.

For information about enabling this feature, see “Enabling the Supervisor to Store PPC Startup Configuration Files” section on page 3-6.

Remote Console and Logging

Remote console and logging (RCAL) enables operators to use the supervisor engine console as a single connection point from which to access the LCP and the PPCs on the SAMI daughter cards to control debugging, display `show` commands, and view logging output for the PPCs on the SAMI.

For information about configuring RCAL support, see “Configuring Remote Console and Logging” section on page 3-20.

Session Support

From the supervisor engine console, sessions to the SAMI LCP, network processor (IXP0), and the PPCs can be established.

Note

The Cisco software application running on the SAMI PPCs might not support a console connection. To determine if an application supports a connection, see the documentation for that application (see the “Related Documentation” section on page 9).

Specifically, the following sessions, listed by number, can be established:

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<th>Session #</th>
<th>Component</th>
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<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>LCP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>IXP0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>IXP1 (for future use)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>DC0, PPC0</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>DC0, PPC1</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>DC0, PPC2</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>DC1, PPC0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>DC1, PPC1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>DC1, PPC2</td>
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</table>
For information about establishing sessions, see “Establishing Console Sessions” section on page 3-2. For information on establishing a console connection, see “Establishing a Console Connection on the SAMI” section on page 4-23.

Health Monitoring

A SAMI PPC can be configured to send probes to monitor the health of its path to the network processor, or to monitor the health of all paths to the supervisor engine.

If a PPC does not receive a response to a probe that it has sent, it determines that there is an issue with a path. If this condition occurs, the PPC can be configured to send a notification to the LCP that instructs the LCP to reset the SAMI.

For more information about configuring health monitoring on the SAMI, see the “Configuring Health Monitoring” section on page 4-24.

High Availability

High availability is provided through a stateful switchover redundancy scheme on the supervisor engine.

For information on configuring redundancy on the Cisco 7600, refer to the Cisco 7600 router documentation in the “Related Documentation” section on page -9.

Hot Fabric Sync

The switch fabric module functionality is built into the Supervisor Engine 720 and the RSP720. When a supervisor engine switchover occurs, a fabric switchover also occurs. During this process, the line cards must resynchronize with the new active switch fabric. The Hot Fabric Sync feature, which is enabled by default, keeps both the active and standby fabric in sync at the same time, minimizing the switchover time and thereby minimizing any impact on switch fabric traffic. To verify the fabric sync status of active and standby supervisors, enter the show fabric status command.
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With Cisco IOS 12.2(33)SRC on the supervisor, this feature is supported on the Cisco 7603-S, Cisco 7604, Cisco 7606-S, and Cisco 7609-S routers. With Cisco IP Transfer Point, Cisco IOS Release 12.2(25)IRA or later, the Hot Fabric Sync feature is supported on the SAMI.

For more information about the Hot Fabric Sync feature, refer to the Cisco 7600 documentation in the “Related Documentation” section on page 9.

IEEE 802.1 Q-in-Q VLAN Tag Termination

The Cisco SAMI supports IEEE 802.1Q-in-Q VLAN Tag Termination.

Encapsulating IEEE 802.1Q VLAN tags within 802.1Q enables service providers to use a single VLAN to support customers who have multiple VLANs. The IEEE 802.1Q-in-Q VLAN Tag Termination feature on the subinterface level preserves VLAN IDs and keeps traffic in different customer VLANs segregated.

For information about configuring IEEE 802.1Q-in-Q VLAN Tag Termination support, see the Cisco IOS LAN Switching Configuration Guide, Release 12.2SR.

Cisco Software Application Support

Each of the PPCs on a SAMI runs an instance of the same version of a Cisco software application image. Multiple SAMIs running a different Cisco software application on its PPCs can be implemented within the same chassis.

Note

There are two types PPC operating systems that can run on the Cisco SAMI PPCs - the Cisco IOS or the Common OS Services Linux Infra (COSLI) operating system. The Cisco software application determines the PPC operating system used.

The list of Cisco software applications supported on SAMI includes, but is not limited to, the following Cisco software applications:

- Cisco Wireless Security Gateway, Release 1.0 or later.
- Cisco Broadband Wireless Gateway, Cisco IOS Release 12.4(15)XL1 or later.
- Cisco Content Services Gateway 2, Cisco IOS Release 12.3(11)MD or later.
- Cisco GPRS Gateway Support Node, Cisco IOS Release 12.4(15)XQ or later.
- Cisco Home Agent, Cisco IOS Release 12.4(15)XM or later.
- Cisco IP Transfer Point, Cisco IOS Release 12.2(25)IRA or later.
- Cisco Packet Data Serving Node, Cisco IOS Release 12.4(15)XR or later.

Note

The features supported on the Cisco SAMI PPC are dependent on the Cisco software application running on the SAMI PPCs. Refer to the Cisco software application documentation to determine if a feature is supported by the SAMI for the application.

See the “Related Documentation” section on page 9 for a list of documents related to the Cisco software applications.
Front Panel Description

Figure 3 illustrates the front panel of the SAMI.

Figure 3  SAMI Front Panel

This section describes the following components on the front panel:

- Status LED, page 1-10
- Reset Button, page 1-11
- USB Port, page 1-12
- RJ-45 Console Connector, page 1-12

Status LED

When you power on the SAMI, it initializes various hardware components and communicates with the supervisor engine. The status LED indicates supervisor engine operations and initialization results. During the normal initialization sequence, the status LED changes from off to red, orange, and green.

Note

For information about supervisor engine LEDs, see the Cisco 7600 Series Router Module Installation Guide.

Table 1 describes status LED operation.
Table 1  Status LED Description

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<th>LED Color</th>
<th>Description</th>
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| Off       | Indicates one of the following conditions:  
  - The SAMI is waiting for the supervisor engine to provide power.  
  - The SAMI is offline.  
  - The SAMI is not receiving power, which may be caused by one of the following:  
    - Power is not available to the module.  
    - Module temperature is over the limit.  
  Enter the `show environment temperature mod` command at the supervisor engine command-line interface (CLI) to display the temperature of each of the four sensors on the module. |
| Red       | Indicates one of the following conditions:  
  - The SAMI is released from reset by the supervisor engine and is booting.  
  - The boot code failed to run. |
| Orange    | Indicates one of the following conditions:  
  - The SAMI is initializing hardware or communicating with the supervisor engine.  
  - A fault occurred during the initialization sequence.  
  - The SAMI failed to download its Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs) at startup. The module continues with the remainder of the initialization sequence and provides the module online status from the supervisor engine.  
  - The SAMI has not received the module online status from the supervisor engine. This problem may be caused by the supervisor engine detecting a failure in an external loopback test that it issued to the module. |
| Green     | The SAMI is operational; the supervisor engine has provided module online status. |
| Green to Orange | The SAMI is disabled through the supervisor engine CLI using the `no power enable module` command. |

Reset Button

Caution

Do not remove the SAMI from the Cisco 7600 Series Router until the module has shut down completely and the status LED is orange. To avoid damaging the SAMI, you must correctly shut down the module before you remove it from the chassis or before you disconnect the power. You may damage the SAMI if you remove it from the switch before it completely shuts down.

The Reset button manually shuts down the SAMI. To properly shut down the SAMI to prevent data loss, enter the `no power enable module` command in configuration mode at the router CLI.

If the SAMI fails to respond to this command, shut down the module by using a small pointed object (such as a paper clip) to access the Reset button on the front panel of the SAMI. The shutdown procedure may take several minutes. The Status LED turns off when the module shuts down.
USB Port

The USB port is not used.

RJ-45 Console Connector

In general, the SAMI RJ-45 console port is not used except for possibly some specific cases of troubleshooting and recovery that might require accessing the LCP through the external console port.

System Requirements and Specifications

The following sections describe the system requirements and specifications for the SAMI:

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System Requirements

Note

The supervisor engine module and its Cisco IOS software image is dependent on the supervisor engine being used and the Cisco software application running on the Cisco SAMI processors.

For the hardware and software requirements of the Cisco software application you are running on the Cisco SAMI, refer to the documentation for that application.

Before you install the SAMI with preloaded software in the Cisco 7600 series router chassis, ensure that the chassis contains the following:

- Any module that has ports to connect to the server and client networks.
- Supervisor Engine 720, with a Multilayer Switch Feature Card, running Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRB1 and later.
  or
- Cisco 7600 Series Supervisor Engine 32, with a Multilayer Switch Feature Card, running Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRC and later. Supervisor Engine 32 support requires LCP ROMMON Version 12.2[121] and later on the Cisco SAMI.

For details on upgrading the Cisco IOS release running on the supervisor engine, refer to the “Upgrading to a New Software Release” section in the Release Notes for Cisco IOS Release 12.2SR.

For information about verifying and upgrading the LCP ROMMON image on the Cisco SAMI, see the “Manually Upgrading an LCP ROMMON Image” section on page 4-9.

The SAMI occupies a single slot in the Cisco 7600 Series Router chassis.
The maximum number of SAMIs supported in one chassis is dependent on the Cisco software application running on the SAMI PPCs. Therefore, for the maximum number of SAMIs supported in a chassis, refer to the application documentation (see the “Related Documentation” section on page 9).

For more information on the Cisco 7600 Series Router, see the Cisco 7600 Series Router Installation Guide:


**Power Requirements**

The SAMI operates on power supplied by the Cisco 7600 Series Router. The SAMI power consumption is 300 watts (1024 BTU/hr).

**Memory Requirements**

The SAMI memory is not configurable.

**Environmental Requirements**

Table 1-2 lists the environmental requirements for the SAMI.

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<td>Temperature, ambient nonoperating</td>
<td>-40° to 70°C (32° to 158°F)</td>
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<td>Humidity (RH), ambient (noncondensing) operating</td>
<td>10% to 90%</td>
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<td>Nonoperating relative humidity (noncondensing)</td>
<td>5% to 97%</td>
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<td>Altitude</td>
<td>15,000 ft. above sea level (non-operational) 9,800 ft. above sea level (operational)</td>
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<td>Airflow</td>
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**Physical Specifications**

Table 1-3 lists the physical specifications of the SAMI.

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Agency Approvals

Emissions:
- CE marking
- EN 55022, 1998, class A
- CISPR22, 1997, class A
- AS/NZS CISPR 22 class A
- CFR47, Part 15, class A
- ICES 003 class A
- VCCI Class A
- EN61000-3-2 Harmonic Current Emission
- EN61000-3-3 Voltage Fluctuation and Flicker

Immunity:
- CE Marking
- CISPR24, ITE-Immunity characteristics, Limits and methods of measurement
- EN 55024, ITE-Immunity characteristics, Limits and methods of measurement
- EN50082-1, Electromagnetic compatibility - Generic immunity standard
- EN 300 386 Telecommunications Network Equipment (EMC)
- EN61000-6-1 Generic Immunity Standard