



Huawei CloudEngine 8851 Switch Datasheet

Huawei CloudEngine 8851 series switches provide high-density 400GE/200GE/100GE/50GE ports and high performance.

Product Overview

Huawei CloudEngine 8851 series switches are 100G Ethernet switches designed for data centers and high-end campus networks. The switches provide high-performance, high-density 400GE/200GE/100GE/50GE ports. CloudEngine 8851 series switches support extensive data center features. In addition, the CloudEngine 8851 series use a flexible airflow design (front-to-back or back-to-front).

CloudEngine 8851 series can work with CloudEngine 16800 or CloudEngine 12800 series data center core switches to build elastic, virtual, and high-quality 400GE/100GE full-mesh networks, meeting requirements of cloud computing data centers.

CloudEngine 8851 series switches can function as core or aggregation switches on data center networks to help enterprises and carriers build a scalable data center network platform in the cloud computing era. They can also be used as aggregation or core switches for enterprise campus networks.

Product Appearance

The CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P provides 32*100GE QSFP28 or 32*200GE QSFP56 downlink ports, and 8*400GE QSFP-DD uplink ports.



Product Characteristics

High-Density 400GE/200GE/100GE/50GE Aggregation and Outstanding Switching Capacity

- The CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P provides 19.2 Tbps switching capacity, forwarding performance of 4,350 Mpps, and supports L2/L3 line-speed forwarding.
- The CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P provides 32*100GE QSFP28 ports, or 32*200GE QSFP56 ports and 8*400GE QSFP-DD ports. The CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P can function as the core or aggregation switch on a data center or campus network.

Inter-device Link Aggregation, High Efficiency and Reliability

- CloudEngine 8851 series support multi-chassis link aggregation group (M-LAG), which enables links of multiple switches to aggregate into one to implement device-level link backup.
- Switches in an M-LAG all work in active state to share traffic and back up each other, enhancing system reliability.
- Switches in an M-LAG can be upgraded independently. During the upgrade, other switches in the system take over traffic forwarding to ensure uninterrupted services.
- M-LAG supports dual-homing to Ethernet, VXLAN, and IP networks, allowing for flexible networking.

Virtualized Hardware Gateway, Enabling Quick Deployment

- CloudEngine 8851 series can connect to a cloud platform through open APIs, facilitating unified management of virtual and physical networks.
- CloudEngine 8851 series can work with the industry's mainstream virtualization platforms. The virtualization function protects investments because services can be deployed quickly without requiring network changes.
- The hardware gateway deployment enables fast service deployment without changing the customer network, providing investment protection.
- CloudEngine 8851 series support Border Gateway Protocol - Ethernet VPN (BGP-EVPN), which can run as the VXLAN control plane to simplify VXLAN configuration within and between data centers.

Standard Interfaces, Enabling Openness and Interoperability

- CloudEngine 8851 series support NETCONF and can work with Huawei iMaster NCE-Fabric.
- CloudEngine 8851 series support Ansible-based automatic configuration and open-source module release, expanding network functions and simplifying device management and maintenance.
- CloudEngine 8851 series can be integrated into mainstream SDN and cloud computing platforms flexibly and quickly.

ZTP, Implementing Automatic O&M

- CloudEngine 8851 series support Zero Touch Provisioning (ZTP). ZTP enables the CloudEngine 8851 series to automatically obtain and load version files from a file server, freeing network engineers from onsite configuration and deployment. ZTP reduces labor costs and improves device deployment efficiency.
- ZTP provides built-in scripts through open APIs. Data center personnel can use a programming language they are familiar with, such as Python, to centrally configure network devices.
- ZTP decouples the configuration time of new devices from the device quantity and area distribution, which improves service provisioning efficiency.

FabricInsight-based Intelligent O&M

- The CloudEngine 8851 provides telemetry technology to collect device data in real time and send the data to Huawei data center network analyzer iMaster NCE-FabricInsight. The iMaster NCE-FabricInsight analyzes network data based on the intelligent fault identification algorithm, accurately displays the real-time network status, effectively demarcates and locates faults in a timely manner, and identifies network problems that affect user experience, accurately guaranteeing user experience.

iMaster NCE-based Simplified Network Deployment

- CloudEngine 8851 series switches can interconnect with iMaster NCE-Fabric through standard protocols such as NetConf and SNMP to implement network automatic management and control, providing more efficient and intelligent operation methods, simplifying network management, and reducing the OPEX.

Flexible Airflow Design, Improving Energy Efficiency

Flexible front-to-back or back-to-front airflow design

- CloudEngine 8851 series use a strict front-to-back or back-to-front airflow design that isolates cold air channels from hot air channels. This design improves heat dissipation efficiency and meets design requirements of data center equipment rooms.
- Air can flow from front to back or back to front depending on the fans and power modules that are used.
- Redundant power modules and fans can be configured to ensure service continuity.

Innovative energy-saving technologies

- CloudEngine 8851 series have innovative energy-saving chips and can measure system power consumption in real time. The fan speed can be adjusted dynamically based on system consumption. These energy-saving technologies reduce O&M costs and contribute to a greener data center.

Clear Indicators, Simplifying Maintenance

Clear indicators

- Port indicators clearly show the port status and port rate.
- State and stack indicators on both the front and rear panels enable users to maintain the switch from either side.
- CloudEngine 8851 series support remote positioning. Remote positioning indicators enable users to easily identify the switches they want to maintain in an equipment room full of devices.

Simple maintenance

- The management port, fans, and power modules are on the front panel, which facilitates device maintenance.
- Data ports are located at the rear, facing servers. This simplifies cabling.

Licensing

CloudEngine 8851 supports Huawei IDN One Software (N1 mode for short) licensing mode. The CloudFabric N1 business model combines the NCE controller, analyzer, and CloudEngine switch software for use in a range of common scenarios. This simplifies transactions, provides customers with more functions and value, and protects their software investment with Software License Portability.

Product	Feature	N1 Mandatory Software Packages				N1 Add-on Software Packages		
		Management	Foundation	Advanced	Premium	Security Function	AI Fabric RDMA Application Acceleration Function Package	AI Fabric NOF+ Storage Function Package
CloudEngine 8851 Series Switch								
	Basic software	√	√	√	√			
	IPV6	√	√	√	√			
	VXLAN	√	√	√	√			
	Telemetry		√	√	√			
	NSH			√	√			
	MACsec					√		
	LLETH						√	√
	AI ECN						√	√
	NOF+							√
iMaster NCE-Fabric	Automatic deployment function		√	√	√			
	Basic intent functions (simulation and verification, and network-wide configuration rollback)				√			
iMaster NCE-FabricInsight	Basic network analysis functions of Telemetry		√	√	√			
	Network health evaluation			√	√			
	Value-added functions for network traffic analysis				√			

Product	Feature	N1 Mandatory Software Packages				N1 Add-on Software Packages		
	(managing 100 VMs)							
Version Mapping		Select one from the four options. The Foundation software package contains functions of the Management software package, the Advanced software package contains functions of the Foundation software package, and the Premium software package contains functions of the Advanced software package.				It is used with the Management, Foundation, Advanced, or Premium software package.		
For details about product function differences, refer to the product documentation.								

Note: For detailed information of Huawei CloudFabric N1 Business Model, visit <https://e.huawei.com/en/material/networking/dcs/switch/03a0e69bfa2c4f168323ba94a75f1f09>

Product Specifications

Note: This content is applicable only to regions outside Chinese mainland. Huawei reserves the right to interpret this content.

Functions and Features

Item	CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
Device virtualization	M-LAG
Network virtualization	VXLAN
	BGP-EVPN
SDN	iMaster NCE-Fabric
Network convergence	PFC and AI ECN
	RDMA and RoCE (RoCE v1 and RoCE v2)
Programmability	OPS programming
	OpenFlow
	Ansible-based automatic configuration and open-source module release
Traffic analysis	NetStream
VLAN	Adding access, trunk, and hybrid interfaces to VLANs
	Default VLAN
MAC address	Dynamic learning and aging of MAC address entries
	Static, dynamic, and blackhole MAC address entries
	Packet filtering based on source MAC addresses
	MAC address limiting based on ports and VLANs
IP routing	IPv4 routing protocols, such as RIP, OSPF, IS-IS, and BGP
	IPv6 routing protocols, such as RIPng, OSPFv3, IS-ISv6, and BGP4+
	IP packet fragmentation and reassembly
IPv6	VXLAN over IPv6

Item	CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
	IPv6 VXLAN over IPv4
	IPv6 Neighbor Discovery (ND)
	Path MTU Discovery (PMTU)
	TCP6, IPv6 ping, IPv6 tracet, IPv6 socket, UDP6, and raw IPv6
Reliability	Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP)
	STP, RSTP, VBST, and MSTP
	BPDU protection
	Smart Link and multi-instance
	Hardware-based Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD)
	VRRP, VRRP load balancing, and BFD for VRRP
	BFD for BGP/IS-IS/OSPF/static route
	BFD for VXLAN
QoS	Traffic classification based on Layer 2, Layer 3, Layer 4, and priority information
	ACL, CAR, re-marking, and scheduling
	Queue scheduling modes such as PQ, DRR, and PQ+DRR
	Congestion avoidance mechanisms, including WRED and tail drop
	Traffic shaping
Intelligent O&M	Network-wide path detection
	Telemetry
	ERSPAN+
	IOAM
	AnyFlow
	Intelligent Traffic Analysis
	Packet Event
	ERSPAN+
	Statistics on the buffer microburst status
	VXLAN OAM: VXLAN ping and VXLAN tracet
Intelligent and Lossless Network	PFC Deadlock Prevention
	AI ECN
	ECN Overlay
	iQCN(intelligent Quantized Congestion Notification)
	NOF+
Configuration and maintenance	Console, Telnet, and SSH terminals
	Network management protocols, such as SNMPv1/v2/v3

Item	CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
	File upload and download through FTP and TFTP BootROM upgrade and remote upgrade
	Hot patches
	User operation logs
	Zero Touch Provisioning (ZTP)
Security and management	MACsec ¹
	Command line authority control based on user levels, preventing unauthorized users from using commands
	Defense against DoS attacks, ARP storms, and ICMP attacks
	Port isolation, port security, and sticky MAC
	Binding of the IP address, MAC address, port number, and VLAN ID
	Authentication methods, including AAA, RADIUS, and HWTACACS
	Remote Network Monitoring (RMON)

1 Hardware Ready. Capabilities to enable MACsec is on the software roadmap.

Performance and Scalability

Item	CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
Maximum number of MAC address entries	800K
Maximum number of routes (FIB IPv4/IPv6)	1M/256K
ARP table size	128K
Maximum number of VRFs	4K
IPv6 ND table size	128K
Maximum number of VRRP groups	1024
Maximum number of ECMP paths	128
Maximum number of VXLAN bridge domains	16K
Maximum number of BDIF interfaces	32K
Maximum number of tunnel endpoints (VTEPs)	16K
Maximum number of LAGs	1024
Maximum number of links in a LAG	128
Maximum number of MSTP instances	64
Maximum number of VLANs where VBST can be configured	1000

Note: This specification may vary between different scenarios. Please contact Huawei for details.

Hardware Specifications

Item	CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
Physical features	Dimensions (W × D × H) 442 mm x 600 mm x 43.6 mm

Item		CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
	Weight (excluding optical transceivers, power modules, and fan assemblies/including AC power modules and fan assemblies, excluding optical transceivers, kg)	9.1/12.2
	Switching capacity (Tbit/s)	19.2
	Forwarding performance (Mpps)	4350
40/100GE QSFP28 ports		32
200GE QSFP56 ports ²		32
400GE QSFP-DD ports ²		8
Management interface	Out-of-band management port	1 x GE RJ45 management interface
	Console port	1 x RJ45 interface
	USB port	1
CPU	Main frequency (GHz)	1.4
	Number of cores	4
Storage	RAM	8 GB
	NOR flash	64 MB
	NAND flash	4 GB
System	System buffer	64 MB
Power supply	Power modules	1200 W AC
	Rated voltage range (V)	AC: 100 V to 240 V
	Maximum voltage range (V)	AC: 90 V to 290 V
	Maximum input current	AC 600 W: 100 V to 240 V, 8 A
	Typical power	32 x 200GE + 8 x 400GE: 590 W (50% traffic load, copper cables for all ports, normal temperature, dual power modules) 32 x 100GE + 8 x 400GE: 560 W (50% traffic load, copper cables for all ports, normal temperature, dual power modules); 693 W (50% traffic load, short-distance optical modules for all ports, normal temperature, dual power modules)
	Maximum power	32 x 200GE + 8 x 400GE: 1152 W (100% traffic load, all downlink ports with 2 W 50GE optical modules, all uplink ports with 6.5 W 200GE optical modules, 40°C, dual power modules) 32 x 100GE + 8 x 400GE: 973 W (100% traffic load, all downlink ports with 1.5 W 25GE optical modules, all uplink ports with 5 W 100GE optical modules, 40°C, dual power modules)
	Frequency (AC, Hz)	50/60
Heat dissipation	Heat dissipation mode	Air cooling
	Number of fan trays	6
	Heat dissipation airflow	Front-to-back or back-to-front airflow

Item		CloudEngine 8851-32CQ8DQ-P
	Maximum heat consumption (BTU/hour)	32 x 200GE + 8 x 400GE: 3927 BTU/hour (100% traffic load, all downlink ports with 2 W 50GE optical modules, all uplink ports with 6.5 W 200GE optical modules, 40°C, dual power modules) 32 x 100GE + 8 x 400GE: 3323 BTU/hour (100% traffic load, all downlink ports with 1.5 W 25GE optical modules, all uplink ports with 5 W 100GE optical modules, 40°C, dual power modules)
Environment specifications	Long-term operating temperature (°C)	0°C to 40°C (0-1800 m) The temperature decreases by 1°C each time the altitude increases by 220 m.
	Storage temperature (°C)	-40°C to +70°C
	Relative humidity	5% to 95%
	Operating altitude (m)	Up to 5000
	Surge protection	AC power supply protection: 6 kV in common mode and 6 kV in differential mode
Reliability	MTBF (year)	21.59
	MTTR (hour)	1.5
	Availability	0.9999920679

2 By default, the CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P supports only 32*100GE ports. To upgrade to 32*200GE ports, purchase the CE88-RTU-U32CQ hardware RTU. To use 8*400GE QSFPDD ports, purchase the CE88-RTU-8DQ hardware RTU.

Note: For detailed information of CloudEngine 8800 hardware information, visit <https://support.huawei.com/enterprise/en/doc/EDOC1000019246?idPath=7919710%7C21782165%7C21782239%7C22318540%7C7597815>.

Safety and Regulatory Compliance

The following table lists the safety and regulatory compliance of CloudEngine 8800 series switches.

Certification Category	Description
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EN 60950-1 EN 60825-1 EN 60825-2 UL 60950-1 CSA-C22.2 No. 60950-1 IEC 60950-1 AS/NZS 60950-1 GB4943
Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EN 300386 EN 55032: CLASS A EN 55024 IEC/EN 61000-3-2 IEC/EN 61000-3-3 FCC 47CFR Part15 CLASS A ICES-003: CLASS A CISPR 32: CLASS A

Certification Category	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CISPR 24 • AS/NZS CISPR32 • VCCI- CISPR32: CLASS A • GB9254 CLASS A
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2011/65/EU EN 50581 • 2012/19/EU EN 50419 • (EC) No.1907/2006 • GB/T 26572 • ETSI EN 300 019-1-1 • ETSI EN 300 019-1-2 • ETSI EN 300 019-1-3 • ETSI EN 300 753 GR63

Note

EMC: electromagnetic compatibility

CISPR: International Special Committee on Radio Interference

EN: European Standard

ETSI: European Telecommunications Standards Institute

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations

FCC: Federal Communication Commission

IEC: International Electrotechnical Commission

AS/NZS: Australian/New Zealand Standard

VCCI: Voluntary Control Council for Interference

UL: Underwriters Laboratories

CSA: Canadian Standards Association

Supported MIBs

For details about the MIB information, visit <https://support.huawei.com/enterprise/en/switches/cloudengine-8800-pid-21128158/doc>.

Optical Transceivers and Cable

For details about the optical transceivers and cables information, visit <https://e.huawei.com/en/material/networking/dcs/switch/f6d91cf16df0474998087676a33fd41e>.

Ordering Information

Mainframe	
CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P Switch(32*100GE QSFP28,8*400G QSFPDD ,Without Fan and Power Module)(CM)
CE8851-32CQ8DQ-PB	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-PB Switch(32*100GE QSFP28,8*400G QSFPDD,2*AC Power Module,6*FAN Box,Port-side Intake)(CM)
CE8851-32CQ8DQ-PF	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-PF Switch(32*100GE QSFP28,8*400G QSFPDD,2*AC Power

Mainframe

Module,6*FAN Box,Port-side Exhaust)(CM)

Fan Tray

Model	Description	Applicable Product
FAN-036A-F	Fan box(F,FAN panel side intake)	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P
FAN-036A-B	Fan box(B,FAN panel side exhaust)	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P

Power

Model	Description	Applicable Product
PAC1K2S12-CB	1200W AC&240V DC Power Module (Back to Front,Power panel side air-out)	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P
PAC1K2S12-CF	1200W AC&240V DC Power Module (Front to Back,Power panel side intake)	CE8851-32CQ8DQ-P

Hardware RTU

CE88-RTU-8DQ	8*400G Port Right-to-Use for CloudEngine 8800
CE88-RTU-U32CQ	32*100G Upgrade to 32*200G Right-to-Use for CloudEngine 8800

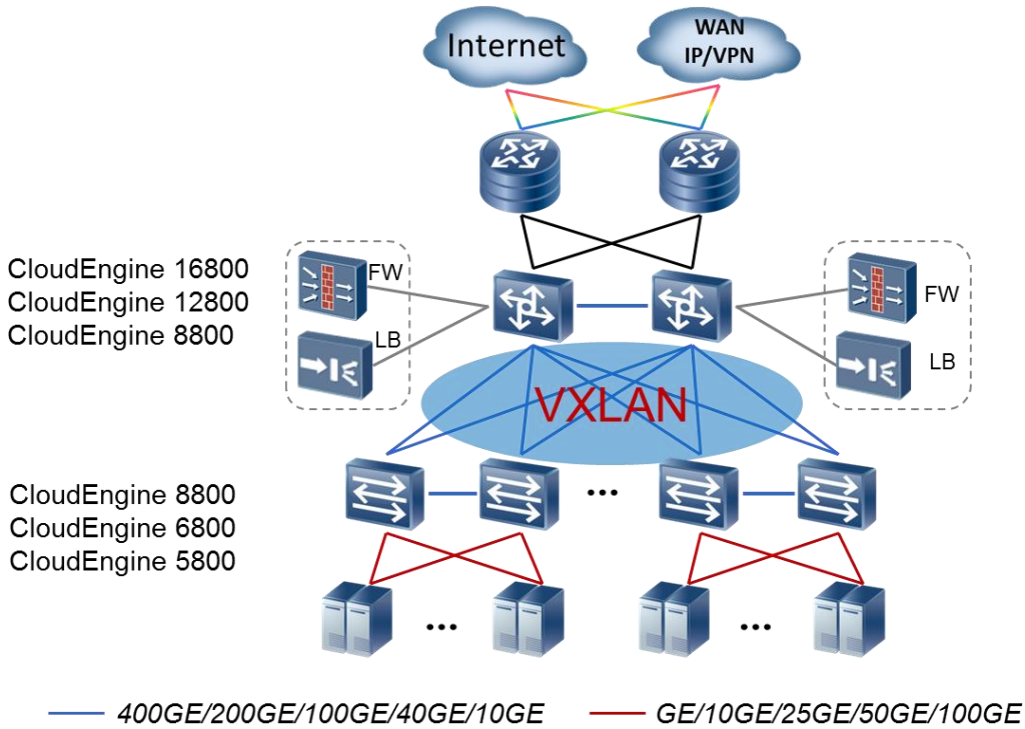
Software

N1-CE88LIC-CFMM	N1-CloudFabric Management SW License for CloudEngine 8800
N1-CE88CFMM-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Foundation SW License for CloudEngine 8800
N1-CE88LIC-CFFD	N1-CloudFabric Foundation SW License for CloudEngine 8800
N1-CE88CFFD-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Foundation SW License for CloudEngine 8800-SnS-Year
N1-CE88LIC-CFAD	N1-CloudFabric Advanced SW License for CloudEngine 8800
N1-CE88CFAD-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Advanced SW License for CloudEngine 8800-SnS-Year
N1-CE88LIC-CFPM	N1-CloudFabric Premium SW License for CloudEngine 8800
N1-CE88CFPM-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Premium SW License for CloudEngine 8800 -SnS-Year
N1-CE88LIC-AFRD-2	N1-CloudEngine 8800 AI Fabric RDMA Application Acceleration Function 2
N1-CE88AFRD2-SnS1Y	N1-CloudEngine 8800 AI Fabric RDMA Application Acceleration Function 2-SnS-Year
N1-CE88LIC-NOF+	N1-CloudEngine 8800 AI Fabric Value-added Package for the NOF+ Storage Scenarios
N1-CE88NOF+-SnS1Y	N1-CloudEngine 8800 AI Fabric Value-added Package for the NOF+ Storage Scenarios-SnS-Year

Networking and Application

Data Center Applications

On a typical data center network, CloudEngine 8851 switches work as TOR switches and connect to CloudEngine 16800 or CloudEngine 12800 or CloudEngine 8800 switches using 400GE/100GE ports, building an end-to-end 400GE/100GE full-mesh network. The core and TOR switches use fabric technologies such as VXLAN to build a non-blocking large Layer 2 network, which allows for large-scale VM migration and flexible service deployment.



Note: VXLAN can also be used on campus networks to support flexible service deployment in different service areas.

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