

New Cisco Catalyst 4948E Ethernet Switch for High-Performance Data Center Access

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Cisco is announcing the new Cisco Catalyst[®] 4948E Ethernet Switch optimized for full-featured server-access switching. The Cisco Catalyst 4948E offers forty-eight 10/100/1000-Gbps RJ45 downlink ports and four 1/10 Gigabit Ethernet uplink ports and is designed to simplify data center architecture and operations by offering enterprise-class hardware and software in a one-rack-unit (1RU) form factor optimized for smart top-of-rack (ToR) data center deployments (Figure 1).





New Features

The Cisco Catalyst 4948E offers:

- Twice the uplink capacity of the previous switch generation
- 1+1 power supply and fan redundancy for hardware replacement with no downtime
- · Strict front-to-back cooling with no side or top venting
- · Large shared packet buffers for microburst protection
- · Nonblocking internal packet switching for east-to-west traffic patterns
- · Full set of Layer 2 and 3 forwarding features
- Outstanding multicast performance
- Zero-touch provisioning with Cisco IOS[®] Embedded Event Manager (EEM)
- Advanced quality of service (QoS)
- IP Version 6 (IPv6) switching and routing in hardware
- Extended MAC address tables to enable server virtualization

Table 1 summarizes the main features of the Cisco Catalyst 4900 Series Switches.

Feature	Cisco Catalyst 4948 Switch	Cisco Catalyst 4948 10 Gigabit Ethernet Switch	Cisco Catalyst 4948E Switch		
Performance					
Switching capacity	96 Gbps	136 Gbps	176 Gbps		
Throughput	72 million packets per second (mpps)	102 mpps	131-mpps IPv4 switching 110-mpps IPv6 switching		
CPU	266 MHz	666 MHz	1.0 GHz		
Synchronous Dynamic RAM (SDRAM)	256 MB	256 MB	1024 MB		
Active VLANs	4096	4096	4096		
Multicast entries	28,000 (Layer 3)16,000 (Layer 2)	 28,000 (Layer 3) 16,000 (Layer 2)	 32,000 (IPv4 Layer 3) 16,000 (IPv6 Layer 3) 32,000 (Layer 2) 		
Spanning Tree Protocol instances	1500	1500	3000		
Switched virtual interfaces (SVIs)	2000	2000	4000		
Security and QoS hardware entries	16,000	16,000	32,000		
MAC addresses	32,000	55,000	55,000		
Switched Port Analyzer (SPAN)	2 ingress and 4 egress	2 ingress and 4 egress	8 ingress and 8 egress		
Minimum software requirement	Cisco IOS Software Release 12.2(20) EWA or later	Cisco IOS Software Release 12.2(25) EWA or later	Cisco IOS Software Release 12.2(54) XO or later		

Table 1. Cisco Catalyst 4900 Series Features

Cisco IOS Software

The Cisco Catalyst 4948E supports three levels of Cisco IOS Software, summarized in Table 2. The basic level is LAN Base, developed for deployments that require data center - class hardware along with Layer 2 switching. The next level of software is IP Base; most customers will deploy this level of software because it offers many of the value-added Cisco[®] features that provide operational consistency and an easy-to-manage environment. The top level of software is Enterprise Services. Enterprise Services adds support for advanced routing protocols such as Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), Intermediate System to Intermediate System (IS-IS), and Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP).

Table 2.	Software C	Configuration	Options
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Cisco EnergyWise Flexlink+ Layer 2 traceroute	EIGRP-stub OSPF for routed access IEEE 802.1Q-in-IEEE 802.1Q	 BGPv4 EIGRP OSPFv2 and v3 IS-IS
Multicast Listerier Discovery (NLD) snooping Rapid Per VLAN Spanning Tree Plus (RPVST+) Static routing Routing Information Protocol (RIP) Cisco SmartPort macros	 (QinQ) IP service-level agreement (IP-SLA) responder Network Mobility Service Protocol (NMSP) Layer 2 Protocol Tunneling (L2PT) Stub IP multicast Cisco IOS EEM Gateway Load Balancing Protocol (GLBP) 	 IP-SLA Nonstop Forwarding (NSF) Policy-Based Routing (PBR) Virtual Route Forwarding Lite (VRF-Lite) Multicast VRF-Lite

Ordering Information

Table 3 provides ordering information for the Cisco Catalyst 4948E.

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Description	Part Number		
Hardware			
Catalyst 4948E 48x 10/100/1000(RJ45)+4*10GbE(SFP+), opt sw, no p/s	WS-C4948E		
Catalyst 4948E 48x 10/100/1000(RJ45)+4*10GbE(SFP+), IP Base IOS, AC p/s	WS-C4948E-S		
Catalyst 4948E 48x 10/100/1000(RJ45)+4*10GbE(SFP+), Ent Ser IOS, AC p/s	WS-C4948E-E		
Green Bundle 10x WS-C4948E	WS-C4948E-BDL		
Catalyst 4948E 300WAC power supply rear exhaust (spare)	PWR-C49E-300AC-R(=)		
Catalyst 4948E 300WAC redundant power supply rear exhaust	PWR-C49E-300AC-R/2		
Catalyst 4948E 300WDC power supply (spare)	PWR-C49-300DC(=)		
Catalyst 4948E 300WDC redundant power supply (spare)	PWR-C49-300DC/2		
Software			
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (LAN Base image)	S49LB-12254XO(=)		
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (LAN Base image with Triple Data Encryption)	S49LBK9-12254XO(=)		
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (IP Base image)	S49IPB-12254XO(=)		
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (IP Base image with Triple Data Encryption)	S49IPBK9-12254XO(=)		
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (Enterprise Services image with BGP support)	S49ES-12254XO(=)		
Cisco IOS Software for Cisco Catalyst 4948E Series Switches (Enterprise Services image with 3DES and BGP support)	S49ESK9-12254XO(=)		
Catalyst 4948 IP Base Upgrade License for LAN Base IOS	WS-C4900-SW-LIC		
Power Cables			
AC Power cord, 110V North America, Japan	CAB-US515-C15-US(=)		
AC Power cord, 220V North America	CAB-N5K6A-NA(=)		
AC Power cord (Australia, New Zealand)	CAB-AS3112-C15-AU(=)		
AC Power cord (Europe)	CAB-CEE77-C15-EU(=)		
AC Power cord CD12 (Italy)	CAB-C2316-C15-IT(=)		
AC Power cord (Argentina)	CAB-IR2073-C15-AR(=)		
AC Power cord (South Africa, India)	CAB-SABS-C15-IND(=)		
AC Power cord (United Kingdom)	CAB-BS1363-C15-UK(=)		
AC Power cord (Switzerland)	CAB-9K10A-SW(=)		
Accessories			
Cisco Catalyst 4948E spare fan tray rear exhaust	WS-X4993(=)		

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For More Information

For more information about the Cisco Catalyst 4948E, visit http://www.cisco.com/go/4900.



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