

Huawei CloudEngine 6881E Switch Datasheet

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Product Overview

Huawei CloudEngine 6881E series switches are next-generation 10GE/25GE access switches that provide high performance and high port density on data center networks and high-end campus networks. The CloudEngine 6881E series have advanced hardware architecture with 40GE/100GE uplink ports and high-density 10GE/25GE access ports. Using Huawei's VRP8 software platform, CloudEngine 6881E series switches support extensive data center features and high stacking capabilities. In addition, the CloudEngine 6881E series use a flexible airflow design (front-to-back or back-to-front). CloudEngine 6881E series can work with CloudEngine 16800 or CloudEngine 12800 series data center core switches to build elastic, virtual, and high-quality 40GE/100GE full-mesh networks, meeting requirements of cloud computing data centers.

CloudEngine 6881E series provide high-density 10GE/25GE access to help enterprises and carriers build a scalable data center network platform in the cloud computing era. They can also work as core or aggregation switches on campus networks.

Product Appearance

CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ series switches provide 24 x 10GE SFP+ ports and 24 x 25GE SFP28 ports, 6 x 100GE QSFP28 ports.



Product Characteristics

High-Density Access

- CloudEngine 6881E series provide up to 48 x 10GE ports or 24 x 25GE ports, allowing for high-density 10GE/25GE server access and smooth evolution.
- CloudEngine 6881E series provide up to 6 x 100GE QSFP28 ports. Each QSFP28 port can also be used as one 40GE QSFP+ port, providing flexibility in networking. The uplink 40GE/100GE ports can be connected to CloudEngine 16800 or CloudEngine 12800 series switches to build a non-blocking network platform.

Inter-device Link Aggregation, High Efficiency and Reliability

- CloudEngine 6881E 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 system all work in active state to share traffic and back up each other, enhancing system reliability.
- Switches in an M-LAG system 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 6881E series can connect to a cloud platform through open APIs, facilitating the unified management of virtual and physical networks.
- CloudEngine 6881 series can work with the industry's mainstream virtualization platforms. The virtualization function protects investments by ensuring 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 6881E 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 6881E series support NETCONF and can work with Huawei iMaster NCE-Fabric.
- CloudEngine 6881E series support Ansible-based automatic configuration and open-source module release, expanding network functions and simplifying device management and maintenance.
- CloudEngine 6881E series can be integrated into mainstream SDN and cloud computing platforms flexibly and quickly.

ZTP, Implementing Automatic O&M

- CloudEngine 6881E series support Zero Touch Provisioning (ZTP). ZTP enables the CloudEngine 6881E series to automatically obtain and load version files from a USB flash drive or 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 6881E 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 6881E 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/back-to-front airflow design

- CloudEngine 6881E series use a strict front-to-back/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 6881E 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. The 100GE port indicators can show the states of all ports derived from the 100GE ports.
- State and stack indicators on both the front and rear panels enable users to maintain the switch from either side.
- CloudEngine 6881E 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 6881E 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		
		Management	Foundation	Advanced
CloudEngine 6881E Series Switch				
	Basic software	√	√	√
	IPV6	√	√	√
	VXLAN	√	√	√
	Telemetry		√	√
	NSH			√
Controller	SDN Automation		√	√
iMaster NCE-FabricInsight Analyzer	Basic network analysis functions of Telemetry		√	√
	Network Health (Intelligent O&M 1-3-5)			√
Version Mapping		Select one from the three options. The Foundation software package contains functions from the Management software package, and the Advanced software package contains functions from the Foundation software package.		
For details about product function differences, refer to the product documentation.				

Note: V200R005C20, V200R019C10 and later versions can support N1 mode

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 mainland China. Huawei reserves the right to interpret this content.

Functions and Features

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
Device virtualization	iStack
	M-LAG
Network virtualization	VXLAN
	BGP-EVPN
	QinQ access VXLAN
Data center interconnect	VXLAN mapping, implementing interconnection between multiple DCI networks at Layer 2
SDN	iMaster NCE-Fabric

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
Network convergence	PFC and 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
	sFlow
VLAN	Adding access, trunk, and hybrid interfaces to VLANs
	Default VLAN
	QinQ
	MUX 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
	IPv6 VXLAN over IPv4
	IPv6 Neighbor Discovery (ND)
	Path MTU Discovery (PMTU)
	TCP6, IPv6 ping, IPv6 tracer, IPv6 socket, UDP6, and Raw IP6
Multicast	Multicast routing protocols such as IGMP, PIM-SM, and MBGP
	IGMP snooping
	IGMP proxy
	Fast leaving of multicast member interfaces
	Multicast traffic suppression
	Multicast VLAN
Reliability	Fine-grained microsegmentation isolation
	Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP)
	STP, RSTP, VBST, and MSTP
	BPDU Guard
	Smart Link and multi-instance

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
	Device Link Detection Protocol (DLDP)
	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
NSH	IETF-defined NSH
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
O&M	iPCA (Packet Conservation Algorithm for Internet)
	Network-wide path detection
	Telemetry
	ERSPAN+
	Statistics on the buffer microburst status
	VXLAN OAM: VXLAN ping and VXLAN tracet
Configuration and maintenance	Console, Telnet, and SSH terminals
	Network management protocols, such as SNMPv1/v2/v3
	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	Command line authority control based on user levels, preventing unauthorized users from using commands
	Defense against DoS address 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)

Performance and Scalability

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
Maximum number of MAC address entries	256K

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
Maximum number of Forwarding routes (FIB IPv4/IPv6)	256K/80K
ARP table size	256K
Maximum number of VRF	4096
IPv6 ND (Neighbor Discovery) table size	80K
Maximum Number of multicast routes (Multicast FIB IPv4/IPv6)	32K/2K
Maximum VRRP groups	1024
Maximum number of ECMP paths	128
Maximum ACL number	30K
Maximum number of broadcast domains	16K
Maximum number of BDIF	16K
Maximum number of tunnel endpoints (VTEP)	2K
Maximum number of lag group	1024
Maximum number of links in a lag group	128
Maximum number of MSTP instance	64
VBST (Maximum number of VLANs where VBST can be configured)	500

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

Hardware Specifications

Item	CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ	
Physical Features	Dimensions (W x D xH, mm)	442*420*43.6
	Weight (excluding optical transceivers, power modules, and fan assemblies/ including AC power modules and fan assemblies, excluding optical transceivers, kg)	5.7/7.8
	Switching capacity (Tbps)	2.88
	Forwarding performance (Mpps)	940
25GE SFP28 ports	24	
10GE SFP+ ports	24	
40/100GE QSFP28 ports	6	
Management interface	Out-of-band management port	1*GE management interface
	Console port	1*RJ45 interface
	USB port	1
CPU	Main frequency (HZ)	1.4G
	Number of cores	4

Item		CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
Storage	RAM	4GB
	NOR Flash	64MB
	NAND Flash	4GB
System	System buffer	42MB
Power Supply System	Power modules	600W AC 1000W -48V DC 1200W 380V HVDC
	Rated voltage range (V)	AC: 100V to 240V DC: -48V to -60V HVDC: 240V to 380V
	Maximum voltage range (V)	AC: 90V to 290V DC: -38.4V to -72V HVDC: 190V to 400V
	Maximum input current	AC 600W: 100V to 240V 8 A 1000W -48V DC: -48 to 60V 30A 1200W 380V HVDC: 190V 8A
	Typical power	203 W (100% traffic load, 3 m network cables and copper cables, normal temperature, dual power modules) 252 W (100% traffic load, 3 m network cables and short-distance optical modules, normal temperature, dual power modules)
	Maximum power	363W
	Frequency (AC, HZ)	50/60
Heat Dissipation	Heat dissipation mode	Air cooling
	Number of fan trays	4
	Heat dissipation airflow	Front-to-back or back-to-front airflow
	Maximum heat consumption (BTU/hr)	1239
Environment specifications	Long-term operating temperature (°C)	0°C to 40°C (0-1800m) 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
	Sound power at 27°C (dBA)	Front-to-back airflow: < 67 Back-to-front airflow: < 66
	Sound power at 40°C (dBA)	Front-to-back airflow: < 84 Back-to-front airflow: < 83
	Sound pressure at 27°C (dBA)	Front-to-back airflow: 53 in average (maximum: 58)

Item		CloudEngine 6881E-48S6CQ
		Back-to-front airflow: 52 in average (maximum: 57)
	Surge protection	AC power supply protection: 6 kV in common mode and 6 kV in differential mode DC power supply protection: 4 kV in common mode and 2 kV in differential mode
Reliability	MTBF (year)	45.90
	MTTR (hour)	1.57
	Availability	0.9999960856

Note: For detailed information of CloudEngine 6800 Platform 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 6881E 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 • 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

Certification Category	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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

<http://support.huawei.com/hedex/hdx.do?docid=EDOC1100020548&lang=en&idPath=7919710%7C21782165%7C21782239%7C22318540%7C7597815>

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	
CE6881E-48S6CQ	CE6881E-48S6CQ switch (24*25G SFP28,24*10G SFP+, 6*100G QSFP28, without fan and power modules)
CE6881E-48S6CQ-B	CE6881E-48S6CQ-B switch (24*25G SFP28,24*10G SFP+, 6*100G QSFP28, 2*AC power modules, 4*fan modules, port-side intake)
CE6881E-48S6CQ-F	CE6881E-48S6CQ-F switch (24*25G SFP28,24*10G SFP+, 6*100G QSFP28, 2*AC power modules, 4*fan modules, port-side exhaust)

Fan Tray

Model	Description	Applicable Product
FAN-031A-F	Fan box (F,FAN panel side intake)	CE6881E-48S6CQ
FAN-031A-B	Fan box (B,FAN panel side exhaust)	CE6881E-48S6CQ

Power

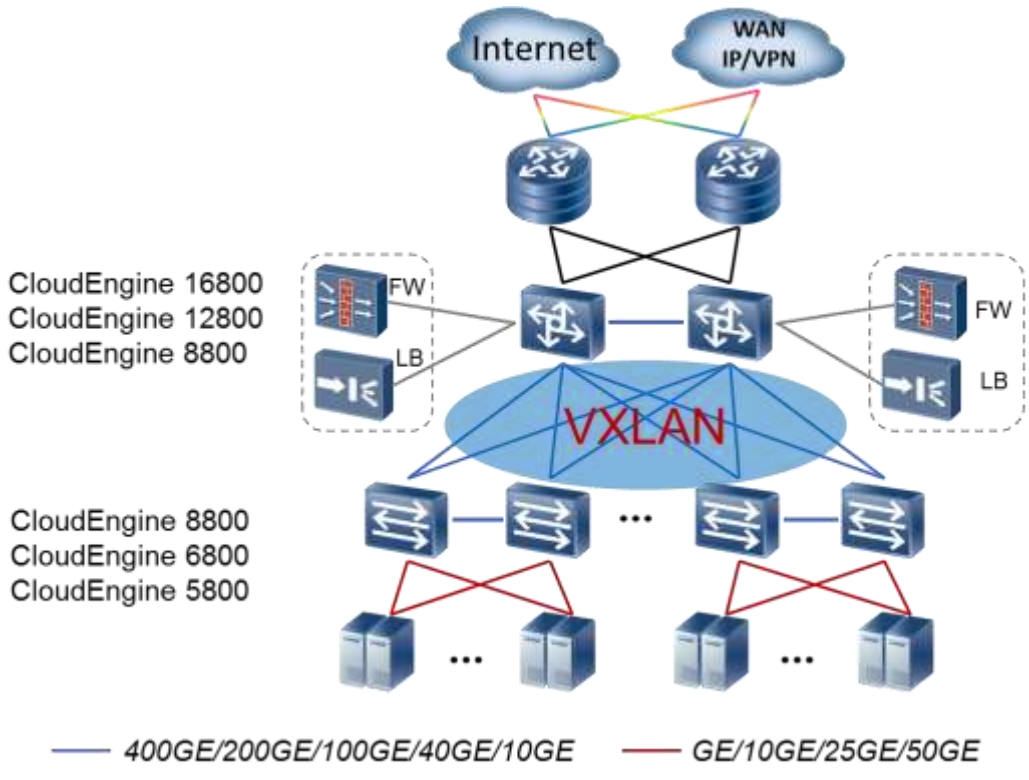
Model	Description	Applicable Product
PAC600S12-CF	600W AC Power Module(Front to Back,Power panel side intake)	CE6881E-48S6CQ
PAC600S12-CB	600W AC Power Module(Back to Front, Power panel side exhaust)	CE6881E-48S6CQ
PDC1000S12-DF	1000W DC Power Module (Front to Back,Power panel side intake)	CE6881E-48S6CQ
PDC1000S12-DB	1000W DC Power Module (Front to Back,Power panel side exhaust)	CE6881E-48S6CQ
PHD1K2S12-DB	1200W HVDC Power Module (Back to Front, Power panel side exhaust)	CE6881E-48S6CQ

Software	
N1-CE68LIC-CFMM	N1-CloudFabric Management SW License for CloudEngine 6800
N1-CE68CFMM-SnS1Y	N1-CE68CFMM-SnS1Y,N1-CloudFabric Management SW License for CloudEngine 6800
N1-CE68LIC-CFFD	N1-CloudFabric Foundation SW License for CloudEngine 6800
N1-CE68CFFD-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Foundation SW License for CloudEngine 6800-SnS-1 Year
N1-CE68LIC-CFAD	N1-CloudFabric Advanced SW License for CloudEngine 6800
N1-CE68CFAD-SnS1Y	N1-CloudFabric Advanced SW License for CloudEngine -SnS -1 Year

Networking and Application

Data Center Applications

On a typical data center network, CloudEngine 6881E switches work as TOR switches and connect to CloudEngine16800, CloudEngine 12800 or CloudEngine 8800 core switches using 40GE/100GE ports, building an end-to-end 40GE/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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