

# Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Node

High storage capacity for edge computing

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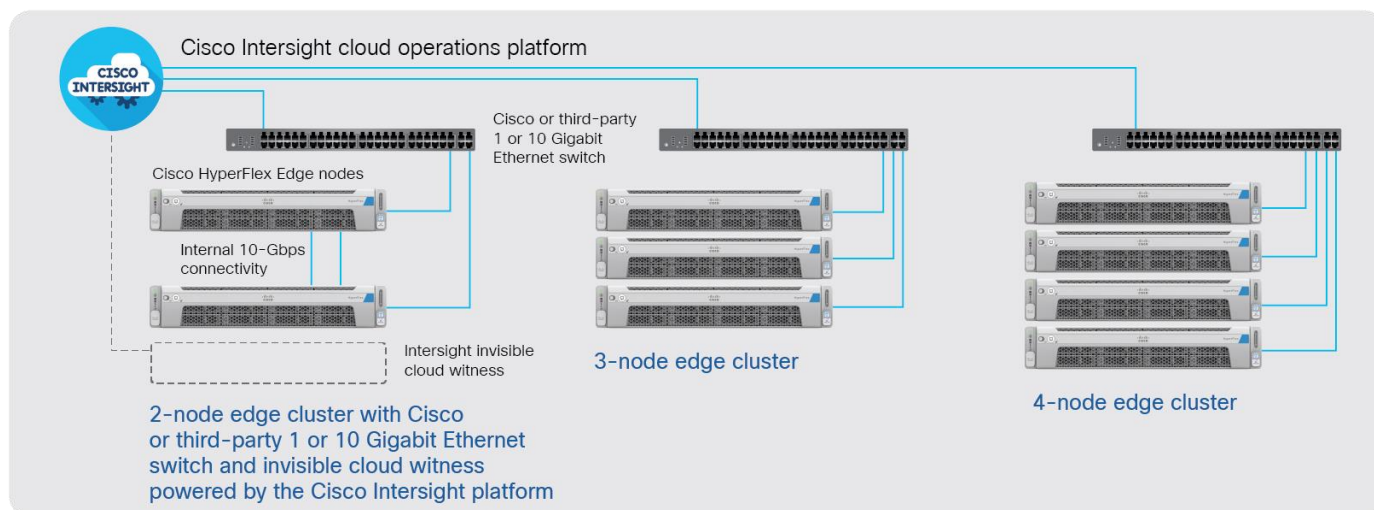
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Rich digital experiences need always-on, local, high-performance computing that is close to users. Retail, finance, education, healthcare, transportation, and manufacturing organizations, and remote and branch offices in general, are all pushing computing to the network edge. Cisco HyperFlex™ HX240c Edge M5 Nodes bring the robust feature set of Cisco HyperFlex systems to your edge environments with high-capacity storage and cloud management in a small footprint.

## Simplicity for the edge

As enterprise applications migrated to centralized data centers and the cloud, the Internet edge moved closer to user devices and organizational touchpoints like remote and branch offices. Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Nodes are deployed as a preintegrated cluster with a unified pool of resources that you can quickly provision, adapt, scale, and manage to efficiently power your remote-office and branch-office (ROBO) locations. Physically, the solutions are deployed as sets of two, three, or four edge-specific nodes that use Cisco or third-party Gigabit or 10 Gigabit Ethernet switches, offering the utmost in flexibility for deployment in remote and branch-office environments (Figure 1). All nodes use Intel® Xeon® Scalable CPUs and next-generation DDR4 memory and offer 12-Gbps SAS throughput.

**Figure 1.** Cisco HyperFlex Edge delivers a preintegrated, high storage capacity cluster to remote-office and branch-office locations



## Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Nodes

Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Nodes bring high storage capacity to the network edge. These nodes are available with hybrid and all-flash storage in a two-rack-unit (2RU) chassis. With the same easy deployment and management as all Cisco HyperFlex Edge systems, these platforms bring greater storage capacity to edge locations and small or medium-size businesses. The solutions are managed by the Cisco Intersight™ cloud operations platform, delivering consistent policy-based enforcement, powering growing requirements in branch offices and remote sites, and enabling new IoT and intelligent services at the network edge.

## Features and benefits

**Table 1.** Features and benefits of Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Nodes.

Feature	Benefit		
<b>Memory</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High memory capacity, from 128 GB to 3 TB of memory</li> </ul>		
<b>Intel Xeon Scalable CPUs</b>	<p>High performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14-nanometer (nm) processor technology</li> <li>• Massive processing power</li> <li>• Top-of-the-line memory-channel performance</li> <li>• Improved scalability and intercore data flow</li> <li>• Intel Automated Vector Extensions 2 (AVX2)</li> </ul>	<p>Agility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports highly dense virtual machine deployments</li> <li>• Offers flexible virtualization technology that optimizes performance for virtualized environments, including processor support for migration and direct I/O</li> </ul>	<p>Efficiency and security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low-power, high-speed DDR4 memory technology</li> <li>• Automated energy efficiency reduces energy costs by automatically putting the processor and memory in the lowest available power state while delivering the performance required</li> <li>• Hardware-assisted security advancements</li> </ul>
<b>Network</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easy deployment in existing edge locations</li> <li>• Use of existing top-of-rack 1 Gigabit Ethernet or 10/25 Gigabit Ethernet switching networks for cluster communication</li> <li>• Support for single and dual switch configurations</li> </ul>		
<b>Expansion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support for up to 2 PCI Express (PCIe) 3.0 slots</li> <li>• Flexibility, increased performance, and compatibility with industry standards</li> <li>• High I/O bandwidth, increased flexibility, and backward compatibility with support for PCIe 2.0</li> </ul>		
<b>Virtualization optimization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I/O virtualization and Intel Xeon Scalable processor features, extending the network directly to virtual machines Consistent and scalable operational model</li> <li>• Increased security and efficiency with reduced complexity</li> <li>• Capability to move virtual machine security features and policies from rack to rack or rack to blade</li> </ul>		
<b>Cloud-based management</b>	<p>Cisco Intersight™ simplifies operations across on-premises data centers, edge sites, and public clouds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a software-as-a-service platform that bridges applications with infrastructure</li> <li>• Gain instant access to clusters regardless of where they are deployed</li> <li>• Correlate visibility and management across bare-metal servers, hypervisors, Kubernetes, and serverless and application components</li> <li>• Transform operations with artificial intelligence to reach needed scale and velocity</li> <li>• Collaborate and work smarter and faster by automating lifecycle workflows</li> <li>• Support compliance and governance with extensible, open capabilities that natively integrate with third-party platforms and tools</li> <li>• Proactively respond to impending issues with a recommendation engine that determines when capacity needs to be scaled</li> </ul>	<p>Additional management capabilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optional Installation wizard for automated configuration</li> <li>• Support for the VMware vSphere plug-in</li> <li>• Support for the Cisco HyperFlex Connect interface with an HTML 5 presentation layer accessible on desktop and laptop computers and mobile devices</li> </ul>	
<b>Storage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All-flash-memory or hybrid (hard-disk drive [HDD] and solid-state-disk [SSD] memory) storage configurations</li> </ul>		
<b>Enterprise data protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pointer-based snapshot capabilities</li> <li>• Native snapshots for iSCSI LUNs, including a consistency group for snapshot operations,</li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>instantaneous snapshot creation, and RESTful APIs for snapshot creation and third-party backup use</li> <li>Snapshot integration with MEDITECH-BridgeHead for electronic health records and databases</li> <li>Near-instant cloning</li> <li>Inline deduplication and compression</li> <li>Native replication for disaster recovery</li> <li>N:1 replication for data center clusters with fabric interconnects and more than 4 nodes, as well as a flexible retention policy for local and remote point-in-time copies</li> <li>Data-at-rest encryption using self-encrypting drives and enterprise key management integration</li> </ul>
<b>Security</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locking bezel option to protect against unauthorized access to disk drives</li> </ul>
<b>Software</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cisco HyperFlex HX Data Platform Software (software subscription)</li> </ul>

## Product specifications

**Table 2.** Specifications for Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Edge M5 Hybrid, All Flash, and Short Depth Nodes.

Feature	Description
<b>Chassis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2RU of rack space per node</li> </ul>
<b>Nodes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2, 3, or 4 Cisco HyperFlex HX240c Short Depth Nodes (hybrid or all-flash)</li> </ul>
<b>Processors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or two 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Intel Xeon Scalable CPUs per node</li> </ul>
<b>Interconnect</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 Intel UPI channels per processor, each capable of 10.4 gigatransfers per second (GTPS)</li> </ul>
<b>Chip set</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intel C621 series</li> </ul>
<b>Memory</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24 DDR4 DIMM slots per node</li> <li>Support for DDR4 registered DIMMs (RDIMMs) and Load-Reduced DIMMS (LRDIMMs)</li> <li>Advanced error-correcting code (ECC)</li> <li>Independent channel mode</li> <li>Lockstep channel mode</li> </ul>
<b>PCIe slots</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to 6 PCIe slots</li> <li>1 dedicated SAS HBA slot</li> </ul>
<b>Modular LAN on Motherboard (mLOM) slot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 dedicated mLOM spot supports Cisco Virtual Interface Cards</li> </ul>
<b>Network interface cards supported</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cisco UCS VIC 1387</li> <li>Intel X550-T2 dual-port 10 Gigabit Ethernet network interface card</li> <li>Intel XXV710-DA2 dual-port 25 Gigabit Ethernet network interface card</li> <li>Intel i350 quad-port 1 Gigabit Ethernet network interface card</li> <li>Intel X710-DA2 dual-port 10 Gigabit Ethernet network interface card</li> </ul>
<b>Storage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to 23 SATA SSD capacity drives (960 GB, 3.7 TB, and 7.6 TB drive options for up to 45.6 TB total capacity)</li> <li>1 SATA SSD logging drive (800 GB and 1.6 TB drive options)</li> <li>1 SATA SSD caching drive (240 GB)</li> <li>M.2 SATA SSD drive for boot (240 GB or 960 GB drive options)</li> </ul>

Feature	Description
<b>Cisco® Integrated Management Controller (IMC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provides video using the ASPEED Pilot 4 video and graphics controller</li> <li>• Connection to Cisco UCS management or the Cisco HyperFlex dashboard for automated configuration through a unified interface</li> <li>• Integrated baseboard management controller (BMC)</li> <li>• IPMI 2.0 compliant for management and control</li> <li>• One 10/100/1000 Ethernet out-of-band management interface</li> <li>• Command-line interface (CLI) and web GUI management tool for automated, lights-out management</li> <li>• Keyboard, video, and mouse (KVM) console</li> </ul>
<b>Advanced reliability, availability, and serviceability (RAS) features</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highly available and self-healing architecture</li> <li>• Robust reporting and analytics</li> <li>• Hot-swappable, front-accessible drives</li> <li>• Dual-redundant fans and hot-swappable, redundant power supplies for enterprise-class reliability and uptime Convenient latching lid for easy access to internal server</li> <li>• Tool-free CPU insertion, enabling processor upgrades and replacements with less risk of damage</li> <li>• Tool-free access to all serviceable items, and color-coded indicators to guide users to hot-pluggable and serviceable items</li> <li>• Nondisruptive rolling upgrades</li> <li>• Cisco Call Home and onsite 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week (24 x 7) support options</li> </ul>
<b>Rear-panel connectors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Gigabit Ethernet management port</li> <li>• 2 x 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports</li> <li>• 1 flexible modular LAN on motherboard (mLOM) slot</li> <li>• 1 RS-232 serial port (RJ45 connector)</li> <li>• 1 Video Graphics Array (VGA) video port (DB15 connector)</li> <li>• 2 USB 3.0 ports</li> </ul>
<b>Front-panel connectors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 KVM console connector (supplies 2 USB, 1 VGA DB15, and 1 RS-232 serial port connectors)</li> </ul>
<b>Power and cooling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 or 2 hot-swappable power supplies for full redundancy</li> <li>• 1050W (AC and DC options)</li> <li>• 1600W (AC)</li> <li>• 6 hot-swappable fans for front-to-rear cooling</li> </ul>
<b>Rail-kit options</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cisco ball-bearing rail kit with optional reversible cable-management arm</li> <li>• Cisco friction rail kit with optional reversible cable-management arm</li> </ul>
<b>Software</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cisco HyperFlex HX Data Platform Software (software subscription)</li> </ul>

## Ordering information

For a complete list of part numbers, refer to the [HX240c Edge M5](#) specification sheet.

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## For more information

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