

# Verified Scalability Guide for Cisco APIC, Release 6.0(3) and Cisco Nexus 9000 Series ACI-Mode Switches, Release 16.0(3) 

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## Overview

This guide contains the maximum verified scalability limits for Cisco Application Centric Infrastructure (Cisco ACI) parameters in the following releases:

- Cisco Application Policy Infrastructure Controller (Cisco APIC), Release 6.0(3)
- Cisco Nexus 9000 Series ACI-Mode Switches, Release 16.0(3)

These values are based on a profile where each feature was scaled to the numbers specified in the tables. These numbers do not represent the theoretically possible Cisco ACI fabric scale.

Note The verified scalability limits for Cisco Multi-Site previously included as part of this guide are now listed in the Cisco Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator (NDO) release-specific documents available at the following URL: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/ support/cloud-systems-management/multi-site-orchestrator/products-device-support-tables-list.html.

The verified scalability limits for Cisco Cloud APIC previously included as part of this guide are now listed in the Cloud APIC release-specific documents available at the following URL: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/ cloud-systems-management/cloud-application-policy-infrastructure-controller/products-tech-notes-list.html.

## New and Changed Information

The following changes have been made to this document since initial release:

| Date | Changes |
| :--- | :--- |
| November 2, 2023 | Added the Nutanix table to the VMM Scalability Limits. |
| August 9, 2023 | First release of this document. |

## General Scalability Limits

- L2 Fabric: L2 Fabric in this document refers to an ACI fabric that contains only BDs with Scaled L2 Only mode (formerly known as Legacy mode). See Bridging > Bridge Domain Options > Scaled L2 Only Mode - Legacy Mode in APIC Layer 2 Configuration Guide for details about Scaled L2 Only mode.
- L3 Fabric: The ACI L3 fabric solution provides a feature-rich highly scalable solution for public cloud and large enterprise. With this design, almost all supported features are deployed at the same time and are tested as a solution. The scalability numbers listed in this section are multi-dimensional scalability numbers. The fabric scalability numbers represent the overall number of objects created on the fabric. The per-leaf scale numbers are the objects created and presented on an individual leaf switch. The fabric level scalability numbers represent APIC cluster scalability and the tested upper limits. Some of the per-leaf scalability numbers are subject to hardware restrictions. The per-leaf scalability numbers are the maximum limits tested and supported by leaf switch hardware. This does not necessarily mean that every leaf switch in the fabric was tested with maximum scale numbers.
- Stretched Fabric: Stretched fabric allows multiple fabrics (up to 3) distributed in multiple locations to be connected as a single fabric with a single management domain. The scale for the entire stretched fabric remains the same as for a single site fabric.

For example a L3 stretched fabric will support up to 400 leaf switches total which is the maximum number of leaf switches supported on a single site fabric. Parameters only relevant to stretched fabric are mentioned in the tables below.

- Multi-Pod: Multi-Pod enables provisioning a more fault-tolerant fabric comprised of multiple Pods with isolated control plane protocols. Also, Multi-Pod provides more flexibility with regard to the full mesh cabling between leaf and spine switches. For example, if leaf switches are spread across different floors or different buildings, Multi-Pod enables provisioning multiple Pods per floor or building and providing connectivity between Pods through spine switches.
Multi-Pod uses a single APIC cluster for all the Pods; all the Pods act as a single fabric. Individual APIC controllers are placed across the Pods but they are all part of a single APIC cluster.
- Multi-Site: Multi-Site is the architecture interconnecting and extending the policy domain across multiple APIC cluster domains. As such, Multi-Site could also be named as Multi-Fabric, since interconnects separate Availability Zones (Fabrics) and managed by an independent APIC controller cluster. A Cisco Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator (NDO) is part of the architecture and is used to communicate with the different APIC domains to simplify the management of the architecture and the definition of inter-site policies.


## Leaf Switches and Ports

The maximum number of leaf switches is 400 per Pod and 500 total in Multi-Pod fabric. The maximum number of physical ports is 24,000 per fabric. The maximum number of remote leaf (RL) switches is 200 per fabric, with total number of BDs deployed on all remote leaf switches in the fabric not exceeding 60,000 . The total number of BDs on all RLs is equal to the sum of BDs on each RL.

If Remote Leaf Pod Redundancy policy is enabled, we recommended that you disable the Pre-emption flag in the APIC for all scaled up RL deployments. In other words, you must wait for BGP CPU utilization to fall under $50 \%$ on all spine switches before you initiate pre-emption.

## Breakout Ports

The N9K-C9336C-FX2 switch supports up to 34 breakout ports in both 10G or 25 G mode.

## General Scalability Limits

Table 1: Fabric Scale Limits Per Cluster Size

| Configurable Options | Default Fabric | Medium Fabric | Large Fabric |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of APIC nodes | 3 | 4 | 5 or 6 | 7 |
| Number of leaf switches | 85 | 200 | 300 | 500 |
| Number of leaf switches <br> per Pod | 85 | 200 | 200 | 400 |


| Configurable Options | Default Fabric | Medium Fabric | Large Fabric |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of tier-2 leaf <br> switches per Pod in <br> Multi-Tier topology <br> NoteThe total <br> number of <br> leaf <br> switches <br> from all <br> tiers must <br> not exceed <br> the <br> "Number of <br> leaf <br> switches" <br> listed <br> above. | 80 | 100 | 125 | 125 |


| Configurable Options | Default Fabric | Medium Fabric | Large |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of external EPGs across all BLs <br> This is calculated as a product of (Number of external EPGs)*(Number of border leaf switches for the L 3 Out ). <br> For example, the following combination adds up to a total of 2000 external EPGs in the fabric (250 external EPGs * 2 border leaf switches * 4 L3Outs): <br> - 250 External EPGs in L3Out1 on leaf1 and leaf2 <br> - 250 External EPGs in L3Out2 on leaf1 and leaf2 <br> - 250 External EPGs in L3Out3 on leaf3 and leaf4 <br> - 250 External EPGs in L3out4 on leaf3 and leaf4 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |

Table 2: General Scalability Limits Per Fabric

| Configurable Options | Scale Limits |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of spine switches per Pod | 6 |
| Number of FEXs | 650 <br> (maximum of 20 FEXs and 576 ports per leaf) |
| Number of contracts | 10,000 |
| Number of contract filters | 10,000 <br> Number of endpoint groups (EPGs) |


| Configurable Options | Scale Limits |
| :---: | :---: |
| Number of EPGs per tenant | General limits: <br> - Single-tenant fabrics: 4,000 <br> - Multi-tenant fabrics: 500 <br> Or one of the following two specific use cases within the same fabric (the EPGs must be deployed on local leaf switches only, not on remote leaf switches): <br> - Use case 1 : <br> - Up to 10 tenants that have up to 700 EPGs per tenant, with the EPGs distributed across up to 100 leaf switches <br> - Use case 2 : <br> - 1 tenant with up to 1,400 EPGs deployed on up to 100 leaf switches <br> For example, tenant1 with EPG1-1400 on leaf1-100 <br> - 1 tenant with up to 800 EPGs deployed on a different set of up to 20 leaf switches <br> For example, tenant2 with EPG1401-2200 on leaf101-120 <br> - 2 tenants with up to 800 EPGs per tenant deployed on a different set of up 20 leaf switches <br> For example, tenant 3 with EPG2201-3000 and tenant 4 with EPG 3001-3800 on leaf121-140 |
| Number of bridge domains (BDs) | $15,000$ <br> (21,000 for L2 fabric) |
| Number of vCenters | 200 VDS |
| Number of Service Chains | 1,000 |
| Number of L4-L7 devices | 30 managed or 50 unmanaged physical HA pairs <br> 1,200 virtual HA pairs (1,200 maximum per fabric) |
| Number of ESXi hosts - VDS | 3,200 |
| Number of VMs | Depends on server scale |
| Number of configuration zones per fabric | 30 |
| L3 EVPN services over fabric WAN - GOLF (with and without OpFlex) | 1,000 VRFs <br> 60,000 routes in a fabric |


| Configurable Options | Scale Limits |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of Routes in Overlay-1 VRF | 1,000 |
| Floating L3Out | 6 anchor nodes <br> 32 non-anchor nodes |

## Multiple Fabric Options Scalability Limits

## Stretched Fabric

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of fabrics that can be a stretched fabric | 3 |
| Number of Route Reflectors | 6 |

Multi-Pod

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: |
| Number of Pods | 25 |
| Number of leaf switches per Pod | 400 |
| Number of leaf switches overall | 500 |
| Number of Route Reflectors for L3Out | 50 |
| Number of External Route Reflectors between Pods | - For 1-3 Pods: Up to 3 external route reflectors <br> We recommend full mesh for external BGP peers instead of using external route reflectors when possible <br> - For 4 or more Pods: Up to 4 external route reflectors <br> We recommend using external route reflectors instead of full mesh <br> We recommend that the external route reflectors are distributed across Pods so that in case of any failure there are always at least two Pods with external route reflectors still reachable |

## Cisco Multi-Site Scalability Limits

Cisco Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator (NDO) does not require a specific version of APIC to be running in all sites. The APIC clusters in each site as well as the NDO itself can be upgraded independently of each other and run in mixed operation mode as long as each fabric is running APIC, Release 3.2(6) or later.

As such, the verified scalability limits for your specific Cisco Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator release are now available at the following URL: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/cloud-systems-management/multi-site-orchestrator/ products-device-support-tables-list.html.

Note Each site managed by the Cisco Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator must still adhere to the scalability limits specific to that site's APIC Release. For a complete list of all Verified Scalability Guides, see https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/ cloud-systems-management/application-policy-infrastructure-controller-apic/tsd-products-support-series-home.html\#Verified Scalability_Guides

## Fabric Topology, SPAN, Tenants, Contexts (VRFs), Equal Cost Multipath (ECMP), External EPGs, Bridge Domains, Endpoints, and Contracts Scalability Limits

The following table shows the mapping of the "LSE Type" to the corresponding leaf switches. This information is helpful to determine which leaf switch is affected when we use the terms LSE, or LSE2 in remaining sections.


Note In the following table, switches are listed as LSE or LSE2 for scalability purposes only. Check specific feature documentation for the full list of supported devices.

| LSE Type | ACI-Supported Leaf Switches |
| :---: | :---: |
| LSE | - N9K-C93108TC-EX |
|  | - N9K-C93108TC-EX-24 |
|  | - N9K-C93180YC-EX |
|  | - N9K-C93180YC-EX-24 |
|  | - N9K-C93180LC-EX |
|  | - N9K-C9336C-FX2 |
|  | - N9K-C93216TC-FX2 |
|  | - N9K-C93240YC-FX2 |
|  | - N9K-C93360YC-FX2 |
|  | - N9K-C9336C-FX2-E |
|  | - N9K-C9364D-GX2A |
|  | - N9K-C9348D-GX2A |
|  | - N9K-C9400-SW-GX2A |


| LSE Type | ACI-Supported Leaf Switches |
| :---: | :---: |
| LSE2 | - N9K-C93108TC-FX <br> - N9K-C93108TC-FX-24 <br> - N9K-C93180YC-FX <br> - N9K-C93180YC-FX-24 <br> - N9K-C9348GC-FXP <br> - N9K-C93600CD-GX <br> - N9K-C9364C-GX <br> - N9K-C9316D-GX <br> - N9K-C9332D-GX2B <br> - N9K-C93180YC-FX3 <br> - N9K-C93108TC-FX3P <br> - N9K-C9358GY-FXP with 24GB of RAM <br> - N9K-C93180YC-FX3H <br> - N9K-C93108TC-FX3H |

- The High Policy, Multicast-Heavy, and High IPv4 EP Scale profiles are not supported on FXP switches.
- Full scale support for High Policy, Multicast-Heavy, and High IPv4 EP Scale profiles requires LSE2 with 32GB of RAM.
- High IPv4 EP Scale-This profile is recommended to be used only for the ACI border leaf (BL) switches in Multi-Domain (ACI-SDA) Integration. It provides enhanced IPv4 EP and LPM scales specifically for these BLs and has specific hardware requirements.

For more details on Forwarding Scale Profiles and the list of supported devices, refer to Cisco APIC Forwarding Scale Profiles at the following url: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/switches/datacenter/aci/apic/sw/all/forwarding-scale-profiles/ cisco-apic-forwarding-scale-profiles.html

## Fabric Topology

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of PCs, vPCs | 320 (with FEX HIF) | N/A |
| Number of encapsulations per access port, <br> PC, vPC (non-FEX HIF) | 3,000 | N/A |
| Number of encapsulations per FEX HIF, <br> PC, vPC | 100 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of encapsulations per FEX | 1,400 | N/A |
| Number of member links per PC, vPC* <br> *vPC total ports = 32, 16 per leaf | 16 | N/A |
| Number of ports x VLANs (global scope <br> and no FEX HIF) | 64,000 <br> 168,000 (when using legacy BD mode) | N/A |
| Number of ports x VLANs (FEX HIFs <br> and/or local scope) | 10,000 | N/A |
| Number of static port bindings | 60,000 | 700,000 |
| Number of VMACs | 510 | N/A |
| STP | All VLANs | N/A |
| Mis-Cabling Protocol (MCP) | 12,000 VLANs per interface |  |
| Mis-Cabling Protocol (MCP) (strict mode <br> enabled on the port) | 256 VLANs per interface <br> $2,000 ~ l o g i c a l ~ p o r t s ~(p o r t ~ x ~ V L A N) ~ p e r ~ l e a f ~$ |  |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of endpoints (EPs) | Default profile or High LPM profile: <br> - MAC: 24,000 <br> - IPv4: 24,000 <br> - IPv6: 12,000 <br> Maximum LPM profile: <br> - MAC: 8,000 <br> - IPv4: 8,000 <br> - IPv6: 4,000 <br> $\operatorname{IPv} 4$ scale profile: <br> - MAC: 48,000 <br> - IPv4: 48,000 <br> -IPv6: Not supported | 16 -slot and 8-slot modular spine switches: Max. 450,000 Proxy Database Entries in the fabric, which can be translated into any one of the following: <br> - 450,000 MAC-only EPs (each EP with one MAC only) <br> - 225,000 IPv4 EPs (each EP with one MAC and one IPv4) <br> - 150,000 dual-stack EPs (each EP with one MAC, one IPv4, and one IPv6) <br> The formula to calculate in mixed mode is as follows: $\# \mathrm{MAC}+\# \mathrm{IPv} 4+\# \mathrm{IPv} 6<=450,000$ <br> NOTE: Four fabric modules are required on all spines in the fabric to support above scale. |
|  | - LSE: <br> - MAC: 64,000 <br> - IPv4: 64,000 <br> -IPv6: 24,000 <br> - LSE2: <br> - MAC: 64,000 <br> - IPv4: 64,000 <br> -IPv6: 48,000 | 4-slot modular spine switches: <br> Max. 360,000 Proxy Database Entries in the fabric, which can be translated into any one of the following: <br> - 360,000 MAC-only EPs (each EP with one MAC only) <br> - 180,000 IPv4 EPs (each EP with one MAC and one IPv4) <br> - 120,000 dual-stack EPs (each EP with one MAC, one IPv4, and one IPv6) <br> The formula to calculate in mixed mode is as follows: $\# \mathrm{MAC}+\# \mathrm{IPv} 4+\# \mathrm{IPv} 6<=360,000$ <br> NOTE: Four fabric modules are required on all spines in the fabric to support above scale. |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of endpoints (EPs) (Continued) | High Policy profile: <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - MAC: 24,000 <br> - IPv4: 24,000 <br> - IPv6: 12,000 <br> - LSE: <br> - MAC: 16,000 <br> - IPv4: 16,000 <br> -IPv6: 8,000 <br> High IPv4 EP Scale profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (with 32GB of RAM): <br> - MAC: 24,000 <br> - IPv4 local: 24,000 <br> - IPv4 total: 280,000 <br> - IPv6: 12,000 <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - MAC: 24,000 <br> - IPv4 local: 24,000 <br> - IPv4 total: 64,000 <br> -IPv6: 4,000 | Fixed spine switches: <br> Max. 180,000 Proxy Database Entries in the fabric, which can be translated into any one of the following: <br> - 180,000 MAC-only EPs (each EP with one MAC only) <br> - 90,000 IPv4 EPs (each EP with one MAC and one IPv4) <br> - 60,000 dual-stack EPs (each EP with one MAC, one IPv4, and one IPv6) <br> The formula to calculate in mixed mode is as follows: \#MAC + \#IPv4 + \#IPv6 <= 180,000 |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Multicast Routes | Default (Dual Stack), IPv4 Scale, High LPM, High Policy or High IPv4 EP scale profiles: 8,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 4,000 <br> Maximum LPM profile: <br> - 1,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 500 <br> High Dual Stack profile: <br> - LSE: 512 <br> - LSE2: 32,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 16,000 <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: not supported <br> - LSE2 (with 32GB of RAM): 90,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 72,000 | 128,000 |
| Number of Multicast Routes per VRF | Default (Dual Stack), IPv4 Scale, High LPM, High Policy or High IPv4 EP scale profiles: 8,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 4,000 <br> Maximum LPM profile: <br> - 1,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 500 <br> High Dual Stack profile: <br> - LSE: 512 <br> - LSE2: 32,000 with (S,G) scale not exceeding 16,000 <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): 32,000 | 32,000 |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IGMP snooping L2 multicast routes <br> - For IGMPv2, route scale is for (*, G) only <br> - For IGMPv3, route scale is for both (S, G) and (*, G) <br> Note IGMP snooping entries are created per BD (2 receivers that join the same group from 2 different BDs consume 2 separate entries). | Default (Dual Stack), IPv4, High LPM, High Policy, or High IPv4 EP scale profiles: 8,000 <br> Maximum LPM profile: <br> - 1,000 <br> High Dual Stack profile: <br> - LSE: 512 <br> - LSE2: 32,000 <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: not supported <br> - LSE2: 32,000 | 32,000 |
| Number of IPs per MAC | 4,096 | 4,096 |
| Number of Host-Based Routing Advertisements | 30,000 host routes per border leaf | N/A |
| SPAN | 32 unidirectional or 16 bidirectional sessions (fabric, access, or tenant) | N/A |
| Number of ports per SPAN session <br> Note This is also the total number of unique ports (fabric and access) that can be used as SPAN sources across all SPAN sessions combined | 63 - total number of unique ports (fabric + access) across all types of span sessions | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of source EPGs in tenant SPAN sessions <br> Note <br> The numbers listed in this row assume that only tenant SPAN is configured. <br> If both, Access and Tenant SPAN are configured, the following formula applies for both ingress and egress SPAN: <br> $\mathrm{E}+\mathrm{P}+\mathrm{E} \mathrm{A}+\mathrm{EPP}+\mathrm{V} 6 \mathrm{FePP}$ <br> $+0.5^{*}$ V $4 \mathrm{FePP}<=230$ <br> Where: <br> - E— Number of source EPGs in Tenant SPAN <br> - P -Number of source Ports in access SPAN without any filters <br> - EPp-Number of (Epg,Port) Pairs in access SPAN with EPG filter only (no filter group) <br> - v4FePp—Number of (v4 filter entry, Port) Pairs in access SPAN with filter group <br> - v6FePp—Number of (v6 Filter entry, Port) Pairs in access SPAN with filter group | - 230 bidirectional <br> - 460 unidirectional ( 230 ingress +230 egress) | N/A |
| Number of SPAN ACL filter TCAM entries SPAN filters are not supported in the following: <br> - Fabric ports <br> - Fabric and tenant SPAN sessions <br> - Spine switches | - IPv4: 480 <br> -IPv6: 240 <br> Total number of TCAM entries is calculated using the following formula: $\begin{aligned} & (\text { IPv4-filters) } * \\ & \text { (IPv4-filter-source-groups) }+2 * \\ & (\text { IPv6-filters) } * \\ & (\text { IPv6-filter-source-groups) }+2 * \\ & \text { (no-filter-source-groups) } \end{aligned}$ | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of L4 Port Ranges | 16 ( 8 source and 8 destination ) <br> First 16 port ranges consume a TCAM entry per range. <br> Each additional port range beyond the first 16 consumes a TCAM entry per port in the port range. <br> Filters with distinct source port range and destination port range count as 2 port ranges. <br> You cannot add more than 16 port ranges at once. | N/A |
| Common pervasive gateway | 256 virtual IPs per Bridge Domain | N/A |
| Number of Data Plane policers at the interface level | - 7 ingress policers <br> - 3 egress policers | N/A |
| Number of Data Plane policers at EPG and interface level | 128 ingress policers | N/A |
| Number of interfaces with Per-Protocol Per-Interface (PPPI) CoPP | 63 | N/A |
| Number of TCAM entries for Per-Protocol Per-Interface (PPPI) CoPP | 256 <br> One PPPI CoPP configuration may use more than one TCAM entry. The number of TCAM entries used for each configuration varies in each protocol and leaf platform. Use vsh_lc -c 'show system internal aclqos pppi copp tcam-usage' command to check on LSE/LSE2 platforms | N/A |
| Number of SNMP trap receivers | 10 | 10 |
| IP SLA probes* <br> *With 1 second probe time and 3 seconds of timeout | 200 | 1500 |
| First Hop Security (FHS)* <br> With any combination of BDs/EPGs/EPs within the supported limit | 2,000 endpoints <br> 1,000 bridge domains | N/A |
| Number of Q-in-Q tunnels (both QinQ core and edge combined) | 1,980 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of TEP-to-TEP atomic counters <br> (tracked by 'dbgAcPathA' object) | N/A | 1,600 |

## SR-MPLS

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EVPN sessions | 4 | 100 |
| BGP labeled unicast (LU) pairs | 16 | 200 |
| ECMP paths | 16 | N/A |
| Infra SR-MPLS L3Outs* <br> * Including both, remote leaf and multi-pod | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | 100 total, 2 per RL location |
| VRFs* <br> * Including remote leaf and multi-pod | 800 | 5,000 |
| External EPGs | N/A | 2,000 total, 100 per VRF |
| Interfaces | N/A | Same as fabric scale |
| Multi-pod remote leaf pairs | 50 pairs (100 RLs total) |  |

## Tenants

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Contexts (VRFs) per tenant | 128 | 128 |

## VRFs (Contexts)

All numbers are applicable to dual stack unless explicitly called out.

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of contexts (VRFs) | Default (Dual Stack) scale profile: <br> - Switches with 32GB of RAM: 2,000 <br> - Other switches: 800 <br> High Dual Stack, High LPM, High Policy scale profiles: <br> - LSE2 switches with 32GB of RAM: 2,000 <br> - Other switches: 800 <br> Maximum LPM scale profile: <br> - LSE2 switches with 32GB of RAM: 250 <br> - Other switches: not supported <br> Multicast heavy, IPv4 and High IPv4 EP scale: <br> - All switch models: 800 | See Table 1: Fabric Scale Limits Per Cluster Size, on page 3 |
| Number of isolated EPGs | 400 | 400 |
| Border leaf switches per L3Out | N/A | 24 <br> Note qualified with 100 VRFs + $16,000 \operatorname{IPv} 4+6400$ IPv6 external prefixes |
| Number of vzAny provided contracts | Shared services: Not supported <br> Non-shared services: 70 per Context (VRF) | N/A |
| Number of vzAny consumed contracts | Shared services: 16 per Context (VRF) <br> Non-shared services: 70 per Context (VRF) | N/A |
| Number of graph instances per device cluster | N/A | 500 |
| L3Out per context (VRF) | N/A | 400 |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of BFD neighbors | - Up to 256 sessions using the following minimum BFD timers: <br> - minTx:50 <br> - minRx:50 <br> - multiplier:3 <br> - 257-2,000 sessions using the following minimum BFD timers: <br> - minTx:300 <br> - minRx:300 <br> - multiplier:3 | N/A |
| Number of BGP neighbors | 2,000 with up to 70,000 external prefixes with a single path | 20,000 |
| Number of OSPF neighbors | - Up to 700 with up to 10,000 external prefixes using the following timers: <br> - Hello timer of 10 seconds <br> - Dead timer of 40 seconds <br> - No more than 300 OSPF neighbors per VRF <br> - 701-2,000 with up to 35,000 external prefixe using the following timers: <br> - Hello timer of 40 seconds <br> - Dead timer of 160 seconds <br> - No more than 300 OSPF neighbors per VRF | 12,000 |
| Number of EIGRP neighbors | 32 | N/A |
| Number of subnets for route summarization | 1,000 | N/A |
| Number of static routes to a single SVI/VRF | 5,000 | N/A |
| Number of static routes on a single leaf switch | 10,000 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of IP Longest Prefix Matches (LPM) entries <br> Note <br> Except for the maximum LMP scale profile, the total of (\# of IPv4 prefixes) + 2*(\# of IPv6 prefixes) must not exceed the scale listed for IPv4 alone | Default (Dual Stack) profile: <br> - IPv4: 20,000 or <br> - IPv6: 10,000 <br> - IPv6 wide prefixes ( $>=/ 84$ ): 1,000 NOTE: This restriction only applies to EX models in LSE. <br> $\operatorname{IPv4}$ scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 38,000 <br> - IPv6: Not supported <br> High Dual Stack scale profile: <br> - $\operatorname{IPv} 4: 38,000$ or <br> - IPv6: 19,000 <br> - IPv6 wide prefixes ( $>=/ 84$ ): 1,000 NOTE: This restriction only applies to EX models in LSE. | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of IP Longest Prefix Matches (LPM) entries <br> (Continued) <br> Note <br> Except for the maximum LMP scale profile, the total of (\# of IPv4 prefixes) + 2*(\# of IPv6 prefixes) must not exceed the scale listed for IPv4 alone | High LPM Scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 128,000 or <br> -IPv6: 64,000 <br> - IPv6 wide prefixes ( $>=/ 84$ ): 1,000 <br> NOTE: This restriction only applies to EX models in LSE. <br> Maximum LPM scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 440,000 <br> - IPv6: 100,000 <br> NOTE: This profile also supports the combination of 440,000 IPv4 + 100,000 IPv6 prefixes. <br> High Policy profile: <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4: 20,000 or <br> -IPv6: 10,000 <br> - LSE: <br> - $\operatorname{IPv} 4: 8,000$ <br> - IPv6: 4,000 <br> NOTE: This restriction only applies to EX models in LSE. <br> High IPv4 EP Scale profile: <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4: 40,000 <br> -IPv6: 20,000 <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4: 20,000 <br> - IPv6: 10,000 <br> - LSE: Not supported | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Secondary addresses per logical interface | 1 | 1 |
| Number of L3 interfaces per Context | - 1,000 SVIs <br> - 48 Routed interfaces <br> - 100 sub-interfaces with or without port-channel | N/A |
| Number of L3 interfaces | - 1,000 SVIs <br> - 48 Routed interfaces <br> - 2,000 sub-interfaces with or without port-channel | N/A |
| Number of ARP entries for L3Outs | 7,500 | N/A |
| Shared L3Out | - IPv4 Prefixes: 2,000 or <br> - IPv6 Prefixes: 1,000 | - IPv4 Prefixes: 6,000 or <br> - IPv6 Prefixes: 3,000 |
| Number of L3Outs | 2,000 | See Table 1: Fabric Scale Limits Per Cluster Size, on page 3 |

## ECMP (Equal Cost MultiPath)

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric <br> Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Maximum ECMP for BGP | 64 | N/A |
| Maximum ECMP for OSPF | 64 | N/A |
| Maximum ECMP for Static Route | 64 | Nhould not exceed 4,000 in steady state, to allow <br> room for make-before-break transitions $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| Number of ECMP groups | 8,000 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of ECMP members | Maximum LPM scale profile: <br> - 64,000 <br> Note $\quad$ Should not exceed 32,000 in steady state, to allow room for make-before-break transitions (*) <br> All other scale profiles: <br> - 32,000 <br> Note Should not exceed 16,000 in steady state, to allow room for make-before-break transitions (*) | N/A |
| Average number of paths (ECMP) per prefix at maximum LPM scale <br> Note Across all prefixes, the average number of equal cost next-hops (ECMP) must not exceed the specified number. Some prefixes may have a higher number of paths as long as it's compensated by other prefixes that have a lower number of paths. | Default (Dual Stack), High Policy and Multicast Heavy profiles: <br> - IPv4: 32 <br> -IPv6: 12 <br> $\operatorname{IPv} 4$ scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 16 <br> - IPv6: NA <br> High Dual Stack scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 16 <br> -IPv6: 6 <br> High LPM scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 4 <br> - IPv6: 1 <br> Maximum LPM scale profile: <br> - IPv4: 1.8 <br> - IPv6: 1.8 | N/A |

Note (*) For more information about managing the equal cost multipath scale, please see Understand and Manage ECMP Scale in Cisco ACI at the following URL: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/solutions/collateral/data-center-virtualization/ application-centric-infrastructure/manage-ecmp-scale-aci-wp.html.

## External EPGs

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of External EPGs | - Switches with 32 GB of RAM: 2,000 <br> - Other switches: 800 | See Table 1: Fabric Scale Limits Per Cluster Size, on page 3 |
| Number of External EPGs per L3Out | 250 | 600 <br> The listed scale is calculated as a product of (Number of external EPGs per L3Out)*(Number of border leaf switches for the L3Out) <br> For examples, 150 external EPGs on L30ut1 that is deployed on leaf1, leaf2, leaf 3 , and leaf 4 adds up to a total of 600 |
| Number of LPM Prefixes for External EPG Classification <br> Note <br> Maximum combined number of IPv4/IPv6 host and LPM prefixes for External EPG Classification must not exceed 64,000 | Refer to LPM scale section. | N/A |
| Number of host prefixes for External EPG Classification <br> Note Maximum combined number of IPv4/IPv6 host and LPM prefixes for External EPG Classification must not exceed 64,000 | Default Profile: <br> - $\operatorname{IPv} 4$ (/32): 16,000 <br> - IPv6 (/128): 12,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 12,000 . <br> IPv4 Scale profile: <br> - IPv4 (/32): 16,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 56,000. <br> - IPv6 (/128): 0 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of host prefixes for External EPG Classification <br> (Continued) <br> Note <br> Maximum combined number of IPv4/IPv6 host and LPM prefixes for External EPG Classification must not exceed 64,000 | High Dual Stack Profile: <br> - LSE: <br> - IPv4 (/32): 64,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 64,000. <br> - IPv6 (/128): 24,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 24,000 . <br> - LSE2: <br> - IPv4 (/32): 64,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 64,000. <br> - IPv6 (/128): 48,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 48,000 . <br> High LPM Profile: <br> - $\operatorname{IPv} 4$ (/32): 24,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 24,000. <br> - IPv6 (/128): 12,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 12,000. | N/A |


| Configurable Options |  | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of host prefixes for External EPG Classification |  | Maximum LPM profile: <br> - IPv4 (/32): 10,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 10,000 . <br> - IPv6 (/128): 4,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 4,000. <br> High Policy profile: <br> - LSE: <br> - IPv4 (/32): 16,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 24,000 <br> - IPv6 (/128): 8,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 8,000 . <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4 (/32): 16,000 <br> - IPv6 (/128): 12,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 12,000 . | N/A |
| Note | Maximum combined number of IPv4/IPv6 host and LPM prefixes for External EPG Classification must not exceed 64,000 |  |  |
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| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of host prefixes for External EPG Classification <br> Note Maximum combined number of IPv4/IPv6 host and LPM prefixes for External EPG Classification must not exceed 64,000 <br> (Continued) | High IPv4 EP Scale profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4 (/32): 16,000 <br> - IPv6 (/128): 12,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 12,000. <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): <br> - IPv4 (/32): 16,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes, multicast groups, and endpoints can't exceed 154,000. <br> - IPv6 (/128): 4,000 <br> Combined number of host prefixes and endpoints can't exceed 4,000 . | N/A |

## Bridge Domains

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of BDs | 1,980 <br> Legacy mode: 3,500 | 15,000 |
| Number of BDs with Unicast Routing per <br> Context (VRF) | 1,000 | 1,750 |
| Number of subnets per BD | 1,000 , cannot be for all BDs. | 1,000 per BD |
| Number of EPGs per BD | 3,960 | 4,000 |
| BD with Flood in Encapsulation: maximum <br> number of replications (= EPG VLANs * <br> ports) | The sum of all EPG VLANs * ports (i.e. <br> VLAN "replications") for all EPG in a <br> given BD with Flood in Encapsulation <br> enabled must be less than 1,500 | N/A |
| Number of L2 Outs per BD | 1 | 1 |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of BDs with Custom MAC <br> Address | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Number of EPGs + L3Outs per Multicast <br> Group | 128 | 128 |
| Number of BDs with L3 Multicast enabled | 1,750 | 1,750 |
| Number of VRFs with L3 Multicast enabled | 64 | 300 |
| Number of L3Outs per BD | 16 | N/A |
| Number of static routes behind pervasive <br> BD (EP reachability) | N/A | N/A |
| DHCP relay addresses per BD across all <br> labels | 16 | N/A |
| DHCP Relay: maximum number of <br> replications (= EPG VLANs * ports) | The maximum number of VLAN <br> encapsulations * ports in a BD with DHCP <br> relay enabled should be less than 1,500 | N/A |
| ICMPv6 ND: maximum number of <br> replications (= EPG VLANs * ports) | The maximum number of VLAN <br> encapsulations * ports in a BD should be <br> less than 1,500 | N/A |
| Number of L3Out physical interfaces with <br> PIM enabled | 32 | 1,000 |
| Number of external EPGs per L2 out | 1 | 1,000 |
| Number of PIM Neighbors | of PIM Neighbors per VRF |  |

## Endpoint Groups (Under App Profiles)

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of EPGs | Normally 3,960; if legacy mode 3,500 | 15,000 |
| Maximum amount of encapsulations per <br> EPG | 1 Static leaf binding, plus 10 Dynamic <br> VMM | N/A |
| Maximum Path encap binding per EPG | Equals to number of ports on the leaf | N/A |
| EPGs with Flood in Encapsulation: <br> maximum number of replications (= EPG <br> VLANs * ports) | The sum of all EPG VLANs * ports (i.e. <br> VLAN "replications") for all EPG with <br> Flood in Encapsulation enabled in a given <br> BD must be less than 1,500 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maximum amount of encapsulations per EPG per port with static binding | One (path or leaf binding) | N/A |
| Number of domains (physical, L2, L3) | 100 | N/A |
| Number of VMM domains | N/A | 200 VDS |
| Number of native encapsulations | - One per port, if a VLAN is used as a native VLAN. <br> - Total number of ports, if there is a different native VLAN per port. | Applicable to each leaf independently |
| Number of 802.1p encapsulations | - 1, if path binding then equals the number of ports. <br> - If there is a different native VLAN per port, then it equals the number of ports. | Applicable to each leaf independently |
| Can encapsulation be tagged and untagged? | No | N/A |
| Number of Static endpoints per EPG | Maximum endpoints | N/A |
| Number of Subnets for inter-context access per tenant | 4,000 | N/A |
| Number of Taboo Contracts per EPG | 2 | N/A |
| IP-based EPG (bare metal) | 4,000 | N/A |
| MAC-based EPG (bare metal) | 4,000 | N/A |

## Contracts

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Security TCAM size | Default scale profile: 64,000 <br> IPv4 scale profile: 64,000 <br> High Dual Stack scale profile: <br> - LSE: 8,000 <br> - LSE2: 128,000 <br> High LPM scale profile: <br> - LSE2 switches with 32GB of RAM: 32,000 <br> - Other switches: 8,000 <br> Maximum LPM scale profile: 8,000 <br> High Policy profile: <br> - LSE: 100,000 <br> - LSE2 (with 24GB of RAM): 140,000 <br> - LSE2 (with 32GB of RAM): 256,000 <br> High IPv4 EP Scale profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): 64,000 <br> Multicast Heavy profile: <br> - LSE: Not supported <br> - LSE2 (except FXP switches): 64,000 | N/A |
| Software policy scale with Policy Table Compression enabled <br> (Number of actrlRule Managed Objects) | Dual stack profile: 80,000 (except EX switches) <br> High Dual Stack profile: 140,000 (except EX switches) <br> High Policy profile: <br> - LSE (except EX switches): 100,000 <br> - LSE2 (with 24GB of RAM) : 140,000 <br> - LSE2 (with 32GB of RAM) : 256,000 | N/A |
| Approximate TCAM calculator given contracts and their use by EPGs | Number of entries in a contract X Number of Consumer EPGs X Number of Provider EPGs X 2 | N/A |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of consumers (or providers) of a <br> contract that has more than 1 provider (or <br> consumer) | 100 | 100 |
| Number of consumers (or providers) of a <br> contract that has a single provider (or <br> consumer) | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Scale guideline for the number of <br> Consumers and Providers for the same <br> contract | N/A | Number of consumer EPGs * number of <br> provider EPGs * number of filters in the <br> contract < $=50,000$ |
| Number of rules for consumer/provider <br> relationships with in-band EPG | 400 | N/A |
| Number of rules for consumer/provider <br> relationships with out-of-band EPG | 400 | N/A |

## Endpoint Security Groups (ESG)

| Configurable Options | Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of ESGs per Fabric | 10,000 |
| Number of ESGs per VRF | 4,000 |
| Number of ESGs per Tenant | 4,000 |
| Number of L2 MAC Selectors per Leaf | 5,000 |
| Number of L3 IP Selectors per Leaf | 5,000 |

## FCoE NPV

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of VSANs | 32 |
| Number of VFCs configured on physical ports and FEX ports | 151 |
| Number of VFCs on port-channel (PC), including SAN <br> port-channel | 7 |
| Number of VFCs on virtual port-channel (vPC) interfaces, <br> including FEX HIF vPC | 151 |
| Number of FDISC per port | 255 |
| Number of FDISC per leaf | 1,000 |

FC NPV

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of FC NP Uplink interfaces | 48 |
| Number of VSANs | 32 |
| Number of FDISC per port | 255 |
| Number of FDISC per leaf | 1,000 |
| Number of SAN port-channel, including VFC port-channel | 7 |
| Number of members in a SAN port-channel | 16 |

## VMM Scalability Limits

## VMware

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of vCenters (VDS) | N/A | 200 (Verified with a load of 10 <br> events/minute for each vCenter) |
| Datacenters in a vCenter | N/A | 15 |
| Total Number of VMM domain (vCenter, <br> Datacenter) instances. | N/A | 200 VDS |
| Number of EPGs per vCenter/vDS | N/A | 5,000 |
| Number of EPGs to VMware domains/vDS | N/A | 5,000 |
| Number of endpoints per VDS | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Number of endpoints per vCenter | 10,000 | N/A |
| Support RBAC for VDS | 400 | vCenter version 6.0: 500 |
| Number of Microsegment EPGs with vDS | vCenter version 6.5: 1,000 |  |
| Number of VM Attribute Tags per vCenter | N/A |  |

## Microsoft SCVMM

| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale (On-Demand <br> Mode) | Per Leaf Scale (Pre-Provision <br> Mode) | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of controllers per <br> SCVMM domain | N/A | N/A | 5 |


| Configurable Options | Per Leaf Scale (On-Demand <br> Mode) | Per Leaf Scale (Pre-Provision <br> Mode) | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of SCVMM domains | N/A | N/A | 25 |
| EPGs per Microsoft VMM <br> domain | N/A | N/A | 3,000 |
| EPGs per all Microsoft VMM <br> domains | N/A | N/A | 9,000 |
| EP/VNICs per HyperV host | N/A | N/A | 100 |
| EP/VNICs per SCVMM | 3,000 | N/A | 10,000 |
| Number of Hyper-V hosts | 64 | N/A | 1 |
| Number of logical switch per <br> host | N/A | N/A |  |
| Number of uplinks per logical <br> switch | N/A | Not Supported | 4 |
| Microsoft micro-segmentation | 1,000 | N/A |  |

## Microsoft Windows Azure Pack

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of Windows Azure Pack subscriptions | 1,000 |
| Number of plans per Windows Azure Pack instance | 150 |
| Number of users per plan | 200 |
| Number of subscriptions per user | 3 |
| VM networks per Windows Azure Pack user | 100 |
| VM networks per Windows Azure Pack instance | 3,000 |
| Number of tenant shared services/providers | 40 |
| Number of consumers of shared services | 40 |
| Number of VIPs (Citrix) | 50 |
| Number of VIPs (F5) | 50 |

## Nutanix

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Total Number of Prism Central | 10 |


| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Total Number of Nutanix domain instances | 10 |
| Number of EPGs per Prism Central | 500 |
| Number of EPGs per Nutanix domain | 500 |
| Number of endpoints per Prism Central (or Nutanix domain) | 1,000 |
| Number of VM Attribute Tags per Prism Central | 500 |
| Intra EPG isolation support per Prism Central | 300 EPGs |

## Layer 4 to Layer 7 Services Scalability Limits

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of Layer 4 to Layer 7 logical device clusters | 1,200 |
| Number of graph instances | 1,000 |
| Number of device clusters per tenant | 30 |
| Number of interfaces per device cluster | Any |
| Number of graph instances per device cluster | 500 |
| Deployment scenario for ASA (transparent or routed) | Yes |
| Deployment scenario for Citrix - One arm with SNAT/etc. | Yes |
| Deployment scenario for F5 - One arm with SNAT/etc. | Yes |

## AD, TACACS, RBAC Scalability Limits

| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of ACS/AD/LDAP authorization domains | 4 tested (16 maximum /server type) |
| Number of login domains | 15 (can go beyond). |
| Number of security domains/APIC | 15 (can go beyond). |
| Number of security domains in which the tenant resides | 4 (can go beyond). |
| Number of priorities | 4 tested (16 per domain) |
| Number of shell profiles that can be returned. | 4 tested (32 domains total) |
| Number of users | 8,000 local / 8,000 remote |


| Configurable Options | Per Fabric Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of simultaneous logins | 500 connections / NGNIX simultaneous REST logins |

## Cisco Mini ACI Fabric Scalability Limits

| Property | Maximum Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of spine switches | 2 |
| Number of leaf switches | 4 |
| Number of Pods | 1 |
| Number of tenants | 25 |
| Number of VRFs | 25 |
| Number of bridge domains (BDs) | 1,000 |
| Number of endpoint groups (EPGs) | 1,000 |
| Number of endpoints | 20,000 |
| Number of contracts | 2,000 |
| Number of service graph instances | 3 Physical or 10 Virtual |
| Number of L4-L7 logical device clusters | 200 |
| Number of multicast groups | 25 |
| Number of BGP+OSPF sessions | N/A |
| GOLF VRF, Route Scale |  |

## Cisco ACI and UCSM Scalability

The following table shows verified scalability numbers for Cisco Unified Computing System with Cisco ACI ExternalSwitch app.

| Configurable Options | Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of UCSMs per APIC cluster | 12 |
| Number of VMM Domains per UCSM | 4 |
| Number of VLANs + PVLAN per UCSM | 4,000 |
| Number of vNIC Templates per UCSM | 16 |

## OoS Scalability Limits

The following table shows QoS scale limits. The same numbers apply for topologies with or without remote leafs as well as with COS preservation and MPOD policy enabled.

| QoS Mode | QoS Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Custom QoS Policy with DSCP | 7 |
| Custom QoS Policy with DSCP and Dot1P | 7 |
| Custom QoS Policy with Dot1P | 38 |
| Custom QoS Policy via a Contract | 38 |

## PTP Scalability Limits

The following table shows Precision Time Protocol (PTP) scale limits.

| Configurable Options | Scale <br> (IEEE 1588 Default Profile) |  | Scale <br> (AES67, SMPTE-2059-2) |  | Scale <br> (Telecom Profile G.8275.1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of leaf switches connected to a single spine with PTP globally enabled | 288 |  | 40 |  | N/A |
| Number of PTP peers per leaf switch | 52 |  | 26 |  | 25 |
| Number of ACI switches connected to the same tier-1 leaf switch (multi-tier topology) with PTP globally enabled | With "Nun switc | range of the f PTP peers per leaf ve | 16 |  | N/A |
| Number of access ports with PTP enabled on a leaf switch | With "Nun switc <br> Note | range of the <br> f PTP peers per leaf ve <br> For improved performance on 1G interfaces with N9K-C93108TC-FX switches, the maxim number of 1 G interfaces should no exceed 10 | 25 <br> Note <br> 3 P <br> um | For improved performance on 1 G interfaces with N9K-C93108TC-FX switches, the maxim number of 1 G interfaces should no exceed 10 out of 25 |  |


| Configurable Options | Scale <br> (IEEE 1588 Default Profile) | Scale <br> (AES67, SMPTE-2059-2) | Scale <br> (Telecom Profile G.8275.1) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number of PTP peers per access <br> port | PTP Mode Multicast <br> (Dynamic/Master): 2 peers <br> PTP Mode Unicast Master: 1 <br> peer | PTP Mode Multicast <br> (Dynamic/Master): 2 peers <br> PTP Mode Unicast Master: 1 <br> peer | 1 |

## NetFlow Scale

| Configurable Options | Scale |
| :--- | :--- |
| Exporters per leaf switch | 2 |
| NetFlow monitor policies under bridge domains per leaf switch | EX switches: 100 <br> All other models: $350^{*}$ |
| NetFlow monitor policies under L3Outs per leaf switch | EX switches: 100 <br> All other models: $350^{*}$ |
| Number of records per collect interval | EX switches: 100 <br> All other models: $1,000,000^{* *}$ |

* The total NetFlow policies under a bridge domain or L3Out must be less than 350 (100 for EX switches).
** For more information, see Cisco APIC and NetFlow.

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