



H3C S6850 Series

Data Center Switches

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Product overview

H3C S6850 series switch is high-density intelligent 25G access switch with powerful hardware forwarding capabilities and rich data center business features. Supports pluggable power supplies and fans. Provides the industry's most flexible combination of 25GE, 100GE, and 10 GE ports for compact switches.

S6850 series switch is an ideal product for high-density 25GE access and 100GE aggregation at data centers and cloud computing networks.

Product Appearance

The S6850 series come in the following models.

- S6850-56HF: The switch provides 48 × 25G SFP28 ports, 8 × 100G QSFP28 ports



S6850-56HF front panel



S6850-56HF rear panel

- S6850-2C: The switch provides 2 service slots, 2 × 100G QSFP28 ports



S6850-2C front panel



S6850-2C rear panel

Product Characteristics

High-Density 25GE Access

- The switch offers high-density 100G/40G/25G/10G ports and a forwarding capacity as high as 4 Tbps. With standard 25G ports, it can provide high-density server access in high-end data centers

Abundant Data Center Features

The switch supports abundant data center features, including:

- H3C S6850 switch series supports VXLAN (Virtual Extensible LAN), which provides two major benefits, higher scalability of Layer 2 segmentation and better utilization of available network paths.
- H3C S6850 switch series supports MP-BGP EVPN (Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol Ethernet Virtual Private Network) which can run as VXLAN control plane to simplify VXLAN configuration, eliminate traffic flooding and reduce full mesh requirements between VTEPs via the introduction of BGP RR.
- H3C S6850 switch series support Fiber Channel over Ethernet (FCoE), which permits storage, data, and computing services to be transmitted on one network, reducing the costs of network construction and maintenance.
- H3C S6850 switch series support Priority-based Flow Control (PFC), Enhanced Transmission Selection (ETS) and Data Center Bridging eXchange (DCBX). These features ensure low latency and zero packet loss for FC storage and high-speed computing services.

H3C Intelligent Resilient Framework 2 (IRF2)

- High scalability: With IRF2, plug-n-play device aggregation can be achieved by adding one or more switches into the IRF2 stack, enabling IRF2 stacking on the new device. New devices can be managed with a single IP, making it possible to build a scalable, easy-to-manage data center network platform.
- High reliability: In IRF2 stack, all information in control plane and data plane has redundant backup to realize uninterrupted layer-3 forwarding which greatly enhances the reliability and high performance of IRF2 group, eliminates single point of failure and avoids business interruption.
- Load balancing: IRF2 supports cross-device link aggregation, allowing upstream and downstream to be connected to more than one physical link. This creates another layer of network redundancy, and boosts the network resource utilization.

H3C Distributed Resilient Network Interconnection (DRNI)

- H3C S6850 switch series support DRNI, which enables links of multiple switches to aggregate into one to implement device-level link backup. DRNI is applicable to servers dual-homed to a pair of access devices for node redundancy.
- Streamlined topology: DRNI simplifies the network topology and spanning tree configuration by virtualizing two physical devices into one logical device.
- Independent upgrading: The DR member devices can be upgraded independently one by one to

Powerful Visibility

With the rapid development of data center, the scale of the data center expands rapidly; reliability, operation and maintenance become the bottleneck of data center for further expansion. H3C S6850 switch series conform to the trend of automated data operation and maintenance, and support visualization of data center.

- INT (Inband-Telemetry) is a network monitoring technology used to collect data from the device. Compared with the traditional network monitoring technology featuring one query, one reporting, INT requires only one-time configuration for continuous data reporting, thereby reducing the request processing load of the device. INT can collect timestamp information, device ID, port information, and buffer information in real time. INT can be implemented in IP, EVPN, and VXLAN networks.
- Provides a variety of traffic monitoring and analytic tools, including sFlow, NetStream, SPAN/RSPAN/ERSPAN mirroring, and port mirroring to help customers perform precise traffic analysis and gain visibility into network application traffic. With these tools, customers can collect network traffic data to evaluate network health status, create traffic analysis reports, perform traffic engineering, and optimize resource allocation.
- Supports realtime monitoring of buffer and port queues, allowing for visible and dynamic network optimization.
- Supports PTP (Precision Time Protocol) to achieve highly precise clock synchronization.

RoCE (RDMA over Converged Ethernet)

- Remote Direct Memory Access (RDMA) directly transmits the user application data to the storage space of the servers, and uses the network to fast transmit the data from the local system to the storage of the remote system. RDMA eliminates multiple data copying and context switching operations during the transmission process, and reduces the CPU load.
- RoCE supports RDMA on standard Ethernet infrastructures. H3C S6850 switch support RoCE and can be used to build a lossless Ethernet network to ensure zero packet loss.
- RoCE include the following key features, include PFC(Priority based Flow Control), ECN(Explicit Congestion Notification), DCBX(Data Center Bridging Capability Exchange Protocol), ETS(Enhanced Transmission Selection).

Flexible programmability

- The switch uses industry-leading programmable switching chips that allow users to define the forwarding logic as needed.
- Users can develop new features that meet the evolving trend of their networks through simple software updates.

Powerful SDN capacity

- H3C S6850 switch series adopt the next-generation chip with more flexible Openflow FlowTable, more resources and accurate ACL matching, which greatly improves the software-defined network (SDN) capabilities and meet the demand of data center SDN network.
- H3C S6850 switch series support standard Openflow protocol, which can be integrated and managed by H3C or mainstream cloud platforms or a third-party controller to support flexible network customization and automated management. Users and third-party controllers can use standard interfaces to develop and deploy a dedicated network management strategy for rapid business deployment, functional expansion, and intelligent device management.

Comprehensive security control policies

- H3C S6850 switch series supports AAA, RADIUS and user account based authentication, IP, MAC, VLAN, port-based user identification, dynamic and static binding; when working with the H3C iMC platform, it can conduct real time management, instant diagnosis and crackdown on illicit network behavior.
- H3C S6850 switch series supports enhanced ACL control logic, which enables an enormous amount of in-port and out-port ACL, and delegate VLAN based ACL. This simplifies user deployment process and avoids ACL resource wastage. S6850 switch series can also take advantage of Unicast Reverse Path Forwarding (Unicast RPF). When the device receives a packet, it will perform the reverse check to verify the source address from which the packets are supposedly originated, and will drop the packet if such path doesn't exist. This can effectively prevent the source address spoofing in the network.

Multiple reliability protection

- The S6850 switch series provides multiple reliability protection at both switch and link levels. With over current, overvoltage, and overheat protection, all models have a redundant pluggable power module, which enables flexible configuration of AC or DC power modules based on actual needs. The entire switch supports fault detection and alarm for power supply and fan, allowing fan speed to change to suit different ambient temperatures.
- The switch supports diverse link redundancy technologies such as H3C proprietary RRPP, VRRPE, and Smart Link. These technologies ensure quick network convergence even when large amount of traffic of multiple services runs on the network.
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Flexible choice of airflow

- To cope with data center cooling aisle design, the H3C S6850 switch series comes with flexible airflow design, which features bi-cooling aisles in the front and back. Users may also choose the direction of airflow (from front to back or vice versa) by selecting a different fan tray.

Excellent manageability

The switch improves system management through the following ways:

- Provides multiple management interfaces, including the serial console port, mini USB console port, USB port, two out-of-band management ports, and two SFP ports. The SFP ports can be used as in-band management port through which encapsulated sampling packets are sent to the controller or other management devices for deep analysis.
- Supports multiple access methods, including SNMPv1/v2c/v3, Telnet, SSH 2.0, SSL, and FTP.
- Supports standard NETCONF APIs that allow users to configure and manage the switch, enhancing the compatibility with third-party applications.

Product Specifications

Hardware Specification

Item	S6850-56HF	S6850-2C
Dimensions (H × W × D)	43.6 × 440 × 460 mm (1.72 × 17.32 × 18.11 in)	44.2 × 440 × 660 mm (1.74 × 17.32 × 18.11 in)
Weight	≤ 15 kg (33.07 lb)	≤ 16 kg (35.27 lb)
Serial console port	1	1
Out-of-band management port	One GE copper port and one GE fiber port	One GE copper port and one GE fiber port
Mini USB console port	1	1
USB port	1	1
Flash/SDRAM	4GB/8GB	4GB/8GB
QSFP28 port	8	2
SFP28 port	48	-
SFP port	2	-
Expansion slot	-	2
AC-input voltage	90v AC to 264v AC	90v AC to 264v AC
DC-input voltage	-40v DC to -72v DC	-40v DC to -72v DC
Power module slot	2	2
Fan tray slot	5 Hot-swappable fan, fan speed adjustable and wind invertible	5 Hot-swappable fan, fan speed adjustable and wind invertible
Air flow direction	From front to rear or from rear to front	From front to rear or from rear to front
Static power consumption	Single AC: 167 W	Single AC: 136 W
	Dual AC: 179 W	Dual AC: 148 W
	Single DC: 154 W	Single DC: 132 W
	Dual DC: 174 W	Dual DC: 146 W
Typical power consumption	Single AC: 201 W	Single AC: 273 W (with LSWM18CQ)
	Dual AC: 224 W	Dual AC: 282 W(with LSWM18CQ)
	Single DC: 198 W	Single DC: 268 W(with LSWM18CQ)
	Dual DC: 210 W	Dual DC: 275 W(with LSWM18CQ)
Operating temperature	0°C to 45°C (32°F to 113°F)	
Operating humidity	5% to 95%, noncondensing	

Software Specification

Item	S6850-56HF	S6850-2C
Switching capacity	4 Tbps	3.6Tbps
Forwarding capacity	2024 Mpps	2024 Mpps
Device Virtualization	IRF2 DRNI	
Network Virtualization	VXLAN MP-BGP EVPN	
SDN	VCFC Controller	
Data center	FCoE	
	RDMA and RoCE	
	802.1Qbb PFC, 802.1Qaz ETS, ECN, DCBX	
	OpenFlow 1.3.1	
	Service Chain	
O&M	NETCONF, Python	
	INT (Inband Telemetry)	
	ERSPAN	
	GRPC	
	Microburst monitoring in buffer	
MAC address table	Static MAC address	
	Blackhole MAC address	
VLAN	Port-based VLAN (quantity: 4094)	
	Default VLAN	
DHCP	DHCP server/client	
	DHCP snooping/DHCP relay	
	DHCP Snooping option82/DHCP Relay option82	
	IPv6 DHCP server/client	
ARP	IPv6 DHCP snooping/DHCP relay	
	Gratuitous ARP	
	Dynamic ARP inspection	
	ARP source-suppression	
	ARP blackhole	
	Multicast ARP	
IP routing	ARP detection	
	Static routing, RIPv1/v2, OSPFv1/v2/v3, BGP, IS-IS	
	ECMP, VRRP, policy-based routing	
	BGP4+ for IPv6, VRRP, IPv6 policy-based routing	
	RIPng, OSPFv3, ISISv6	

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IPv6	IPv6 ND IPv6 PMTU ICMPv6, Telnetv6, SFTpv6, SNMPv6, BFDv6, VRRPv3 IPv6 portal/IPv6 tunnel
Multicast	IGMP snooping v2/v3 IGMPv1/v2/v3 PIM-DM/SM IPv6 PIM-DM/SM/SSM Bi-directional -PIM, MSDP MLD snooping Multicast VPN MBGP Bidirectional PIM Multicast policy
Zero-configuration	Auto-config
MPLS	MPLS L3VPN VPLS
MSTP	STP/RSTP/MSTP PVST+/RPVST+ STP Root Guard BPDU Guard
QoS/ACL	Inbound and outbound traffic rate limit CAR Eight output queues on each port Flexible port-and queue-based queuing and scheduling algorithms SP, WRR, WFQ, SP+WRR, and SP+WFQ queuing 802.1p and DSCP priority re-marking Packet filtering at Layer 2 to Layer 4 Traffic classification based on source MAC address, destination MAC address, source IPv4/IPv6 address, destination IPv4/IPv6 address, port number, protocol type, and VLAN Time range Inbound and outbound ACL VLAN-based ACL WRED
Mirroring	Traffic mirroring N:4 port mirroring Local port mirroring Remote port mirroring (multiple ports and reflector port)
Security	Hierarchical user management and password protection AAA /RADIUS/HWTACACS SSH 2.0 IP address+MAC address+port number binding IP source guard HTTPs/SSL



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Security	PKI 802.1X MAC authentication EAD IPv6 RADIUS server IPv6 port binding
Loading and upgrading	Loading/upgrading through the XMODEM protocol Loading/upgrading through FTP and TFTP
Management and maintenance	Configuration via CLI, Telnet, and Console port Scheduled job IRF-based ISSU SNMPv1/v2c/v3 Telemetry GRPC PTP IMC System logs Hierarchical alarms NTP, SNTP Power, fan and temperature alarms Debugging information output Ping and tracert File uploading and downloading through the USB port
EMC	FCC Part 15 Subpart B CLASS A ICES-003 CLASS A VCCI CLASS A CISPR 32 CLASS A EN 55032 CLASS A AS/NZS CISPR32 CLASS A CISPR 24 EN 55024 EN 61000-3-2 EN 61000-3-3 ETSI EN 300 386 GB/T 9254 YD/T 993
Safety	UL 60950-1 CAN/CSA C22.2 No 60950-1 IEC 60950-1 EN 60950-1 AS/NZS 60950-1 FDA 21 CFR Subchapter J GB 4943.1

Order information

PID	Description
LS-6850-56HF	H3C S6850-56HF L3 Ethernet Switch with 48 SFP28 Ports and 8 QSFP28 Ports
LS-6850-2C	H3C S6850-2C L3 Ethernet Switch with 2*QSFP28 Ports and 2*Interface Module Slots
Power	
LSVM1AC650	650W AC Power Supply Module
LSVM1DC650	650W DC Power Supply Module
Fan	
LSWM1FANSAB	Fan Module with Port to Power Airflow
LSWM1FANSA	Fan Module with Power to Port Airflow
Module	
LSWM18QC	8-Port QSFP Plus Interface Card
LSWM124XG2Q	24-Port SFP Plus and 2-Port QSFP Plus Interface Card with MACSec
LSWM124XGT2Q	24-Port 10GBASE-T and 2-Port QSFP Plus Interface Card with MACSec
LSWM124XG2QL	24-Port SFP Plus and 2-Port QSFP Plus Interface Card
LSWM124XG2QFC	24 Ports SFP Plus and 2 Ports QSFP Plus Interface Card with FC
LSWM18CQ	H3C S6820 8-Port QSFP28 Ethernet Optical Interface Module
LSWM116Q	H3C S6820 16-Port QSFP Plus Ethernet Optical Interface Module
LSWM124TG2H	H3C S6820 24-Port SFP28 and 2-Port QSFP28 Ethernet Optical Interface Module
LSWM18CQMSEC	H3C S6820 8-Port QSFP28 MACSEC Ethernet Optical Interface Module
Transceiver	
SFP-GE-T	1000BASE-T SFP
SFP-GE-SX-MM850-A	1000BASE-SX SFP Transceiver, Multi-Mode (850nm, 550m, LC)
SFP-GE-LX-SM1310-A	1000BASE-LX SFP Transceiver, Single Mode (1310nm, 10km, LC)
SFP-GE-LH40-SM1310	1000BASE-LH40 SFP Transceiver, Single Mode (1310nm, 40km, LC)
SFP-GE-LH40-SM1550	1000BASE-LH40 SFP Transceiver, Single Mode (1550nm, 40km, LC)
SFP-GE-LH80-SM1550	1000BASE-LH80 SFP Transceiver, Single Mode (1550nm, 80km, LC)
SFP-XG-SX-MM850-A	SFP+ Module(850nm,300m,LC)
SFP-XG-LX-SM1310	SFP+ Module(1310nm,10km,LC)
SFP-25G-SR-MM850	25G SFP28 Optical Transceiver Module (850nm,100m,SR,MM,LC)
QSFP-40G-LR4-WDM1300	40GBASE-LR4 QSFP+ Optical Transceiver Module
QSFP-40G-CSR4-MM850	QSFP+ 40GBASE Optical Transceiver Module (850nm,300m,CSR4,Support 40G to 4*10G)
QSFP-40G-SR4-MM850	QSFP+ 40GBASE Optical Transceiver Module (850nm,100m,SR4,Support 40G to 4*10G)
QSFP-40G-BIDI-SR-MM850	QSFP+ 40GBASE BIDI Optical Transceiver Module (850nm,100m,SR)
QSFP-40G-LR4L-WDM1300	QSFP+ 40GBASE Optical Transceiver Module (1310nm,2km,LR4L,LC)
QSFP-40G-LR4-PSM1310	QSFP+ 40GBASE Optical Transceiver Module (1310nm,10km,MPO/APC,LR4,Parallel Single Mode)
QSFP-100G-SR4-MM850	100G QSFP28 Optical Transceiver Module (850nm,100m OM4,SR4,MPO)
QSFP-100G-PSM4-SM1310	100G QSFP28 Optical Transceiver Module (1310nm,500m,PSM4,MPO/APC)

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Transceiver	
QSFP-100G-LR4L-WDM1300	100G QSFP28 Optical Transceiver Module (1310nm,2km,LR4L,CWDM4,LC)
QSFP-100G-LR4-WDM1300	100G QSFP28 Optical Transceiver Module(1310nm,10km,LR4,WDM,LC)
Cable	
LSWM1STK	SFP+ Cable 0.65m
LSWM2STK	SFP+ Cable 1.2m
LSWM3STK	SFP+ Cable 3m
LSTM1STK	SFP+ Cable 5m
SFP-XG-D-AOC-7M	SFP+ to SFP+7m AOC
SFP-XG-D-AOC-10M	SFP+ to SFP+10m AOC
SFP-XG-D-AOC-20M	SFP+ to SFP+20m AOC
SFP-25G-D-CAB-1M	25G SFP28 to 25G SFP28 1m Passive Cable
SFP-25G-D-CAB-3M	25G SFP28 to 25G SFP28 3m Passive Cable
LSWM1QSTK0	40G QSFP+ Cable 1m
LSWM1QSTK1	40G QSFP+ Cable 3m
LSWM1QSTK2	40G QSFP+ Cable 5m
QSFP-40G-D-AOC-7M	40G QSFP+ to 40G QSFP+7m AOC
QSFP-40G-D-AOC-10M	40G QSFP+ to 40G QSFP+10m AOC
QSFP-40G-D-AOC-20M	40G QSFP+ to 40G QSFP+20m AOC
LSWM1QSTK3	40G QSFP+ to 4x10G SFP+ Cable 1m
LSWM1QSTK4	40G QSFP+ to 4x10G SFP+ Cable 3m
LSWM1QSTK5	40G QSFP+ to 4x10G SFP+ Cable 5m
QSFP-100G-D-CAB-1M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 1m Passive Cable
QSFP-100G-D-CAB-3M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 3m Passive Cable
QSFP-100G-D-CAB-5M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 5m Passive Cable
QSFP-100G-D-AOC-7M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 7m AOC
QSFP-100G-D-AOC-10M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 10m AOC
QSFP-100G-D-AOC-20M	100G QSFP28 to 100G QSFP28 20m AOC
QSFP-100G-4SFP-25G-CAB-3M	100G QSFP28 to 4x25G SFP28 3m Passive Cable
QSFP-100G-4SFP-25G-CAB-1M	100G QSFP28 to 4x25G SFP28 1m Passive Cable

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