

# Aruba R8S90A Datasheet



## **Product Overview**

- Aruba CX 6300 Series switches deliver intelligent, stackable performance for modern access, aggregation, and data center top-of-rack deployments.
- With built-in flexibility, the CX 6300 targets mid-sized enterprises, branch offices, managed service providers, and IoT-focused deployments.
- Key hardware highlights include a powerful ASIC, nonblocking architecture, integrated high-speed uplinks, and scalable stacking up to 10 switches.
- Distinctive features are the cloud-native programmable OS, Network Analytics Engine for deep visibility, and support for HPE Smart Rate multi-gigabit Ethernet.
- Management is streamlined using the Aruba Switch Multi-Edit Software and CX mobile app, ensuring efficient deployment and configuration.
- The CX 6300 empowers businesses with secure, highdensity connectivity that is easy to manage, adapt, and scale for tomorrow's digital demands.

## **Product Highlights**

- Stackable Layer 3 & Layer 2 Switch Options: Choose from stackable Layer 3 switches with advanced routing (BGP, OSPF, VXLAN), or Layer 2-only access models with MACsec 256 and multi-gigabit ports.
- High-Capacity Switching & Throughput: Offers ASIC-based system switching capacities from 880 to 1760 Gbps, with throughput between 660 and 1310 MPPS and stacking bandwidth up to 400 Gbps per device.
- Flexible Uplinks & PoE Support: Built-in 10/25/40/50/100
   GbE uplinks and HPE Smart Rate (1/2.5/5/10GbE) provide
   adaptability for diverse network needs, including high density 90W PoE.
- Unified Management & Security: Centralized via Aruba Networking Central with dynamic segmentation, enabling secure, simple user and IoT access with robust monitoring and visibility features.

## **Detailed Features**



#### **R8S90A**



| Component              | Specification   |
|------------------------|---|
| Switching Capacity     | 880–1760 Gbps   |
| Forwarding Rate        | 660-1310 MPPS   |
| Max Stacking Bandwidth | 200-400 Gbps  |
| Uplink Interfaces      | 10/25/40/50/100 GbE (built-in)                              |
| PoE Support            | Up to 90W per port (IEEE 802.3bt, Smart Rate Multi-Gigabit) |



#### **Next-Gen High-Speed Architecture**

The CX 6300 harnesses a fully distributed Gen7 ASIC platform, ensuring wire-speed switching, extremely low latency, and advanced packet buffering for demanding business applications.

#### **High-Density PoE Capability**

Deliver high power to more endpoints with support for Class 4 (30W), Class 6 (60W), and Class 8 (90W) PoE per port, ensuring seamless deployment of access points and IoT devices.

#### Efficient Scalable Stacking

Aruba VSF technology enables up to 10 switches to be stacked, combining high stacking bandwidth with simplified management for network scalability and reliability.

#### **Automated Network Analytics**

Built-in Network Analytics Engine and a Time Series
Database offer real-time monitoring, fast troubleshooting, and
data-driven decision making, reducing downtime and
operational costs.

## **Streamlined Automation & Policy**

Multi-Edit Software and the CX app allow rapid, error-free configuration and deployment, with conformance checking and automation to standardize policies network-wide.

#### **Unified Control & Dynamic Segmentation**

Centralized management through Aruba Networking Central supports streamlined visual operations, with dynamic segmentation automatically applying policies to devices and users.

### **Application-Aware Security**

Get user, device, and application-level visibility with Layer 7 firewall, role-based access controls, and device profiling for enhanced network security and performance.

#### Flexible Data Center Integration

CX 6300 supports seamless integration with HPE compute and storage as part of turnkey data center solutions, designed to simplify service delivery in complex IT environments.

## **Technical Specifications**

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| Feature                | Value   |
|------------------------|---|
| Product Series         | Aruba CX 6300 Switch Series   |
| Switch Architecture    | Fully distributed Gen7 ASIC   |
| Switching Capacity     | 880–1760 Gbps   |
| Packet Forwarding Rate | 660-1310 MPPS   |
| Stacking               | Virtual Stacking up to 10 switches, 200–400 Gbps stacking bandwidth |
| Uplink Speed Options   | 10/25/40/50/100 GbE   |
| PoE Support            | IEEE 802.3bt, Class 4/6/8, Up to 90W per port                       |
| PoE Budget Options     | 720W/1440W/2880W maximum  |
| Layer 2/3 Features     | Layer 3 routing (BGP, OSPF, VRF), Layer 2-only in 6300L             |
| Security               | MACsec 256, Dynamic segmentation, Role-based access control         |
| Intelligent Monitoring | Network Analytics Engine (NAE), Time Series<br>Database             |
| Management             | Aruba Networking Central, Multi-Edit Software, CX<br>Mobile App     |



| Feature                 | Value  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Automation & API        | CLI, Python agents, REST API                 |
| Application Recognition | Advanced Feature Pack option                 |
| Device Profiling        | Automated, supports IoT endpoints            |
| Redundant Power         | Supported on selected models                 |
| Dimensions              | Varies per model                             |
| Deployments             | Access, Aggregation, Data Center Top-of-Rack |
| Integration             | HPE Compute/Storage/full-stack IT solutions  |

# **Product Comparison**

| Feature               | R8S90A  | C1000-48FP-4X-L                | C9200L-48T-4X-E                 |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Switching<br>Capacity | 880–1760 Gbps                                 | 176 Gbps                       | 176 Gbps                        |
| Forwarding<br>Rate    | 660-1310 MPPS                                 | 130.95 Mpps                    | 130.95 Mpps                     |
| Stacking<br>Bandwidth | 200-400 Gbps                                  | Not supported                  | 80 Gbps                         |
| Fixed Ports           | 48 x multi-gigabit, PoE+<br>support           | 48 x 10/100/1000Base-T<br>PoE+ | 48 x 10/100/1000Base-T          |
| Uplink<br>Interfaces  | 10/25/40/50/100 GbE                           | 4 x 10G SFP+                   | 4 x 10G SFP+                    |
| PoE<br>Capability     | Up to 90W/port, max 2880W                     | PoE+ (30W/port), max<br>740W   | Not PoE                         |
| Layer 3<br>Features   | Advanced (BGP, VRF,<br>VXLAN)                 | Basic static routing           | Static & RIP routing            |
| Management            | Aruba Central, Mobile App,<br>Full Automation | Web, CLI, SNMP                 | Web, CLI, DNAC ready            |
| Security              | MACsec 256, Dynamic<br>Segmentation           | Standard Access Control        | DHCP Snooping, Port<br>Security |
| Ideal Use             | High-density, scalable access or ToR          | Enterprise access w/PoE        | Enterprise access (non-<br>PoE) |



## Accessories

| Category             | Accessories   |
|----------------------|---|
| Included Accessories | - Power Adapter<br>- Rack Mount Kit<br>- Quick Start Guide  |
| Optional Accessories | <ul><li>SFP+/QSFP28 Transceivers</li><li>Redundant Power Supply</li><li>Extended License Pack</li></ul> |



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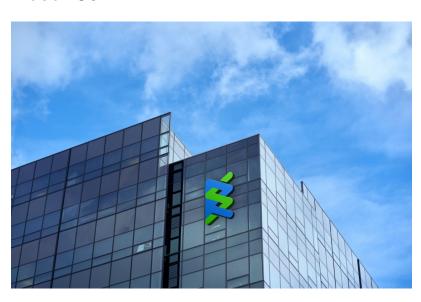


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