Meraki MX
CLOUD MANAGED SECURITY & SD-WAN

Overview
Cisco Meraki MX Security & SD-WAN Appliances are ideal for organizations considering a Unified Threat Management (UTM) solution for distributed sites, campuses or datacenter VPN concentration. Since the MX is 100% cloud managed, installation and remote management are simple. The MX has a comprehensive suite of network services, eliminating the need for multiple appliances. These services include SD-WAN capabilities, application-based firewalling, content filtering, web search filtering, SNORT® based intrusion detection and prevention, Cisco Advanced Malware Protection (AMP), web caching, 4G cellular failover and more. Auto VPN and SD-WAN features are available on our hardware and virtual appliances, configurable in Amazon Web Services or Microsoft Azure.

FEATURE-RICH UNIFIED THREAT MANAGEMENT (UTM) CAPABILITIES
- Application-aware traffic control: bandwidth policies for Layer 7 application types (e.g., block YouTube, prioritize Skype, throttle BitTorrent)
- Content filtering: CIPA-compliant content filter, safe-seach enforcement (Google/Bing), and YouTube for Schools
- Intrusion prevention: PCI-compliant IPS sensor using industry-leading SNORT® signature database from Cisco
- Advanced Malware Protection: file reputation-based protection engine powered by Cisco AMP
- Identity-based security policies and application management

INDUSTRY-LEADING CLOUD MANAGEMENT
- Unified firewall, switching, wireless LAN, and mobile device management through an intuitive web-based dashboard
- Template based settings scale easily from small deployments to tens of thousands of devices
- Role-based administration, configurable email alerts for a variety of important events, and easily auditable change logs
- Summary reports with user, device, and application usage details archived in the cloud

INTELLIGENT SITE-TO-SITE VPN WITH MERAKI SD-WAN
- Auto VPN: automatic VPN route generation using IKE/IPsec setup. Runs on physical MX appliances and as a virtual instance within the Amazon AWS or Microsoft Azure cloud services
- SD-WAN with active / active VPN, policy-based-routing, dynamic VPN path selection and support for application-layer performance profiles to ensure prioritization of the applications types that matter
- Interoperates with all IPsec VPN devices and services
- Automated MPLS to VPN failover within seconds of a connection failure
- Client VPN: L2TP IPsec support for native Windows, Mac OS X, iPad and Android clients with no per-user licensing fees

BRANCH GATEWAY SERVICES
- Built-in DHCP, NAT, QoS, and VLAN management services
- Web caching: accelerates frequently accessed content
- Load balancing: combines multiple WAN links into a single high-speed interface, with policies for QoS, traffic shaping, and failover
- Smart connection monitoring: automatic detection of layer 2 and layer 3 outages and fast failover, including option of integrated LTE Advanced or 3G/4G modems
INSIDE THE CISCO MERAKI MX
MX450 shown, features vary by model

Redundant Power
Reliable, energy efficient design with field replaceable power supplies

Modular Fans
High-performance front-to-back cooling with field replaceable fans

Cryptographic Acceleration
Reduced load with hardware crypto assist

Additional Memory
For high-performance content filtering

Web Caching
128G SSD disk

Enhanced CPU
Layer 3-7 firewall and traffic shaping

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FRONT OF THE CISCO MERAKI MX
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Multicolor Status LED
Monitor device status

3G/4G Modem Support
Automatic cellular failover

Dual 10G WAN Interfaces
Load balancing and SD-WAN

1G/10G Ethernet/SFP+ Interfaces
10G SFP+ interfaces for high-speed LAN connectivity

Management Interface
Local device access
Ironclad Security

The MX platform has an extensive suite of security features including IDS/IPS, content filtering, web search filtering, anti-malware, geo-IP based firewalling, IPsec VPN connectivity and Cisco Advanced Malware Protection, while providing the performance required for modern, bandwidth-intensive networks.

Layer 7 fingerprinting technology lets administrators identify unwanted content and applications and prevent recreational apps like BitTorrent from wasting precious bandwidth.

The integrated Cisco SNORT® engine delivers superior intrusion prevention coverage, a key requirement for PCI 3.2 compliance. The MX also uses the Webroot BrightCloud® URL categorization database for CIPA / IWF compliant content-filtering, Cisco Advanced Malware Protection (AMP) engine for anti-malware, AMP Threat Grid Cloud, and MaxMind for geo-IP based security rules.

Best of all, these industry-leading Layer 7 security engines and signatures are always kept up-to-date via the cloud, simplifying network security management and providing peace of mind to IT administrators.

**Organization Level Threat Assessment with Meraki Security Center**

**Identity Based Policy Management**

**Cisco Threat Grid Cloud for Malicious File Sandboxing**
SD-WAN Made Simple

Software-defined WAN is a new approach to network connectivity that lowers operational costs and improves resource usage for multisite deployments to use bandwidth more efficiently. This allows service providers to offer their customers the highest possible level of performance for critical applications without sacrificing security or data privacy.

**Transport independence**
Apply bandwidth, routing, and security policies across a variety of mediums (MPLS, Internet, or 3G/4G LTE) with a single consistent, intuitive workflow.

**Application optimization**
Layer 7 traffic shaping and application prioritization optimize the traffic for mission-critical applications and user experience.

**Intelligent path control**
Dynamic policy and performance based path selection with automatic load balancing for maximum network reliability and performance.

**Secure connectivity**
Integrated Cisco Security threat defense technologies for direct Internet access combined with IPsec VPN to ensure secure communication with cloud applications, remote offices, or datacenters.

Cloud Managed Architecture

Built on Cisco Meraki’s award-winning cloud architecture, the MX is the industry’s only 100% cloud-managed solution for Unified Threat Management (UTM) and SD-WAN in a single appliance. MX appliances self-provision, automatically pulling policies and configuration settings from the cloud. Powerful remote management tools provide network-wide visibility and control, and enable administration without the need for on-site networking expertise.

Cloud services deliver seamless firmware and security signature updates, automatically establish site-to-site VPN tunnels, and provide 24x7 network monitoring. Moreover, the MX’s intuitive browser-based management interface removes the need for expensive and time-consuming training.

For customers moving IT services to a public cloud service, Meraki offers a virtual MX for use in Amazon Web Services and Microsoft Azure, enabling Auto VPN peering and SD-WAN for dynamic path selection.

Cisco Meraki Cloud Management Architecture

End-to-End Network Visibility and Troubleshooting
Integrated 802.11ac Wave 2 Wireless

The MX67W, MX68W, and MX68CW integrate Cisco Meraki’s award-winning wireless technology with the powerful MX network security features in a compact form factor ideal for branch offices or small enterprises.

- Dual-band 802.11n/ac Wave 2, 2x2 MU-MIMO with 2 spatial streams
- Unified management of network security and wireless
- Integrated enterprise security and guest access

LTE Advanced

While all MX models feature a USB port for 3G/4G failover, the MX67C and MX68CW include a SIM slot and internal LTE modem. This integrated functionality removes the need for external hardware and allows for cellular visibility and configuration within the Meraki dashboard.

- 1 x CAT 6, 300 Mbps LTE modem
- 1 x Nano SIM slot (4ff form factor)
- Global coverage with individual orderable SKUs for North America and Worldwide

Power over Ethernet

The MX65, MX65W, MX68, MX68W, and MX68CW include two ports with 802.3at (PoE+). This built-in power capability removes the need for additional hardware to power critical branch devices.

- 2 x 802.3at (PoE+) ports capable of providing a total of 60W
- APs, phones, cameras, and other PoE enabled devices can be powered without the need for AC adapters, PoE converters, or unmanaged PoE switches.

Meraki vMX100

Virtual MX is a virtual instance of a Meraki security appliance, dedicated specifically to providing the simple configuration benefits of site-to-site Auto VPN for customers running or migrating IT services to the public cloud. A virtual MX is added via the Amazon Web Services or Azure marketplace and then configured in the Meraki dashboard, just like any other MX. It functions like a VPN concentrator, and features SD-WAN functionality like other MX devices.

- An Auto VPN to a virtual MX is like having a direct Ethernet connection to a private datacenter. The virtual MX can support up to 500 Mbps of VPN throughput, providing ample bandwidth for mission critical IT services hosted in the public cloud, like Active Directory, logging, or file and print services.
- Support for Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Azure
- No hardware, only a Meraki license is required