Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

Overview

The Cisco® UCS B230 M2 Blade Server is a two-socket, half-width blade server that extends the capabilities of the Cisco Unified Computing System™, using Intel's Xeon E7-2800 Series multi-core processors with 32 DIMM slots, one mezzanine slot and up to two solid-state drives (SSD). Up to eight half-width blade servers can be accommodated in the Cisco UCS 5108 Blade Server Chassis.

Figure 1.   Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

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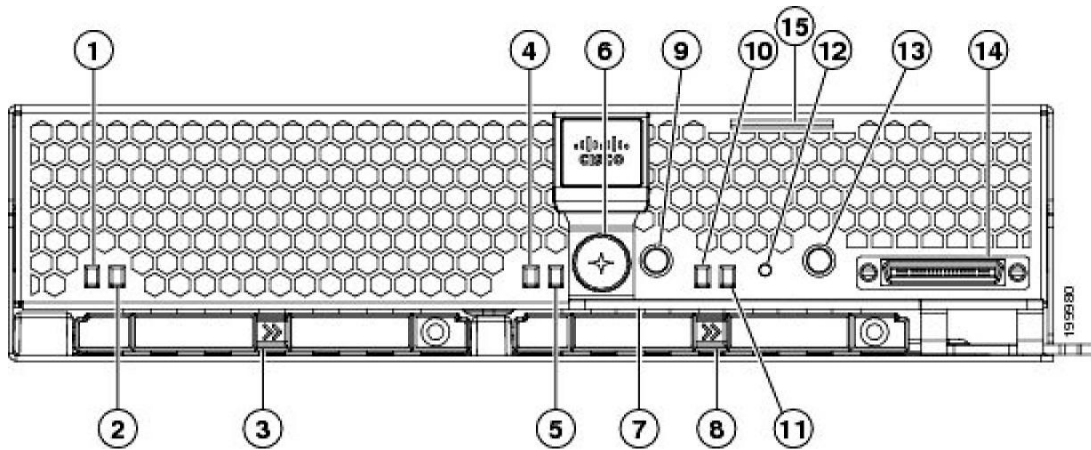<tr><td>Contents:</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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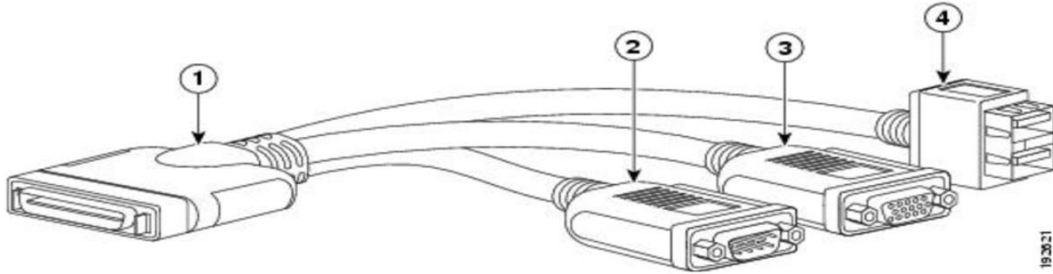<tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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Detailed Views

Figure 2.   Front View of the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

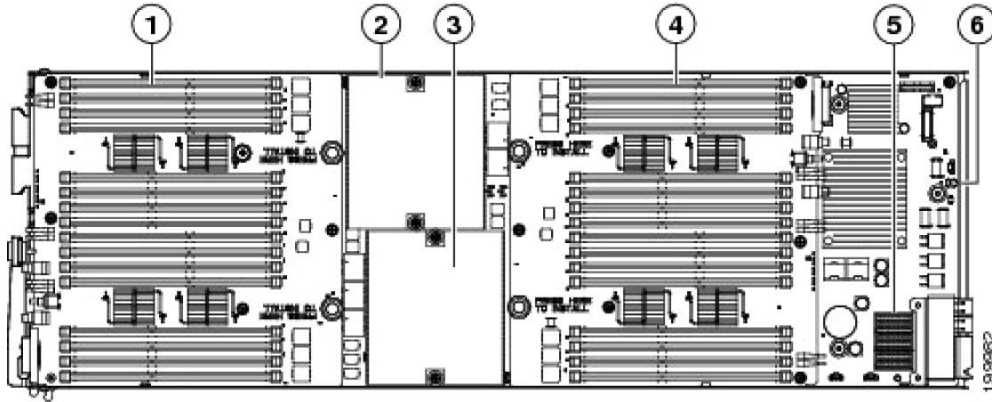| 1	SSD activity LED	9	Locator button and LED
2	SSD1 fault LED	10	Network link status LED
3	SSD sled in Bay 1	11	Blade health LED
4	SSD 2 activity LED	12	Reset button
5	SSD 2 fault LED	13	Power on/standby button and LED
6	Blade release lever captive screw	14	Local console connector
7	Blade release lever	15	Asset tag
8	SSD sled in bay 2		

Figure 3.   Local console connector cable for the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Server

1	Connector to blade server slot	3	VGA Connection for a monitor
2	DB9 Serial connector	4	2-port USB connector for a mouse and keyboard

Figure 4.   Inside the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

1	DIMM slots	2	CPU 1 and heat sink
3	CPU2 and heat sink	4	DIMM slots
5	Adapter card connector	6	Diagnostic button

Base Unit Features

Table 1.   Feature Specifications for the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

Feature	Specifications
CPU	Up to two Intel® Xeon® E7-2800 Series processors
Chipset	Intel® 7510 chipset
Memory	32 DIMM slots (up to 512 GB)
Mezzanine slots	One Mezzanine slot
Internal storage devices	Up to two hot-swappable solid-state drives (SSD)
Interfaces	A console port is provided to give a direct connection to a blade server to allow operating system installation and other management tasks to be done directly rather than remotely. The port uses a local console cable dongle device included in the chassis accessory kit. The local console connector cable (N20-BKVM) provides a connection into a Cisco UCS blade server, providing a DB9 serial connector, a VGA connector for a monitor, and dual USB ports for a keyboard and mouse.
Power subsystem	Integrated in Cisco UCS 5100 Series Chassis
Fans	Integrated in Cisco UCS 5100 Series Chassis
Integrated management processor	Cisco Integrated Management Controller (CIMC) interface to the Cisco UCS Manager

Configuring the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Server

UCS B230 M2 base server (must be selected)   B230-BASE-M2UPG

STEP 1:   Select the CPU type

Select one or two CPUs from the following list. If you choose two CPUs, they must match (you cannot choose two different CPUs for the same server).

- 2.4 GHz Xeon E7-2870 130W 10C CPU/30MB cache   UCS-CPU-E72870
- 2.26 GHz Xeon E7-2860 130W 10C CPU/24MB cache   UCS-CPU-E72860
- 2.0 GHz Xeon E7-2850 130W 10C CPU/24MB cache   UCS-CPU-E72850
- 2.13 GHz Xeon E7-2830 105W 8C CPU/24MB cache   UCS-CPU-E72830
- 1.73 GHz Xeon E7-2803 105W 6C CPU/18MB cache   UCS-CPU-E72803

- 2.13 GHz Xeon E7- 8867L 105W 10C CPU/30MB cache   UCS-CPU-E78867L

STEP 2:   Select the memory type

Please refer to the Memory Notes section for allowable memory configurations and rules/guidelines.

Select a minimum of one and a maximum of 16 DIMM kits from the following list:

- 8GB DDR3-1333MHz RDIMM/PC3-10600/2x4GB Kit/Low Volt   A02-M308GB3-2
- 16GB DDR3-1333MHz RDIMM/PC3-10600/2x8GB Kit/Low Volt   A02-M316GB3-2

- 32GB DDR3-1066MHz RDIMM/PC3-8500/4R/2x16GB Kit/Low Volt   A02-M332GD3-2-L

Note: Memory must be populated in identical DIMM pairs

STEP 3: Select the 7mm SSD drive type (optional)

The SSD drive is not required. You can select a maximum of two drives:

- 32GB Low Height 7mm SATA SSD hot plug/drive sled mounted   N20-D032SSD
- 64GB Low Height 7mm SATA SSD hot plug/drive sled mounted   N20-D064SSD

STEP 4: Select a mezzanine card

A mezzanine card is required. Select one from the following list:

- UCS M81KR Virtual Interface Card/PCIe/2-port 10Gb   N20-AC0002

- Cisco UCS NIC M51KR-B Broadcom BCM57711 Network Adapter   N20-AB0002

- Cisco UCS CNA M61KR-I Intel Converged Network Adapter   N20-AI0102

- Cisco UCS CNA M72KR-E Emulex Converged Network Adapter   N20-AE0102
- Cisco UCS CNA M72KR-Q QLogic Converged Network Adapter   N20-AQ0102

STEP 5: Select the operating system. (optional)

A variety of operating system options are available.

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server

- SLES/1yr subscription/svcs required/0 media   SLES-1A
- SLES/3yr subscription/svcs required/0 media   SLES-3A

Red Hat Enterprise Linux

- RHEL/2 Socket/1 Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-1G-1A
- RHEL/2 Socket/1 Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-1G-3A
- RHEL/2 Socket/4 Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-4G-1A
- RHEL/2 Socket/4 Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-4G-3A
- RHEL/2 Socket/U Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-UG-1A
- RHEL/2 Socket/U Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-2S-UG-3A
- RHEL/4 Socket/1 Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-1G-1A
- RHEL/4 Socket/1 Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-1G-3A
- RHEL/4 Socket/4 Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-4G-1A
- RHEL/4 Socket/4 Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-4G-3A
- RHEL/4 Socket/U Guest/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-UG-1A
- RHEL/4 Socket/U Guest/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-4S-UG-3A

RHEL Add-Ons

- High-Availability/2 Socket/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-HA-2S-1A
- High-Availability/2 Socket/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-HA-2S-3A
- High-Availability/4 Socket/1Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-HA-4S-1A
- High-Availability/4 Socket/3Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-HA-4S-3A
- Resilient Storage With Ha/2 Socket/1 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-RS-2S-1A
- Resilient Storage With Ha/2 Socket/3 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-RS-2S-3A
- Resilient Storage With Ha/4 Socket/1 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-RS-4S-1A
- Resilient Storage With Ha/4 Socket/3 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-RS-4S-3A

- Scalable File System/2 Socket/1 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-SFS-2S-1A
- Scalable File System/2 Socket/3 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-SFS-2S-3A
- Scalable File System/4 Socket/1 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-SFS-4S-1A
- Scalable File System/4 Socket/3 Yr Svcs Required   RHEL-SFS-4S-3A

Windows Server

- Windows Svr 2008 ST media (1-4CPU, 5CAL)   MSWS-08-STHV
- Windows Svr 2008 EN media (1-8CPU, 25CAL)   MSWS-08-ENHV
- Windows Svr 2008 ST media R2 ST (1-4CPU, 5CAL)   MSWS-08R2-STHV
- Windows Svr 2008 EN media R2 EN (1-8CPU, 25CAL)   MSWS-08R2-ENHV

- Windows Svr 2008 R2-2 CPU-Data Center   MSWS-08R2-DCHV2S
- Windows Svr 2008 R2-4 CPU-Data Center   MSWS-08R2-DCHV4S

VMware Server

- VMware vSphere Advanced (1 CPU), 1yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ADV-1A
- VMware vSphere Advanced (1 CPU), 3yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ADV-3A

- VMware vSphere Enterprise (1 CPU), 1yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ENT-1A
- VMware vSphere Enterprise (1 CPU), 3yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ENT-3A
- VMware vSphere Enterprise Plus (1 CPU), 1yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ENTP-1A
- VMware vSphere Enterprise Plus (1 CPU), 3yr 24x7 support   VMW-VS-ENTP-3A

Select an OS Media Kit. (optional)

- RHEL 6 Media Only (Multilingual)   RHEL-6
- SLES 11 media only (multilingual)   SLES-11
- Windows Svr 2008 ST media   MSWS-08-STHV-RM
- Windows Svr 2008 EN media   MSWS-08-ENHV-RM
- Windows Svr 2008 ST media R2 ST (1-4CPU, 5CAL)   MSWS-08R2-STHV-RM
- Windows Svr 2008 EN media R2 EN (1-8CPU, 25CAL)   MSWS-08R2-ENHV-RM
- Windows Svr 2008 ST media R2 DC (1-8CPU, 25CAL)   MSWS-08R2-DCHV-RM

STEP 6: Select from a variety of value-added software. (optional)

- BMC BladeLogic CM for Virtualized Cisco Servers   BMC-001
- BMC Blade Logic Compliance, VM Bundle, 2 Socket Server   BMC-001-COMP
- BMC BladeLogic CM for Physical Cisco Servers   BMC-002
- BMC Blade Logic Compliance, Single OS   BMC-002-COMP
- BMC Bladelogic CM, Virtualized 4-Socket Server   BMC-003
- BMC Blade Logic Compliance, VM Bundle, 4 Socket Server   BMC-003-COMP
- BMC BPPM Per Server   BMC-012

- VMware vCenter Server Standard, 1yr 24x7 support   VMW-VCS-1A
- VMware vCenter Server Standard, 3yr 24x7 support   VMW-VCS-3A
- Nexus 1000V License PAK for 1 Virtual Ethernet module   N1K-VLEM-UCS-1
- Nexus 1000V VSM Virtual Appliance Software   N1K-CSK9-UCS-404

STEP 7: Select the appropriate Services. (optional)

A variety of Service options are available, as listed here.

Unified Computing Mission Critical Service

This service delivers personalized technical account management, expedited technical support, and expert field support engineering for the Cisco Unified Computing System (UCS).

The Mission Critical Support Service provides a designated technical account manager (TAM) who acts as a strategic resource to help assure the unified computing environment runs at peak efficiency. Should a problem arise that threatens business continuity, the TAM provides crisis management leadership, and customer IT staff gets expedited access to Cisco's award-winning Technical Assistance Center (TAC).

Please note: This service has qualification criteria. There should be $1.2M of UCS equipment, 200 blades and a single location to qualify for this service level.

- UC Mission Critical 24x7x4 On-site   CON-UCM7-B230M2U
- UC Mission Critical 24x7x2 On-site   CON-UCM8-B230M2U

Unified Computing Support Service

For support of the entire Unified Computing System, Cisco offers the Cisco Unified Computing Support Service. This service provides expert software and hardware support to help sustain performance and high availability of the unified computing environment. Provided is the access to the award-winning Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) around the clock, from anywhere in the world.

For UCS blade servers, there is Smart Call Home, which provides proactive, embedded diagnostics and real-time alerts. For systems that include the Unified Computing System Manager, the support service includes downloads of UCSM upgrades. The Unified Computing Support Service includes flexible hardware replacement options, including replacement in as little as two hours. There is also access to Cisco's extensive online technical resources to help maintain optimal efficiency and uptime of the unified computing environment.

- UC Support 8X5XNBD Not on-site   CON-UCS1-B230M2U
- UC Support 8X5X4 Not on-site   CON-UCS2-B230M2U
- UC Support 24x7x4 Not on-site   CON-UCS3-B230M2U
- UC Support 24x7x2 Not on-site   CON-UCS4-B230M2U

- UC Support 8X5XNBD On-site   CON-UCS5-B230M2U
- UC Support 8X5X4 On-site   CON-UCS6-B230M2U
- UC Support 24x7x4 On-site   CON-UCS7-B230M2U
- UC Support 24x7x2 On-site   CON-UCS8-B230M2U

Unified Computing Warranty Plus Service

For faster parts replacement than is provided with the standard Cisco Unified Computing System warranty, Cisco offers the Cisco Unified Computing Warranty Plus Service. Customers can choose from several levels of advanced parts replacement coverage, including onsite parts replacement in as little as two hours. Warranty Plus provides remote access any time to Cisco support professionals who can determine if a return materials authorization (RMA) is required.

- UC Warranty Plus 24x7x4   CON-UCW3-B230M2U
- UC Warranty Plus 8X5XNBD On- Site   CON-UCW5-B230M2U

For more information, see
Unified Computing Warranty and Support Services.

For a complete listing of available Services for Cisco Unified Computing System:
Unified Computing Services.

Product Notes

Memory notes, allowable configurations, and rules/guidelines

Table 2.   DIMM Installation Order

DIMM Population Rules	Preferred DIMM Population Order	
	DIMM per CPU	**Install in Slots**
Install only in matched pairs. Memory for this server is sold in pairs that are matched in size, speed, manufacturer, and other parameters, and mixing DIMMs that are not matched can cause the memory to not be recognized by the system.	2 (blue)	(B0, B1)
Make sure the latches are fully seated into the DIMM.	4 (blue)	(B0, B1) - (D0, D1)
This blade server needs at least one matched pair of DIMMs attached to CPU 1 or CPU 2. Both CPUs can boot and run from a single DIMM pair.	8 (blue, white)	(B0, B1) - (D0, D1) - (A0, A1) - (C0, C1)
DIMMs installed in slots for an absent CPU are not recognized. For optimal performance, distribute DIMMs evenly across both CPUs.	16 (blue, white yellow, black)	(B0, B1) - (D0, D1) - (A0, A1) - (C0, C1) (B2, B3) - (D2, D3) - (A2, A3) - (C2, C3)

The UCS B230 contains 32 memory DIMM slots. Each CPU has 16 DIMM slots organized in pairs.

The B230 M2 blade server needs at least one matched pair of DIMMs attached to CPU 1 or CPU 2.

Both CPUs can boot and run from a single DIMM pair. The DIMM pairs must be identical (the same size, speed, and manufacturer) and are sold in appropriately matched pairs, but one DIMM pair on a CPU can be different from other pairs.

The DIMMs installed in slots for an absent CPU are not recognized.

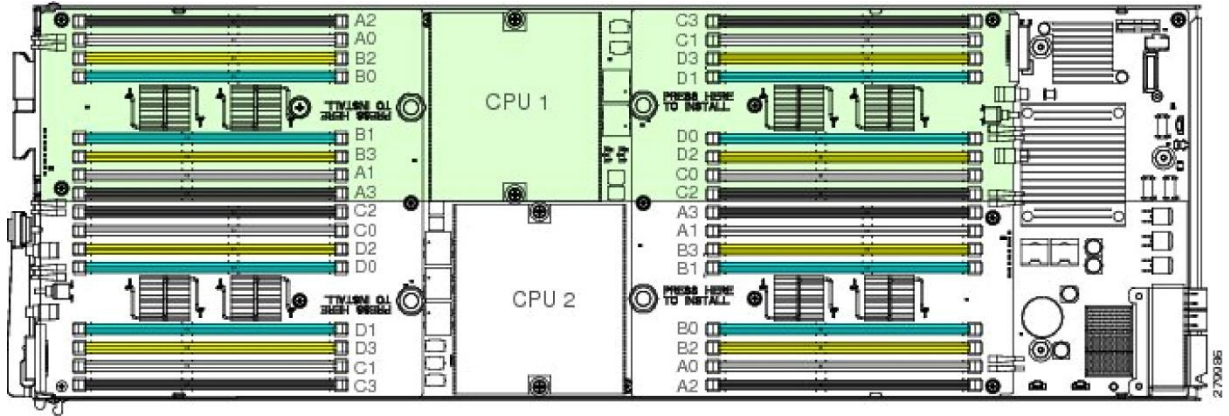Memory DIMM's should be installed evenly across the installed CPUs, though it is not a requirement.

Memory Arrangement

DIMM slots are color-coded blue, white, yellow, and black, and it is recommended that the memory be installed memory in that order.

Figure 5 shows how the DIMMs slots are laid out on the blade server motherboard. A CPU uses the DIMM slots directly to the right or the left of the CPU. Note that the arrangement for CPU 2 and CPU 1 is not identical.

Figure 5.   DIMM Slot Numbering

Each channel pair is identified by a letter: A, B, C, or D for each CPU. Each DIMM pair member is identified by numbers, 0, 1, 2 or 3. Additional DIMMs must be installed as shown in Table 2.

[1] The slots inside the brackets are electrically paired with each other, and should be populated with identical matched DIMMs that were ordered as a pair. Do not swap a paired DIMM with a DIMM that is not identical in manufacturer part number.

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Table 3.   QA Tested DIMM Configurations

QA Tested Configurations			
Total Mem (1 CPU)	1 CPU	2 CPU	Total Mem (2 CPU)
8GB	2 x 4GB	2 x 4GB	16GB
32GB	4 x 8GB	4 x 8GB	64GB
64GB	8 x 6GB	8 x 6GB	128GB
96GB	(8 x 8GB) + (8 x 4GB)	(8 x 8GB) + (8 x 4GB)	192GB
128GB	16 x 8GB	16 x 8GB	256GB
128GB	8 x 16GB	8 x 16GB	256GB
192GB	(8 x 16GB) + (8 x 8GB)	(8 x 16GB) + (8 x 8GB)	384GB
256GB	16 x 16GB	16 x 16GB	512GB

RAID Controller Notes

The LSI-2008 is an eight port, 6Gb/s SAS/SATA RAID On-a-Chip (ROC) VLSI IC. The LSI-2008 ROC provides a x8 PCIe Gen2 interface, which is connected as x4 on the B230 server board.

The LSI-2008 SAS/SATA Controller is embedded on the motherboard and supports the following features:

- RAID 0, 1

LSI-2008 Flash ROM

The LSI-2008 requires a minimum of 8Mbyte Flash ROM configured for 8-bit I/O. The Flash ROM contains code for the System Optional BIOS, which is needed for booting the RAID array, and also RAID firmware for the embedded CPU.

Technical Specifications

Physical Dimensions Specifications

Table 4. Physical Dimension Specifications for the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

Specification	Value
Height	1.95 inches (50 mm)
Width	8.00 inches (203 mm)
Depth	24.4 inches (620 mm)
Weight	18.0 lbs (8.16 kg) [*]

*Note: The system weight listed here is an estimate for a fully configured system and will vary depending on number of peripheral devices.

Power Specifications

For configuration-specific power specifications, use the Cisco UCS Power Calculator at:

http://www.cisco.com/assets/cdc_content_elements/flash/dataCenter/cisco_ucs_power_calculator/.

Environmental Specifications

Table 5. Environmental Specifications for B230 M2 base server

Environment	Specification
Temperature operating	50 to 95°F (10 to 35°C)
Temperature nonoperating	-40 to 149°F (-40 to 65°C)
Altitude: Operating	0 to 10,000 ft (0 to 3000m); maximum ambient temperature decreases by 1°C per 300m
Altitude: Non operating	40,000 ft (12,000m)
Humidity	5-93% non condensing
Safety	• UL 60950-1 • CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60950-1 • EN 60950-1 • IEC 60950-1 • AS/NZS 60950-1 • GB4943
EMC: Emissions	• 47CFR Part 15 (CFR 47) Class A • AS/NZS CISPR22 Class A • CISPR2 2 Class A • EN55022 Class A • ICES003 Class A • VCCI Class A • EN61000-3-2 • EN61000-3-3 • KN22 Class A • CNS13438 Class A
EMC: Immunity	• EN50082-1 • EN61000-6-1 • EN55024 • CISPR24 • EN300386 • KN 61000-4 Series

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