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IPv4 and IPv6 configuration for VSM-vCenter communication	This feature is introduced. It allows you to configure IPv4 or IPv6 address as transport mode for communication between VSM and vCenter Server.	5.2(1)SV3(2.1)	Connecting to the vCenter Server, on page 34
Module Information Verification using vCenter Server	This feature is introduced. It allows you to display and verify module information using the vCenter Server.	5.2(1)SV3(1.6)	Verifying the Module Information Using the vCenter Server, on page 48
VMware VSAN Support	This feature is introduced. It allows you to configure Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN.	5.2(1)SV3(1.2)	Configuring Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN, on page 237
vCenter Server Certificates	You can disable the display of certificate warning messages from the Exec command line, although the command is hidden from the CLI.	5.2(1)SV3(1.1)	Verifying vCenter Server Certificates, on page 38

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System Management Overview

This chapter describes the following system management features:

- CDP
- Domains
- Server Connections
- Configuration Management
- File Management
- User Management
- NTP
- Local SPAN and ERSPAN
- SNMP System Messages
- NetFlow
- System Messages
- iSCSI Multipath
- Troubleshooting

CDP

The Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) runs over the data link layer and is used to advertise information to all attached Cisco devices and to discover and view information about attached Cisco devices. CDP runs on all Cisco-manufactured equipment.

Domains

You must create a domain ID for Cisco Nexus 1000V. This process is part of the initial setup of the Cisco Nexus 1000V when you are installing the software. If you need to create a domain ID later, use the **saves-domain** command.

You can establish Layer 3 Control in your VSM domain, which means that your VSM is Layer 3 accessible and able to control hosts that reside in a separate Layer 2 network.

Server Connections

In order to connect to vCenter Server or an ESX server, you must first define the connection in the Cisco Nexus 1000V. Managing Server Connections describes how to connect and disconnect with vCenter Server and viewing connections.

Configuration Management

The Cisco Nexus 1000V enables you to change the switch name, configure messages of the day, and display, save, and erase configuration files.

File Management

Using a single interface, you can manage the file system including:

- Flash memory file systems
- Network file systems (TFTP and FTP)
- Any other endpoint for reading or writing data (such as the running configuration)

User Management

You can identify the users who are currently connected to the device and send a message to either a single user or all users.

NTP

The Network Time Protocol (NTP) synchronizes timekeeping among a set of distributed time servers and clients. This synchronization allows you to correlate events when you receive system logs and other time-specific events from multiple network devices.

Local SPAN and ERSPAN

The Ethernet switched port analyzer (SPAN) enables you to monitor traffic in and out of your device and duplicate packets from source ports to destination ports. You can also use the Cisco Network Analysis Module (NAM) to monitor ERSPAN data sources for application performance, traffic analysis, and packet header analysis. To use NAM to monitoring the Cisco Nexus 1000V ERSPAN data sources, see the *Cisco Nexus* 1010 Network Analysis Module Installation and Configuration Note.

SNMP

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) is an application-layer protocol that provides a message format for communication between SNMP managers and agents. SNMP provides a standardized framework and a common language that you can use to use to monitor and manage devices in a network.

NetFlow

NetFlow gives visibility into traffic that transits the virtual switch by characterizing IP traffic based on its source, destination, timing, and application information. You can use this information to assess network availability and performance, assist in meeting regulatory requirements (compliance), and help with troubleshooting.

You can also use the Cisco Network Analysis Module (NAM) to monitor NetFlow data sources.

System Messages

You can use system message logging to control the destination and to filter the severity level of messages that system processes generate. You can configure logging to a terminal session, a log file, and syslog servers on remote systems. System message logging is based on RFC 3164.

For more information about the system message format and the messages that the device generates, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V Series NX-OS System Messages Reference*.

iSCSI Multipath

The iSCSI multipath feature sets up multiple routes between a server and its storage devices for maintaining a constant connection and balancing the traffic load.

Troubleshooting

Ping and trace route are among the available troubleshooting tools. For more information, see the *Cisco Nexus* 1000V Troubleshooting Guide.

Troubleshooting



Configuring CDP

This chapter contains the following sections:

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Information About CDP

The Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP), which runs over the data link layer, is used to advertise information to all attached Cisco devices and to discover and view information about attached Cisco devices. CDP runs on all Cisco-manufactured equipment.

Each device that you configure for CDP sends periodic advertisements to a multicast address. Each device advertises at least one address at which it can receive SNMP messages. The advertisements also contain hold time information, which indicates the length of time that a receiving device should hold CDP information before discarding it. You can configure the advertisement or refresh timer and the hold timer.

CDP Version 2 (CDPv2) allows you to track instances where the native VLAN ID or port duplex states do not match between connecting devices.

CDP advertises the following type-length-value fields (TLVs):

- Device ID
- Address
- Port ID
- Capabilities
- Version
- Platform
- Native VLAN
- Full/half duplex
- Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
- Sysname

- SysObjectID
- Management address
- Physical location

All CDP packets include a VLAN ID. The CDP packet is untagged, so it goes over the native/access VLAN, which is then also added to the packet.

High Availability

Stateless restarts are supported for CDP. After a reboot or a supervisor switchover, the running configuration is applied.

Guidelines and Limitations

- CDP gathers protocol addresses of neighboring devices and discovers the platform of those devices. CDP runs over the data link layer only. With CDP, two systems that support different Layer 3 protocols can learn about each other.
- CDP can discover up to 256 neighbors per port if the port is connected to a hub with 256 connections.
- CDP must be enabled globally before you can configure CDP on an interface. CDP is enabled globally by default.
- You can configure CDP on physical interfaces and port channels only.

Default Settings

Parameters	Default
CDP	Enabled globally and on all interfaces
CDP version	Version 2
CDP device ID	System name
CDP timer	60 seconds
CDP hold timer	180 seconds

Configuring CDP

This section includes the following topics:

- CDP Global Configuration
- Enabling CDP on an Interface

• Disabling CDP on an Interface

CDP Global Configuration

This section includes the following topics:

- Enabling or Disabling CDP Globally
- · Advertising a CDP Version
- Configuring CDP Options

Enabling or Disabling CDP Globally

Be sure you understand that when you globally disable the CDP feature, all CDP configurations are removed.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] cdp enable	Enables or disables the CDP feature globally.

Example

This example shows how to globally disable CDP:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no cdp enable
```

Advertising a CDP Version

- Know the version of CDP currently supported on the device.
- Know that only one version of CDP (version 1 or version 2) is advertised at a time for all uplinks and port channels on the switch.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch(config)# cdp advertise {v1 v2}	Assigns the CDP version to advertise:
		• CDP Version 1
		• CDP Version 2
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show cdp global	Displays the CDP version that is being advertised or sent to other devices.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows you to advertise a CDP version on a device:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# cdp advertise v1
switch(config)# show cdp global
Global CDP information:
    CDP enabled globally
    Sending CDP packets every 60 seconds
    Sending a holdtime value of 180 seconds
    Sending CDPv2 advertisements is disabled
    Sending DeviceID TLV in Default Format
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring CDP Options

You can configure the following for CDP:

• The device ID format to use



Note

Only the system-name device ID format is supported.

- The maximum hold time for neighbor information
- The refresh time for sending advertisements



Note

You can view output from the upstream Catalyst 6500 Series switch by using the **show cdp neighbor command**.

Before you begin

- Know how long you want CDP to retain neighbor information if you are setting the holdtime.
- Know how often you want CDP to advertise if you are setting the CDP timer.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	(Optional) switch(config)# cdp format device-id system-name	Specifies that CDP uses the system name for the device ID format.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show cdp neighbors	Displays your device from the upstream device.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# show cdp neighbors	Displays the upstream device from your device.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config)# cdp holdtime seconds	Sets the maximum amount of time that CDP holds onto neighbor information before discarding it.
		• The range for the <i>seconds</i> argument is from 10 to 255 seconds.
		• The default is 180 seconds.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# cdp timer seconds	Sets the refresh time for CDP to send advertisements to neighbors.
		• The range for the <i>seconds</i> argument is from 5 to 254 seconds.
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config)# show cdp global	Displays the CDP version that is being advertised or sent to other devices.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to configure CDP options:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# cdp format device-id system-name
switch# show cdp neighbors
Capability Codes: R - Router, T - Trans Bridge, B - Source Route Bridge
                 S - Switch, H - Host, I - IGMP, r - Repeater, P - Phone
Device ID
                Local Intrfce
                                   Holdtme
                                              Capability Platform Port ID
02000c000000
                Gig 1/16
                                                          Soft Swit Eth 2/4
                                   14
                                                  S
                Gig 1/17
02000c000000
                                   14
                                                          Soft Swit Eth 2/5
                                                  S
02000c000000
                Gig 1/14
                                   14
                                                  S
                                                          Soft Swit Eth 2/2
02000c000000
                Gig 1/15
                                   14
                                                  S
                                                          Soft Swit Eth 2/3
                                                  S
                                                          Soft Swit
02000c000000
                Gig 1/18
                                   13
switch(config)# show cdp neighbors
Capability Codes: R - Router, T - Trans-Bridge, B - Source-Route-Bridge
                 S - Switch, H - Host, I - IGMP, r - Repeater,
                 V - VoIP-Phone, D - Remotely-Managed-Device,
                  s - Supports-STP-Dispute
```

```
Device ID
                     Local Intrfce Hldtme Capability Platform
                                                                    Port ID
swordfish-6k-2
                    Eth2/2
                                   169
                                          RSI
                                                   WS-C6503-E
                                                                 Giq1/14
swordfish-6k-2
                    Eth2/3
                                   139
                                         R S I WS-C6503-E
                                                               Gig1/15
swordfish-6k-2
                    Eth2/4
                                   135
                                                               Gig1/16
                                         R S I
                                                   WS-C6503-E
                                           R S I
                                    177
swordfish-6k-2
                     Eth2/5
                                                    WS-C6503-E
                                                                 Gig1/17
swordfish-6k-2
                     Eth2/6
                                    141
                                           RSI
                                                    WS-C6503-E
                                                                 Gig1/18
switch(config)# cdp holdtime 10
switch(config) # cdp timer 5
switch(config)# show cdp global
Global CDP information:
   CDP enabled globally
   Sending CDP packets every 5 seconds
   Sending a holdtime value of 10 seconds
   Sending CDPv2 advertisements is disabled
   Sending DeviceID TLV in Mac Address Format
switch(config-if) # copy running-config startup-config
```

CDP Interface Configuration

This section includes the following procedures:

- Enabling CDP on an Interface
- Disabling CDP on an Interface

Enabling CDP on an Interface

Although CDP is enabled by default on all interfaces, if it becomes disabled, you can use this procedure to enable it again.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface interface-type number	Enters interface configuration mode for the specific interface.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# no cdp enable	Disables CDP on this interface.
Step 4	switch(config-if)# cdp enable	Enables CDP on this interface.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config-if)# show cdp interface interface-type number	Displays CDP information for the specified interface.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to enable CDP on an interface.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface port-channel 2
switch(config-if)# no cdp enable
switch(config-if)# cdp enable
switch(config-if)# show cdp interface mgmt0
mgmt0 is up
    CDP disabled on interface
    Sending CDP packets every 60 seconds
    Holdtime is 180 seconds
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Disabling CDP on an Interface

Before you begin

• Know that CDP is currently enabled on the device.



Note

Know that If CDP is disabled on the device, it is also disabled for all interfaces.

• CDP is currently enabled on the specific interface that you want to configure.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface interface-type number	Enters interface configuration mode for the specific interface.
Step 3	switch(config-if)# no cdp enable	Disables CDP on this interface.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-if)# show cdp interface interface-type number	Displays CDP information for the specified interface.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to disable CDP on an interface:

Monitoring CDP Statistics

Command	Purpose
show cdp traffic interface interface-type slot/port	Displays the CDP traffic statistics on an interface.

Clearing CDP Statistics

Use one of the following commands to clear CDP statistics:

Command	Purpose
clear cdp counters	Clears CDP statistics on all interfaces.
clear cdp counters interface number	Clears CDP statistics on the specified interface.
clear cdp table	Clears the CDP cache for one or all interfaces.

Verifying the CDP Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show cdp all	Displays all interfaces that have CDP enabled.
show cdp entry {all name entry-name}	Displays the CDP database entries.
show cdp global	Displays the CDP global parameters.
show cdp interface interface-type slot/port	Displays the CDP interface status.
show cdp neighbors { detail interface <i>interface-type</i> <i>slot/port</i> }	Displays the CDP neighbor status.

Configuration Example for CDP

This example shows how to enable the CDP feature and configure the refresh and hold timers:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# cdp enable
switch(config)# cdp timer 50
switch(config)# cdp holdtime 100
```

Feature History for CDP

Feature	Releases	Feature Information
CDP	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.



Configuring the Domain

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Information About Domains, on page 17
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- Feature History for the VSM Domain, on page 31

Information About Domains

You must create a domain for the Cisco Nexus 1000V and then add control and packet VLANs for communication and management. This process is part of the initial setup of the Cisco Nexus 1000V when you install the software. If you need to create a domain later, you can do so by using the **setup** command or the procedures described in this chapter.

Layer 3 Control

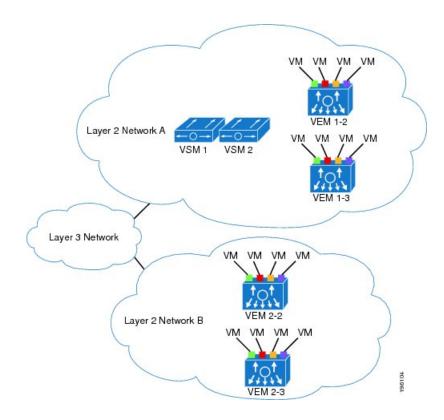
Layer 3 control, or IP connectivity, is supported between the Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM) and the Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM) for control and packet traffic. With Layer 3 control, a VSM can be Layer 3 accessible and can control hosts that reside in a separate Layer 2 network. In the Layer 3 mode, all the VEMs hosts that are managed by VSM and the VSM can be in different networks.

Starting with Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware vSphere, Release 5.2(1)SV3(2.1), you can configure IPv4 or IPv6 as transport mode for communication between VEM and VSM. A new option, *l3v6*, is introduced in the **svs mode** command to enable IPv6 transport mode.

To implement Layer 3 control, you must configure the VSM in Layer 3 mode.

Figure 1: Example of Layer 3 Control IP Connectivity

In this figure, VSM 1 controls VEMs in Layer 2 Network A and VSM 2 controls VEMs in Layer 2 Network B.



Guidelines and Limitations

Follow these usage guidelines and limitations while configuring the domain:

- UDP port 4785 is required for Layer 3 communication between the VSM and VEM. If you have a firewall in your network and are configuring Layer 3 control, make sure that UDP port 4785 is open on your upstream switch or firewall device. For more information, see the documentation for your upstream switch or firewall device.
- In a Layer 2 network, you can switch between the Layer 2 and Layer 3 transport modes, but when you do so, the modules might be out of service briefly.
- The capability attribute (Layer 3 control) cannot be inherited from the port profile.
- Different hosts can use different VLANs for Layer 3 control.
- A port profile used for Layer 3 control must be an access port profile. It cannot be a trunk port profile. The port profile created for Layer 3 control, can only be used for vmknic ports and not for VM ports, specifically VSM ports if VSM is hosted on the DVS.
- You must configure Layer 3 (L3) capability control only for a vmk interface. If you add L3 capability control on a virtual ethernet (veth) interface, the system VLAN becomes ineffective for that veth.
- If the Cisco Nexus 1000V SVS domain is configured to use layer-3 control mode in an environment where the VSM control0 interface is not in the same IP subnet as the packet/control VMKernel interface on the ESXi hosts, it is necessary to configure a static route on the VSM in the default VRF. A static route is required so that the VSM has a known route to the subnet(s) used by the ESXi host VMK interfaces used for Nexus 1000V packet/control. A default static route is ignored and you need to configure a

specific static route that includes all the destination networks used by ESXi host VMK packet/control interfaces. A static route that is more specific than a default "/0" route is required to route packets/traffic between the VSM and VEM. For example, the following two static routes can be used as a direct replacement of a default static route:

```
ip route 0.0.0.0/1 <vsm-control0-def-gw-ip>
ip route 128.0.0.0/1 <vsm-control0-def-gw-ip>
```

Where <vsm-control0-def-gw-ip> is the IP address of the default gateway for the VSM control0 interface subnet.



Attention

When upgrading, check the configuration of the existing Cisco Nexus 1000V, if a default static route is used in the default VRF, make sure that you add a specific static route in the default VRF for the traffic to VMK network to use control0 interface gateway. Failing to make this configuration change will cause all VEMs that are not in the same subnet as the VSM control0 interface to go offline.

- VSM and VEM communication over IPv6 does not support ERSPAN feature on ESX platform. The ERSPAN feature works if configured with an IPv4 destination address even though the SVS mode is 13v6.
- Before you configure IPv6 for VEM-VSM communication, ensure that IPv6 address is configured on the management (mgmt0) or control (control0) interface based on the configuration.
- Ensure that the vmknic on each VEM is assigned a global IPv6 address.
- The L3sec feature is disabled by default when the IPv6 mode is enabled for VEM-VSM communication.
- To use IPv6 mode for VSM-VEM communication, ensure that all the Hosts are moved to the IPv6 environment. Currently, mixed mode (IPV4 and IPV6) is not supported.
- We recommend that if you are using the VMware kernel NIC for Layer 3 Control, you do not use it for any other purpose. For example, do not also use the Layer 3 Control VMware kernel NIC for VMotion or network file system (NFS) mount.
- You must configure control VLANs, packet VLANs, and management VLANs as regular VLANs and not as private VLANs.

Default Settings

Parameter	Default
VMware port group name (port-profile)	The name of the port profile
SVS mode (svs-domain)	Layer 3
Switchport mode (port-profile)	Access
State (port-profile)	Disabled
State (VLAN)	Active

Parameter	Default
Shut state (VLAN)	No shutdown

Configuring the Domain

This section includes the following procedures:

- Creating a Domain
- Changing to Layer 3 Transport
- Changing to Layer 2 Transport
- Creating a Port Profile for Layer 3 Control
- · Creating a Control VLAN
- Creating a Packet VLAN

Creating a Domain

You can create a domain for the Cisco Nexus 1000V that identifies the VSM and VEMs and then add control and packet VLANs for communication and management. This process is part of the initial setup of the Cisco Nexus 1000V when you install the software. If you need to create a domain after the initial setup, you can do so by using this procedure.



Note

We recommend the following:

- Use one VLAN for control traffic and a different VLAN for packet traffic.
- Use a distinct VLAN for each instance of the Cisco Nexus 1000V (different domains)

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

You must know the following information:

- If two or more VSMs share the same control and/or packet VLAN, the domain helps identify the VEMs managed by each VSM.
- A unique domain ID for this Cisco Nexus 1000V instance.
- Identity of the VLANs to be used for control and packet traffic.
- The **svs mode** command in the SVS domain configuration mode is not used and has no effect on a configuration.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# svs-domain	Enters SVS domain configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-svs-domain)# domain id number	Creates the domain ID for this Cisco Nexus 1000V instance.
Step 4	switch(config-svs-domain)# control vlan number	Assigns the control VLAN for this domain.
Step 5	switch(config-svs-domain)# packet vlan number	Assigns the packet VLAN for this domain.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(configsvs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the domain configuration.
Step 7	switch(config-svs-domain)# exit	Returns you to global configuration mode.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to create a domain:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# svs-domain
switch(config-svs-domain) # domain id 100
switch(config-svs-domain) # control vlan 190
switch(config-svs-domain)# packet vlan 191
switch(config-svs-domain)# exit
switch(config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
Domain id: 317
Control vlan: 317
Packet vlan: 317
L2/L3 Control mode: L2
L3 control interface: NA
Status: Config push to VC successful.
Note: Control VLAN and Packet VLAN are not used in L3 mode.
switch(config)#
switch(config)# copy run start
[############# 100%
switch(config)#
```

Changing to Layer 3 Transport

After creating a domain, you need to configure the transport mode to Layer 3 or Layer 2 for communication between VEM and VSM. You can configure IPv4 or IPv6 addressing for Layer 3 Transport mode.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Configure the Layer 3 interface (mgmt 0 or control 0) and assign an IP address (IPv4 or IPv6 address).
- When control 0 is used for Layer 3 transport, you must enable proxy-arp on the control 0 VLAN gateway router.
- Control VLAN and packet VLANs are disabled.

Using IPv4 Transport Mode

Complete these steps to configure IPv4 Transport mode for communication between VSM and VEM:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Required: switch(config)# show svs domain	Displays the existing domain configuration, including control and packet VLAN IDs.
Step 2	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config)# svs-domain	Places you in SVS domain configuration mode.
Step 4	switch(config-svs-domain)# no packet vlan	Removes the packet VLAN configuration.
Step 5	switch(config-svs-domain)# no control vlan	Removes the control VLAN configuration.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the domain configuration.
Step 7	switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode L3 interface mgmt0 control0	Configures Layer 3 IPv4 transport mode for the VSM domain.
		If configuring Layer 3 transport, you must designate which interface to use. The interface must already have an IPv4 address configured.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the new Layer 3 control mode configuration for this VSM domain.
Step 9	switch(config-svs-domain)# [no] control type multicast	Configures the control type multicast in Layer 3 mode on the VSM.
Step 10	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the control type multicast status in Layer 3 mode on the VSM.
Step 11	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to disable the control and packet VLAN and change to Layer 3 transport:

```
switch (config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 100
 Control vlan: 100
 Packet vlan: 101
 L2/L3 Control mode: L2
 L3 control interface: NA
 Status: Config push to VC successful.
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # svs-domain
switch(config-svs-domain)# no packet vlan
switch(config-svs-domain)# no control vlan
switch (config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 100
 Control vlan: 1
 Packet vlan: 1
 L2/L3 Control mode: L2
 L2/L3 Control interface: NA
  Status: Config push to VC successful.
switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode 13 interface mgmt0
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 100
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to VC successful.
switch(config-svs-domain) # show svs domain
switch(config-svs-domain) # control type multicast
switch(config)# show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 343
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to VC successful.
 Control type multicast: Yes
switch(config-svs-domain) # no control type multicast
switch (config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 343
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3
  L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to VC in progress.
 Control type multicast: No
 Limitation: Control type multicast is configured. It is not applicable in svs L2 mode.
switch(config-svs-domain) # copy running-config startup-config
[############# 100%
switch(config-svs-domain)#
```

Using IPv6 Transport Mode

Complete these steps to configure IPv6 Transport mode for communication between VSM and VEM:

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Required: switch(config)# show svs domain	Displays the existing domain configuration, including control and packet VLAN IDs.
Step 2	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config)# svs-domain	Places you in SVS domain configuration mode.
Step 4	switch(config-svs-domain)# no packet vlan	Removes the packet VLAN configuration.
Step 5	switch(config-svs-domain)# no control vlan	Removes the control VLAN configuration.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the domain configuration.
Step 7	switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode L3v6 interface mgmt0 control0	Configures Layer 3 IPv6 transport mode for the VSM domain.
		If configuring Layer 3 transport, you must designate which interface to use. The interface must already have an IPv6 address configured.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the new Layer 3 control mode configuration for this VSM domain.
Step 9	switch(config-svs-domain)# [no] control type multicast	Configures the control type multicast in Layer 3 mode on the VSM.
Step 10	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the control type multicast status in Layer 3 mode on the VSM.
Step 11	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to disable the control and packet VLAN and change to Layer 3 transport:

```
switch(config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 858
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan:
                NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3
 Switch guid: 2a1c3180-5d20-4864-8d0a-db7fde806916
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to Management Server successful.
 Control type multicast: No
 L3Sec Status: Enabled
\verb|switch#| configure terminal| \\
switch(config) # svs-domain
switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode L3v6 interface mgmt0
switch(config)# show svs domain
SVS domain config:
```

```
Domain id:
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3v6
 Switch guid: 2a1c3180-5d20-4864-8d0a-db7fde806916
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to Management Server successful.
 Control type multicast: No
 L3Sec Status: Disabled
switch(config-svs-domain) # control type multicast
switch(config)# show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id:
             858
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3v6
 Switch guid: 2a1c3180-5d20-4864-8d0a-db7fde806916
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to Management Server successful.
 Control type multicast: Yes
 L3Sec Status: Disabled
switch(config-svs-domain) # no control type multicast
switch (config) # show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 858
 Control vlan: NA
 Packet vlan: NA
 L2/L3 Control mode: L3v6
 Switch guid: 2a1c3180-5d20-4864-8d0a-db7fde806916
 L3 control interface: mgmt0
 Status: Config push to Management Server successful.
 Control type multicast: No
 L3Sec Status: Disabled
switch(config-svs-domain) # copy running-config startup-config
[########### 100%
switch(config-svs-domain)#
```

Changing to Layer 2 Transport

You can change the transport mode to Layer 2 for the VSM domain control and packet traffic. The transport mode is Layer 3 by default, but if it is changed, you can use this procedure to configure it again as Layer 2.

You can configure a control VLAN and a packet VLAN. You cannot configure these VLANs if the VSM domain capability is Layer 3 Control. You will first change the svs domain mode to Layer 2 and then configure the control VLAN and packet VLAN.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1		Displays the existing domain configuration, including control and packet VLAN IDs and the Layer 3 interface configuration.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config)# svs-domain	Enters SVS domain configuration mode.
Step 4	switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode L2	Configures Layer 2 transport mode for the VSM domain.
Step 5	switch(config-svs-domain)# control vlan vlanID	Configures the specified VLAN ID as the control VLAN for the VSM domain.
Step 6	switch(config-svs-domain)# packet vlanvlanID	Configures the specified VLAN ID as the packet VLAN for the VSM domain.
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain	Displays the new Layer 2 control mode configuration for this VSM domain.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to change the transport mode to Layer 2:

```
switch# show svs domain
SVS domain config:
Domain id: 317
Control vlan: NA
Packet vlan: NA
L2/L3 Control mode: L3
L3 control interface: mgmt0
Status: Config push to VC successful.
Control type multicast: No
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # svs-domain
switch(config-svs-domain)# svs mode 12
switch(config-svs-domain)# control vlan 100
switch(config-svs-domain)# packet vlan 101
switch(config-svs-domain)# show svs domain
SVS domain config:
 Domain id: 100
 Control vlan: 100
 Packet vlan: 101
 L2/L3 Control mode: L2
 L3 control interface: NA
 Status: Config push to VC successful.
switch(config-svs-domain)# copy running-config startup-config
[############ 100%
```

Creating a Port Profile for Layer 3 Control

You can allow the VSM and VEM to communicate over IP for control and packet traffic.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- You must know the following information:
 - The transport mode for the VSM domain has already been configured as Layer 3.
 - VEMs can belong to different Layer 2 domains.
 - The VEM VM kernel NIC connects to this Layer 3 control port profile when you add the host to the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS.
 - Only one VM kernel NIC can be assigned to this Layer 3 control port profile per host.
 - The VLAN ID for the VLAN you are adding to this Layer 3 control port profile:
- The port profile must be an access port profile. It cannot be a trunk port profile. This procedure includes steps to configure the port profile as an access port profile.
- More than one port profile can be configured with the **capability L3 control** command. These can only be used for vmknic ports and not for VM ports, specifically VSM ports if VSM is hosted on the DVS.
- Different hosts can use different VLANs for Layer 3 control.
- VEM modules will not register to the VSM before a vmkernel interface (vmk) is migrated to a Layer 3 control capable port profile.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# port-profile name	Creates a port profile and places you into port profile configuration mode for the named port profile.
		The <i>name</i> argument can be up to 80 characters and must be unique for each port profile on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.
Step 3	switch(config-port-prof)# capability l3control	Allows the port to be used for IP connectivity.
Step 4	switch(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group [name]	Designates the port profile as a VMware port group.
		The port profile is mapped to a VMware port group of the same name. When a vCenter Server connection is established, the port group created in the Cisco Nexus 1000V is then distributed to the virtual switch on the vCenter Server.
		If you do not specify a name, the port group name will be the same as the port profile name. If you want to map the port profile to a

	Command or Action	Purpose
		different port group name, use the alternate name.
Step 5	switch(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access	Designates that the interfaces are switch access ports (the default).
Step 6	switch(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan vlanID	Assigns the system VLAN ID to the access port for this Layer 3 control port profile.
Step 7	switch(config-port-prof)# no shutdown	Administratively enables all ports in the profile.
Step 8	switch(config-port-prof)# system vlan vlanID	Adds the system VLAN to this Layer 3 control port profile.
		This command ensures that, when the host is added for the first time or rebooted later, the VEM can reach the VSM. One of the uplink ports must have this VLAN in its system VLAN range.
Step 9	switch(config-port-prof)# state enabled	Enables the Layer 3 control port profile.
		The configuration for this port profile is applied to the assigned ports, and the port group is created in the VMware vSwitch on vCenter Server.
Step 10	(Optional) switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile name name	Displays the current configuration for the port profile.
Step 11	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to create a port profile for a Layer 2 control:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # port-profile 13control-150
switch(config-port-prof)# capability 13control
switch(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
switch(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
switch(config-port-prof) # switchport access vlan 150
\verb|switch(config-port-prof)| \# \verb| no | \verb| shutdown|
switch(config-port-prof)# system vlan 150
switch(config-port-prof)# state enabled
switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile name 13control-150
port-profile 13control-150
  description:
  type: vethernet
  status: enabled
  capability 13control: yes
  pinning control-vlan: 8
  pinning packet-vlan: 8
```

```
system vlans: 150
port-group: l3control-150
max ports: 32
inherit:
config attributes:
   switchport mode access
   switchport access vlan 150
   no shutdown
evaluated config attributes:
   switchport mode access
   switchport mode access
   switchport mode access
   switchport mode access
   switchport access vlan 150
   no shutdown
   assigned interfaces:
switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Creating a Control VLAN

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Be sure you have already configured and enabled the required switched virtual interface (SVI) using the
 document, Cisco Nexus 1000V Interface Configuration Guide. The SVI is also called the VLAN interface
 and provides communication between VLANs.
- You must know the following:
 - If Layer 3 Control is configured on your VSM, you cannot create a control VLAN. You must first disable Layer 3 Control.
 - · How VLANs are numbered.
 - That newly created VLANs remain unused until Layer 2 ports are assigned to them.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# vlan 30	Creates VLAN ID 30 for control traffic and places you in VLAN configuration mode. Note If you enter a VLAN ID that is assigned to an internally allocated VLAN, the CLI returns an error message.
Step 3	switch(config-vlan)# name cp_control	Adds the descriptive name, cp_control, to this VLAN.
Step 4	switch(config-vlan)# state active	Changes the operational state of the VLAN to active.
Step 5	switch(config-vlan)# exit	Exits VLAN configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# show vlan id 30	Displays the configuration for VLAN ID 30.
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to create a control VLAN:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # vlan 30
switch(config-vlan)# name cp_control
switch(config-vlan)# state active
switch(config-vlan)# exit
switch(config) # show vlan id 30
VLAN Name
                          Status Ports
30 cp control
                          active
VLAN Type MTU
  enet 1500
Remote SPAN VLAN
Disabled
Primary Secondary Type
                         Ports
_____
switch(config) # copy running-config startup-config
```

Creating a Packet VLAN

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Configure and enable the required switched virtual interface (SVI).
- Familiarize yourself with how VLANs are numbered.



Note

Newly created VLANs remain unused until Layer 2 ports are assigned to them.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 2	switch(config)# vlan vlan-id	Creates a VLAN ID for packet traffic and enters you in VLAN configuration mode.	
		Note If you enter a VLAN ID that is assigned to an internally allocated VLAN, the CLI returns an error message.	
Step 3	switch(config-vlan)# name vlan-name	Adds the descriptive name to this VLAN.	
Step 4	switch(config-vlan)# state vlan-state	Changes the operational state of the VLAN to active or suspend.	
Step 5	switch(config-vlan)# exit	Exits VLAN configuration mode.	
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# show vlan id vlan-id	Displays the configuration for the VLAN ID.	
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.	

This example shows how to create a packet VLAN:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # vlan 31
switch(config-vlan)# name cp_packet
switch(config-vlan)# state active
switch(config-vlan)# exit
switch(config)# show vlan id 31
VLAN Name
                                  Status Ports
31 cp_packet
VLAN Type MTU
5 enet 1500
Remote SPAN VLAN
Disabled
Primary Secondary Type
                                Ports
switch(config)# copy run start
[############# 100%
switch(config)#
```

Feature History for the VSM Domain

This table only includes updates for those releases that have resulted in additions to the feature.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Layer 3 Control	4.0(4)SV1(2)	Added the following information:
		About Layer 3 Control
		Guidelines and Limitations
		Changing to Layer 2 Transport
		Changing to Layer 3 Transport
		Creating a Port Profile for Layer 3 Control
VSM Domain	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.



Managing Server Connections

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Information About Server Connections

In order to connect to vCenter Server or an ESX server, you must first define the connection in theCisco Nexus 1000V including the following:

- A connection name
- The protocol used
- The server IP address
- The server DNS name
- Transport mode: IPv4 or IPv6
- All communication with vCenter Server is secured by the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol.



Note

Starting with Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware vSphere, Release 5.2(1)SV3(2.1), you can now configure IPv4 or IPv6 transport mode for communication between VSM and vCenter server. You can switch VSM-vCenter communication between IPv4 to IPv6 transport mode using svs transport mode switch. To switch between IPv4 and IPv6 transport mode, ensure that the SVS connection is disconnected.

Guidelines and Limitations

Follow these guidelines and limitations while configuring server connections:

- A single Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM) can only connect to one nxos-n1k-vmware-onlyvCenter Servernxos-n1k-microsoft-onlySCVMM at a time.
- A single VSM cannot connect to multiple nxos-n1k-vmware-onlyvCenter Servernxos-n1k-microsoft-onlySCVMMs at once.
- When the SVS transport mode is IPv4 and the SVS connection is in connected state, you can not reconfigure IPv4 address but you can reconfigure IPv6 address. To change IPv4 address, you need to disconnect the SVS connection and change the IPv4 address.
- You need to disconnect the SVS connection to switch between IPv4 and IPv6 transport mode

Connecting to the vCenter Server

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- You must know the following:
 - The datacenter name.
 - The vCenter Server IP address (IPv4 or IPv6) or hostname.
- You must be sure the following is set up:
 - The vCenter Server management station is installed and running.
 - The ESX servers are installed and running.
 - The Cisco Nexus 1000V appliance is installed.
 - The management port is configured.
 - The vCenter Server management station is installed and running.
 - The ESX servers are installed and running.
 - The Cisco Nexus 1000V appliance is installed.
 - The management port is configured.

- The DNS is already configured if you are configuring a connection using a hostname.
- An extension with vCenter Server has been registered. The extension includes the extension key and public certificate for the VSM. vCenter Server uses the extension to verify the authenticity of the request that it receives from the VSM. For instructions about adding and registering an extension, see the Cisco Nexus 1000V Installation and Upgrade Guide.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# svs connection name	Enters connection configuration mode for adding this connection between the Cisco Nexus 1000V and either a particular ESX server or vCenter Server. By using a name, information for multiple connections can be stored in the configuration.
Step 3	switch(config-svs-conn)# protocol vmware-vim	Use the http keyword to specify that this connection uses the VIM protocol. This command is stored locally. The default is to use HTTP over SSL (HTTPS).
Step 4	switch(config-svs-conn)# transport type {ipv4 ipv6 }	Specifies whether to use IPv4 or IPv6 type address for communication between VSM and vCenter server. Default value is IPv4.
Step 5	Do one of the following:	 If you are configuring an IP address, go to Step 6. If you are configuring a hostname, go to Step 7.
Step 6	<pre>switch(config-svs-conn)# remote ip address ipaddress [vrf {vrf-name default management}</pre>	Specifies the IP address of the ESX server or vCenter Server for this connection. This command is stored locally. <i>vrf-name</i> is case sensitive and can be a maximum of 32 characters. If a VRF option is not specified, the management VRF is taken by default. Note You can specify either IPv4 or IPv6 address. Go to Step 7 to configure the datacenter name.
Step 7	switch(config-svs-conn)# remote hostname hostname	Specifies the DNS name of the ESX server or vCenter Server for this connection. This command is stored locally. Note DNS is already configured.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	switch(config-svs-conn)# remote port port number	Specifies the HTTP port number of vCenter for this connection. The default port number is 80. Though the communication is HTTPS, vCenter receives the packets on its HTTP port.
Step 9	switch(config-svs-conn)# vmware dvs datacenter-name [folder/] name	Identifies the datacenter name in the vCenter Server where the Cisco Nexus 1000V is to be created as a distributed virtual switch (DVS). You can use this command before or after connecting. The datacenter name is stored locally.
		Note The Cisco Nexus 1000V folder name must be the same in the vCenter Server and in the VSM. If the Cisco Nexus 1000V folder is renamed in the vCenter Server, you must manually rename the folder name in the VSM. The names are not automatically synchronized, and if they are not the same, the DVS connection between the VSM and vCenter Server is broken.
Step 10	switch(config-svs-conn)# connect	Initiates the connection. If the username and password have not been configured for this connection, you are prompted for a username and password.
		The default is no connect. There can be only one active connection at a time. If a previously defined connection is up, an error message appears and the command is rejected until you close the previous connection by entering no connect.

This example shows how to connect to the vCenter server using IPv4 address:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# svs connection VC
switch(config-svs-conn)# protocol vmware-vim
switch(config-svs-conn)# transport type ipv4
switch(config-svs-conn)# remote ip address 192.168.0.1
switch(config-svs-conn)# remote hostname none
switch(config-svs-conn)# remote port 80
switch(config-svs-conn)# vmware dvs datacenter-name Hamilton-DC
switch(config-svs-conn)# connect
switch# show svs connections
connection n1k-vc:
    hostname: -
```

```
ip address: 103.3.176.26
ipv6 address: -
remote port: 80
transport type: ipv4
protocol: vmware-vim https
certificate: default
datacenter name: dc-tb22
admin:
max-ports: 12000
DVS uuid: 06 5d 0f 50 30 82 05 7d-fd 8e 9a 25 98 3c 7d 29
dvs version: 5.0
config status: Enabled
operational status: Connected
sync status: Complete
version: VMware vCenter Server 6.0.0 build-2559268
vc-uuid: 4fd42386-8cba-4055-8872-6340e2f61d86
ssl-cert: self-signed or not authenticated
```

This example shows output for **show svs connections** command IPv6 SVS connection:

```
switch# show svs connections connection n1k-vc:
   hostname: -
   ip address: -
   ipv6 address: 2001::106:8:4:25
   remote port: 80
   transport type: ipv6
   protocol: vmware-vim https
   certificate: default
   datacenter name: dc-tb8
   max-ports: 12000
   DVS uuid: ed 6b 38 50 66 7c 90 0f-b2 f8 7e 07 41 de 4e d5
   dvs version: 5.0
   config status: Enabled
   operational status: Connected
   sync status: Complete
   version: VMware vCenter Server 6.0.0 build-2559268
   vc-uuid: 4fd42386-8cba-4055-8872-6340e2f61d86
   ssl-cert: self-signed or not authenticated
```

Validating vCenter Server Certificates

The VSM can validate the certificate presented by vCenter Server to authenticate it. The certificate may be self-signed or signed by a Certificate Authority (CA). The validation is done every time the VSM connects to the vCenter Server. If the certificate authentication fails, a warning is generated but the connection is not impaired.

Installing Certificates

Before you begin

Check if a vCenter Server certificate can be received:

1. Enter the following command and store the output of this command in a file, for example, sconnect_out.

```
openssl s client -connect vCenterServer IPaddress:443 -showcerts
```

- 2. Add information about the certificates in a file named cacerts.pem.
- **3.** Verify that a certificate is received from vCenter Server: openssl verify -CAfile cacerts.pem sconnect out

For more information about the OpenSSL commands, go to www.openssl.org.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Create a file named cacerts.pem in bootflash:.
- **Step 2** Add a list of trusted certificates in the cacerts.pem file.

You can add the self-signed certificate of vCenter Server or the list of root certificate authorities that your security policy allows. The information about each certificate must be included within the following lines:

```
----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----
```

Verifying vCenter Server Certificates

You can verify the authentication of the vCenter certificates.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
Step 2	switch#(config) show svs connections	Verifies the vCenter server certificate.	
		If the authentication fails or the bootflash:/cacerts.pem file is not present, the following message is displayed: ssl-cert: self-signed or not authenticated	
		In addition, the following warning message is displayed five times or less after every 3 minutes:	
		VMS-1-CONN_SSL_NOAUTH: SSL AUTHENTICATION failure	
Step 3	(Optional) switch#(config) vmware cert warning disable	Disables the display of the warning messages. Note Although this command is hidden in the CLI, the command is available for use.	

This example shows how to verify the vCenter server certificate and how to disable the display of warning messages, if the authentication fails.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch#(config) show svs connections
connection vc:
    ip address: 172.23.181.103
    remote port: 80
    protocol: vmware-vim https
    certificate: default
    ssl-cert: ssl-cert: self-signed or not authenticated
VMS-1-CONN_SSL_NOAUTH: SSL AUTHENTICATION failure
switch#(config) vmware cert warning disable
switch#(config)
```

Disconnecting From the vCenter Server

You can disconnect from vCenter Server, for example, after correcting a vCenter Server configuration.

Before you begin

- Log in to the Cisco Nexus 1000V in EXEC mode.
- Configure a Cisco Nexus 1000V connection.
- Connect the Cisco Nexus 1000V to vCenter Server/ESX.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# svs connection name	Enters global configuration submode for the connection to vCenter Server.
Step 3	switch(config-svs-conn)# no connect	Closes the connection.

Example

This example shows how to disconnect from vCenter Server:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch# (config#) svs connection vcWest
switch# (config-svs-conn)# no connect
```

Removing the DVS from the vCenter Server

You can use remove the Distributed Virtual Switch (DVS) from the vCenter Server.

Before you begin

- Log in to the Cisco Nexus 1000V in EXEC mode.
- Configure a connection to the vCenter Server.
- Connect the Cisco Nexus 1000V to the vCenter Server/ESX.
- Check that the server administrator has removed all of the hosts that are connected to the Cisco Nexus 1000V from the VM client. For more information, see the VMware documentation.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# svs connection name	Enters global configuration submode for the connection to the vCenter Server.
Step 3	switch(config-svs-conn)# no vmware dvs	Removes the DVS associated with the specified connection from the vCenter Server.

Example

switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# svs connection vcWest
switch(config-svs-conn)# no vmware dvs

Removing the DVS from the vCenter Server when the VSM Is Not Connected

You can configure whether or not you will allow administrators to delete a DVS when the VSM is not connected to the vCenter Server.

- **Step 1** Configure the admin user or group. See Configuring the Admin User or Admin Group, on page 41.
- **Step 2** Remove the DVS from the vCenter Server. See Removing the DVS from the vCenter Server, on page 40.

Configuring the Admin User or Admin Group

Before you begin

- Ensure that the system administrator has created an admin user or admin group on vCenter Server to manage and delete the DVS. This user should not be given any other permissions such as deploying VMs or hosts, and so on.
- The admin user name configured on the VSM is the same as the username on vCenter Server.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Determine the name of the DVS.
- **Step 2** Configure the admin user in vCenter Server.

Note You can also configure an admin group by entering the **admin group** groupname command.

Step 3 Verify that the admin user has been created.

Example

This example shows how to configure the admin user or an admin group on vCenter Server.

switch# show svs connections

```
connection VC:
   ipaddress: 10.104.63.16
   remote port: 80
   protocol: VMware-vim https
   certificate: default
   datacenter name: N1K-DC
    admin:
   DVS uuid: a2 ...
   dvs version: 5.0
    config status: Enabled
    operational status: Connected
    sync status: Complete
    version: VMware vCenter Server 4.1.0 build 258902
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# svs connection VC
switch(config-svs-conn) # admin user NAuser
switch(config-svs-conn) #show svs connections
connection VC:
    ipaddress: 10.104.63.16
    remote port: 80
   protocol: VMware-vim https
    certificate: default
    datacenter name: N1K-DC
    admin: NAuser(user)
   DVS uuid: a2 ...
    dvs version: 5.0
    config status: Enabled
```

operational status: Connected sync status: Complete version: VMware vCenter Server 4.1.0 build 258902

Removing the DVS from the vCenter Server Using the Graphical User Interface

Procedure

- **Step 1** Log in to vCenter Server through the VMware vSphere Client with the admin user account.
- **Step 2** In the **vSphere Client** left pane, choose the data center.
- **Step 3** Choose **Hosts and Clusters** > **Networking**.
- **Step 4** Right-click the **DVS** and choose **Remove**.

Configuring Host Mapping

This section includes the following topics:

- Information about Host Mapping
- Removing Host Mapping from a Module
- · Mapping to a New Host
- Viewing Host Mapping

Information about Host Server Connections

When a VSM detects a new Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM), it automatically assigns a free module number to the VEM and then maintains the mapping between the module number and the universally unique identifier (UUID) of a host server. This mapping is used to assign the same module number to a given host server.

Removing Host Mapping from a Module

Before you begin

- Log in to the Cisco Nexus 1000V in EXEC mode.
- Remove the host from the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS on the vCenter.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2 switch(config)# no vem module-number Removes the specified software.		Removes the specified module from the software.
		Note If the module is still present in the slot, the command is rejected, as shown in this example.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show module vem mapping	Displays the mapping of modules to host servers.
Step 4	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to remove a host mapping from a specified VEM module:

Mapping to a New Host

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Remove the host from the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS on the vCenter.



Note

If you do not first remove the existing host server mapping, the new host server is assigned a different module number.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
Step 2	switch(config)# vem module number	Enters VEM slot configuration mode.	
Step 3	switch(config-vem-slot)# host vmware id server-bios-uuid	Assigns a different host server UUID to the specified module.	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-vem-slot)# show module vem mapping	Displays the mapping of modules to host servers.
Step 5	switch(config-vem-slot)# copy running-config startup-config	Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to map a host server to a module:

Viewing Host Mapping

• You can view the mapping of modules to host servers.

Command	Description
show module vem mapping	Displays the mapping on modules to host servers.

Example

This example shows how to view the mapping of a module:

Mod	Status	UUID	License Status
3	powered-up	93312881-309e-11db-afa1-0015170f51a8	licensed
swit	ch(config)#		

Verifying Connections

You can view and verify connections.

Commands

show svs connections	Display	rs the current connections to the Cisco Nexus 1000V.
[name]	Note	Network connectivity issues may shut down your connection to the vCenter Server. When network connectivity is restored, the Cisco Nexus 1000V will not automatically restore the connection. In this case, you must restore the connection manually using the following command sequence: no connect connect

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in any command mode.
- Configure the connection using the Connecting to the vCenter Server, on page 34 procedure.
- Know that the Cisco Nexus 1000V is connected to vCenter Server/ESX.

Example

This example shows how to verify a connection:

```
switch# show svs connections vd
Connection vc:
IP address: 172.28.15.206
Protocol: vmware-vim https
datacenter name: HamiltonDC
admin: NAuser(user)
DVS uuid: a2 ...
dvs version: 5.0
config status: Enabled
operational status: Connected
```

Verifying the Domain

You can view and verify the configured domain.

Commands	Description
show svs domain	Display the domain configured on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in any command mode.
- Configure a domain using the Creating a Domain procedure.

Verifying the Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration.

Command	Description	
show running-config	Displays the current configuration.	
	If the Cisco Nexus 1000V is not connected to a vCenter Server or ESX server, the output is limited to connection-related information.	
show svs connections [name]	Displays the current connections to the Cisco Nexus 1000V.	
	Note Network connectivity issues might shut down your connection to the vCenter Server. When network connectivity is restored, the Cisco Nexus 1000V will not automatically restore the connection. In this case, you must restore the connection manually using the no connect command followed by the connect command.	
show svs domain	Displays the domain configured on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.	
show module	Displays module information.	
show server_info	Displays server information.	
show interface brief	Displays interface information, including the uplinks to the vCenter Server.	
show interface virtual	Displays virtual interface information.	
show module vem mapping	Displays the mapping of modules to host servers.	

Verifying the Module Information

You can display and verify module information, including a view of the DVS from the Cisco Nexus 1000V.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in any command mode.
- Configure the Cisco Nexus 1000V connection using the Connecting to the vCenter Server procedure.
- Know that the Cisco Nexus 1000V is connected to the vCenter Server/ESX.
- Know that the server administrator has already added the host running the Cisco Nexus 1000V to the DVS in the vCenter Server.

Procedure

Step 1 show module

Example:

```
n1000v# show module
Mod Ports Module-Type Model Status
1 1 Virtual Supervisor Module Nexus1000V active *
2 48 Virtual Ethernet Module ok
3 48 Virtual Ethernet Module ok
Mod Sw Hw World-Wide-Name(s) (WWN)
1 4.0(0)S1(0.82) 0.0 --
2 NA 0.0 --
3 NA 0.0 --
Mod MAC-Address(es) Serial-Num
1 00-19-07-6c-5a-a8 to 00-19-07-6c-62-a8 NA
2 02-00-0c-00-02-00 to 02-00-0c-00-02-80 NA
3 02-00-0c-00-03-00 to 02-00-0c-00-03-80 NA
Mod Server-IP Server-UUID Server-Name
1 172.18.217.180 esx-1
2 172.18.117.44 487701ee-6e87-c9e8-fb62-001a64d20a20 esx-2
3 172.18.217.3 4876efdd-b563-9873-8b39-001a64644a24 esx-3
* this terminal session
```

Displays module information.

Step 2 show server info

Example:

Displays server information.

Step 3 show interface brief

Example:

```
n1000v# show interface brief

Port VRF Status IP Address Speed MTU

mgmt0 -- up 172.28.15.211 1000 1500

Ethernet VLAN Type Mode Status Reason Speed Port
Interface Ch #

Eth2/2 1 eth trunk up none a-1000(D) --

Interface VLAN Type Mode Status Reason MTU
```

n1000v#

Displays interface information, including the uplinks to the vCenter Server.

Step 4 show interface virtual

Example:

n1000v# show interface virtual

Port Adapter Owner Mod Host

Veth49 R-VM-1 2 mcs-srvr35

Displays virtual interface information.

Verifying the Module Information Using the vCenter Server

You can display and verify module information using the vCenter Server. The following alarms are raised in the vCenter Server based on the condition.

All alarms are cleared when the VSM disconnects from the vCenter Server.

Alarm	Description
<hbox></hbox> <hr/> <hr <="" td=""/> <td>This alarm is raised as a warning on the host object. It indicates that the VEM is online in the VSM. This alarm persists as long as the VEM is communicating with the VSM and the VEM is online.</td>	This alarm is raised as a warning on the host object. It indicates that the VEM is online in the VSM. This alarm persists as long as the VEM is communicating with the VSM and the VEM is online.
<pre><host-ref_name> Offline</host-ref_name></pre>	This alarm is raised as an alert on the host object. It indicates that the VEM is offline in the VSM. This alarm is cleared when the VEM comes online.
<harrivered </harrivered <host-ref_name> Deleted from VSM</host-ref_name>	This alarm is raised as a warning on the host object. It indicates that the VEM is being removed from the VSM but it is not removed from the DVS. This alarm is cleared when the VEM is detected as a module in the VSM.
<pre><host-ref_name> Update failed in VSM</host-ref_name></pre>	This alarm is raised as an alert on the host object. It indicates that the VEM has already been removed from the VSM but updates are still being received from the vCenter Server. There can be connectivity issues between the VSM and the VEM. This alarm can coexist with the <code><host-ref_name></host-ref_name></code> Deleted from VSM alarm. This alarm is cleared when the VEM is detected as a module in the VSM.

Feature History for Server Connections

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Module Information Verification using vCenter Server	5.2(1)SV3(1.6)	This feature was introduced.
vCenter Server Certificates Validation	4.2(1)SV2(2.1a)	This feature was introduced.
DVS Deletion	4.2(1)SV1(4a)	This feature was added.
Server Connections	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for Server Connections



Managing the Configuration

This chapter contains the following sections:

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Information About Configuration Management

The Cisco Nexus 1000V enables you to change the switch name, configure messages of the day, and display, save, and erase configuration files.

Changing the Switch Name or Prompt

You can change the switch name or prompt from the default (switch#) to another character string.

If the VSM is connected to the OpenStack controller, then this procedure also changes the Dynamic Vectoring and Streaming (DVS) engine that the VSM is managing. If you make an error when renaming the DVS, a syslog is generated and the DVS on the OpenStack controller continues to use the old DVS name.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch(config)# switchname	Changes the switch prompt.

This example shows how to change the switch name:

```
switch(config) # switchname metro
metro(config) # exit
metro#
```

Configuring a Message of the Day

You can configure a message of the day (MOTD) to display before the login prompt on the terminal when a user logs in.

- The banner message can be up to 40 lines with up to 80 characters per line.
- Use the following guidelines when choosing your delimiting character:
 - Do not use the delimiting character in the message string.
 - Do not use " and % as delimiters.
- You can use the following tokens the message of the day:
 - \$(hostname) displays the hostname for the switch.
 - \$(line) displays the vty or tty line or name.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch(config)# banner motd [delimiting character message delimiting character]	Configures a banner message of the day with the following features:
		• Up to 40 lines
		• Up to 80 characters per line
		• Enclosed in delimiting character, such as #
		• Can span multiple lines
		• Can use tokens
Step 2	switch(config)# show banner motd	Displays the configured banner message.

This example shows how to configure a message of a day:

```
switch(config)# banner motd #April 16, 2011 Welcome to the svs#
switch(config)# show banner motd
April 16, 2011 Welcome to the Switch
```

Verifying the Configuration

Use this section to view the switch configuration. This section includes the following topics:

- · Verifying the Software and Hardware Versions
- Verifying the Running Configuration
- Comparing the Startup and Running Configurations
- Verifying the Interface Configuration

Verifying the Software and Hardware Versions

You can view the versions of software and hardware on your system, for example, to verify the version before and after an upgrade.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show version	Displays the versions of system software and hardware that are currently running on the switch.

Example

This example shows how to verify the software and hardware versions on your system:

```
switch# show version
Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS) Software
TAC support: http://www.cisco.com/tac
Copyright (c) 2002-2009, Cisco Systems, Inc. All rights reserved.
The copyrights to certain works contained in this software are owned by other third parties and used and distributed under license. Certain components of this software are licensed under the GNU General Public License (GPL) version 2.0 or the GNU
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```

```
http://www.opensource.org/licenses/lgpl-2.1.php
Software
 loader:
          version 1.2(2)
 kickstart: version 4.0(4)SV1(1)
 system: version 4.0(4)SV1(1)
 kickstart image file is:
 kickstart compile time: 4/2/2009 23:00:00
 system image file is: bootflash:/svs.bin
 system compile time: 4/2/2009 23:00:00 [04/23/2009 09:55:29]
Hardware
 Cisco Nexus 1000V Chassis ("Virtual Supervisor Module")
 Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU
                            with 1034780 kB of memory.
 Processor Board ID T5056893321
 Device name: n1000v
 bootflash:
             3897832 kB
Kernel uptime is 0 day(s), 0 hour(s), 2 minute(s), 55 second(s)
plugin
 Core Plugin, Ethernet Plugin
```

Verifying the Running Configuration

You can view the configuration that is currently running on the system.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show running-config	Displays the versions of system software and hardware that are currently running on the switch.

Example

This example shows how to verify the software and hardware versions running on a switch:

```
switch# show running-config
version 4.0(4)SV1(1)
username admin password 5 $1$ouYE/pRM$/j4/21g3RMd4PhE.1Z1S.0 role network-admin
telnet server enable
ip domain-lookup
ip host switch 172.23.232.141
kernel core target 0.0.0.0
kernel core limit 1
system default switchport
vem 3
host vmware id 89130a67-e66b-3e57-ad25-547750bcfc7e
```

```
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5 0xb64ad6879970f0e57600c443287a79f0 priv
0xb64ad6879970f0e57600c443287a79f0 localizedkey
snmp-server enable traps license
vrf context management
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.23.232.1
switchname switch
vlan 1,260-269
vdc n1000v id 1
  limit-resource vlan minimum 16 maximum 513
  limit-resource monitor-session minimum 0 maximum 64
  limit-resource vrf minimum 16 maximum 8192
  limit-resource port-channel minimum 0 maximum 256
  limit-resource u4route-mem minimum 32 maximum 80
 limit-resource u6route-mem minimum 16 maximum 48
port-profile Unused Or Quarantine Uplink
  description "Port-group created for Nexus1000V internal usage. Do not use."
  capability uplink
  vmware port-group
  shutdown
 state enabled
port-profile Unused Or Quarantine Veth
  description "Port-group created for Nexus1000V internal usage. Do not use."
  vmware port-group
 shutdown
 state enabled
port-profile system-uplink
 capability uplink
  vmware port-group
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 260-261
 no shutdown
 system vlan 260-261
  state enabled
port-profile vm-uplink
  capability uplink
 vmware port-group
 switchport mode access
 switchport access vlan 262
 no shutdown
  state enabled
port-profile data262
 vmware port-group
  switchport access vlan 262
 no shutdown
  state enabled
interface Ethernet3/2
  inherit port-profile system-uplink
interface Ethernet3/3
 inherit port-profile vm-uplink
interface mgmt0
  ip address 172.23.232.141/24
interface control0
line vty
 session-limit 32
boot kickstart bootflash:/kick.bin sup-1
boot system bootflash:/svs.bin sup-1
boot kickstart bootflash:/kick.bin sup-2
boot system bootflash:/svs.bin sup-2
svs-domain
  domain id 141
```

```
control vlan 260
packet vlan 261
svs mode L2
svs connection vc
protocol vmware-vim
remote hostname 172.23.231.201
vmware dvs uuid "2c 6f 3d 50 62 f3 7f 4d-dc 00 70 e2 52 77 ca 15" datacenter-name HamiltonDC
connect
switch#
```

Comparing the Startup and Running Configurations

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show running-config diff	Displays the difference between the startup configuration and the running configuration currently on the switch.

Example

This example shows how to compare the startup and running configurations:

```
switch# show running-config diff
*** Startup-config
--- Running-config
******
*** 1,7 ****
 version 4.0(1)
- system mem-thresholds minor 0 severe 0 critical 0
  vrf context management
   ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.78.1.1
  switchname DCOS-112-S10
 vlan 80,110-111,150,160,170
 vdc DCOS-112-S10 id 1
--- 1,6 ----
*****
*** 116,131 ****
   ip address 10.78.1.112/24
  interface Vethernet49
   inherit port-profile vlan160
- interface Vethernet65
  inherit port-profile vlan170
 interface Vethernet50
   inherit port-profile vlan160
  interface Vethernet66
   inherit port-profile vlan170
  ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.78.1.1
  vlan 80-80, 110-110, 111-111, 150-150, 160-160, 170-170
```

```
--- 115,130 ----
ip address 10.78.1.112/24

interface Vethernet49
inherit port-profile vlan160

interface Vethernet50
inherit port-profile vlan160

+ interface Vethernet65
+ inherit port-profile vlan170
+
interface Vethernet66
inherit port-profile vlan170
ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.78.1.1
vlan 80-80, 110-110, 111-111, 150-150, 160-160, 170-170

switch#
```

Verifying the Interface Configuration

This section includes the following procedures:

- Verifying a Brief Version of an Interface Configuration
- Verifying a Detailed Version of an Interface Configuration
- Verifying a Brief Version of all Interfaces
- Verifying the Running Configuration for all Interfaces

Verifying the Interface Configuration in a Brief Version

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show interface {type} {name} brief	Displays a brief version of information about the specified interface configuration.

Example

switch# show interface mgmt 0 brief

Port	VRF	Status	IP Address	Speed	MTU
mgmt0		up	10.78.1.63	1000	1500

Verifying an Interface Configuration in a Detailed Version

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show interface {type} {name}	Displays details about the specified interface configuration.

Example

This example shows how to verify configuration details of an interface:

```
switch# show interface mgmt 0
mgmt0 is up
Hardware: Ethernet, address: 0050.5689.3321 (bia 0050.5689.3321)
Internet Address is 172.23.232.141/24
MTU 1500 bytes, BW 1000000 Kbit, DLY 10 usec,
    reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255
Encapsulation ARPA
full-duplex, 1000 Mb/s
Auto-Negotiation is turned on
    4961 packets input, 511995 bytes
    0 multicast frames, 0 compressed
    0 input errors, 0 frame, 0 overrun, 0 fifo
    245 packets output, 35853 bytes
    0 underrun, 0 output errors, 0 collisions
    0 fifo, 0 carrier errors
```

Verifying All Interfaces in a Brief Version

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1		Displays a brief version of all interface configurations on your system.

Example

This example show how to verify the configuration of all available interfaces:

```
switch# show interface brief
```

Port	VRF		Sta	tus IP 2	Address		Speed	MTU	
mgmt0			up	17:	2.23.232	.141	1000	1500	
Ethernet Interface		VLAN	Туре	Mode	Status	Reason		Speed	Port Ch#
Eth3/2 Eth3/3		1 262	eth eth		up up	none none		1000(D) 1000(D) -	
Interface	=====	VLAN	Туре	Mode	Status	Reason		MTU	
Veth81 Veth82 Veth224 Veth225 switch#		630 630 631 1	virt virt	access access access	up up	none none none nonParticipating		1500 1500 1500 1500	

Verifying the Running Configuration for All Interfaces

The output for the **show running-config interface** command differs from the output of the **show interface** command.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show running-config interface	Displays the running configuration for all interfaces on your system.

Example

This example shows how to view the running configuration for all interfaces on a system:

```
switch# show running-config interface
version 4.0(1)
interface Ethernet3/2
  switchport
  inherit port-profile sftrunk

interface Ethernet3/6
  switchport
  inherit port-profile vmuplink

interface Ethernet6/2
  switchport
  inherit port-profile alluplink

interface mgmt0
  ip address 10.78.1.63/24
```

```
interface Vethernet81
  inherit port-profile vm630
interface Vethernet82
  inherit port-profile vm630
interface Vethernet224
  inherit port-profile vm631
interface Vethernet225
switch#
```

Saving a Configuration

You can save the running configuration to the startup configuration so that your changes are retained in the configuration file the next time you start the system.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) switch# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to save a running configuration:

```
switch# copy run start
[############################# 100%
switch#
```

Erasing a Configuration

You can use this procedure to erase a startup configuration.



Caution

The **write erase** command erases the entire startup configuration with the exception of loader functions, the license configuration, and the certificate extension configuration

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# write erase [boot debug]	The existing startup configuration is completely erased and all settings revert to their factory defaults.
		The running configuration is not affected.
		The following parameters are used with this command:
		 boot—Erases the boot variables and the mgmt0 IP configuration.
		• debug—Erases the debug configuration.

Feature History for Configuration Management

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Configuration Management	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for Configuration Management



Working with Files

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Information About Files

The Cisco Nexus 1000V file system provides a single interface to all the file systems that the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch uses, including:

- Flash memory file systems
- Network file systems (TFTP and FTP)
- Any other endpoint for reading or writing data (such as the running configuration)

Navigating the File System

This section describes how to navigate the file system and includes the following topics:

- Specifying File Systems
- Identifying the Directory You are Working From

- · Changing Your Directory
- Listing the Files in a File System
- Identifying Available File Systems for Copying Files
- Using Tab Completion

Specifying File Systems

The syntax for specifying a file system is *file system name*:[//server/]. The following table describes file system syntax.

File System Name	Server	Description
bootflash	sup-active sup-local sup-1 module-1	Internal memory located on the active supervisor used for storing system images, configuration files, and other miscellaneous files. The Cisco Nexus 1000V CLI defaults to the bootflash: file system.
	sup-standby sup-remote sup-2 module-2	Internal memory located on the standby supervisor used for storing system images, configuration files, and other miscellaneous files.
volatile	_	Volatile random-access memory (VRAM) located on a supervisor module used for temporary or pending changes.

Identifying the Directory of Your Current Location

You can display the directory name of your current CLI location.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# pwd	Displays the present working directory.

Changing Your Directory

You can change your location in the CLI from one directory or file system to another.

The Cisco Nexus 1000V CLI defaults to the bootflash: file system.



Note

Any file saved in the volatile: file system is erased when the switch reboots.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# pwd	Displays the directory name of your current CLI location.
Step 2	* switch# cd bootflash: Changes your CLI location to the root directory on the bootflash: file system. * switch# cd bootflash:mydir Changes your CLI location to the mydir directory that resides in the bootflash: file system. * switch# cd mystorage Changes your CLI location to the mystorage directory that resides within the current directory. If the current directory is bootflash: mydir, this command changes the current directory to bootflash: mydir/mystorage.	Changes your CLI location to the root directory on the bootflash: file system.

Example

This example shows how to change the directory:

```
switch# pwd
volatile:
switch# cd bootflash:
switch# pwd
volatile:
switch# cd bootflash:mydir
switch# pwd
volatile:
switch# cd mystorage
```

Listing the Files in a File System

You can use this procedure to list the files in a file system.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in any command mode.

Procedure

Command or Action		Purpose	
Step 1	switch# dir [directory filename]	Displays the contents of a directory or file.	

Example

This example shows how to list files within a file system:

```
switch# dir lost+found/
      49241 Jul 01 09:30:00 2008 diagclient_log.2613
               Jul 01 09:29:34 2008 diagmgr_log.2580 Jul 01 09:28:47 2008 dmesg
      12861
        31
               Jul 01 09:28:58 2008 example test.2633
       1811
         89 Jul 01 09:28:58 2008 libdiag.2633
      42136 Jul 01 16:34:34 2008 messages
        65 Jul 01 09:29:00 2008 otm.log
741 Jul 01 09:29:07 2008 sal.log
               Jul 01 09:28:50 2008 startupdebug
         87
Usage for log://sup-local
  51408896 bytes used
  158306304 bytes free
  209715200 bytes total
switch#
```

Identifying Available File Systems for Copying Files

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# copy ?	Displays the source file systems available to the copy command.
Step 2	switch# copy filename ?	Displays the destination file systems available to the copy command for a specific file.

This example shows how to identify available file systems:

```
switch# copy ?
bootflash: Select source filesystem
core: Select source filesystem
debug: Select source filesystem
ftp: Select source filesystem
licenses Backup license files
log: Select source filesystem
nvram: Select source filesystem
running-config Copy running configuration to destination
scp: Select source filesystem
sftp: Select source filesystem
startup-config Copy startup configuration to destination
system: Select source filesystem
tftp: Select source filesystem
volatile: Select source filesystem
```

Using Tab Completion

You can have the CLI complete a partial filename in a command.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show file filesystem name: partial filename <tab></tab>	Completes the filename when you type a partial filename and then press Tab and if the characters you typed are unique to a single file.
		If not, the CLI lists a selection of filenames that match the characters that you typed.
		You can then retype enough characters to make the file name unique; and CLI completes the filename for you.
Step 2	switch# show file bootflash:c <tab></tab>	Completes the filename for you

Example

This example shows how to complete a partial filename:

```
switch# show file bootflash: nexus-1000v-
bootflash:nexus-1000v-dplug-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
bootflash:nexus-1000v-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
bootflash:nexus-1000v-kickstart-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
n1000v# show file bootflash:c<Tab>
----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY----
MIICXGIBAAKBgQDSq93BrlHcg3bX1jXDMY5c9+yZSST3VhuQBqogvCPDGeLecA+j
...
n1000v#
```

Copying and Backing Up Files

You can copy a file—such as a configuration file—to save it or reuse it at another location. If your internal file systems are corrupted, you could potentially lose your configuration. Save and back up your configuration files periodically. Also, before installing or migrating to a new software configuration, back up the existing configuration files.



Note

Use the **dir** command to ensure that enough space is available in the destination file system. If enough space is not available, use the **delete** command to remove unneeded files.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI through a Telnet or Secure Shell (SSH) connection.
- Know that your device has a route to the destination if you are copying to a remote location. Your device
 and the remote destination must be in the same subnetwork if you do not have a router or default gateway
 to route traffic between subnets.
- Know that your device has connectivity to the destination. Use the ping command to be sure.
- Know that the source configuration file is in the correct directory on the remote server.
- Know that the permissions on the source file are set correctly. Permissions on the file should be set to world-read.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# copy [source filesystem:] filename [destination filesystem:] filename	Copies a file from the specified source location to the specified destination location.
	• switch# copy system:running-config system run.cfg	
	Saves a copy of the running configuration to a remote switch.	
	• switch# copy bootflash: system_image bootflash://sup-standby/system_image	
	Copies a file from bootflash in the active supervisor module to bootflash in the standby supervisor module.	
	 switch# copy system:running-config bootflash:config 	
	Copies a running configuration to the bootflash: file system.	

Command or Action	Purpose
• switch# copy scp:[//[username@]server][/path]/filename	
Copies a source or destination URL for a network server that supports Secure Shell (SSH) and accepts copies of files using the secure copy protocol (scp).	
• switch# copy sftp:[//[username@]server][/path]/filename///	
Copies a source or destination URL for an SSH FTP (SFTP) network server.	
• switch# copy system:running-config bootflash:my-config	
Places a back up copy of the running configuration on the bootflash: file system (ASCII file).	
• switch# copy bootflash: filename bootflash:directory/filename	
Copies the specified file from the root directory of the bootflash: file system to the specified directory.	
• switch# copy filename directory/filename	
Copies a file within the current file system.	
• switch# copy tftp:[//server[:port]][/path]/filename	
Copies the source file to the running configuration on the switch, and configures the switch as the file is parsed line by line.	

```
switch# copy system:running-config tftp://10.10.1.1/home/configs/switch3-run.cfg
switch# copy bootflash:system_image bootflash://sup-2/system_image
switch# copy system:running-config bootflash:my-config
switch# copy scp://user@10.1.7.2/system-image bootflash:system-image
switch# copy sftp://172.16.10.100/myscript.txt volatile:myscript.txt
switch# copy system:running-config bootflash:my-config
switch# copy bootflash:samplefile bootflash:mystorage/samplefile
switch# copy samplefile mystorage/samplefile
switch# copy tftp://10.10.1.1/home/configs/switch3-run.cfg system:running-config
```

Creating a Directory

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# mkdir directory name	Creates a directory at the current directory level.
	• mkdir {bootflash: debug: volatile:}	
	Specifies the directory name you choose:	
	• bootflash:	
	• debug:	
	• volatile:	
	• switch# mkdir bootflash:directory name	
	Creates a directory that you name in the bootflash: directory.	

Example

This example shows how to create a directory:

```
switch# mkdir test
switch# mkdir bootflash:test
```

Removing an Existing Directory

This command is valid only on Flash file systems.

Before you begin

- Make sure that you are logged in to the CLI.
- The directory you want to remove is empty.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# rmdir [filesystem:[//module/]]directory	Removes a directory.
	• switch# rmdir directory	The directory name is case sensitive.

Command or Action	Purpose
Removes the specified directory current directory level. • switch# rmdir {bootflash: del	
volatile:} directory	
Removes a directory from the fil	e system.

This example shows how to remove a directory:

```
switch# rmdir test
switch# rmdir bootflash:test
```

Moving Files



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If a file with the same name already exists in the destination directory, that file is overwritten by the moved file.

The move is not completed if there is not enough space in the destination directory.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

ves the file from one directory to another in same file system (bootflash:).

Example

This example shows how to move the file from one directory to another directory:

```
switch# move bootflash:samplefile bootflash:mystorage/samplefile
switch# move samplefile mystorage/samplefile
```

Deleting Files or Directories

You can delete files or directories on a Flash Memory device.



Caution

When deleting, if you specify a directory name instead of a file name, the entire directory and its contents are deleted.

Before you begin

You must understand the following information:

- When you delete a file, know that the software erases the file.
- If you attempt to delete the configuration file or image specified by the CONFIG_FILE or BOOTLDR environment variable, know that the system prompts you to confirm the deletion.
- If you attempt to delete the last valid system image specified in the BOOT environment variable, know that the system prompts you to confirm the deletion.

Procedure

Command or Action	Purpose
switch# delete [bootflash: debug: log: volatile:] filename or directory name	Deletes a specified file or directory.
• switch# delete <i>filename</i>	
Deletes the named file from the current working directory.	
• switch# delete bootflash:directory name	
Deletes the named directory and its contents.	
	switch# delete [bootflash: debug: log: volatile:] filename or directory name • switch# delete filename Deletes the named file from the current working directory. • switch# delete bootflash:directory name Deletes the named directory and its

Example

This example shows how to delete files and directories:

```
switch# delete bootflash:dns_config.cfg
switch# delete dns_config.cfg
```

Compressing Files

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show command > [path] filename	Directs the show command output to a file.
Step 2	switch# dir	Displays the contents of the current directory, including the new file created in the first step.
Step 3	switch# gzip [path] filename	Compresses the specified file
Step 4	switch# dir	Displays the contents of the specified directory, including the newly compressed file. Shows the difference in the file size of the newly compressed file.

Example

This example shows how to compress a file:

```
switch# show system internal 12fm event-history errors >errorsfile
switch# dir
               Jul 01 18:17:20 2008 errorsfile
      2687
     16384
               Jun 30 05:17:51 2008
                                     lost+found/
      4096
               Jun 30 05:18:29 2008 routing-sw/
               Jul 01 17:09:18 2008 sample test.txt
        49
   1322843
              Jun 30 05:17:56 2008 nexus-1000v-dplug-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
   21629952
              Jun 30 05:18:02 2008 nexus-1000v-kickstart-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
  39289400
               Jun 30 05:18:14 2008 nexus-1000v-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
Usage for bootflash://
 258408448 bytes used
2939531264 bytes free
3197939712 bytes total
switch# gzip bootflash:errorsfile
switch# dir
               Jun 30 05:21:08 2008 cisco svs certificate.pem
      1681
       703
               Jul 01 18:17:20 2008 errorsfile.gz
     16384
               Jun 30 05:17:51 2008 lost+found/
      4096
               Jun 30 05:18:29 2008 routing-sw/
               Jul 01 17:09:18 2008
        49
                                     sample test.txt
   1322843
               Jun 30 05:17:56 2008
                                     nexus-1000v-dplug-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
               Jun 30 05:18:02 2008 nexus-1000v-kickstart-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
  21629952
  39289400
               Jun 30 05:18:14 2008 nexus-1000v-mzg.4.0.0.S1.0.34.bin
Usage for bootflash://
 258408448 bytes used
2939531264 bytes free
3197939712 bytes total
switch#
```

Uncompressing Files

You can uncompress (unzip) a specified file that is compressed using LZ77 coding.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# gunzip [path] filename	Uncompresses the specified file. The filename is case sensitive.
Step 2	switch# dir	Displays the contents of a directory, including the newly uncompressed file.

Example

This example shows how to uncompress a file:

```
switch# gunzip bootflash:errorsfile.gz
switch# dir bootflash:
              Jul 01 18:17:20 2008 errorsfile
      2687
              Jun 30 05:17:51 2008 lost+found/
     16384
              Jun 30 05:18:29 2008 routing-sw/
      4096
       49
              Jul 01 17:09:18 2008 sample test.txt
   1322843 Jun 30 05:17:56 2008 nexus-1000v-dplug-mzg.4.0.0.SV1.0.42.bin
   21629952 Jun 30 05:18:02 2008 nexus-1000v-kickstart-mzg.4.0.4.SV1.0.42.bin
   39289400
              Jun 30 05:18:14 2008 nexus-1000v-mzg.4.0.0.SV1.0424.bin
Usage for bootflash://sup-local
 258408448 bytes used
 2939531264 bytes free
3197939712 bytes total
DCOS-112-R5#
```

Directing Command Output to a File

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show running-config > [path filename]	Directs the output of the show running-configcommand to a path and
	• switch# show running-config > volatile:filename	filename.

Command or Action	Purpose
Directs the output of the command, show running-config , to the specified filename on the volatile file system.	
switch# show running-config > bootflash:filename	
Directs the output of the command, show running-config , to the specified file in bootflash.	
• switch# show running-config > tftp:// ipaddress/filename	
Directs the output of the command, show running-config , to the specified file on a TFTP server.	
• switch# show interface > <i>filename</i>	
Directs the output of the command, show interface , to the specified file at the same directory level, for example, in bootflash.	

These examples show how to direct a command output to a file:

```
switch# show running-config > volatile:switch1-run.cfg
switch# show running-config > bootflash:switch2-run.cfg
switch# show running-config > tftp://10.10.1.1/home/configs/switch3-run.cfg
switch# show interface > samplefile
```

Verifying a Configuration File Before Loading

You can verify the integrity of an image before loading it. This command can be used for both the system and kickstart images.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# copy source path and file system:running-config	Copies the source file to the running configuration on the switch, and configures the switch as the file is parsed line by line.
Step 2	switch# show version image [bootflash: modflash: volatile:]	Validates the specified image.

Command or Action	Purpose
	bootflash—specifies bootflash as the directory name.
	volatile—Specifies volatile as the directory name.
	modflash—Specifies modflash as the directory name.

This example shows how to verify an image before loading it:

```
switch# copy tftp://10.10.1.1/home/configs/switch3-run.cfg system:running-config
```

switch# show version image bootflash:isan.bin
image name: nexus-1000v-mz.4.0.4.SV1.1.bin

bios: version unavailable system: version 4.0(4)SV1(1)

compiled: 4/2/2009 23:00:00 [04/23/2009 09:55:29]

Rolling Back to a Previous Configuration

You can recover your configuration from a previously saved version.



Note

Each time that you use a **copy running-config startup-config** command, a binary file is created and the ASCII file is updated. A valid binary configuration file reduces the overall boot time significantly. A binary file cannot be uploaded but its contents can be used to overwrite the existing startup configuration. The **write erase** command clears the binary file.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	switch# copy running-config bootflash: {filename}	Reverts to a snapshot copy of a previously saved running configuration (binary file).	
Step 2	switch# copy bootflash: {filename} startup-config	Reverts to a configuration copy that was previously saved in the bootflash: file system (ASCII file).	

Example

This example shows how to recover the previous configuration:

```
switch# copy running-config bootflash:June03-Running
switch# copy bootflash:my-config startup-config
```

Displaying Files

This section describes how to display information about files and includes the following procedures:

- Displaying File Contents
- Displaying Directory Contents
- Displaying File Checksums
- Displaying the Last Lines in a File

Displaying File Contents

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show file [bootflash: debug: volatile:] filename	Displays the contents of the specified file.

Example

This example shows how to display the file contents:

```
switch# show file bootflash:sample_test.txt
config t
Int veth1/1
no shut
end
show int veth1/1
switch#
```

Displaying Directory Contents

You can display the contents of a directory or file system.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	switch# pwd	Displays the present working directory.	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch# dir	Displays the contents of the directory.

This example shows how to display contents of a directory:

Displaying File Checksums

You can display checksums for checking the file integrity.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# show file filename [cksum md5sum]	Provides the checksum or MD5 checksum of the file for comparison with the original file.
Step 2	switch# show file {bootflash: volatile: debug:} filename [cksum md5sum]	Provides the Message-Digest Algorithm 5 (MD5) checksum of the file. MD5 is an electronic fingerprint for the file.

Example

These examples show how to display checksums:

```
switch# show file bootflash:cisco_svs_certificate.pem cksum
266988670
switch# show file bootflash:cisco_svs_certificate.pem md5sum
d3013f73aea3fda329f7ea5851ae81ff
```

Displaying the Last Lines in a File

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# tail {path}[filename] {Number of lines}	Displays the requested number of lines from the end of the specified file. The range for the number of lines is from 0 to 80.

Example

This example shows how to display the requested number of last lines from a specified file:

```
switch# tail bootflash:errorsfile 5
```

Feature History for File Management

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
File Management	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for File Management



Managing Users

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Information About User Management, on page 81
- Displaying Current User Access, on page 81
- Sending a Message to Users, on page 82
- Feature History for User Management, on page 82

Information About User Management

You can identify the users currently connected to the device and send a message to either a single user or all users.

For information about creating user accounts and assigning user roles, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V Security Configuration Guide*.

Displaying Current User Access

You can display all users currently accessing the switch.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1		Displays a list of users who are currently accessing the system.

Example

This example shows how to display current user access:

switch# Show users

NAME LINE TIME IDLE PID COMMENT

admin	pts/0	Jul	1	04:40	03:29	2915	(::ffff:64.103.145.136)
admin	pts/2	Jul	1	10:06	03:37	6413	(::ffff:64.103.145.136)
admin	pts/3	Jul	1	13:49		8835	(171.71.55.196) *
switch#							

Sending a Message to Users

You can send a message to all active CLI users who are currently using the system.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI.

Procedure

Command or Action	Purpose
switch# send {session device} line	Sends a message to users currently logged in to the system.
	• The <i>session</i> argument sends the message to a specified pts/tty device type.
	• The <i>device</i> argument specifies the device type.
	• The <i>line</i> argument is a message of up to 80 alphanumeric characters.

Example

This example shows up to send a message to users:

Feature History for User Management

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
User Management	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.



Configuring NTP

This chapter contains the following sections:

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- Prerequisites for NTP, on page 84
- Guidelines and Limitations for NTP, on page 85
- Default Settings for NTP, on page 85
- Configuring an NTP Server and Peer, on page 85
- Verifying the NTP Configuration, on page 86
- NTP Example Configuration, on page 87
- Feature History for NTP, on page 87

Information about NTP

The Network Time Protocol (NTP) synchronizes timekeeping among a set of distributed time servers and clients. This synchronization allows you to correlate events when you receive system logs and other time-specific events from multiple network devices.

NTP uses the User Datagram Protocol (UDP) as its transport protocol. All NTP communication uses the Universal Time Coordinated (UTC) standard. An NTP server usually receives its time from an authoritative time source, such as a radio clock or an atomic clock attached to a time server. NTP distributes this time across the network. NTP is extremely efficient; no more than one packet per minute is necessary to synchronize two machines to within a millisecond of each other.

NTP uses a stratum to describe how many NTP hops away that a network device is from an authoritative time source. A stratum 1 time server has an authoritative time source (such as an atomic clock) directly attached to the server. A stratum 2 NTP server receives its time through NTP from a stratum 1 NTP server, which in turn connects to the authoritative time source.

NTP avoids synchronizing to a network device that may keep accurate time. NTP never synchronizes to a system that is not synchronized itself. NTP compares the time reported by several network devices and does not synchronize to a network device that has a time that is significantly different than the others, even if its stratum is lower.

Cisco NX-OS cannot act as a stratum 1 server. You cannot connect to a radio or atomic clock. We recommend that the time service that you use for your network is derived from the public NTP servers available on the Internet.

If the network is isolated from the Internet, Cisco NX-OS allows you to configure a network device so that the device acts as though it is synchronized through NTP, when it has determined the time by using other means. Other network devices can then synchronize to that network device through NTP.



Note

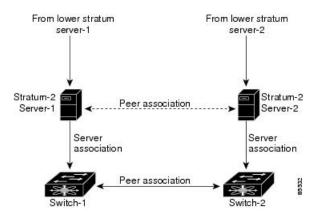
NTP supports IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

NTP Peers

NTP allows you to create a peer relationship between two networking devices. A peer can provide time on its own or connect to an NTP server. If both the local device and the remote peer point to different NTP servers, your NTP service is more reliable. The local device maintains the right time even if its NTP server fails by using the time from the peer.

The following figure shows a network with two NTP stratum 2 servers and two switches.

Figure 2: NTP Peer and Server Association



In this configuration, switch 1 and switch 2 are NTP peers. switch 1 uses stratum-2 server 1, while switch 2 uses stratum-2 server 2. If stratum-2 server-1 fails, switch 1 maintains the correct time through its peer association with switch 2.

High Availability

Stateless restarts are supported for NTP. After a reboot or a supervisor switchover, the running configuration is applied.

You can configure NTP peers to provide redundancy in case an NTP server fails.

Prerequisites for NTP

You must have connectivity to at least one server that is running NTP.

Guidelines and Limitations for NTP

- You should have a peer association with another device only when you are sure that your clock is reliable (which means that you are a client of a reliable NTP server).
- A peer configured alone takes on the role of a server and should be used as a backup. If you have two servers, you can configure several devices to point to one server and the remaining devices point to the other server. You can then configure a peer association between these two servers to create a more reliable NTP configuration.
- If you only have one server, you should configure all the devices as clients to that server.
- You can configure up to 64 NTP entities (servers and peers).

Default Settings for NTP

Parameter	Default
NTP	Enabled

Configuring an NTP Server and Peer

You can configure NTP using IPv4 or IPv6 addresses or domain name server (DNS) names.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# ntp server { <i>ipv4-address</i> <i>ipv6-address</i> <i>dns-name</i> }	Forms an association with a server.
Step 3	switch(config)# ntp peer {ipv4-address ipv6-address dns-name}	Forms an association with a peer. You can specify multiple peer associations.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# show ntp peers	Displays the configured server and peers.
		Note A domain name is resolved only when you have a DNS server configured.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure an NTP server with an IPv4 address and an NTP peer with an IPv6 address:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# ntp server 192.0.2.10
switch(config# ntp peer 2001:0db8::4101
```

Clearing NTP Sessions

Command	Purpose
clear ntp session	Clears the NTP sessions.

Clearing NTP Statistics

Command	Purpose
clear ntp statistics	Clears the NTP sessions.

Verifying the NTP Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show ntp peer-status	Displays the status for all NTP servers and peers.
show ntp peers	Displays all the NTP peers.
show ntp statistics {io local memory peer {ipv4-address ipv6-address dns-name}	Displays the NTP statistics.

NTP Example Configuration

Procedure

Step 1 switch# configure terminal

Enters global configuration mode.

Step 2 ntp server 192.0.2.10

Configures an NTP server.

Feature History for NTP

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IPv6	5.2(1)SV3(1.1)	IPv6 was introduced.
NTP	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for NTP



Configuring the HTTP Server

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Information About the HTTP Server, on page 89
- Guidelines and Limitations for the HTTP Server, on page 89
- Disabling HTTPS, on page 90
- Disabling HTTP, on page 90
- Installing Certificates, on page 91
- Feature History for HTTP Server, on page 92

Information About the HTTP Server

An HTTP server, which can be turned off from the CLI to address security concerns, is embedded in the Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM).

Guidelines and Limitations for the HTTP Server

- The HTTP server is enabled by default.
- The VMware Update Manager (VUM) does not install Virtual Ethernet Modules (VEMs) if the HTTP server is disabled. During VEM installation, VUM talks directly to the HTTP server to extract required module information from the VSM. To install VEMs, you must do one of the following:
 - Use the VUM by enabling the HTTP server during VEM installation, and then disabling it after the VEMs are installed.
 - Install VEMs manually without using the VUM.
- The HTTP server must be enabled in order to get the Cisco Nexus 1000V XML plugin from the VSM.

Disabling HTTPS

Before you begin

- Ensure that feature http-server is enabled.
- Ensure that vnm-pa is uninstalled and nsmgr is disabled.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch# http-server no https	Disables the HTTPS service.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show http-server	Displays the HTTP server configuration.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# Show feature	Displays the state (enabled or disabled) of each available feature.

Example

Disabling HTTP

Before you begin

• Ensure that feature http-server is enabled.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch# http-server no http	Disables the HTTP service.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show http-server	Displays the HTTP server configuration.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# Show feature	Displays the state (enabled or disabled) of each available feature.

Installing Certificates

Certificates are sent to the browser or server and contain public keys needed to begin a secure session.

Installing the HTTP-Server Certificate

To install an HTTP-server certificate, use the **install http-certificate** command.

	Command or Action	Purpos	e
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters	global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch# install http-certificate {bootflash: [// server/] default}		

This example shows how to install an HTTP certificate to the boot flash memory:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config-svs-conn) # install http-certificate bootflash:new.crt
```

Installing the SVS-Connection Certificate

To install a certificate for SVS-connection, use the **install certificate** command.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# svs connection vcenter	Establishes vCenter connection.
Step 3	switch(config-svs-conn)# install certificate {bootflash: [// server/] default}	Installs the certificate where {bootflash: [// server/] specifies the source or destination URL for boot flash memory. Note File extensions with .crt and .pem are supported.

Example

This example shows how to install a certificate to the boot flash memory:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# svs connection vcenter
switch(config-svs-conn)# install certificate bootflash:new.crt
```

Feature History for HTTP Server

This table only includes updates for those releases that have resulted in additions to the feature.

Feature History	Releases	Feature Information
HTTP server	5.2(1)SV3(1.1)	This feature was introduced.



Configuring Local SPAN and ERSPAN

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Information About SPAN and ERSPAN, on page 93
- Guidelines and Limitations for SPAN, on page 97
- Default Settings for SPAN, on page 98
- Configuring SPAN, on page 98
- Verifying the SPAN Configuration, on page 112
- Configuration Example for an ERSPAN Session, on page 112
- Feature History for SPAN and ERSPAN, on page 114

Information About SPAN and ERSPAN

The Switched Port Analyzer (SPAN) feature (sometimes called port mirroring or port monitoring) allows network traffic to be analyzed by a network analyzer such as a Cisco SwitchProbe or other Remote Monitoring (RMON) probes.

SPAN allows you to monitor traffic on one or more ports, or one or more VLANs, and send the monitored traffic to one or more destination ports where the network analyzer is attached.

SPAN Sources

The interfaces from which traffic can be monitored are called SPAN sources. These sources include Ethernet, virtual Ethernet, port-channel, port profile, and VLAN. When a VLAN is specified as a SPAN source, all supported interfaces in the VLAN are SPAN sources. When a port profile is specified as a SPAN source, all ports that inherit the port profile are SPAN sources. Traffic can be monitored in the receive direction, the transmit direction, or both directions for Ethernet and virtual Ethernet source interfaces as described by the following:

- Receive source (Rx)—Traffic that enters the switch through this source port is copied to the SPAN destination port.
- Transmit source (Tx)—Traffic that exits the switch through this source port is copied to the SPAN destination port

Characteristics of SPAN Sources

A local SPAN source has these characteristics:

- Can be port type Ethernet, virtual Ethernet, port channel, port profile, or VLAN.
- Cannot be a destination port or port profile
- Can be configured to monitor the direction of traffic —receive, transmit, or both.
- Can be in the same or different VLANs.
- For VLAN SPAN sources, all active ports in the source VLAN are included as source ports.
- Must be on the same host Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM) as the destination port.
- For port profile sources, all active interfaces attached to the port profile are included as source ports.

SPAN Destinations

SPAN destinations refer to the interfaces that monitor source ports.

Characteristics of Local SPAN Destinations

Each local SPAN session must have at least one destination port (also called a monitoring port) that receives a copy of traffic from the source ports or VLANs. A destination port has these characteristics:

- Can be any physical or virtual Ethernet port, a port channel, or a port profile.
- Cannot be a source port or port profile.
- Is excluded from the source list and is not monitored if it belongs to a source VLAN of any SPAN session or a source port profile.
- Receives copies of transmitted and received traffic for all monitored source ports in the same VEM. If
 a destination port is oversubscribed, it can become congested. This congestion can affect traffic forwarding
 on one or more of the source ports.
- Must not be private VLAN mode.
- Can only monitor sources on the same host (VEM)
- In access mode, can receive monitored traffic on all the VLANs.
- Do not receive any forwarded traffic except copies of transmitted and received traffic for all monitored source ports.
- In trunk mode, can receive monitored traffic only on the allowed VLANs in the trunk configuration.

Characteristics of ERSPAN Destinations

- An ERSPAN destination is specified by an IP address.
- In ERSPAN, the source SPAN interface and destination SPAN interface may be on different devices interconnected by an IP network. ERSPAN traffic is Generic Routing Encapsulation (GRE-encapsulated).

Local SPAN

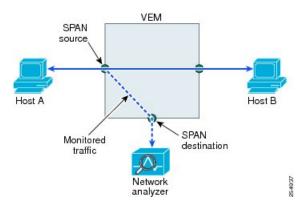
In Local SPAN, the source interface and destination interface are on the same VEM. The network analyzer is attached directly to the SPAN destination port. The SPAN source can be a port, a VLAN interface, or a port profile. The destination can be a port or port profile.

The diagram shows that traffic transmitted by host A is received on the SPAN source interface. Traffic (ACLs, QoS, and so forth) is processed as usual. Traffic is then replicated. The original packet is forwarded on toward host B. The replicated packet is then sent to the destination SPAN interface where the monitor is attached.

Local SPAN can replicate to one or more destination ports. Traffic can be filtered so that only traffic of interest is sent out the destination SPAN interface.

Local SPAN can monitor all traffic received on the source interface including Bridge Protocol Data Unit (BPDU).

Figure 3: Local SPAN

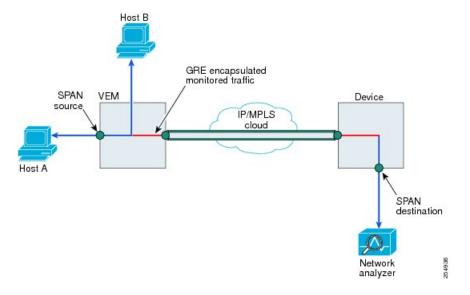


Encapsulated Remote SPAN

Encapsulated remote SPAN (ERSPAN) monitors traffic in multiple network devices across an IP network and sends that traffic in an encapsulated envelope to destination analyzers. In contrast, Local SPAN cannot forward traffic through the IP network. ERSPAN can be used to monitor traffic remotely. ERSPAN sources can be ports, VLANs, or port profiles.

In the following figure, the ingress and egress traffic for Host A are monitored using ERSPAN. Encapsulated ERSPAN packets are routed from Host A through the routed network to the destination device where they are decapsulated and forwarded to the attached network analyzer. The destination may also be on the same Layer 2 network as the source.

Figure 4: ERSPAN Example



Network Analysis Module

You can also use the Cisco Network Analysis Module (NAM) to monitor ERSPAN data sources for application performance, traffic analysis, and packet header analysis.

To use NAM for monitoring the Cisco Nexus 1000V ERSPAN data sources, see the Cisco Nexus 1010 Network Analysis Module Installation and Configuration Note.

SPAN Sessions

You can create up to 64 total SPAN sessions (Local SPAN plus ERSPAN) on the VEM.

You must configure an ERSPAN session ID that is added to the ERSPAN header of the encapsulated frame to differentiate between ERSPAN streams of traffic at the termination box. You can also configure the range of flow ID numbers.

When trunk ports are configured as SPAN sources and destinations, you can filter VLANs to send to the destination ports from among those allowed. Both sources and destinations must be configured to allow the VLANs.

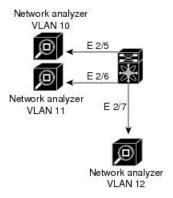
The following figure shows one example of a VLAN-based SPAN configuration in which traffic is copied from three VLANs to three specified destination ports. You can choose which VLANs to allow on each destination port to limit the traffic transmitted. In the figure, the device transmits packets from one VLAN at each destination port. The destinations in this example are trunks on which allowed VLANs are configured.



Note

VLAN-based SPAN sessions cause all source packets to be copied to all destinations, whether the packets are required at the destination or not. VLAN traffic filtering occurs at transmit destination ports.

Figure 5: VLAN-based SPAN Configuration Example



Source VLAN	Traffic Direction	Destination Ports
10	Rx	E 2/5
11	Rx, Tx	E 2/6 E 2/7
12	Tx	

Rx is ingress Tx is egress

Guidelines and Limitations for SPAN

- A maximum of 64 SPAN sessions (Local SPAN plus ERSPAN) can be configured on the Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM).
- A maximum of 32 source VLANs are allowed in a session.
- A maximum of 32 destination interfaces are allowed for a Local SPAN session.
- A maximum of 8 destination port-profiles are allowed for a Local SPAN session.
- A maximum of 16 source port-profiles are allowed in a session.
- A maximum of 128 source interfaces are allowed in a session.



Caution

Overload Potential

To avoid an overload on uplink ports, use caution when configuring ERSPAN, especially when sourcing VLANs. The uplink that the VM kernel uses might get overloaded due to ERSPAN traffic. VSM-VEM communication might also be impacted. For example, when the Nexus 1000V is configured for Layer 3 connectivity, both AIPC traffic and ERSPAN traffic use the same VM kernel NIC.

- A port can be configured in a maximum of four SPAN sessions.
- A port can be a source in a maximum of four SPAN sessions.
- You cannot configure a port as both a source and destination port.
- In a SPAN session, packets that source ports receive may be replicated even though they are not transmitted on the ports. The following are examples of this behavior:
 - Traffic that results from flooding
 - Broadcast and multicast traffic
- For VLAN SPAN sessions switched on the same VLAN with both receive and transmit configured, two packets (one from receive and one from transmit) are forwarded from the destination port.

- ERSPAN traffic might compete with regular data traffic.
- Only ERSPAN source sessions are supported. Destination sessions are not supported.
- When a session is configured through the ERSPAN configuration commands, the session ID and the session type cannot be changed. In order to change them, you must first delete the session and then create a new session.

Default Settings for SPAN

Parameters	Default
State	SPAN sessions are created in the shut state.
Description	blank
Traffic direction for source interface or port profile	both
Traffic direction for source VLAN	receive (ingress or RX)

Configuring SPAN

This section describes how to configure SPAN and includes the following procedures:

- Configuring a Local SPAN Session
- · Configuring an ERSPAN Port Profile
- · Configuring an ERSPAN Session
- · Shutting Down a SPAN Session
- Resuming a SPAN Session
- Verifying the SPAN Configuration

Configuring a Local SPAN Session

This procedure involves creating the SPAN session in monitor configuration mode, and then, optionally, configuring allowed VLANs in interface configuration mode.

It is important to know the following information about SPAN:

- SPAN sessions are created in the shut state by default.
- When you create a SPAN session that already exists, any additional configuration is added to that session.
 To make sure that the session is cleared of any previous configuration, you can delete the session first.
 This procedure includes how to do this.
- The source and destination ports are already configured in either access or trunk mode. For more information, see the *Cisco Nexus* 1000V Interface Configuration Guide.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Know that number of the SPAN session that you are going to configure.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# no monitor session session-number	Clears the specified session.
Step 3	switch(config)# monitor session session-number	Creates a session with the given session number and places you in monitor configuration mode to further configure the session.
Step 4	switch(config-monitor)# description description	Adds a description for the specified SPAN session.
		The <i>description</i> can be up to 32 alphanumeric characters.
		The default is blank (no description)
Step 5	switch(config-monitor)# source {interface {type} {id} vlan {id range} port-profile {name}} [rx tx both]	For the specified session, configures the sources and the direction of traffic to monitor.
		• For the <i>type</i> argument, specify the interface type—Ethernet or vEthernet.
		• For the <i>id</i> argument, specify the vEthernet number, the Ethernet slot/port, or the VLAN ID to monitor.
		• For the <i>range</i> argument, specify the VLAN range to monitor.
		• For the <i>name</i> argument, specify the name of the existing port profile. This port profile is different from the port profile created to carry ERSPAN packets through the IP network as defined in the Configuring an ERSPAN Port Profile, on page 101.
		 For the traffic direction keywords, specify as follows:
		• rx is the VLAN default indicates receive.
		• tx indicates transmit.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		both is the default keyword.
Step 6	(Optional) Repeat Step 5 to configure additional SPAN sources.	
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# filter vlan {id range}	For the specified SPAN session, configures the filter from among the source VLANs.
Step 8	(Optional) Repeat Step 7 to configure all source VLANs to filter.	
Step 9	switch(config-monitor)# destination { interface { <i>type</i> } { <i>id</i> <i>range</i> } port-profile { <i>name</i> }}	For the specified SPAN session, configures the destination(s) for copied source packets. • For the <i>type</i> argument, specify the
		 interface type—Ethernet or vEthernet. For the <i>id</i> argument, specify the vEthernet number or the Ethernet slot/port to monitor. For the <i>name</i> argument specify the name of the port profile to monitor.
Step 10	(Optional) Repeat Step 9 to configure all SPAN destination ports.	
Step 11	switch(config-monitor)# no shut	Enables the SPAN session. By default, the session is created in the shut state.
Step 12	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# exit	Exits monitor configuration mode and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 13	(Optional) switch(config-if)# show monitor session session-number	Displays the configured monitor session.
Step 14	switch(config-if)# show interface {type} {id} switchport	Displays the configured port including allowed VLANs. • For the <i>type</i> argument, specify the interface type—Ethernet or vEthernet. • For the <i>id</i> argument, specify the vEthernet number or the Ethernet slot/port to monitor.
Step 15	(Optional) switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure a local SPAN session:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no monitor session 3
switch(config)# monitor session 3
switch(config-monitor)# description my_span_session_3
switch(config-monitor)# source interface ethernet 2/1-3, ethernet 3/1 rx
switch(config-monitor)# filter vlan 3-5, 7
switch(config-monitor)# destination interface ethernet 2/5, ethernet 3/7
switch(config-monitor)# no shut
switch(config-monitor)# exit
switch(config-if)# show monitor session 3
switch(config-if)# show interface ethernet 2/5 switchport
switch(config-if)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring an ERSPAN Port Profile

You can configure a port profile on the VSM to carry ERSPAN packets through the IP network to a remote destination analyzer.

You must complete this configuration for all hosts in vCenter Server.

The ERSPAN configuration requires a Layer 3 capable port profile. To configure this feature in a Layer 2 mode, you must configure the Layer 3 capable port profile as described in this section. However, if you configure this feature in a Layer 3 mode, you must use the existing Layer 3 capable port profile.

This procedure includes steps to configure the port profile for the following requirements:

- ERSPAN for Layer 3 control.
- An access port profile. It cannot be a trunk port profile.

Only one vMKNIC can be assigned to this Layer 3 control port profile per host as follows:

- If more than one vMKNIC is assigned to a host, the first one assigned takes effect. The second one is not considered a Layer 3 control vMKNIC.
- If more than one vMKNIC is assigned to a host, and you remove the second assigned one, the VEM does not use the first assigned one. Instead, you must remove both vMKNICs and then add one back.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode
- Establish the name to be used for this port profile



Note

The port profile name is used to configure the VM Kernal NIC (vMKNIC). A vMKNIC is required on each ESX host to send ERSPAN-encapsulated IP packets. It must have IP connectivity to the ERSPAN destination IP address.

• Establish the name of the VMware port group to which this profile maps.

- Create the system VLAN that sends IP traffic to the ERSPAN destination; and you know the VLAN ID that will be used in this configuration.
- Obtain the VMware documentation for adding a new virtual adapter.



Note

To ensure that VSM-VEM control communication messages are not dropped, we recommend that you configure the Quality of Service (QoS) queuing feature on the uplink interface to which the vMKNIC with capability Layer 3 capable control is mapped. For more details, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V Quality of Service Configuration Guide*.

For more information about system port profiles, see the Cisco Nexus 1000V Port Profile Configuration Guide.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# port-profile port_profile_name	Creates the port profile and enters global configuration mode for the specified port profile. This command saves the port profile in the running configuration. The port profile name can be up to 80 characters and must be unique for each port profile on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.
Step 3	switch(config-prot-prof)# capability l3control	Configures the port profile to carry ERSPAN traffic and saves the port profile in the running configuration.
Step 4	switch(config-prot-prof)# vmware port-group name	Designates the port profile as a VMware port group and adds the name of the VMware port group to which this profile maps. This command saves the settings in the running configuration.
		The port profile is mapped to a VMware port group of the same name. When a vCenter Server connection is established, the port group created in the Cisco Nexus 1000V is then distributed to the virtual switch on the vCenter Server.
		The <i>name</i> argument is the same as the port profile name if you do not specify a port group name. If you want to map the port profile to a different port group name, use the name option followed by the alternate name.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	switch(config-prot-prof)# switchport mode access	Designates the interfaces as switch access ports (the default).
Step 6	switch(config-prot-prof)# switchport access vlan id	Assigns a VLAN ID to the access port for this port profile and saves the setting in the running configuration.
		This VLAN is used to send IP traffic to the ERSPAN destination.
Step 7	switch(config-prot-prof)# no shutdown	Enables the interface in the running configuration.
Step 8	switch(config-prot-prof)# system vlan id	Associates the system VLAN ID with the port profile and saves it in the running configuration.
		The ID must match the VLAN ID that is assigned to the access port. If it does not match, the following error message is generated:
		ERROR: System vlan being set does not match the switchport access vlan 2
Step 9	switch(config-prot-prof)# state enabled	Enables the port profile in the running configuration.
		This port profile is now ready to send out ERSPAN packets on all ESX hosts with ERSPAN sources.
Step 10	(Optional) switch(config-prot-prof)# show port-profile name port_profile_name	Displays the configuration for the specified port profile as it exists in the running configuration.
Step 11	(Optional) switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.
Step 12	Using the VMware documentation, go to vSphere Client and configure a vMKNIC on each ESX host for sending ERSPAN-encapsulated packets. Make sure that the vMKNIC points to this port profile as a new virtual adapter. This vMKNIC must have IP connectivity to the ERSPAN destination IP address.	_

This example show how to configure a port profile on the VSM:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile erspan_profile
switch(config-port-prof)# capability 13control
switch(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group erspan
switch(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
switch(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 2
switch(config-port-prof)# no shutdown
switch(config-port-prof)# system vlan 2
switch(config-port-prof)# state enabled
switch(config-port-prof) # show port-profile name erspan
port-profile erspan
 description:
  status: enabled
 capability uplink: no
 capability 13control: yes
  system vlans: 2
 port-group: access
 max-ports: 32
 inherit:
  config attributes:
   switchport access vlan 2
   no shutdown
  evaluated config attributes:
   switchport access vlan 2
   no shutdown
  assigned interfaces:
n1000v(config-port-prof) # copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring an ERSPAN Session

This procedure involves creating the SPAN session in ERSPAN source configuration mode (config-erspan-source).

SPAN sessions are created in the shut state by default.

When you create a SPAN session that already exists, any additional configuration is added to that session. To make sure the session is cleared of any previous configuration, you can delete the session first.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode
- Obtain the number of the SPAN session that you are going to configure
- Configure an ERSPAN-capable port profile on the VSM
- Using the VMware documentation for adding a new virtual adapter, configure the required vMKNIC on each ESX host. The vMKNIC must have IP connectivity to the ERSPAN destination IP address for sending ERSPAN-encapsulated packets.
- ERSPAN traffic uses GRE encapsulation. If there are firewalls between the ERSPAN source and destinations, we recommend that you set a rule to allow GRE traffic. This traffic could be identified by IP protocol number 47.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# no monitor session session-number	Clears the specified session.
Step 3	switch(config)# monitor session session-number type erspan-source	Creates a session with the given session number and places you in ERSPAN source configuration mode. This configuration is saved in the running configuration.
Step 4	switch(config-erspan-src)# description description	For the specified ERSPAN session, adds a description and saves it in the running configuration.
		The <i>description</i> can be up to 32 alphanumeric characters
		The default is blank (no description)
Step 5	switch(config-erspan-src)# source {interface type {number range} vlan {number range} port-profile {name}} [rx tx both]	For the specified session, configures the sources and the direction of traffic to monitor and saves them in the running configuration.
		• For the <i>type</i> argument, specify the interface type—ethernet, port-channel, vethernet.
		• For the <i>number</i> argument, specify the interface slot/port or range, or the VLAN number or range to monitor.
		• For the <i>name</i> argument, specify the name of the existing port profile.
		• For the traffic direction keywords, specify as follows:
		• rx— is the VLAN default that indicates receive.
		• tx— indicates transmit.
		• both—is the default keyword.
Step 6	(Optional) Repeat Step 5 to configure additional ERSPAN sources.	
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# filter vlan {number range}	For the specified ERSPAN session, configures the VLANs, VLAN lists, or VLAN ranges to be monitored; and saves the VLAN arguments to the running configuration.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		On the monitor port, only the traffic from the VLANs that match the VLAN filter list are replicated to the destination.
Step 8	(Optional) Repeat Step 7 to configure all source VLANs to filter.	
Step 9	switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip $ip_address$	Configures the IP address of the host to which the encapsulated traffic is sent in this monitor session and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 10	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# ip ttl ttl_value	Specifies the IP time-to-live value, from 1 to 255, for ERSPAN packets in this monitor session and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 11	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# ip prec precedence_value	Specifies the IP precedence value, from 0 to 7, for the ERSPAN packets in this monitor session and saves it in the running configuration.
		The default value is 0.
Step 12	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# ip dscp dscp_value	Specifies the IP DSCP value, from 0 to 63. for the ERSPAN packets in this monitor session and saves it in the running configuration.
		The default is 0.
Step 13	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# mtu mtu_value	Specifies an MTU size (from 50 to 9000) for ERSPAN packets in this monitor session and saves it in the running configuration. The 1500 MTU size limit includes a 50 byte overhead added to monitored packets by ERSPAN. Packets larger than this size are truncated.
		The default is 1500.
		Note If the ERSPAN destination is a Cisco 6500 Series switch, truncated ERSPAN packets are dropped unless the no mls verify ip length consistent command is configured on the Switch.
Step 14	switch(config-erspan-src)# header-type value	Specifies the ERSPAN header type (2 or 3) used for ERSPAN encapsulation for this monitor session as follows:
		• 2 is the ERPSPANv2 header type (the default)

	Command or Action	Purpose
		• 3 is the ERSPANv3 header type (used with NAM setups. Any other type of destination works only with the default v2 headers.)
Step 15	switch(config-erspan-src)# erspan-id flow_id	Adds an ERSPAN ID from 1 to 1023) to the session configuration and saves it in the running configuration.
		The session ERSPAN ID is added to the ERSPAN header of the encapsulated frame and can be used at the termination box to differentiate between various ERSPAN streams of traffic.
Step 16	switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut	Enables the ERSPAN session and saves it in the running configuration.
		By default, the session is created in the shut state.
Step 17	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session session_id	Displays the ERSPAN session configuration as it exists in the running configuration.
Step 18	(Optional) switch(config-erspan-src)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure a SPAN session:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # no monitor session 3
switch(config)# monitor session 3 type erspan
switch(config-erspan-src)# description my_erspan_session_3
switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface ethernet 2/1-3, ethernet 3/1 rx
switch(config-erspan-src)# filter vlan 3-5, 7
switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 10.54.54.1
switch(config-erspan-src)# ip ttl 64
switch(config-erspan-src)# ip prec 1
switch(config-erspan-src) # ip dscp 24
switch(config-erspan-src)# mtu 1000
switch(config-erspan-src)# header-type 2
switch(config-erspan-src)# erspan-id 51
switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut
switch(config-erspan-src) # show monitor session 3
switch(config-erspan-src)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Shutting Down a SPAN Session from Global Configuration Mode

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Determine which session you want to shut down.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# monitor session {session-number session-range all} shut	Shuts down the specified SPAN monitor session(s) from global configuration mode.
		• The <i>session-number</i> argument specifies a particular SPAN session number.
		• The <i>session-range</i> argument specifies a range of SPAN sessions from 1 to 64.
		The all keyword specifies all SPAN monitor sessions.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show monitor	Displays the status of the SPAN sessions.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to shut down a SPAN session:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# monitor session 3 shut
switch(config)# show monitor
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Shutting Down a SPAN Session from Monitor Configuration Mode

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Determine which session you want to shut down.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# monitor session {session-number session-range all} [type erspan-source]	Specifies the SPAN monitor session(s)) you want to shut down from monitor-configuration mode.
		• The <i>session-number</i> argument specifies a particular SPAN session number.
		• The <i>session-range</i> argument specifies a range of SPAN sessions from 1 to 64.
		The all keyword specifies all SPAN monitor sessions.
Step 3	switch(config)# shut	Shuts down the specified SPAN monitor session(s) from monitor configuration mode.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# show monitor	Displays the status of the SPAN sessions.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to shut down a SPAN session:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config) # monitor session 3
switch(config-monitor) # shut
switch(config-monitor) # show monitor
switch(config-monitor) # copy running-config startup-config
```

Resuming a SPAN Session from Global Configuration Mode

You can discontinue copying packets from one source and destination and then resume from another source and destination in global configuration mode.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Determine which SPAN session that you want to configure.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] monitor session {session-number session-range all} shut	Shuts down the specified SPAN monitor session(s) from global configuration mode.
		• The <i>session-number</i> argument specifies a particular SPAN session number.
		• The <i>session-range</i> argument specifies a range of SPAN sessions from 1 to 64.
		The all keyword specifies all SPAN monitor sessions.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show monitor	Displays the status of the SPAN sessions.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to resume a SPAN configuration using the global configuration mode:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no monitor session 3 shut
switch(config)# show monitor
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Resuming a SPAN Session from Monitor Configuration Mode

You can discontinue copying packets from one source and destination and then resume from another source and destination in monitor configuration mode.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Determine which SPAN session that you want to configure.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] monitor session {session-number session-range all} shut	Shuts down the specified SPAN monitor session(s) from monitor configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
		 The session-number argument specifies a particular SPAN session number. The session-range argument specifies a range of SPAN sessions from 1 to 64. The all keyword specifies all SPAN monitor sessions. 	
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# show monitor	Displays the status of the SPAN sessions.	
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# show monitor session session-id	Displays the detailed configuration and status of a specific SPAN session for verification.	
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config-monitor)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.	

This example shows how to resume a SPAN configuration using the monitor configuration mode:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# monitor session 3
switch(config-monitor)# no shut
switch(config-monitor)# show monitor
switch(config-monitor)# show monitor session 3
switch(config-monitor)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Configuring the Allowable ERSPAN Flow IDs

Restrict the allowable range of available flow IDs that can be assigned to ERSPAN sessions. The available ERSPAN flow IDs are from 1 to 1023.

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Determine the restricted range of ERSPAN flow IDs that you want to designate.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] limit-resource erspan-flow-id minimum min_val maximum max_val	Restricts the allowable range of ERSPAN flow IDs that can be assigned. The allowable range is from 1 to 1023.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		The defaults are as follows:
		The minimum value is 1
		The maximum value is 1023
		The no form of this command removes any configured values and restores default values.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# show running monitor	Displays changes to the default limit-resource erspan-flow-id values for verification
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure a designated ERSPAN flow ID:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# limit-resource erspan-flow-id minimum 20 maximum 40
switch(config)# show monitor
switch(config)# show running monitor
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Verifying the SPAN Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show monitor session {all session-number range session-range} [brief]	Displays the SPAN session configuration.
show monitor	Displays Ethernet SPAN information.
module vem module-number execute vemcmd show span	Displays the configured SPAN sessions on a VEM module.
show port-profile name port_profile_name	Displays a port profile.

Configuration Example for an ERSPAN Session

This example shows how to create an ERSPAN session for a source Ethernet interface and destination IP address on the Cisco Nexus 1000V. Packets arriving at the destination IP are identified by the ID 999 in their header.

```
switch# monitor session 2 type erspan-source
switch(config-erspan-src)# source interface ethernet 3/3
```

```
switch(config-erspan-src)# source port-profile my profile src
switch(config-erspan-src)# destination ip 10.54.54.1
switch(config-erspan-src)# erspan-id 999
switch (config-erspan-src) # mtu 1000
switch(config-erspan-src)# no shut
switch(config-erspan-src)# show monitor session 2
 session 2
tvpe
                : erspan-source
                : up
source intf
                : Eth3/3
  rx
   tx
                : Eth3/3
   both
                : Eth3/3
source VLANs
   rx
   t.x
   both
source port-profile :
  rx : my_profile src
   tx
                : my profile src
   both
               : my_profile_src
filter VLANs
filter VLANs : filter not specified destination IP : 10.54.54.1
                : 999
ERSPAN ID
             : 64
ERSPAN TTL
ERSPAN IP Prec. : 0
ERSPAN DSCP : 0
                : 1000
ERSPAN MTU
ERSPAN Header Type: 2
switch(config-erspan-src)# module vem 3 execute vemcmd show span
VEM SOURCE IP: 10.54.54.10
HW SSN ID ERSPAN ID HDR VER DST LTL/IP
                      local 49,51,52,55,56
      1
                999
                       2 10.54.54.1
```

Example of Configuring a SPAN Session

This example shows how to create a SPAN session for a source Ethernet interface and destination IP address on the Cisco Nexus 1000V:

```
switch(config)# no monitor session 1
switch(config)# monitor session 1
switch(config-monitor)# source interface ethernet 2/1-3
switch(config-monitor)# source interface port-channel 2
switch(config-monitor)# source port-profile my_profile_src
switch(config-monitor)# source vlan 3, 6-8 tx
switch(config-monitor)# filter vlan 3-5, 7
switch(config-monitor)# destination interface ethernet 2/5
switch(config-monitor)# destination port-profile my_profile_dst
switch(config-monitor)# no shut
switch(config-monitor)# exit
switch(config)# show monitor session 1
switch(config)# show monitor session 1
switch(config)# show monitor session 1
session 1
```

```
: local
type
              : up
state
source intf
              : Eth2/1 Eth2/2 Eth2/3
 rx
   tx
               : Eth2/1 Eth2/2 Eth2/3
   both
               : Eth2/1 Eth2/2 Eth2/3
source VLANs
   rx
              : 3,6,7,8
   tχ
   both
source port-profile :
  rx : my_profile_src
   tx
               : my_profile_src
   both
              : my_profile_src
filter VLANs : 3,4,5,7
destination ports : Eth2/5
destination port-profile : my_profile_dst
switch# module vem 3 execute vemcmd show span
VEM SOURCE IP NOT CONFIGURED.
HW SSN ID ERSPAN ID HDR VER DST LTL/IP
      1
                     local 49,51,52,55,56
```

Example of a Configuration to Enable SPAN Monitoring

This example shows how to configure destination ports in access or trunk mode and enable SPAN monitoring:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface ethernet 2/5
switch(config-if)# switchport
switch(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
switch(config-if)# no shut
switch(config-if)# exit
switch(config)#
```

Feature History for SPAN and ERSPAN

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Port profile as Local SPAN and ERSPAN source	4.2(1)SV1(4)	You can specify a port profile as a source for local SPAN and ERSPAN monitor traffic.
NAM support for ERSPAN data sources	4.0(4)SV1(3)	NAM support was introduced.
ERSPAN Type III header	4.0(4)SV1(3)	ERSPAN Type III header format was introduced.
SPAN and ERSPAN	4.0(4)SV1(1)	SPAN and ERSPAN were introduced.



Configuring SNMP

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Information About SNMP

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) is an application-layer protocol that provides a message format for communication between SNMP managers and agents. SNMP provides a standardized framework and a common language used for the monitoring and management of devices in a network. SNMP supports IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

SNMP Functional Overview

The SNMP framework consists of three parts:

- An SNMP manager—The system used to control and monitor the activities of network devices using SNMP.
- An SNMP agent—The software component within the managed device that maintains the data for the device and reports these data, as needed, to managing systems. Cisco NX-OS supports the agent and MIB. To enable the SNMP agent, you must define the relationship between the manager and the agent.
- A managed information base (MIB)—The collection of managed objects on the SNMP agent.

SNMP is defined in RFCs 3411 to 3418.



Note

SNMP Role Based Access Control (RBAC) is not supported.

Cisco NX-OS supports SNMPv1, SNMPv2c, and SNMPv3. Both SNMPv1 and SNMPv2c use a community-based form of security.

SNMP Notifications

A key feature of SNMP is the ability to generate notifications from an SNMP agent. These notifications do not require that requests be sent from the SNMP manager. Notifications can indicate improper user authentication, restarts, the closing of a connection, loss of a connection to a neighbor router, or other significant events.

Cisco NX-OS generates SNMP notifications as either traps or informs. A trap is an asynchronous, unacknowledged message sent from the agent to the SNMP managers listed in the host receiver table. Informs are asynchronous messages sent from the SNMP agent to the SNMP manager which the manager must acknowledge receipt of.

Traps are less reliable than informs because the SNMP manager does not send any acknowledgment when it receives a trap. The Cisco NX-OS cannot determine if the trap was received. An SNMP manager that receives an inform request acknowledges the message with an SNMP response protocol data unit (PDU). If the Cisco NX-OS never receives a response, it can send the inform request again.

You can configure Cisco Nexus NX-OS to send notifications to multiple host receivers.

SNMPv3

SNMPv3 provides secure access to devices by a combination of authenticating and encrypting frames over the network. The security features provided in SNMPv3 are as follows:

- Message integrity—Ensures that a packet has not been tampered with while it was in-transit.
- Authentication—Determines the message is from a valid source.
- Encryption—Scrambles the packet contents to prevent it from being seen by unauthorized sources.

SNMPv3 provides for both security models and security levels. A security model is an authentication strategy that is set up for a user and the role in which the user resides. A security level is the permitted level of security within a security model. A combination of a security model and a security level determines which security mechanism is employed when handling an SNMP packet.

Security Models and Levels for SNMPv1, v2, v3

The security level determines if an SNMP message needs to be protected from disclosure and if the message needs to be authenticated. The various security levels that exist within a security model are as follows:

- noAuthNoPriv—Security level that does not provide authentication or encryption.
- authNoPriv—Security level that provides authentication but does not provide encryption.
- authPriv—Security level that provides both authentication and encryption.

Three security models are available: SNMPv1, SNMPv2c, and SNMPv3. The security model combined with the security level determine the security mechanism applied when the SNMP message is processed.



Note

noAuthnoPriv is not supported in SNMPv3.

The following table lists identifies the combinations of security models and level information.

Model	Level	Authentication	Encryption	What Happens
v1	noAuthNoPriv	Community string	No	Uses a community string match for authentication.
v2c	noAuthNoPriv	Community string	No	Uses a community string match for authentication.
v3	authNoPriv	HMAC-MD5 or HMAC-SHA	No	Provides authentication based on the Hash-Based Message Authentication Code (HMAC) Message Digest 5 (MD5) algorithm or the HMAC Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA).
v3	authPriv	HMAC-MD5 or HMAC-SHA	DES	Provides authentication based on the HMAC-MD5 or HMAC-SHA algorithms. Provides Data Encryption Standard (DES) 56-bit encryption in addition to authentication based on the Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) DES (DES-56) standard.

User-Based Security Model

SNMPv3 User-Based Security Model (USM) refers to SNMP message-level security and offers the following services:

- Message integrity—Ensures that messages have not been altered or destroyed in an unauthorized manner and that data sequences have not been altered to an extent greater than can occur nonmaliciously.
- Message origin authentication—Ensures that the claimed identity of the user on whose behalf received data was originated is confirmed.
- Message confidentiality—Ensures that information is not made available or disclosed to unauthorized individuals, entities, or processes.

SNMPv3 authorizes management operations only by configured users and encrypts SNMP messages.

Cisco NX-OS uses two authentication protocols for SNMPv3:

- HMAC-MD5-96 authentication protocol
- HMAC-SHA-96 authentication protocol

The Cisco NX-OS uses Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) as one of the privacy protocols for SNMPv3 message encryption and conforms with RFC 3826.

The priv option offers a choice of DES or 128-bit AES encryption for SNMP security encryption. The priv option with the aes-128 token indicates that this privacy password is for generating a 128-bit AES key. The AES priv password can have a minimum of eight characters. If the passphrases are specified in cleartext, you

can specify a maximum of 64 case-sensitive, alphanumeric characters. If you use the localized key, you can specify a maximum of 130 characters.



Note

For an SNMPv3 operation that uses the external AAA server, you must use AES for the privacy protocol in the user configuration on the external AAA server.

CLI and SNMP User Synchronization

SNMPv3 user management can be centralized at the Access Authentication and Accounting (AAA) server level. This centralized user management allows the SNMP agent in Cisco NX-OS to leverage the user authentication service of the AAA server. After user authentication is verified, the SNMP PDUs are processed. Additionally, the AAA server is also used to store user group names. SNMP uses the group names to apply the access/role policy that is locally available in the switch.

Any configuration changes made to the user group, role, or password results in database synchronization for both SNMP and AAA.

Cisco NX-OS synchronizes a user configuration in the following ways:

- The authentication passphrase specified in the snmp-server user command becomes the password for the CLI user.
- The password specified in the **username** command becomes the authentication and privacy passphrases for the SNMP user.
- If you delete a user using either SNMP or the CLI, the user is deleted for both SNMP and the CLI.
- User-role mapping changes are synchronized in SNMP and the CLI.
- Role changes (deletions or modifications) from the CLI are synchronized to SNMP.



Note

When you configure passphrase/password in localized key/encrypted format, Cisco NX-OS does not synchronize the user information (password, roles, and so on).

Cisco NX-OS holds the synchronized user configuration for 60 minutes by default. For information about how to modify this default value, see Modifying the AAA Synchronization Time, on page 130.

Group-Based SNMP Access



Note

Because group is a standard SNMP term used industry-wide, roles are referred as groups in this SNMP section.

SNMP access rights are organized by groups. Each group in SNMP is similar to a role through the CLI. Each group is defined with read access or read-write access.

You can begin communicating with the agent once your username is created, your roles are set up by your administrator, and you are added to the roles.

High Availability

Stateless restarts for SNMP are supported. After a reboot or supervisor switchover, the running configuration is applied.

Guidelines and Limitations for SNMP

• Read-only access to some SNMP MIBs is supported. See the Cisco NX-OS MIB support list at the following URL for more information:

http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml

- SNMP role based access control (RBAC) is not supported.
- The SNMP set command is supported by the following Cisco MIBs:
 - CISCO-IMAGE-UPGRADE-MIB
 - CISCO-CONFIG-COPY-MIB
- The recommended SNMP polling interval time is 5 minutes.

Default Settings for SNMP

Parameters	Default
license notifications	enabled

Configuring SNMP

This section includes the following topics:

- Configuring SNMP
- Users Enforcing SNMP Message Encryption
- Creating SNMP Communities
- Configuring SNMP Notification Receivers
- Configuring the Notification Target User
- Enabling SNMP Notifications
- Disabling LinkUp/LinkDown Notifications on an Interface
- Enabling a One-time Authentication for SNMP over TCP
- Assigning the SNMP Switch Contact and Location Information
- Disabling SNMP

• Modifying the AAA Synchronization Time

Configuring SNMP Users

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server user name [auth {md5 sha} passphrase [auto] [priv [aes-128] passphrase] [engineID id] [localizedkey]]	Configures an SNMP user with authentication and privacy parameters. The <i>passphrase</i> can be any case-sensitive, alphanumeric string up to 64 characters. If you use the localizekey keyword, the <i>passphrase</i> can be any case-sensitive, alphanumeric string up to 130 characters.
		The <i>name</i> argument is the name of a user who can access the SNMP engine.
		The auth keyword enables one-time authentication for SNMP over a TCP session. It is optional.
		The md5 keyword specifies the HMAC MD5 algorithm for authentication. It is optional.
		The sha keyword specifies the HMAC SHA algorithm for authentication. It is optional.
		The priv keyword specifies encryption parameters for the user. It is optional.
		The aes-128 keyword specifies the 128-byte AES algorithm for privacy. It is optional.
		The engineID keyword specifies the engineID for configuring the notification target user (for V3 informs). It is optional.
		The <i>id</i> is a 12-digit colon-separated decimal number.
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config-callhome)# show snmp user	Displays information about one or more SNMP users.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-callhome)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

This example shows how to configure a SNMP user:

```
switch(config)# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server user Admin auth sha Axlm1234# priv Axlm1234#
switch(config)# show snmp user

SNMP USERS

User Auth Priv(enforce) Groups

Admin sha des(no) network-operator
admin md5 des(no) network-admin

NOTIFICATION TARGET USERS (configured for sending V3 Inform)

User Auth Priv
switch(config)#
```

Enforcing SNMP Message Encryption for All Users

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server globalEnforcePriv	Enforces SNMP message encryption for all users.

Example

This example shows how to enforce the SNMP message encryption:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server galobalEnforcePriv
switch(config) # show snmp user
SNMP USERS [global privacy flag enabled]
User
                              Auth Priv(enforce) Groups
Admin
                              sha
                                    des(no)
                                                  network-operator
admin
                              md5
                                    des(no)
                                                  network-admin
NOTIFICATION TARGET USERS (configured for sending V3 Inform)
                              Auth Priv
User
switch(config)#
```

Creating SNMP Communities

You can create SNMP communities for SNMPv1 or SNMPv2c.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server community name {ro rw}	Creates an SNMP community string.

Example

This example shows how to create an SNMP community:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server community public ro
switch(config)# show snmp community
Community Group / Access context acl_filter
______
public network-operator
switch(config)#
```

Filtering SNMP Requests

You can assign an access list (ACL) to a community to filter incoming SNMP requests. If the assigned ACL allows the incoming request packet, SNMP processes the request. If the ACL denies the request, SNMP drops the request and sends a system message. The ACL applies to IPv4 and IPv6 over UDP and TCP. After creating the ACL, assign the ACL to the SNMP community. For more information on creating ACLs, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware Security Configuration Guide*.

Before you begin

Create an ACL to assign to the SNMP community. Assign the ACL to the SNMP community. Create the ACL with the following parameters:

- · Source IP address
- · Destination IP address
- Source Port
- · Destination Port
- Protocol (UDP or TCP)

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch(config-callhome)# snmp-server community community-name use-acl acl-name	Assigns an ACL to an SNMP community to filter SNMP requests.
Step 3	switch(config-callhome)# {ip ipv6} access-list acl_for_community	Configures an IP ACL.
Step 4	switch(config-callhome)# statistics per-entry	Configures statistics.
Step 5	switch(config-callhome)# permit udp any any	Permits UDP protocol.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config-callhome)# show {ip ipv6} access-lists	Displays show command output.
Step 7	switch(config-callhome)# snmp-server community public use-acl acl_for_community	Configures SNMP community.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config-callhome)# showsnmp community	Displays show command output.

This example shows how to filter SNMP requests:

Configuring SNMP Notification Receivers

Configuring a Host Receiver for SNMPv1 Traps

Before you begin

You must be in global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch(config)# snmp-server host ip-address traps version 1 community [udp_port number]	

<pre>switch(config)# switch(config)#</pre>	-		.0.2.1 1	traps vers	sion 1	public
Host		Port	Version	n Level	Туре	SecName
192.0.2.1		162	v1	noauth	trap	public
switch(config)#						

Configuring a Host Receiver for SNMPv2c Traps or Informs

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server host ip-address {traps informs} version 2c community [udp_port number]	Configures a host receiver for SNMPv2c traps or informs. You can specify an IPv4 or IPv6 address. The community can be any alphanumeric string up to 255 characters. The UDP port number range is from 0 to 65535.

Example

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server host 192.0.2.1 informs version 2c public
switch(config)# show snmp host

Host Port Version Level Type SecName

192.0.2.1 162 v2c noauth inform public
switch(config)#
```

Configuring a Host Receiver for SNMPv3 Traps or Informs



Note

The SNMP manager must know the user credentials (authKey/PrivKey) based on the SNMP engine ID of the Cisco Nexus 1000V device to authenticate and decrypt the SNMPv3 messages

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server host ip-address {traps informs} version 3 {auth noauth priv} username [udp_port number]	Configures a host receiver for SNMPv2c traps or informs. You can specify an IPv4 or IPv6 address. The username can be any alphanumeric string up to 255 characters. The UDP port number range is from 0 to 65535.

Example

This example shows how to configure a host receiver:

Configuring the Notification Target User

You must configure a notification target user on the device to send SNMPv3 inform notifications to a notification host receiver

The Cisco NX-OS uses the credentials of the notification target user to encrypt the SNMPv3 inform notification messages to the configured notification host receiver.



Note

For authenticating and decrypting the received INFORM PDU, the notification host receiver should have the same user credentials as configured in Cisco NX-OS to authenticate and decrypt the informs.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server user name [auth {md5 sha} passphrase [auto] [priv [aes-128] passphrase] [engineID id]	Configures the notification target user with the specified engine ID for notification host receiver. The <i>id</i> is a 12-digit colon-separated decimal number.

This example shows how to configure a notification target user:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server user Admin auth sha Axlm1234# priv Axlm1234#
engineID 00:00:00:63:00:01:00:10:20:15:10:03
switch(config)# show snmp user

SNMP USERS [global privacy flag enabled]

User Auth Priv(enforce) Groups
admin md5 des(no) network-admin

NOTIFICATION TARGET USERS (configured for sending V3 Inform)

User Auth Priv

Admin sha des
(EngineID 0:0:0:63:0:1:0:10:20:15:10:3)
switch(config)#
```

Enabling SNMP Notifications

You can enable or disable notifications. If you do not specify a notification name, Cisco NX-OS enables all notifications.

The following table lists the commands that enable the notifications for Cisco NX-OS MIBs.



Note

The snmp-server enable traps command enables both traps and informs, depending on the configured notification host receivers.

MIB	Related Commands
All notifications	snmp-server enable traps
CISCO-AAA-SERVER-MIB	snmp-server enable traps aaa
ENITY-MIB	snmp-server enable traps entity
CISCO-ENTITY-FRU-CONTROL-MIB	snmp-server enable traps entity fru
CISCO-LICENSE-MGR-MIB	snmp-server enable traps license
IF-MIB	snmp-server enable traps link
SNMPv2-MIB	snmp-server enable traps snmp
	snmp-server enable traps snmp authentication

The license notifications are enabled by default. All other notifications are disabled by default.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps	Enables all SNMP notifications.
Step 3	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps aaa [server-state-change]	Enables the AAA SNMP notifications.
Step 4	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps entity [fru]	Enables the ENTITY-MIB SNMP notifications.
Step 5	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps license	Enables the license SNMP notification.
Step 6	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps link	Enables the link SNMP notifications.
Step 7	switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps snmp [authentication]	Enables the SNMP agent notifications.

Example

This example displays how to enable SNMP notifications:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps aaa
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps entity
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps license
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps link
switch(config)# snmp-server enable traps snmp
```

Disabling LinkUp/LinkDown Notifications on an Interface

You can disable linkUp and linkDown notifications on an individual interface. You can use these limit notifications on flapping interface (an interface that transitions between up and down repeatedly).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config-if)# no snmp trap link-status	Disables SNMP link-state traps for the interface. This command is enabled by default.

Example

```
switch# show running-config interface vethernet 1
interface Vethernet1
inherit port-profile
dynpp_d50369db-2fed-405d-ad84-a6bf89718d2c_f006e797-da04-4f29-9a0f-901294bc8b8f
```

```
description TEST, Network Adapter
dvport uuid "70D66D72-CDD9-4B68-9596-27E8F8E06F6D--0"
switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
switch(config)# interface vethernet 1
switch(config-if)# no snmp trap link-status
switch(config-if)# show running-config interface vethernet 1
interface Vethernet1
inherit port-profile
dynpp_d50369db-2fed-405d-ad84-a6bf89718d2c_f006e797-da04-4f29-9a0f-901294bc8b8f
description TEST, Network Adapter
dvport uuid "70D66D72-CDD9-4B68-9596-27E8F8E06F6D--0"
no snmp trap link-status
```

Enabling a One-time Authentication for SNMP over TCP

Before you begin

You must be in global configuration mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server tcp-session [auth]	Enables a one-time authentication for SNMP over a TCP session. The default is disabled.

Example

This example shows how to enable a one -time authentication:

```
switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
switch(config)# snmp-server tcp-session
switch(config)# show snmp | grep "Tcp"
SNMP Tcp Authentication Flag : Enabled.
switch(config)#
```

Assigning the SNMP Switch Contact and Location Information

You can assign the switch contact information, which is limited to 32 characters (without spaces) and the switch location.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server contact name	Configures sysContact, which is the SNMP contact name.
Step 3	switch(config)# snmp-server location name	Configures sysLocation, which is the SNMP location.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# show snmp	Displays information about one or more destination profiles.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example show how to assign information on the SNMP switch contact and location:

```
switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
switch(config)# snmp-server contact Admin
switch(config)# snmp-server location Lab
switch(config)# show snmp | grep sys
sys contact: Admin
sys location: Lab
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Disabling SNMP

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# no snmp-server protocol enable	Disables the SNMP protocol. This command is enabled by default.

Example

This example shows how to disable the SNMP protocol:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no snmp-server protocol enable
switch(config)# show snmp | grep protocol
SNMP protocol : Disabled
switch(config)#
```

Modifying the AAA Synchronization Time

You can modify how long Cisco NX-OS holds the synchronized user configuration.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# snmp-server aaa-user cache-timeout seconds	Configures how long the AAA synchronized user configuration stays in the local cache. The range is from 1 to 86400 seconds. The default is 3600.

Example

This example shows how to modify the AAA synchronization time:

switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# snmp-server aaa-user cache-timeout 1200

Verifying the SNMP Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show interface snmp-ifindex	Displays the SNMP ifIndex value for all interfaces (from IF-MIB).
show running-config snmp [all]	Displays the SNMP running configuration.
show snmp	Displays the SNMP status.
show snmp community	Displays the SNMP community strings.
show snmp context	Displays the SNMP context mapping.
show snmp engineID	Displays the SNMP engineID.
show snmp group	Displays SNMP roles.
show snmp session	Displays SNMP sessions.
show snmp trap	Displays the SNMP notifications that are enabled or disabled.
show snmp user	Displays SNMPv3 users.
show snmp host	Displays information about configured SNMP hosts.

Configuration Example for SNMP

This example shows how to configure Cisco NX-OS to send linkUp/Down notifications to one notification host receiver.

```
switch(config)# snmp-server user Admin auth sha Axlm1234# priv Axlm1234#
switch(config)# snmp-server host 192.0.2.1 traps version 3 priv Admin
switch(config) # snmp-server enable traps link
switch(config) # show snmp user
SNMP USERS [global privacy flag enabled]
User Auth Priv(enforce) Groups
Admin sha des(no) network-operator
admin md5 des(no) network-admin
NOTIFICATION TARGET USERS (configured for sending V3 Inform)
User Auth Priv
switch(config)# show snmp host
Host Port Version Level Type SecName
192.0.2.1 162 v3 priv trap Admin
______
switch(config) # show snmp trap | grep link
link : linkDown Yes
link : linkUp Yes
link : extended-linkDown Yes
link : extended-linkUp Yes
link : cieLinkDown Yes
link : cieLinkUp Yes
link : cisco-xcvr-mon-status-chg Yes
switch(config)#
```

MIBs

The supported SNMP MIBs are listed in this section.

To locate and download the MIBs, go to the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml.

- IF-MIB
- ENTITY-MIB
- CISCO-ENTITY-EXT-MIB-V1SMI
- CISCO-ENTITY-FRU-CONTROL-MIB
- BRIDGE-MIB
- CISCO-FLASH-MIB
- CISCO-SYSTEM-MIB

- CISCO-SYSTEM-EXT-MIB
- CISCO-FEATURE-CONTROL-MIB
- CISCO-CDP-MIB
- CISCO-VIRTUAL-NIC-MIB
- CISCO-PROCESS-MIB
- CISCO-SYSLOG-EXT-MIB
- CISCO-VLAN-MEMBERSHIP-MIB
- TCP-MIB
- UDP-MIB
- CISCO-PRIVATE-VLAN-MIB
- CISCO-SECURE-SHELL-MIB
- CISCO-IMAGE-UPGRADE-MIB
- CISCO-LICENSE-MGR-MIB
- RMON2-MIB
- CISCO-AAA-SERVER-MIB
- CISCO-AAA-SERVER-EXT-MIB
- CISCO-COMMON-MGMT-MIB
- CISCO-COMMON-ROLES-MIB
- CISCO-CONFIG-MAN-MIB
- CISCO-FTP-CLIENT-MIB
- CISCO-IMAGE-MIB
- CISCO-LAG-MIB
- CISCO-NOTIFICATION-CONTROL-MIB
- CISCO-NTP-MIB
- CISCO-RF-MIB
- CISCO-RMON-CONFIG-MIB
- CISCO-SMI
- CISCO-SNMP-TARGET-EXT-MIB
- NOTIFICATION-LOG-MIB
- IP-MIB
- SNMP-COMMUNITY-MIB
- SNMP-FRAMEWORK-MIB

- SNMP-MPD-MIB
- SNMP-NOTIFICATION-MIB
- SNMP-TARGET-MIB
- SNMP-USM-MIB
- SNMPv2-MIB

Feature History for SNMP

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IPv6	5.2(1)SV3(1.1)	SNMP supports IPv6 addresses.
SNMP	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for SNMP



Configuring NetFlow

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Information About NetFlow

NetFlow allows you to evaluate IP and Ethernet traffic and understand how and where it flows. NetFlow gives you visibility into traffic that transits the virtual switch by characterizing traffic based on its source, destination, timing, and application information. You can use this information to assess network availability and performance, assist in meeting regulatory requirements (compliance), and help with troubleshooting. NetFlow gathers data that you can use for accounting, network monitoring, and network planning.

What is a Flow

A flow is a one-directional stream of packets that arrives on a source interface (or subinterface), matching a set of criteria. All packets with the same source/destination IP address, source/destination ports, protocol, interface, and class of service are grouped into a flow and then packets and bytes are tallied. This condenses a large amount of network information into a database called the NetFlow cache.

You create a flow using a flow record to define the criteria for your flow. All criteria must match for the packet to count in the given flow. Flows are stored in the NetFlow cache. Flow information tells you the following:

- Source address tells you who is originating the traffic.
- Destination address tells who is receiving the traffic

- Ports characterize the application that uses the traffic
- Class of service examines the priority of the traffic
- The device interface tells how traffic is being used by the network device
- Tallied packets and bytes show the amount of traffic

Flow Record Definition

A flow record defines the information that NetFlow gathers, such as the packets in the flow and the types of counters gathered per flow. You can define new flow records or use the predefined Cisco Nexus 1000V flow record.

Predefined flow records use 32-bit counters and are not recommended for data rates above 1 Gbps. For data rates that are higher than 1 Gbps, Cisco recommends that you manually configure the records to use 64-bit counters.

The following table describes the criteria defined in a flow record.

Table 2: Flow Record Criteria

Flow Record Criteria	Description
Match	Defines the information that is matched for collection in the flow record. • ip—Data collected in the flow record matches one of the following IP options: • Protocol • tos (type of service) • IPv4—Data collected in the flow record matches one of the following IPv4 address options: • Source address • Destination address • Transport—Data collected in the flow record matches one of the following transport options: • Destination port
	• Source port

Flow Record Criteria	Description	
Collect	Defines how the flow record collects information.	
	Counter—Collects flow record information in one of the following formats:	
	• Bytes—32-bit counter (default).	
	• Bytes long—64-bit counter (recommended for data rates that are higher than 1 Gbps).	
	• Packets—32-bit counter (default). or 64-bit counters.	
	• Packets long—64-bit counters (recommended for data rates that are higher than 1 Gbps).	
	• timestamp sys-uptime—Collects the system uptime for the first or last packet in the flow.	
	• transport tcp flags—Collects the TCP transport layer flags for the packets in the flow.	
	Note 64-bit counters are recommended.	

Predefined Flow Records

Cisco Nexus 1000V Predefined Flow Record—Netflow-Original

```
switch# show flow record netflow-original
Flow record netflow-original:
   Description: Traditional IPv4 input NetFlow with origin ASs
   No. of users: 0
   Template ID: 0
   Fields:
       match ipv4 source address
       match ipv4 destination address
       match ip protocol
       match ip tos
       match transport source-port
       match transport destination-port
       match interface input
       match interface output
       match flow direction
       collect routing source as
       collect routing destination as
       collect routing next-hop address ipv4
       collect transport tcp flags
       collect counter bytes
       collect counter packets
       collect timestamp sys-uptime first
       collect timestamp sys-uptime last
switch#
```



Note

Although the following lines appear in the output of the **show flow record** command, the commands they are based on are not currently supported in the Cisco Nexus 1000V. The use of these commands does not affect on the configuration.

```
collect routing source as
collect routing destination as
collect routing next-hop address ipv4
```

Cisco Nexus 1000V Predefined Flow Record—Netflow IPv4 Original-Input

```
switch# show flow record netflow ipv4 original-input
Flow record netflow ipv4 original-input:
    Description: Traditional IPv4 input NetFlow
   No. of users: 0
   Template ID: 0
   Fields:
       match ipv4 source address
       match ipv4 destination address
       match ip protocol
       match ip tos
       match transport source-port
       match transport destination-port
       match interface input
       match interface output
       match flow direction
       collect routing source as
        collect routing destination as
        collect routing next-hop address ipv4
        collect transport tcp flags
        collect counter bytes
        collect counter packets
        collect timestamp sys-uptime first
        collect timestamp sys-uptime last
switch#
```

Cisco Nexus 1000V Predefined Flow Record—Netflow IPv4 Original-Output

```
switch# show flow record netflow ipv4 original-output
Flow record netflow ipv4 original-output:
   Description: Traditional IPv4 output NetFlow
   No. of users: 0
   Template ID: 0
    Fields:
       match ipv4 source address
       match ipv4 destination address
       match ip protocol
       match ip tos
       match transport source-port
       match transport destination-port
       match interface input
       match interface output
       match flow direction
       collect routing source as
        collect routing destination as
        collect routing next-hop address ipv4
        collect transport tcp flags
        collect counter bytes
        collect counter packets
        collect timestamp sys-uptime first
```

```
collect timestamp sys-uptime last
switch#
```

Cisco Nexus 1000V Predefined Flow Record—Netflow Protocol-Port

```
switch# show flow record netflow protocol-port
Flow record netflow protocol-port:
    Description: Protocol and Ports aggregation scheme
   No. of users: 0
    Template ID: 0
    Fields:
       match ip protocol
        match transport source-port
        match transport destination-port
        match interface input
        match interface output
        match flow direction
        collect counter bytes
        collect counter packets
        collect timestamp sys-uptime first
        collect timestamp sys-uptime last
switch#
```

Accessing NetFlow Data

You can use two methods to access NetFlow data:

- Command-line interface (CLI)
- NetFlow collector (a separate product from the Cisco Nexus 1000V for KVM)

Command-line Interface for NetFlow

You can use the CLI to access NetFlow data and to view what is happening in your network now.

The CLI uses a flow monitor and a flow exporter to capture and export flow records to the Netflow collector. Cisco Nexus 1000V supports the NetFlow Version 9 export format.



Note

The Cisco Nexus 1000V supports UDP as the transport protocol for exporting data to up to two exporters per monitor.

Flow Monitor

A flow monitor creates an association between the following NetFlow components:

- Flow record—Consists of matching and collection criteria
- Flow exporter—Consists of the export criteria

This flow monitor enables a set, which consists of a record and an exporter. You can define this set once and reuse it multiple times. You can create multiple flow monitors for different needs. A flow monitor is applied to a specific interface or port profile in a specific direction.

Flow Exporter

Use the flow exporter to define where the flow records are sent from the cache to the reporting server, which is called the NetFlow collector. An exporter definition includes the following.

- · Destination IP address
- Source IP address to spoof
- UDP port number (where the collector is listening)
- Export format



Note

NetFlow export packets use the source IP address assigned to the exporter. If the exporter does not have a source IP address assigned to it, the exporter will be inactive.

NetFlow Collector

Flows are expired when they are older than the inactive or active timeout.

The NetFlow data reporting process is as follows:

- 1. You configure NetFlow records to define the information that NetFlow gathers.
- 2. You configure Netflow monitor to capture flow records to the NetFlow cache.
- **3.** You configure NetFlow export to send flows to the collector.
- **4.** The Cisco Nexus 1000V searches the NetFlow cache for flows that have expired and exports them to the NetFlow collector server.
- **5.** Flows are bundled together based on space availability in the UDP export packet and based on an export timer.
- **6.** The NetFlow collector software creates real-time or historical reports from the data.

Exporting Flows to the NetFlow Collector Server

Timers determine when a flow is exported to the NetFlow collector server. See the following figure where a flow is ready for export when one of the following occurs:

- The flow is inactive for a certain amount of time, during which no new packets are received for the flow.
- The flow has lived longer than the active timer, such as a long FTP download.
- The flow cache is full and some flows must be aged out to make room for new flows.

Enterprise
Campus

Service
Provider

Traffic

Enterprise
Remote-Branch

NetFlow Export
to Server

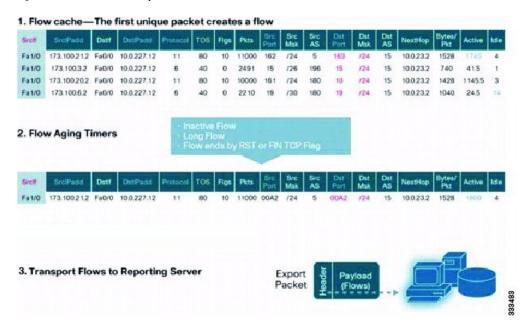
Export from remote
site to Central Server

Figure 6: Exporting Flows to the NetFlow Collector Server

What NetFlow Data Looks Like

The following figure shows an example of NetFlow data.

Figure 7: NetFlow Cache Example



Network Analysis Module

You can also use the Cisco Network Analysis Module (NAM) to monitor NetFlow data sources. NAM enables traffic analysis views and reports such as hosts, applications, conversations, VLAN, and QoS.

High Availability for NetFlow

The Cisco Nexus 1000V supports stateful restarts for NetFlow. After a reboot or supervisor switchover, the Cisco Nexus 1000V applies the running configuration.

Configuration Guidelines and Limitations for NetFlow

- In Cisco Nexus 1000V, the mgmt0 interface IP address of the VSM is configured by default as the source IP address for an exporter.
- Predefined flow records use 32-bit counters and are not recommended for data rates above 1 Gbps. For
 data rates that are higher than 1 Gbps, Cisco recommends that you manually configure the records to use
 64-bit counters.
- Cisco Nexus 1000V includes the following predefined flow records:
 - netflow-original—Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined traditional IPv4 input NetFlow with origin ASs



Note

The routing-related fields in this predefined flow record are ignored.

- netflow ipv4 original-input—Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined traditional IPv4 input NetFlow
- netflow ipv4 original-output—Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined traditional IPv4 output NetFlow
 Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined traditional IPv4 output NetFlow
- netflow protocol-port—Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined protocol and ports aggregation scheme
- Up to 12000 NetFlow instances are allowed per DVS.
- Up to 1024 NetFlow instances are allowed per host.
- A maximum of one flow monitor per interface per direction is allowed.
- Up to 2 flow exporters are permitted per monitor.
- Up to 64 NetFlow monitors, exporters, or records are allowed per DVS.
- Up to 64 NetFlow monitors, exporters, or records are allowed per host.
- NetFlow is not supported on port channels or interfaces in a port-channel.

Default Settings for NetFlow

Parameters	Default
NetFlow version	9
source interface	line card export with spoofed mgmt0 IP address of the VSM
match	direction and interface (incoming/outgoing)
flow monitor active timeout	1800
flow monitor inactive timeout	15
DSCP	default/best-effort (0)
VRF	management (1)

Enabling the NetFlow Feature

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# feature netflow	Enables the NetFlow feature.
Step 3	switch(config)# show feature	(Optional) Displays the available features and whether or not they are enabled.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to enable the NetFlow feature:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature netflow
switch(config)#
```

Configuring Netflow

Defining a Flow Record

Before you begin

- Know which of the options you want this flow record to match.
- Know which options you want this flow record to collect.



Note

Although the following lines appear in the output of the **show flow record** command, the commands they are based on are not currently supported in the Cisco Nexus 1000V. The use of these commands has no effect on the configuration.

```
collect routing source as
collect routing destination as
collect routing next-hop address ipv4
```

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# flow record name	Creates a flow record by name, and enters the flow record configuration mode for that specific record.
Step 3	switch(config-flow-record)# description string	(Optional) Adds a description of up to 63 characters to the flow record and saves it to the running configuration.
Step 4	switch(config-flow-record)# match {ip {protocol tos} ipv4 {destination address source address} transport {destination-port source-port} datalink {{mac {source-address destination-address}} ethertype vlan vxlan}}	Defines the flow record to match one of the following and saves it in the running configuration. • ip—Matches one of the following IP options: • Protocol • tos (type of service) • IPv4— Matches one of the following ipv4 address options: • Source address • Destination address

	Command or Action	Purpose	
		Transport—Matches one of the following transport options:	ng
		Destination port	
		Source port	
		Datalink—Data collected in the flow record matches one of the following datalink options:	
		mac source-address	
		mac destination-address	
		• ethertype	
		• vlan	
		• vxlan	
		Note Netflow does not support mixing datalink fields with other field type in the same record.	ès
Step 5	switch(config-flow-record)# collect {counter {bytes [long] packets [long]} timestamp sys-uptime {first last} transport tcp flags}	information to collect in the Flow Record an	ıd
		• Counter—Collects flow record information in one of the following formats:	on
		• Bytes—collected in 32-bit counter unless the long 64-bit counter is specified.	·s
		 Packet—collected in 32-bit counter unless the long 64-bit counter is specified. 	rs
		Note Cisco recommends that the 64-bit counters be use for systems with data rate in excess of 1 Gbps.	
		• timestamp sys-uptime—Collects the system up time for the first or last packed in the flow.	et
		• transport tcp flags—Collects the TCP transport layer flags for the packets in the flow.	he

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	switch(config-flow-record)# show flow record name	(Optional) Displays information about Flow Records.
Step 7	switch(config-flow-record)#exit	Exits the current configuration mode.
Step 8	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to create a flow record:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config) # flow record RecordTest
switch(config-flow-record) # description Ipv4flow
switch(config-flow-record) # match ipv4 destination address
switch(config-flow-record) # collect counter packets
switch(config-flow-record) # show flow record RecordTest
Flow record RecordTest:
    Description: Ipv4flow
    No. of users: 0
    Template ID: 0
    Fields:
        match ipv4 destination address
        match interface input
        match interface output
        match flow direction
        collect counter packets
switch(config-flow-record) # exit
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Defining a Flow Exporter

A flow exporter defines where and how flow records are exported to the NetFlow collector server.

A flow exporter supports the following:

- Export format version 9.
- A maximum of two flow exporters per monitor.

Before you begin

- Know the destination IP address of the NetFlow collector server.
- Know the transport UDP port that the Netflow collector is listening on.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch(config)# flow exporter name	Creates a flow exporter, saves it in the running configuration, and then enters the CLI flow exporter configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-flow-exporter)# description string	Adds a description of up to 63 characters and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 4	switch(config-flow-exporter)# destination { <i>ipv4-address</i> <i>ipv6-address</i> }	Specifies the IP address of the destination interface and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 5	switch(config-flow-exporter)# dscp value	Specifies the differentiated services codepoint value between 0 and 63, and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 6	switch(config-flow-exporter)# source lc-exp ipv4-address/subnet-mask	Specifies the IP address to spoof, from which the flow records are sent to the NetFlow collector server, and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 7	switch(config-flow-exporter)# transport udp port-number	Specifies the destination UDP port, between 1 and 65535, used to reach the NetFlow collection, and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 8	switch(config-flow-exporter)# version {9}	Specifies NetFlow export version 9, saves it in the running configuration, and enters the export version 9 configuration mode.
Step 9	switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# option {exporter-stats interface-table} timeout value	Specifies one of the following version 9 exporter resend timers and its value, between 1 and 86400 seconds, and saves it in the running configuration. • exporter-stats • interface-table
Step 10	switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# template data timeout seconds	Sets the template data resend timer and its value, between 1 and 86400 seconds, and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 11	switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# show flow exporter [name]	(Optional) Displays information about the flow exporter.
Step 12	switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to create a flow exporter:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config) # flow exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-exporter)# description ExportHamilton
switch(config-flow-exporter)# destination 192.0.2.1
switch(config-flow-exporter)# dscp 2
switch (config-flow-exporter) # source 1c-exp 192.0.2.2/24
switch (config-flow-exporter) # transport udp 200
switch(config-flow-exporter)# version 9
\verb|switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)| \# \ \textbf{option exporter-stats timeout 1200}|
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# template data timeout 1200
switch (config-flow-exporter-version-9) # show flow exporter ExportTest
Flow exporter ExportTest:
    Description: ExportHamilton
    Destination: 192.0.2.1
   VRF: management (1)
   Destination UDP Port 200
    Source IP Address 192.0.2.2
   Export from Line Card
    DSCP 2
    Export Version 9
       Exporter-stats timeout 1200 seconds
       Data template timeout 1200 seconds
    Exporter Statistics
        Number of Flow Records Exported 0
        Number of Templates Exported 0
        Number of Export Packets Sent 0
        Number of Export Bytes Sent 0
        Number of Destination Unreachable Events 0
        Number of No Buffer Events 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (No Route to Host) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (other) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (LC to RP Error) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (Output Drops) 1
        Time statistics were last cleared: Never
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# copy running-config startup-config
[############# 100%
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait) ...
switch (config-flow-exporter-version-9) #
```

Defining a Flow Monitor

A flow monitor is associated with a flow record and a flow exporter.

A maximum of one flow monitor per interface per direction is permitted.

Before you begin

- Know that the name of an existing flow exporter to associate with this flow monitor.
- Know that the name of an existing flow record to associate with this flow monitor. You can use either a flow record you previously created or one of the following Cisco Nexus 1000V predefined flow records:
 - · netflow-original
 - · netflow ipv4 original-input

- netflow ipv4 original-output
- netflow protocol-port



Note

Cisco recommends that you use the predefined flow records for systems with a lower data rate. For systems operating at a higher data rate of more than 1 Gbps, Cisco recommends that you manually configure the flow record and use the 64-bit long counters.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# flow monitor name	Creates a flow monitor by name, saves it in the running configuration, and enters flow monitor configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config-flow-monitor)# description string	(Optional) Adds a descriptive string of up to 63 alphanumeric characters, and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 4	switch(config-flow-monitor)# exporter name	Adds an existing flow exporter and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 5	switch(config-flow-monitor)# record {name netflow {ipv4}] netflow-original original-input original-output protocol-port}	Adds an existing flow record and saves it in the running configuration. • name—The name of a flow record you have previously created, or the name of a Cisco provided pre-defined flow record. • netflow—Traditional NetFlow collection schemes IPv4—Traditional IPv4 NetFlow collection schemes
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config-flow-monitor)# show flow monitor [name]	Displays information about existing flow monitors.
Step 7	switch(config-flow-monitor)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to create a flow monitor:

switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# flow monitor MonitorTest

```
switch(config-flow-monitor)# description Ipv4Monitor
switch(config-flow-monitor)# exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# record RecordTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# show flow monitor MonitorTest
Flow Monitor MonitorTest:
    Use count: 0
    Flow Record: RecordTest
    Flow Exporter: ExportTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)#
```

Assigning a Flow Monitor to an Interface

Before you begin

- Know that the name of the flow monitor you want to use for the interface.
- Know that the interface type and its number.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# interface interface-type interface-number	Enters interface configuration mode for the specified interface.
Step 3	<pre>switch(config-if)# ip flow monitor name {input output}</pre>	Assigns a flow monitor for input or output packets and saves it in the running configuration.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config-if)# show flow interface interface-type interface-number	Displays the NetFlow configuration.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config-if)# exit	Exists the current configuration mode.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to assign a flow monitor to an interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface veth 2
switch(config-if)# ip flow monitor MonitorTest output
switch(config-if)# show flow interface veth 2
Interface Vethernet2:
    Monitor: MonitorTest
    Direction: Output
switch(config-if)# exit
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Adding a Flow Monitor to a Port Profile

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- Create a flow monitor.
- If you are using an existing port profile, create the port profile and you know its name.
- If you are creating a new port profile, know the type of interface (Ethernet or vEthernet), and the name you want to give it.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# port-profile [type {ethernet vethernet}] name	Enters port profile configuration mode for the named port profile.
Step 3	switch(config-port-prof)# ip flow monitor name {input output}	Applies a named flow monitor to the port profile for either incoming (input) or outgoing (output) traffic.
Step 4	switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile [expand-interface] [name profile-name]	(Optional) Displays the configuration for verification.
Step 5	(Optional) switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to add a flow monitor to a port profile:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile AccessProf
switch(config-port-prof)# ip flow monitor access4 output
switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile name AccessProf
port-profile AccessProf
type: vethernet
status: disabled
capability 13control: no
pinning control-vlan: -
pinning packet-vlan: -
system vlans: none
port-group:
max ports: 32
inherit:
config attributes:
ip flow monitor access4 output
evaluated config attributes:
ip flow monitor access4 output
assigned interfaces:
```

```
port-group:
system vlans: none
capability l3control: no
capability iscsi-multipath: no
capability vxlan: no
capability l3-vservice: no
port-profile role: none
port-binding: static
switch(config-port-prof)#
```

Verifying the NetFlow Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose	
show flow exporter [name]	Displays information about the NetFlow flow exporter.	
show flow interface [interface-type number]	Displays information about NetFlow interfaces.	
show flow monitor [name [cache modulenumber statistics modulenumber]]	Displays information about NetFlow flow monitors. Note The show flow monitor cache module command differs from the show flow monitor statistics module command in that the cache command also displays cache entries.	
show flow record [name]	Displays information about NetFlow flow records.	

This example shows how to display information about the NetFlow flow exporter maps:

```
switch (config-flow-exporter-version-9) # show flow exporter ExportTest
Flow exporter ExportTest:
   Description: ExportHamilton
    Destination: 192.0.2.1
   VRF: management (1)
   Destination UDP Port 200
    Source IP address 192.0.2.2
   Export from Line Card
   DSCP 2
    Export Version 9
       Exporter-stats timeout 1200 seconds
       Data template timeout 1200 seconds
    Exporter Statistics
       Number of Flow Records Exported 0
        Number of Templates Exported 0
        Number of Export Packets Sent 0
        Number of Export Bytes Sent 0
        Number of Destination Unreachable Events 0
        Number of No Buffer Events 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (No Route to Host) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (other) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (LC to RP Error) 0
        Number of Packets Dropped (Output Drops) 1
        Time statistics were last cleared: Never
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)#
```

This example shows how to view information about the flow interfaces:

```
switch(config-if)# show flow interface veth2
Interface Vethernet2:
    Monitor: MonitorTest
    Direction: Output
switch(config-if)#
```

This example shows how to display information about the flow monitors:

```
switch(config-flow-monitor)# show flow monitor
Flow Monitor MonitorTest:
    Use count: 1
    Flow Record: test
    Flow Exporter: ExportTest
Flow Monitor MonitorIpv4:
    Use count: 70
    Flow Record: RecordTest
    Flow Exporter: ExportTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)#
```

This example shows how to display information about the flow monitor cache module:

Example: show flow monitor cache module

```
november (config) # show flow monitor m1 cache module 3
Cache type:
                          Normal
Cache size:
                          Ω
Active Flows:
                          1
Flows added:
                          148
Packets added:
                          349
Flows aged:
                          147
  - Watermark aged
                          Ω
  - Active timeout
                         147
  - Inactive timeout
                          0
  - Event aged
  - Emergency aged
                          Ω
                          0
  - Permanent
  - Immediate aged
                          0
  - Session aged
                          0
  - Fast aged
                           Ω
   - Counters Overflow
 IPV4 SRC ADDR IPV4 DST ADDR IP PROT IP TOS TRNS SRC PORT TRNS DST PORT
INTF INPUT INTF OUTPUT FLOW DIRN ipv4 next hop addr tcp flags bytes
pkts time first time last
___________
     0.0.0.0 255.255.255.255 17 0x00 68
                                               67
             Eth3/1
                          Input
                                        0.0.0.0
                                                   0x00 1026
                                                                 3
        11609414 11622391
```

This example shows how to display information about the flow monitor statistics module:

```
switch(config) # show flow monitor m1 statistics module 3
Cache type:
                                   Normal
Cache size:
                                   Ω
Active Flows:
                                   1
Flows added:
                                   149
Packets added:
                                   350
Flows aged:
                                  148
   - Watermark aged
                                  0
                                   Ω
   - Active timeout
   - Inactive timeout
                                  148
```

```
- Event aged 0
- Emergency aged 0
- Permanent 0
- Immediate aged 0
- Session aged 0
- Fast aged 0
- Counters Overflow 0
switch(config)#
```

This example shows how to display information about the flow records:

```
switch(config-flow-record) # show flow record RecordTest
Flow record RecordTest:
    Description: Ipv4flow
    No. of users: 0
    Template ID: 0
    Fields:
        match ipv4 destination address
        match interface input
        match interface output
        match flow direction
        collect counter packets
switch(config-flow-record) #
```

Example for Netflow Configuration

This example shows how to configure a flow monitor using a new flow record and apply it to an interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch (config) # flow record RecordTest
switch (config-flow-record) # description Ipv4flow
switch(config-flow-record) # match ipv4 destination address
switch(config-flow-record) # collect counter packets
switch(config-flow-record) # exit
switch(config)# flow exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-exporter) # description ExportHamilton
switch(config-flow-exporter)# destination 192.0.2.1
switch(config-flow-exporter)# dscp 2
switch(config-flow-exporter) # source lc-exp 192.0.2.2/24
switch (config-flow-exporter) # transport udp 200
switch(config-flow-exporter)# version 9
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# option exporter-stats timeout 1200
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# template data timeout 1200
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# exit
switch (config-flow-exporter) # exit
switch(config)# flow monitor MonitorTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# description Ipv4Monitor
switch(config-flow-monitor)# exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# record RecordTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# exit
switch(config) # interface veth 2
switch(config-if)# ip flow monitor MonitorTest output
switch(config-if) # show flow interface veth 2
Interface Vethernet2:
   Monitor: MonitorTest
   Direction: Output
switch(config-if)#
```

This example shows how to configure a flow monitor using a predefined record and apply it to an interface:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# flow exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-exporter)# description ExportHamilton
switch(config-flow-exporter)# destination 192.0.2.1
switch(config-flow-exporter)# dscp 2
switch(config-flow-exporter) # source 1c-exp 192.0.2.2/24
switch(config-flow-exporter) # transport udp 200
switch(config-flow-exporter)# version 9
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# option exporter-stats timeout 1200
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# template data timeout 1200
switch(config-flow-exporter-version-9)# exit
switch(config-flow-exporter)# exit
switch(config) # flow monitor MonitorTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# description Ipv4Monitor
switch(config-flow-monitor)# exporter ExportTest
switch(config-flow-monitor)# record netflow-original
switch(config-flow-monitor)# exit
switch(config)# interface veth 2
switch(config-if)# ip flow monitor MonitorTest output
switch(config-if) # show flow interface veth 2
Interface Vethernet2:
   Monitor: MonitorTest
   Direction: Output
switch(config-if)#
```

Related Documents for NetFlow

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco NetFlow Overview	http://cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6601/products_ios_protocol_group_homehtml

Feature History for NetFlow

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Distributed NetFlow	5.2(1)SV3(1.1)	Support for this feature was added.
NAM support for NetFlow data sources	4.0(4)SV1(3)	NAM support for NetFlow data sources was added.
NetFlow	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for NetFlow



Configuring System Message Logging

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Information About System Message Logging

You can use system message logging to control the destination and to filter the severity level of messages that system processes generate. You can configure logging to terminal sessions, a log file, and syslog servers on remote systems. System message logging supports IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

System message logging is based on RFC 3164. For more information about the system message format and the messages that the device generates, see the *Cisco NX-OS System Messages Reference*.

By default, the device outputs messages to terminal sessions.

The following table describes the severity levels used in system messages. When you configure the severity level, the system outputs messages at that level and lower.

Level	Description
0 – emergency	System unusable
1 – alert	Immediate action needed
2 – critical	Critical condition
3 – error	Error condition
4 – warning	Warning condition
5 – notification	Normal but significant condition

Level	Description
6 – informational	Informational message only
7 – debugging	Appears during debugging only

The device logs the most recent 100 messages of severity 0, 1, or 2.

You can configure which system messages should be logged based on the facility that generated the message and its severity level.

Syslog servers run on remote systems that are configured to log system messages based on the syslog protocol. You can configure up to three syslog servers.



Note

When the device first initializes, messages are sent to syslog servers only after the network is initialized.

System Message Logging Facilities

The following table lists the facilities that you can use in the system message logging configuration.

Facility	Description
aaa	AAA manager
aclmgr	ACL manager
adjmgr	Adjacency Manager
all	Keyword that represents all facilities
arbiter	Arbiter manager
arp	ARP manager
auth	Authorization system
authpriv	Private authorization system
bootvar	Bootvar
callhome	Call home manager
capability	MIG utilities daemon
cdp	CDP manager
cert-enroll	Certificate enroll daemon
cfs	CFS manager
clis	CLIS manager
cmpproxy	CMP proxy manager

Facility	Description
copp	CoPP manager
core	Core daemon
cron	Cron and at scheduling service
daemon	System daemons
dhcp	DHCP manager
diagclient	GOLD diagnostic client manager
diagmgr	GOLD diagnostic manager
eltm	ELTM manager
ethpm	Ethernet PM manager
evmc	EVMC manager
evms	EVMS manager
feature-mgr	Feature manager
fs-daemon	FS daemon
ftp	File transfer system
glbp	GLBP manager
hsrp	HSRP manager
im	IM manager
ipconf	IP configuration manager
ipfib	IP FIB manager
kernel	OS kernel
12fm	L2 FM manager
12nac	L2 NAC manager
13vm	L3 VM manager
license	Licensing manager
local0	Local use daemon
local1	Local use daemon
local2	Local use daemon
local3	Local use daemon

Facility	Description
local4	Local use daemon
local5	Local use daemon
local6	Local use daemon
local7	Local use daemon
lpr	Line printer system
m6rib	M6RIB manager
mail	Mail system
mfdm	MFDM manager
module	Module manager
monitor	Ethernet SPAN manager
mrib	MRIB manager
mvsh	MVSH manager
news	USENET news
nf	NF manager
ntp	NTP manag
otm	GLBP manager
pblr	PBLR manager
pfstat	PFSTAT manager
pixm	PIXM manager
pixmc	PIXMC manager
pktmgr	Packet manager
platform	Platform manager
pltfm_config	PLTFM configuration manager
plugin	Plug-in manager
port-channel	Port channel manager
port_client	Port client manager
port_lb	Diagnostic port loopback test manager
qengine	Q engine manager

Facility	Description
radius	RADIUS manager
res_mgr	Resource manager
rpm	RPM manager
security	Security manager
session	Session manager
spanning-tree	Spanning tree manager
syslog	Internal syslog manager
sysmgr	System manager
tcpudp	TCP and UDP manager
u2	U2 manager
u6rib	U6RIB manager
ufdm	UFDM manager
urib	URIB manager
user	User process
uucp	Unix-to-Unix copy system
vdc_mgr	VDC manager
vlan_mgr	VLAN manager
vmm	VMM manager
vshd	VSHD manager
xbar	XBAR manager
xbar_client	XBAR client manager
xbar_driver	XBAR driver manager
xml	XML agent

Guidelines and Limitations for System Message Logging

System messages are logged to the console and the logfile by default.

Default System Message Logging Settings

Parameter	Default
Console logging	Enabled at severity level 2
Monitor logging	Enabled at severity level 5
Log file logging	Enabled to log messages at severity level 5
Module logging	Enabled at severity level 5
Facility logging	Enabled
Time-stamp units	Seconds
syslog server logging	Disabled
syslog server configuration distribution	Disabled

Configuring System Message Logging

This section includes the following topics:

- Configuring System Message Logging to Terminal Sessions
- Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Terminal Sessions
- Configuring System Message Logging for Modules
- Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Modules
- Configuring System Message Logging for Facilities
- Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Facilities
- Configuring syslog Servers
- Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Servers
- Using a UNIX or Linux System to Configure Logging
- Displaying Log Files

Configuring System Message Logging to Terminal Sessions

You can log messages by severity level to console, Telnet, and Secure Shell (SSH) sessions. By default, logging is enabled for terminal sessions.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# terminal monitor	Enables the device to log messages to the console.
Step 2	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	switch(config)# logging console [severity-level]	Configures the device to log messages to the console session based on a specified severity level or higher. The default severity level is 2.
Step 4	switch(config)# show logging console	(Optional) Displays the console logging configuration.
Step 5	switch(config)# logging monitor [severity-level]	Enables the device to log messages to the monitor based on a specified severity level or higher. The configuration applies to Telnet and SSH sessions. The default severity level is 2.
Step 6	switch(config)# show logging monitor	(Optional) Displays the monitor logging configuration.
Step 7	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to configure system messages:

```
switch# terminal monitor
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# logging console 2
switch(config)# show logging console
Logging console: enabled (Severity: critical)
switch(config)# logging monitor 3
switch(config)# show logging monitor
Logging monitor: enabled (Severity: errors)
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config)#
```

Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Terminal Sessions

You can use the following commands in global configuration mode to restore default settings for system message logging for terminal sessions.

Command	Description
no logging console [severity-level]	Disables the device from logging messages to the console.
no logging monitor [severity-level]	Disables logging messages to Telnet and SSH sessions.

Configuring System Message Logging for Modules

You can configure the severity level and time-stamp units of messages logged by modules.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# logging module [severity-level]	Enables module log messages that have the specified severity level or higher. If the severity level is not specified, the default of 5 is used.
Step 3	switch(config)# show logging module	
Step 4	switch(config)# logging timestamp {microseconds milliseconds seconds}	(Optional) Sets the logging time-stamp units. The default unit is seconds.
Step 5	switch(config)# show logging timestamp	(Optional) Displays the logging time-stamp units configured.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to configure system message logging for modules:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# logging module 3
switch(config)# show logging module
Logging linecard: enabled (Severity: errors)
switch(config)# logging timestamp microseconds
switch(config)# show logging timestamp
Logging timestamp: Microseconds
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config)#
```

Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Modules

You can use the following commands in the global configuration mode to restore default settings for system message logging for modules.

Command	Description
no logging module [severity-level]	Restores the default severity level for logging module system messages.
no logging timestamp {microseconds milliseconds seconds}	Resets the logging time-stamp unit to the default (seconds).

Configuring System Message Logging for Facilities

You can use this procedure to configure the severity level and time-stamp units of messages logged by facilities.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# logging module [severity-level]	Enables module log messages that have the specified severity level or higher. If the severity level is not specified, the default of 5 is used.
Step 3	switch(config)# show logging module	(Optional) Displays the module logging configuration.
Step 4	switch(config)# logging timestamp {microseconds milliseconds seconds}	Sets the logging time-stamp units. The default unit is seconds.
Step 5	switch(config)# show logging timestamp	(Optional) Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.
Step 6	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to configure system message logging for modules:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# logging module 3
switch(config)# show logging module
Logging linecard: enabled (Severity: errors)
switch(config)# logging timestamp microseconds
switch(config)# show logging timestamp
Logging timestamp: Microseconds
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config)#
```

Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Facilities

You can use the following commands to restore system message logging defaults for facilities.

Command	Description
no logging level [facility severity-level]	Restores the default logging severity level for the specified facility. If you do not specify a facility and severity level, the device resets all facilities to their default levels.

Command	Description
no logging timestamp {microseconds milliseconds seconds}	Resets the logging time-stamp unit to the default (seconds).

Configuring syslog Servers

You can configure syslog servers for system message logging.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# logging server host [severity-level [use-vrf vrf-name]]	Configures a syslog server at the specified hostname or IPv4 or IPv6 address. You can limit logging of messages to a particular Virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) by using the use_vrf keyword. Severity levels range from 0 to 7. The default outgoing facility is local7.
Step 3	switch(config)# show logging server	(Optional) Displays the syslog server configuration.
Step 4	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

This example shows how to forward all messages on facility local7.

Restoring System Message Logging Defaults for Servers

You can use the following command to restore server system message logging default.

Command	Description
no logging server host	Removes the logging server for the specified host.

Using a UNIX or Linux System to Configure Logging

Before you begin

The following UNIX or Linux fields must be configured for syslog.

Field	Description
Facility	Creator of the message, which can be auth, authpriv, cron, daemon, kern, lpr, mail, mark, news, syslog, user, local0 through local7, or an asterisk (*) for all. These facility designators allow you to control the destination of messages based on their origin. Note Check your configuration before using a local facility.
Level	Minimum severity level at which messages are logged, which can be debug, info, notice, warning, err, crit, alert, emerg, or an asterisk (*) for all. You can use none to disable a facility.
Action	Destination for messages, which can be a filename, a hostname preceded by the at sign (@), or a comma-separated list of users or an asterisk (*) for all logged-in users.

Procedure

Step 1 On the UNIX or Linux system, add the following line to the file, /var/log/myfile.log:

facility.level <five tab characters> action

- **Step 2** Create the log file by entering these commands at the shell prompt:
 - \$ touch /var/log/myfile.log
 - \$ chmod 666 /var/log/myfile.log
- **Step 3** Make sure that the system message logging daemon reads the new changes by checking myfile.log after entering this command:
 - \$ kill -HUP ~cat /etc/syslog.pid~

Displaying Log Files

You can display messages in the log file.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	show logging last number-lines	Displays the last number of lines in the logging file. You can specify from 1 to 9999 for the last number of lines.

Example

This example shows how to display the last five lines in the logging file:

```
switch# show logging last 5
2008 Aug 31 09:37:04 CP-beta2 %KERN-3-SYSTEM_MSG: packet_recvms
g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
2008 Aug 31 09:37:04 CP-beta2 %KERN-3-SYSTEM_MSG: packet_recvms
g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
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g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
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g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
2008 Aug 31 09:37:05 CP-beta2 %KERN-3-SYSTEM_MSG: packet_recvms
g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
2008 Aug 31 09:37:05 CP-beta2 %KERN-3-SYSTEM_MSG: packet_recvms
g: truncated packet (size=1514 left=1500) - kernel
switch# |
```

Verifying the System Message Logging Configuration

Use one of the following commands to verify the configuration:

Command	Purpose
show logging console	Displays the console logging configuration.
show logging info	Displays the logging configuration.
show logging last number-lines	Displays the last number of lines of the log file.
show logging level [facility]	Displays the logging level
show logging module	Displays the module logging configuration.
show logging monitor	Displays the monitor logging configuration.
show logging server	Displays the syslog server configuration.
show logging session	Displays the logging session status.
show logging status	Displays the logging status.
show logging timestamp	Displays the logging time-stamp units configuration.

This example shows how to display the console logging configuration:

This example shows how to display the logging configuration:

Name - g/external/messages: Severity - notifications Size - 4194304

Name -	g/externar/messages.	Severity - Notifications 512
Facility	Default Severity	Current Session Severity
aaa	2	2
auth	0	0
authpriv	3	3
bootvar	5	5
callhome	2	2
cdp	2	2
cert enroll	2	2
cfs -	3	3
confcheck	2	2
cron	3	3
daemon	3	3
diagclient	2	2
diagmgr	2	2
eth_port_channe		- 5
ethpm	5	5
evmc	5	5
evms	2	2
feature-mgr	2	2
ftp	3	3
ifmgr	5	5
igmp 1	3	3
ip	2	2
ipv6	2	2
kern	6	6
12fm	2	2
licmgr	6	6
local0	3	3
local1	3	3
local2	3	3
local3	3	3
local4	3	3
local5	3	3
local6	3	3
local7	3	3
lpr	3	3
mail	3	3
mfdm	2	2
module	5	5
monitor	7	7
msp	2	2
mvsh	2	2
	3	3
news		
ntp	2	2
otm	3	3
pblr	2	2
pixm	2	2
pixmc	2	2
platform	5	5

```
portprofile
                                             5
private-vlan
                                             3
radius
res mgr
                      2
                                             2
                      2
                                             2
rpm
                      2
                                             2
sal
                      2
securityd
sksd
                     3
                                             3
                     3
stp
                      3
                                             3
syslog
sysmqr
                      3
ufdm
                      2
                                             2
                      3
urib
                                             3
user
uucp
                      3
                                             3
vdc_mgr
                      6
                                             6
vim
                      5
                                             5
                      2
vlan mgr
                                             2
vms
vshd
                     5
                                            5
                     3
xmlma
                                  2(critical)
0 (emergencies) 1 (alerts)
                     4(warnings)
                                     5 (notifications)
3(errors)
6(information) 7(debugging)
switch#
```

This example shows how to display the last number of lines of the log file:

```
switch# show logging last 5
2008 Jul 29 17:52:42 S22-DCOS %ETHPORT-5-IF_UP: Interface Ethernet2/5 is up in mode access
2008 Jul 29 17:52:43 S22-DCOS %ETHPORT-5-IF_UP: Interface Ethernet2/2 is up in mode trunk
2008 Jul 29 17:52:43 S22-DCOS %ETHPORT-5-IF_UP: Interface Ethernet2/4 is up in mode access
2008 Jul 29 17:53:04 S22-DCOS %SYSMGR-3-BASIC_TRACE: process_cfg_write: PID 1858 with message
    revd cfg_action from
    sap 0x545 for vdc 1 at time 1217353984 .
2008 Jul 29 17:53:04 S22-DCOS clis[2558]: CLI-3-NVDB: Batched send failed for component:
    clic
    switch#
```

This example shows how to display the logging levels:

switch# show logging level aaa Facility Default Severity Current Session Severity aaa 2 2 0 (emergencies) 1 (alerts) 2 (critical) 3 (errors) 4 (warnings) 5 (notifications) 6 (information) 7 (debugging)

This example shows how to display the module logging configuration:

This example shows how to display the monitor logging configuration:

```
switch# show logging monitor
Logging monitor: enabled (Severity: errors)
switch#
```

This example shows how to display the syslog server configuration:

This example shows how to display the logging session status:

This example shows how to display the logging status:

```
switch# show logging status
Fabric Distribute : Enabled
Session State : IDLE
switch#
```

This example shows how to display the logging session status:

```
switch# show logging timestamp
Logging timestamp: Seconds
switch#
```

System MEssage Logging Example Configuration

The following example shows how to configure system message logging:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# logging console 3
switch(config)# logging monitor 3
switch(config)# logging logfile my_log 6
switch(config)# logging module 3
switch(config)# logging level aaa 2
switch(config)# logging timestamp milliseconds
switch(config)# logging distribute
switch(config)# logging server 172.28.254.253
switch(config)# logging server 172.28.254.254 5 local3
switch(config)# logging commit
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config)#
```

Feature History for System Message Logging

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
System Message Logging	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for System Message Logging



Configuring iSCSI Multipath

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Information About iSCSI Multipath

This section includes the following topics:

- Overview
- Supported iSCSI Adapters
- iSCSI Multipath Setup on the VMware SwitchVirtual Switch

Overview

The iSCSI multipath feature sets up multiple routes between a server and its storage devices for maintaining a constant connection and balancing the traffic load. The multipathing software handles all input and output requests and passes them through on the best possible path. Traffic from host servers is transported to shared storage using the iSCSI protocol that packages SCSI commands into iSCSI packets and transmits them on the Ethernet network.

iSCSI multipath provides path failover. In the event a path or any of its components fails, the server selects another available path. In addition to path failover, multipathing reduces or removes potential bottlenecks by distributing storage loads across multiple physical paths.

The daemon on an KVM server communicates with the iSCSI target in multiple sessions using two or more Linux kernel NICs on the host and pinning them to physical NICs on the Cisco Nexus 1000V. Uplink pinning is the only function of multipathing provided by the Cisco Nexus 1000V. Other multipathing functions such as storage binding, path selection, and path failover are provided by code running in the Linux kernel.

Setting up iSCSI Multipath is accomplished in the following steps:

1. Uplink Pinning

Each Linux kernel port created for iSCSI access is pinned to one physical NIC. This overrides any NIC teaming policy or port bundling policy. All traffic from the Linux kernel port uses only the pinned uplink to reach the upstream switch.

2. Storage Binding

Each Linux kernel port is pinned to the iSCSI host bus adapter (VMHBA) associated with the physical NIC to which the Linux kernel port is pinned.

The ESX or ESXi host creates the following VMHBAs for the physical NICs.

- In Software iSCSI, only one VMHBA is created for all physical NICs.
- In Hardware iSCSI, one VMHBA is created for each physical NIC that supports iSCSI offload in hardware.

For detailed information about how to use sn iSCSI storage area network (SAN), see the iSCSI SAN Configuration Guide.

Supported iSCSI Adapters

The default settings in the iSCSI Multipath configuration are listed in the following table.

Parameter	Default
Type (port-profile)	vEthernet
Description (port-profile)	None
Linux port group name (port-profile)	The name of the port profile
Switchport mode (port-profile)	Access
State (port-profile)	Disabled

iSCSI Multipath Setup on the VMware Switch

Before enabling or configuring multipathing, networking must be configured for the software or hardware iSCSI adapter. This involves creating a Linux kernel iSCSI port for the traffic between the iSCSI adapter and the physical NIC.

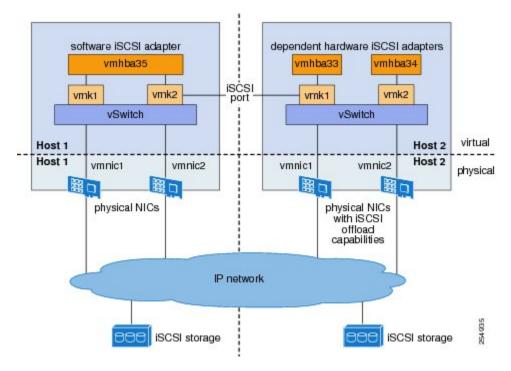
Uplink pinning is done manually by the admin directly on the OpenStack controller.

Storage binding is also done manually by the admin directly on the KVM host or using RCLI.

For software iSCSI, only oneVMHBA is required for the entire implementation. All Linux kernel ports are bound to this adapter. For example, in the following illustration, both vmk1 and vmk2 are bound to VMHBA35.

For hardware iSCSI, a separate adapter is required for each NIC. Each Linux kernel port is bound to the adapter of the physical KVM NIC to which it is pinned. For example, in the following illustration, vmk1 is bound to VMHBA33, the iSCSI adapter associated with vmnic1 and to which vmk1 is pinned. Similarly vmk2 is bound to VMHBA34.

Figure 8: iSCSI Multipathing



The following are the adapters and NICs used in the hardware and software iSCSI multipathing configuration shown in the iSCSI Multipath illustration.

Software HBA	Linux kernel NIC	KVM NIC
VMHBA35	1	1
	2	2
Hardware HBA		
VMHBA33	1	1
VMHBA34	2	2

Guidelines and Limitations

The following are guidelines and limitations for the iSCSI multipath feature:

- Only port profiles of type vEthernet can be configured with capability iscsi-multipath.
- The port profile used for iSCSI multipath must be an access port profile, not a trunk port profile.

- The following are not allowed on a port profile configured with capability iscsi-multipath:
 - The port profile cannot also be configured with **capability 13 control**
 - A system VLAN change when the port profile is inherited by VMkernel NIC.
 - An access VLAN change when the port profile is inherited by VMkernel NIC.
 - A port mode change to trunk mode.
- Only VMkernel NIC ports can inherit a port profile configured with **capability iscsi-multipath**capability iscsi-multipath.
- The Cisco Nexus 1000V imposes the following limitations if you try to override its automatic uplink pinning.
 - A VMkernel port can only be pinned to one physical NIC.
 - Multiple VMkernel ports can be pinned to a software physical NIC.
 - Only one VMkernel port can be pinned to a hardware physical NIC.
- The iSCSI initiators and storage must already be operational.
- VMkernel ports must be created before enabling or configuring the software or hardware iSCSI for multipathing.
- VMkernel networking must be functioning for the iSCSI traffic.
- Before removing from the DVS an uplink to which an activeVMkernel NIC is pinned, you must first remove the binding between the VMkernel NIC and its VMHBA. The following system message displays as a warning:

```
vsm# 2010 Nov 10 02:22:12 sekrishn-bl-vsm %VEM_MGR-SLOT8-1-VEM_SYSLOG_ALERT: sfport : Removing Uplink Port Eth8/3 (ltl 19), when vmknic lveth8/1 (ltl 49) is pinned to this port for iSCSI Multipathing
```

- Hardware iSCSI is new in Cisco Nexus 1000V Release 4.2(1)SV1(5.1). If you configured software iSCSI multipathing in a previous release, the following are preserved after upgrade:
 - multipathing
 - software iSCSI uplink pinning
 - VMHBA adapter bindings
 - host access to iSCSI storage

To leverage the hardware offload capable NICs on ESX 5.1, use the Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration procedure.

- An iSCSI target and initiator should be in the same subnet.
- iSCSI multipathing on the Nexus 1000V currently only allows a single vmknic to be pinned to one vmnic.

Pre-requisites

The iSCSI Multipath feature has the following prerequisites:

- You must understand VMware iSCSI SAN storage virtualization. For detailed information about how
 to use VMware ESX and VMware ESXi systems with an iSCSI storage area network (SAN), see the
 iSCSI SAN Configuration Guide.
- You must know how to set up the iSCSI Initiator on your VMware ESX/ESXi host.
- The host is already functioning with one of the following:
 - VMware ESX 5.0 for software iSCSI
 - VMware ESX 5.1 or later for software and hardware iSCSI
- You must understand iSCSI multipathing and path failover.
- VMware kernel NICs configured to access the SAN external storage are required.

Default Settings

Parameters	Default
Type (port-profile)	vEthernet
Description (port-profile)	None
VMware port group name (port-profile)	The name of the port profile
Switchport mode (port-profile)	Access
State (port-profile)	Disabled

Configuring iSCSI Multipath

Use the following procedures to configure iSCSI Multipath:

- Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding procedure
- Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration procedure
- Changing the VMkernel NIC Access VLAN procedure

Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding

Use this section to configure iSCSI multipathing between hosts and targets over iSCSI protocol by assigning the vEthernet interface to an iSCSI multipath port profile configured with a system VLAN.

Process for Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding

Refer to the following process for Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding:

- Creating a Port Profile for a VMkernel NIC procedure.
- Creating VMkernel NICs and Attaching the Port Profile procedure.

Do one of the following:

- If you want to override the automatic pinning of NICS, go to Manually Pinning the NICs procedure.
- If not, continue with storage binding.
- You have completed uplink pinning. Continue with the next step for storage binding.
- Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs procedure.
- Binding the VMkernel NICs to the iSCSI Adapter procedure.
- Verifying the iSCSI Multipath Configuration procedure.

Creating a Port Profile for a VMkernel NIC

You can use this procedure to create a port profile for a VMkernel NIC.

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You have already configured the host with one port channel that includes two or more physical NICs
- Multipathing must be configured on the interface by using this procedure to create an iSCSI multipath port profile and then assigning the interface to it.
- You are logged in to the CLI in EXEC mode.
- You know the VLAN ID for the VLAN you are adding to this iSCSI multipath port profile.
 - The VLAN must already be created on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.
 - The VLAN that you assign to this iSCSI multipath port profile must be a system VLAN.
 - One of the uplink ports must already have this VLAN in its system VLAN range.
- The port profile must be an access port profile. It cannot be a trunk port profile. This procedure includes steps to configure the port profile as an access port profile.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Places you in global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	switch(config)# port-profile type vethernetname	Places you into the CLI Port Profile Configuration mode for the specified port profile.
		type: Defines the port-profile as Ethernet or vEthernet type. Once configured, this setting cannot be changed. The default is vEthernet type.
		If a port profile is configured as an Ethernet type, then it cannot be used to configure VMware virtual ports.
		name: The port profile name can be up to 80 characters and must be unique for each port profile on the Cisco Nexus 1000V.
Step 3	switch(config)# descriptionprofile description	Adds a description to the port profile. This description is automatically pushed to the vCenter Server.
		profile description: up to 80 ASCII characters. If the description includes spaces, it must be surrounded by quotations.
Step 4	switch(config)# vmware port-groupname	Designates the port-profile as a VMware port group. The port profile is mapped to a VMware port group of the same name. When a vCenter Server connection is established, the port group created in Cisco Nexus 1000V is then distributed to the virtual switch on the vCenter Server. name: The Vmware port group name. If you want to map the port profile to a different port group name, use the alternate name.
Step 5	switch(config)# switchport mode access	Designates that the interfaces are switch access ports (the default).
Step 6	switch(config)# switchport access vlanvlanID	Assigns the system VLAN ID to the access port for this port profile. The VLAN assigned to this iSCSI port profile must be a system VLAN.
Step 7	switch(config)# no shutdown	Administratively enables all ports in the profile.
Step 8	switch(config)# system vlanvlanID	Adds the system VLAN to this port profile. This ensures that, when the host is added for the first time or rebooted later, the VEM will be able to reach the VSM. One of the uplink ports must have this VLAN in its system VLAN range.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 9	switch(config)# capability iscsi-multipath	Allows the port to be used for iSCSI multipathing. In vCenter Server, the iSCSI Multipath port profile must be selected and assigned to the VMkernel NIC port.
Step 10	switch(config)# state enabled	Enables the port profile. The configuration for this port profile is applied to the assigned ports, and the port group is created in the VMware vSwitch on the vCenter Server.
Step 11	switch(config)# show port-profile name name	(Optional) Displays the current configuration for the port profile.
Step 12	switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.

Creating VMkernel NICs and Attaching the Port Profile

You can use this procedure to create VMkernel NICs and attach a port profile to them which triggers the automatic pinning of the VMkernel NICs to physical NICs.

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You have already created a port profile as described in Creating a Port Profile for a VMkernel NIC, on page 178 and you know the name of this port profile.
- The VMkernel ports are created directly on the vSphere client.
- Create one VMkernel NIC for each physical NIC that carries the iSCSI VLAN. The number of paths to the storage device is the same as the number of VMkernel NIC created.
- Step 2 of this procedure triggers automatic pinning of VMkernel NICs to physical NICs. Therefore, you must understand the following rules for automatic pinning:
 - A VMkernel NIC is pinned to an uplink only if the VMkernel NIC and the uplink carry the same VLAN.
 - The hardware iSCSI NIC is picked first if there are many physical NICs carrying the iSCSI VLAN.
 - The software iSCSI NIC is picked only if no hardware iSCSI NIC is available.
 - Two VMkernel NICs are never pinned to the same hardware iSCSI NIC.
 - Two VMkernel NICs can be pinned to the same software iSCSI NIC.

Procedure

Step 1 Create one VMkernel NIC for each physical NIC that carries the iSCSI VLAN.

For example, if you want to configure two paths, create two physical NICs on the Cisco Nexus 1000V to carry the iSCSI VLAN. The two physical NICs may carry other VLANS. Create two VMkernel NICs for two paths.

Step 2 Attach the port profile configured with **capability iscsi-multipath** to the VMkernel ports.

Cisco Nexus 1000V automatically pins the VMkernel NICs to the physical NICs.

Step 3 From the ESX host, use the **vemcmd show iscsi pinning** command to display the auto pinning configuration for verification.

Example:

```
# vemcmd show iscsi pinning
Vmknic LTL Pinned_Uplink LTL
vmk6 49 vmnic2 19
vmk5 50 vmnic1 18
```

Manually Pinning the NICs

You can use this procedure to override the automatic pinning of NICs done by the Cisco Nexus 1000V, and manually pin the VMkernel NICs to the physical NICs.



Note

If the pinning done automatically by Cisco Nexus 1000V is not optimal or if you want to change the pinning, then this procedure describes how to use the vemcmd on the ESX host to override it.

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You are logged in to the ESX host.
- You have already created VMkernel NICs and attached a port profile to them.
- Before changing the pinning, you must remove the binding between the iSCSI VMkernel NIC and the VMHBA. This procedure includes a step for doing this.
- Manual pinning persists across ESX host reboots. Manual pinning is lost if the VMkernel NIC is moved from the DVS to the vSwitch and back.

Procedure

Step 1 List the binding for each VMHBA to identify the binding to remove (iSCSI VMkernel NIC to VMHBA) with the command **esceli swiscsi nic list -d vmhba**nn.

Example:

```
esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhba33

vmk6

pNic name: vmnic2

ipv4 address: 169.254.0.1

ipv4 net mask: 255.255.0.0

ipv6 addresses:
```

```
mac address: 00:1a:64:d2:ac:94
   mtii: 1500
    toe: false
    tso: true
    tcp checksum: false
    vlan: true
   link connected: true
    ethernet speed: 1000
   packets received: 3548617
   packets sent: 102313
   NIC driver: bnx2
    driver version: 1.6.9
    firmware version: 3.4.4
vmk5
   pNic name: vmnic3
    ipv4 address: 169.254.0.2
    ipv4 net mask: 255.255.0.0
    ipv6 addresses:
   mac address: 00:1a:64:d2:ac:94
   mtu: 1500
    toe: false
    tso: true
    tcp checksum: false
   vlan: true
   link connected: true
    ethernet speed: 1000
   packets received: 3548617
   packets sent: 102313
   NIC driver: bnx2
   driver version: 1.6.9
    firmware version: 3.4.4
```

Step 2 Remove the binding between the iSCSI VMkernel NIC and the VMHBA.

Example:

```
Example:
esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk6
esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk5
```

If active iSCSI sessions exist between the host and targets, the iSCSI port cannot be disconnected.

Step 3 From the ESX host, display the auto pinning configuration with the command # vemcmd show iscsi pinning.

Example:

Step 4 Manually pin the VMkernel NIC to the physical NIC, overriding the auto pinning configuration with the command # vemcmd set iscsi pinningvmk-ltl vmnic-ltl.

Example:

Step 5 Manually pin the VMkernel NIC to the physical NIC, overriding the auto pinning configuration with the command # vemcmd set iscsi pinningvmk-ltl vmnic-ltl.

Example:

You have completed this procedure. Return to the Process for Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding, on page 178 section.

Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs

You can use one of the following procedures in this section to identify the iSCSI adapters associated with the physical NICs.

- Identifying iSCSI Adapters on the vSphere Client procedure
- Identifying iSCSI Adapters on the Host Server procedure

Identifying iSCSI Adapters on the vSphere Client

You can use this procedure on the vSphere client to identify the iSCSI adapters associated with the physical NICs.

Before you begin

Before beginning this procedure, you must know or do the following:

• You are logged in to vSphere client.

Procedure

- **Step 1** From the Inventory panel, select a host.
- **Step 2** Click the Configuration tab.
- Step 3 In the Hardware panel, click Storage Adapters.

The dependent hardware iSCSI adapter is displayed in the list of storage adapters.

Step 4 Select the adapter and click. **Properties**.

The iSCSI Initiator Properties dialog box displays information about the adapter, including the iSCSI name and iSCSI alias.

Step 5 Locate the name of the physical NIC associated with the iSCSI adapter.

The default iSCSI alias has the following format: driver_name-vmnic#, where vmnic# is the NIC associated with the iSCSI adapter.

Step 6 You have completed this procedure. Return to the Process for Uplink Pinning and Storage Binding section.

Identifying iSCSI Adapters on the Host Server

You can use this procedure on the ESX or ESXi host to identify the iSCSI adapters associated with the physical NICs.

Before you begin

Before beginning this procedure, you must do the following:

• You are logged in to the server host

Procedure

Step 1 Use the command **esxcfg-scsidevs** –ato list the storage adapters on the server.

Example:

```
esxcfg-scsidevs -a
vmhba33 bnx2i unbound iscsi.vmhba33 Broadcom iSCSI Adapter
vmhba34 bnx2i online iscsi.vmhba34 Broadcom iSCSI Adapter
```

Step 2 For each adapter, list the physical NIC bound to it using the command **esxcli swiscsi vmnic list –d***adapter-name*to list the storage adapters on the server.

Example:

```
esxcli swiscsi vmnic list -d vmhba33 | grep name vmnic name: vmnic2
esxcli swiscsi vmnic list -d vmhba34 | grep name vmnic name: vmnic3
```

For the software iSCSI adapter, all physical NICs in the server are listed. For each hardware iSCSI adaptor, one physical NIC is listed.

You have completed this procedure.

Binding the VMkernel NICs to the iSCSI Adapter

You can use this procedure to manually bind the physical VMkernel NICs to the iSCSI adapter corresponding to the pinned physical NICs.

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You are logged in to the ESX host.
- You know the iSCSI adapters associated with the physical NICs, found in the Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs procedure.

Procedure

Step 1 Find the physical NICs to which the VEM has pinned the VMkernel NICs.

Example:

```
Vmknic LTL Pinned Uplink LTL
```

```
vmk2 48 vmnic2 18
vmk3 49 vmnic3 19
```

Step 2 Bind the physical NIC to the iSCSI adapter.

Example:

```
Example:
esxcli swiscsi nic add --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk2
Example:
esxcli swiscsi nic add --adapter vmhba34 --nic vmk3
```

For more information, refer to Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs procedure.

You have completed this procedure.

Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration

Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration

You can use the procedures in this section on an ESX 5.1 host to convert from a software iSCSI to a hardware iSCSI

Before you begin

Before starting the procedures in this section, you must know or do the following:

 You have scheduled a maintenance window for this conversion. Converting the setup from software to hardware iSCSI involves a storage update.

- **Step 1** In the vSphere client, disassociate the storage configuration made on the iSCSI NIC.
- **Step 2** Remove the path to the iSCSI targets.
- **Step 3** Remove the binding between the VMkernel NIC and the iSCSI adapter using the Removing the Binding to the Software iSCSI Adapter procedure.
- **Step 4** Move VMkernel NIC from the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS to the vSwitch.
- **Step 5** Install the hardware NICs on the ESX host, if not already installed.
- **Step 6** If the hardware NICs are already present on Cisco Nexus 1000V, then continue with the next step. If the hardware NICs are not already present on Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS, refer to the Adding the Hardware NICs to the DVS procedure.
- **Step 7** Move the VMkernel NIC back from the vSwitch to the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS.
- **Step 8** Find an iSCSI adapter, using the Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs procedure.
- **Step 9** Bind the NIC to the adapter, using the Binding the VMkernel NICs to the iSCSI Adapter procedure.
- **Step 10** Verify the iSCSI multipathing configuration, using the Verifying the iSCSI Multipath Configuration procedure.

Removing the Binding to the Software iSCSI Adapter

You can use this procedure to remove the binding between the iSCSI VMkernel NIC and the software iSCSI adapter.

Procedure

Remove the iSCSI VMkernel NIC binding to the VMHBA.

Example:

```
Example:
esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk6
esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk5
```

You have completed this procedure. Return to the Process for Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration sectio.

Adding the Hardware NICs to the DVS

You can use this procedure, if the hardware NICs are not on Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS, to add the uplinks to the DVS using the vSphere client.

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You are logged in to vSphere client.
- This procedure requires a server reboot.

- Step 1 Select a server from the inventory panel. Step 2 Click the Configuration tab. Step 3 In the Configuration panel, click **Networking**. Step 4 Click the vNetwork Distributed Switch. Step 5 Click Manage Physical Adapters. Step 6 Select the port profile to use for the hardware NIC. Step 7 Click Click to Add NIC. Step 8 In Unclaimed Adapters, select the physical NIC and Click OK. Step 9 In the Manage Physical Adapters window, click OK.
- **Step 10** Move the iSCSI VMkernel NICs from vSwitch to the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS. The VMkernel NICs are automatically pinned to the hardware NICs.

What to do next

You have completed this procedure. Return to the Process for Converting to a Hardware iSCSI Configuration section.

Changing the VMkernel NIC Access VLAN

You can use the procedures in this section to change the access VLAN, or the networking configuration, of the iSCSI VMkernel.

Process for Changing the Access VLAN

You can use the following steps to change the VMkernel NIC access VLAN:

Procedure

Step 1	In the vSphere Client, disassociate the storage configuration made on the iSCSI NIC.
Step 2	Remove the path to the iSCSI targets.
Step 3	Remove the binding between the VMkernel NIC and the iSCSI adapter using the Removing the Binding to the Software iSCSI Adapter procedure.
Step 4	Move VMkernel NIC from the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS to the vSwitch.
Step 5	Change the access VLAN, using the Changing the Access VLAN procedure.
Step 6	Move the VMkernel NIC back from the vSwitch to the Cisco Nexus 1000V DVS.
Step 7	Find an iSCSI adapter, using the Identifying the iSCSI Adapters for the Physical NICs procedure.

- Step 8 Bind the NIC to the adapter, using the Binding the VMkernel NICs to the iSCSI Adapter procedure. Step 9
- Verify the iSCSI multipathing configuration, using the Verifying the iSCSI Multipath Configuration, on page 189 procedure.

Changing the Access VLAN

Before you begin

Before starting this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- You are logged in to the ESX host.
- You are not allowed to change the access VLAN of an iSCSI multipath port profile if it is inherited by a VMkernel NIC. Use the **show port-profile name profile-name** command to verify inheritance.

- Step 1 Remove the path to the iSCSI targets from the vSphere client.
- Step 2 List the binding for each VMHBA to identify the binding to remove (iSCSI VMkernel NIC to VMHBA).

Example:

```
esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhbann
Example:
esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhba33
vmk6
   pNic name: vmnic2
    ipv4 address: 169.254.0.1
   ipv4 net mask: 255.255.0.0
   ipv6 addresses:
   mac address: 00:1a:64:d2:ac:94
   mtu: 1500
    toe: false
    tso: true
    tcp checksum: false
   vlan: true
   link connected: true
    ethernet speed: 1000
   packets received: 3548617
   packets sent: 102313
   NIC driver: bnx2
   driver version: 1.6.9
    firmware version: 3.4.4
vmk5
   pNic name: vmnic3
    ipv4 address: 169.254.0.2
   ipv4 net mask: 255.255.0.0
   ipv6 addresses:
   mac address: 00:1a:64:d2:ac:94
   mtu: 1500
    toe: false
    tso: true
    tcp checksum: false
   vlan: true
    link connected: true
    ethernet speed: 1000
   packets received: 3548617
   packets sent: 102313
   NIC driver: bnx2
    driver version: 1.6.9
    firmware version: 3.4.4
```

Step 3 Remove the iSCSI VMkernel NIC binding to the VMHBA.

Example:

```
esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk6 esxcli swiscsi nic remove --adapter vmhba33 --nic vmk5
```

Step 4 Remove the **capability iscsi-multipath** configuration from the port profile.

Example:

```
n1000v# config t
n1000v(config)# port-profile type vethernet VMK-port-profile
n1000v(config-port-prof)# no capability iscsi-multipath
```

Step 5 Remove the system VLAN.

Example:

```
n1000v# config t
n1000v(config)# port-profile type vethernet VMK-port-profile
n1000v(config-port-prof)# no system vlan 300
```

Step 6 Change the access VLAN in the port profile.

Example:

```
n1000v# config t
n1000v(config)# port-profile type vethernet VMK-port-profile
n1000v(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 300
```

Step 7 Add the system VLAN.

Example:

```
n1000v# config t
n1000v(config)# port-profile type vethernet VMK-port-profile
n1000v(config-port-prof)# system vlan 300
```

Step 8 Add the **capability iscsi-multipath** configuration back to the port profile.

Example:

```
n1000v# config t
n1000v(config)# port-profile type vethernet VMK-port-profile
n1000v(config-port-prof)# capability iscsi-multipath
```

What to do next

You have completed this procedure.

Verifying the iSCSI Multipath Configuration

Refer to the following commands and the examples.

Before you begin

You can use the commands in this section to verify the iSCSI multipath configuration.

Command	Purpose
~# vemcmd show iscsi pinning	Displays the auto pinning of VMkernel NICs.
esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhba33	Displays the iSCSI adapter binding of VMkernel NICs.
show port-profile [brief expand-interface usage] name [profile-name]	Displays the port profile configuration. See Example.

Procedure

Step 1 \sim # vemcmd show iscsi pinning

Example:

```
~ # vemcmd show iscsi pinning
Vmknic LTL Pinned_Uplink LTL
vmk6 49 vmnic2 19
vmk5 50 vmnic1 18
```

Step 2 esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhbann

Example:

```
esxcli swiscsi nic list -d vmhba33
vmk6
   pNic name: vmnic2
   ipv4 address: 169.254.0.1
   ipv4 net mask: 255.255.0.0
   ipv6 addresses:
   mac address: 00:1a:64:d2:ac:94
   mtu: 1500
    toe: false
   tso: true
   tcp checksum: false
   vlan: true
   link connected: true
    ethernet speed: 1000
   packets received: 3548617
   packets sent: 102313
   NIC driver: bnx2
    driver version: 1.6.9
    firmware version: 3.4.4
```

Step 3 show port-profile name iscsi-profile

Example:

```
n1000v# show port-profile name iscsi-profile
port-profile iscsi-profile
type: Vethernet
description:
status: enabled
max-ports: 32
 inherit:
 config attributes:
evaluated config attributes:
assigned interfaces:
port-group:
system vlans: 254
 capability 13control: no
capability iscsi-multipath: yes
port-profile role: none
port-binding: static
n1000v#
```

Managing Storage Loss Detection

This section describes the command that provides the configuration to detect storage connectivity losses and provides support when storage loss is detected. When VSMs are hosted on remote storage systems such as NFS or iSCSI, storage connectivity can be lost. This connectivity loss can cause unexpected VSM behavior.

Use the following command syntax to configure storage loss detection: **system storage-loss** { $log \mid reboot$ } [$time \leq interval >$] | **no system storage-loss** [{ $log \mid reboot$ }] [$time \leq interval >$]

The time interval value is the intervals at which the VSM checks for storage connectivity status. If a storage loss is detected, the syslog displays. The default interval is 30 seconds. You can configure the intervals from 30 seconds to 600 seconds. The default configuration for this command is: system storage-loss log time 30



Note

Configure this command in EXEC mode. Do not use configuration mode.

The following describes how this command manages storage loss detection:

- Log only: A syslog message is displayed stating that a storage loss has occurred. The administrator must take action immediately to avoid an unexpected VSM state.
- Reset: The VSM on which the storage loss is detected is reloaded automatically to avoid an unexpected VSM state.
 - Storage loss on the active VSM: The active VSM is reloaded. The standby VSM becomes active
 and takes control of the hosts.
 - Storage loss on the standby VSM: The standby VSM is reloaded. The active VSM continues to control the hosts.



Note

Do not keep both the active and standby VSMs on the same remote storage, so that storage losses do not affect the VSM operations.

Before you begin

Log in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

Step 1 system storage-loss log time 30

Example:

```
n1000v\# system storage-loss log time 30 n1000v\#
```

Sets the time interval in seconds to check storage connectivity and log the status. Thirty seconds is the default interval.

Step 2 copy running-config startup-config

Example:

```
n1000v# copy run start n1000v#
```

Example:

The following command disables the storage-loss checking. Whenever the VSMs are installed on local storage, this is the configuration we recommend.

Note Disable storage loss checking if both VSMs are in local storage.

```
n1000v# no system storage-loss
```

The following command enables storage loss detection time intervals on an active or standby VSM and displays a syslog message about the storage loss. In this example, the VSM is checked for storage loss every 60 seconds. The administrator has to take action to recover the storage and avoid an inconsistent VSM state:

```
n1000v\# system storage-loss log time 60
```

The following example shows the commands you use to configure the VSM to reboot when storage loss is detected:

```
n1000v\# system storage-loss reboot time 60 n1000v\# copy run start
```

The following example shows the commands you use to disable storage loss checking:

```
n1000v# no system storage-loss
n1000v# copy run start
```

Saves configuration changes in the running configuration to the startup configuration in persistent memory.

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
VMware SAN Configuration	VMware SAN Configuration Guide

Feature History for iSCSI Multipath

Feature	Releases	Feature Information
Hardware iSCSI Multipath	4.2(1)SV1(4)	Added support for hardware iSCSI Multipath.
Configuring iSCSI Multipath	4.0(4)SV1(1)	This feature was introduced.



Configuring VSM Backup and Recovery

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Information About VSM Backup and Recovery, on page 193
- Guidelines and Limitations, on page 193
- Configuring VSM Backup and Recovery, on page 194

Information About VSM Backup and Recovery

You can use the VSM backup and recovery procedure to create a template from which the VSMs can be re-created in the event that both VSMs fail in a high availability (HA) environment.



Note

We recommend that you do periodic backups after the initial backup to ensure that you have the most current configuration. See the Performing a Periodic Backup section for more information.

Guidelines and Limitations

VSM backup and recovery has the following configuration guidelines and limitations:

- Backing up the VSM VM is a onetime task.
- Backing up the VSM VM requires coordination between the network administrator and the server administrator.
- These procedures are not for upgrades and downgrades.
- These procedures require that the restoration is done on the VSM with the same release as the one from which the backup was made.
- Configuration files do not have enough information to re-create a VSM.
- Cloning the Virtual Machine (VM) in powered ON state is not recommended.

Configuring VSM Backup and Recovery

This section includes the following topics:

- Performing a Backup of the VSM VM
- Performing a Periodic Backup
- Recovering the VSM



Note

Be aware that Cisco NX-OS commands might differ from the Cisco IOS commands.

Backing Up the VSM

This section provides information and procedure to back up the VSM on ESX and Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform. This section includes the following topics:

- Backing Up the VSM on ESX Server, on page 194
- Exporting a Backup VSB Configuration on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server, on page 202

Follow the section based on your platform.

Backing Up the VSM on ESX Server

This section includes the following topics:

- Performing a Backup of the VSM VM
- · Performing a Periodic Backup

Performing a Backup of the VSM VM

This section describes how to create a backup of the VSM VM.

Before you begin

Before beginning this procedure, you must know or do the following:

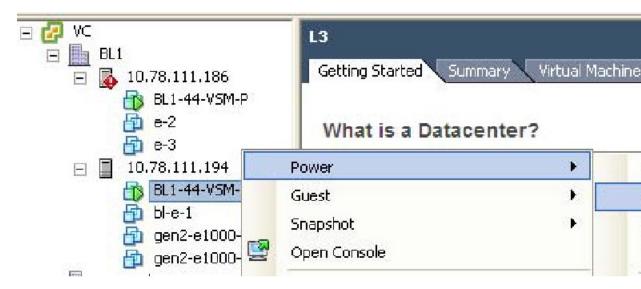
- Ensure that you are on ESX platform. If you want to perform this procedure on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform refer to Exporting a Backup VSB Configuration on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server, on page 202.
- If the VSM is on a Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM) host, you must configure the management VLAN as a system VLAN.
- Enter the copy running-config startup-config command at the VSM before beginning this procedure.
- This procedure is required when there is a Certificate change, Extension key change, after an upgrade to a new release, and installation of the license.

Procedure

Step 1 Open the vSphere Client.

The vSphere Client window opens as displayed in the following illustration.

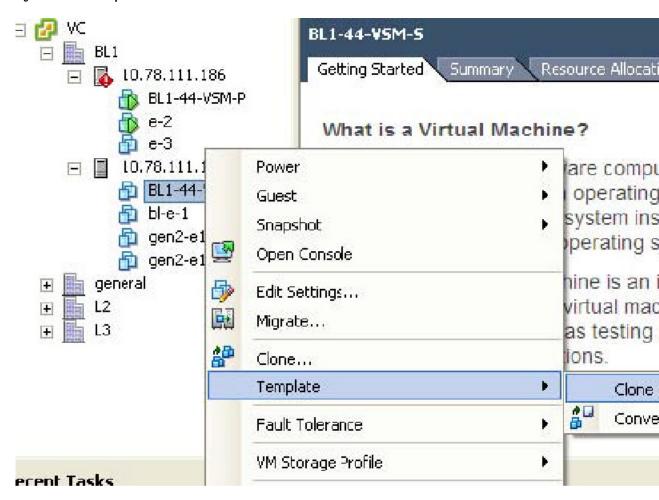
Figure 9: vSphere Client Window



- **Step 2** In the left navigation pane, right-click the standby VSM. A drop-down list is displayed.
- Step 3 Choose Power > Power Off.

The action is displayed in the Clone to Template Window.

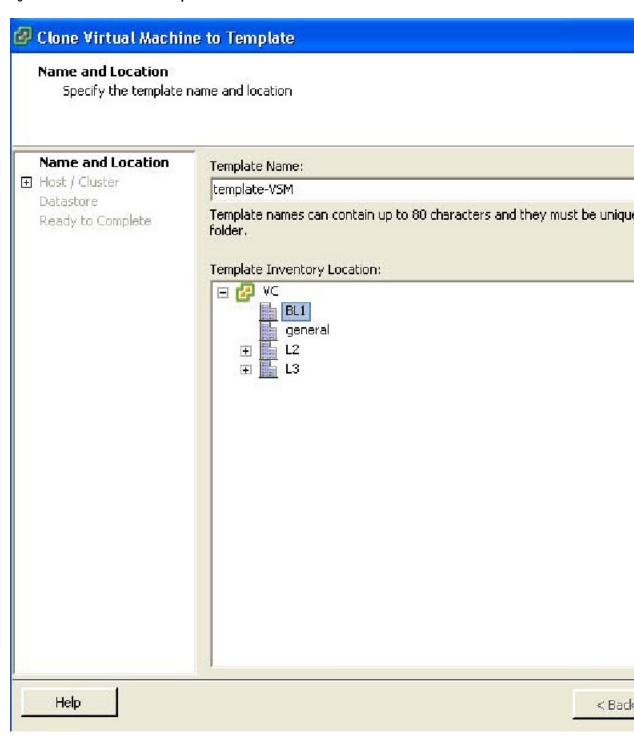
Figure 10: Clone to Template Window



- **Step 4** In the left navigation pane, right-click the standby VSM.
 - A drop-down list is displayed.
- **Step 5** Choose **Template > Clone to Template**.

The Clone Virtual Machine to Template window opens.

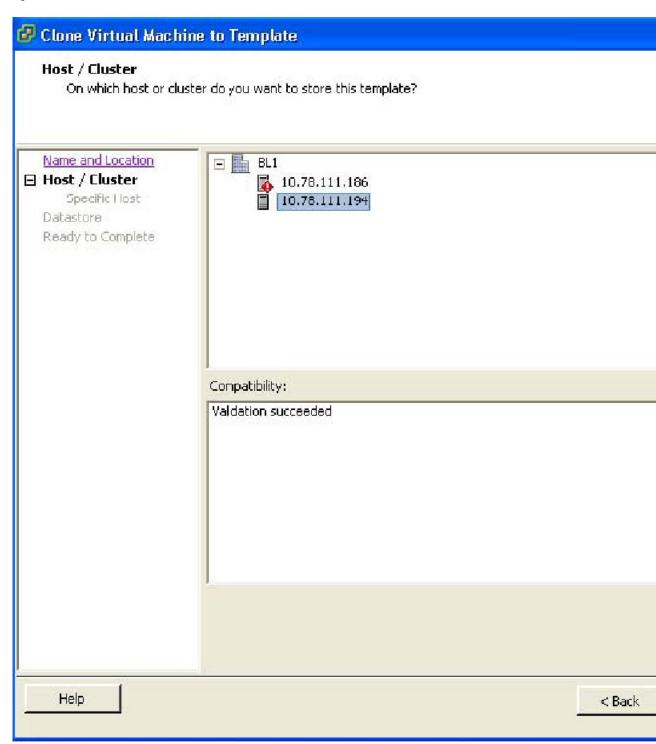
Figure 11: Clone Virtual Machine to Template Window



- **Step 6** In the Template Name field, enter a name.
- **Step 7** In the Template Inventory Location pane, choose a location for the template.
- Step 8 Click Next.

The Choosing the Host Window opens.

Figure 12: Host Window

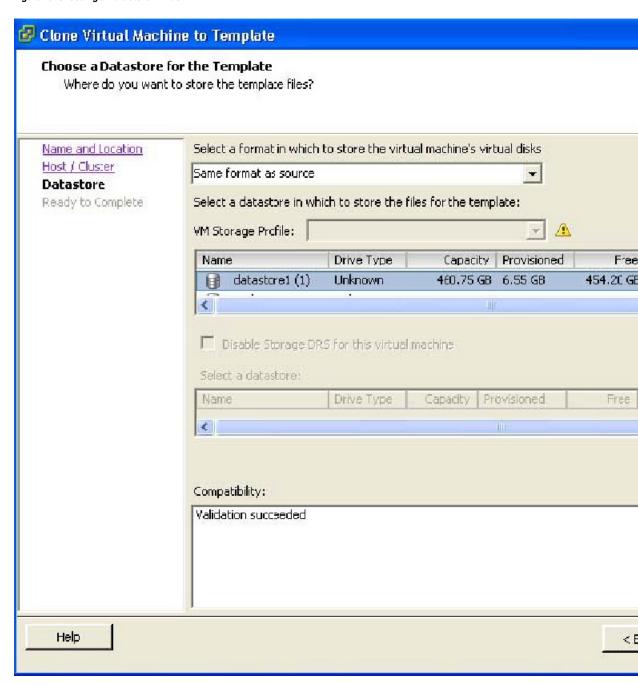


Step 9 Choose the host on which the template will be stored.

Step 10 Click Next.

The Choosing a Datastore window opens.

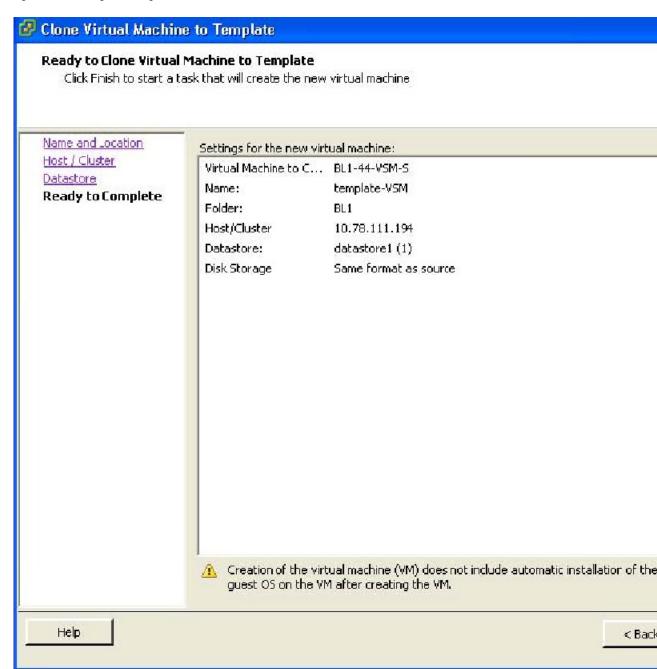
Figure 13: Choosing a Datastore Window



- **Step 11** In the Select a format in which to store the virtual machine's virtual disks drop-down list, choose Same format as source.
- **Step 12** Choose a datastore.
- Step 13 Click Next.

The Confirming the Settings window opens.

Figure 14: Confirming the Settings Window



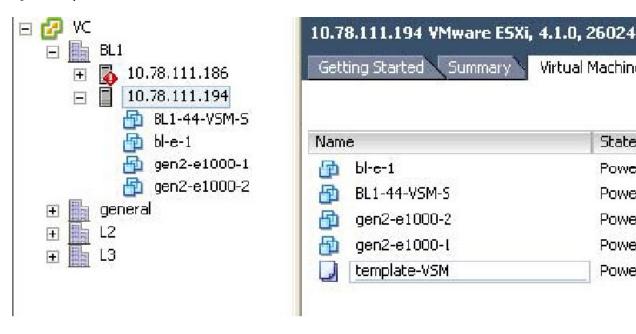
Step 14 Confirm the settings for the new virtual machine and click **Finish**.

The backup template is created and appears under the **Virtual Machines** tab.

Step 15 The Template Virtual Machine window opens.

The template creation is complete.

Figure 15: Template Virtual Machine Window



Performing a Periodic Backup

This section describes how to back up the active VSM after the initial backup of the standby VSM has been performed.

Before you begin

The following lists some instances when you should run this procedure:

- You are on ESX platform.
- You have performed an upgrade.
- You have made a significant change to the configuration.

Procedure

Enter the command copy running-config scp://root@10.78.19.15/tftpboot/config/ to back up the VSM.

Example:

```
switch# copy running-config scp://root@10.78.19.15/tftpboot/config/
Enter destination filename: [switch-running-config]
Enter vrf (If no input, current vrf 'default' is considered):
The authenticity of host '10.78.19.15 (10.78.19.15)' can't be established.
RSA key fingerprint is 29:bc:4c:26:e3:6f:53:91:d4:b9:fe:d8:68:4a:b4:a3.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.78.19.15' (RSA) to the list of known hosts.
root@10.78.19.15's password:
```

switch-running-config 100% 6090 6.0KB/s 00:00
switch#

Exporting a Backup VSB Configuration on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server

You can export or import a VSB on the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platforms by creating a copy of the VSB backup file. You can store the backup copy remotely to use as a recovery mechanism or when you need to move a VSB between Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platforms. Use the procedures in the following sections to export and import a VSB on the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform.

- Exporting a VSB, on page 202
- Copying the Exported VSB to an External Storage Location, on page 205

Exporting a VSB

You can create a file for exporting a VSB.



Note

You can create multiple files. Do not change the file suffix for numbering purposes. If you change the prefix for one file, you must change it for all files.

Before you begin

Before beginning this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- Ensure that you are on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform. If you want to perform this procedure on ESX platform refer to Performing a Backup of the VSM VM, on page 194.
- Log in to the CLI of the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform in EXEC mode.
- Know the name of the VSB for which you are creating a file to export.
- Verify that the bootflash: export-import directory is empty. If files are present in this directory, you must delete them before starting this procedure.
- Enter the **copy running-config startup-config** command at the VSB before beginning this procedure.
- Shut down the VSB that you want to back up before creating the file to export. This procedure includes a step for shutting down the VSB and then a step to restart the VSB after creating the file.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch # dir bootflash:export-import	Displays the contents of the export-import directory for verification that the directory is empty. If there is anything in this directory, you must use the next step to delete it before proceeding.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 2	switch (config-vsb-config) # delete bootflash:export-import foldername	(Optional) Deletes the VSB compressed tar file and its folder created for export.	
Step 3	switch # configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
Step 4	switch (config) # virtual-service-blade name	Enters the configuration mode for the named virtual service blade.	
Step 5	switch (config-vsb-config) # shutdown [primary secondary]	Shuts down the VSB that you are exporting from. If you have a redundant pair of Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platforms, you must specify whether to shut down the primary or secondary.	
Step 6	switch (config-vsb-config)# show virtual-service-blade summary	(Optional) Displays the virtual service blade configuration for verification.	
Step 7	switch (config-vsb-config) # export [primary secondary]	Creates a directory named for the slot ID of the exported VSB that contains a compressed tar image of the VSB. If exporting from a redundant pair of Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platforms, you must specify whether you are exporting from the primary or secondary.	
		Note The export command does not move the configuration file off of the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform. The export command creates a backup copy that you must then copy to the remote storage location.	
Step 8	switch (config-vsb-config) # dir bootflash:export-import	Displays the contents of the bootflash: export-import directory, including the directory name of the folder that contains the compressed tar image of the VSB, for verification.	
		You need this folder name in Step 11.	
Step 9	switch (config-vsb-config) # no shutdown [primary secondary]	Powers on the VSB that was powered off when creating the file for export. If you have a redundant pair of Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platforms, you must specify primary or secondary.	
Step 10	switch (config-vsb-config)# show virtual-service-blade summary	Displays the virtual service blade configuration for verification.	

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 11	switch (config-vsb-config) # dir bootflash:export-import /directory-name	Displays the contents of the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform export folder, including the filename of the VSB compressed tar image.	
		 Note You identified this folder name in Step 8. You can create multiple files. Do not change the file suffix for numbering purposes. If you change the prefix for one file, then you must change it for all files. 	

Example

The following example shows how to create a VSB Backup file:

```
switch# dir bootflash:export-import
DOCS-CPPA# dir export-import
Usage for bootflash://sup-local
 496164864 bytes used
 3495215104 bytes free
3991379968 bytes total
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# delete bootflash:/export-import/1/*.*
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# delete bootflash:/export-import/1
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
switch-1# configure terminal
switch-1(config)#
switch-1(config) # virtual-service-blade vsm-1
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# shutdown secondary
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
Example:
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade summary
Name
                 Role State
                                                   Nexus1010-Module
______
VSM1
                  PRIMARY VSB POWERED ON
                                                  Nexus1010-PRIMARY
VSM1
                   SECONDARY VSB POWERED OFF
                                                    Nexus1010-SECONDARY
Example of a successful completion of a VSB
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# export secondary
Note: export started..
Note: please be patient ..
Note: please be patient ..
Note: please be patient..
Note: export completed...switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
```

```
Example of an error condition while exporting a VSB
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # export primary
ERROR: Please clean export-import directory first, then proceed.
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
Example of an error condition while exporting a secondary VSB
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# export secondary
ERROR: Cannot export active virtual-service-blade, please shut and retry.
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # dir bootflash:export-import
              Sep 08 19:12:52 2011 1/
Usage for bootflash://sup-local
310870016 bytes used
3680509952 bytes free
3991379968 bytes total
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# no shutdown secondary
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade summary
                   Role
                               State
                                                        Nexus1010-Module
Name
                    PRIMARY
VSM1
                                VSB POWERED ON
                                                       Nexus1010-PRTMARY
VSM1
                    SECONDARY VSB POWERED ON
                                                        Nexus1010-SECONDARY
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# dir bootflash:export-import/1
  279955021
            Sep 08 19:13:21 2011 Vdisk1.img.tar.00
Usage for bootflash://sup-local
  310870016 bytes used
 3680509952 bytes free
 3991379968 bytes total
```

Copying the Exported VSB to an External Storage Location

• You can copy a VSB configuration file to a remote storage location and then delete the folder created for this purpose from the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform.

Before you begin

• You have created a file to export using the Exporting a VSB, on page 202 section and you know the name of this file and the name of the folder it resides in.



Note

You can create multiple files. If so, use the first filename in this procedure. Do not change the file suffix for numbering purposes. If you change the prefix for one file, you must change it for all files.

- Log in to the CLI of the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform in EXEC mode.
- Know the name of the path to a remote storage location.

• After copying the export backup file, delete the contents, including the files and folders, of the export-import directory. Do not delete the export-import folder.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch # copy bootflash:export-import /folder-name /filename ftp:	Copies the VSB image from the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform export-import folder to a remote storage location.
Step 2	switch # delete bootflash:export-import foldername	Deletes the VSB compressed tar file and its folder created for export.
Step 3	switch # dir	Displays the contents of the export-import directory for verification.

Example

The following example shows how to copy a VSB file to an external location:

```
switch# copy bootflash:export-import/1/Vdisk1.img.tar.00 ftp:
Enter vrf (If no input, current vrf 'default' is considered):
Enter hostname for the ftp server: 10.78.109.51
Enter username: administrator
Password:
***** Transfer of file Completed Successfully ****
switch# delete bootflash:/export-import/1/Vdisk1.img.tar.00
switch# delete bootflash:/export-import/1
switch# dir
switch# dir
```

Recovering the VSM

This section describes how to deploy a VSM on ESX platform by using the backup template and on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform by importing a backup configuration file. This section includes the following topics:

- Recovering the VSM on ESX Server, on page 206
- Recovering a VSM with a Backup Configuration File on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server, on page 226

Recovering the VSM on ESX Server

This section describes how to deploy a VSM by using the backup template. This section includes the following topics:

- Deploying the Backup VSM VM
- Erasing the Old Configuration
- Restoring the Backup Configuration on the VSM

Deploying the Backup VSM VM

This section describes how to deploy the backup VSM VM when the primary and secondary VSMs are not present.



Note

This procedure is for ESX platform only. If you want to perform this procedure on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform refer to Recovering a VSM with a Backup Configuration File, on page 230.



Note

While deploying the VSM VM, do not power it on.

Procedure

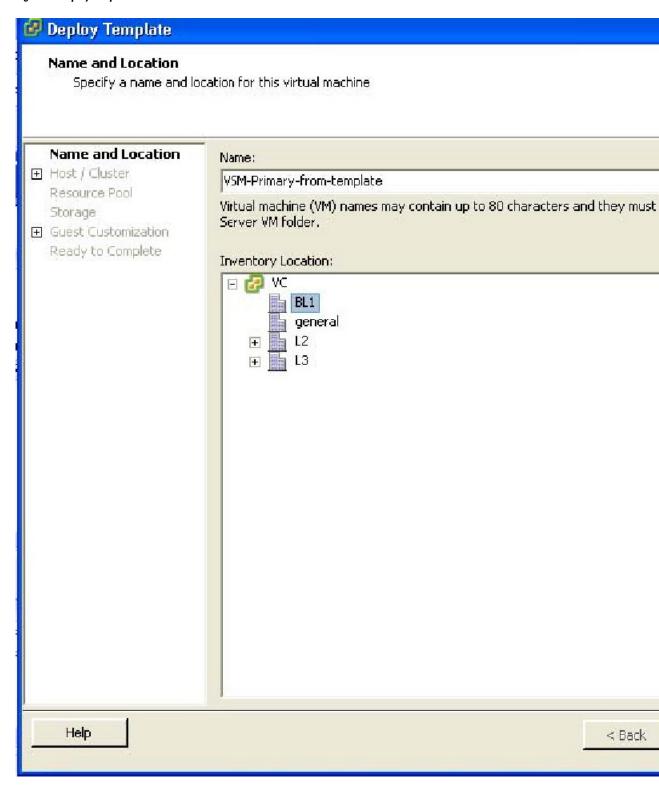
Step 1 Open the vSphere Client.

The vSphere Client window opens.

- **Step 2** In the left navigation pane, choose the host of the standby VSM.
- Step 3 Click the Virtual Machines tab.
- Step 4 Right-click the template VSM.
- Step 5 Choose Deploy Virtual Machine from this Template.

The Deploy Template Wizard window opens.

Figure 16: Deploy Template Wizard Window



Step 6 In the Name field, enter a name for the VSM.

- **Step 7** In the Inventory Location pane, choose a cluster.
- Step 8 Click Next.

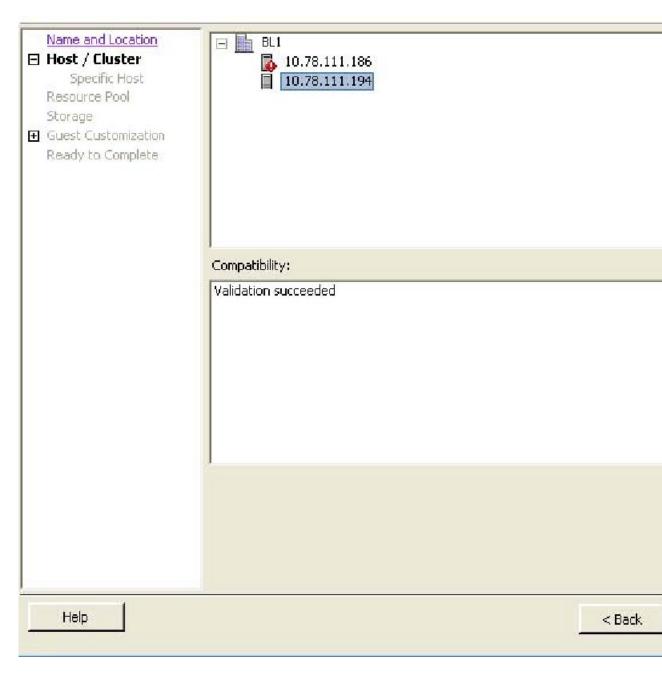
The Choosing a Host Window opens.

Figure 17: Choosing a Host Window



Host / Cluster

On which host or cluster do you want to run this virtual machine?



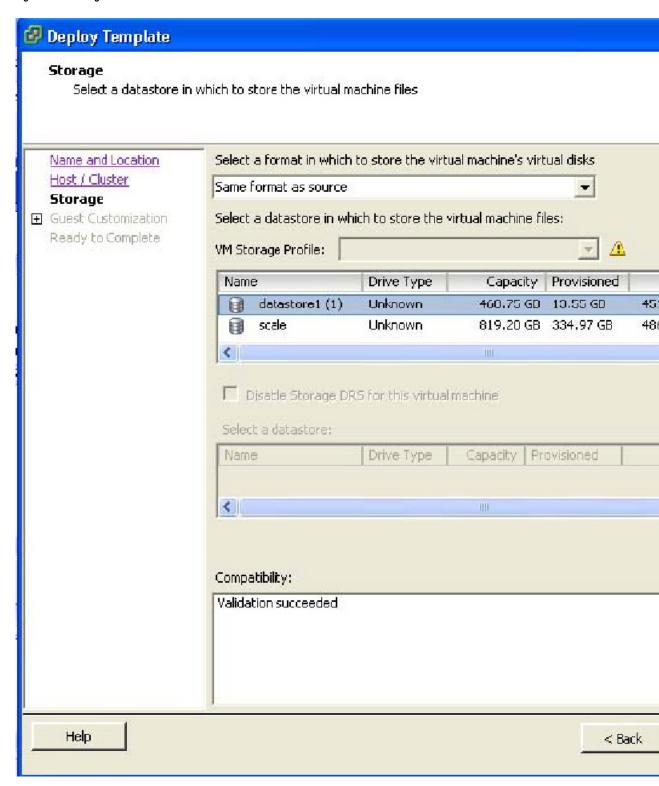
Step 9 Choose a host.

Step 10 Example:

Click Next.

The Choosing a Datastore window opens.

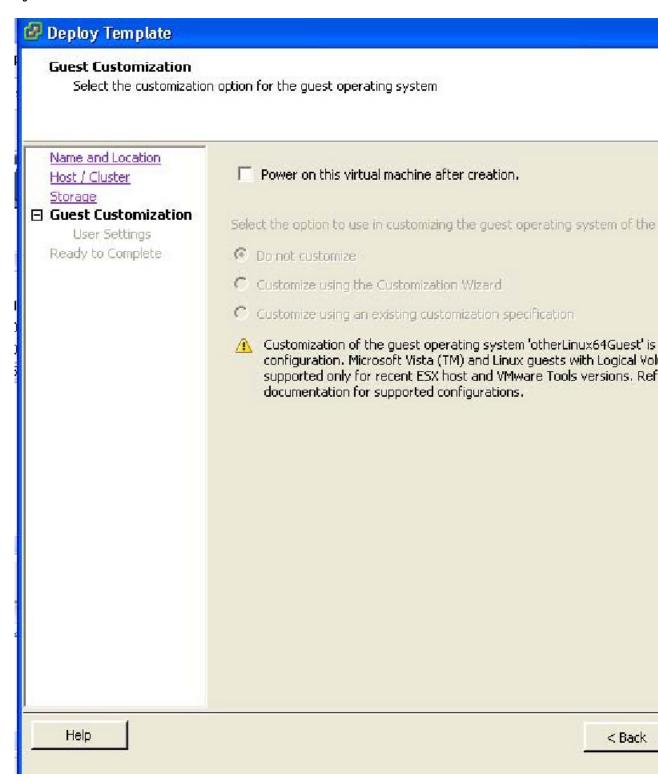
Figure 18: Choosing a Datastore Window



- Step 11 In the Select a format in which to store the virtual machine's virtual disks drop-down list, choose Same format as source.
- **Step 12** Choose a datastore
- Step 13 Click Next.

The Guest Customization window opens. Make sure that the Power on this virtual machine after creation check box is not checked.

Figure 19: Guest Customization Window



Step 14 Click Next.

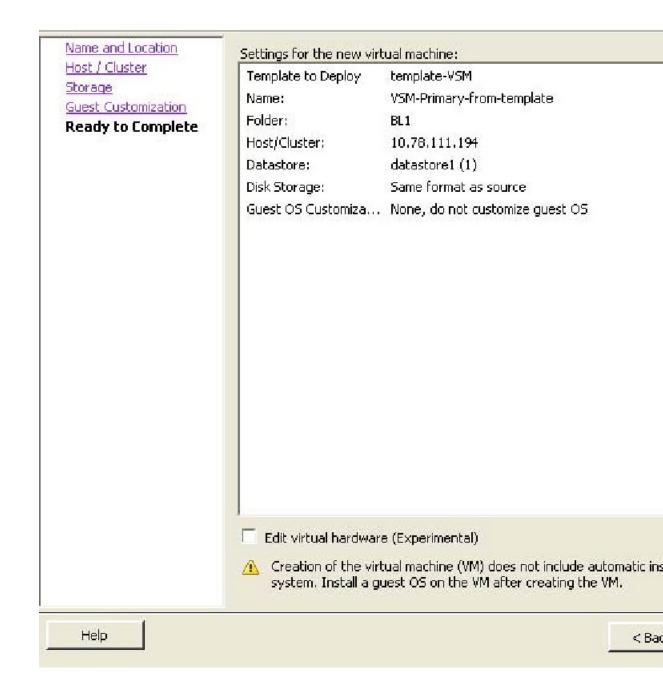
The Deploy Template - Ready to Complete window opens.

Figure 20: Guest Customization Window



Ready to Complete

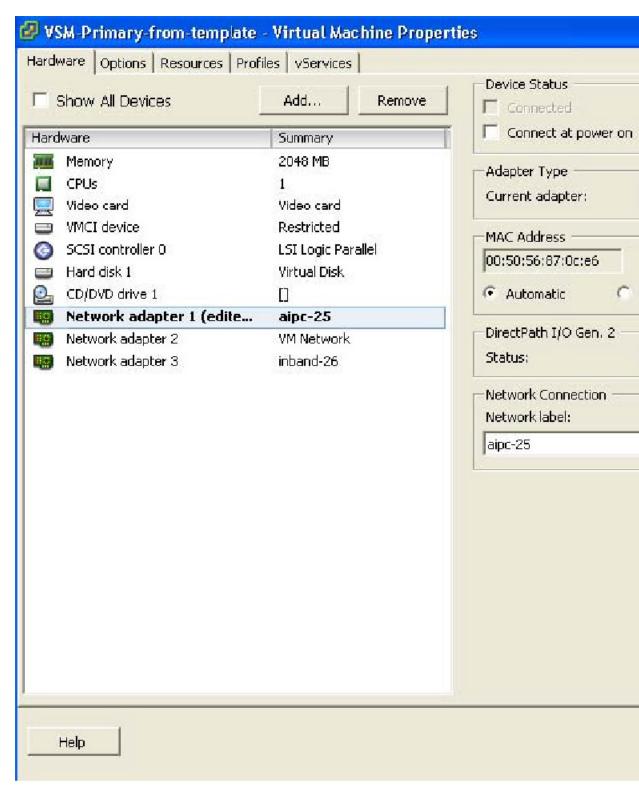
Click Finish to start a task that will create the new virtual machine.



- Step 15 Confirm the settings for the new virtual machine and click Finish. If the management VLAN is not available on the VEM, you must add the management interface to the vSwitch.
- **Step 16** Right-click the newly deployed VM.
- **Step 17** Choose Edit Settings.

The Virtual Machine Properties window opens.

Figure 21: Guest Customization Window

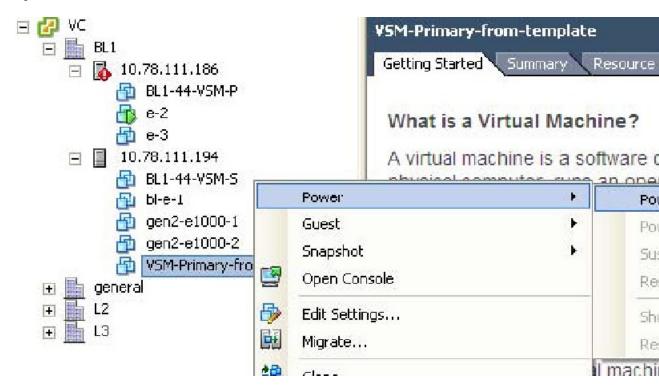


Step 18 In the Hardware / Summary pane, choose Network adapter 1.

- **Step 19** Uncheck the Connect at power on check box.
- **Step 20** Choose Network adapter 2.
- **Step 21** In the Device Status area, uncheck the Connect at power on check box.
- Step 22 Click OK.

The Power On window opens.

Figure 22: Guest Customization Window



Step 23 Right-click the newly deployed VSM.

A drop-down list appears.

Step 24 Choose Power > Power On.

Deploying the backup VSM VM is complete.

Erasing the Old Configuration

This section describes how to erase the startup configuration of the newly deployed VSM.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Launch the virtual machine console of the newly deployed VSM.
- **Step 2** Set the redundancy role to primary by entering the following command:
- **Step 3** Copy the running configuration to the startup configuration by entering the following command:

- **Step 4** Erase the startup configuration by entering the following command:
- **Step 5** Reboot the primary and secondary VSMs by entering the following command:

Example

This example describes how to erase the startup configuration of the newly deployed VSM

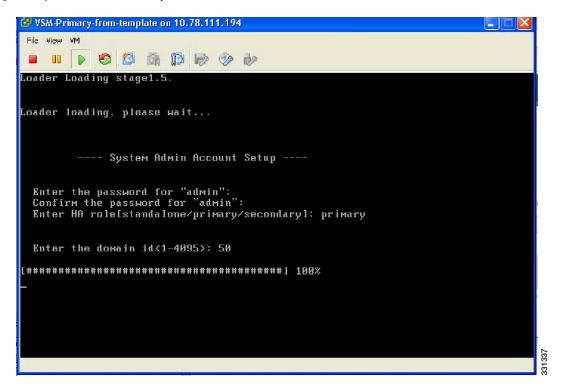
Restoring the Backup Configuration on the VSM

This section describes how to restore the backup configuration on the VSM.

Procedure

Step 1 When the VSM reboots, the System Admin Account Setup window opens.

Figure 23: System Admin Account Setup Window



Step 2 Enter and confirm the Administrator password.

Example:

```
---- System Admin Account Setup ----
Enter the password for "admin":
Confirm the password for "admin":
```

Step 3 Enter the domain ID.

Example:

Enter the domain id<1-4095>: 50

Step 4 Enter the HA role. If you do not specify a role, standalone is assigned by default.

Example:

Step 5 Enter yes when you are prompted to enter the basic configuration dialog.

Example:

Would you like to enter the basic configuration dialog (yes/no): yes

Step 6 Enter no when asked to create another Login account.

Example:

Create another login account (yes/no) [n]: no

Step 7 Enter no when asked to configure a read-only SNMP community string.

Example:

Configure read-only SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]: no

Step 8 Enter no when asked to configure a read-write SNMP community string.

Example:

Configure read-write SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]: no

Step 9 Enter a name for the switch.

Example:

Enter the switch name:

Step 10 Enter yes, when asked to configure out-of-band management and then enter the mgmt0 IPv4 address and subnet mask.

Example:

```
Continue with Out-of-band (mgmt0) management configuration? [yes/no] [y]: yes Mgmt0 IPv4 address: 172.28.15.152 Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask: 255.255.255.0
```

Step 11 Enter no when asked to configure the default gateway.

Example:

```
Configure the default-gateway: (yes/no) [y]: no

IPv4 address of the default gateway: 172.23.233.1
```

Step 12 Enter yes when asked to enable the Telnet service.

Example:

Enable the telnet service? (yes/no) [y]: yes

Step 13 Enter yes when asked to enable the SSH service, and then enter the key type and number of key bits. For more information, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V Security Configuration Guide*.

Example:

```
Enable the ssh service? (yes/no) [y]: yes Type of ssh key you would like to generate (dsa/rsa) : rsa Number of key bits <768-2048> : 1024
```

Step 14 Enter yes when asked to enable the HTTP server.

Example:

Enable the http-server? (yes/no) yes

Step 15 Enter no when asked to configure the NTP server

Example:

Configure NTP server? (yes/no) [n]: no

Step 16 Enter no when asked to configure the VEM feature level.

Example:

```
Vem feature level will be set to 4.2(1)\,\mathrm{SV1}\,(4a). Do you want to reconfigure? (yes/no) [n] no
```

The system now summarizes the complete configuration and prompts you to edit it.

Example:

```
The following configuration will be applied:
interface Mgmt0
ip address 172.28.15.152 255.255.255.0
no shutdown
vrf context management
ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.78.111.11
no telnet server enable
ssh key rsa 1024 force
ssh server enable
feature http-server
svs-domain
svs mode L2
control vlan 1
packet vlan 1
domain id 1
```

Step 17 Enter no when asked if you would like to edit the configuration.

Example:

```
Would you like to edit the configuration? (yes/no) [n]: no Enter SVS Control mode (L2 / L3) : L2 Enter control vlan <1-3967, 4048-4093> : 100 Enter packet vlan <1-3967, 4048-4093> : 101
```

Step 18 Enter yes when asked to use and save this configuration.

Example:

```
Use this configuration and save it? (yes/no) [y]: yes [###################### 100%
```

If you do not save the configuration now, then none of your changes are part of the configuration the next time the switch is rebooted. Enter yes to save the new configuration. This ensures that the kickstart and system images are also automatically configured.

Step 19 In the vSphere Client, right-click the VSM and choose **Edit Settings**.

The VSM Virtual Machine Properties window opens.

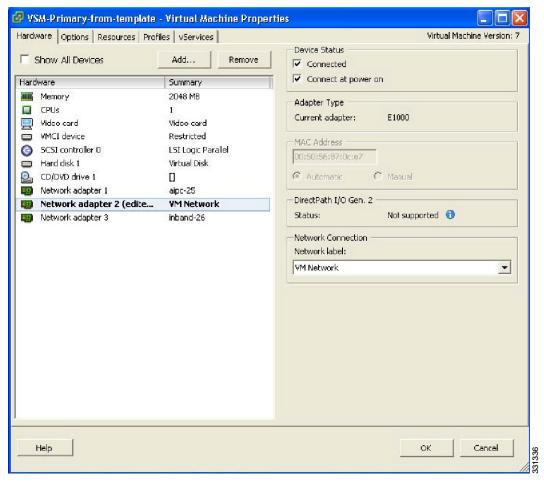


Figure 24: VSM Virtual Machine Properties Window

- **Step 20** In the Hardware/Summary pane, choose Network adapter 2.
- Step 21 Check the Connect at power on check box.
- **Step 22** Log in to the VSM.
- **Step 23** Copy the backup configuration to the VSM bootflash by entering the following command:

Example:

```
switch# copy scp://root@10.78.19.15/tftpboot/backup/VSM-Backup-running-config
bootflash:
Enter vrf (If no input, current vrf 'default' is considered):
The authenticity of host '10.78.19.15 (10.78.19.15)' can't be established.
RSA key fingerprint is 29:bc:4c:26:e3:6f:53:91:d4:b9:fe:d8:68:4a:b4:a3.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.78.19.15' (RSA) to the list of known hosts.
root@10.78.19.15's password:
switch-running-config 100%
6090 6.0KB/s 00:00
switch#
```

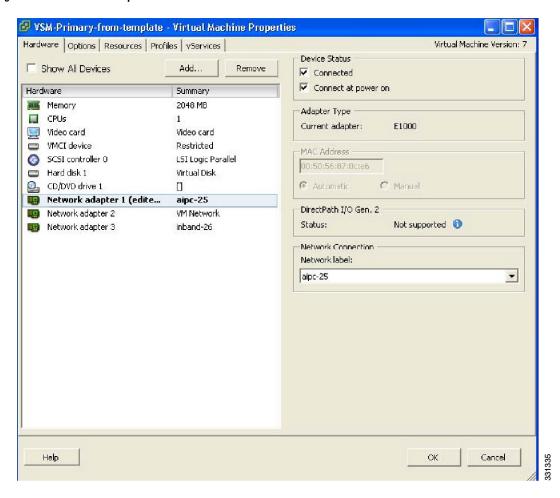
Step 24 Copy the backup configuration to the running configuration by entering the following command:

Example:

```
switch# copy bootflash: VSM-Backup-running-config running-config
Disabling ssh: as its enabled right now:
Can't disable ssh for key generation: Current user is logged in through ssh
Please do a "copy running startup" to ensure the new setting takes effect
on next reboot
LACP Offload Status can be verified using "show lacp offload status"
Change in LACP Offload Status takes effect only on the next VSM Reboot
This can potentially cause modules with LACP uplinks to flap
Syntax error while parsing 'limit-resource m4route-mem minimum 58 maximum 58'
Syntax error while parsing 'limit-resource m6route-mem minimum 8 maximum 8'
Syntax error while parsing 'interface Ethernet3/2'
Syntax error while parsing 'inherit port-profile uplink-cdp'
Warning: Config saved but not pushed to vCenter Server due to inactive connection!
Warning: Config saved but not pushed to vCenter Server due to inactive connection!
Warning: Config saved but not pushed to vCenter Server due to inactive connection!
Warning: Config saved but not pushed to vCenter Server due to inactive connection!
command failed. Invalid ip address.
Syntax error while parsing 'log-level '
Syntax error while parsing 'no ip dhcp relay'
switch
```

The Virtual Machine Properties window displays.

Figure 25: Virtual Machine Properties Window



Step 25 In the Hardware / Summary pane, choose Network adapter 1.

- **Step 26** In the Device Status area, check the **Connect at power on** check box.
- **Step 27** Confirm that the VEMs are attached to the VSM by entering the following command:

Example:

```
switch# show module
Mod Ports Module-Type Model Status
___ ____
1 0 Virtual Supervisor Module Nexus1000V active *
3 248 Virtual Ethernet Module NA ok
Mod Sw Hw
1 4.2(1)SV1(4a) 0.0
3 4.2(1)SV1(4a) VMware ESXi 4.0.0 Releasebuild-261974 (1.20)
Mod MAC-Address(es) Serial-Num
1 00-19-07-6c-5a-a8 to 00-19-07-6c-62-a8 NA
3 02-00-0c-00-03-00 to 02-00-0c-00-03-80 NA
Mod Server-IP Server-UUID Server-Name
1 10.78.111.20 NA NA
3 10.78.111.186 0e973f80-e804-11de-956e-4bc311a28ede VEM-186-KLU2
* this terminal session
switch#
```

Step 28 Copy the backup configuration to the running configuration by entering the following command:

Example:

```
switch# switch# copy bootflash:VSM-Backup-running-config running-config
Disabling ssh: as its enabled right now:
Can't disable ssh for key generation: Current user is logged in through ssh
2011 Apr 26 12:21:22 switch %KERN-3-SYSTEM MSG: redun platform ioctl :
Entered - kernel
2011 Apr 26 12:21:22 switch %KERN-3-SYSTEM MSG: redun platform ioctl : Host
name is set switch - kernel
2011 Apr 26 12:21:22 switch %KERN-3-SYSTEM MSG: redun platform ioctl :
Entered - kernel
2011 Apr 26 12:21:22 switch %KERN-3-SYSTEM MSG: redun platform ioctl : Host
name is set switch - kernel
ERROR: Flow Record: Record is in use. Remove from all clients before modifying.
ERROR: Flow Record: Record is in use. Remove from all clients before modifying.
ERROR: Flow Record: Record is in use. Remove from all clients before modifying.
Please do a "copy running startup" to ensure the new setting takes effect
on next reboot
LACP Offload Status can be verified using "show lacp offload status"
Change in LACP Offload Status takes effect only on the next VSM Reboot
This can potentially cause modules with LACP uplinks to flap
2011 Apr 26 12:21:23 switch %VMS-5-DVS NAME CHANGE: Changed dvswitch
name to 'switch' on the vCenter Server.
Syntax error while parsing 'limit-resource m4route-mem minimum 58 maximum 58'
Syntax error while parsing 'limit-resource m6route-mem minimum 8 maximum 8'
ERROR: Port-channel interface has non-zero members!
2011 Apr 26 12:21:34 switch %MSP-5-DOMAIN CFG SYNC DONE: Domain config
successfully pushed to the management server.
ERROR: Cannot change connection configuration in 'Enabled' state.
ERROR: Cannot change connection configuration in 'Enabled' state.
ERROR: Cannot change the data-center name in connected state.
command failed. Invalid ip address.
Syntax error while parsing 'log-level '
Syntax error while parsing 'no ip dhcp relay'
switch# 2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch last message repeated 3 times
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-SPEED: Interface port-channell,
operational speed changed to 1 Gbps
```

```
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-IF DUPLEX: Interface port-channel1,
operational duplex mode changed to Full
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-IF RX FLOW CONTROL: Interface portchannel1,
operational Receive Flow Control state changed to on
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-IF TX FLOW CONTROL: Interface portchannel1,
operational Transmit Flow Control state changed to on
VSM backup and Recovery Procedure EDCS-1017832Cisco Systems Pvt Ltd Internal Document
April-27-2011
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETH PORT CHANNEL-5-PORT UP: port-channel1:
Ethernet3/2 is up
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETH PORT CHANNEL-5-FOP CHANGED: portchannel1:
first operational port changed from none to Ethernet3/2
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-IF UP: Interface Ethernet3/2 is up in
2011 Apr 26 12:21:35 switch %ETHPORT-5-IF UP: Interface port-channel1 is up in
mode trunk
switch#
```

This step is necessary if features are configured directly through the interface configuration mode for Ethernet interfaces and for features like ERSPAN/NFM.

Step 29 Copy the running-configuration to the startup-configuration by entering the following command:

Example:

```
switch# copy running-config startup-config
[############################# 100%
switch#
```

Step 30 Create the standby VSM by using the OVA/OVF files to form an HA pair.

See the "Installing the Software from an OVA or OVF Image" section in the Cisco Nexus 1000V Installation and Upgrade Guide.

- For release 4.2(1)SV1(4) and later releases, deploy the OVF template from the VMware vSphere Client and choose Nexus 1000V Secondary from the Configuration drop-down list.
- For release 4.0(4)SV1(2) through release 4.0(4)SV1(3d), choose Manual Install of Nexus 1000V from the Configuration drop-down list and assign the HA role of secondary in the System Admin Setup of the VSM.

The recovery is complete.

Recovering a VSM with a Backup Configuration File on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server



Note

This procedure is only for Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform. If you want to perform this procedure on ESX platform refer to Deploying the Backup VSM VM, on page 207.

You can import a previously saved location backup copy of a VSB from a remote storage location to the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform to recover a VSM. This section includes:

- Importing a VSB, on page 227
- Recovering a VSM with a Backup Configuration File, on page 230

Importing a VSB

Before you begin

- Log in to the CLI of the activeCisco Nexus Cloud Services Platformin EXEC mode.
- You have previously created and saved a copy of the VSB configuration in a remote storage location using the Exporting a Backup VSB Configuration on Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform Server.



Note

You can create multiple. If so, use only the first filename with the import command. Do not change the file suffix for numbering purposes. If you change the prefix for one file, then you must change it for all files.

- Know the name of the VSB and the path to the remote storage location.
- Verify that the bootflash: export-import directory is empty. If files are present in this directory, you must delete them before importing a VSB configuration file.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch # dir bootflash:export-import	Displays the contents of the export-import directory for verification that the directory is empty. If there is anything in this directory, you must use the next step to delete it before proceeding.
Step 2	switch (config-vsb-config) # (optional)delete bootflash:export-import foldername	(Optional) Deletes the VSB compressed tar file and its folder created for export.
Step 3	switch # copy ftp:filenamebootflash:export-import	Copies the exported image file from a remote storage location into the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform export-import folder in the bootflash: repository. • The <i>filename</i> argument is the name of the export file. Multiple files may have been created. If so, copy these files into export-import directory and use only the first filename with the import command. Do not change the file suffix for numbering purposes. If you change the prefix for one file, then you must change it for all.
Step 4	switch # configure terminal	Enters the global configuration mode.
Step 5	switch (config) # virtual-service-blade name	Enters the configuration mode for the named virtual service blade.

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 6	switch (config-vsb-config) # import primary filename	Powers off the primary VSB, imports the specified VSB configuration file, and then removes the configuration file from the export-import folder.	
		• The filename argument is the name of the export file that you copied from the remote server to the bootflash: repository.	
Step 7	switch (config-vsb-config)# show virtual-service-blade summary	(Optional) Displays a summary of all VSB configurations by type name, such as VSM or NAM. Verify that the primary VSB is powered off.	
Step 8	Configure the network uplinks by completing the following set of tasks. These tasks might vary based on the network toplogy and uplink types:	Configures your network uplinks with the procedures listed in Configuring Network Uplink Types section.	
	 Modifying the uplink type Migrating from static to flexible uplink Migrating from flexible to static uplink Configuring port channels Assigning uplinks to a VSB Interface 		
Step 9	switch # no shutdown primary filename	Powers on the primary VSB and imports the primary VSB configuration. The filename argument is the name of the imported primary VSB	
Step 10	switch (config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade name name	Displays the virtual service blade information for verification. From the command output, make a note of the control and management VSB Ethernet interfaces.	
Step 11	switch (config-vsb-config) # copy running-config startup-config	Saves the running configuration persistently through reboots and restarts by copying it to the startup configuration.	

Example

The following example shows how to import a VSB backup file:

```
switch# dir bootflash export-import
DOCS-CPPA# dir export-import

Usage for bootflash://sup-local
    496164864 bytes used
3495215104 bytes free
3991379968 bytes total
switch#
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# delete Vdisk1.img.tar.00
```

```
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
switch# copy ftp:Vdisk1.img.tar.00 bootflash:export-import
Enter vrf (If no input, current vrf 'default' is considered):
Enter hostname for the ftp server: 10.78.109.51
Enter username: administrator
Password:
***** Transfer of file Completed Successfully *****
switch-1# configure terminal
switch-1(configure)#
switch-1(config) # virtual-service-blade vsm-5
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # import primary Vdisk1.img.tar.00
Note: import started..
Note: please be patient ..
Note: Import cli returns check VSB status for completion
switch-1(config-vsb-config)#
Example:
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade summary
                 Role State
                                                    Nexus1010-Module
Name
______
                            VSB POWERED OFF
VSM1
                  PRIMARY
                                                   Nexus1010-PRIMARY
VSM1
                  SECONDARY VSB POWERED ON
                                                   Nexus1010-SECONDARY
switch-1(config) # virtual-service-blade VSM1
switch-1(config) # no shutdown primary
switch-1(config)#
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade name VSM1
virtual-service-blade VSM1
 Description:
 Slot id:
                1
 Host Name:
 Management IP:
 VSB Type Name : VSM-1.1
 vCPU:
                1
 Ramsize:
               2048
             3
 Disksize:
 Heartbeat:
               0
 HA Admin role: Primary
   HA Oper role: NONE
   Status:
                VSB POWERED OFF
   Location: PRIMARY
   SW version:
                                           state:
 VsbEthernet1/1/1: control vlan: 1306
                                                       up
  VsbEthernet1/1/2: management vlan: 1304 state:
                                                       up
 VsbEthernet1/1/3: packet vlan: 1307 state: Interface: internal vlan: NA state:
                                             state:
                                                       up
                                                       up
 HA Admin role: Secondary
   HA Oper role: NONE
   Status: VSB POWERED ON
   Location:
                SECONDARY
   SW version:
 VSB Info:
switch-1(config-vsb-config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Recovering a VSM with a Backup Configuration File

You can recover a VSM using a backup configuration file.

Before you begin

- You have imported your backup copy of the configuration file using the instructions in Importing a VSB, on page 227.
- You have a copy of the VSM running configuration in remote storage location.
- Log in to the CLI of the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform in EXEC mode.
- This procedure includes a step for updating Cisco Nexus 1000V licenses. For more information, see the *Cisco Nexus 1000V License Configuration Guide*.
- This procedure requires you to shut down the VSM management and control ports to prevent communication with VEMs and vCenter during the recovery. You must know the IDs of the VSM control and management ports and the VSB serial port.
- This procedure requires you to setup the VSM software. You must have the following information available for the VSM VSB:
 - · Admin password
 - Domain ID
 - HA role (must be set to the same role as that of the VSM on which it is imported)
 - Management 0 IP address
 - · Management 0 netmask
 - Default gateway IP address

Procedure

Step 1 From the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform, shut down the control and management interfaces of the VSM VSB.

The VSM management and control interfaces are no longer communicating with VEMs and vCenter.

- **Step 2** Verify that the control and management interfaces are down.
- **Step 3** Power on the VSB VSM.
- **Step 4** Log in to the Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform serial port of the primary VSM.
- **Step 5** Erase the startup configuration.

The previous configuration is erased. You will replace it with the previously-saved backup of your running configuration in Step 11.

Step 6 Reboot the system.

The Cisco Nexus Cloud Services Platform boots up and the setup wizard starts.

Step 7 Use the setup wizard to configure the VSM. Accept defaults for all except the following:

- · Admin password
- Domain ID
- HA Role (must be set to the same role as that of the VSM on which it is imported)
- Management 0 IP address
- Management 0 netmask
- · Default gateway IP address

The system summarizes the new setup configuration.

- Step 8 Copy the running configuration to the startup configuration using the copy running-config startup-configcommand.
- **Step 9** Reopen the management interface of the VSM VSB.

The VSM management interface is again communicating with VEMs and vCenter.

- **Step 10** Verify that the management interface is up.
- Step 11 Copy your saved running configuration backup to the VSM bootflash using the copy bootflash: filenamecommand.
- **Step 12** Copy the running configuration to the startup configuration.
- **Step 13** Reopen the control interface of the VSM VSB.

The VSM control interface is again communicating with VEMs and vCenter.

- **Step 14** Verify that the control interface is up.
- **Step 15** Check the modules at the VSM CLI.
- **Step 16** Enable the HA peer.

The VSM is again operating in HA mode with a primary and secondary module.

Example

```
switch-1# configure terminal
switch-1(config) # interface vethernet1/1
switch-1(config-if)# shut
switch-1(config) # show virtual-service-blade name VSM1
virtual-service-blade VSM1
  Description:
  Slot id:
                 1
  Host Name:
 Management IP:
  VSB Type Name : VSM-1.1
  vCPU:
                1
  Ramsize:
                 2048
  Disksize:
  Heartbeat:
                 Ω
  HA Admin role: Primary
   HA Oper role: NONE
              VSB POWERED OFF
   Status:
   Location:
                PRIMARY
```

```
SW version:
  VsbEthernet1/1/1: control vlan: 1306
                                               state:
                                                          down
 VsbEthernet1/1/2: management vlan: 1304 state:
                                                           down
 VsbEthernet1/1/3: packet
                               vlan: 1307 state:
                                                          uρ
                  internal vlan: NA state:
 Interface:
                                                          up
 HA Admin role: Secondary
   HA Oper role: NONE
   Status: VSB POWERED ON
   Location:
                SECONDARY
   SW version:
 VSB Info:
switch-1(config) # virtual-service-blade VSM1
switch-1(config) # no shutdown primary
switch-1(config)#
n1000v# configure terminal
n1000v(config)# write erase
Warning: This command will erase the startup-configuration.
Do you wish to proceed anyway? (y/n) [n] y
n1000v# reload
This command will reboot the system. (y/n)? [n] y
2009 Oct 30 21:51:34 s1 %$ VDC-1 %$ %PLATFORM-2-PFM SYSTEM RESET: Manual system restart
from Command Line Interface
n1000v#
---- System Admin Account Setup ----
Enter the password for "admin":
Confirm the password for "admin":
Enter the domain id<1-4095>: 152
Enter HA role[standalone/primary/secondary]: primary
[############ 100%
        ---- Basic System Configuration Dialog ----
This setup utility will guide you through the basic configuration of
the system. Setup configures only enough connectivity for management
of the system.
*Note: setup is mainly used for configuring the system initially,
when no configuration is present. So setup always assumes system
defaults and not the current system configuration values.
Press Enter at anytime to skip a dialog. Use ctrl-c at anytime
to skip the remaining dialogs.
Would you like to enter the basic configuration dialog (yes/no): yes
Create another login account (yes/no) [n]: no
Configure read-only SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]: no
Configure read-write SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]: no
Enter the switch name: n1000v
Continue with Out-of-band (mgmt0) management configuration? [yes/no] [y]: yes
Mgmt0 IPv4 address: 172.28.15.152
Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask: 255.255.255.0
Configure the default-gateway: (yes/no) [y]: yes
           IPv4 address of the default gateway: 172.23.233.1
Enable the telnet service? (yes/no) [y]: no
Enable the ssh service? (yes/no) [y]: no
Enable the http-server? (yes/no) [y]: no
Configure NTP server? (yes/no) [n]: no
Configure svs domain parameters? (yes/no) [y]: no
Vem feature level will be set to 4.2(1)SV1(4),
Do you want to reconfigure? (yes/no) [n] no
```

```
Example:
n1000v# copy running-config startup-config
[############ 100%
n1000v#
switch-1# configure terminal
switch-1(config)# interface vethernet1/2
switch-1(config-if) # no shut
switch-1(config) # show virtual-service-blade name VSM1
virtual-service-blade VSM1
VsbEthernet1/1/1: control vlan: 1306 state:
                                              down
 VsbEthernet1/1/2: management vlan: 1304 state: up
                           vlan: 1307
 VsbEthernet1/1/3: packet
                                        state:
                                                 up
                internal vlan: NA state:
                                                up
 Interface:
switch-1(config)#
Example:
switch-1(config) # copy bootflash: VSM1-periodic-startup-config.txt running-config
switch-1(config)#
n1000v# copy running-config startup-config
[############# 100%
n1000v#
config t
interface vethernet slot/port
no shut
Example:
switch-1# config t
switch-1(config)# interface vethernet1/1
switch-1(config-if) # no shut
switch-1(config) # show virtual-service-blade name VSM1
virtual-service-blade VSM1
VsbEthernet1/1/1: control vlan: 1306 state: up
 VsbEthernet1/1/2: management vlan: 1304 state: up
 VsbEthernet1/1/3: packet vlan: 1307
                                        state:
                                                  up
 Interface:
                internal vlan: NA state:
                                                 up
switch-1(config)#
Example:
n1000v(config) # show module
                                  Model
Mod Ports Module-Type
                                                  Status
1 0 Virtual Supervisor Module Nexus1000V active *
                                  Nexus1000V
       Virtual Supervisor Module
2 0
                                                  ha-standby
   248 Virtual Ethernet Module
                                   NA
                                                   ok
4 248 Virtual Ethernet Module
                                   NA
Mod Sw
4.2(1)SV1(4a)
                 0.0
   4.2(1)SV1(4a)
                 0.0
  4.2(1)SV1(4a)
                 VMware ESXi 4.0.0 Releasebuild-208167 (1.9)
3
  4.2(1)SV1(4a) VMware ESX 4.1.0 Releasebuild-260247 (2.0)
Mod MAC-Address(es) Serial-Num
```

```
1 00-19-07-6c-5a-a8 to 00-19-07-6c-62-a8 NA
2 00-19-07-6c-5a-a8 to 00-19-07-6c-62-a8 NA
3 02-00-0c-00-03-00 to 02-00-0c-00-03-80 NA
4 02-00-0c-00-04-00 to 02-00-0c-00-04-80 NA
Mod Server-IP
               Server-UUID
                                              Server-Name
10.78.109.44 NA
                                              NA
2 10.78.109.44 NA
                                              NA
3 10.78.109.72 44454c4c-4300-1046-8043-b6c04f563153 10.78.109.72
4 10.78.109.71 44454c4c-3300-1056-8057-b3c04f583153 10.78.109.71
* this terminal session
n1000v(config)#
switch-1(config) # enable secondary
```

Verifying the Export and Import of a VSB

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	dir bootflash:export-import/folder-name	Displays the contents of the export-import directory folder.
Step 2	show virtual-service-blade summary	Displays the redundancy state (active or standby) and the redundancy role (primary or secondary) for each VSB.
Step 3	show virtual-service-blade [name name]	Displays the configuration for a specific virtual service blade.

Example

The following example shows export-import Directory:

```
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # dir bootflash:export-import/1
279955021 Sep 08 19:13:21 2011 Vdisk1.img.tar.00
Usage for bootflash://sup-local
310870016 bytes used
3680509952 bytes free
3991379968 bytes total
```

The following example shows Virtual Service Blade Summary:

```
switch-1(config-vsb-config) # show virtual-service-blade summary

Name Role State Nexus1010-Module

VSM1 PRIMARY VSB POWERED OFF Nexus1010-PRIMARY
VSM1 SECONDARY VSB POWERED ON Nexus1010-SECONDARY

switch# show virtual-service-blade name VSM1
virtual-service-blade VSM1
Description:
Slot id: 1
Host Name:
Management IP:
```

```
VSB Type Name : VSM-1.1
vCPU: 1
Ramsize: 2048
Disksize: 3
Heartbeat: 0
HA Admin role: Primary
HA Oper role: NONE
Status: VSB POWERED OFF
Location: PRIMARY
SW version:
VsbEthernet1/1/1: control vlan: 1306 state: down
VsbEthernet1/1/2: management vlan: 1304 state: down
VsbEthernet1/1/3: packet vlan: 1307 state: up
Interface: internal vlan: NA state: up
HA Admin role: Secondary
HA Oper role: NONE
Status: VSB POWERED ON
Location: SECONDARY
SW version:
VSB Info:
switch-1(config)#
```

Feature History for VSM Backup and Recovery

This section provides the VSM backup and Recovery feature release history.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
VSM Backup and Recovery	4.2(1)SV1(4a)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for VSM Backup and Recovery



Configuring Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN

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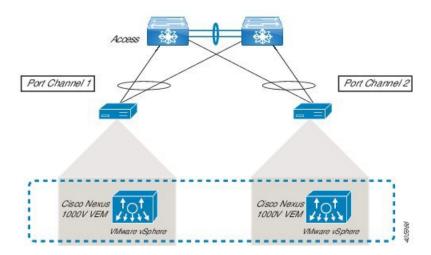
Information about VMware VSAN

Cisco Nexus 1000V supports VMware Virtual SAN (VSAN) which is a software-defined storage tier for VMware vSphere.

Topology Diagram for VMware VSAN Support

The following figure shows a sample topology diagram with two upstream switches and two Cisco Nexus 1000V VEMs.

Figure 26: Topology Diagram for VMware VSAN Support



Guidelines for VMware VSAN Support

Following are the guidelines for supporting VMware VSAN with Cisco Nexus 1000V:

- VMware VSAN is supported with VMware vSphere ESX version 5.5 and later.
- VMware VSAN is supported independent of other entities in the network.
- Upstream switches can be connected to each other through plain trunk ports or port channels.
- VMware VSAN support is implemented by creating port profiles of Ethernet and vEthernet types. Ethernet port profile is attached to the uplink ports and vEthernet port profile is used for VSAN-enabled vmkernel NIC.

For scalability, you can either use the existing Ethernet and vEthernet types port profiles or create new ones. For detailed information about how to configure and scale the support for VMware VSAN, see the *Configuring Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN* section.

Overview of the Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN Configuration Process

To configure Cisco Nexus 1000V for hosting the VMware VSAN environment, complete the following tasks:

- 1. Create a port profile of Ethernet type in Nexus 1000v VSM for the uplink ports.
- 2. Attach the created Ethernet port-profile to the uplink ports through VMware vCenter and verify the configuration on the Cisco Nexus 1000V CLI.
- 3. Add manual pinning configuration for each member interface of the port channel.
- **4.** Create a port profile of vEthernet type for VSAN-enabled vmkernel NIC.
- 5. If VMware VSAN is already up and running, change the port-profile of the VSAN-enabled vmkernel NIC to the created vEthernet port profile.
- **6.** If VMware VSAN is not running, create a new VMware VSAN and attach the created vEthernet port profile to the VSAN-enabled vmkernel NIC. For information about how to create a VMware VSAN, see the VMware VSAN documentation at http://www.vmware.com/in/products/virtual-san.

Configuring Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware VSAN

To configure Cisco Nexus 1000V for hosting the VMware VSAN environment, complete the following tasks:

Before you begin

- · Cisco Nexus 1000V is installed and running.
- VMware VSAN infrastructure is ready. For information about VMware VSAN, see http://www.vmware.com/in/products/virtual-san.
- The hosts on which VSAN is being configured are already running as Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM modules.

- At least two uplink ports are dedicated for VSAN traffic from each Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM module, with each uplink connecting to a different switch for redundancy.
- VLANs carrying the VSAN traffic are identified and allowed in upstream switches.
- If IGMP snooping is enabled on the VLAN carrying the VSAN traffic, a querier must also be configured. For more information, see the *Configuring IGMP Snooping* section in the *Cisco Nexus 1000V for VMware vSphere Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide*.
- You are logged in to the CLI in EXEC mode.

Procedure

Step 1 Create a port profile of Ethernet type for uplink ports.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile type ethernet manual-subgroup
switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Step 2 In the Ethernet port profile, allow VLANs that will carry the VSAN traffic.

The following example shows the configuration of the **manual-subgroup** Ethernet port profile created in the previous step. In this example, VLAN 2490 is allowed.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile manual-subgroup
switch(config-port-prof) # switchport mode trunk
switch(config-port-prof) # no shutdown
switch(config-port-prof) # switchport trunk allowed vlan 2490
switch(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
switch(config-port-prof)# state enabled
switch(config-port-prof)# channel-group auto mode on sub-group manual
switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile name manual-subgroup
port-profile type ethernet manual-subgroup
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 2490
 channel-group auto mode on sub-group manual
  no shutdown
  state enabled
  vmware port-group
```

Step 3 Log in to the VMware vCenter, attach the Ethernet port profile to the uplink ports through VMware vCenter, and verify the configuration on the Cisco Nexus 1000V CLI.

```
switch# show running-configuration interface
interface Ethernet3/6
  inherit port-profile manual-subgroup

interface Ethernet3/8
  inherit port-profile manual-subgroup

interface Ethernet4/6
  inherit port-profile manual-subgroup

interface Ethernet4/8
```

```
inherit port-profile manual-subgroup
```

When you attach the port profile to the uplink ports, separate port channel interfaces are automatically created for each Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM module, as shown in the following example.

```
switch# show running-config interface port-channel 3
interface port-channel3
  inherit port-profile manual-subgroup
  vem 3

Nexus-1000v# show running-config interface port-channel 4
interface port-channel4
  inherit port-profile manual-subgroup
  vem 4
```

Step 4 Add manual pinning configuration for each member interface of the port channel.

You must repeat this step for all port channels and their member interfaces that are carrying the VSAN traffic on each Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM module. The member interfaces of the same port channel must be configured with different subgroup IDs as shown in the following example.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface Ethernet3/6
switch(config-if)# inherit port-profile manual-subgroup
switch(config-if)# sub-group-id 0
switch(config-if)# end
switch#
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# interface Ethernet3/8
switch(config-if)# inherit port-profile manual-subgroup
switch(config-if)# sub-group-id 1
switch(config-if)# end
switch#
```

Step 5 Create a port profile of vEthernet type for the VSAN-enabled VM kernel NIC.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile type ethernet vsan-vmkernel-nic
switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Step 6 In the vEthernet port profile, pin the vEthernet traffic to a specific subgroup.

Note The pinning ID must match the subgroup ID configured on the port channel member interfaces in Step 5. The allowed VLAN is the one that is designated to carry VSAN traffic in Step 2.

The following example shows the configuration of the **vsan-vmkernel-nic** vEthernet port profile created in the previous step. In this example, pinning ID 0 is assigned.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# port-profile vsan-vmkernel-nic
switch(config-port-prof)# pinning id 0 backup 1
switch(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
switch(config-port-prof)# no shutdown
switch(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 2490
switch(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
switch(config-port-prof)# state enabled
switch(config-port-prof)# copy running-config startup-config
switch(config-port-prof)# show port-profile name manual-subgroup
```

```
port-profile type ethernet vsan-vmkernel-nic
switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 2490
channel-group auto mode on sub-group manual
pinning id 0 backup 1
no shutdown
state enabled
vmware port-group
```

Step 7 If VMware VSAN is already enabled and running, complete the following tasks for all Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM modules.

Note You must repeat this step for all Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM modules.

- a) Log in to the VMware vCenter.
- b) Click **Hosts and Clusters** and select the host.
- c) Click the Configuration tab and then click Networking.
- d) Select the vSphere Distributed Switch view and then select Nexus 1000v switch.
- e) Click Manage Virtual Adapters.
- f) Click Add.
- g) Select Migrate existing virtual network adapters and click Next.
- Select the VSAN virtual adapter and select the VM kernel NIC vEthernet port profile that you created in Step 6; for example, vsan-vmkernel-nic.
- i) Click Next.
- j) Click Finish.
- **Step 8** If VMware VSAN is not running, create a new VMware VSAN. For information on how to create a VMware VSAN, see the VMware VSAN documentation.

While creating a VM kernel port, select the VM kernel NIC vEthernet port profile that you created in Step 6.

Note For scalability, if you want to add more Cisco Nexus 1000V VEM modules to support VMware VSAN, you can do either of the following:

- Reuse the Ethernet and vEthernet type port profiles that you created and used in this procedure. For this, repeat Step 3 and then Step 8 or Step 9.
- Use different Ethernet and vEthernet type port profiles. For this, repeat all steps described in this procedure.

A virtualization-enabler platform, the Cisco Nexus 1000V supports VMware VSAN independently of other entities in the network. After completing this procedure, the Cisco Nexus 1000V is configured to host the VMware VSAN environment, enabling the configuration of storage features and optimizing usage of idle infrastructure capacity.

Feature History for VSAN

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
VMware VSAN Support	5.2(1)SV3(1.2)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for VSAN



Enabling vTracker

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Information About vTracker

The following illustration displays the vTracker setup diagram:

Nexus 1000V VSM

Nexus 1000V VSM

Module view

VMotion View

VMView

Upstream View

Figure 27: vTracker Setup Diagram in the Cisco Nexus 1000V Environment

The vTracker feature on the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch provides information about the virtual network environment. Once you enable vTracker, it becomes aware of all the modules and interfaces that are connected with the switch. vTracker provides various views that are based on the data sourced from the vCenter, the Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP), and other related systems connected with the virtual switch. You can use vTracker to troubleshoot, monitor, and maintain the systems. Using vTracker show commands, you can access consolidated network information across the following views:

- Upstream View—Provides information on all the virtual ports connected to an upstream physical switch. The view is from top of the network to the bottom.
- VM View—Supports two sets of data:
 - VM vNIC View—Provides information about the virtual machines (VMs) that are managed by the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch. The vNIC view is from the bottom to the top of the network.
 - VM Info View—VM Info View—Provides information about all the VMs that run on each server module.
- Module pNIC View—Provides information about the physical network interface cards (pNIC) that are connected to each Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM).
- VLAN View—Provides information about all the VMs that are connected to specific VLANs.
- vMotion View—Provides information about all the ongoing and previous VM migration events.



Note

vTracker is available with both Essential and Advanced edition of Cisco Nexus 1000V.

Guidelines and Limitations

vTracker has the following configuration guidelines and limitations:

- For VM and VMotion views, you should connect the Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM) with the OpenStack for the vTracker show commands to work.
- vTracker is disabled by default.
- While the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch information is validated, the information sourced by vTracker from the OpenStack is not verifiable.
- All vTracker views are valid for a given time only, because the virtual environment is dynamic and constantly changing.
- In a scaled-up environment, vTracker can experience delays in retrieving real-time information, which is distributed across VEMs and OpenStack, among other components.

Default Settings for vTracker Parameters

Parameters	Default
feature vtracker	Disabled globally

Enabling vTracker Globally

- vTracker can be configured only globally, not on individual interfaces.
- By default, vTracker is disabled.

Before you begin

- You are logged in to the VSM CLI in EXEC mode or the configuration mode of any node.
- vTracker does not change any VSM configuration settings or behavior. Rather, it only tracks and displays the current configuration views.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	switch(config)# [no] feature vtracker	Enables the vTracker feature.
		Use the no form of this command to disable this feature.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	(Optional) switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config	Saves the change persistently through reboots and restarts by copying the running configuration to the startup configuration.

Example

The following example enables vTracker:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature vtracker
switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config
```

Upstream View

Upstream View Overview

The upstream view provides end-to-end network information from the VM to the physical switch. The following is the upstream view set-up diagram:

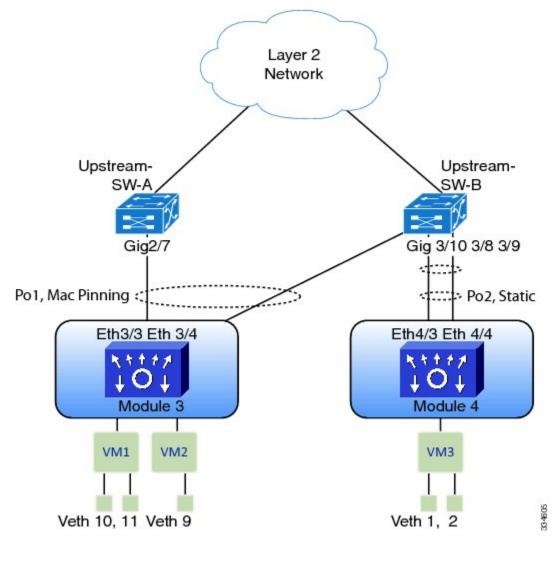


Figure 28: Upstream View Setup Diagram in the Cisco Nexus 1000V Environment



Note

Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) neighbor information must be accessible to generate the required upstream view output. CDP must be enabled on the hosts as well as on the VSM or the Cisco Cloud Services Platform (CSP) in order for the **show vtracker upstream-view** command to work.

Displaying Upstream View

To display the upstream view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker upstream-view [device-id name | device-ip IP address]

The following examples show the vTracker upstream view in a VSM:

Example:

switch (config)	#	show	vtracker	upstream-view
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Device-Name Device-IP		Server-Name Adapter Status	PC-Type PO-Intf	Veth-interfaces
Upstream-SW-A 203.0.113.66	Gig2/7 Eth3/3	203.0.113.118 vmnic2 up	MacPinn Po1	10-11
Upstream-SW-B 203.0.113.54	Gig3/10 Eth3/4	203.0.113.117 vmnic3 up	MacPinn Po1	9
	Gig3/8 Eth4/3	203.0.113.99 vmnic2 up	Default Po2	1-2
	Gig3/9 Eth4/4	203.0.113.99 vmnic3 up	Default Po2	1-2

Example:

switch(config) # show vtracker upstream-view device-id Upstream-SW-A

Device-Name Device-IP		Server-Name Adapter Status	PC-Type PO-Intf	Veth-interfaces
Upstream-SW-A	Gig2/7	203.0.113.118	MacPinn	10-11
203.0.113.66	Eth3/3	vmnic2 up	Pol	

Upstream View Field Description

The column headings in the upstream view examples above is described in the following table:

Column	Description
Device-Name	Name of the neighboring device.
Device-IP	IP address of the device.
Device-Port	Port interface of the device that is connected to the Cisco Nexus 1000V Ethernet (local) port.
Local-Port	Local port interface, which is connected to the neighboring device port.
Server-Name	Name or IP address of the server module to which the local port is connected.
Adapter	Local port name as known by the hypervisor. For VMWare ESX or ESXi, it is known as VMNic.
Status	Local port's operational status.

Column	Description			
PC-Type	Port-channel type of the local port. Each PC-Type has a corresponding channel-group configuration in the port profile or the interface. Supported values are as follows:			
	Default—channel-group auto or channel-group auto mode on			
	MacPinn—channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning			
	MacPinnRel—channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning relative			
	SubGrpCdp—channel-group auto mode on sub-group cdp			
	SubGrpMan—channel-group auto mode on sub-group manual			
	• LACP-A—channel-group auto mode active			
	• LACP-P—channel-group auto mode passive			
PO-Intf	Port channel interface of the local port.			
veth-interfaces	Available virtual Ethernet interfaces for which traffic can flow through the upstream switch.			
	Note You can get similar information by entering the show int virtual pinning command at the VSM prompt.			

Virtual Machine (VM) View

Virtual Machine (VM) View Overview

The VM view provides you with comprehensive information about the VMs that are connected with the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch.

• VM vNIC View—Provides information about all the vNICs (virtual network interface cards) adapters that are managed by the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch.



Note

The VSM must be connected with the vCenter in order to generate the required VM view output. You can enter the **show svs connections** command on the VSM to verify the connection.

Displaying the VM vNIC View

To display the VM vNIC view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker vm-view vnic [module number | vm name]

Note The timeout for this command is 180 seconds.

The following examples show the vTracker VM vNIC view in a VSM:

Example:

switch(config)# show vtracker vm-view vnic

* Network: For Access interface - Access vlan, Trunk interface - Native vlan, VXLAN interface - Segment Id.

Mod	VM-Name HypvPort	VethPort Adapter	Drv Type Mode	Mac-Addr IP-Addr	State	Network	Pinning
3	gentoo-2 1025	Veth3 Adapter 3	Vmxnet3 access	0050.56b5.37de n/a	up	339	Eth3/8
3	gentoo-2 1026	Veth4 Adapter 4	E1000 access	0050.56b5.37df n/a	up	339	Eth3/8
3	gentoo-2 1024	Veth5 Adapter 2	Vmxnet2 access	0050.56b5.37dd n/a	up	339	Eth3/8
4	Fedora-VM1 4258	Veth7 Adapter 2	E1000 pvlan	0050.56bb.4fc1 10.104.249.49	up	406	Eth4/3
5	Fedora-VM2	Veth1 Adapter 1	E1000 trunk	0050.56b5.098b n/a	up	1	Po9
5	Fedora-VM2 3232	Veth2 Adapter 3	E1000 pvlan	0050.56b5.098d 10.104.249.60	up	405	Po9

Example:

switch(config)# show vtracker vm-view vnic module 4

* Network: For Access interface - Access vlan, Trunk interface - Native vlan, VXLAN interface - Segment Id.

Mod	VM-Name HypvPort	VethPort Adapter	Drv Type Mode	Mac-Addr IP-Addr	State	Network	Pinning
4	Fedora-VM1 4258	Veth7 Adapter 2	E1000 pvlan	0050.56bb.4fc1 10.104.249.49	up	406	Eth4/3

VM vNIC View Field Description

The column headings in the VM vNIC view examples above are described in the following table:

Description
Module number on which the VM resides.
VM name.
Generated port ID in the hypervisor. For VMware hypervisor, it is called the dvPort ID.
vEthernet interface number in the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch.
Network adapter number of the vEthernet interface.
Driver type of the network adapter. Supported values are as follows:
• E1000
• E1000e
• PCNet32
• Vmxnet2
• Vmxnet3
Interface modes. Supported values are as follows:
access—Access port/Virtual Extensible Local Area Network (VXLAN) port
• trunk—Trunk port
pvlan—Private VLAN (PVLAN) host mode or pvlan promiscuous mode
MAC address of the network adapter.
IPv4 address of the network adapter, if the VMware tools are installed on the OS.
Operational status of the network adapter.

Column	Description
Network	Network interface ID. Supported values are as follows:
	access vlan—Access interface
	trunk interface—Native VLAN
	• vxlan interface—Segment ID
	pvlan interface—Promiscous - primary VLAN; Isolated - secondary VLAN; Community- secondary VLAN
	Note To know the interface type, refer the Mode value.
Pinning	For LACP or static port-channels, pinning columns only display the port-channel number. The link the VM traffic travels depends upon the hashing algorithm the port-channel is using.
	• For a vPC CDP/Manual/MAC Pinning port-channel, each vEthernet port is pinned to a sub-group of the port-channel. The sub-group corresponds to an Ethernet or its uplink interface. This column shows the Ethernet port members of the sub-group.
	If the Ethernet ports are not part of the port channel in any module, this column is blank.

Displaying the VM Info View

To display the VM Info view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker vm-view info [module number | vm name]

Note The timeout for this command is 180 seconds.

The following examples show the vTracker VM Info view in a VSM:

Example:

```
Memory Allocated: 256 MB
                       1 %
  Memory Usage:
  VM FT State:
                       Unknown
  Tools Running status: Not Running
  Tools Version status: not installed
  Data Store:
                        NFS1 4
                        1 day 29 minutes 46 seconds
  VM Uptime:
  VM Name:
                       Fedora-VM2
                       Other Linux (32-bit)
  Guest Os:
               Powered On
  Power State:
  VM Uuid:
                        4218ab37-d56d-63e4-3b00-77849401071e
  Virtual CPU Allocated: 1
                       1 %
  CPU Usage:
  Memory Allocated: 256 MB
Memory Usage: 1 %
  VM FT State:
                        Unknown
  Tools Running status: Not Running
  Tools Version status: not installed
  Data Store:
                       NFS1 4
                        58 minutes 30 seconds
  VM Uptime:
Module 5:
                      gentoo-cluster2-1
Other (64-bit)
  VM Name:
  Guest Os:
  Power State: Powered Off
  VM Uuid:
                        4235edf5-1553-650f-ade8-39565ee3cd57
  Virtual CPU Allocated: 1
                        0 %
  CPU Usage:
  Memory Allocated:
                       512 MB
  Memory Usage:
                       0 용
  VM FT State:
                        Unknown
  Tools Running status: Not Running
  Tools Version status: not installed
  Data Store:
                        datastore1 (2)
  VM Uptime:
                       n/a
```

Example:

```
switch(config) # show vtracker vm-view info vm Fedora-VM1
Module 4:
  VM Name:
                        Fedora-VM1
  Guest Os:
                        Other Linux (32-bit)
  Power State:
                        Powered On
                         421871bd-425e-c484-d868-1f65f4f1bc50
  VM Unid:
  Virtual CPU Allocated: 1
                       1 %
  CPU Usage:
  Memory Allocated:
                        256 MB
  Memory Usage: 1 % Unknown
  Tools Running status: Not Running
  Tools Version status: not installed
  Data Store:
                        NFS1_4
  VM Uptime:
                         1 day 29 minutes 46 seconds
```

VM Info View Field Description

The column headings in the VM Info view examples above are described in the following table:

Column	Description
Module	Module number on which the VM resides.
VM Name	VM name.
Guest OS	Guest operating system name, which is running on the VM.
Power State	Operational state of the VM. Supported status values are as follows:
	• Unknown
	• Powered On
	Powered Off
	Suspended
	Non Available
VM Uuid	UUID of the VM.
Virtual CPU Allocated	Number of the virtual CPUs allocated for the VM.
CPU Usage	VM usage in percentage.
Memory Allocated	Memory allocated to the VM in megabytes.
Memory Usage	VM memory usage in percentage.
VM FT State	Fault tolerance state of the VM. Supported values are as follows:
	• Unknown
	• FT Primary
	• FT Secondary
	Not Available
Tools Running status	VMware tools running status. Supported values are as follows:
	• Unknown
	• Starting
	• Running
	Not Running
	Not Available

Column	Description
Tools Version status	VMware tools that display the version status. Supported values are as follows:
	• Unknown
	• Current
	Need Upgrade
	Not Installed
	• Unmanaged
	Blacklisted
	Supported New
	Supported Old
	• Too New
	• Too Old
	Not Available
Data Store	Data store name on which the VM resides.
VM Uptime	How long the VM has been running.

Module pNIC View

Module pNIC View Overview

The Module pNIC View provides information about the physical network interface cards (pNICs) that are connected to each of the VEM server module in the network.

Displaying the Module pNIC View

To display the Module pNIC view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker module-view pnic [module *number*]

The following examples show the vTracker Module pNIC view in a VSM:

Example:

		Description	1		
3	Eth3/8	vmnic7 Intel Corpo	0050.5652.f935 igb oration 82576 Gigabit Net		1.4-3
4	Eth4/3	vmnic2 Intel Corpo	0050.565e.df74 e1000 eration 82546GB Gigabit E	******	N/A
4	Eth4/4	vmnic3 Intel Corpo	0050.565e.df75 e1000 oration 82546GB Gigabit E		N/A

Example:

switch(config) # show vtracker module-view pnic module 3

Mod	EthIf	Adapter Description	Mac-Address	Driver	DriverVer	FwVer
3	Eth3/8		0050.5652.f935 ration 82576 Gi	_	2.1.11.1 ork Connection	1.4-3

Module pNIC View Field Description

The column headings in the Module pNIC view examples above is described in the following table:

Column	Description
Mod	Server module name on which the VM resides.
EthIf	Ethernet interface ID of the server module.
Adapter	Ethernet adapter name as seen by the Hypervisor.
Description	Manufacturer name of the above adapter.
Mac-Address	MAC address of the Ethernet interface.
Driver	Driver type of the interface.
DriverVer	Driver version of the interface.
FwVer	Firmware version of the interface.

VLAN View

VLAN View Overview

The VLAN view provides information about all the VMs that are connected to a specific VLAN or a range of VLANs. It is a view from the VLAN perspective.

Displaying the VLAN View

To display the VLAN view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker vlan-view vnic [vlan number/range]

The following examples show the vTracker VLAN view in a VSM:

Example:

```
switch(config)# show vtracker vlan-view
* R = Regular Vlan, P = Primary Vlan, C = Community Vlan
I = Isolated Vlan, U = Invalid
```

VLAN	Туре	VethPort	VM Name	Adapter Name	Mod
1	R	-	-	-	-
233	R	_	_	_	_
335	R	_	-	_	_
336	R	_	-	-	_
337	R	-	-	-	-
338	R	_	-	-	_
339	R	Veth3	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 3	3
		Veth4	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 4	3
		Veth5	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 2	3
340	R	-	-	-	-
341	R	-	-	-	_
400	R	Veth1	Fedora-VM2	Net Adapter 1	5
401	R	Veth1	Fedora-VM2	Net Adapter 1	5
402	R	Veth1	Fedora-VM2	Net Adapter 1	5
403	R	-	-	-	-
404	P	Veth6	Fedora-VM1	Net Adapter 1	4
405	С	Veth2	Fedora-VM2	Net Adapter 3	5
406	I	Veth7	Fedora-VM1	Net Adapter 2	4

Example:

```
switch(config)# show vtracker vlan-view vlan 233-340
* R = Regular Vlan,  P = Primary Vlan,  C = Community Vlan
        I = Isolated Vlan,  U = Invalid
```

VLAN	Туре	e VethPort	VM Name	Adapter Name	Mod
233	R	-	_	_	_
335	R	_	-	-	_
336	R	-	-	-	-
337	R	_	-	_	-
338	R	_	-	-	-
339	R	Veth3	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 3	3
		Veth4	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 4	3
		Veth5	gentoo-2	Net Adapter 2	3
340	R	-	-	-	-

VLAN View Field Description

The column headings in the VLAN view examples above are described in the following table:

Column	Description
VLAN	VLAN ID on which the VM resides.
Туре	VLAN type. Supported types are as follows:
	• R—Regular VLAN
	• P—Primary VLAN
	C—Community VLAN
	• I—Isolated VLAN
	• U—Invalid VLAN
VethPort	vEthernet interface port number used by the VLAN.
VM Name	VM name of the interface.
Adapter Name	Adapter name of the interface.
Mod	Module number on which the interface resides.

VMotion View

VMotion View Overview

The vMotion view provides information about all the ongoing (if any) as well as previous VM migration events. However, only VMs that are currently being managed by the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch are displayed in the output.



Note

The VSM must be connected with the vCenter in order to generate the required VMotion view output. You can enter the **show svs connections** command on the VSM to verify the connection.

Displaying the VMotion View

To display the VMotion view, follow the given step.

Procedure

show vtracker vmotion-view [now | last number 1-100]

Note The timeout for this command is 180 seconds.

The following examples show the vTracker VMotion view in a VSM:

Example:

switch(config)# show vtracker vmotion-view last 20
Note: Command execution is in progress...

Note: VM Migration events are shown only for VMs currently managed by Nexus 1000v.

* '-' = Module is offline or no longer attached to Nexus1000v DVS

VM-Name	Mod							-			-Time	
						10:42:27						
rk-ubt-1-0045	6	4	Mon	Sep	3	10:42:27	2012	OnGo	ing			
rk-ubt-1-0031	6	4	Mon	Sep	3	10:42:27	2012	Mon	Sep	3	10:44:10	2012
rk-ubt-1-0021	6	4	Mon	Sep	3	10:42:27	2012	Mon	Sep	3	10:43:42	2012
rk-ubt-1-0023	6	3	Thu	Aug	16	14:25:26	2012	Thu	Aug	16	14:27:55	2012
rk-ubt-1-0029	6	3	Thu	Aug	16	14:25:26	2012	Thu	Aug	16	14:27:50	2012
rk-ubt-1-0024	6	3	Thu	Aug	16	14:25:26	2012	Thu	Aug	16	14:26:13	2012
rk-ubt-1-0025	6	3	Thu	Aug	16	14:25:26	2012	Thu	Aug	16	14:26:12	2012
rk-ubt-1-0026	6	3	Thu	Aug	16	14:25:26	2012	Thu	Aug	16	14:26:09	2012
RHEL-Tool-VmServer	-	3	Wed	Aug	8	12:57:48	2012	Wed	Aug	8	12:58:37	2012

Example:

*Note: VM Migration events are shown only for VMs currently managed by Nexus 1000v.

* '-' = Module is offline or no longer attached to Nexus1000v DVS

VM-Name	Src Mod		Start-Time Completion-Time
rk-ubt-1-0046	6	4	Mon Sep 3 10:42:27 2012 OnGoing
rk-ubt-1-0045	6	4	Mon Sep 3 10:42:27 2012 OnGoing

VMotion View Field Description

The column headings in the VMotion view examples above are described in the following table:

Column	Description
VM-Name	VM name.
Src Mod	Source module number of the migration.
Dst Mod	Destination module number of the migration.
Start-Time	Migration start time per the time zone defined in the Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM).
Completion-Time	Migration completion time in VSM time zone. For migration in progress, the status shows as "OnGoing."

Feature History for vTracker

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
vTracker Views	4.2(1)SV2(1)	This feature was introduced.



Configuring Virtualized Workload Mobility

This chapter contains the following sections:

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Information About Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion)

This section describes the Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion) configurations and includes the following topics:

- Stretched Cluster
- Split Cluster

Stretched Cluster



Note

A stretched cluster is a cluster with ESX/ESXi hosts in different physical locations.

In an environment where the same Cisco Nexus 1000 instance spans two data centers, this configuration allows you to have Virtual Ethernet Modules (VEMs) in different data centers be part of the same vCenter Server cluster.

By choosing this configuration, you are ensure that the VEMs in either data center (in a two data center environment) are a part of the same Dynamic Resource Scheduling (DRS) / VMware High Availability (VMW HA) / Fault Tolerance (FT) domain that allows for multiple parallel virtual machine (VM) migration events.

Split Cluster

The Split Cluster configuration is an alternate to the Stretched Cluster deployment. With this configuration, the deployment consists of one or more clusters on either physical site with no cluster that contains VEMs in multiple data centers. While this configuration allows for VM migration between physical data centers, these events are not automatically scheduled by DRS.

Prerequisites for Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion)

Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion) has the following prerequisite:

• Layer 2 extension between the two physical data centers over the DCI link.

Guidelines and Limitations

Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion) has the following guidelines and limitations:

- The VSM HA pair must be located in the same site as their storage and the active vCenter Server.
- Layer 3 control mode is preferred.
- If you are using Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) on the VEM, use LACP offload.
- Quality of Service bandwidth guarantees for control traffic over the DCI link.
- Limit the number of physical data centers to two.
- A maximum latency of 10 ms is supported for VSM-VSM control traffic when deployed across datacenters.
- A maximum latency of 100 ms is supported for VSM-VEM control traffic for both L2 and L3 mode of deployments.
- Cisco Nexus 1000V Release 5.2(1)SV3(1.1) supports deployments where vCenter and VSM are in different data centers, provided the number of hosts does not exceed 35 and the link latency does not exceed 200 milliseconds. In these types of deployments, we recommend that you do not edit port profiles when the VSM and the vCenter are disconnected.

Physical Site Considerations

When you are designing a physical site, follow these guidelines:

- Check the average and maximum latency between a Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM) and VEM.
- Follow the procedures to perform actions you would intend to do in normal operation. For example, VSM migration.
- Design the system to handle the high probability of VSM-VEM communication failures where a VEM must function in headless mode due to data center interconnect (DCI) link failures.

Handling Inter-Site Link Failures

If the DCI link or Layer 2 extension mechanism fails, a set of VEM modules might run with their last known configuration for a period of time.

Headless Mode of Operation

For the period of time that the VSM and VEM cannot communicate, the VEM continues to operate with its last known configuration. Once the DCI link connectivity is restored and the VSM-VEM communication is reestablished, the system should come back to its previous operational state. This mode type is no different than the headless mode of operation within a data center and has the following limitations for the headless VEM:

- The Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) does not function for the disconnected VEM.
- Queries on BRIDGE and IF-MIB processed at the VSM give the last known status for the hosts in headless mode.



Note

If the VEM is rebooted in offline (headless) state and connection to VSM is not available, the VEM retains only the Opaque Data.

Handling Additional Distance/Latency Between the VSM and VEM

In a network where there is a considerable distance between the VSM and VEM, latency becomes a critical factor.

Because the control traffic between the VSM and VEM faces a sub-millisecond latency within a data center, latency can increase to a few milliseconds depending on the distance.

With an increased round-trip time, communication between the VSM and VEM takes longer. As you add VEMs and vEthernet interfaces, the time it takes to perform actions such as configuration commands, module insertions, port bring-up, and **show**show commands increase because that many tasks are serialized.

Migrating a VSM

This section describes how migrate a VSM from one physical site to another.



Note

If you are migrating a VSM on a Cisco Nexus 1010, see the Cisco Nexus 1010 Software Configuration Guide, Release 4.2(1)SP1(3).

Migrating a VSM Hosted on an ESX

Use the following procedure to migrate a VSM that is hosted on an ESX or ESXi host from the local data center to the remote data center:



Note

For information on vMotion or storage vMotion, see the VMware documentation.

Before you begin

Before beginning this procedure, you must know or do the following:

- Reduce the amount of time where the VSM runs with remote storage in another data center.
- Do not bring up any new VMs or vMotion VMs that are hosted on any VEMs corresponding to the VSM that is being migrated.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Migrate the standby VSM to the backup site.
- **Step 2** Perform a storage vMotion for the standby VSM storage.
- Step 3 switch#system switchover

Initiates a system switchover.

- **Step 4** Migrate the original active VSM to the backup site.
- **Step 5** Perform a storage vMotion for the original active VSM storage.

Verifying and Monitoring the Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion) Configuration

Refer to the following section for verifying and monitoring the Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion) configuration:

Procedure

switch#show module

Displays the virtualized workload mobility (DC to DC vMotion) configuration.

Feature History for Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion)

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Virtualized Workflow Mobility (DC to DC vMotion)	4.2(1)SV1(4a)	This feature was introduced.

Feature History for Virtualized Workload Mobility (DC to DC vMotion)