

# **Installation Tasks**

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# Install Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine

Before you begin, ensure that:

- You are creating the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM on VMware ESXi 6.5 (Update 2d or later), and using the VMware vCenter Server 6.5 (Update 2d or later).
- The Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM has allocated to it a minimum of 96 GB of RAM, 16 vCPUs, and 1 TB of hard drive space.
- You have a public IPv4 address to assign to the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM's management network virtual interface. The DNS and NTP servers, and the default gateway, must be reachable via this IP address.
- You have a public or private IPv4 address to assign to the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM's data network virtual interface. This IP address must be able to reach your managed devices, and be reachable by Cisco Network Services Orchestrator.

During installation, Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine creates two special administrative IDs:

- The virtual machine (VM) administrator, with the username cw-admin, and the default password cw-admin. Data center administrators use this ID to log in to and troubleshoot the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM hosting the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine server. You will use it to verify that the VM has been properly set up (see Verify the VM Configuration, on page 11).
- 2. The Crosswork administrator, with the username admin and the default password admin. Product administrators use this ID to log in to and configure the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine user interface, and to perform special operations, such as stopping and restarting services.

These two administrative usernames are reserved and cannot be changed. The first time you log in using either of these administrative IDs, you will be prompted to change that ID's password.

While this section describes installation, you must also set up Cisco SR-PCE in order to use Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine. Refer to the appropriate device configuration guide (for example, Segment Routing Configuration Guide for Cisco ASR 9000 Series Routers).

- **Step 1** Download the latest available Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine image file (\*.ova) to your system.
  - Warning The default VMware vCenter deployment timeout is 15 minutes. The total time needed to deploy the OVA image file may take much longer than 15 minutes, depending on your network speed and other factors. If vCenter times out during deployment, the resulting VM will be unbootable. To prevent this, Cisco recommends that you either set the vCenter deployment timeout to a much longer period (such as one hour), or unTAR the OVA file before continuing and then deploy using the OVA's three separate Open Virtualization Format and Virtual Machine Disk component files: cw.ovf, cw rootfs.vmdk, and cw dockerfs.vmdk.
- Step 2With VMware ESXi running, log in to the VMware vSphere Client or vSphere Web Client. Then select Actions ><br/>Deploy OVF Template, as shown in the following figure.



**Step 3** The VMware **Deploy OVF Template** wizard appears and highlights the first step, **1 - Select an OVF Template**, as shown in the following figure. Click **Browse** to navigate to the location where you downloaded the OVA image file and select it. Once selected, the file name is displayed in the window.

1 Select an OVF template	Select an OVF template
2 Select a name and folder	Select an OVF template from remote URL or local file system
3 Select a compute resource 4 Review details 5 Select storage 6 Ready to complete	Enter a URL to download and install the OVF package from the Internet, or browse to a location accessible from your computer, such as a local hard drive, a network share, or a CD/DVD drive.
	http://remoteserver-address/filetodeploy.ovf 1.ova
	Local file     Choose Files cw-optima-1.0ase-190704.ova

**Step 4** Click Next to go to 2 - Select a name and folder, as shown in the following figure. Enter a name for the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM you are creating. In the Select a location for the virtual machine list, choose the location under which the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM will reside.

Cisco recommends that you include the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine version and build number in the name (for example: CW\_VM-1.0.0\_400).

#### Figure 1: VM Name

### Deploy OVF Template

1 Select an OVF template	Select a name and folder			
2 Select a name and folder	Specify a unique name and target location			
3 Select a compute resource				
4 Review details	Virtual machine name: CW_VM-1.0.0_400			-
5 Select storage				
6 Ready to complete	Select a location for the virtual machine.			
	✓ ₱ 172.20.			
	Dh DC			
		CANCEL	BACK	NEVT

**Step 5** Click Next to go to **3** - Select a compute resource, as shown in the following figure. Choose the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM's host.

1 Select an OVF template 2 Select a name and folder	Select a compute resource Select the destination compute resource for this operation
3 Select a compute resource	
4 Review details	V DC
5 Select storage	> 🗋 172.
6 Ready to complete	
	Compatibility
	<ul> <li>Compatibility checks succeeded.</li> </ul>
	✓ Compatibility checks succeeded.

**Step 6** Click **Next**. The VMware vCenter Server validates the OVA. Network speed will determine how long validation takes. When validation is complete, the wizard moves to **4 - Review details**, as shown in the following figure. Take a moment to review the OVF template you are deploying. Note that this information is gathered from the OVF and cannot be modified.

### **Deploy OVF Template**

Select a name and folder	Review details Verify the template details.		
Select a compute resource			
Review details			
License agreements	Publisher	No certificate present	
Configuration	Product	Cisco Crosswork Network Automation	
Select storage			
Select networks	Version	1.0.0	
Customize template	Vendor	Cisco Systems, Inc.	
o Ready to complete	Description	Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine	
	Download size	8.7 GB	
	Size on disk	21.5 GB (thin provisioned)	
		520.0 GB (thick provisioned)	

- Step 7 Click Next to go to 5 License Agreements. Review the End User License Agreement and ensure that the I accept all license agreements checkbox is checked before you continue.
- **Step 8** Click Next to go to 6 Configuration, as shown in the following figure. Select the number of interfaces (VMNICs) to use. Cisco recommends that you choose the default **Dual Interface** configuration.

# Deploy OVF Template

2 Select a name and folder	Select a deployment configuration	
<ul> <li>4 Review details</li> <li>5 License agreements</li> </ul>	◯ Single Interface	Description Use an interface for
6 Configuration	<ul> <li>Dual Interface</li> </ul>	management traffic and
7 Select storage		second interface for data
8 Select networks		traffic.
9 Customize template		
10 Ready to complete		

Step 9 Click Next to go to 7 - Select Storage, as shown in the following figure. Cisco recommends that you select Thin Provision from the Select virtual disk format drop-down list. From the table, choose the datastore you want to use and review its properties to ensure there is enough available storage.

## Deploy OVF Template

<ul> <li>1 Select an OVF template</li> <li>2 Select a name and folder</li> </ul>	Select storage Select the storage for the cor	nfiguration and d	isk files		
<ul> <li>3 Select a compute resource</li> <li>4 Review details</li> <li>5 License agreements</li> </ul>	Encrypt this virtual maching	ne (Requires Key	Management Serve	r)	
✓ 6 Configuration	Select virtual disk format:	Thir	Provision	~	
7 Select storage	VM Storage Policy:	Dat	astore Default	·	
8 Select networks	Name	Capacity	Provisioned	Free	Тур
9 Customize template 10 Ready to complete	datastore77	4.35 TB	543.49 GB	3.85 TB	VN ^
	4				
	Compatibility				
	<ul> <li>Compatibility checks such</li> </ul>	ceeded.			
	L		010003		

**Step 10** Click **Next** to go to **8** - **Select networks**, as shown in the following figure. In the dropdown table at the top of the page, choose the appropriate destination network for the source **Data Network** and **Management Network**, respectively.

Deploy OVF Template

4 Review details	Source Network	Ψ	Destination Network	Ŧ
5 License agreements	Data Network		Change Me	~
6 Configuration 7 Select storage	Management Network		VM Network	~
8 Select networks				2 items
9 Customize template				
10 Prad comple*	IC Modation Setting -			

- **Step 11** Click Next to go to 9 Customize template, with the Management IPv4 Address settings already expanded, as shown in the following figure. Make entries in both fields:
  - The **Management IPv4 Address** is the IP address for managing and interacting with the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine user face. Enter it in CIDR format.
  - The **Management IPv4 Gateway** is the IPv4 address of the primary gateway to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine management IP and the management network.

# Deploy OVF Template

<ul> <li>I Select an OVF template</li> <li>Select a name and folder</li> </ul>	Customize template Customize the deployment propertie	es of this software solution.
✓ 3 Select a compute resource		
✓ 4 Review details	V Management IPv4 Address	2 settings
✓ 5 License agreements		
✓ 6 Configuration	Management IPv4 Address	Please enter the VM's IPv4 management address in
✓ 7 Select storage		CIDR format.
✓ 8 Select networks		1.1.1.1/24
9 Customize template		
10 Ready to complete	Management IPv4 Gateway	Please enter the VM's IPv4 management gateway.
		1.1.1.1
	> Data IPv4 Address	2 settings
	> DNS and NTP Servers	3 settings
	> Disk Configuration	3 settings
	> Crosswork Configuration	2 settings



Step 12 Expand the Data Network IPv4 Address settings, as shown in the following figure. Make entries in both fields:

- The Data IPv4 Address is the IP address for managing and interacting with the managed devices and with Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine providers. Enter it in CIDR format.
- The Data IPv4 Gateway is the IPv4 address of the primary gateway to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine data IP address, and to the managed devices and providers.

Deploy OVF Template	9	
✓ 1 Select an OVF template	V Data IPv4 Address	2 settings
<ul> <li>✓ 2 Select a name and folder</li> <li>✓ 3 Select a compute resource</li> <li>✓ 4 Review details</li> <li>✓ 5 License agreements</li> </ul>	Data IPv4 Address	Please enter the VM's IPv4 data address in CIDR format.
<ul> <li>G Configuration</li> <li>7 Select storage</li> <li>8 Select networks</li> </ul>	Data IPv4 Gateway	Please enter the VM's IPv4 data gateway.
9 Customize template 10 Ready to complete	V DNS and NTP Servers	3 settings

Step 13 Expand the DNS and NTP Servers settings, as shown in the following figure. Make entries in three fields:

> • DNS IPv4 Address: The IPv4 addresses of the DNS servers you want the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine server to use. Separate multiple IP addresses with spaces.

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- DNS Search Domain: The name of the DNS search domain.
- NTP Servers: The IP addresses or host names of the NTP servers you want to use. Separate multiple IPs or host names with spaces.

> Data IPv4 Address	2 settings
<ul> <li>DNS and NTP Servers</li> </ul>	3 settings
DNS IPv4 Address	Please enter the DNS server's IPv4 address. Multiple DNS server IPs can be provided space seperated. <your dns="" lp="" server=""></your>
NTP Servers	Please enter NTP server hostname. Multiple NTP servers can be provided space seperated. <your ntp="" server=""></your>
DNS Search Domain	Please enter the DNS search domain.
> Disk Configuration	3 settings

**Step 14** Expand the **Disk Configuration** settings, as shown in the following figure. Make entries in all three fields. . The settings shown in the figure should work for most environments.

DNS and NTP Servers	3 settings
Disk Configuration	3 settings
Logfs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the logfs disk in GB.
Datafs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the datafs disk in GB.
Corefs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the corefs disk in GB.
Crosswork Configuration	2 settings

**Step 15** Expand the **Crosswork Configuration** settings, as shown in the following figure. Make entries in both fields. The **Private Key** encrypts the inventory database.

Disk Configuration	3 settings
Crosswork Configuration	2 settings
Private Key	Enter the 32byte Private Key to encrypt the database. Please remember this key for future EncryptCrossworkInvento
Disclaimer	Enter the legal dislaimer.

### **Step 16** Expand the **Crosswork Collection Configuration** settings, as shown in the following figure.

Check this option if you plan to use Cisco NSO and want to manage more than 500 MDT capable devices. By selecting this option, you will have enabled the multiple collection mode which uses multiple MDT collectors (depending on the number of devices that are added). Do not check this option if you do not plan to add Cisco NSO as a provider. When this option is deselected, you will have enabled the single collection mode where only one MDT collector is used and Cisco NSO cannot be mapped to devices. For more guidance and information on which mode to select, see Collection Modes).

#### Deploy OVF Template

<ul> <li>1 Select an OVF template</li> <li>2 Select a name and folder</li> <li>3 Select a compute resource</li> <li>4 Review details</li> <li>5 License agreements</li> <li>6 Configuration</li> </ul>	Logfs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the logfs disk in GB.
	Datafs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the datafs disk in GB.
<ul> <li>7 Select storage</li> <li>8 Select networks</li> <li>9 Customize template</li> </ul>	Corefs Disk Size	Please enter the size of the corefs disk in GB.
10 Ready to complete	V Crosswork Configuration	2 settings
	Private Key	Enter the 32byte Private Key to encrypt the database. Please remember this key for future. EncryptedcrossworkOpti
	Disclaimer	Enter the legal dislaimer. Welcome to Optima
	<ul> <li>Crosswork Collection</li> <li>Configuration</li> </ul>	1 settings
	NSO as Provider	Is NSO used as the provider for device management?

Step 17 Click Next to go to 10 - Ready to Complete, as shown in the following figure. Review your settings and then click Finish if you are ready to begin deployment.

Deploy OVF Template

<ul> <li>1 Select an OVF template</li> <li>2 Select a name and folder</li> </ul>	Provisioning type	Deploy CVF From Remote URL		
3 Select a compute resource	Name	CW_VM-1.0.0_400		
<ul> <li>4 Review details</li> <li>5 License agreements</li> </ul>	Template name	cw-optima-1.0.0-8-cwoptima100release-190704		
6 Configuration	Download size	8.7 GB		
<ul> <li>7 Select storage</li> <li>8 Select networks</li> </ul>	Size on disk	21.5 GB		
9 Customize template	Folder	Optima		
10 Ready to complete	Resource	worama1.cisco.com		
	Location	worama1-dsk1		
	Storage mapping	1		
	All disks	Datastore: worama1-dsk1; Format: Thin Provision		
	Network mapping	2		
	Data Network	auto-4-5		
	Management Network	VM Network		
	IP allocation settings			
	IP protocol	IPV4		
	IP allocation	Static - Manual		
	IP allocation	Static - Manual		

- **Step 18** Wait for the deployment to finish before continuing. To check on the deployment status:
  - a) Open a VMware vCenter client.
  - b) In the **Recent Tasks** tab for the host VM, view the status for the **Deploy OVF template** and **Import OVF package** jobs, as shown in the following figure.

Task Name	~	Target	Start Time	Server	~
Import OVF package		robot-	0/29/2018, 12:28:57 P	bot-vcenter2.	.com
Deploy OVF template		<b>[]</b> mr	10/29/2018, 12:31:43 PM	bot-vcenter2.	com

### Step 19

- After the deployment tasks are complete, edit the host's VM settings to permit boot from EFI Firmware:
  - a) On the host VM **Summary** tab, below the **VM Hardware** table, click **Edit Settings**, as shown in the following figure.

🗗 cw	ACTIONS	~				
Summary	Monitor	Configure	Permissions	Datastores	Networks	
VM Hardw	are					
> CPU			16 CI	PU(s)		
Compa	atibility		ESX	i 6.5 and later (VI	M version 13)	
Edit Setting	JS					
Related O	ojects					
Cluster	r		D.	Crosswork		

- b) On the Edit Settings page, click the VM Options tab.
- c) Expand the **Boot Options** dropdown list and change the **Firmware** setting to **EFI**, as shown in the following figure. When you are finished, click **OK**. You may want to take a snapshot of the VM at this point.

General Options	VM Name: cw
VMware Tools	Expand for VMware Tools settings
Boot Options	
Firmware	EFI ~
	Changing firmware might cause the installed guest operating system to become unbootable.
Boot Delay	When powering on or resetting, delay boot order by           0         imilia
Force BIOS setup	During the next boot, force entry into the BIOS setup screen
Failed Boot Recovery	If the VM fails to find boot device, automatically retry after
Advanced	Expand for advanced cettings

CANCEL

Step 20You can now power on the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM to complete the deployment process. Expand<br/>the host's entry so you can click the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM and then choose Actions > Power ><br/>Power On, as shown in the following figure.

#### Figure 2: Power On

CW_VM-1.0.0_400	ACTIONS ~		
Manitar	Actions - cw-vm-137		a . Naturalu
ummary Monitor	Power	•	Power On
	Guest OS	<b>۲</b>	Power Off
Powered Off	Snapshots	•	Suspend
VM Hardware	VM Policies	•	^
> CPU	Template	•	

From this point, it will take 20 minutes for the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation VM to become operational. Please wait for the process to finish before continuing.

# Verify the VM Configuration

Before trying to log in to the new installation, verify that the VM is properly configured. You will be prompted to change the VM administrator's password during first login via the console.

**Step 1** Connect to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine VM via SSH, as follows:

Enter the SSH command using he default VM administrator user name (cw-admin) and the IPv4 management network address you specified when deploying the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine image, as follows:

ssh cw-admin@ManagementNetworkIP

Where *ManagementNetworkIP* is the management network IPv4 address. For example:

ssh cw-admin@1.1.1.1

When prompted, enter the default cw-admin user password, cw-admin.

If you cannot connect to the VM at all, see Troubleshoot the Installation, on page 13.

- **Step 2** When prompted to change the cw-admin user's password, enter the default password again for verification. Then enter and confirm the new password as prompted.
- **Step 3** Shift to sudo user access (sudo su), then enter the following commands to verify the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine VM:

• ifconfig eth0—Shows the management network IP address of the VM. This should match the management network IP address you entered during the installation.

- ifconfig eth1—Shows the data network IP address of the VM. This should match the data network IP address you entered during the installation.
- kubectl get nodes—Checks the Kubernetes cluster and shows the VM IP address with a Ready status.

If the IP addresses do not match what you entered, or you do not get a Ready status, see Troubleshoot the Installation, on page 13.

# Log In to the UI From a Browser

To log in to the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine web-based user interface from a browser, perform these steps. If you are unable to display the user interface, see Troubleshoot the Installation, on page 13.

#### Before you begin

Connect to the virtual machine and verify that it is properly configured before attempting to log in to the user interface (see Verify the VM Configuration, on page 11).

- **Step 1** Launch one of the supported browsers (see Supported Web Browsers).
- **Step 2** In the browser's address bar, enter:

https://<Crosswork\_VM\_management\_IP\_adddress>:30603/

The Log In window opens, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 3: Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine Log In Window

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Crosswork Network Automation

Optimization Engine Version 1.0.0

Username	
Password	
	Log In
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When you access Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine for the first time, some browsers display a warning that the site is untrusted. When this happens, follow the prompts to add a security exception and download the self-signed certificate from the Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine server. After you add a security exception, the browser accepts the server

as a trusted site in all future login attempts. If you want to use a CA signed certificate, see the "Manage Certificates" section in the *Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine User Guide*.

### **Step 3** Log into Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine as follows:

- a) Enter the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation administrator username admin and the default password admin.
- b) Click Log In.
- c) When prompted to change the Cisco Crosswork Network Automation administrator's default password, enter the new password in the fields provided and then click **OK**.

**Step 4** To exit the web GUI, close the browser window or click **O** at the top right of the home page and choose **Log out**.

# **Troubleshoot the Installation**

The following table lists common problems experienced while installing Cisco Crosswork Optimization Engine, and approaches to identifying the source of the problem and solving it.

#### Table 1: Troubleshoot the Installation

Issue	Action
Cannot Connect to the VM	
VM cannot be reached by the provided gateways due to IP misconfiguration	1. You will see error messages in the login banner indicating this problem when you try to connect to the VM via SSH following the steps in as explained in Verify the VM Configuration, on page 11.
	2. Redeploy the VM from scratch, using the correct IP configuration.
VM cannot be reached by the provided gateways due	1. Log into the VM via the VMware console.
to other network issues	2. Change the IP settings as needed to fix the issue.
Cannot Display the User Interface	
Browser does not display the login screen.	1. Make sure you are using a supported browser (see Supported Web Browsers and that you entered the correct IP address in the browser (this should be the same as the management IP4 address you entered during installation).
	2. Log in to the VM using SSH, as explained in Verify the VM Configuration, on page 11.
	3. At the prompt, enter the command <b>collect</b> .
	4. Contact Cisco TAC.

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Issue	Action
Running kubectl get nodes does not display the correct VM IPv4 management and data addresses.	1. While connected to the VM, open the file /etc/resolve.conf file and check that it contains the correct DNS name server and search domain.
	2. If it does not, redeploy the VM using the correct DNS name server and search domain configuration.
Running kubectl get nodes does not display a Ready status for the VM IPv4 address.	1. While connected to the VM, check the login banner for any error messages.
	2. If there are error messages in the login banner, they will be recorded in /var/log/firstBoot.log file, along with recommended remediation steps. Open the log and follow the steps given for the error message found in the banner.
	3. If this does not help, run kubectl get pods namespace kube-system and look for mismatched Ready counts.
Running kubectl get podsnamespace kube-system displays one or more mismatched Ready status counts (for example: 2/3 Ready or 0/1 Readyinstead of 3/3 Ready or 1/1 Ready).	<ol> <li>Check for user input errors in the /var/log/boot.log file and perform the log's recommended remediation steps.</li> <li>If this does not help, redeploy the VM.</li> </ol>
Able to Display the User Interface	
I cannot log in.	1. Make sure you are using the Crosswork administrator default user ID and password ( <b>admin</b> and <b>admin</b> ).
	2. If the Crosswork administrator default password has already been changed, use the new password.
I can log in but cannot access some features.	Make sure all the applications and their underlying services are up and running by selecting Admin > Crosswork Manager and checking the status of the applications and services. See the <i>Cisco Crosswork</i> <i>Optimization Engine User Guide</i> topic "Monitor Cisco Crosswork Infrastructure and Resources".

Issue	Action
Crosswork Manager shows one or more applications or their underlying services are not running.	<ol> <li>In Crosswork Manager, check the description of the application or service issue and, if possible, try restarting the application or service. See the <i>Cisco</i> <i>Crosswork Optimization Engine User Guide</i> topic "Monitor Cisco Crosswork Infrastructure and Resources".</li> <li>Gather log and metric information about the application or service with issues. See the <i>User Guide</i> topic "View, Control and Log Cisco Crosswork Applications and Services".</li> <li>Contact Cisco TAC.</li> </ol>

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