



# Using the Device File Systems, Directories, and Files

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## About the Device File Systems, Directories, and Files

This section describes file systems, directories, and files on the Cisco NX-OS device.

### File Systems

The syntax for specifying a local file system is `filesystem:[//modules/]`.

This table describes file systems that you can reference on your device.

**Table 1: File System Syntax Components**

| File System Name | Module                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bootflash        | sup-active<br>sup-local   | Internal CompactFlash memory located on the active supervisor module used for storing image files, configuration files, and other miscellaneous files. The initial default directory is bootflash. |
|                  | sup-standby<br>sup-remote | Internal CompactFlash memory located on the standby supervisor module used for storing image files, configuration files, and other miscellaneous files.                                            |
| volatile         | —                         | Volatile random-access memory (VRAM) located on a supervisor module used for temporary or pending changes.                                                                                         |
| log              | —                         | Memory on the active supervisor that stores logging file statistics.                                                                                                                               |
| system           | —                         | Memory on a supervisor module used for storing the running-configuration file.                                                                                                                     |
| debug            | —                         | Memory on a supervisor module used for debug logs.                                                                                                                                                 |

## Directories

You can create directories on bootflash: and external flash memory (usb1: and usb2:). You can navigate through these directories and use them for files.

## Files

You create and access files on bootflash:, volatile:, usb1:, and usb2: filesystems. You can only access files on the system: filesystem. You can use the log: filesystem for debug log files.

You can download files, such as the nx-os image file, from remote servers using FTP, Secure Copy (SCP), Secure Shell FTP (SFTP), and TFTP. You can also copy files from an external server to the device, because the device can act as an SCP server.

## Guidelines and Limitations

Guidelines and limitations for device file systems, directories, and files are as follows:

- The **show tech-support details** command cannot be terminated using Ctrl+Z. Instead, use Ctrl+C to terminate the command.
- Utilize a user with the "network-admin" role to make changes to files in the bootflash.
- Starting with Release 10.5(1), you can automatically detect SSD partition size on the Nexus 9000 to match the expected configured size. An information syslog is seen during bootup in the **show logging log** or **show logging nvram** commands to indicate the NX-OS Nexus 9000 booted with an unexpected SSD partitioning size.

```
%PLATFORM-2-SSD_PARTITION_CHECK: Incorrect <device> partition size detected - please  
contact Cisco TAC for additional information
```

## Default Settings for File System Parameters

This table lists the default settings for the file system parameters.

*Table 2: Default File System Settings*

| Parameters         | Default    |
|--------------------|------------|
| Default filesystem | bootflash: |

## Configuring the FTP, HTTP, or TFTP Source Interface

You can configure the source interface for the File Transfer Protocol (FTP), Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), or Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP). This configuration allows you to use the IP address associated with the configured source interface when copy packets are transferred.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure terminal**
2. **[no] ip {ftp | http | tftp} source-interface {ethernet slot/port | loopback number}**
3. (Optional) **copy running-config startup-config**

### DETAILED STEPS

| Procedure |                           |                                   |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|           | Command or Action         | Purpose                           |
| Step 1    | <b>configure terminal</b> | Enters global configuration mode. |
|           | <b>Example:</b>           |                                   |

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                             |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|               | switch# configure terminal<br>switch(config)#                                                                                                                       |                                                                     |
| <b>Step 2</b> | [no] ip {ftp   http   tftp} source-interface {ethernet slot/port   loopback number}<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch(config)# ip tftp source-interface ethernet 2/1 | Configures the source interface for all FTP, HTTP, or TFTP packets. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | (Optional) copy running-config startup-config<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch(config)# copy running-config startup-config                                          | Copies the running configuration to the startup configuration.      |

## Working with Directories

This section describes how to work with directories on the Cisco NX-OS device.

### Identifying the Current Directory

You can display the directory name of your current directory.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. pwd

#### DETAILED STEPS

##### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                         | Purpose                                      |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | pwd<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd | Displays the name of your current directory. |

### Changing the Current Directory

You can change the current directory for file system operations. The initial default directory is bootflash:.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) pwd
2. cd {directory | filesystem:[//module/][directory]}

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                              |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                                          | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                 |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>cd</b> { <i>directory</i>   <i>filesystem</i> : <i>//module/</i> [ <i>directory</i> ]}<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# cd usb1: | Changes to a new current directory. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive. |

## Creating a Directory

You can create directories in the bootflash: and flash device file systems.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **cd** {*directory* | *filesystem*:*//module/*[*directory*]}
3. **mkdir** [*filesystem*:*//module/*]*directory*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                       |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                                                      | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>cd</b> { <i>directory</i>   <i>filesystem</i> : <i>//module/</i> [ <i>directory</i> ]}<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# cd slot0: | Changes to a new current directory. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive.                                                                          |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>mkdir</b> [ <i>filesystem</i> : <i>//module/</i> ] <i>directory</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# mkdir test                              | Creates a new directory. The <i>filesystem</i> argument is case sensitive. The <i>directory</i> argument is alphanumeric, case sensitive, and has a maximum of 64 characters. |

## Displaying Directory Contents

You can display the contents of a directory.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **dir** [*directory* | *filesystem:[//module/][directory]*]

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>dir</b> [ <i>directory</i>   <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory]</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash:test | Displays the directory contents. The default is the current working directory. The file system and directory names are case sensitive. |

## Deleting a Directory

You can remove directories from the file systems on your device.

**Before you begin**

Ensure that the directory is empty before you try to delete it.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **dir** [*filesystem :[//module/][directory]*]
3. **rmdir** [*filesystem :[//module/]]directory*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                              | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> [ <i>filesystem :[//module/][directory]</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash:test | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive.<br><br>If the directory is not empty, you must delete all the files before you can delete the directory. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>rmdir</b> [ <i>filesystem :[//module/]]directory</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# rmdir test                     | Deletes a directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive.                                                                                                                                               |

## Accessing Directories on the Standby Supervisor Module

You can access all file systems on the standby supervisor module (remote) from a session on the active supervisor module. This feature is useful when copying files to the active supervisor modules requires similar files to exist on the standby supervisor module. To access the file systems on the standby supervisor module from a session on the active supervisor module, you specify the standby supervisor module in the path to the file using either `filesystem://sup-remote/` or `filesystem://sup-standby/`.

## Working with Files

This section describes how to work with files on the Cisco NX-OS device.

### Moving Files

You can move a file from one directory to another directory.



#### Caution

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

You can use the **move** command to rename a file by moving the file within the same directory.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **dir** `[filesystem://module/][directory]`
3. **move** `[filesystem://module/][directory /] | directory/]source-filename { {filesystem://module/}[directory /] | directory/}[target-filename] | target-filename}`

#### DETAILED STEPS

##### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                                                                                       | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> <code>[filesystem://module/][directory]</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash                                                              | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>move</b> <code>[filesystem://module/][directory /]   directory/]source-filename { {filesystem://module/}[directory /]   directory/}[target-filename]   target-filename}</code> | Moves a file.<br><br>The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive.                  |

|  | Command or Action                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | <b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# move test old_tests/test1</pre> | The <i>target-filename</i> argument is alphanumeric, case sensitive, and has a maximum of 64 characters. If the <i>target-filename</i> argument is not specified, the filename defaults to the <i>source-filename</i> argument value. |

## Copying Files

You can make copies of files, either within the same directory or on another directory. For more information, see the *Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Troubleshooting Guide*.



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

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **dir** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/]*]
3. **copy** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/] | directory/*]*source-filename* | [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/] | directory/*]*target-filename*

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# pwd</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                   | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# dir bootflash</pre>                                                                                                                           | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>copy</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]   directory/</i> ] <i>source-filename</i>   [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]   directory/</i> ] <i>target-filename</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# copy test old_tests/test1</pre> | Copies a file. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive. The <i>source-filename</i> argument is alphanumeric, case sensitive, and has a maximum of 64 characters. If the <i>target-filename</i> argument is not specified, the filename defaults to the <i>source-filename</i> argument value. |

## Copying Files Using HTTP or HTTPS

You can make copies of files from remote server to local device using HTTP or HTTPS.



**Note** Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 10.4(3)F, the **copy http** or **copy https** command supports TLS version 1.3 and 1.2 on Cisco Nexus switches.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **dir** *[filesystem:[//module/][directory]]*
3. **copy https:// username:password@directory/filename bootflash: vrf management**
4. **copy http:// directory/filename bootflash: vrf management**

### DETAILED STEPS

| Procedure     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                        |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                                                                                                                    | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> <i>[filesystem:[//module/][directory]]</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash                                                                                               | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>copy https:// username:password@directory/filename bootflash: vrf management</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch(config)# copy<br>https://username1:pwd1@192.168.0.1/test.txt<br>bootflash: vrf management | Copies the specified files from remote server to local device using <b>https</b> option.               |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>copy http:// directory/filename bootflash: vrf management</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch(config)# copy http://192.168.0.1/test.txt<br>bootflash: vrf management                                       | Copies the specified files from remote server to local device using <b>http</b> option.                |

## Deleting Files

You can delete a file from a directory.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **dir** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory]*]
2. **delete** {*filesystem:[//module/][directory/] | directory/*}*filename*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                          | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory]</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash:                                        | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>delete</b> { <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]   directory/</i> } <i>filename</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# delete bootflash:old_config.cfg | Deletes a file. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive. The <i>source-filename</i> argument is case sensitive.<br><br><b>Caution</b><br>If you specify a directory, the <b>delete</b> command deletes the entire directory and all its contents. |

## Displaying File Contents

You can display the contents of a file.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **show file** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/]*]*filename*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                     |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>show file</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]</i> ] <i>filename</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# show file bootflash:test-results | Displays the file contents. |

## Displaying File Checksums

You can display checksums to check the file integrity.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **show file** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/]*]*filename* {**cksum** | **md5sum**}

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                            |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>show file</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]filename</i><br>{cksum   md5sum}<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# show file bootflash:trunks2.cfg cksum | Displays the checksum or MD5 checksum of the file. |

## Compressing and Uncompressing Files

You can compress and uncompress files on your device using Lempel-Ziv 1977 (LZ77) coding.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **dir** [*filesystem:[//module/]directory*]
2. **gzip** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/] | directory/]filename*
3. **gunzip** [*filesystem:[//module/][directory/] | directory/]filename .gz*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/]directory</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash:                         | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive.                                 |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>gzip</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]   directory/]filename</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# gzip show_tech            | Compresses a file. After the file is compressed, it has a .gz suffix.                                                                  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>gunzip</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/][directory/]   directory/]filename .gz</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# gunzip show_tech.gz | Uncompresses a file. The file to uncompress must have the .gz suffix. After the file is uncompressed, it does not have the .gz suffix. |

## Displaying the Last Lines in a File

You can display the last lines of a file.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **tail** [*filesystem:[//module/]*][*directory/*]*filename* [*lines*]

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>tail</b> [ <i>filesystem:[//module/]</i> ][ <i>directory/</i> ] <i>filename</i> [ <i>lines</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# tail ospf-gr.conf | Displays the last lines of a file. The default number of lines is 10. The range is from 0 to 80 lines. |

## Redirecting show Command Output to a File

You can redirect **show** command output to a file on bootflash:, volatile:, or a remote server. You can also specify the format for the command output.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **terminal redirection-mode** {**ascii** | **zipped**}
2. **show-command** > [*filesystem:[//module/]*][*directory*] | [*directory /*]*filename*

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                               |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>terminal redirection-mode</b> { <b>ascii</b>   <b>zipped</b> }<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# terminal redirection-mode zipped                                               | Sets the redirection mode for the <b>show</b> command output for the user session. The default mode is <b>ascii</b> . |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>show-command</b> > [ <i>filesystem:[//module/]</i> ][ <i>directory</i> ]   [ <i>directory /</i> ] <i>filename</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# show tech-support > bootflash:techinfo | Redirects the output from a <b>show</b> command to a file.                                                            |

## Finding Files

You can find the files in the current working directory and its subdirectories that have names that begin with a specific character string.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**

2. (Optional) `cd {filesystem:[//module/][directory] | directory}`
3. `find filename-prefix`

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <code>pwd</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>switch# pwd</code>                                                                      | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <code>cd {filesystem:[//module/][directory]   directory}</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>switch# cd bootflash:test_scripts</code> | Changes the default directory.                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <code>find filename-prefix</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>switch# find bgp_script</code>                                                    | Finds all filenames in the default directory and in its subdirectories beginning with the filename prefix. The filename prefix is case sensitive. |

## Formatting the Bootflash

Use the **format bootflash:** CLI command to format the onboard flash memory (bootflash:). If the command errors out due to the Deactivate all virtual-services and try again error message, destroy the Guest Shell using the **guestshell destroy** CLI command and rerun the **format bootflash:** command, for example,

```
switch# sh virtual-service list
Virtual Service List:

Name                               Status           Package Name
-----
guestshell+                        Activated        guestshell.ova

switch#

switch# guestshell destroy
You are about to destroy the guest shell and all of its contents. Be sure to save your
work. Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) [n] y

switch# 2018 Jan 17 18:42:24 switch %$ VDC-1 %$ %VMAN-2-ACTIVATION_STATE: Deactivating
virtual service 'guestshell+'

switch#format bootflash:
```

# Working with Archive Files

The Cisco NX-OS software supports archive files. You can create an archive file, append files to an existing archive file, extract files from an archive file, and list the files in an archive file.

## Creating an Archive File

You can create an archive file and add files to it. You can specify the following compression types:

- bzip2
- gzip
- Uncompressed

The default is gzip.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **tar create** {**bootflash:** | **volatile:**}*archive-filename* [**absolute**] [**bz2-compress**] [**gz-compress**] [**remove**] [**uncompressed**] [**verbose**] *filename-list*

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <p><b>tar create</b> {<b>bootflash:</b>   <b>volatile:</b>}<i>archive-filename</i> [<b>absolute</b>] [<b>bz2-compress</b>] [<b>gz-compress</b>] [<b>remove</b>] [<b>uncompressed</b>] [<b>verbose</b>] <i>filename-list</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>switch# tar create bootflash:config-archive gz-compress bootflash:config-file</pre> | <p>Creates an archive file and adds files to it. The filename is alphanumeric, not case sensitive, and has a maximum length of 240 characters.</p> <p>The <b>absolute</b> keyword specifies that the leading backslash characters (\) should not be removed from the names of the files added to the archive file. By default, the leading backslash characters are removed.</p> <p>The <b>bz2-compress</b>, <b>gz-compress</b>, and <b>uncompressed</b> keywords determine the compression utility used when files are added, or later appended, to the archive and the decompression utility to use when extracting the files. If you do not specify an extension for the archive file, the defaults are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For <b>bz2-compress</b>, the extension is .tar.bz2.</li> <li>• For <b>gz-compress</b>, the extension is .tar.gz.</li> <li>• For <b>uncompressed</b>, the extension is .tar.</li> </ul> <p>The <b>remove</b> keyword specifies that the Cisco NX-OS software should delete the files from the file system after</p> |

|  | Command or Action | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  |                   | <p>adding them to the archive. By default, the files are not deleted.</p> <p>The <b>verbose</b> keyword specifies that the Cisco NX-OS software should list the files as they are added to the archive. By default, the files are listed as they are added.</p> |

## Appending Files to an Archive File

You can append files to an existing archive file on your device.

### Before you begin

You have created an archive file on your device.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **tar append** {bootflash: | volatile:} *archive-filename* [**absolute**] [**remove**] [**verbose**] *filename-list*

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>tar append</b> {bootflash:   volatile:} <i>archive-filename</i> [ <b>absolute</b> ] [ <b>remove</b> ] [ <b>verbose</b> ] <i>filename-list</i> | <p>Adds files to an existing archive file. The archive filename is not case sensitive.</p> <p>The <b>absolute</b> keyword specifies that the leading backslash characters (\) should not be removed from the names of the files added to the archive file. By default, the leading backslash characters are removed.</p> <p>The <b>remove</b> keyword specifies that the Cisco NX-OS software should delete the files from the filesystem after adding them to the archive. By default, the files are not deleted.</p> <p>The <b>verbose</b> keyword specifies that the Cisco NX-OS software should list the files as they are added to the archive. By default, the files are listed as they are added.</p> |

### Example

This example shows how to append a file to an existing archive file:

```
switch# tar append bootflash:config-archive.tar.gz bootflash:new-config
```

## Extracting Files from an Archive File

You can extract files to an existing archive file on your device.

### Before you begin

You have created an archive file on your device.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **tar extract** {bootflash: | volatile:} *archive-filename* [**keep-old**] [**screen**] [**to** {bootflash: | volatile:}[/*directory-name*]] [**verbose**]

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>tar extract</b> {bootflash:   volatile:} <i>archive-filename</i> [ <b>keep-old</b> ] [ <b>screen</b> ] [ <b>to</b> {bootflash:   volatile:}[/ <i>directory-name</i> ]] [ <b>verbose</b> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# tar extract bootflash:config-archive.tar.gz</pre> | <p>Extracts files from an existing archive file. The archive filename is not case sensitive.</p> <p>The <b>keep-old</b> keyword indicates that the Cisco NX-OS software should not overwrite files with the same name as the files being extracted.</p> <p>The <b>screen</b> keyword indicates that the Cisco NX-OS software should not overwrite files with the same name as the files being extracted.</p> <p>The <b>to</b> keyword specifies the target filesystem. You can include a directory name. The directory name is alphanumeric, case sensitive, and has a maximum length of 240 characters.</p> <p>The <b>verbose</b> keyword specifies that the Cisco NX-OS software should display the names of the files as they are extracted.</p> |

## Displaying the Filenames in an Archive File

You can display the names of the files in an archive files using the **tar list** command.

**tar list** {bootflash: | volatile:} *archive-filename*

The archive filename is not case sensitive.

```
switch# tar list bootflash:config-archive.tar.gz
config-file
new-config
```

# SSD Re-partitioning

You can configure SSD re-partitioning to increase the configuration storage space. This also increases the size of logflash storage. This configuration takes effect after a system reload, and the additional cfg and logflash storage space may decrease the size of the bootflash.

We recommend that you perform a backup of all the software images, configurations, and personal data before performing the SSD re-partitioning.

Starting with Release 10.5(1), you can automatically detect SSD partition size on the switch to match the expected configured size. An information syslog is seen during bootup in the **show logging log** or **show logging nvram** commands to indicate the switch booted with an unexpected SSD partitioning size.

```
%PLATFORM-2-SSD_PARTITION_CHECK: Incorrect <device> partition size detected - please contact
```

```
Cisco TAC for additional information
```

Extended partitioning scheme is not support for platforms with a 64GB SSD.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **system flash sda resize**

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                  |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>system flash sda resize</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><br><pre>switch# system flash sda resize ? &lt;CR&gt; extended  Cfg=1GB, logflash=39GB standard  Cfg=64MB, logflash=4 8GB</pre> | Resize persistent storage to new scheme. |

### Example

Following is an example for standard resize:

```
switch# system flash sda resize standard
```

```
!!!! WARNING !!!!
```

```
Attempts will be made to preserve drive contents during
the resize operation, but risk of data loss does exist.
Backing up of bootflash, logflash, and running configuration
is recommended prior to proceeding.
```

```
!!!! WARNING !!!!
```

```
current scheme is
```

```

sda            8:0    0 119.2G  0 disk
|-sda1         8:1    0   512M  0 part
|-sda2         8:2    0    32M  0 part /mnt/plog
|-sda3         8:3    0   128M  0 part /mnt/pss
|-sda4         8:4    0 114.5G  0 part
/isan/vdc_1/virtual-instance/guestshell+/rootfs/bootflash
|-sda5         8:5    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/0
|-sda6         8:6    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/1
|-sda7         8:7    0     4G  0 part /logflash

```

```

target scheme is
sda            8:0    0   64G|120GB|250GB  0 disk
|-sda1         8:1    0    512M  0 part
|-sda2         8:2    0    32M  0 part /mnt/plog
|-sda3         8:3    0   128M  0 part /mnt/pss
|-sda4         8:4    0   110.5G  0 part /bootflash
|-sda5         8:5    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/0
|-sda6         8:6    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/1
|-sda7         8:7    0     8G  0 part /logflash

```

Continue? (y/n) [n] y

A module reload is required for the resize operation to proceed  
Please, do not power off the module during this process.

Following is an example for extended resize:

```
switch# system flash sda resize extended
```

```
!!!! WARNING !!!!
```

Attempts will be made to preserve drive contents during  
the resize operation, but risk of data loss does exist.  
Backing up of bootflash, logflash, and running configuration  
is recommended prior to proceeding.

```
!!!! WARNING !!!!
```

```

current scheme is
sda            8:0    0 119.2G  0 disk
|-sda1         8:1    0   512M  0 part
|-sda2         8:2    0    32M  0 part /mnt/plog
|-sda3         8:3    0   128M  0 part /mnt/pss
|-sda4         8:4    0 110.5G  0 part /bootflash
|-sda5         8:5    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/0
|-sda6         8:6    0    64M  0 part /mnt/cfg/1
|-sda7         8:7    0     8G  0 part /logflash

```

```

target scheme is
sda            8:0    0 120GB|250GB  0 disk
|-sda1         8:1    0   512M  0 part
|-sda2         8:2    0    32M  0 part /mnt/plog
|-sda3         8:3    0   128M  0 part /mnt/pss
|-sda4         8:4    0    rem  0 part /bootflash
|-sda5         8:5    0   1.0G  0 part /mnt/cfg/0
|-sda6         8:6    0   1.0G  0 part /mnt/cfg/1
|-sda7         8:7    0    39G  0 part /logflash

```

Continue? (y/n) [n] y

A module reload is required for the resize operation to proceed  
Please, do not power off the module during this process.

# Enable or Disable Tech-Support Command

Follow the steps to enable or disable tech-support command.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. `system tech-support blocked-commands sample_list`
2. `clear system tech-support blocked-commands`

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|        | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Step 1 | <b>system tech-support blocked-commands sample_list</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# system tech-support blocked-commands<br/>sample_list<br/>Successfully enabled tech-support blocked commands<br/>list</pre> | Enables tech-support blocked commands list.<br><br>This command blocks the execution of show commands listed in <b>sample_list</b> from <b>show tech-support details [time-optimized]</b> , <b>show tech-support all [time-optimized]</b> , and <b>show tech-support commands</b> . The listed commands would not be executed and skipped for the above show-tech commands. |
| Step 2 | <b>clear system tech-support blocked-commands</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>switch# clear system tech-support blocked-commands<br/>Successfully cleared tech-support blocked commands<br/>list</pre>                 | Clears tech -support blocked commands list.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

# Displaying Tech-support Blocked CLIs

You can find the status of tech support **blocked-commands** list using the following commands.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. `show system tech-support blocked-commands status`
2. `run bash cat /bootflash/sample_list`

## DETAILED STEPS

### Procedure

|        | Command or Action                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                  |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>show system tech-support blocked-commands status</b><br><br><b>Example:</b> | Displays the status of tech support blocked commands list.<br><br>If the command list is enabled, it shows the file name |

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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|               | <pre>switch# show system tech-support blocked-commands status Tech-support blocked commands list status: Disabled switch# show system tech-support blocked-commands status Tech-support blocked commands list status: Enabled Blocked command file: /bootflash/sample_list Last modified time: Thu Dec 7 07:03:02 2023</pre> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <p><b>run bash cat /bootflash/sample_list</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>switch# run bash cat /bootflash/sample_list show version show inventory show module show tech-support snmp</pre>                                                                                                                               | <p>Displays the blocked-commands file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The maximum length of the file can be 128.</li> <li>• This is EXEC mode command but the <b>blocked-commands</b> would be effective as long as the file is kept at <i>/bootflash</i> and would persist across all the reloads.</li> <li>• If the file is removed, <b>blocked-commands</b> would be enabled but not effective as the file is removed.</li> <li>• This file needs read permission.</li> </ul> |

## Examples of Using the File System

This section includes examples of how to use the file system on the Cisco NX-OS device.

### Accessing Directories on Standby Supervisor Modules

This example shows how to list the files on the standby supervisor module:

```
switch# dir bootflash://sup-remote
 4096   Oct 03 23:55:55 2013  .patch/
...
 16384   Jan 01 13:23:30 2011  lost+found/
 297054208 Oct 21 18:55:36 2013  n9000-dk9.6.1.2.I1.1.bin
...

Usage for bootflash://sup-remote
1903616000 bytes used
19234234368 bytes free
21137850368 bytes total
```

This example shows how to delete a file on the standby supervisor module:

```
switch# delete bootflash://sup-remote/aOldConfig.txt
```

### Moving Files

This example shows how to move a file on an external flash device:

```
switch# move usb1:samplefile usb1:mystorage/samplefile
```

This example shows how to move a file in the default file system:

```
switch# move samplefile mystorage/samplefile
```

## Copying Files

This example shows how to copy the file called samplefile from the root directory of the usb1: file system to the mystorage directory:

```
switch# copy usb1:samplefile usb1:mystorage/samplefile
```

This example shows how to copy a file from the current directory level:

```
switch# copy samplefile mystorage/samplefile
```

This example shows how to copy a file from the active supervisor module bootflash to the standby supervisor module bootflash:

```
switch# copy bootflash:nx-os-image bootflash://sup-2/nx-os-image
```

This example shows how to overwrite the contents of an existing configuration in NVRAM:

```
switch# copy nvram:snapshot-config nvram:startup-config
```

```
Warning: this command is going to overwrite your current startup-config:  
Do you wish to continue? {y/n} [y] y
```

You can also use the **copy** command to upload and download files from the bootflash: file system to or from a FTP, TFTP, SFTP, or SCP server.

## Deleting a Directory

You can remove directories from the file systems on your device.

### Before you begin

Ensure that the directory is empty before you try to delete it.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. (Optional) **pwd**
2. (Optional) **dir** [filesystem :[/module/][directory]]
3. **rmdir** [filesystem :[/module/]]directory

## DETAILED STEPS

## Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | (Optional) <b>pwd</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# pwd                                                                               | Displays the name of your current default directory.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Step 2</b> | (Optional) <b>dir</b> [ <i>filesystem</i> :[ <i>//module/</i> ][ <i>directory</i> ]]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# dir bootflash:test | Displays the contents of the current directory. The file system, module, and directory names are case sensitive.<br><br>If the directory is not empty, you must delete all the files before you can delete the directory. |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>rmdir</b> [ <i>filesystem</i> :[ <i>//module/</i> ]] <i>directory</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>switch# rmdir test                     | Deletes a directory. The file system and directory name are case sensitive.                                                                                                                                               |

## Displaying File Contents

This example shows how to display the contents of a file on an external flash device:

```
switch# show file usb1:test
configure terminal
interface ethernet 1/1
no shutdown
end
show interface ethernet 1/1
```

This example shows how to display the contents of a file that resides in the current directory:

```
switch# show file myfile
```

## Displaying File Checksums

This example shows how to display the checksum of a file:

```
switch# show file bootflash:trunks2.cfg cksum
583547619
```

This example shows how to display the MD5 checksum of a file:

```
switch# show file bootflash:trunks2.cfg md5sum
3b94707198aabefcf46459de10c9281c
```

## Compressing and Uncompressing Files

This example shows how to compress a file:

```
switch# dir
1525859      Jul 04 00:51:03 2013 Samplefile
...
switch# gzip volatile:Samplefile
switch# dir
266069      Jul 04 00:51:03 2013 Samplefile.gz
...
```

This example shows how to uncompress a compressed file:

```
switch# dir
266069      Jul 04 00:51:03 2013 Samplefile.gz
...
switch# gunzip samplefile
switch# dir
1525859      Jul 04 00:51:03 2013 Samplefile
...
```

## Redirecting show Command Output

This example shows how to direct the output to a file on the bootflash: file system:

```
switch# show interface > bootflash:switch1-intf.cfg
```

This example shows how to direct the output to a file on external flash memory:

```
switch# show interface > usb1:switch-intf.cfg
```

This example shows how to direct the output to a file on a TFTP server:

```
switch# show interface > tftp://10.10.1.1/home/configs/switch-intf.cfg
Preparing to copy...done
```

This example shows how to direct the output of the **show tech-support** command to a file:

```
switch# show tech-support > Samplefile
Building Configuration ...
switch# dir
1525859      Jul 04 00:51:03 2013 Samplefile
Usage for volatile://
1527808 bytes used
19443712 bytes free
20971520 bytes total
```

## Finding Files

This example shows how to find a file in the current default directory:

```
switch# find smm_shm.cfg
/usr/bin/find: ./lost+found: Permission denied
./smm_shm.cfg
./newer-fs/isan/etc/routing-sw/smm_shm.cfg
./newer-fs/isan/etc/smm_shm.cfg
```