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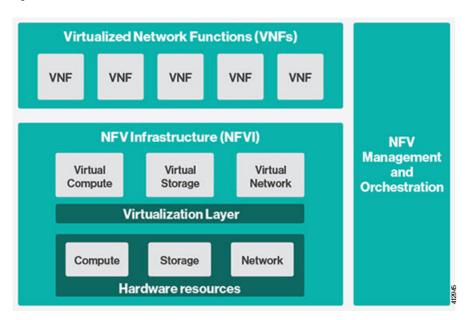
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Cisco Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Overview

Cisco Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure (NFVI) provides the virtual layer and hardware environment in which virtual network functions (VNFs) can operate. VNFs provide well-defined network functions such as routing, intrusion detection, domain name service (DNS), caching, network address translation (NAT), and other network functions. While these network functions require a tight integration between network software and hardware, the use of VNF enables to decouple the software from the underlying hardware.

The following figure shows the high level architecture of Cisco NFVI.

Figure 1: General NFV Infrastructure



Cisco NFVI includes a virtual infrastructure layer (Cisco VIM) that embeds the Red Hat OpenStack Platform (OSP 13). Cisco VIM includes the Queens release of OpenStack, which is an open source cloud operating system that controls large pools of compute, storage, and networking resources. Cisco VIM manages the OpenStack compute, network, and storage services, and all NFVI management and control functions. Key Cisco NFVI roles include:

- Control (including Networking)
- Compute
- Storage
- Management (including logging, and monitoring)

Hardware that is used to create the Cisco NFVI pods include a specific combination of the following based on pre-defined BOMs. For more details, contact Cisco VIM Product Management.

- Cisco UCS® C240 M4/M5: Performs management and storage functions and services. Includes dedicated Ceph (UCS 240-M4 or UCS 240-M5) distributed object store and file system. (Only Red Hat Ceph is supported).
- Cisco UCS C220/240 M4/M5: Performs control and compute services.

- HP DL360 Gen9: It is a third-party compute where the control plane is Cisco UCS servers.
- Cisco UCS 220/240 M4/M5 (SFF): In a Micropod environment, expandable to maximum of 16 computes.
- Cisco UCS B200 M4 blades: It can be used instead of the UCS C220 for compute and control services.
 The B200 blades and C240 Ceph server are connected with redundant Cisco Fabric Interconnects managed by UCS Manager.
- Combination of M5 series servers are supported in M5-based Micropod and VIC/NIC (pure 40G) based Hyper-Converged and Micropod offering.
- Quanta servers as an alternate to Cisco UCS servers: Use of specific Quanta servers for the installation
 of the cloud both at the core and edge. An automated install of Central Ceph cluster to the edge pods is
 supported for Glance image services.

The UCS C240 and C220 servers are of type M4 or M5 Small Form Factor (SFF) models where the nodes can boot off a pair of HDDs or SSD as specified in BOM. Each UCS C240, UCS C220, and UCS B200 have two 10 GE Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Cards.

The B-Series pod consists of Cisco UCS B200 M4 blades for the Cisco NFVI compute and controller nodes with dedicated Ceph on a UCS C240 M4. The blades and Ceph server are connected via redundant fabric interconnects (FIs) managed by Cisco UCS Manager. The Cisco VIM installer performs bare metal installation and deploys OpenStack services using Docker[™] containers to allow for OpenStack services and pod management software updates.

The following table shows the functions, hardware, and services managed by Cisco NFVI nodes.

Table 1: Cisco NFVI Node Functions

| Function | Number | Hardware | Services |
|------------|--------|--|--|
| Management | 1 | UCS C240 M4 SFF with 8, 16, or 24 1.2 TB HDDs (24 is recommended) UCS C240 M5 SFF with 8, 16, or 24 1.2 TB HDDs (24 is recommended) UCS C220 M5 SFF with 8x1.2 TB HDDs Quanta Server (D52BE-2U) with 2x1.2TB HDD Quanta Server (D52BQ-2U 3UPI) with 2x.3.8TB HDD | Cisco VIM Installer Cobbler server Docker Registry ELK server CVIM MON components: Prometheus and TSDB |

| Function | Number | Hardware | Services |
|----------|--------|---|--|
| Control | 3 | UCS C220/C240 M4/M5 with 2x 1.2 TB HDDs or 2x960G SSDs (in a Micropod or Full Pod environment) UCS B200 with two 1.2 TB HDDs Quanta Server (D52BE-2U) with 2x960 G SSD Quanta Server (D52BQ-2U 3UPI) with 2x960 G SSD for edge pod | Maria Database/Galera RabbitMQ HA Proxy/Keepalive Identity Service Image Service Compute management Network service Storage service Horizon dashboard Fluentd |
| Compute | 2+ | UCS C220/C240 M4/M5 with two 1.2 TB HDDs, or 2x9.6 GB SSDs (in a Micropod or Full Pod environment) UCS B200 with two 1.2 TB HDDs HP DL360 Gen9 Quanta Server (D52BE-2U/D52BQ-2U 3UPI) with 2x960 G SSD | Virtual Networking Service Compute service Fluentd |

| Function | Number | Hardware | Services |
|---------------|--|---|---|
| Storage | Storage 3 or SSD and HDD drives must be in a 1:4 ratio per storage node minimum. | | Storage service |
| | | Storage node configuration options: Fullon environment:: | |
| | | • UCS C240 M4/M5 with two internal SSDs, 1-4 external SSD, 4-20x- 1.2 TB HDDs | |
| | | • SSD-based Ceph: UCS C240 M4/M5 with 2 internal SSDs, minimum of 4 external SSDs, expandable to 24 SSDs | |
| | | • Quanta Server (D52BE-2U) HDD Based: 4 SSD 960GB for Journal + 16 SAS HDD (16x2.4 TB) for OSD + 2 (2x2.4 TB SAS 10krpm HDD) for OS | |
| | | • Quanta Server (D52BE-2U) SSD Based: 20 SSD (3.8 TB) OSD + 2 OSBoot (2x3.8TB SSD) | |
| | | Micropod/UMHC/NGENAHC environment: | |
| | | • UCS C240 M4/M5 with two 1.2TB HDD for OS boot, one/2 SSDs and 5/10x1.2 TB HDDs | |
| | | • UCS C240 M4/M5 with 2x960GB SSD for OS boot and 4 or 8 x960 GB SSDs | |
| Top of | 2 | Recommended Cisco Nexus 9000 series | ToR services |
| Rack (ToR) | | switch software versions: | • Cisco NCS 5500 provides ToR service |
| | | • 7.0(3)I4(6) • 7.0(3)I6(1) | with VIM running on C-series with Intel NIC and VPP as the mechanism driver for deployment. |
| | | Cisco NCS 5500 as ToRs or Cisco Nexus 9000 switches running ACI 3.0 (when ACI is used) | |



Note

- Internal SSD is the boot device for the storage node
- You can use any ToR that supports virtual port channel. Cisco recommends you to use Cisco Nexus 9000 SKUs as ToR, which is released as part of Cisco VIM. When Cisco NCS 5500 acts as a ToR, auto-ToR config is mandatory.
- You must use the automated ToR configuration feature for Cisco NCS 5500.

Software applications that manage Cisco NFVI hosts and services include:

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6 with OpenStack Platform 13.0—Provides the core operating system with OpenStack capability. RHEL 7.6 and OPS 13.0 are installed on all target Cisco NFVI nodes.
- Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager (VIM)—An OpenStack orchestration system that helps to deploy
 and manage an OpenStack cloud offering from bare metal installation to OpenStack services, taking into
 account hardware and software redundancy, security and monitoring. Cisco VIM includes the OpenStack
 Queens release with more features and usability enhancements that are tested for functionality, scale,
 and performance.
- Cisco Unified Management—Deploys, provisions, and manages Cisco VIM on Cisco UCS servers.
- Cisco UCS Manager—Used to perform certain management functions when UCS B200 blades are installed. Supported UCS Manager firmware versions are 2.2(5a) and above.
- Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC)— Cisco IMC 2.0(13i) or later is supported, when installing Cisco VIM 2.4.

For the Cisco IMC lineup, the recommended version is as follows:

| UCS-M4 servers | Recommended: Cisco IMC 2.0(13n) or later. It is |
|----------------|--|
| | also recommended to switch to 3.0(3a) or later for |
| | pure intel NIC based pods. |

For Cisco IMC 3.x/4.y lineup, the recommended version is as follows:

| UCS-M4 servers | Cisco IMC versions are 3.0(3a) or later, except for 3.0(4a). Recommended: Cisco IMC 3.0(4d). |
|----------------|--|
| | Expanded support of CIMC 4.0(1a), 4.0(1b), 4.0(1c). Only if your servers are based on Cisco VIC, you can move to 4.0(2f). |
| UCS-M5 servers | Support CIMC 3.1(2b), 4.0(1a), 4.0(1c), 4.0(2f), and 4.0(4d). Do not use 3.1(3c) to 3.1(3h), 3.0(4a), 4.0(2c), or 4.0(2d). |
| | The Bundle version of a minimum of CIMC 4.0(4d) is needed for Cascade Lake support. |

Enables embedded server management for Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers. Supports Cisco IMC firmware versions of 2.0(13i) or greater for the fresh install of Cisco VIM. Because of recent security

fixes, we recommend you to upgrade Cisco IMC to 2.0(13n) or higher. Similarly, Cisco IMC version of 3.0 lineup is supported. For this, you must install Cisco IMC 3.0 (3a) or above.

The Quanta servers need to run with a minimum version of BMC and BIOS as listed below:

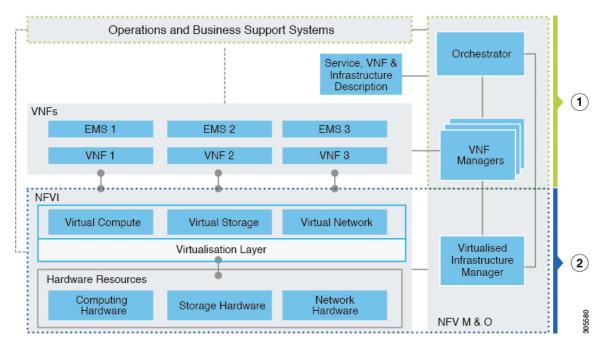
| SKU Type | BMC Version | BIOS Version |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| D52BQ-2U 3UPI (CDC SKU) | 4.54 | 3A11.BT10 |
| D52BE-2U (GC SKU) | 4.60 | 3A11.BT15 |

- Cisco Virtual Topology System (VTS)—It is an open, overlay management and provisioning system for data center networks. VTS automates DC overlay fabric provisioning for physical and virtual workloads. This is an optional service that is available through Cisco VIM.
- Cisco Virtual Topology Forwarder (VTF)—Included with VTS. VTF leverages Vector Packet Processing (VPP) to provide high performance Layer 2 and Layer 3 VXLAN packet forwarding.

Two Cisco VNF orchestration and management applications that are used with Cisco NFVI include:

- Cisco Network Services Orchestrator, enabled by Tail-f—Provides end-to-end orchestration spanning multiple network domains to address NFV management and orchestration (MANO) and software-defined networking (SDN). For information about Cisco NSO, see Network Services Orchestrator Solutions.
- Cisco Elastic Services Controller—Provides a single point of control to manage all aspects of the NFV lifecycle for VNFs. ESC allows you to automatically instantiate, monitor, and elastically scale VNFs end-to-end. For information about Cisco ESC, see the Cisco Elastic Services Controller Data Sheet.

Figure 2: NFVI Architecture With Cisco NFVI, Cisco NSO, and Cisco ESC



At a high level, the NFVI architecture includes a VNF Manager and NFV Infrastructure.

- Cisco Network Services Orchestrator
 - Cisco Elastic Services Controller
- 2 | Cisco NFVI:
 - Cisco VIM +
 - Cisco UCS/Quanta/3rd Party Compute and Cisco Nexus Hardware +
 - Logging and Monitoring Software +
 - Cisco Virtual Topology Services (optional) +
 - Accelerated Switching with VPP (optional)
 - Cisco Unified Management (optional)
 - Pod Monitoring (optional)

For cloud networking, Cisco NFVI supports Open vSwitch over VLAN as the cloud network solution for both UCS B-series and UCS C-Series pods. Both B-Series and C-Series deployments support provider networks over VLAN.

In addition, with a C-series pod, you can choose:

- To run with augmented performance mechanism by replacing OVS/LB with VPP/VLAN (for Intel NIC).
- To have cloud that is integrated with VTC which is an SDN controller option.

The Cisco NFVI uses OpenStack services running inside containers with HAProxy load balancing and providing high availability to API and management network messaging. Transport Layer Security (TLS) protects the API network from external users to the HAProxy. Cisco VIM installation also includes service assurance, OpenStack CloudPulse, built-in control, and data plane validation. Day two pod management allows you to add and remove both compute and Ceph nodes, and replace the controller nodes. The Cisco VIM installation embeds all necessary RHEL licenses as long as you use the Cisco VIM supported BOM and the corresponding release artifacts.

The following illustration shows a detailed view of the Cisco NFVI architecture and the Cisco NFVI installation flow.

North Bound APIs

Virtual Network Functions
Cisco and Third Party

CSR ASAlv VALAM VPS

VAE Manager

Virtualized Infrastructure mainled by Tail of Party

Virtualized Infrastructure Manager

Cisco VM based on RMIL CSP

Unux (RMIL Hyper Visor (ICVM), Host Rekapp, Software Period Storage

Cisco Physical Infrastructure

Outribution and Marchare Setup

Display

Deploy

Deploy

Operate

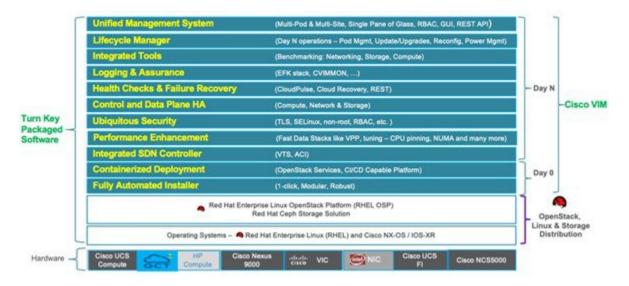
Figure 3: Detailed Cisco NFVI Architecture View

Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Manager Overview

Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Manager (VIM) is a fully automated cloud lifecycle management system. Cisco VIM helps to bring up a fully functional cloud in hours, with integrated end-to-end control and data plane verification in place. Cisco VIM offers fully automated day 1 to day n cloud lifecycle management. These include capabilities such as pod scaling (expansion), software update, upgrade, or reconfigure parameters, consolidated logging with rotation and export, software update and upgrade. These have been implemented in line with the operational and security best practices of service providers and enterprises.

The following figure provides the high-level overview of all day-0 and day-n items of Cisco VIM.

Figure 4: Cisco VIM Capability Overview



Cisco VIM Features

Cisco VIM is the only standalone fully automated cloud lifecycle manager offering from Cisco for a private cloud. The current version of VIM integrates with Cisco UCS C-series (with or without HP as third-party Compute) or B-series, or Quanta (D52BQ-2U 3UPI or D52BE-2U) servers, and Cisco VIC or Intel NIC. This document and its accompanying administrator guide help the cloud administrators to set up and manage the private cloud.

Following are the features of the Cisco VIM:

| Feature Name | Comments |
|-------------------------|---|
| OpenStack Version | RHEL 7.6 with OSP 13 (Queens). |
| Hardware Support Matrix | 1. UCS C220/B200 M4 controller or compute with Intel V3 (Haswell). |
| | 2. UCS C240/220 M4 controller or compute + Intel V4 (Broadwell). |
| | 3. HP DL360 Gen 9 with control plane on Cicso UCS M4 servers |
| | 4. UCS C220/240 M5 in Micropod environment, with an option to add up to 16 220/240-M5 computes. |
| | 5. UCS C240/220 M5 controller or compute with Intel X710 support with SRIOV and Cisco Nexus 9000 /Cisco NCS-5500 series switch as ToR. Support of Skylake and Cascade Lake on M5s |
| | 6. Quanta servers as an alternate to Cisco UCS servers for Full on and edge deployment of the cloud. |
| | 7. Quanta servers for Central Ceph cluster for Edge pod to offer glance image services. |
| NIC support | 1. Cisco VIC: VIC 1227, 1240, 1340, 1380, 1387 (for M5) in 40G VIC/NIC offering, 1457. |
| | 2. Intel NIC: X710, 520, XL710, xxv710 (25G). |

Cisco VIM Features

| POD Type | |
|----------|--|

- 1. Fullon: Dedicated control, compute, and storage (C-series) node running on Cisco VIC (M4) or Intel X710 (for M4 or M5) (full on) with Cisco Nexus 9000 or Cisco NCS 5500 series switch (only for Intel NIC and VPP as mechanism driver) as ToR. For fullon pods based on Quanta (D52BE-2U) servers, the NIC is xxv710 (25G) with Cisco Nexus 9000 as ToR.
- 2. Dedicated control, compute, and storage (C-series) node running on Cisco VIC and Intel NIC (full on) with Cisco Nexus 9000 as ToR. Only SRIOV is supported on Intel NIC. Support of Intel X520 (with 2 NIC cards/compute) on M4 pods or XL710 (2 or 4 NIC cards/compute) on M4/M5 pods for SRIOV cards in the VIC/NIC combination. Few computes can run with/without SRIOV in a given pod. For M4 pods, VIC/NIC computes running XL710 and X520 can reside in the same pod.
- 3. Dedicated control, compute, and storage (UCS M5 SFF C-series) node running on Cisco VIC 1457 and Intel xxv710 NIC (full on) with Cisco Nexus 9000 as ToR. Only SRIOV is supported on Intel NIC. With VPP and OVS as the mechanism driver, the number of SRIOV ports are 2 or 4, respectively.
- Expanding the VTS support to include UCS-M5 computes with Cisco VIC 1457 in an existing M4-based pod running on VIC 1227
- **5.** Dedicated control, compute, and storage (B-Series) node running on Cisco NIC.
- 6. Micropod: Integrated (AIO) control, compute, and storage (C-series) node running on Cisco VIC, Intel X710X or VIC and NIC combo. Micropod can be optionally expanded to accommodate more computes (up to 16) running with the same NIC type. This can be done as a day-0 or day-1 activity. The computes can boot off HDD or SSD. Intel NIC-based Micropod supports SRIOV, with the M5-based Micropod supporting only XL710 as an option for SRIOV.
- 7. Hyper-converged on M4(UMHC): Dedicated control and compute nodes, with all storage acting as compute nodes (M4 C-series) and running on a combination of 1-Cisco VIC (1227) and 2x10GE 520 or 2x40GE 710XL Intel NIC with an option to migrate from one to another. The pod can be extended to M5-based computes with 40G Cisco VIC along with 2x40GE 710XLNIC (optionally).

Note In a full-on (VIC based), or hyper-converged pod, computes can either have a combination of 1-Cisco VIC (1227) and (2x10GE 520/2x40GE 710XL Intel NIC) or 1-CiscoVIC

| | (1227). The compute running pure Cisco VIC does not run SR-IOV. In 2.4, Cisco supports HP DL360 Gen9 as third-party compute. A mix of computes from different vendors for |
|--------------------|--|
| | the same pod is not supported. |
| | 8. NGENA Hyper-Converged (NGENAHC): Dedicated control and compute nodes, with all storage acting as compute (C-series) nodes. All nodes have a combination of 1-Cisco VIC (1227) for control plane, and 1x10GE 710X Intel NIC for Data plane over VPP. |
| | 9. Hyper-Converged on M5: Dedicated control and compute nodes, with all storage acting as compute (C-series) nodes, running on a combination of 1-Cisco VIC (40G) and 2x40GE 710XL Intel NIC. |
| | 10. Edge: Available with restricted power and limited rack space. Quanta (D52BQ-2U 3UPI) servers with three converged control and compute nodes, expandable to 16 additional compute nodes. The edge cloud communicates with Quanta server based Central Ceph cluster for glance service. Persistent storage is not available. |
| | 11. Ceph: Designed to provide glance image services to edge cloud. Quanta (D52BE-2U) servers with three converged ccephontrol and cephosd nodes, expandable to additional cephosd nodes for additional storage. |
| ToR and FI support | 1. For VTS-based installation, use the following Nexus version: 7.0(3)I2(2a) 7.0(3)I6(2) andd 7.0(3)I7(5a). |
| | 2. For the mechanism driver other than VTS, use the following Nexus software version: 7.0(3)I4(6) 7.0(3)I6(1). |
| | If you are using auto-ToR configuration and CONFIGURE_TORS set to True, the nxos version - 7.0(3)I6(1) automation fails irrespective of the mechanism driver due to the defect CSCve16902. |
| | 3. UCS-FI-6296. |
| | 4. Support of Cisco NCS 5500 (with recommended Cisco IOS XR version 6.1.33.02I or 6.5.1) with splitter cable option. Also, extending day-0 configuration to support user defined route-target and ethernet segment id (ESI) |

| IPv6 Support for Management Network | 1. Static IPv6 management assignment for servers | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| | 2. Support of IPv6 for NTP, DNS, LDAP, external syslog server, and AD. | |
| | 3. Support of IPv6 for the Cloud API endpoint. | |
| | 4. Support of CIMC over IPv6 | |
| | 5. RestAPI over IPv6 | |
| | 6. Support of UM over IPv6 | |
| Mechanism drivers | OVS/VLAN, VPP (19.04)/VLAN (Fast Networking, Fast Data FD.io VPP/VLAN, based on the FD.io VPP fast virtual switch over intel NIC). | |
| SDN controller integration | VTS 2.6.2 with optional feature of Managed VTS; ACI (ships in the night, or ToR automation via APIC API) with Cisco VIC or Intel NIC on the UCS C-series M4 platform. | |
| Install methodology | Fully automated online or offline installation. Support of Cisco VIM Software Hub to mitigate the problem associated with logistics of USB distribution for air-gapped installation. | |
| | | |
| | Support of USB 3.0 64GB for M5 and Quanta based Management node. Support of UCS 2.0 64GB for M4 based management node. | |
| Scale | 1. LA: Total of 120 nodes (compute and OSD) with Ceph OSD max at 20. | |
| | Note It is recommended to deploy 30 nodes at a time. Also, after day-0, you can add only one ceph node at a time. | |
| | 2. Micropod: Maximum of 16 standalone compute nodes. | |
| | Note Ceph OSDs can be either HDD or SSD based across the pod. Computes can boot off 2x1.2TB HDD or 2x960GB SSD). In the same pod, some computes can have SSD, while others can have HDD. | |
| | | |

| Automated pod life cycle management | 1. Add or remove compute and Ceph nodes and replace the controller node. |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| | 2. Static IP management for storage network |
| | 3. Reduction of tenant/provider VLAN via reconfiguration to a minimum of two. |
| | 4. Reconfiguration of passwords and selected optional services. |
| | 5. Automated software update |
| Platform security | Secure OS, RBAC, network isolation, TLS, source IP filtering, Keystone v3, Bandit, CSDL-compliant, hardened OS, SELinux. |
| | Change the CIMC password post install for maintenance and security. |
| | Non-root log in for Administrators. |
| | Read-only role available for OpenStack users. |
| | Enabling custom policy for VNF Manager. |
| | Optionally, you can disable the reachability of the management node to the cloud API network. |
| | Hosting of Horizon behind NAT or with a DNS alias |
| | Cinder volume encryption via LUKS |
| | Support of configurable login banner for SSH sessions |
| | Access of NFVIMON via non-root user |
| | • Introduction of Vault to encrypt secrets. |
| EPA | NUMA, CPU pinning, huge pages, SRIOV with Intel NIC. |
| | Ability to allocate user defined CPU (upto 6) cores to VPP. |
| | Ability to allocate user defined CPU (upto 12) cores to Ceph for Micropod and hyper-converged nodes. |
| HA and Reliability | Redundancy at hardware and software level. |
| | 2. Automated backup and restore of the management node. |
| Unified Management Support | Single pane of glass in a single or multi instance (HA) mode. Supports multi-tenancy and manages multiple pods from one instance. |
| Central Logging | ELK integrated with external syslog (over v4 or v6) for a log offload, with optional support of NFS with ELK snapshot. |

| External Syslog Servers | Support of multiple external syslog servers over IPv4 or IPv6. The minimum and the maximum number of external syslog servers that is supported is 1 and 3, respectively | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| VM Migration | Cold migration and resizing. | | |
| | Live migration with OVS as mechanism driver. | | |
| Storage | Object store with SwiftStack, Block storage with Ceph, or NetApp. | | |
| | Option to use Ceph for Glance and SolidFire for Cinder. | | |
| | Option to have multi-backend (HDD and SSD based) Ceph in the same cluster to support various I/O requirements and latency. | | |
| Monitoring | CVIM-MON for monitoring, as a Cisco solution over v4 and/or v6. | | |
| | Ceilometer for resource tracking and alarming capabilities across core OpenStack components | | |
| | Third-party integration with Zenoss (called NFVIMON) | | |
| Optional OpenStack features | Enable trusted Virtual Function on a per server basis | | |
| | DHCP reservation for virtual MAC addresses | | |
| Support of External Auth System | LDAP with anonymous bind option. | | |
| | 2. Active Directory (AD) | | |
| Software update | Update of cloud software for bug fixes on the same release. | | |
| Software upgrade | Upgrade of non-VTS cloud from release 3.2.1/3.2.2 to release 3.4.0. | | |
| CIMC Upgrade Capability | Central management tool to upgrade the CIMC bundle image of one or more servers. | | |
| VPP port mirroring | Ability to trace or capture packets for debugging and other | | |
| | administrative purposes. | | |
| VXLAN extension into the cloud | Extending native external VXLAN network intoVNFs in the cloud. | | |
| | Support of Layer 3 adjacency for BGP. | | |
| | Support of single VXLAN or multi-VXLAN (with head-end replication as an option) network terminating on the same compute node. | | |
| | Note Only two-VXLAN network is supported for now. | | |

| Power Management of Computes | Option to power off or on computes selectively to conserve energy. |
|--|---|
| Technical support for CIMC | Collection of technical support for CIMC. |
| Enable TTY logging as an option | Enables TTY logging and forwards the log to external syslog server and ELK stack running on management node. Optionally, log is sent to remote syslog if that option is available |
| Power management of computes | Option to selectively turn OFF or ON the power of computes to conserve energy |
| Unified Management authentication | Supports authentication through local and LDAP. |
| CIMC authentication via LDAP | Support of authentication through LDAP as an option. |
| Support of workload types | Extending Cisco VIM to support bare-metal (ironic based) and container (Cisco Container Platform) based workloads. |
| Cloud adaptation for low latency workload | Enable real-time kernel to support on edge pod Automated BIOS configuration Custom flavor is supported |
| Automated enablement of Intel X710/XL710 NIC's PXE configuration on Cisco UCS-C series | Utility to update Intel X710/XL710 NIC's PXE configuration on Cisco UCS-C series. |
| Disk maintenance for Pod Nodes | Ability to replace faulty disks on the Pod nodes without the need for add, remove or replace node operation. |
| Integrated Test Tools | 1. Open Source Data-plane Performance Benchmarking: VMTP (an open source data plane VM to the VM performance benchmarking tool) and NFVbench (NFVI data plane and a service chain performance benchmarking tool). Extending VMTP to support v6 over provider network. |
| | NFVbench support for VXLAN. Services Health Checks Integration: Cloudpulse and |
| | Cloudsanity. |



Note

Configure the LACP on the data plane ports of the Cisco Nexus 9000 ToR, when Cisco VIM is running on Intel NIC for data plane with VPP as the mechanism driver. When Cisco NCS 5500 is the ToR (with mechanism driver VPP), the LACP configuration on the data plane is done through the Auto-ToR configuration feature of Cisco VIM.

Cisco VIM Networking Overview

Cisco VIM supports installation on two different type of pods. The blade B-series and rack C-series based offering supports NICs that are from Cisco (called as Cisco VIC). You can choose the C-series pod to run in a pure Intel NIC environment, and thereby obtain SRIOV support on the C-series pod. This section calls out the differences in networking between the Intel NIC and Cisco VIC installations.

To achieve network level security and isolation of tenant traffic, Cisco VIM segments the various OpenStack networks. The Cisco NFVI network includes six different segments in the physical infrastructure (underlay). These segments are presented as VLANs on the Top-of-Rack (ToR) Nexus switches (except for the provider network) and as vNIC VLANs on Cisco UCS servers. You must allocate subnets and IP addresses to each segment. Cisco NFVI network segments include: API, external, management and provisioning, storage, tenant and provider.

API Segment

The API segment needs one VLAN and two IPv4 addresses (four if you are installing Cisco VTS) in an externally accessible subnet different from the subnets assigned to other Cisco NFVI segments. These IP addresses are used for:

- OpenStack API end points. These are configured within the control node HAProxy load balancer.
- · Management node external connectivity.
- Cisco Virtual Topology Services (VTS) if available in your Cisco NFVI package.
- Virtual Topology Controller (VTC). It is optional for VTS.

External Segment

The external segment needs one VLAN to configure the OpenStack external network. You can provide the VLAN during installation in the Cisco NFVI setup_data.yaml file, but you must configure the actual subnet using the OpenStack API after the installation. Use the external network to assign OpenStack floating IP addresses to VMs running on Cisco NFVI.

Management and Provisioning Segment

The management and provisioning segment needs one VLAN and one subnet with an address pool large enough to accommodate all the current and future servers planned for the pod for initial provisioning (PXE boot Linux) and, thereafter, for all OpenStack internal communication. This VLAN and subnet can be local to Cisco NFVI for C-Series deployments. For B-Series pods, the UCS Manager IP and management network must be routable. You must statically configure Management IP addresses of Nexus switches and Cisco UCS server Cisco IMC IP addresses, and not through DHCP. They must be through the API segment. The management/provisioning subnet can be either internal to Cisco NFVI (that is, in a lab it can be a non-routable subnet limited to Cisco NFVI only for C-Series pods), or it can be an externally accessible and routable subnet. All Cisco NFVI nodes (including the Cisco VTC node) need an IP address from this subnet.

Storage Segment

Cisco VIM has a dedicated storage network used for Ceph monitoring between controllers, data replication between storage nodes, and data transfer between compute and storage nodes. The storage segment needs one VLAN and /29 or larger subnet internal to Cisco NFVI to carry all Ceph replication traffic. All the participating nodes in the pod will have IP addresses on this subnet.

Tenant Segment

The tenant segment needs one VLAN and a subnet large enough to manage pod tenant capacity internal to Cisco NFVI to carry all tenant virtual network traffic. Only Cisco NFVI control and compute nodes have IP addresses on this subnet. The VLAN/subnet can be local to Cisco NFVI.

Provider Segment

Provider networks are optional for Cisco NFVI operations but are often used for real VNF traffic. You can allocate one or more VLANs for provider networks after installation is completed from OpenStack.

Cisco NFVI renames interfaces based on the network type it serves. The segment Virtual IP (VIP) name is the first letter of the segment name. Combined segments use the first character from each segment for the VIP, with the exception of provisioning whose interface VIP name is "mx" instead of "mp" to avoid ambiguity with the provider network. The following table shows Cisco NFVI network segments, usage, and network and VIP names.

Table 2: Cisco NFVI Networks

| Network | Usage | Network Name | VIP Name |
|---|---|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Management/Provisioning | OpenStack control plane traffic. Application package downloads. Server management; management node connects to servers on this network. Host default route. PXE booting servers during bare metal installations. | Management and provisioning | mx |
| API | Clients connect to API network to interface with OpenStack APIs. OpenStack Horizon dashboard. Default gateway for HAProxy container. Integration with endpoints served by SwiftStack cluster for native object storage, cinder backup service or Identity service with LDAP or AD. | api | a |
| Tenant | VM to VM traffic. For example, VXLAN traffic. | tenant | t |
| External | Access to VMs using floating IP addresses. | external | e |
| Storage Transit network for storage back-end. Storage traffic between VMs and Ceph nodes. | | storage | S |
| Provider Network | Direct access to existing network infrastructure. | provider | p |

| Network | Usage | Network Name | VIP Name |
|---------------|--|----------------------|-------------|
| Installer API | Administrator uses installer API network to ssh to the management node. Administrator connects to installer API to interface with secured services. For example, Kibana on the management node. | VIM installer API | br_api |

For each C-series pod node, two vNICs are created using different ports and bonded for redundancy for each network. Each network is defined in setup_data.yaml using the naming conventions listed in the preceding table. The VIP Name column provides the bonded interface name (for example, mx or a) while each vNIC name has a 0 or 1 appended to the bonded interface name (for example, mx0, mx1, a0, a1).

The Cisco NFVI installer creates the required vNICs, host interfaces, bonds, and bridges with mappings created between all elements. The number and type of created vNICs, interfaces, bonds, and bridges depend on the Cisco NFVI role assigned to the UCS server. For example, the controller node has more interfaces than the compute or storage nodes. The following table shows the networks that are associated with each Cisco NFVI server role.

Table 3: Cisco NFVI Network-to-Server Role Mapping

| | Management Node | Controller Node | Compute Node | Storage Node |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Management/Provisioning | + | + | + | + |
| API | | + | | |
| Tenant | | + | + | |
| Storage | | + | + | + |
| Provider | | +** | + | |
| External | | + | | |



Note

** Provider network is extended to controller nodes, when VMs are on provider network with virtio

The network arrangement on third-party HP compute is slightly different from that of Cisco compute running with Intel NIC, because the HP computes have 2 less NIC ports than that are available in the Cisco Intel NIC BOM.

Following table lists the differences in the network arrangement between the Cisco compute and third-party HP compute.

| Network Interface | Cisco UCS Ce220/Ce240M4/M5 Compute | HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 and Quanta Compute |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| mx | Management control plane network | N/A |

| Network Interface | Cisco UCS Ce220/Ce240M4/M5 Compute | HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 and Quanta Compute | |
|-------------------|--|---|--|
| samxpet | | Control and data plane network for everything other than SRIOV: | |
| | | 1. Management network on "br_mgmt" bridge interface with "samxpet" main interface as one of the member interface (native VLAN configuration required on the top-of-rack switches) | |
| | | 2. Storage network on the sub-interface "samxpet. <storage vlan="">"</storage> | |
| | | 3. Tenant and provider networks on veth interface "pet/pet-out" as one of the member interface with "br_mgmt" bridge interface | |
| p | Provider data plane network | | |
| sriov[0-3] | Provider data plane SRIOV networks | Provider data plane SRIOV networks | |
| S | Storage control and data plane network | N/A | |
| t | Tenant data plane network | N/A | |

In the initial Cisco NFVI deployment, two bridges are created on the controller nodes, and interfaces and bonds are attached to these bridges. The br_api bridge connects the API (a) interface to the HAProxy. The HAProxy and Keepalive container has VIPs running for each OpenStack API endpoint. The br_mgmt bridge connects the Management and Provisioning (mx) interface to the HAProxy container as well.

The following diagram shows the connectivity between Cisco NFVI nodes and networks.

Storage
External

API

Provider

Tenant

Management/Provision

APIC Nodes

Nodes

Storage

VTC Node
(optional)

APIC Nodes
(for ACI)

Figure 5: Cisco NFVI Network Connectivity

Supported Layer 2 networking protocols include:

- VLAN over Open vswitch(SRIOV with Intel 710NIC).
- VLAN over VPP/VLAN for C-series Only.
- Single Root Input/Output Virtualization (SRIOV) for UCS B-Series pods. SRIOV allows a single physical PCI Express to be shared on a different virtual environment. The SRIOV offers different virtual functions to different virtual components, for example, network adapters, on a physical server.

The footprint of the cloud offering supported by Cisco VIM has continued to evolve over multiple releases to support customer needs that can vary across multiple dimensions such as cloud capacity, power, physical space, and affordability. The following table shows the available Cisco NFVI hardware and data path deployment combinations.

Table 4: Cisco NFVI Hardware and Data Path Deployment Combination

| POD Type | NIC Type | Hardware Vendor | Mechanism Driver | TOR Type |
|----------|-----------|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| fullon | Cisco VIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN | N9K |
| fullon | Cisco VIC | UCS B Series | OVS/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K |

^{*} For C series, Cisco VIM Non-routable is recommended.
For B series, UCSM IP should be reachable from the management network.

| POD Type | NIC Type | Hardware Vendor | Mechanism Driver | TOR Type |
|----------|--|--|---|-----------------|
| fullon | Cisco VIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 with 1457 computes | VTF with VTC (VXLAN) | N9K |
| fullon | Intel NIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K |
| fullon | Intel NIC | Quanta D52BQ-2U 3UPI | OVS/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K |
| fullon | Intel NIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | VPP/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K NCS-5500 |
| fullon | VIC for Control & Intel NIC for Data Plane | UCS C series M4 with HP as third-party Compute | OVS/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K |
| fullon | Cisco VIC with Intel NIC | UCS C series M4/M5 computes UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN (VIC) with SRIOV (Intel NIC) | N9K |
| micro | Cisco VIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN | N9K |
| micro | Intel NIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN | N9K |
| micro | Intel NIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | VPP/VLAN | N9K NCS-5500 |
| UMHC | Cisco VIC with Intel NIC | UCS C series M4 UCS C series M5 | OVS/VLAN (VIC) with SRIOV (Intel NIC) | N9K |
| NGENAHC | VIC for Control & Intel NIC for Data Plane | UCS C series M4 | VPP/VLAN | N9K |
| edge | Intel NIC | Quanta D52BE-2U | OVS/VLAN with SRIOV | N9K |
| ceph | Intel NIC | Quanta D52BQ-2U 3UPI | N/A | N9K |

In the above table:

- fullon indicates the dedicated control, compute and ceph nodes.
- micro indicates converged control, compute and ceph nodes with expandable computes.

- Hyperconverged (HC) indicates dedicated control and compute nodes, but all ceph nodes are compute nodes.
- edge indicates converged control and compute nodes with expandable computes. It communicates with Central ceph cluster for Glance Image service. Persistent storage is not supported.
- ceph indicates converged cephcontrol & cephosd nodes, with an option to add cephosd nodes for glance image services.



Note

The SRIOV support is applicable only for Intel NIC-based pods.



Note

VTF with VTC is only supported on C-series Cisco VIC.

Pod with Intel NICs— In case of the pod having Intel NICs (X710), the networking is slightly different. You need to have atleast two NICs (4x10G) on a single server to support NIC level redundancy. Each NIC is connected to each ToR (connections explained later in the chapter). Since vNICs are not supported in the Intel card, bond the physical interfaces at the host and then create sub-interfaces based on the segment VLAN. Lets call the two NIC cards as NIC_1 and NIC_2 and call their four ports as A, B, C, D. Unlike Cisco VIC based pod, the traffic here is classified as follows:

- 1. Control plane
- 2. Data plane (external, tenant and non-SRIOV provider network).
- **3.** SRIOV (optional for provider network). If SRIOV is used, the data plane network only carries external and tenant network traffic.

Control Plane

The control plane is responsible for carrying all the control and management traffic of the cloud. The traffic that flows through control plane are:

- 1. Management/Provision
- 2. Storage
- **3.** API

The control plane interface is created by bonding the NIC_1 A port with NIC_2 A port. The bonded interface name is called as samx, indicating that it is carrying Storage, API, Management/Provision traffic (naming convention is similar to Cisco VIC pod). The slave interfaces (physical interfaces) of the bonded interface are renamed as samx0 and samx1. samx0 belongs to NIC_1 and samx1 belongs to NIC_2. Sub interfaces are then carved out of this samx interface based on the Storage, API VLANs. The management/provision traffic will be untagged/native VLAN in order to support pxe booting.

Data Plane

The data plane is responsible for carrying all the VM data traffic. The traffic that flows through the data plane are

• Tenant

- Provider
- External

The data plane is created by bonding the NIC_1 B port with NIC_2 B port. The bonded interface name here would be pet, indicating that it is carrying Provider, External and Tenant traffic. The slave interfaces of this bonded interface would be visible as pet0 and pet1 pet0 belongs to the NIC_1 and pet1 belongs to NIC_2.

In case of OVS/VLAN, the "pet" interface is used as it is (trunked to carry all the data VLANs) to the Openstack cloud, as all the tagging and untagging happens at the Openstack level. In case of Linux Bridge/VXLAN, there will be sub-interface for tenant VLAN to act as the VXLAN tunnel endpoint.

SRIOV

In case of Intel NIC pod, the third (and optionally the fourth) port from each NIC can be used for SRIOV traffic. This is optional and is set or unset through a setup_data.yaml parameter. Unlike the control and data plane interfaces, these interfaces are not bonded and hence there is no redundancy. Each SRIOV port can have maximum of 32 Virtual Functions and the number of virtual function to be created are configurable through the setup_data.yaml. The interface names of the SRIOV will show up as sriov0 and sriov1 on each host, indicating that sriov0 belongs to NIC_1 C port and sriov1 belongs to NIC_2 C port.

In the case of Intel NIC pod, the following table summarizes the above discussion

| Network | Usage | Type of traffic | Interface name |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Control Plane | To carry control/management traffic | Storage, API, Management/Provision | samx |
| Data Plane | To carry data traffic | Provider, External, Tenant | pet |
| SRIOV | To carry SRIOV traffic | SRIOV | sriov0, sriov1 |

The following table shows the interfaces that are present on each type of server (role based).

| | Management Node | Controller Node | Compute Node | Storage Node |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Installer API | + | | | |
| Control plane | + | + | + | + |
| Data plane | | + | + | |
| SRIOV | | | + | |



Note

On an Intel pod, all kind of OpenStack networks are created using the **physnet1** as the physnet name.

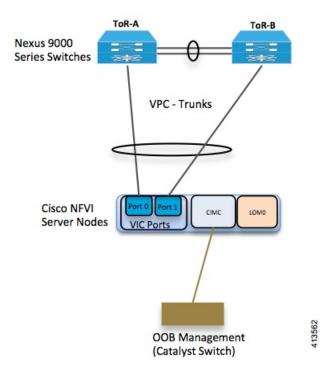
UCS C-Series Network Topologies

Cisco NFVI UCS servers connect to the ToR switches using Cisco UCS dual-port Virtual Interface Cards (VICs). The VIC is an Enhanced Small Form-Factor Pluggable (SFP+) 10 Gigabit Ethernet and Fiber Channel

over Ethernet (FCoE)-capable PCI Express (PCIe) card designed for Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers. Each port connects to a different ToR using a Virtual Port Channel (VPC). Each VIC is configured with multiple vNICs that correspond to specific Cisco VIM networks. The UCS Cisco IMC port is connected to an out-of-band (OOB) Cisco management switch.

The following figure shows the UCS C-Series pod Cisco NFVI host to ToR topology.

Figure 6: UCS C-Series Host to ToR Topology



In the case of Intel NIC, a single two port Cisco VIC in the preceding diagram, is replaced with two 4-port 710 Intel NIC. An extra Intel NIC is added to provide card level redundancy.

N9K 1 N9K2 NIC 1 B NIC 2 B - Data plane Port Channe TICS el X710 4x10G tel X710 4x10G samx1 pet1 samx0 pet0 Data Plane Control Plane (bonded) samx not bonded Controller/Compute Compute Control

Figure 7: UCS C-Series Intel NIC Details

Of the four ports that are available in each NIC card, port A is used for management traffic (provision, API, storage, etc), whereas the port B is used for data plane (tenant and provider network) traffic. Port C (and optionally Port D) is dedicated for SRIOV (configured optionally based on setup_data.yaml). Sub-interfaces are carved out of the data and control plane interfaces to provide separate traffic based on specific roles. While the ports A and B from each NIC help in forming bonded interface, the ports C and D over which SRIOV traffic for provider network flows is not bonded. Extreme care should be taken during pod setup, so that ports A, B and C for the Intel NIC is connected to the ToRs. Port D can be optionally used as a second pair of SRIOV ports by appropriate intent defined in the setup_data.yaml file. From Cisco VIM release 2.4.2 onwards, this port option is available for both M4 and M5 based systems or pods.

The following table provides the default link aggregation member pairing support for the pods based on server type:

Table 5: Default Link Aggregation Members Pairing

| Server/POD Type | Target Functions | Default NIC Layout |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| M4 Intel NIC based | Control Plane | NIC-1 A + NIC-2 A |
| | Data Plane | NIC-1 B + NIC-2 B |
| | SRIOV 0/1 | NIC-1 C + NIC-2 C |
| | SRIOV 2/3 | NIC-1 D + NIC-2 D |

| Server/POD Type | Target Functions | Default NIC Layout |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| M5 Intel NIC based | Control Plane | NIC-1 A + NIC-1 B |
| | Data Plane | NIC-1 C + NIC-1 D |
| | SRIOV 0/1 | NIC-2 A + NIC-2 B |
| | SRIOV 2/3 | NIC-2 C + NIC-2 D |



Note

In M5, a NIC_LEVEL_REDUNDANCY option is introduced to support the M4 default option for link aggregation settings.

From Cisco VIM 2.4.2 onwards, support of M5 full on pods with two port XL-710 across control, compute and dedicated Ceph Nodes, and with NIC_LEVEL_REDUNDANCY is available. This deployment can be achieved with Cisco Nexus 9000 series or Cisco NCS 5500 as ToR. SRIOV is not supported in computes with XL-710. However, the pod can also support computes with four port X-710, where SRIOV is over port C and D.

In Cisco VIM, computes (M4 based testbed) running a Cisco 1227 VIC, and 2 2-port Intel 520 NIC are supported. In this combination, SRIOV is running on the Intel NIC, whereas the control and data plane are carried by virtual interfaces over Cisco VIC.

Cisco VIM 2.4 introduces the support of C220/C240 M5 servers in a micropod configuration with an option to augment the pod with additional computes (upto a max of 16). The M5 micropod environment is based on X710 for control and data plane and an additional XL710 or 2xX710 for SRIOV. The SRIOV card is optional. Once the SRIOV card is chosen, all the computes must have same number of SRIOV ports across the pod.

The following diagram depicts the server network card diagram for the M5 setup.

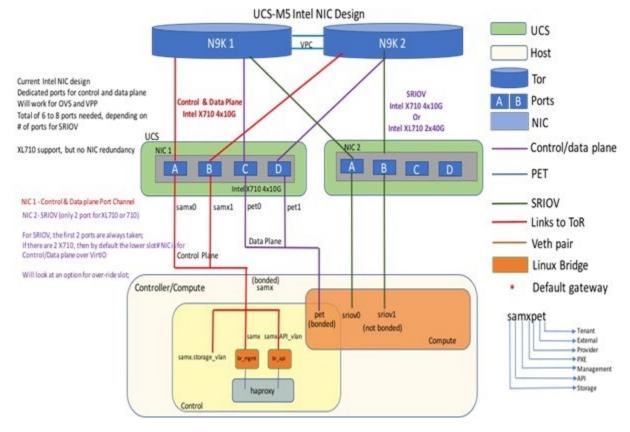


Figure 8: Networking Details of UCS-M5 Micropod Deployment

Cisco VIM 2.4 introduces the first third-party compute. The first SKU chosen is HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9. In Cisco VIM 2.4, the supported deployment is a full-on pod, with OVS as the mechanism driver, where the management, control, and storage nodes are based on existing Cisco UCS c220/240M4 BOM, and the compute nodes are on HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 hardware:

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ProLiant DL360 Gen9 with HP Ethernet 1Gb 4-port 331i Adapter - NIC (755258-B21) 2 x E5-2695 v4 @ 2.10GHz CPU

8 x 32GB DDR4 memory (Total 256GB)

1 x Smart Array P440ar hardware RAID card with battery

2 x 1.2 TB - SAS 12GB/S 10k RPM HDD

1 x FlexLOM HP Ethernet 10Gb 2-port 560FLR-SFP+ Adapter

2 x PCIe HP Ethernet 10Gb 2-port 560SFP+ Adapter

System ROM: P89 v2.40 (02/17/2017)

iLO Firmware Version: 2.54 Jun 15 2017
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In the case of HP Computes, the FlexLOM HP Ethernet 10Gb interface is used for management and tenant network, and the two additional HP Ethernet 10Gb 2-port 560SFP+ Adapters are used for SRIOV for the provider network. Listed below is network schematic of the HP Compute node.

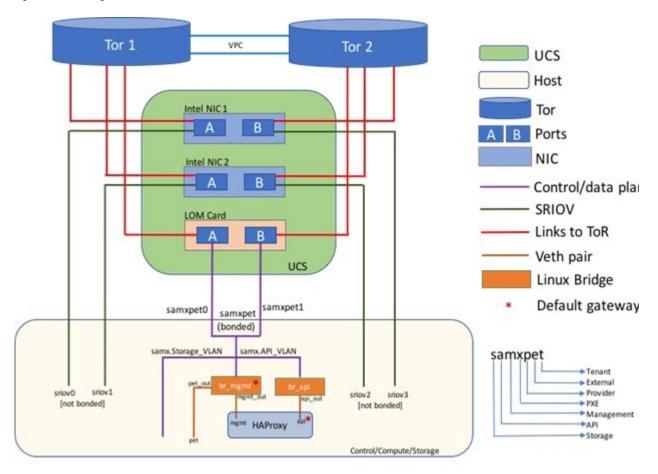


Figure 9: Networking details of HP DL360GEN9

The Cisco NFVI controller node has four bonds: mx, a, t, and e. Each has a slave interface that is named with the network name association and a mapped number. For example, the management and provisioning network, mx, maps to mx0 and mx1, the API network, a, to a0 and a1, and so on. The bonds map directly to the vNICs that are automatically created on the controller node when it is deployed.

Cisco VIM 3.0 manages a third-party infrastructure based on Quanta servers, thereby bringing in true software abstraction. In the implementation, the supported deployment is a full-on or edge pod, with OVS as the mechanism driver. With the power limitation and rack restrictions on the edge pod, it cannot support hard-drives for the Ceph service. As the Edge pod does not need persistent storage, it is designed to communicate with a central ceph cluster for providing glance image services only.

The installation and management of the Central Ceph cluster is fully automated and it is assumed that the management network of the edge cloud is routable to that of the central Ceph cluster.

In the case of Quanta servers, the networking is similar to that of the HP computes except for the two port 25G (xxv710) Intel NICs. The 2x25GE OCP card is used for control and data plane network over virtio, and the two additional 25GE 2-port xxv710 based Intel NIC Adapters are used for SRIOV via the provider network.

The following figure shows the controller node network-to-bond-to-vNIC interface mapping.

Nexus 9K
Series Switches

VPC - Trunks

VPC - Trunks

VPC - Trunks

Ethernet Channels
Bond

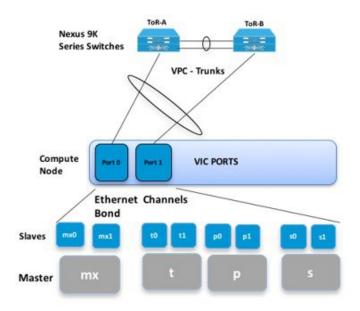
Slaves mx0 mx1 x0 x1 t0 t1 e0 e1 x0 x1

Master mx a t e s

Figure 10: Controller Node Network to Bond Mapping

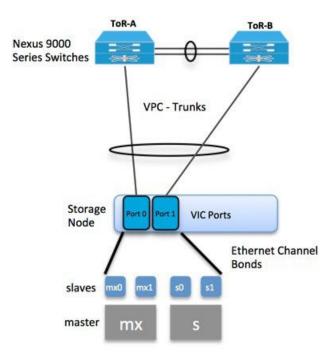
The Cisco NFVI compute node has three bonds: mx, t, and p. Each has a slave interface that is named with the network name association and a mapped number. For example, the provider network, p, maps to p0 and p1. The bonds map directly to the vNICs that are automatically created on the compute node when it is deployed. The following figure shows the compute node network-to-bond-to-vNIC interfaces mapping.

Figure 11: Compute Node Network to Bond Mapping



The Cisco NFVI storage node has two bonds: mx and s. Each has a slave interface that is named with the network name association and a mapped number. For example, the storage network, s, maps to s0 and s1. Storage nodes communicate with other storage nodes over the mx network. The storage network is only used for Ceph backend traffic. The bonds map directly to the vNICs that are automatically created on the storage node when it is deployed. The following figure shows the network-to-bond-to-vNIC interfaces mapping for a Cisco NFVI storage node.

Figure 12: Storage Node Networking to Bond Mapping



Cisco NFVI installation creates two bridges on the controller nodes and interfaces and bonds are attached to the bridges. The br_api bridge connects the API (a) interface to the HAProxy container. The HAProxy and Keepalive container has VIPs running for each OpenStack API endpoint. The br_mgmt bridge connects the Management and Provisioning (mx) interface to the HAProxy container as well.

The following figure shows the connectivity between the mx interface and the br_mgmt bridge. It also shows the connectivity between the br_mgmt and the HAProxy container/namespace using mgmt_out and mgmt interfaces. The figure shows the connectivity between the api interface and the br_api bridge as well as the link between the br_mgmt bridge and the HAProxy container using api_out and mgmt_out interfaces.

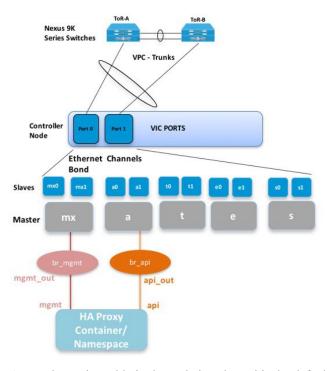


Figure 13: Bridge and Network Namespace Layout

A sample routing table is shown below. br_api is the default route and br_mgmt is local to the pod.

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[root@c43-bot-mgmt ~] # ip route
default via 172.26.233.193 dev br_api proto static metric 425
172.26.233.0/25 dev br mgmt proto kernel scope link src 172.26.233.104 metric 425
172.26.233.192/26~{\tt dev}~\overline{{\tt br}}\_{\tt api}~{\tt proto}~{\tt kernel}~{\tt scope}~{\tt link}~{\tt src}~172.26.233.230~{\tt metric}~425
[root@c43-bot-mgmt ~]# ip addr show br api
6: br api: <BROADCAST, MULTICAST, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP
    link/ether 58:ac:78:5c:91:e0 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 172.26.233.230/26 brd 172.26.233.255 scope global br api
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 fe80::2cla:f6ff:feb4:656a/64 scope link
       valid lft forever preferred lft forever
[root@c43-bot-mgmt ~] # ip addr show br mgmt
7: br mgmt: <BROADCAST, MULTICAST, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP
    link/ether 58:ac:78:5c:e4:95 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 172.26.233.104/25 brd 172.26.233.127 scope global br mgmt
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 fe80::403:14ff:fef4:10c5/64 scope link
       valid lft forever preferred lft forever
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Cisco VIM Management Node Networking

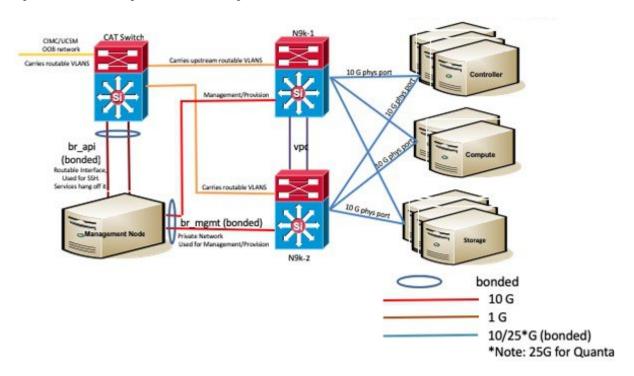
In Cisco VIM, the management node has an interface for API and another interface for provisioning. This is primarily done for security reasons so that internal pod management or control plane messages (RabbitMQ, Maria DB, and so on) do not leak out, and hence reduce the attack vector to the pod. As the name indicates, the API interface is to access the VIM installer API and is also used to SSH to the management node. All

external services (installer API, Insight, ELK, and so on) are password that is protected and hang off the API interface. Default route of the management node points to the API interface.

The second interface, also called the provisioning interface is used to PXE boot the various nodes that constitute the OpenStack pod. Typically, provisioning interface is a non-routable interface that is reserved for OpenStack management traffic.

In B-series pod, the networks between provisioning and the UCSM IP need to be routable. Proper ACL has to be applied in the upstream router so that other networks do not interfere with the provisioning network. Depending on the overall deployment, the management node acts as a jump-server to the OpenStack nodes.

Figure 14: Cisco VIM Management Node Networking



Cisco NFVI UCS C-series management node physically connects to the network. Unlike other nodes, the management node does not use multiple vNICs corresponding to specific Cisco NFVI networks. Instead, it connects to the management and API networks using two different physical connections. The management node connects to the management network using a Cisco two-port VIC or first two ports of intel X710-DA4, with each port connecting to a different ToR switch in a VPC configuration. The Cisco VIC card utilizes the default vNICs, but requires the vNICs to be in trunk mode and the default VLAN set to the management network VLAN. The management node connects to the API network using both one Gbps LAN On Motherboard (LOM) ports connected in a port channel configuration. These ports can either connect to the Nexus 9000 Series switch in a VPC configuration, or to an operator-managed switch(es), depending on how the operator wants to segment their network. The Cisco IMC port can optionally be connected to an out-of-band management Catalyst switch.

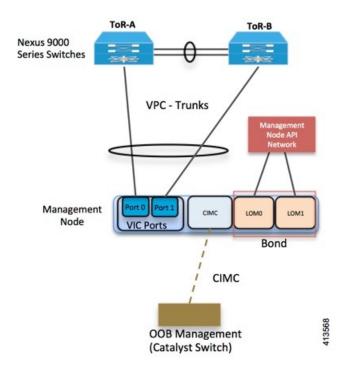
Management node services, which are required to start the other topology nodes, listen on the management network and the traffic flowing over the vNICs or NICs on that network. These services and the other management network services are unsecured. Secure management node services listen on the management node API network, and their traffic flows over the LOM ports. This service division allows tenants to utilize tighter network access control to the management network than the management node API network. The following figure shows the Cisco NFVI management node (UCS C-Series) API network connections.



Note

Connecting Cisco IMC port to a Cisco OOB management switch is optional.

Figure 15: Management Node API Network Connections



For the day-0 server automation in Cisco VIM, ensure that the reachability to:

CIMC/ILO/BMC of the individual servers from the management node is available through the br api network.

Cloud API, external network (for ssh to floating IPs) and provider network from the management node is available, as the VMTP and NFVbench are typically run from the management node.



Note

From the Cisco VIM release 2.4.3 onwards, you can enable or disable the default behavior of the management node reachability from cloud API, external network, and provider network as part of their day-0 configuration.

If you disable the reachability to cloud api, external, and provider network for security reasons, then:

- VMTP and NFVbench are not accessible from the management node.
- Cloud api, external network and provider network must be properly routed as the Cisco VIM cannot automatically valid the same.

IPv6 Support on Management Network

You can switch from IPv4 to IPv6 as the number of available routable IPv4 networks is limited. In Cisco VIM, the management network uses the default IPv4 route to reach external service like NTP, DNS, AD/LDAP, SwiftStack, and so on, if it is not locally hosted.

Due to the limited availability of IPv4 address space, if you cannot provide a routable IPv4 network or local or dual-home of the external services that require routing, for example, AD or LDAP, deployment hindrance can occur.

IPv4 is obligatory in Cisco VIM, as the provision network colocates with the management network (mx/samx interface) for baremetal PXE install and Ansible orchestration.

As CEPH and OpenStack control plane communication are on the same management network, you cannot completely remove IPv4 from the management network. However, you can run IPv4+IPv6 dual stack in which IPv4 network can exist in a non-routable private network and IPv6 network can exist in a routable semi private network. This ensures to satisfy the requirements of the CiscoVIM and accessibility to the external services.

In Cisco VIM, the management network supports IPv6 addresses for servers, while the management node is statically allocated from a given pool. The external services that support both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are DNS, NTP, and AD or LDAP. You can run IPv4+IPv6 (optionally) as the cloud API endpoint. CIMC/BMC can have IPv6 addresses.

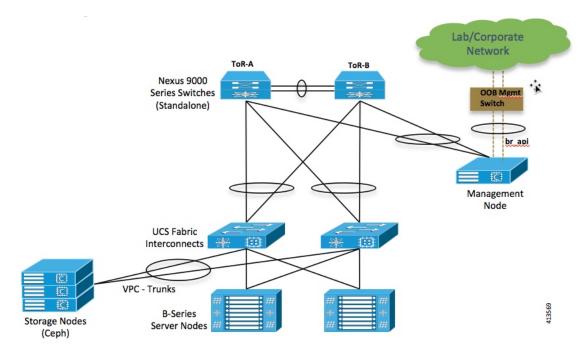
UCS C-Series and B-Series -Topologies

You can deploy Cisco NFVI using a combination of Cisco C-Series and B-Series servers. The C-Series management node is connected to the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series ToRs through the Cisco VIC in a VPC configuration. The UCS Fabric Interconnects (FIs) are connected to the ToRs and the UCS B-Series blade chassis is connected to the FIs. The C-Series storage nodes are connected to the ToRs as well. For C-series implementation, see *Cisco NFVI Networking Overview*. For the combination of the C-Series and B-Series implementation, two exceptions are listed below:

- For UCS B-Series, the Cisco UCS Manager IP address must be available to the Cisco NFVI management network. For UCS C-Series, this requirement is optional.
- The UCS Manager cluster and VIP connections are not attached to one of the Cisco NFVI network segments.

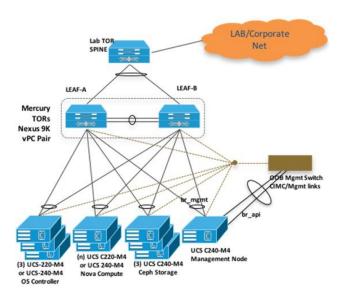
Following figure shows a high-level view of Cisco UCS C-Series and B-Series servers that are used in a Cisco NFVI deployment.

Figure 16: UCS B-Series Topology



For C-Series pods, each host has a 2x10-GE Cisco network card 1227 from which the installer creates two vNICs for each network to ensure that the network topology has built-in redundancy. The provider network, if needed, is also created from the same network card. Each link of a given network type terminates to a unique Cisco Nexus 9000 switch, which acts as the ToR. The Cisco Nexus 9000s are configured in VPC mode to ensure that the network redundancy. The networking redundancy is extended to the management node, which has a redundant vNIC for the installer API and management or provisioning networks. The following figure shows the C-Series topology.

Figure 17: Cisco NFVI C-Series Topology



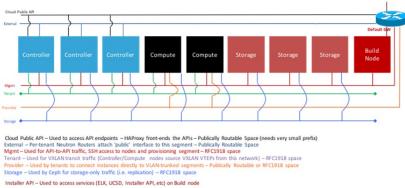


Note

While the figure depicts UCS 220 M4s as the controller and compute, it also supports UCS 240 M4s as control and compute nodes.

Cisco NFVI uses multiple networks and VLANs to isolate network segments. For UCS C-series management and storage nodes, VLANs are trunked between the ToR switches and the Cisco VICs on the C-Series nodes. For UCS B-series controllers and compute nodes, VLANs are trunked between the ToR switches, the UCS Fabric interconnects, and the B-Series blades. The figure shows the network segments and how each node is attaches to them. The network segments are VLANs that are trunked between the respective upstream switch/FI and the C-Series or B-Series node.

Figure 18: Network and VLAN Layout for Combined C-Series and B-Series Installation



For B series, UCSM IP should be reachable from the management network

Cisco NFVI High Availability

Cisco NFVI high availability (HA) is provided by HAProxy, a single-threaded, event-driven, non-blocking engine combining a fast I/O layer with a priority-based scheduler. HAProxy architecture is layered with bypass mechanisms at each level to ensure that the data does not reach higher levels than needed. Most processing is performed in the kernel.

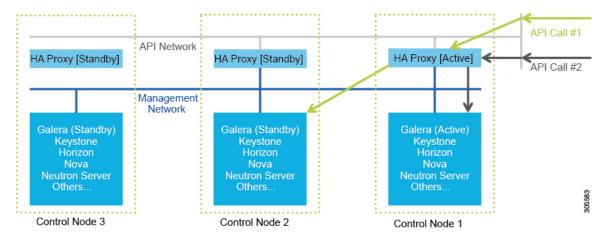
The following figure shows a detailed view of Cisco NFVI controllers connecting to the API and Management and Provisioning network. It also shows how the bridges are configured and the roles of the HAProxy container and network namespace. The dedicated HAProxy container network namespace was created to avoid split default gateway problems. The namespace allows API segment ingress and egress traffic to have a different default gateway than the one configured on each controller host for non-API traffic. In the illustration, two of the three Cisco NFVI controllers have HAProxy containers and a dedicated Linux network namespace. (Cisco NFVI supports three HAProxy containers).

In the figure, Control Node 1 is attached to the API network segment through the br_api bridge. The br_api bridge connects to the Linux network namespace where the HAProxy container has an interface that is mapped through the api <> api_out interface mapping. The HAProxy container has a default gateway configured that points to the upstream API Layer 3 First Hop Redundancy Protocol (FHRP) VIP. This gateway is used for the HAProxy container incoming and outgoing API traffic.

Outside traffic coming in through the API interface is routed into the API network. The traffic traverses the br api bridge, goes into the Linux network namespace and then the API VIP (based on the IP address or port)

that is listening on the HAProxy container. The HAProxy container establishes a connection with the backend API endpoint (for example, the OpenStack Horizon dashboard) and the return traffic passes through the container and back out the API network following the default gateway for the container on the API network. All other non-API traffic such as the management access over SSH to the Cisco VIM controller comes into the management or provisioning network and access the node directly. Return traffic uses the host-level default gateway that is configured on the Linux (RHEL) operating system.

Figure 19: HAProxy Control Node Flow



If an HA event occurs in a Cisco NFVI pod, Cisco VIM automatically shuts down machines by failing over services. Examples include:

- For API servers, HAProxy automatically ensures that the other redundant control services handle requests, avoiding the shutdown/terminated/non-responding one.
- For quorum services, such as Galera, the remaining members of the quorum continue to provide service and HAProxy ensures that new requests go to the remaining processes.
- For an active/standby process such as HAProxy, the system moves the endpoint IP to a standby copy and continues to operate.

All these behaviors are automatic and do not require manual intervention. When the server is restarted, the services automatically come into service and are added to the load balancing pool, joining their quorums or are added as backup services, depending on the service type.

While manual intervention is not needed, some specific failure scenarios (for example, Mariadb, rabbit) can cause problems that require manual intervention. For example, if a complete network failure occurs, the Galera and RabbitMQ clusters can go into three-way partition. While the Cisco NFVI cluster is resilient to single-point failures, two switches failing simultaneously—something highly unlikely in long-running systems—can sometimes happen due to administrative error, in which case, manual intervention is needed. To repair the pod, the management node must be up and running and all the nodes accessible through password-less SSH from the management node. From the installer<tagid> dir, execute:

ciscovim cluster-recovery

Control nodes recovers after the network partitions are resolved. After executing this command, control nodes services come back to working state. To make sure that the Nova services are good across the compute nodes, execute the following command after sourcing /root/openstack-configs/openrc:

nova service-list

To check for the overall cloud status, execute the following:

ciscovim cloud-sanity create test all

To view the results of cloud-sanity, use the following command:

#ciscovim cloud-sanity show result all -id <uid of the test >

Cisco NFVI Storage Node Overview

Block Storage

Cisco NFVI storage nodes utilize Ceph, an open source software for creating redundant, scalable data storage using clusters of standardized servers to store petabytes of accessible data. OpenStack Object Storage is a long-term storage system for large amounts of static data that can be retrieved, leveraged, and updated. It uses a distributed architecture with no central point of control, providing greater scalability, redundancy, and permanence. Objects are written to multiple hardware devices, with the OpenStack software responsible for ensuring data replication and integrity across the cluster. Storage clusters scale horizontally by adding new nodes. if a node fail, OpenStack replicates its content across other active storage nodes. Because Ceph uses software logic to ensure data replication and distribution across different devices, inexpensive commodity hard drives and servers can be used in lieu of more expensive equipment.

Cisco NFVI storage nodes include object storage devices (OSDs), hard disk drives (HDDs), and solid state drives (SSDs). OSDs organize data into containers called objects that a user or application determines are related. The objects reside in a flat address space where they all exist at the same level and cannot be placed inside one another. Each OSD has a unique object identifier (OID) that allows the Cisco NFVI control node to retrieve it without knowing the physical location of the data it contains.

HDDs store and retrieve digital information using one or more rigid rapidly rotating disks coated with magnetic material. The disks are paired with magnetic heads arranged on a moving actuator arm, which read and write data to the disk surfaces. Data is accessed in a random-access manner; individual data blocks can be stored or retrieved in any order and not only sequentially. HDDs are a type of non-volatile memory, retaining stored data even when powered off.

SSDs are solid-state storage devices that use integrated circuit assemblies as memory to store data persistently. SSDs primarily use electronic interfaces compatible with traditional block input/output (I/O) hard disk drives, which permit simple replacements in common applications.

Cisco NFVI storage nodes are managed by the control node applications including Ceph monitoring dashboard, Glance, and Cinder. The Ceph monitoring dashboard provides a view into the overall storage node health. Glance virtualizes pools of block storage devices and provides a self-storage API to request and consume those resources. Cinder is an OpenStack block storage service designed to present storage resources to the OpenStack compute node.

In Cisco VIM, depending on the needs of the user, the number of OSDs a pod can have is between 3 and 20. From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0 onwards, you can choose to have multi-backend Ceph in the same pod, to support different I/O requirements. Currently, this is a day-0 decision. You must decide whether to start with single or multi back-end ceph, with a minimum of three nodes for each backend type. Only 2 backends (one of type HDD and another of type SSD) for each pod is supported. For details on how to use HDD or SSD based ceph, see *Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Administrator Guide*.

Cisco VIM supports NetApp devices running ONTAP 9.X or higher. NetApp devices are added as an alternate to Ceph for block storage. Cisco VIM has been integrated and tested with FAS2650 SKU of NetApp, however it does not preclude Cisco VIM from working with SKUs of NetApp that are compatible FAS2650. Now, you have to choose the blockstorage and the hardware from Day 0.

Object Storage

Cisco VIM provides an integration with SwiftStack, an object storage solution. In this case, the SwiftStack is installed and managed outside the Cisco VIM ahead of time, and the VIM orchestrator adds the relevant Keystone configuration to access the SwiftStack endpoint. In addition to Keystone integration, the Cinder service is also configured to support backup of the volumes to SwiftStack object store. In the current integration, the SwiftStack endpoint has to be in a network routable to/from the CiscoVIM API network (as the VIM API is the same as the Keystone public endpoint network). In the current release, because of limitations in SwiftStack, Cisco VIM is integrated only with KeystoneV2.

In Cisco VIM, you can choose to use Solidfire as an option for block storage along with Ceph. In this scenario, the backend for Glance is Ceph, and the customers have a choice for the Cinder backend to be Ceph or Solidfire. The Cinder block storage service manages the creation, attachment, and detachment of these volumes between a storage system, such as, SolidFire, and different host servers. Also, in Cisco VIM, the date in Solidfire will be backed by Ceph. The Solidfire cluster is pre-deployed and has 2 networks: management and storage. It is recommended that:

- The storage network for Cisco VIM is same as that for Solidfire.
- The management network for Solidfire is reachable from Cisco VIM control nodes.

Overview to Cisco Virtual Topology System

The Cisco Virtual Topology System (VTS) is a standards-based, open, overlay management and provisioning system for data center networks. It automates the data center overlay fabric provisioning for both physical and virtual workloads.

Cisco VTS provides a network virtualization architecture and software-defined networking (SDN) framework that meets multitenant data center cloud service requirements. It enables a policy-based approach for overlay provisioning.

Cisco VTS automates network overlay provisioning and management tasks, integrates with OpenStack and simplifies the management of heterogeneous network environments. Cisco VTS provides an embedded Cisco VTS GUI and a set of northbound Representational State Transfer (REST) APIs that is consumed by orchestration and cloud management systems.

Cisco VTS architecture has two main components: the Policy Plane and the Control Plane. These perform core functions such as SDN control, resource allocation, and core management function.

- Policy Plane—Enables Cisco VTS to implement a declarative policy model that captures user intent and
 converts it into specific device-level constructs. Cisco VTS includes a set of modular policy constructs
 that can be organized into user-defined services for use cases across service provider and cloud
 environments. The policy constructs are exposed through REST APIs that is consumed by orchestrators
 and applications to express user intent, or instantiated through the Cisco VTS GUI. Policy models are
 exposed as system policies or service policies.
- Control Plane—Serves as the SDN control subsystem that programs the various data planes including
 the VTFs residing on the x86 servers, hardware leafs, DCI gateways. The control plane hosts the Cisco
 IOS XRv Software instance that provides route peering capabilities between the DCI gateways or to a
 BGP route reflector. (Cisco IOS XRv is the virtualized version of Cisco IOS XR Software.) The control
 plane enables an MP-BGP EVPN-based control plane for VXLAN overlays originating from leafs or
 software VXLAN tunnel endpoints (VTEPs)

The Cisco NFVI implementation of Cisco VTS includes the VTS Virtual Topology Forwarder (VTF). VTF provides a Layer 2/Layer 3 (L2/L3) software switch that can act as a software VXLAN terminal endpoint

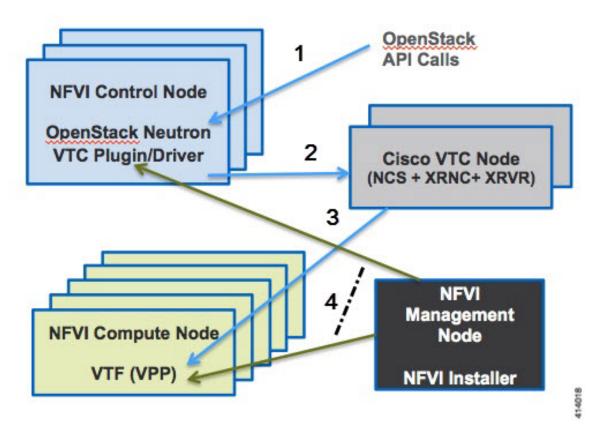
(VTEP). VTF is a lightweight, multitenant software data plane designed for high performance packet processing on x86 servers. VTF uses Vector Packet Processing (VPP). VPP is a full-featured networking stack with a software forwarding engine. VTF leverages VPP and the Intel Data Path Development Kit (DPDK) for high performance L2, L3, and VXLAN packet forwarding.

VTF allows Cisco VTS to terminate VXLAN tunnels on host servers by using the VTF as a software VXLAN Tunnel Endpoint (VTEP). Cisco VTS also supports hybrid overlays by stitching together physical and virtual endpoints into a single VXLAN segment.

The figure below shows the Cisco VTS architecture and high-level flow when installed in Cisco NFVI. Cisco VTS is installed on separate UCS servers, the Virtual Topology Controller plugin is installed on the control node, and the VTF is installed on the compute node.

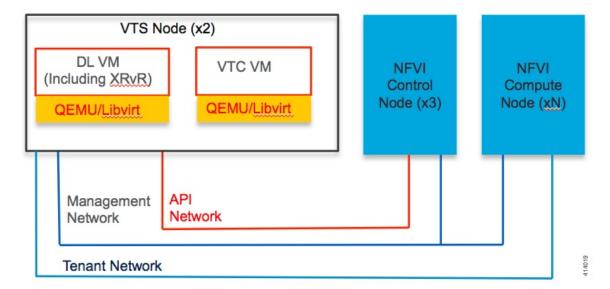
- 1. The OpenStack user invokes the OpenStack Neutron API.
- 2. Neutron uses the VTS plugin and driver to make calls to the VTC REST API.
- 3. VTS control components interact with the VTF agent to carry out the corresponding dataplane setup.
- **4.** During Cisco NFVI installation, the Cisco NFVI Installer installs the OpenStack Neutron VTC plugin and driver on the Cisco NFVI controller node, and installs the VTF component (including VPP) on the Cisco NFVI compute node.

Figure 20: Cisco VTS in Cisco NFVI



The following illustration shows that the Cisco NFVI networking after the Cisco VTS is installed. The SDN controller nodes are an addition to the existing Cisco NFVI pod.

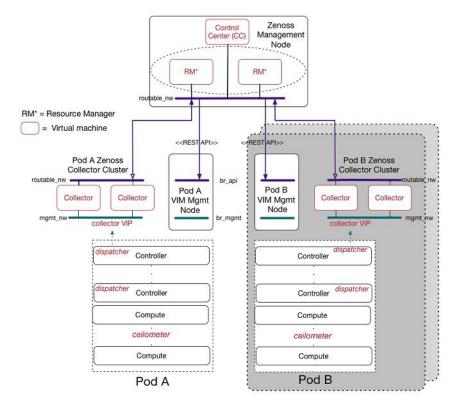
Figure 21: Cisco VTS Networking Inside Cisco NFVI



Overview to Cisco NFVIMON

Cisco VIM solution uses Cisco NFVI Monitor (NFVIMON) to monitor the health and performance of the NFVI. This includes monitoring both the physical and logical components of one or multiple NFVI pods. NFVIMON feature is enabled by the Zenoss which provides for extensive monitoring and collection of performance data for various components of the cloud infrastructure including Cisco UCS blade and rack servers, service profiles, Nexus top of rack switches, fabric interconnects, and also the OpenStack instances. The monitoring system is designed such that it can monitor single or multiple pods from a single management system. NFVIMON is integrated into Cisco VIM as an optional component. NFVIMON is enabled by extending the setup_data.yaml file with relevant information. To enable the NFVIMON, refer to *Enabling NFVIMON on Cisco VIM*. Also, NFVIMON can be enabled on an existing pod, through the reconfigure option. To reconfigure through Insight UI, refer to *Reconfiguring Optional Services*. Then, the pod is added as a new VIM resource to be monitored in the Monitoring UI.

Figure 22: NFVIMON Architecture



The NFVIMON architecture supports monitoring of one or more Cisco VIM pods. There is no limit on the number of pods, but note that the setup supports up to ~ 25000 managed resources across pods, where a managed resource is a physical device, network device or virtual machine tracked from a monitoring perspective.

NFVIMON consists of four components: ceilometer services (for data collection), collector, resource manager (RM), and control-center (CC) with Cisco Zenpacks. As NVIFMON is a third-party software, its integration with the VIM is loosely coupled and the VIM automation only deals with installing the ceilometer service software required to monitor the pod.

The installation of other NFVIMON components (collector, RM, and CC with Cisco NFVI Zenpacks) are Cisco Advance Services led activity and those steps are outside the scope of the current install guide. Make sure that you have engaged with Cisco Advance Services on the planning, image information (of collector with Cisco NFVI Zenpacks and RM), and installation of the NFVIMON accessories along with its network requirements.

Start with one Cisco VIM pod (Pod A in the picture) and two external nodes (one to host 2 Collector VMs and one for remote management to host 1 control-center with Cisco Zenpacks and 2 RM VMs) of multiple pods.

Monitor the Cisco VIM pods at the time of installation if NFVIMON is enabled, or by adding NFVIMON after installation. Install the collectors manually in the external collector node, so that the pod is added for monitoring in the control center.

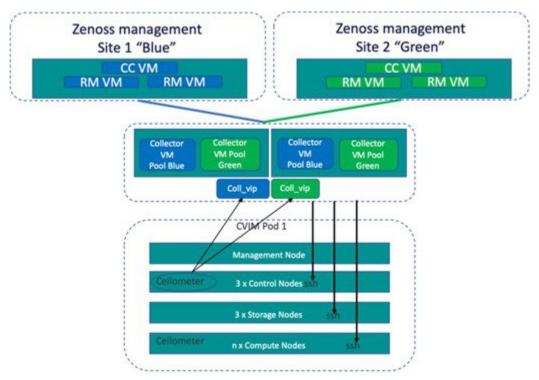


Note

From release Cisco VIM 3.2.0, you can use non-root admin keys for monitoring purposes.

Overview to Cisco NFVIMON High Availability

NFVIMON supports the functionality of high availability (HA). HA is achieved through dual polling of the redundant collectors over an active-active deployment. VM is deployed between the two physical collector servers with two sets of collectors. Two separate Zenoss CC-RMs are connected to one set of collectors each, to aid in simultaneous monitoring of the pod. Ceilometer is deployed in Cisco VIM pod such that it sends data to two separate collector VIPs simultaneously. To enable the NFVIMON, refer to Enabling NFVIMON on Cisco VIM. The NFVIMON HA architecture is depicted in the below figure.





Note

Pods running with NFVIMON in standalone mode, cannot be moved to HA mode through reconfiguration.

You can enable NFVIMON HA on day-0 or day-1, when the pod is not running with NFVIMON in the first place.

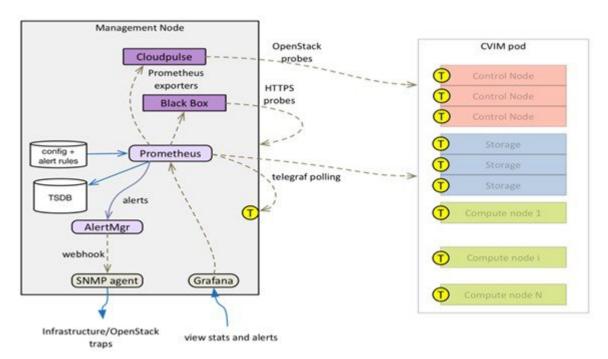
Overview to CVIM-MON

You can deploy Cisco VIM with a lightweight pod-level monitoring solution known as CVIM-MON which is based on the open source PTG stack (Prometheus, Telegraf, Grafana). This solution is available as an add-on from both commercial and feature point of view, and provides the following services:

- Infrastructure-level metric collection based on metric collection agents installed on all nodes in the pod and on specialized collectors running on the management node.
- Metric aggregation into a time series database (TSDB) installed on the management node.

- Rule-based alerting engine integrated in the management node.
- TSDB visualization web server installed on the management node with pre-defined dashboards customized for Cisco VIM.

Figure 23: CVIMMON Architecture



All CVIM-MON components are containerized, except for the Telegraf agents which run on bare metal on all nodes in the pod (including the management node). The two sub-components of CVIM-MON are:

CVIM_MON—Provides the base functionality of monitoring and KPIs.

CVIM_TRAP—It is enabled through SNMP and available only if CVIM_MON is enabled. Optionally, you can enable SNMP at the server/infrastructure level.

Comparative Analysis

The comparison of the two monitoring solutions of Cisco VIM is listed below:

Table 6: Comparison of CVIM-MON and NFVIMON

| Features | CVIM-MON | NFVIMON/Zenoss |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Open source | Yes | Yes |
| Collector | Telegraf and Prometheus exporters | Direct ssh to each node |
| Metrics manager | Prometheus | Zenoss |
| TSDB | Prometheus | Zenoss |

| Features | CVIM-MON | NFVIMON/Zenoss | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Typical metric frequency | Few seconds or more | Few minutes | |
| Web UI | Grafana | Zenoss | |
| Smart metrics | Yes | No | |
| Alerts | Yes | Yes | |
| SNMP traps | Yes | No | |
| Installation | Integrated with Cisco VIM | External/separate | |
| Hardware requirements | Runs on management node | Requires additional servers | |

TSDB size and Retention Policy

The size of the TSDB depends on the frequency of the polling (configurable) and the number of compute nodes. By default, the metrics collected in each management node are kept for 15 days.

Smart Metrics

The Cisco VIM deployment blueprint assigns different roles to different hardware or software resources for operational and optimization purposes. CVIM-MON leverages the metric labelling feature in Telegraf and Prometheus, to associate important contextual information with the metrics associated to the resources. This labelling enables monitoring the pod in a precise manner than with traditional unlabelled metrics.

Node Type Label

The nodes in a Cisco CVIM pod can play different roles based on the deployment model. All metrics originating from a node are labelled with the node type (label name = "node type") and the node name (label name="host").

The following node types are defined:

Table 7: Node Type and its metric source

| Node Type | Source of Metric |
|------------|---|
| mgmt | Management node |
| controller | Controller node |
| compute | Compute node |
| storage | Storage node |
| aio | all-in-one node(micro-pod deployment) |
| hc | hyper-converged node (hyper-converged deployment) |

CPU Role Label

CPUs in a Cisco VIM pod are statically categorized to perform specific functions. This partitioning is critical to guarantee proper level of service for each subsystem independent of the load in the other subsystem. For example, it is imperative to isolate the CPUs reserved for the VPP virtual switch, from any other activity on the same compute node, to guarantee the virtual switch forwarding performance. The CPU metrics are labeled with a role (label name = "role") to indicate the function of each CPU. This allows to aggregate CPU metrics based on category, which is a lot more useful than aggregating all CPUs.

This categorization cannot be done with unlabeled metrics (by reading CPU time series from a TSDB), due to the following reasons:

- Identification of CPU role based on the core number.
- Existence of multiple types of nodes.
- Each node type has a different CPU partitioning map. The CPU partitioning map may depend on the Cisco VIM release default mapping or customer specific deployment configuration (for example, on a hyper converged node, the number of cores reserved for CEPH can vary from deployment to deployment).

CVIM-MON uses the following roles to label CPU metrics:

Table 8: Role label and static CPU assignment

| Role | Static CPU Assignment |
|------|---|
| host | System and OpenStack tasks |
| ceph | CEPH OSD tasks (note that ceph-mon is in the host category) |
| vpp | VPP virtual switch |
| vm | VM vCPUs |
| mgmt | Management tasks on the management node |

Metrics Collection

Telegraf Metrics

CVIM-MON collects hundreds of different metrics from each node through the Telegraf plugin. The metrics range from low-level kernel to infrastructure services. The interval between metrics collections is configurable between 10 seconds to 5 minutes.

The following table describes the Telegraf plugins installed as part of the CVIM-MON deployment:

Table 9: List of plug-in and their metric name

| Plug-in | Metric Name | Notes |
|----------------|--|---|
| ceph | ceph_osdmap_* ceph_pgmap_* ceph_pool_* ceph_usage_total_* | Collects performance metrics from the MON and OSD nodes in a Ceph storage cluster |
| сри | cpu_usage_* | Detailed stats for every CPU (with role label) |
| conntrack | conntrack_ip_conntrack_* | Collects stats from Netfilter's conntrack-tools |
| cvim_net_stats | cvim_net_stats_if_* | Detailed metrics for physical and virtual network interfaces in Cisco VIM environment |
| disk | disk_* | Detailed stats for every disk |
| diskio | diskio_* | Disk activity |
| docker | docker_container_* docker_n_containers | Detailed metrics on running docker containers |
| exec | directory_plugin_bytes | Monitor EFK and Prometheus own storage usage |
| haproxy | haproxy_* | |
| http_response | http_response_* | Monitor HTTP services availability |
| hugepages | hugepages_* | Monitors huge pages usage per NUMA node |
| internal | internal_* | Collects metrics about the telegraf agent itself |
| ipmi_sensor | ipmi_sensor_* | Bare metal metrics, including power usage, fan speeds, temperatures, and voltage |
| kernel | kernel_boot_time kernel_context_switches kernel_interrupts kernel_processes_forkewd kernel_entropy_avail | |

| Plug-in | Metric Name | Notes |
|-----------|--|---|
| libvirt | libvirt_* | Nova and libvirt data and metrics from VMs running on compute or aio nodes |
| linkstate | linkstate_actor linkstate_sriov linkstate_partner | Monitoring LACP, SRIOV links status |
| mem | mem_* | Host level memory stats |
| net | net_bytes_* net_packets_* net_conntrack_* net_drop_* net_err_* net_icmp_* net_ip_* net_tcp_* net_udp_* | Metrics about network interface and protocol usage (only for interfaces used by CVIM) |
| ntpq | ntpq_* | NTP query metrics |
| openstack | cp_hypervisor_up_* cp_openstack_* cp_ceph_health | OpenStack related metrics, comes as a replacement to cloudpulse |
| processes | processes_* | |
| rabbitmq | rabbitmq_overview_* rabbitmq_node_* rabbitmq_queue_* rabbitmq_exchange_* | RabbitMQ metrics, currently disabled by default |
| swap | swap_* | |
| system | system_* | Checks system load, uptime, and number of users logged in |



Note

All metrics are part of the high frequency collection group. The collection interval is in seconds or minutes:

Table 10: Frequency group and metrics collection interval

| Frequency_group | Default Interval | Min | Max |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| High | 15s | 10s | medium_frequency |
| Medium | deprecated | high_frequency | low_frequency |
| Low | deprecated | medium_frequency | 5m |

OpenStack and infrastructure service metrics

Each Cisco VIM pod can monitor the essential OpenStack services. CVIM-MON gathers OpenStack services data through a custom telegraf plugin. The following metrics are available in Prometheus:

| Metric | Metric Name | Notes |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--|
| ceph check | ceph_health | Checks if ceph is healthy |
| hypervisor checks | cp_hypervisor_up | |
| openstack service | cp_openstack_service_upcp | Checks the state of an openstack service. |
| | | Monitors nova, glance, cinder, keystone, and neutron |
| rabbitmq status | rabbitmq_ | Describes the state of each rabbitmq server. RabbitMQ monitoring is disabled by default. |

Etcd monitoring

When the ML2/VPP Neutron plug-in is deployed, Telegraf is configured to poll directly the etcd cluster to retrieve etcd metrics every 15 seconds.

Alerting Rules

CVIM-MON provides a list of predefined alerting rules that trigger the alerts based on the value of time series metrics polled by Prometheus. To avoid flapping caused by transient conditions, the rules are set to have a grace period and an alert is defined to be in one of the two states:

- Pending Rule is triggered but the grace period has not expired.
- Fired Rule is triggered for a period longer than the grace period.

The alerts can be monitored using the web user interface or API and can optionally be converted into SNMP traps. You can configure CVIM-MON to send alerts as SNMP traps to any registered SNMP managers. The maximum number of SNMP managers supported is three, and a combination of SNMPv2 or v3 managers in different servers is supported.

Table 11:

| Alert Name | Fault Code | Severity | Description |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| instance_down | serviceFailure | critical | The node is not reachable or is down, when Prometheus server tries to scrape a target to retrieve its metrics. An instance down means that metrics from that target cannot be retrieved. |
| disk_used_percent | resourceThreshold | major | The storage device is used at over 90% capacity. |
| disk_filling_up_in_4h | resourceUsage | critical | The storage device is likely to run out of space in less than 4h |
| docker_container_down | serviceFailure | critical | The docker container running a Cisco VIM infrastructure service is down. This should never happen and indicates that an infrastructure container is failed or could not start. |
| link_down_lacp | hardwareFailure | warning | The LACP bonded link is in an error state, if one of the two bonded links is no longer operating properly. For example, the error could be caused by the defective cable connection with the NIC, ToR, or a ToR port misconfiguration. The connectivity may still allow traffic to pass but at half the usual throughput. The defective link must be repaired quickly, to reinstate full bandwidth. |
| link_down_sriov | hardwareFailure | warning | The SRIOV link is in down state. Usually indicates an issue with the physical cable wiring or a misconfiguration of the corresponding port on the ToR. |

| Alert Name | Fault Code | Severity | Description |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|
| mem_available_percent | resourceThreshold | informational | There is less than 10% of available system memory. Regular 4K pages memory is used by both the system and openstack infrastructure services, and does not include huge pages. This alert can indicate either insufficient amount of RAM or an abnormal memory usage by the system or infrastructure |
| memory_running_out_in_4h | resourceUsage | critical | This node is likely to run out of system memory in less than 4h. Based on the historical memory usage, this alert predicts that all the system memory will be used up in less than 4h. This condition should never happen and requires immediate troubleshooting by TAC before the system memory runs out. |
| swap_used_percent | resourceThreshold | warning | The node is using over 80% of the available swap space. Nodes should normally use only very little swap space. More than that the nodes will not use any swapping at all. |
| conntrack_percent | resourceThreshold | warning | The node is using more than 80% of the available conntrack objects. This is mostly useful for OVS deployments. This indicates an abnormal use of host kernel conntrack resources. |

| Alert Name | Fault Code | Severity | Description |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---|
| reboot | hardwareFailure | warning | The node is rebooted in less than 10 minutes. Node reboots should be infrequent and be triggered only by the administrator when the node can safely be rebooted. Spontaneous and spurious node reboots should never happen. |
| system_n_users | resourceThreshold | warning | The node has more than 10 logged-in users. |
| ceph_error | serviceFailure | critical | The CEPH cluster is in error state and needs to be repaired immediately. |
| ceph_warning | serviceFailure | warning | The CEPH cluster is in warning state. Requires attention for the repair to be done. |
| ceph_osdmap_num_in_osds | resourceThreshold | critical | The CEPH cluster has at least 1 OSD in the OUT state. |
| ceph_osdmap_num_up_osds | resourceThreshold | critical | The CEPH cluster has at least 1 OSD in the DOWN state. |
| ceph_pgmap_state_count | resourceUsage | critical | The CEPH cluster has at least 1 placement group that is not in active+clean state |
| och pgmp byts aval filing up in 4n | resourceUsage | critical | CEPH may run out of space within 4 hours. |
| ceph_pgmap_bytes_used_percent | resourceThreshold | warning | CEPH used capacity is over 70%. |
| ceph_pgmap_bytes_used_percent | resourceThreshold | critical | CEPH used capacity is over 80%. |
| haproxy_plugin_data_absent | other | informational | Not receiving any metrics from HAproxy for 10 minutes or more (should never happen). |

| Alert Name | Fault Code | Severity | Description |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| haproxy_active_servers_down | serviceFailure | critical | Indicates that one or more HAProxy active server is not in the UP state. |
| haproxy_active_servers_backend | serviceFailure | critical | The number of haproxy active server backends is not three. |
| haproxy_active_servers_galera | serviceFailure | critical | The number of haproxy active galera servers is not one. |
| haproxy_backup_servers_galera | serviceFailure | critical | The number of haproxy backup galera servers is not two. |
| http_service_unavailable | serviceFailure | warning | The infrastructure HTTP service at given URL is not responding or is not reachable. This should never happen and may indicate an issue with the availability of the infrastructure service. |
| rabbitmq_node_running | serviceFailure | critical | At least one of the three rabbitMQ nodes is not running. |
| rabbitmq_node_mem_used_percent | resourceThreshold | critical | Memory used by rabbitMQ is at 90% of its maximum configured limit. |
| rabbitmq_queue_consumers | resourceThreshold | critical | One or more rabbitMQ queues have no consumer. |
| rabbitmq_queue_messages | resourceUsage | critical | The number of queued/unread ready and unacked messages is over 300. |
| ntpq_offset | resourceThreshold | warning | The mean offset (phase) in the times reported between the local host and remote peer or server is over 2500 milliseconds. |
| cp_openstack_service_down | serviceFailure | critical | The indicated openstack service is not reachable and likely to be down. |

| Alert Name | Fault Code | Severity | Description |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|---|
| cp_hypervisor_down | serviceFailure | critical | The Nova hypervisor is down. |
| certificate_expiring_5d | other | critical | The certificate is expiring in less than 5 days and must be replaced. |
| certificate_expiring_10d | other | warning | The certificate is expiring in less than 10 days. |
| certificate_expiring_45d | other | informational | The certificate is expiring in less than 45 days. |

CVIM-MON Web User Interface

The CVIM-MON graphical user interface allows the pod administrator to monitor the status of the pod using any web browser. This interface is based on Grafana and comes with a set of predefined dashboards.

Access Login

The CVIM-MON web user interface is available by pointing a web browser to the management node IPv4 or IPv6 address (br_api) at port 3000 using https. To access this interface, enter admin as username and password.. The password is auto-generated at the time of deployment and can be retrieved from the Cisco VIM password repository (openstack-configs/secrets.yaml file) in the CVIM_MON_PASSWORD entry.

From release Cisco VIM 3.2.1, an additional read-only user is created. To access the interface, enter **cvim** as the username and CVIM_MON_READ_ONLY_PASSWORD (from openstack-configs/secrets.yaml) as the password.



Note

- The Forgot your password? option in the Grafana login page is disabled.
- New password can be generated for Grafana, by running Cisco VIM reconfiguration with the regenerate secrets option.

Pod <pod-name> Dashboard

The pod dashboard is named as Pod <pod-name> where <pod-name> is configured in setup_data.yaml under the option PODNAME) to provide the following:

- High level view of the pod.
- Total number of nodes grouped by node type.
- Total number of cores grouped by role.
- Total load in the pod or sum of the load for all nodes.
- Average usage of all the CPUs reserved for VMs.
- Hardware information of the pod.

• Dataplane statistics of the pod (Networking metrics like throughputs, errors and packet sizes)

Node Level Metrics Dashboard

This dashboard provides a detailed view of the state of the most important resources for any node in the pod including the management node. A list of drop-down menus allows to select:

- Node to display (only one)
- Disk devices to display (all or any selection)
- Network interfaces to display (all or any selection)
- CPUs to display (all or any selection)

The dashboard provides the utilization charts for the following:

- Alerts
- System
- CPU
- Memory
- Processes
- Disks
- · Network interfaces

Pod Level Metrics Dataplane Statistics Dashboard

This dashboard provides a detailed view of the networking metrics and data coming from the libvirt and cvim net stats telegraf plugins. The following panels are available as part of the dataplane statistics:

- Top 5 nodes drop rate: Top nodes with physical interfaces TX/RX drops rate out of all TX/RX packets in a 20m timeslot.
- Top 10 VMs drop rate: Top VMs with virtual interfaces TX/RX drops rate out of all TX/RX packets in a 20m timeslot.
- Pod throughput in packet-per-second (pps): Total throughput in pps on all physical interfaces.
- Top 5 nodes throughput in pps: Top nodes throughput in pps on node physical interfaces.
- Top 10 VMs throughput in pps: Top VMs throughput in pps on VM virtual interfaces.
- Pod throughput in bits-per-second (bps): Total throughput in bps on all physical interfaces.
- Top 5 nodes throughput in bps : Top nodes throughput in bps on node physical interfaces.
- Top 10 VMs throughput in bps: Top VMs throughput in bps on VM virtual interfaces.
- Top 5 Nodes error rate: It is the error rate on physical interfaces TX/RX out of all TX/RX packets in a 20m timeslot.
- Average pod packet size: It is calculated from total per interface bytes divided by total packets on all pod physical interfaces.

Node Dataplane Statistics Dashboard

This dashboard provides per node and per VM view of networking metrics and data coming from the libvirt and cvim_net_stats telegraf plugins. The following panels are available as part of the nde dataplane statistics dashboard:

- Two gauges with aggregated (all TX+RX) throughputs in PPS and bps across physical interfaces on the specific node.
- One gauge with total virtual interfaces (attached to VMs) running on the specific node.
- Specific VM drop rate: The specific VMs virtual interfaces TX/RX drops rate out of all TX/RX packets on that VM in a 20m timeslot.
- Node throughput in packet-per-second (pps): It is the total throughput in pps on all physical interfaces on that specific node.
- Node throughput in bits-per-second (bps): It is the total throughput in bps on all physical interfaces on that specific node.
- Average Node packet size: It is calculated from total per interface bytes divided by total packets on all node's physical interfaces.
- VM throughput in packet-per-second (pps): It is the total throughput in pps on all physical interfaces on that specific VM and per VM interface.
- VM throughput in bits-per-second (bps): It is the total throughput in bps on all physical interfaces on that specific VM and per VM interface.
- Average VM packet size: It is calculated from total per interface bytes divided by total packets on all VM's virtual interfaces.
- VM error rate: It is the error rate on virtual interfaces TX/RX out of all TX/RX packets in a 20m timeslot.

Specialized Dashboards

Table 12: List of specialized dashboards

| Dashboard Name | Description |
|--------------------|---|
| OpenStack services | Chart shows the state of all OpenStack services, infrastructure containers and hypervisors. |
| Alerts | Alerts that are triggered passed the grace period or pending (triggered but still within their grace period). |
| HAProxy | Chart to monitor the HAProxy service. |
| СЕРН | CEPH storage chart, for example, overall OSD CPU load. |
| NTP | Chart to monitor NTP on the pod. |
| RabbitMQ | Chart related to rabbitMQ |
| Etcd | Chart related to etcd. Only available for ML2/VPP deployments. |

| Dashboard Name | Description |
|------------------|--|
| Memcached | Chart to monitor Memcached on the pod. |
| Advanced Metrics | Chart that monitor the management node activity such as: • Prometheus and Elasticsearch disk usage • Prometheus scraping stats |
| IPMI | Chart that monitor all the nodes and presents bare metal information: • Temperature • Voltage • Fan Speed • Power |

CVIM-TRAP

Along with CVIM-MON, CVIM-Trap enables Cisco VIM to send SNMP Traps to the remote SNMP managers. The SNMP traps are identified from the following, only when the SERVER-MON is enabled in the setup_data.yaml file.

- · Alerts collected on Prometheus
- Faults reported by the CIMC of the Cisco Series-C servers

The SNMP Trap sends a notification, when the fault occurs or gets resolved. The notification types are listed below:

- cvimFaultActiveNotif: Notification sent when the fault gets triggered.
- cvimFaultClearNotif: Notification sent when the fault gets resolved.

The SNMP trap contains the following information:

- cvimPodID: PODNAME configured in setup_data.yaml file
- cvimNodeID: Node that generated the fault, or N/A
- cvimFaultSource: Component name that generated the fault
- cvimFaultSeverity: Severity of the fault following the guidelines:
 - emergency (1): System level fault impacting multiple services.
 - critical (2): Critical fault specific to a service.
 - major (3): Component level fault within a service.
 - alert (4): Warning condition for service. It may eventually impact the service.

- informational (5): Informative message and does not impact any service.
- cvimFaultCode: Code. Guidelines followed for code:
 - other(1): Type of event not specified in the other labels.
 - resourceUsage(2): Resource usage exhausted event.
 - resourceThreshold(3): Resource threshold reached event.
 - serviceFailure(4): Software failure service event.
 - hardwareFailure(5): Hardware failure event.
 - networkConnectivity(6) : Networking issues.

For more details, refer CISCO-VIM-MIB.my.4.0 definition of the MIB at ftp://ftp.cisco.com/pub/mibs/v2/.

CVIM-MON is integrated into Cisco VIM as an optional component, and is offered as an add-on with additional license. CVIM-MON is enabled by extending the setup_data.yaml file with relevant information. To enable CVIMON, refer to Enabling CVIM-MON on Cisco VIM, on page 216.

You can enable CVIM-MON on an existing pod through the reconfigure option, if the pod is fresh installed with Cisco VIM 2.4.3 or later versions. To reconfigure through Unified Management, refer to Reconfiguring Optional Services. Then, add the pod as a new VIM resource to be monitored so that it is available through the Unified Management portal.

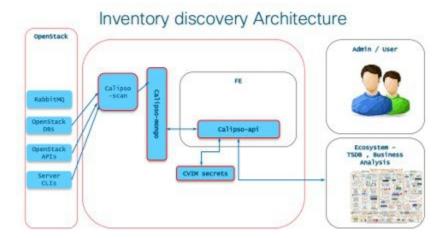
Inventory Discovery Using CVIMMON

From Cisco VIM 3.4.0, CVIMMON includes Inventory Discovery API to extract details from worker level objects, analyze data for links and dependencies ('cliques') using remote HTTP requests.

Inventory Discovery API is a RESTful web API built to offer:

- Resource Oriented Architecture (ROA).
- Declarative API definition using JSON schemas.
- Easy integration for third-party management tools.

It adds inventory and dependency document repository on top of the time-series repositories already available in CVIMMON. Using RESTful API, information from multiple sources can be viewed from a central location as depicted in the architecture below:



Telemetry Service through OpenStack

Cisco VIM provides telemetry services to collect meters within an OpenStack deployment. Cisco VIM Telemetry service is built on Ceilometer and Gnocchi in OpenStack Queens release. You can retrieve metrics using OpenStack CLI and REST APIs. Pods must have Ceph for persistent storage of the metrics which are collected every five minutes and retained for 48 hours. As Ceph is required for ceilometer, you can install ceilometer as part of fresh installation of the cloud, that is, ceilometer cannot be brought in as a reconfigure option. The diagram below illustrates the high-level architecture of the telemetry services.

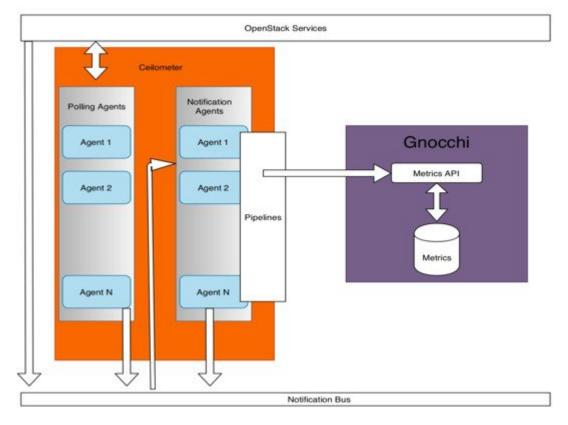


Figure 24: Architecture of Telemetry Services in Cisco VIM

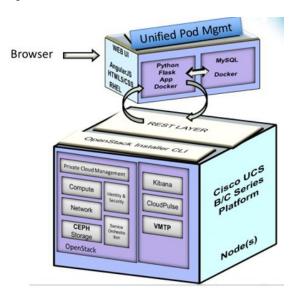
To view the summary of the metrics, see Telemetry for OpenStack of Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Admin Guide, Release 3.0.0.

Overview to Cisco VIM Unified Management

Cisco VIM UM, a light-weight UI, is introduced in Cisco VIM to ease the deployment and management of the NFVI platform. This feature is available as an add-on from both commercial and feature point of view. Also, Cisco VIM Insight offers a single pane of glass service to provide deployment visualization and to manage multiple Cisco VIM pods thereby reducing user-errors.

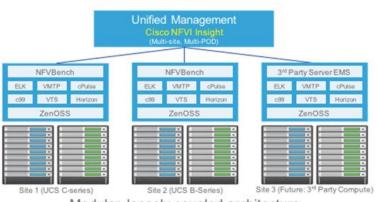
Cisco VIM UM supports multi-tenancy with local RBAC support and is easily integrated with the CiscoVIM REST layer. The container based UI platform is loosely coupled, and can help manage multiple CiscoVIM pods right from day-0, or later in the lifecycle of the cloud.

Figure 25: Cisco VIM UM Interaction with a Pod



The architecture of the CiscoVIM UM is light-weight, hierarchical and scalable. While it introduces an ease of management from the global UI, each local site is autonomous with localized toolsets. The Global Unified Management UI, provides ease of management with multi-site multi-pod capability for distributed NFV deployment at scale. Also, CiscoVIM UM is designed to operate in HA as an option. The platform is a modular, loosely coupled architecture, that will provide the capability to manage multiple pods, with RBAC support as shown in the figure .

Figure 26: Cisco VIM UM Architecture

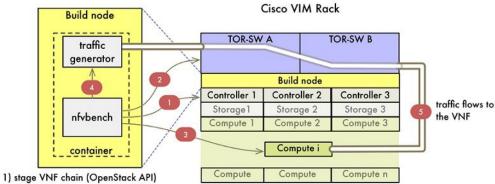


Modular, loosely coupled architecture (Not all components in this architecture are mandatory to have)

Overview to NFVbench

NFVbench is a containerized network benchmarking tool that is introduced in Cisco VIM, to bring consistent methodology to measure the network performance of the cloud. NFVbench is released in a container that is preinstalled on the management node if the NFVBENCH option is selected in the Cisco VIM configuration file.

Figure 27: Order of Steps Performed in NFVbench Test

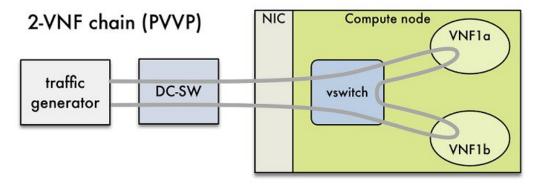


- 2) stitch traffic generator interfaces to VNF chain
- 3) clear counters in vswitch(es)
- 4) start traffic

The main goal of NFVbench is to measure the cloud performance that is based on real cloud deployment traffic patterns. During the test, the packet path traverses through every network element that participates in the production environment; that is traffic flows through a switch (ToR) to v-switch on compute node, continues to VM representing any basic VNF in NFV deployment and comes back in similar way on different ports. Network performance or throughput is computed based on sent and received traffic.

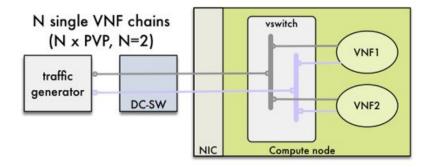
NFVbench can bring up one or more chains of test VMs, where each chain consists of one or two VMs. The example below illustrates a case with a two-VM chain.

Figure 28: Packet Path with Two VNFs



Reports from NFVbench show data measurements from every hop in the path, which makes it easier to detect configuration errors or potential bottlenecks. NFVbench sends UDP packets that are generated by open-source traffic generator (TRex) already included in the container. Advanced testing using NFVbench allows to conduct multi-chain and multi-flow testing. Multi-chain testing enables running multiple parallel independent packet paths at the same time, while the multi-flow testing performs IP ranging in packet headers within every chain. The below figure illustrates a NFVbench result test execution with two parallel chains with one VM each.

Figure 29: Multi-chain Example with Two Chains



NDR/PDR and Fixed Rate Tests

NDR/PDR Test: NFVbench offers a more advanced test (called the NDR/PDR test), provides information about network throughput using any of the standard defined packet sizes - 64B, IMIX,1518B. NDR (No Drop Rate) value represents throughput at which no packets are dropped (satisfied by less than 0.001% of packets being dropped). Similarly, PDR (Partial Drop Rate) represents throughput at which only small number of packets is dropped (less than 0.1% of packets sent).

Fixed Rate Test: NFVbench offers a simple test to run traffic at fixed rate, which verifies that every network component of packet path works properly. It is useful for identifying bottlenecks in the test environment. Traffic generator generates packets at fixed rate for the given time by the user. From the statistics that is collected, drop rates and latencies are computed and displayed.

Both the NDR/PDR Test and Fixed Rate Test types of test provide a way of verifying network performance of NFV solution.

Supported Encapsulation and Protocols

NFVbench supports all networking options that can be deployed with Cisco VIM:

- OVS
- VPP with VLAN or VxLAN
- SR-IOV

Auto-ToR Configuration via ACI API

While the use of ACI plugin brings in the flexibility of dynamic allocation of tenant and provider VLANs on demand, it also ties the OVS version to the ACI plugin. This leads to an extreme tight coupling of Cisco VIM and ACI. Also, with an APIC plugin there are might be gaps to cover certain use-cases, for example, where there is a need to have flexibility of different access type (tagged vs non-tagged) for the same VLAN but for different servers.

To address such use-case or avoid tight coupling of OVS with ACI plugin, an optional solution is available to automate the target VLANs on the right switch port based on server role on day-0 along with corresponding fabric access and tenant policy configurations via the ACI API.

With this option, the setup_data for each Cisco VIM instance is the single source for the server to switch port mappings. This solution can handle switch provisioning with the correct VLANs during addition/removal of

server and provider/tenant VLAN range expansion via reconfiguration option. This solution is based on the fact that the PV (port*VLAN) count in a given ACI Fabric domain is under the scale limits 10000 PV/ToR and 450000 PV/Fabric.

NCS-5500 as a ToR Option

Cisco VIM supports NCS-5500 as an alternate to a Nexus ToR. NCS-5500 is an IOS XR-based router, which is similar to Nexus switches. You can use the 48 10/25G ports or the 6 40/100G uplink ports model to implement NCS-5500 (port-numbers depend on NCS version). Also, other SKUs of NCS-5500 are supported as long as the NCS-5500 software supports the EVLAG feature. NCS-5500 uses the technology of bridge domain to connect to the server. Enable the Auto ToR configuration feature to support NCS-5500 as ToR. NCS-5500 supports a micropod with more computes running on Intel 710 NICs with the mechanism driver of VPP over LACP. The support is extended to include 40G/100G based NCS-5500 SKUs with splitter cables (of 4x10) connecting to the servers, which helps in increasing the server port density by four folds.

Disk Management in VIM

Cisco VIM uses the disk-maintenance tool that gives you the ability to check the status of all hard disk drives present in the running and operational mode in the following nodes:

- management node
- · specific or all controller servers
- specific or all compute servers

Status of the disks such as online, offline, rebuilding helps you to identify which particular disks in which slot has potentially gone bad and require to be physically replaced in the server. It can be run on servers that have either a RAID controller or an SAS passthrough controller.

Once the disk is physically replaced, Disk management tool can be used to add the new disk back into the system as part of the RAID system (recommended one server at a time).



Note

Disk Maintenance tool is useful only when one or at most two (in RAID6) go bad. Failure of more than one disk at a time puts the entire server in an irrecoverable state. Replace the server using remove and add operations through ciscovim. Disk management is not supported on a third party compute due to the licensing issue with the HPE SmartArray Utility tool.

OSD Maintenance

OSD maintenance tool gives you the ability to check the status of all OSDs and their corresponding physical hard disk drives present in the running and operational storage nodes. The status of the OSDs is reported along with the HDD mapping.

OSD Maintenance tool helps you to identify the status of the OSD (Up or Down) and its corresponding hard disk drive slot in the server that requires to be physically replaced. OSD Maintenance tool can run on servers that have either a RAID or an SAS passthrough controller.

Once the HDD to be physically replaced is identified, the same OSD tool can be used to rebalance the ceph tree, remove the OSD from the cluster, and unmount the disk drive, in preparation for the disk removal. After the disk has been physically replaced, the tool can be used to add the new disk back into the system as part of the Ceph cluster and recreate the OSD (only one HDD/OSD at a time). It ensures to replace a bad HDD, it is not required to remove the ceph cluster from operation and then add it back through remove-storage and add-storage options in ciscovim.



Note

OSD tool does not support the replacement of the internal OS drives and the external journal drives, for which you still have to use add or remove of OSD nodes.

Power Management of Computes for C-Series

Cisco VIM pods has many compute servers, but the actual usage of the compute servers are limited at times. To optimize the overall power consumption of the data center, we have to power down the server through an API/CLI.

To prevent the cloud destabilization, you cannot power off all the compute nodes. For example, one cannot power off all the compute nodes, at least one pod has to be Active.

Pod management operation(s) applies to the entire pod during updating and reconfigure, the server.

Updating and reconfiguration are not possible under the following circumstances:

- If one or more compute nodes are powered off.
- Computes on which VMs are running cannot be powered-off.
- Computes with. All-in-one (AIO) nodes in a micro-pod) cannot be powered-off through this API.

When there is a power-off, internally cloud-sanity is run and if the cloud sanity fails, then the power-off action is aborted.

Physical Cores and Memory Reserved for Cisco VIM Infrastructure

Cisco VIM has been tuned to deliver performance from an infrastructure and VNF point of view. The following are the details of the physical cores (regardless of hyper-thread enabled or not) that the infrastructure needs. Number of cores that are reserved for the system (host system + OpenStack services) is 2 in all cases and is included in the count that is shown in the following table.

Table 13: Number of Physical Cores and RAM Reserved for Cisco VIM Infrastructure

| Pod Type/Node Types | Control | Storage | Compute | AIO | НС |
|------------------------|---------|---------|------------------|---|---|
| Full On | all | all | CPU: 2+V cores | n/a | n/a |
| Hyper-Converged (hc) | | n/a | RAM: 25+Vr GB | n/a | CPU: 2+C+V cores RAM: 41+Vr GB |
| Micro-Pod (aio) | n/a | n/a | | CPU: 2+C+V cores RAM: 41+Vr GB | N/A |

Table 14: Number of Physical Cores and RAM Reserved for Cisco VIM Infrastructure

| Variables | Usage | Valid range | Default |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| С | Cores reserved for CEPH (aio and hc) | 212 | 2 |
| V | Cores reserved for VPP vswitch | 2.4 | 2 |
| Vr | RAM reserved for VPP | | 2GB |

For OVS deployments, use V=0 and Vr=0

Some VPP deployments with high throughput requirements may require more than 2 VPP cores.

Cisco VIM Software Hub

Cisco VIM is supported in an air-gapped (disconnected mode) environment. You can use a USB or Cisco VIM Software Hub for an air-gapped install. When the number of pods is more, shipping USBs for an air-gapped install and update is not scalable. In such scenarios, we recommend that you use Cisco VIM Software Hub.

Cisco VIM Software Hub contains the Cisco VIM release artifacts such as buildnode ISO, Cisco VIM code, docker registry, and docker images. Using the management node, you can access the release artifacts from the Cisco VIM Software Hub.

You can install the artifacts available on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server through a connected or a disconnected install procedure. For a connected install, one end of the Cisco VIM Software Hub server is connected to the internet, and the other end is connected to the datacenter.

The following figure shows the architecture of a connected install.

Public Facing
Network

Software
Delivery
Server

Enterprise Network

Mgmt. Node 1

Mgmt. Node 2

Mgmt. Node n

Figure 30: Architecture of a Connected Install

For a disconnected install, both interfaces are private and the artifacts are installed on the Cisco VIM Software Hub using the USB procedure. You must ensure that the ssh interface (br_api) of the management node for each Cisco VIM pod can connect to the enterprise facing interface of the Cisco VIM Software Hub server through Layer 2 or Layer 3 networking. From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0, the Cisco VIM Software Hub is supported over dual-stack network.

Cisco VIM VXLAN EVPN Design

From release Cisco VIM 2.4.3 onwards, seamless connectivity from VNFs of the private cloud to the customer premise private cloud is enabled. The architecture of the Cisco VIM Tenant L2 Connectivity is depicted below:

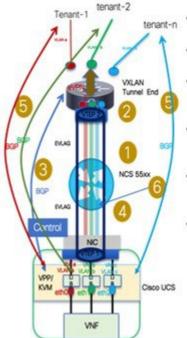


Figure 31: High Level NFVI Tenant L2 Connectivity Architecture

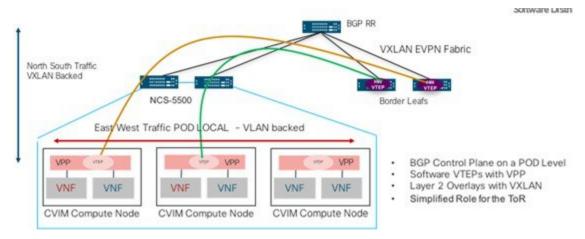
- Segment 1: Compute to Layer 2 Aggregation (Layer 2 EVLAG)
 - · VPP will establish EVPN based EVLAG with aggregation layer
- Segment 2: Layer 2 Aggregation switch to Fabric
 - Fabric node will establish redundancy with aggregation layer
- Segment 3: Infrastructure Control Plane
 - EVPN between Compute VTEP and Remote VTEP to enable dynamic MAC learning
- Segment 4: Infrastructure Data Plane between Compute and Tenants
 - VXLAN will be used as a data plane for traffic transport between compute and Tenants
- Segment 5: Overlay Control Plane Session between Private Cloud and VNF
 - Overlay BGP session will be created between Customer private cloud and VNF
- Segment 6: Data Traffic from/to VNF to/from Customer Private Cloud
 - Any traffic originated from VNF or customer Private cloud will be encapsulated/decapsulated into VXLAN header
 - On Remote tunnel end, customer RI will be looked up based on received VNI in the packet
 - On Compute node VPP will determine specific VNF port based on receive VNI in the packet

To set up Cisco VIM tenant L2 connectivity architecture, the following assumptions are made:

- OpenStack can manage VLAN allocation.
- You must manage VXLAN network and subnet for overlays, and enable OpenStack to use the EVI/VNID by creating appropriate networks/subnets in OpenStack. Cisco VIM supports VNI ranging from 1 to 65535.
- BGP configuration (peer, ASes) will be provided at the time of Cisco VIM cloud deployment through setup data.yaml.

VXLAN tunnel is used for traffic between the VNF and customer Private cloud, while the VLAN is used for the traffic within the pod or across VNFs. EVPN is used to share L2 reachability information to the remote end, and Cisco NCS 5500 in EVLAG mode acts as a conduit for the traffic. For the VXLAN/EPVN solution to work, Cisco VIM and VXLAN tunnel peers with an external BGP route reflector to exchange IP address to Mac Binding information as shown in the below figure.

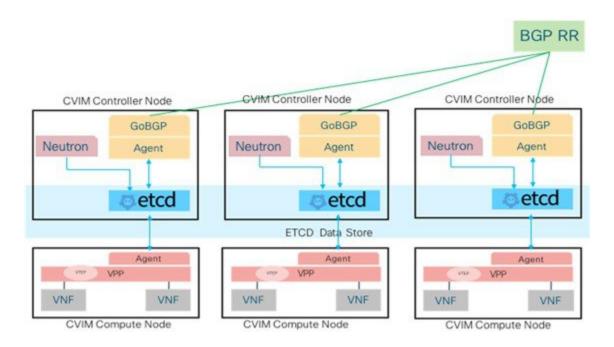
Figure 32: Cisco VIM VXLAN EVPN Setup



From a control plane point of view, three instances of GoBGP (in Active-Active mode) run on the controller nodes to establish L3 peering with the external BGP RR for importing or exporting VxLAN routes into or from Cisco VIM respectively. The imported information is then pushed into etcd, to maintain a single source of the information within Cisco VIM.

VPP agents create and program VTEP on VPP, and also create a VXLAN tunnel interface for the VM based on the VNI information from Neutron. VPP updates VNF IP/MAC mapping in etcd, which gets exported out through EVPN to the BGP RR.

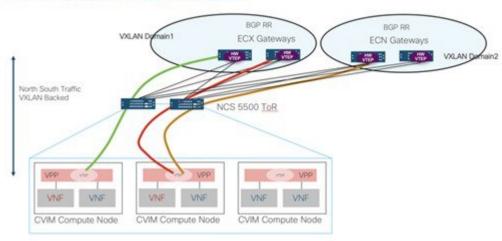
Figure 33: Cisco VIM VXLAN EVPN Control Plan Design



Multi-VXLAN EVPN Design

From release Cisco VIM 2.4.6 onwards, multiple-AS VXLAN EVPN overlay networks are supported. The following image depicts the schematic view of the multiple-AS VXLAN EVPN overlay network.

North South VXLAN traffic



One set of VXLAN overlays manage the Cloud exchange traffic, while the other set of VXLAN overlays manage the Cloud management traffic. The multi-VXLAN (multi refers to 2) is used to conserve the number of bridge domains (BD) consumed on the Cisco NCS 5500 ToR.

From the control plane point of view, it is similar to that of a single VXLAN architecture.

The multi-VXLAN EVPN based design optionally supports a static implementation of VXLAN technology through head-end replication (HER). HER helps leverage the VXLAN technology, regardless of the hardware/software limitation in the VXLAN feature set at the remote end of the VTEP tunnel.

With the static information defined in the setup_data, VPP performs the HER to all defined remote VTEPs and updates L2FIB (MAC-IP) table based on flood and learn. If EVPN co-exists with HER, Cisco VIM treats it as if two different sets of BGP speakers exist and provides information from each speaker in the same etcd FIB table.

Only drawback of this implementation is that VPP may perform unnecessary flooding. Cisco VIM uses EVPN as the primary mechanism and HER as the fallback methodology. You can add or remove HER to or from an existing EVPN pod through Cisco VIM reconfigure option.

VPP Port Mirroring Support

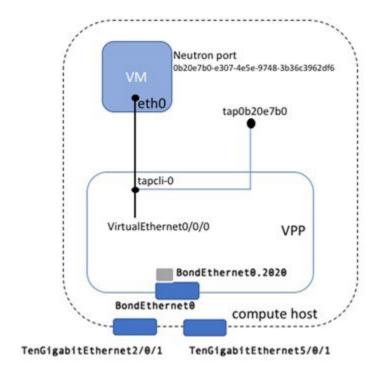
From release CVIM 2.4.3 onwards, all the network traffic between the VM and VPP is over a vhost interface which is in memory and does not use a traditional kernel side interface, when VPP is used as the vSwitch in OpenStack. The network interface is no longer on the host and available within VM, to trace packets or capture them for debugging or other administrative purposes.

Underlying Architecture of the Port Mirroring Tool

Port mirroring works by setting up the following:

- 1. A span port on vpp to mirror the VirtualEthernet interface corresponding to the VMs vhost interface. This is a tap interface in VPP
- 2. A tap device (tap0b20e7b0) on the compute host side is set as a kernel interface. A veth pair is created between the tap device on the VPP side (tapcli-0) and kernel side tap device (tap0b20e7b0) as shown in the below figure.

Figure 34: Port mirror components



Limitations of the Port Mirroring Tool

- The port mirror feature uses tap as the interface type for the mirrored traffic. VPP may drop packets designated for this interface, under high load conditions or high traffic scenarios.
- You can only run the Port mirror CLI tools from the VPP container. This require access to the compute node where the VM is running.
- You can only mirror the neutron ports managed by vpp-agent. This means that these have to be vhost interfaces belonging to Openstack VMs. Non VirtualEthernet interfaces are not supported.

Container Workload Support

Cisco VIM supports VM, baremetal, or container-based workloads. To support the container-based workloads, Cisco VIM hosts Cisco Container Platform as an application. The orchestrator creates a common OpenStack tenant and deploys the Cisco Container Platform control plane on it. The orchestrator can also create a tenant cluster if needed.

The Kubernetes clusters deployed are multi-master clusters with three master nodes and N worker nodes. The Cisco Container Platform control plane consists of three masters and three workers. The master and worker nodes run as VMs on OpenStack.

For more information on enabling Cisco Container Platform over Cisco VIM, see Container Support in Cisco VIM, on page 195.



Overview to Cisco NFVI Installation

This chapter describes the Cisco NFVI installation procedures.

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Cisco NFVI Installation Overview

Cisco NFVI installation is divided into two processes:

- Preparation—Preparing the Cisco NFVI pod hardware and configuring all supporting applications including Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC) and Cisco UCS Manager.
- Installation—Installing the Cisco NFVI component applications such as Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager (VIM), Cisco Insight (Unified Management), and Cisco Virtual Topology System (VTS) with Virtual Topology Forwarder (VTF) based on your Cisco NFVI package.

Cisco NFVI installation depends on the component applications that you install. For example, if you are installing Cisco VTS, install VTC before installing Cisco VIM or Cisco Unified Management (UM). When installing Cisco VIM UM, install the Cisco VIM management node and Insight in a sequence to complete the Cisco VIM installation through Cisco VIM UM. However, if you have Cisco VIM without other Cisco NFVI applications in your package, you can install the Cisco VIM alone in your system.

Consider the following factors before installing the Cisco NFVI components:

- Internet Access—Internet access is required to download the Cisco NFVI installation files from cvim-registry.com. If you do not have an Internet access to your management node, you need an alternate server with an Internet access to download the installation files to a USB stick. You can copy the installation files from USB stick to the management node.
- Cisco NFVI Configurations— Cisco NFVI configurations are included in the setup_data.yaml file. If you are installing Cisco VIM and not Cisco VIM Insight, you can enter the configurations directly into the setup_data.yaml file with a yaml editor. You can refer to the examples in setup_data file (for C and B-series) at the openstack-configs directory in the target install folder in the management node. For more information on Cisco NFVI data and OpenStack parameters, see Setting Up Cisco VIM Data Configuration, on page 168. If you are installing Cisco VIM Insight, run Cisco NFVI using Insight UI wizard. For more information, see Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management, on page 233.

Following are the license options for installing Cisco NFVI:

- Cisco NFVI Basic—Includes Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager (VIM), which is an OpenStack Queens release software solution used to enhance the functionality, scale, and performance of the node.
- Cisco NFVI Standard—Includes Cisco VIM and Cisco VIM Insight. Cisco VIM Insight deploys, provisions, and manages Cisco NFVI on Cisco UCS servers.
- Cisco NFVI with third-party monitoring Includes Cisco VIM with or without Cisco VIM Insight based on the license option chosen, with monitoring of the pod through Zenoss.
- Optional Cisco NFVI Applications—Cisco Virtual Topology System (VTS) is an optional application
 that can be installed with both Cisco VIM and Cisco VIM Insight. Cisco VTS is a standard-based, open
 software-overlay management and provisioning system. It automates the data center network fabric
 provisioning, for virtual and physical infrastructure.

You must perform extra manual installation procedures while installing Cisco VIM. If your package includes Cisco VIM and UM, you must do Cisco VIM manual setup and configuration procedures through the Unified management system (VIM UM). You can manage cloud in Cisco VIM through Cisco VIM UM. Once you start managing the cloud, Cisco recommends you to continue using Cisco VIM UM for future use as well.

The following table helps you to understand the installation sequence.

| # | Chapter Title | Audience | Notes |
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| 1 | Overview to Cisco Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure, on page 1 | Pod Administrator | Understanding the Cisco NFVI architecture and networking ensures a successful installation. |
| 2 | Overview to Cisco NFVI Installation, on page 75 | Pod Administrator | Describes the Cisco NFVI installation procedures. |
| 3 | Preparing for Installation on Servers Without Internet Access, on page 77 | Pod Administrator | Provides information on the hardware and application preparation procedures, before installing and configuring Cisco NFVI. |
| 4 | Preparing for Cisco NFVI Installation, on page 81 | Users | Refer to this section, if your management node does not have Internet access. |
| 5 | Installing Cisco VTS, on page 133 | Users | Refer to this section, if your package includes Cisco Virtual Topology System You must install Cisco VTS before you install other Cisco NFVI applications. |
| 6 | Installing Cisco VIM, on page 161 | Pod Administrator | Describes how to configure and install Cisco VIM. Users with Cisco VIM UM can proceed with the Cisco VIM Insight installation, while users with only Cisco VIM have to complete the full procedure. |
| 7 | Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management , on page 233 | Users | Refer to this section, if your package includes Cisco VIM UM. |
| 8 | Installing Cisco VIM through Cisco VIM Unified Management, on page 251 | Users | Describes Cisco VIM UM installation and configuration procedures. |
| 9 | Verifying the Cisco NFVI Installation, on page 369 | Pod Administrator | Provides methods to verify the Cisco NFVI installation. |



Preparing for Installation on Servers Without Internet Access

This section describes the procedures to install Cisco NFVI in a management node without Internet access. In this scenario, you must:

- 1. Download the Cisco NFVI installation files to a 64 GB (minimum) USB 2.0 drive on a staging server with Internet access. If the management node is based on M5, you can optionally use USB 3.0 64GB to increase the installation speed significantly.
- **2.** Copy the files to the management node.
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Preparing to Install Cisco NFVI on Management Nodes Without Internet Access

Following procedure describes how to download the Cisco NFVI installation files onto a USB drive of the staging server with Internet access. You can use the USB to load the Cisco NFVI installation files onto the management node without Internet access.



Note

Cisco recommends you to use Virtual Network Computing (VNC), other terminal multiplexer, or similar screen sessions to complete these steps.

Before you begin

You must have a CentOS 7 staging server (VM, laptop, or UCS server) with a 64 GB USB 2.0 drive only. You can use USB 3.0 64GB if the management node is of type M5. The staging server must have wired Internet connection to download the Cisco VIM installation files onto the USB drive. Once downloaded, you can copy the installation files onto the management node from USB drive.



Note

Downloading of the installation files (over 25 GB in size) to the USB drive might take several hours depending on the speed of your Internet connection. Ensure that you disable the CentOS to the sleep mode, for faster installation.

- **Step 1** On the staging server, use yum to install the following packages:
 - PyYAML (yum install PyYAML)
 - python-requests (yum install python-requests)
- Step 2 Log into Cisco VIM software download site and download the getartifacts.py script from external registry:

```
# download the new getartifacts.py file (see example below)
curl -o getartifacts.py
https://username:password@cvim-registry.com/mercury-releases/cvim24-rhel7-osp10/releases/2.4.4/getartifacts.py
curl -o getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
https://username:password@cvim-registry.com/mercury-releases/cvim24-rhel7-osp10/releases/2.4.4/getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
# calculate the checksum and verify that with one in getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
sha512sum getartifacts.py
# Change the permission of getartificats.py
chmod +x getartifacts.py
```

Run getartifacts.py. The script formats the USB 2.0 drive (or USB 3.0 drive for M5/Quanta based management node) and downloads the installation files. You must provide the registry username and password, tag ID, and USB partition on the staging server.

```
# ./getartifacts.py -h
usage: getartifacts.py [-h] -t TAG -u USERNAME -p PASSWORD -d DRIVE
                       [--proxy PROXY] [--retry]
                       [--artifacts [ARTIFACTS [ARTIFACTS ...]]]
Script to pull container images.
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                        show this help message and exit
                       installer version to pull
  -t TAG, --tag TAG
  -u USERNAME, --username USERNAME
                       Registry username
  -p PASSWORD, --password PASSWORD
                        Registry password
  -d DRIVE, --drive DRIVE
                        Provide usb drive path
  --proxy PROXY
                        https proxy if needed
  --retrv
                        Try to complete a previous fetch
  --artifacts [ARTIFACTS [ARTIFACTS ...]]
                        Only supported parameter is all and defaults to all if not passed anything
This script pulls images from remote registry and copies the contents to usb drive
```

To identify the USB drive, execute the **lsblk** command before and after inserting the USB drive. The command displays a list of available block devices. The output data will help you to find the USB drive location. Provide the entire drive

path in the -d option instead of any partition as shown below. Here, the tag_id refers to the Cisco VIM release version 2.4.x.

For example:

```
sudo ./getartifacts.py -t <tag_id> -u <username> -p <password> -d </dev/sdc> [--artifacts ...] [--proxy proxy.example.com] –
```

Note Ensure that you do not remove the USB drive during synchronization.

Note On executing getartifacts.py, the following message: stderr: mount: wrong fs type, bad option, bad superblock on /dev/sdy1, missing codepage or helper program, or other error. is displayed to notify bad superblock and mount failure. In this case, reformat the drive and use the fsck command to recover the drive: fsck.ext4 -pv /dev/sdc.

Note As the size of the artifacts is greater than 25G, Cisco recommends you to execute this step over a wired internet connection. It will take few hours to download and populate data on USB drive, depending on the internet connectivity.

The getartifacts.py script downloads the following:

- · Packages
 - buildnode-K9.iso
 - mercury-installer.tar.gz
 - registry-2.3.1.tar.gz
- insight-K9.tar.gz
 - mariadb-app-K9.tar.gz
- · Respective checksums
- **Step 4** Use the following command to verify the downloaded artifacts and container images:

```
# create a directory
sudo mkdir -p /mnt/Cisco
# /dev/sdc is the USB drive, same as supplied in getartifacts.py python script
#You need to mount the partition with the steps given below:
sudo mount /dev/sdc1 /mnt/Cisco
cd /mnt/Cisco
# execute the test-usb help to look at the options
./test-usb -h
usage: ./test-usb [-h] -- Show this program to check integrity of artifacts in this USB drive
                  [-a] -- Check integrity of all (core and insight) artifacts in this USB drive
                  [-1] -- Location of artifacts
# execute the verification script
./test-usb
# failures will be explicitly displayed on screen, sample success output below
# sample output of ./test-usb execution with 2.4 release
#./test-usb
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB drives
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
INFO: Checking artifact registry-2.3.1.tar.gz
```

```
INFO: Checking required layers:

# ./test-usb -a
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB drive
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
INFO: Checking artifact registry-2.3.1.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact mariadb-app-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact haproxy-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact insight-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking required layers:
INFO: 548 layer files passed checksum.
```

If the download fails, an error message is displayed.

For example:

```
# ./test-usb
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB stick
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
ERROR: Checksum for artifact buildnode-K9.iso does not match ('SHA512 (buildnode-K9.iso) =
96ec62a0932a0d69daf60acc6b8af2dc4e5eca132cd3781fc17a494592feb52a7f171eda25e59c0d326fbb09194eeda66036cbdc3870dafe74f59cf1f2dce225*
!= 'SHA512 (buildnode-K9.iso) =
a6a9e79fa08254e720a80868555679 baeea2dd8f26a0360ad47540eda831617 bea0514a117b12ee5f36415b7540afa112a1c904cd69e40d704a8f25d78867acf')\\
INFO: Checking artifact registry-2.3.1.tar.gz
ERROR: Artifact registry-2.3.1.tar.gz is not present
INFO: Checking required layers:
ERROR: Layer file sha256:002aa1f0fbdaea7ea25da1d906e732fe9a9b7458d45f8ef7216d1b4314e05207 has a bad
checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:5be3293a81773938cdb18f7174bf595fe7323fdc018c715914ad41434d995799 has a bad
checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:8009d9e798d9acea2d5a3005be39bcbfe77b9a928e8d6c84374768ed19c97059 has a bad
 checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:ea55b2fc29b95d835d16d7eeac42fa82f17e985161ca94a0f61846defff1a9c8 has a bad
checksum
INFO: 544 layer files passed checksum.
```

Step 5 To resolve download artifact failures, unmount the USB and run the getartifacts command again with the --retry option.

Step 6 Mount the USB and then run the test-usb command to validate if all the files are downloaded:

```
# /dev/sdc is the USB drive, same as supplied in get artifacts.py python script
sudo mount /dev/sda1 /mnt/Cisco
cd /mnt/Cisco

# execute the verification script
./test-usb

# In case of failures the out of the above command will explicitly display the same on the screen
```

Step 7 When the USB integrity test is done, unmount the USB drive by running the following command:

```
sudo umount /mnt/Cisco
```



Preparing for Cisco NFVI Installation

Before you can install and configure Cisco NFVI, you must complete the following hardware and application preparation procedures provided in the following topics.

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Installing Cisco NFVI Hardware

Switch on the Cisco UCS C-Series or B-Series hardware, before you install the Cisco VIM. Depending upon the pod type, you need to set up the CIMC connection or UCSM IP ahead of time. The following table lists the UCS hardware options and network connectivity protocol used with virtual extensible LAN (VXLAN) over a Linux bridge, VLAN over OVS or VLAN over VPP. If Cisco Virtual Topology Services (VTS), an optional Cisco NFVI application, is installed, Virtual Topology Forwarder (VTF) is used with VXLAN for tenants, and VLANs for providers on C-Series pods.

Table 15: Cisco NFVI Hardware and Network Connectivity Protocol

| UCS Pod Type | Compute and Controller Node | Storage Node | Network Connectivity Protocol |
|--------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Rack Type | UCS C220/240 M4/M5 | UCS C240 M4 (SFF) with two internal SSDs | OVS/VLAN or VPP/VLAN (only on intel NIC) |

| UCS Pod Type | Compute and Controller Node | Storage Node | Network Connectivity Protocol |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Rack Type | Controller: UCS C220/240 Compute: HP DL360 Gen9 | UCS C240 M4 (SFF) with two internal SSDs | OVS/VLAN |
| | Quanta servers for Fullon or Edge pod | | |
| C-Series with Cisco VTS | Control: UCS C220/240 M4 Compute: UCS C220/240 M4 (10G Cisco VIC) expanded with UCS C240-M5 (with Cisco 1457) | UCS C240 M4 (SFF) with two internal SSDs | For tenants: VTF with VXLAN. For providers: VLAN |

| UCS Pod Type | Compute and Controller Node | Storage Node | Network Connectivity Protocol |
|----------------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| C-Series Micropod | UCS 240 M4/M5 with 12 HDD and 2 external SSDs. Pod can be expanded to 16 computes. Each compute will have 2x1.2 TB HDD or | Not applicable as it is integrated with Compute and Controller. | OVS/VLAN or VPP/VLAN (on intel NIC). |
| | UCS 220 M4/M5 with 6 HDD and 1 external SSDs. Pod can be expanded to 16 computes. Each compute will have 2x1.2 TB HDD. | | |
| | Note Refer to the BOM for SSD based install for M5; M5 BOM is based on Intel X710 for control and data plane and XL710 for SRIOV. For exact BOM details, reach out to Cisco VIM product marketing. | | |
| C-Series Hyperconverged | UCS 240 M4/M5. | UCS C240 M4/M5 (SFF) with 10 HDD and two external SSDs, acts as compute node | OVS/VLAN |
| B-Series | UCS B200 M4. | UCS C240 M4 (SFF) with two internal SSDs. | OVS/VLAN. |



Note

The storage nodes boot off two internal SSDs. It also has four external SSDs for journaling, which gives a 1:5 SSD-to-disk ratio (assuming a chassis filled with 20 spinning disks). Each C-Series pod has either a dual-port 10 GE Cisco vNIC 1227 card or dual-port/quad-port Intel X 710 card. UCS B-Series blade servers only support Cisco 1340 and 1380 NICs. For more information on Cisco vNICs, see LAN and SAN Connectivity for a Cisco UCS Blade. Cisco VIM has a Micropod (based on UCS-M4/M5 hardware) which works on Cisco VIC 1227 or Intel NIC 710, with OVS/VLAN or VPP/VLAN (for Intel NIC only) as the virtual network protocol. The Micropod supports with a small, functional, but redundant cloud with capability of adding standalone computes (maximum of 16) to an existing pod.

Cisco VIM supports M4/M5-based Micropod on a VIC/NIC system with OVS, to extend the SRIOV support on a 2x2-port Intel 520 or 2x40G XL710 NIC card. The same pod can be extended to include M5 computes having 40G Cisco VIC with an option to have 2x40G XL710 intel NIC as SRIOV.



Note

M5 can only use 2x40G XL710 for SRIOV.

The M5-based Micropod is based on Intel NIC 710 and supports SRIOV over XL710, with OVS/VLAN or VPP/VLAN as the virtual network protocol. From release Cisco VIM 2.4.2 onwards, 40G M5-based Micropod is supported on a VIC (40G)/NIC (2-XL710 for SRIOV) system.

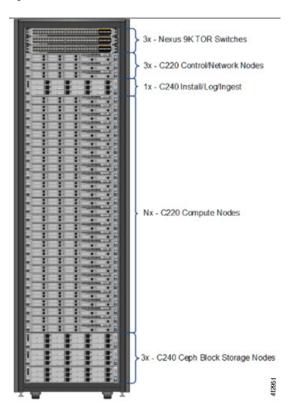
In addition, the Cisco Nexus 9372 or 93180YC, or 9396PX is also available to serve the Cisco NFVI ToR function.

After verifying that you have required Cisco UCS servers, blades and Nexus 93xx, install the hardware following procedures at the following links:

- Cisco UCS C220 M4 Server Installation and Service Guide
- Cisco UCS C240 M4 Server Installation and Service Guide
- Cisco UCS B200 Blade Server and Installation Note
- Cisco Nexus 93180YC,9396PX, 9372PS and 9372PX-E NX-OS Mode Switches Hardware Installation Guide

The figure below shows C-Series Cisco NFVI pod. Although the figure shows a full complement of UCS C220 compute nodes, the number of compute nodes vary depending on the implementation requirements. The UCS C220 control and compute nodes can be replaced with UCS 240 series. However, in that case the number of computes fitting in one chassis system is reduced by half.

Figure 35: Cisco NFVI C-Series Pod





Note

The combination of UCS-220 and UCS-240 within the compute and control nodes is not supported.

For more information on wiring schematic of various pod configuration, see Appendix, on page 375.

Configuring ToR Switches for C-Series Pods

During installation, the Cisco VIM installer creates vNICs on each of the two physical interfaces and creates a bond for the UCS C-Series pod. Before this, manually configure the ToR switches to create a vPC with the two interfaces connected to each server. Use identical Cisco Nexus 9372, or 93180YC, or 9396PX switches for the ToRs. Cisco recommends you to use the N9K ToR software versions for setup: 7.0(3)I4(6) 7.0(3)I6(1). For information on the wiring details for each pod type on a C-series-based install, see Appendix section

Complete the following steps to create a vPC on a pair of Cisco Nexus ToR switches. The steps use the following topology as an example. Modify the configuration as it applies to your environment. Cisco VIM optionally supports auto-configuration of ToR for N9K series only. If auto-configuration of ToR is opted, you can skip the following steps:

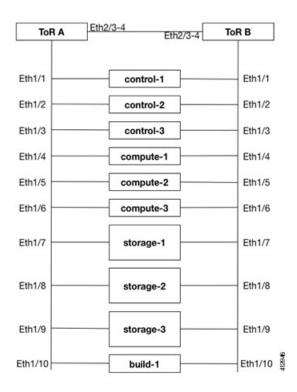


Figure 36: ToR Configuration Sample

Step 1 Change the vPC domain ID for your configuration. The vPC domain ID can be a unique number. The IP address on the other switch mgmt0 port is used for the keepalive IP. Change it to the IP used for your network.

For the preceding example, the following is the configuration:

```
TOR-A (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.185)
feature vpc
vpc domain 116
peer-keepalive destination 172.18.116.186
TOR-B (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.186)
feature vpc
vpc domain 116
peer-keepalive destination 172.18.116.185
```

Because both switches are cabled identically, the remaining configuration is identical on both switches. In this example, topology Eth2/3 and Eth2/4 are connected to each other and combined into a port channel that functions as the vPC peer link.

feature lacp interface Ethernet2/3-4 channel-group 116 mode active interface port-channel116 switchport mode trunk vpc peer-link

Step 2 For each VLAN type, (mgmt_vlan, tenant_vlan_range, storage, api, external, provider), execute the following on each ToR:

```
vlan <vlan_type>
no shut
```

Step 3 Configure all the interfaces that are connected to the servers as the members of the port channels. In the example, only ten interfaces are shown. But you must configure all interfaces that are connected to the server.

Note If interfaces have configuration from previous deployments, you can remove them by entering default interface Eth1/1-10, then no interface Po1-10.

1. For deployment with any mechanism driver on Cisco VIC

There is no configuration differences among different roles (controllers/computes/storages). The same configuration applies to all interfaces.

```
interface Ethernet 1/1
channel-group 1 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/2
channel-group 2 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/3
channel-group 3 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/4
channel-group 4 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/5
channel-group 5 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/6
channel-group 6 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/7
channel-group 7 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/8
channel-group 8 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/9
channel-group 9 mode active
interface Ethernet 1/10
channel-group 10 mode active
```

2. For deployment with OVS/VPP with VLAN on Intel NIC

The interface configuration is same as Cisco VIC as shown in the above section. However, number of switch interfaces that are configured is more in the case of Intel NIC as it has dedicated control and data physical ports. For SRIOV switchport, no port channel is configured and the participating VLAN can be in trunk mode. In case of pod based on Quanta servers, or HPE as computes, configure the control and data plane VLANs in trunk mode on the switch ports connected to the OCP and LOM cards, respectively.

Step 4 Configure the port channel interface as vPC and trunk all VLANs. For Intel NIC, you must configure native vlan and set it to mgmt vlan on the control ports so that PXE boot does not fail. Skip to listen or learn in spanning tree transitions, and ensure that you do not suspend the ports if LACP packets are not received. Also, configure it with large MTU of 9216 to avoid Ceph installation failure. The last configuration allows you to start the servers before the bonding is set up.

```
interface port-channel1-9
shutdown
spanning-tree port type edge trunk
spanning-tree bpdufilter enable
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk native vlan mgmt_vlan for the control ports when Intel NIC is used
switchport trunk allowed vlan <mgmt_vlan, tenant_vlan_range, storage, api, external, provider>
no lacp suspend-individual
mtu 9216
```

```
vpc <1-9>
```

Step 5 Identify the port channel interface that connects to the management node on the ToR:

```
interface port-channel10
shutdown
spanning-tree port type edge trunk
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk allowed vlan <mgmt_vlan>
no lacp suspend-individual
vpc 10
no shutdown
```

Step 6 Check the port channel summary status. The ports connected to the neighbor switch have to be in (P) state. Before the server installation, the server facing interfaces must be in (I) state. After installation, they have to be in (P) state, which means they are up and in port channel mode.

```
gen-leaf-1# show port-channel summary
Flags: D - Down P - Up in port-channel (members)
I - Individual H - Hot-standby (LACP only)
s - Suspended r - Module-removed
S - Switched R - Routed
U - Up (port-channel)
M - Not in use. Min-links not met
Group Port- Type Protocol Member Ports
Channel
1 Po1(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/1(I)
2 Po2(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/2(I)
3 Po3(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/3(I)
4 Po4(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/4(I)
5 Po5(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/5(I)
6 Po6(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/6(I)
7 Po7(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/7(I)
8 Po8(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/8(I)
9 Po9(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/9(I)
10 Po10(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/10(I)
116 Pol16(SD) Eth LACP Eth1/116(I)
```

Step 7 Enable automatic Cisco NX-OS errdisable state recovery:

```
errdisable recovery cause link-flap errdisable recovery interval 30
```

Cisco NX-OS places links that flap repeatedly into errdisable state to prevent spanning tree convergence problems caused by non-functioning of hardware. During Cisco VIM installation, the server occasionally triggers the link flap threshold, so enabling automatic recovery from this error is recommended.

```
errdisable recovery cause link-flap errdisable recovery interval 30
```

Step 8 If you are installing Cisco Virtual Topology Systems, an optional Cisco NFVI application, enable jumbo packets and configure 9216 MTU on the port channel or Ethernet interfaces. For example:

Port channel:

```
interface port-channel10
   switchport mode trunk
   switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,323,680,860,2680,3122-3250
```

```
mtu 9216
vpc 10
```

Ethernet:

```
interface Ethernet1/25
    switchport mode trunk
    switchport trunk allowed vlan 80,323,680,860,2680,3122-3250
    mtu 9216
```

Configuring ToR Switches for UCS B-Series Pods

Complete the following steps to create a vPC on a pair of Cisco Nexus ToR switches for a UCS B-Series pod. The steps are similar to configuring ToR switches for C-Series pods, with some differences. Here, the two ToR switches are Storm-tor-1 (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.185) and Storm-tor-2 (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.186). Modify the configuration as applicable to your environment.

Step 1 Change the vPC domain ID for your configuration. The vPC domain ID can be any unique number. The IP address on the other switch mgmt0 port is used for the keepalive IP. Change it to the IP used for your network.

Storm-tor-1 (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.185).

```
feature vpc
vpc domain 116
   peer-keepalive destination 172.18.116.186
for each vlan type (mgmt vlan, tenant vlan range, storage, api, external, provider); # execute the
following for each vlan
   vlan <vlan type>
   no shut
vrf context management
   ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.18.116.1
interface mgmt0
   vrf member management
   ip address 172.18.116.185/24
Storm-tor-2 (mgmt0 is 172.18.116.186).
feature vpc
vpc domain 116
   peer-keepalive destination 172.18.116.185
for each vlan type (mgmt vlan, tenant vlan range, storage, api, external, provider); # execute the
following for each vlan
   vlan <vlan_type>
   no shut
vrf context management
   ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.18.116.1
interface mgmt0
   vrf member management
    ip address 172.18.116.186/24
```

Step 2 As both switches are cabled identically, the rest of the settings are identical on both the switches. Configure all the interfaces that are connected to the fabric interconnects for VPC.

```
feature lacp
interface port-channel1
   description "to fabric interconnect 1"
   switchport mode trunk
   vpc 1
interface port-channel2
   description "to fabric interconnect 2"
   switchport mode trunk
   vpc 2
interface Ethernet1/43
   description "to fabric interconnect 1"
    switchport mode trunk
   channel-group 1 mode active
interface Ethernet1/44
   description "to fabric interconnect 2"
   switchport mode trunk
    channel-group 2 mode active
```

Step 3 Create the port-channel interface on the ToR that connects to the management node:

```
interface port-channel3
   description "to management node"
   spanning-tree port type edge trunk
   switchport mode trunk
   switchport trunk allowed vlan <mgmt_vlan>
   no lacp suspend-individual
   vpc 3
interface Ethernet1/2
   description "to management node"
   switchport mode trunk
   channel-group 3 mode active
```

Step 4 To enable multicast traffic for Cisco VIM, change the Nexus 9000 configuration including enabling the PIM routing and OSPF:

```
feature ospf
feature pim
feature interface-vlan
feature hsrp
ip pim rp-address 192.1.1.1 group-list 224.0.0.0/4
ip pim ssm range 232.0.0.0/8
ip pim anycast-rp 192.1.1.1 192.168.100.1
ip pim anycast-rp 192.1.1.1 192.168.100.2
interface Ethernet1/18
   description "Mcast Sender Example"
   switchport trunk allowed vlan  provider/tenant vlan id>
interface loopback7
   ip address 192.1.1.1/32
   ip router ospf 777 area 0.0.0.0
   ip pim sparse-mode
router ospf 777
   router-id 1.1.1.1
   area 0.0.0.0 default-cost 10
interface Vlan<provider/tenant vlan id>
   no shutdown
   ip address <IP address/mask>
   no ip ospf passive-interface
   ip router ospf 777 area 0.0.0.0
   ip pim sparse-mode
```

```
hsrp 101
priority 11
ip provider/tenant gateway address>
Storm-tor-1
interface loopback0
ip address 192.168.100.1/32
ip router ospf 777 area 0.0.0.0
ip pim sparse-mode

Storm-tor-2
interface loopback0
ip address 192.168.100.2/32
ip router ospf 777 area 0.0.0.0
ip pim sparse-mode
```

Step 5 If Cisco VIM implementation has extensive multicast traffic, prioritize the multicast traffic by setting up the following service classes on the ToR switches and enabling the media QOS profile as described in the *UCS Manager Common Access Information for B-Series Pods* in Setting Up Cisco VIM Data Configuration, on page 168. The Nexus 9000 configuration is as follows:

```
class-map type qos match-all class-silver
 match cos 2
class-map type qos match-all class-bronze
 match cos 1
policy-map type gos system-level-gos
  class class-silver
   set gos-group 3
  class class-bronze
   set qos-group 2
class-map type queuing class-silver
 match qos-group 3
class-map type queuing class-bronze
 match qos-group 2
policy-map type queuing Uplink-out policy
  class type queuing class-silver
   bandwidth percent 60
   priority
  class type queuing class-bronze
   bandwidth percent 30
  class type queuing class-default
   bandwidth percent 10
class-map type network-qos class-silver
 match qos-group 3
class-map type network-qos class-bronze
 match qos-group 2
policy-map type network-qos system-level-net-qos
  class type network-qos class-silver
   set cos 2
   mtu 9126
   multicast-optimize
  class type network-qos class-bronze
   set cos 1
   mtu 9126
  class type network-qos class-default
   mtu 9126
system gos
service-policy type queuing input fcoe-default-in-policy
```

```
service-policy type queuing output Uplink-out_policy
service-policy type qos input system-level-qos
service-policy type network-qos system-level-net-qos
```

Step 6 Enable jumbo frames for each ToR port-channel that connects to the Fabric Interconnects:

```
interface port-channel<number>
    mtu 9216
```

Note

Ensure that you enable jumbo frames in the setup_data.yaml file. See the UCS Manager Common Access Information for B-Series Pods section in Setting Up Cisco VIM Data Configuration, on page 168.

Preparing Cisco IMC and Cisco UCS Manager

Cisco NFVI requires specific Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC) and Cisco UCS Manager firmware versions and parameters. The Cisco VIM bare metal installation uses the Cisco IMC credentials to access the Cisco IMC interface which is used to delete and create vNICS and to create bonds.

Complete the following steps to verify if Cisco IMC and UCS Manager are ready for Cisco NFVI installation:

- Step 1 Verify that each Cisco UCS server uses Cisco IMC firmware version of either 2.0 series (2.0(13i) or greater preferably 2.0(13n)) or 3.0 series (use 3.0.3(f) or later). You can download the latest Cisco IMC ISO image from the Cisco Software Download site. For upgrade procedures, see the Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Server BIOS Upgrade Guide.
- **Step 2** For UCS B-Series pods, verify that the Cisco UCS Manager version is one of the following: 2.2(5a), 2.2(5b), 2.2(6c), 2.2(6e), 3.1(c).
- **Step 3** For UCS C-Series pods, verify the following Cisco IMC information is added: IP address, username, and password.
- **Step 4** For UCS B-Series pods, verify the following UCS Manager information is added: username, password, IP address, and resource prefix. The resource prefix maximum length is 6. The provisioning network and the UCS Manager IP address must be connected.
- **Step 5** Verify that no legacy DHCP/Cobbler/PXE servers are connected to your UCS servers. If so, disconnect or disable the interface connected to legacy DHCP, Cobbler, or PXE server. Also, delete the system from the legacy cobbler server.
- **Step 6** Verify Cisco IMC has NTP enabled and is set to the same NTP server and time zone as the operating system.

Installing Management Node on UCS C-series (M4/M5)

This procedure installs RHEL 7.6 with the following modifications:

- Hard disk drives are setup in RAID 6 configuration with one spare HDD for eight HDDs deployment, two spare HDDs for 9 to 16 HDDs deployment, or four spare HDDs for 17 to 24 HDDs deployment.
- Networking: Two bridge interfaces are created; one for the installer API (br_api off the LOM interfaces) and the other for provisioning (br_mgmt off the Cisco VIC on the MLOM or off a X710 based Intel NIC depending on the BOM). Each bridge interface has underlying interfaces bonded together with 802.3ad. Provision interfaces are 10/40 GE interfaces (either off Cisco VICs or X710 Intel NIC (first 2 ports of Intel NIC)). API interfaces are 1/10 GE LOMs based on the BOM. For using NFVbench, you require another NIC card constituting off 2xIntel 520, or 2xIntel 710XL, or 4xIntel710 X. For management node

BOM (Intel NIC based), ensure that you place the NIC for NFVbench at a slot higher than that of the br_mgmt based Intel NIC. Ensure that you do not use X520, to measure performance via NFVBench over VXLAN.

- The installer code is placed in /root/.
- SELinux is enabled on the management node for security.

Before you begin

Verify that the Cisco NFVI management node where you plan to install the Red Hat for Enterprise Linux (RHEL) operating system is a Cisco UCS C240 M4/M5 Small Form Factor (SFF) with 8, 16, or 24 hard disk drives (HDDs). In addition, the management node must be connected to your enterprise NTP and DNS servers. If your management node server does not meet these requirements, do not continue until you install a qualified UCS C240 server. Also, verify that the pod has MRAID card.

- **Step 1** Log into the **CIMC GUI** of Cisco NFVI management node.
- **Step 2** Follow steps in Configuring the Server Boot Order to set the boot order to boot from Local HDD.
- **Step 3** Follow steps in Cisco UCS Configure BIOS Parameters to set the following advanced BIOS settings:

For Management node based on UCS M4 boxes set the following for BIOS Parameters:

- PCI ROM CLP—Disabled
- PCH SATA Mode—AHCI
- All Onboard LOM Ports—Enabled
- LOM Port 1 OptionROM—Disabled
- LOM Port 2 OptionROM—Disabled
- All PCIe Slots OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:1 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:2 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot: MLOM OptionROM—Disabled
- PCIe Slot:HBA OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:FrontPcie1 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:MLOM Link Speed—GEN3
- PCIe Slot:Riser1 Link Speed—GEN3
- PCIe Slot:Riser2 Link Speed—GEN3
- MLOM OptionROM—Enabled

For Management node based on UCS M5 boxes set the following for BIOS Parameters:

- · All Onboard LOM Ports—Enabled
- LOM Port 1 OptionROM—Disabled

- LOM Port 2 OptionROM—Disabled
- PCIe Slot:1 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:2 OptionROM—Enabled
- MLOM OptionROM—Enabled
- MRAID OptionROM—Enabled

Other parameters must be set to default.

Step 4 Click Save Changes.

- **Step 5** Add the management node vNICs to the provisioning VLAN to provide the management node with access to the provisioning network:
 - a) In the CIMC navigation area, click the **Server** tab and select **Inventory**.
 - b) In the main window, click the Cisco VIC Adapters > General Tab, and then click on Reset to Default tab.

Note Delete any additional vNICs configured on the UCS server beyond the two default ones.

- **Step 6** Download the Cisco VIM Buildnode ISO image to your computer from the given location.
- **Step 7** In CIMC, launch the KVM console.
- **Step 8** Mount the Cisco VIM Buildnode ISO image as a virtual DVD.
- **Step 9** Reboot the UCS server, then press **F6** to enter the boot menu.
- **Step 10** Select the KVM-mapped DVD to boot the Cisco VIM Buildnode ISO image provided with the install artifacts.
- **Step 11** In boot menu, select **Install Cisco VIM Management Node**. This is default selection and it gets automatically selected after the timeout.
- **Step 12** At the prompts, answer the following questions to install the Management node as unified management node only or not:
 - Hostname—Enter the management node hostname (The hostname length must be 32 or less characters).
 - Select Yes to Install as Unified Management only when required. Migration from one to another is not supported.
 - API IPv4 address—Enter the management node API IPv4 address in CIDR (Classless Inter-Domain Routing) format. For example, 172.29.86.62/26
 - API Gateway IPv4 address—Enter the API network default gateway IPv4 address.
 - MGMT IPv4 address—Enter the management node MGMT IPv4 address in CIDR format. For example, 10.30.118.69/26
 - **Note** The MGMT IPv4 entry is not required, if the management node is installed as "unified management node only"
 - Prompt to enable static IPv6 address configuration—Enter **Yes** to continue input similar IPv6 address configuration for API and MGMT network, or **No** to skip if IPv6 is not needed.
 - API IPv6 address—Enter the management node API IPv6 address in CIDR (Classless Inter-Domain Routing) format. For example, 2001:c5c0:1234:5678:1001::5/8.
 - Gateway IPv6 address—Enter the API network default gateway IPv6 address.
 - MGMT IPv6 address—Enter the management node MGMT IPv6 address in CIDR format. For example, 2001:c5c0:1234:5678:1002::5/80

- DNS server—Enter the DNS server IPv4 address or IPv6 address if static IPv6 address is enabled.
- Option for Teaming Driver for Link Aggregation (answer **yes** when Nexus Switch is the ToR, and answer **no** when Cisco NCS 5500 is ToR): <yes|no> "

After you enter the management node IP addresses, the Installation options menu appears. In the installation menu, there are several options, fill in the options that are listed below (option8 and 2) and leave everything else as it is. If you are unable to start the installation, enter \mathbf{r} to refresh the Installation menu.

- **Step 13** In the Installation menu, select option **8** to enter the root password.
- **Step 14** At the Installation Menu, select option 2 to enter the time zone.
- **Step 15** At the Timezone settings, select the option **1** as option **2** is not supported.
- **Step 16** Enter the number corresponding to your time zone.
- **Step 17** Enter the number for your region.
- **Step 18** Choose the city and then confirm the time zone settings.
 - **Note** NTP server IP must not be entered at the time of setting time zone.
- **Step 19** After confirming your time zone settings, enter **b** to start the installation.
- **Step 20** After the installation is complete, press **Return** to reboot the server.
- Step 21 After the reboot, check the management node clock using the Linux date command to ensure that the TLS certificates are valid, for example:

```
#date
Mon Aug 22 05:36:39 PDT 2016

To set date:
#date -s '2016-08-21 22:40:00'
Sun Aug 21 22:40:00 PDT 2016

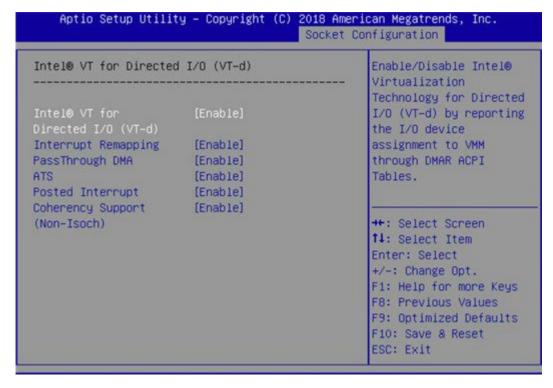
To check for date:
#date
Sun Aug 21 22:40:02 PDT 2016
```

Installing Management Node on Quanta Servers

Most of the settings in the server remains default. To run NFVbench, you must enable the Intel VT for Directed I/O (VT-d) on the Management node.

To enable the Intel VT for Directed I/O, navigate to the following path:

BIOS Setup -> Socket Configuration -> IIO Configuration -> Intel VT for Directed I/O (VT-d) -> Intel VT for Directed I/O (VT-d) -> Enable



To enable NFVbench on a Quanta management node:

- Reboot the MGMT node, hit F2 or DEL to enter BIOS:
- Choose Socket Configuration -> IIO Configuration -> Intel(R) VT for Directed I/O (VT-d)
- Set Intel(R) VT for Directed I/O (VT-d) to **Enable**
- Press the key F10 to save and exit.



Note

From Cisco VIM 3.4.0 onwards, the remote installation of management node via automation as technical preview is possible to alleviate manual bootstrapping of the management node. For more details, see the Installing Management Node Remotely.

Installing Cisco VIM Software Hub

Cisco VIM Software Hub alleviates the need for Cisco VIM management nodes to have internet connectivity and helps to remove the logistics of shipping USBs to multiple pods across the enterprise for software installation or update of the cloud.



Note

The project name for Cisco VIM Software Hub was SDS (Software Delivery Server), therefore you might encounter references to SDS in the configuration files, directory paths and automation outputs.

Before you begin

Prerequisites for Cisco VIM Software Hub Nodes

- Ensure that the Cisco VIM management nodes have connectivity to Cisco VIM Software Hub.
- Ensure that the Cisco VIM Software Hub node where you want to install the buildnode.iso is a Cisco UCS C240 M4 Small Form Factor (SFF) with 16 or 24 hard disk drives (HDDs).
- Ensure that the Cisco VIM Software Hub node is connected to the enterprise NTP and DNS servers.
- Ensure that the Cisco VIM Software Hub node has a hardware MRAID and a cache card.

Prerequisites for Cisco VIM Software Hub Server

• TLS certificate (For production environment)

On the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, configure a secure registry so that the pods can obtain the container images over TLS. You need to provide a certificate signed by a trusted third-party CA authority and the **CommonName** in the certificate must match the Cisco VIM Software Hub Registry FQDN name. The sds_setup_data.yaml has 3 fields:

- SSL CERT FILE: Path of x509 certificate obtained from a trusted CA authority
- SSL_CERT_KEY_FILE: Path of private key obtained from a trusted CA authority
- SSL_CERT_CHAIN_FILE: Path of a single ssl cert chain file. The trusted CA authority might provide you the x509 cert for your domain, intermediate x509 cert and root CA cert. You need to create a single ssl cert chain file using the commands below:

```
# cat <x509 domain cert> >> ssl_chain_file.cer
# cat <intermediate ca cert> >> ssl_chain_file.cer
# cat <root ca cert> >> ssl chain file.cer
```

• Self-signed certificate (For internal use)

Cisco recommends to use a trusted CA signed certificate when a Cisco VIM Software Hub node is used in production environment. For internal testing and POC, Cisco supports Cisco VIM Software Hub node with self signed certificate. Follow the below steps to generate the self-signed certificate:

```
# openssl genrsa -des3 -out https_reverse_proxy.key 2048
# openssl req -new -key https_reverse_proxy.key -out https_reverse_proxy.csr
# cp https_reverse_proxy.key https_reverse_proxy.key.org
# openssl rsa -in https_reverse_proxy.key.org -out https_reverse_proxy.key
# openssl x509 -req -days 365 -in https_reverse_proxy.csr -signkey
https_reverse_proxy.key -out https_reverse_proxy.cer
```

Generate the certificate with the same FQDN as specified in the sds_setup_data.yaml. Populate the SSL_CERT_FILE, SSL_CERT_KEY_FILE and SSL_CERT_CHAIN_FILE in sds_setup_data.yaml. In case of self-signed certificate, use the same x509 certificate for both cert file and cert chain file. You need to manually trust the self-signed certificate. The operator needs to execute the commands below on both Cisco VIM Software Hub server and CVIM pod management node:

```
# cp <x509 cert> /etc/pki/ca-trust/source/anchors/ca.crt
# update-ca-trust extract
```

For docker registry to work with self signed certificates, execute the commands below on SDS server.

```
# mkdir /etc/docker/certs.d/<fqdn>
# cp <x509 cert> /etc/docker/certs.d/<fqdn>/ca.crt
```

DNS server

Ensure that the pods and the Cisco VIM Software Hub server are reachable to the DNS server and the DNS server must be able to resolve the Cisco VIM Software Hub Registry FQDN. If the enterprise does not have a unified DNS, then you need to populate the /etc/hosts file with FQDN after provisioning a node using the ISO archive file.

Installing Cisco VIM Software Hub Node

The steps to install an Cisco VIM Software Hub node are similar to the steps in Installing Management Node on UCS C-series (M4/M5), on page 92. The only difference being, in Step 11 of the task, you need to choose the option to configure the server as an Cisco VIM Software Hub server. In the subsequent prompts, you can enter information such as the hostname, ipv4 or ipv6 addresses for br_public and br_private interfaces, and gateway addresses, similar to the Installing Management Node on UCS C-series (M4/M5), on page 92 task.

The node is installed with RHEL 7.4 with the following modifications:

- Hard disk drives are set up in RAID 6 configuration with two spare HDDs for a 16 HDDs deployment or four spare HDDs for a 24 HDDs deployment.
- Two bridge interfaces are created, namely, <code>br_public</code> and <code>br_private</code>. In case of a connected Cisco VIM Software Hub server, the <code>br_public</code> interface is connected to the internet. The <code>br_private</code> interface is local to your datacenter. The management node for every Cisco VIM pod must be reachable to the <code>br_private</code> interface of Cisco VIM Software Hub server through the <code>br_api</code> interface. Each bridge interface has underlying interfaces bonded together with 802.3ad. For the Cisco VIM Software Hub, the private interfaces are over 10 GE Cisco VICs, while the public interfaces are 1 GE LOMs.
- Security Enhanced Linux (SELinux) is enabled on the management node for security.
- The Cisco VIM Software Hub code consists of packages with installer code. After provisioning the server with ISO, the installer code is placed in the following path:

```
/root/cvim_sds-<tag>
```

Setting up Cisco VIM Software Hub for Cisco VIM Artifact Distribution

You must configure a sds setup data.yaml file for each installer workspace.

- **Step 1** Copy the EXAMPLE file from the openstack-configs directory and save it as sds setup data.yaml.
- Step 2 If you want to install a release tag on a Cisco VIM Software Hub server, update the fields in the sds_setup_data.yaml file as necessary.

```
# Registry credentials to access the CVIM registry (Cisco Supplied)
***********************
CVIM REGISTRY USERNAME: <username>
CVIM REGISTRY PASSWORD: 
NETWORKING:
## Max. NTP servers = 4, min of 1
ntp servers: <ntp.server1.fqdn.com, ntp.server2.fqdn.com >
ntp servers: [ipv6 address, 'ipv4 address'] # "," separated IPv4 or IPv6 address info
http_proxy_server: cproxy.domain.com:8080> # optional, needed if the pod is behind a proxy
https proxy server: <proxy.domain.com:8080> # optional, needed if the pod is behind a proxy
SDS REGISTRY NAME: <satellite.fqdn.com> #SDS registry name needs to resolve to valid IP
SDS REGISTRY USERNAME: <username>
SDS REGISTRY PASSWORD: 
# (Optional)SDS users who can only pull images from SDS docker registry
SDS READ ONLY USERS:
  - username: <user1>
   password: <password1>
  - username: <user2>
   password: <password2>
```

Step 3 Save the sds setup data.yaml file in the following path:

openstack-configs directory under /root/cvim sds-<tag>

Installing Cisco VIM Software Hub in Connected Mode

In the Connected mode, the Cisco VIM Software Hub server has a publicly routable IP address, and the server can connect to the cvim-registry. When the Cisco VIM Software Hub server is initially configured with the ISO, Cisco VIM Cisco VIM Software Hub workspace of that release is preinstalled in the /root/ directory.

- Step 1 Download the mercury-installer.tar.gz file of the release that you want.
- **Step 2** Unzip the zip file manually and rename the unzipped file as cvim_sds-<release>.
- **Step 3** Perform the following steps:
 - a) Place a valid TLS certificate in the /root/cvim sds-<tag>/openstack-configs directory.
 - b) Update the fields of the Cisco VIM Software Hub setup data file and save it in the following directory: /root/cvim sds-<tag> openstack-configs
- **Step 4** To install the release on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, navigate to the /root/cvim_sds-<target-tag> directory on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server and run the following command:

```
# cd to /root/cvim_sds-<target-tag>
# ./sds runner/runner.py
```

The command validates the Cisco VIM Software Hub node hardware, the contents of the <code>sds_setup_data.yaml</code> file, and the validity of the TLS certificate, and then obtains the artifacts from the external Cisco VIM release registry and populates the Cisco VIM Software Hub server.

Installing Cisco VIM Software Hub in Air-Gapped Mode

Cisco VIM Software Hub is installed in the air-gapped mode when the Cisco VIM Software Hub server in the datacenter does not have internet connectivity. You can use the USB drive to load the installation files on the Cisco VIM Software Hub node. The installation files are over 25 GB in size. Downloading them to the USB drive may take several hours depending on the speed of your internet connection.

Before you begin

- Ensure that you have set up a CentOS 7 staging server (VM, laptop, or UCS server) with a 64 GB USB 2.0 drive.
- Ensure that you have internet, preferably a wired connection, to download the Cisco VIM installation files, which you want to load onto the USB drive.
- Ensure that you have disabled the CentOS sleep mode.
- **Step 1** On the staging server, use yum to install PyYAML and the python-requests package.
- **Step 2** Access the Cisco VIM software download web site using a web browser.
- Step 3 Log in with the credentials provided by your account representative and download the getartifacts.py script from the external registry.

```
# download the new getartifacts.py file
curl -o getartifacts.py
https://username:password@cvim-registry.com/mercury-releases/cvim24-rhel7-osp13/releases/<3.4.x>/getartifacts.py
curl -o getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
https://username:password@cvim-registry.com/mercury-releases/cvim34-rhel7-osp13/releases/<3.4.x>/getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
# calculate the checksum by executing "sha512sum getartifacts.py", and verify that the output is
same as that listed in getartifacts.py-checksum.txt
# Change the permission of getartificats.py via "chmod +x getartifacts.py"
```

Step 4 Run the getartifacts.py script.

The script formats the USB 2.0 drive (or USB 3.0 drive for M5-based management node) and downloads the installation files. You must provide the registry username and password, tag ID, and USB partition on the staging server.

```
getartifacts.py [-h] -t TAG -u USERNAME -p PASSWORD -d DRIVE
[--proxy PROXY] [--retry]
[--artifacts [ARTIFACTS [ARTIFACTS ...]]]
Script to pull container images en masse.
optional arguments:
-h, --help show this help message and exit
-t TAG, --tag TAG installer version to pull
-u USERNAME, --username USERNAME
Registry username
-p PASSWORD, --password PASSWORD
Registry password
-d DRIVE, --drive DRIVE
Provide usb drive path
--proxy PROXY https proxy if needed
--retry Try to complete a previous fetch
--artifacts [ARTIFACTS [ARTIFACTS ...]]
Only supported parameter is all and defaults to all if nothing is passed
```

The getartifacts.py script gets the images from the remote registry and copies the contents to the USB drive.

Step 5 To identify the USB drive, execute the **lsblk** command before and after inserting the USB drive.

The command displays a list of available block devices. You can use the output data to find the location of the USB drive. You must provide the entire drive path in the **-d** option instead of any partition.

```
For example: sudo ./getartifacts.py -t <tag_id> -u <username> -p <password> -d </dev/sdc> --artifacts all [--proxy proxy.example.com]
```

For Cisco VIM Software Hub disconnected installation, you must use the **--artifacts all** options. These options enable you to save all the artifacts in the USB device, which is useful to create a replica of the Cisco VIM external releases.

Step 6 Verify the integrity of the downloaded artifacts and container images.

```
# create a directory sudo mkdir -p /mnt/Cisco
# /dev/sdc is the USB drive, same as supplied in getartifacts.py python script sudo mount /dev/sdc1
/mnt/Cisco
cd /mnt/Cisco
# execute the test-usb help to look at the options
./test-usb -h
usage: ./test-usb
[-h] -- Show this program to check integrity of artifacts in this USB drive
[-a] -- Check integrity of all (core and insight) artifacts in this USB drive
[-1] -- Location of artifacts
# execute the verification script
./test-usb
# failures will be explicitly displayed on screen, sample success output below
# sample output of ./test-usb execution with 3.0.0 release
#./test-usb
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB drive
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
INFO: Checking artifact registry-3.0.0.tar.gz
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB drive
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
INFO: Checking artifact registry-3.0.0.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact mariadb-app-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact haproxy-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking artifact insight-K9.tar.gz
INFO: Checking required layers:
INFO: 548 layer files passed checksum.
If a failure occurs, an error message is displayed. For example:
# ./test-usb
INFO: Checking the integrity of this USB drive
INFO: Checking artifact buildnode-K9.iso
ERROR: Checksum for artifact buildnode-K9.iso does not match ('SHA512 (buildnode-K9.iso) =
96ec62a0932a0d69daf60acc6b8af2dc4e5eca132cd3781fc17a494592feb52a7f171eda25e59c0d326fbb09194eeda66036cbdc3870dafe74f59cf1f2dce225*
!= 'SHA512 (buildnode-K9.iso) =
a6a9e79fa08254e720a80868555679baeea2dd8f26a0360ad47540eda831617bea0514a117b12ee5f36415b7540afa112a1c904cd69e40d704a8f25d78867acf1)
INFO: Checking artifact registry-3.4.0.tar.gz
ERROR: Artifact registry-3.4.0.tar.gz is not present INFO: Checking required layers:
ERROR: Layer file sha256:002aa1f0fbdaea7ea25da1d906e732fe9a9b7458d45f8ef7216d1b4314e05207 has a bad
checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:5be3293a81773938cdb18f7174bf595fe7323fdc018c715914ad41434d995799 has a bad
checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:8009d9e798d9acea2d5a3005be39bcbfe77b9a928e8d6c84374768ed19c97059 has a bad
checksum
ERROR: Layer file sha256:ea55b2fc29b95d835d16d7eeac42fa82f17e985161ca94a0f61846defff1a9c8 has a bad
checksum
INFO: 544 layer files passed checksum.
```

Step 7 To resolve failure in downloading artifacts, unmount the USB and run the getartifacts command again with the --retry option.

```
sudo ./getartifacts.py -t <tag id> -u <username> -p <password> -d </dev/sdc> --retry
```

Step 8 Mount the USB and then run the **test-usb** command to validate if all the files are downloaded.

```
# /dev/sdc is the USB drive, same as supplied in get artifacts.py python script
sudo mount /dev/sda1 /mnt/Cisco
cd /mnt/Cisco
```

Execute the verification script.

```
# ./test-usb
# In case of failures the out of the command displays a message indicating the same on the screen.
```

Step 9 When the USB integrity test completes, unmount the USB.

```
sudo umount /mnt/Cisco
```

- After the artifacts of a target release are saved on the USB, you must unplug the USB from the staging server, connect it to the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, and then perform the following steps on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server:
 - a) Provision your Cisco VIM Software Hub server with the buildnode ISO of that release and then connect the USB to the Cisco VIM Software Hub server.
 - b) To copy the contents of the USB to the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, navigate to the /root/cvim_sds-<tag> directory, and then execute the import artifacts command.

```
# cd ~/cvim_sds-<tag>/tools
# ./import_artifacts.sh -s
```

- c) Place a valid TLS certificate in /root/cvim sds-<tag>/openstack-configs directory.
- d) Configure the Cisco VIM Software Hub setup data file with all the fields and placed the file in the /root/cvim sds-<tag>/openstack-configs directory.
- e) Install the release on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server.

Navigate to the cvim sds directory on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server and execute the following command:

```
# cd /root/cvim_sds-<tag>
# ./sds_runner/runner.py
Usage: runner.py [options]
Runner
Options:
-h, --help show this help message and exit
-l, --list_steps List steps
-s SKIP_STEPS, --skip_steps=SKIP_STEPS
Comma separated list of steps to skip. eg -s 2,3
-p PERFORM_STEPS, --perform=PERFORM_STEPS
-y, --yes Yes option to skip steps without prompt
```

Installing Pod from Cisco VIM Software Hub Server

When you want to install a Cisco VIM pod using the artifacts obtained from the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, you need to provide an additional parameter in setup_data.yaml. Ensure that the release artifacts are pre-installed on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server and that the setup_data.yaml file is populated with the pod details. Provide the registry FQDN name for install through Cisco VIM Software Hub. For example, your.domain.com.

```
REGISTRY NAME: '<registry name>' # Mandatory Parameter.
```

Cisco VIM pod setup_data.yaml require the REGISTRY_USERNAME and REGISTRY_PASSWORD to connect to the docker registry and fetch docker images. To fetch the docker images from Cisco VIM Software Hub node, provide the user credentials available in the SDS_READ_ONLY_USERS section of sds_setup_data.yaml. The details of an admin user with read/write access to docker registry are provided in SDS_REGISTRY_USERNAME and SDS_REGISTRY_PASSWORD field. So, it is recommended to have a read-only user on Cisco VIM pod.



Note

The Cisco VIM management node must have connectivity to the organization DNS server to resolve the Cisco VIM Software Hub server domain.

Day 2 Operations on Cisco VIM Software Hub

The following Day-2 operations are supported on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server:

- Reconfigure Cisco VIM Software Hub TLS certificate and Cisco VIM Software Hub registry credentials
- Cisco VIM Software Hub server Backup and Restore
- Registry Cleanup Script
- Manual update of few packages in the Maintenance window

For more information on these topics, refer to the Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager Administrator Guide.

Setting Up UCS C-Series Pod

After you install the RHEL OS on the management node, perform the following steps to set up the Cisco UCS C-Series servers:

- **Step 1** Log into CIMC GUI of Cisco NFVI management node.
- Step 2 Follow steps in Configuring the Server Boot Order to set the boot order to boot from Local HDD
- **Step 3** Follow steps in Configure BIOS Parameters to set the LOM, HBA, and PCIe slots to the following settings:

For servers based on UCS M4 boxes, set the following for BIOS Parameters:

- CDN Support for VIC—Disabled
- PCI ROM CLP—Disabled
- PCH SATA Mode—AHCI
- All Onboard LOM Ports—Enabled
- LOM Port 1 OptionROM—Disabled
- LOM Port 2 OptionROM—Disabled
- All PCIe Slots OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:1 OptionROM—Enabled

- PCIe Slot:2 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot: MLOM OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:HBA OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:N1 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:N2 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:HBA Link Speed—GEN3

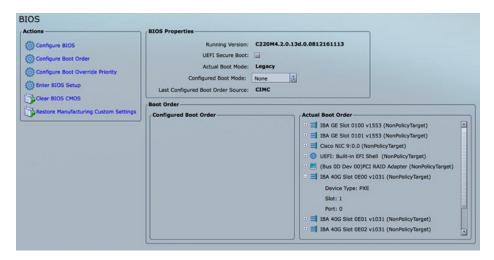
For servers based on UCS M5 boxes, set the following for BIOS Parameters:

- All Onboard LOM Ports—Enabled
- LOM Port 1 OptionROM—Disabled
- LOM Port 2 OptionROM—Disabled
- PCIe Slot:1 OptionROM—Enabled
- PCIe Slot:2 OptionROM—Enabled
- MLOM OptionROM—Enabled
- MRAID OptionROM—Enabled

Other parameters must be set to their default values.

To setup C-series pod with Intel 710 NIC:

- 1. Each C-series server must have two 4-port Intel 710 NIC cards.
- 2. Ports A, B, and C for each Intel 710 NIC card are connected to the respective ToR.
- 3. PCI slot in which the Intel NIC cards are inserted are enabled in the BIOS setting (BIOS > Configure BIOS > Advanced > LOM and PCI Slot Configuration -> All PCIe Slots OptionROM-Enabled and enable respective slots).
- **4.** Slots are identified by checking the slot-id information under the **Network-Adapter** tab listed under the Inventory link on the **CIMC** pane.
- 5. All the Intel NIC ports must be indicated in the BIOS summary page under the **Actual Boot Order** pane, as IBA 40G Slot xyza with Device Type is set to PXE.



For UCS M5 look for "IBA 40G Slot ..." under the BIOS Properties



If the boot order for the Intel NICs is not listed as above, enable the PXE boot setting for each UCS-C M4 series server by using either Intel's BootUtil tool on a pre-installed Linux system or boot a special ISO image. This is time consuming especially on a large POD with many nodes. Hence, an automated tool has been developed to help with this painstaking process.

Note From release Cisco VIM 3.4.0, the above context is applicable only to UCS M4 series servers, as UCS-M5 is based on UEFI for boot.

While the pxe-boot tool simplifies the job of flashing the intel NIC cards, the restrictions of COSI compliance prevents us from shipping third-party utility. Administrators must download the PREBOOT.exe file from Intel website: https://downloadcenter.intel.com/download/27539/

Ethernet-Intel-Ethernet-Connections-Boot-Utility-Preboot-Images-and-EFI-Drivers

Version: 22.10

Date: 12/7/2017

OS Independent

Language: English

Size: 16.54 MB

MD5: ace485e8a3ef9039212f52b636ce48e3

PREBOOT.EXE

Ensure that there is unrestricted network access from Cisco VIM Management node to UCS-C series server's CIMC over following ports:

- TCP/2400 serial-over-lan (SOL)
- TCP/22 XMLAPI

Ensure that there is unrestricted network access from UCS-C series server's CIMC to Cisco VIM Management node's API interface over following port:

TCP/80 - HTTP

This utility updates only the Intel PXE configuration and not the card's firmware or Option ROM.

Utility Details

Two scripts available in the Cisco VIM Installer's tools directory are:

- · create-bootutil-img.sh
- intel-bootutil-update.py

Usage

```
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]# ./create-bootutil-img.sh
```

Usage: ./create-bootutil-img.sh <PREBOOT.exe file> <output image name>

You can download PREBOOT.exe file from:

https://downloadcenter.intel.com/download/27862/Ethernet-Intel-Ethernet-Connections-Boot-Utility-Preboot-Images-and-EFI-Drivers

Version: 22.10
Date: 12/7/2017
OS Independent
Language: English
Size: 16.54 MB

MD5: ace485e8a3ef9039212f52b636ce48e3

PREBOOT.EXE

To toggle Intel PXE configuration on UCS C-series, use the script below:

```
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]# ./intel-bootutil-update.py -h
usage: intel-bootutil-update.py [-h] [--hosts HOSTS]
[--exclude-hosts EXCLUDE_HOSTS] [-v] [-y]
--setupfile SETUPFILE --bootutil-image
BOOTUTIL_IMAGE --port {0,1,2,3} --state
{enable,disable}
```

Optional arguments:

- -h --help show this help message and exit
- --hosts HOSTS comma separated list of servers
- setup data.yaml file target for PXE configuration
- --exclude-hosts EXCLUDE HOSTS comma separated list of servers
- setup_data.yaml file to exclude for PXE configuration
- -v, --verbose enable verbose output
- -y, --yes skip prompt

Required arguments:

- --setupfile SETUPFILE setup_data.yaml file location
- --bootutil-image BOOTUTIL IMAGE BootUtil image location
- --port {0,1,2,3} port #, multiple entries allowed
- --state {enable, disable} enable or disable PXE configuration

Example to enable all port A:

```
./intel-bootutil-update.py --setupfile /root/openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml --bootutil-image /root/bootutil.img --port 0 --state enable
```

Example to enable all port A and B:

```
./intel-bootutil-update.py --setupfile /root/openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml --bootutil-image /root/bootutil.img --port 0 --port 1 --state enable
```

Example to disable all port C:

```
./intel-bootutil-update.py --setupfile /root/openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml --bootutil-image /root/bootutil.img --port 2 --state disable
```

Flow:

Multiple scripts are required as Intel's PREBOOT.exe utility is not packaged with Cisco VIM for COSI compliance:

- 1. Download PREBOOT.exe version 23.1 from Intel's website.
- 2. Go to Cisco VIM Installer's tools directory.
- 3. Run 'create-bootutil.img' script to create a CIMC-KVM mountable USB image.
- 4. Run 'intel-bootutil-update.py' script, to configure Intel NIC for enabling or disabling PXE.

Utility in action examples:

```
[root@cologne-mgmt installer]# cd tools
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]#
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]# ./create-bootutil-img.sh

Usage: ./create-bootutil-img.sh <PREBOOT.exe file> <output image name>
```

You can download PREBOOT.exe file from Intel:https://downloadcenter.intel.com/download/27862/ Ethernet-Intel-Ethernet-Connections-Boot-Utility-Preboot-Images-and-EFI-Drivers

Version: 23.1 Date: 2/21/2018 OS Independent Language: English Size: 16.54 MB

MD5: dadd5c85777164d8476670774b4459fc

PREBOOT.EXE

```
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]#
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]# ./create-bootutil-img.sh /root/PREBOOT.exe /root/bootutil.img
Unmounting temporary mount point /tmp/tmp bootutil.img
Cleaning up temporary workspaces
Successfully created image file with BOOTUTIL64E.EFI
-rw-r--r-. 1 root root 5.0M Jul 20 17:52 /root/bootutil.img
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]#
 [root@cologne-mgmt tools]# ./intel-bootutil-update.py --setupfile
 root/openstack-configs/setup data.yaml --bootutil-image /root/bootutil.img --port 0 --state/
   enable
All servers will be rebooted as part of PXE configuration, would you like to continue? <y|n>
2018-07-18 18:34:36,697 INFO Enabling temporary HTTP server hosting BootUtil.img on
172.29.86.10
2018-07-18 18:34:36,790 INFO Successfully enabled temporary HTTP server hosting BootUtil.img
  on 172.29.86.10
2018-07-18 18:40:28,711 INFO Disabling temporary HTTP server hosting BootUtil.img on
172.29.86.10
2018-07-18 18:40:28,810 INFO Successfully disabled temporary HTTP server hosting BootUtil.img
  on 172.29.86.10
Server(s) successfully updated PXE configuration:
\verb|color=cantrol-1|, \verb|color=cantrol-2|, \verb|co
[root@cologne-mgmt tools]#
```

Setting Up the UCS B-Series Pod

After you install the RHEL OS on the management node, complete the following steps to configure a Cisco NFVI B-Series pod:

Step 1 Log in to Cisco UCS Manager, connect to the console of both fabrics and execute the following commands:

```
# connect local-mgmt
# erase config
All UCS configurations are erased and system starts to reboot. Are you sure? (yes/no): yes
Removing all the configuration. Please wait....
```

Step 2 Go through the management connection and clustering wizards to configure Fabric A and Fabric B:

Fabric Interconnect A

```
# connect local-mgmt
# erase config
Enter the configuration method. (console/qui) console
Enter the setup mode; setup newly or restore from backup. (setup/restore) ? setup
You have chosen to setup a new Fabric interconnect. Continue? (y/n): y
Enforce strong password? (y/n) [y]: n
Enter the password for "admin":
Confirm the password for "admin":
Is this Fabric interconnect part of a cluster(select 'no' for standalone)? (yes/no) [n]: yes
Enter the switch fabric (A/B) []: A
Enter the system name: skull-fabric
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IPv4 address: 10.30.119.58
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask: 255.255.255.0
{\tt IPv4} \  \, {\tt address} \  \, {\tt of} \  \, {\tt the} \  \, {\tt default} \  \, {\tt gateway} \, : \, \, {\tt 10.30.119.1}
Cluster IPv4 address : 10.30.119.60
Configure the DNS Server IPv4 address? (yes/no) [n]: y
DNS IPv4 address : 172.29.74.154
Configure the default domain name? (yes/no) [n]: {\bf y}
Default domain name : ctocllab.cisco.com
Join centralized management environment (UCS Central)? (yes/no) [n]: n
Following configurations are applied:
Switch Fabric=A
System Name=skull-fabric
Enforced Strong Password=no
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP Address=10.30.119.58
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP Netmask=255.255.255.0
Default Gateway=10.30.119.1
DNS Server=172.29.74.154
Domain Name=ctocllab.cisco.com
Cluster Enabled=ves
Cluster IP Address=10.30.119.60
NOTE: Cluster IP is configured only after both Fabric Interconnects are initialized
Apply and save the configuration (select 'no' if you want to re-enter)? (yes/no): yes
Applying configuration. Please wait..
```

Fabric Interconnect B

```
Enter the configuration method. (console/gui) ? console

Installer has detected the presence of a peer Fabric interconnect. This Fabric interconnect is added to the cluster. Continue (y/n) ? y

Enter the admin password of the peer Fabric interconnect:

Connecting to peer Fabric interconnect... done

Retrieving config from peer Fabric interconnect... done

Peer Fabric interconnect Mgmt0 IP Address: 10.30.119.58

Peer Fabric interconnect Mgmt0 IP Netmask: 255.255.255.0

Cluster IP address: 10.30.119.60

Physical Switch Mgmt0 IPv4 address: 10.30.119.59

Apply and save the configuration (select 'no' if you want to re-enter)? (yes/no): yes

Applying configuration. Please wait.
```

- **Step 3** Configure the NTP:
 - a) In UCS Manager navigation area, click the **Admin** tab.
 - b) In the Filter drop-down list, choose **Time Zone Management**.
 - c) In the main window under Actions, click Add NTP Server.
 - d) In the Add NTP Server dialog box, enter the NTP hostname or IP address, then click **OK**.
- Step 4 Following instructions in Cisco UCS Manager GUI Configuration Guide, Release 2.4, "Configuring Server Ports with the Internal Fabric Manager" section, configure the Fabric Interconnect A and Fabric Interconnect B uplinks to the Cisco NFVI top of rack (ToR) switches as Uplink Ports, Server Ports, and Port Channels.
- **Step 5** Configure the downlinks to the B-Series server chassis as **Server Ports**.
- **Step 6** Acknowledge all chassis.

Configuring the Out-of-Band Management Switch

For Cisco VIM installer API and SSH bonded interface, use 1-GB Intel NICs that connect the Cisco NFVI management node and Cisco Catalyst switch. Following is a sample configuration for creating a port channel on a Catalyst switch. Modify the configuration for your environment:

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/39
  channel-group 2 mode active
  speed 1000

interface GigabitEthernet0/40
  channel-group 2 mode active
  speed 1000

interface Port-channel2
  switchport access vlan 165
  switchport mode access
```

Support of 3rd Party Compute (HP DL 360 Gen9)

Before you begin

Cisco VIM manages all aspects of the cloud through full automation, with no manual intervention beyond initial infrastructure setup. To extend this approach to third-party computes, specifically HP DL360 Gen9, distribute the HP SmartArray Utility Tools as part of the platform offering.

To support third-party computes in Cisco VIM perform the following steps:

Step 1 Download the ssacli tool directly from HPE's website and place the RPM file in "/root/installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/" directory.

Note Currently Cisco VIM supports ssacli-3.10-3.0.x86_64.rpm.

Step 2 Location and checksum of the target RPM is:

 $https://downloads.linux.hpe.com/SDR/repo/spp-gen9/RHEL/7/x86_64/2017.07.1/ssacli-3.10-3.0.x86_64.rpm\ SHA1\ checksum: 51ef08cd972c8e65b6f904fd683bed8e40fce377$

Support of 3rd Party Compute (HP DL 360 Gen9)



Installing Management Node Remotely

This chapter contains the following topics:

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Overview to Installation of Management Node Remotely

The goal of CISCO VIM is to fully automate the installation operation of the cloud. In versions prior to CISCO VIM 3.4.0, the management node installation was always manual, as the bootstrap of the cloud happens from there. In CISCO VIM 3.4.0, an additional step of automating the management node installation is done as technical preview. The management node called as "Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager" is automatically installed over a layer 3 network to accelerate the CISCO VIM installation process.



Note

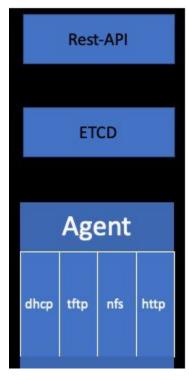
In this chapter, the term Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager and Remote Install of Management Node (RIMN) are used interchangeably.

RIMN Architecture

The high-level Architecture of RIMN software is deployed on the RIMN deployment node from where one or more management nodes are installed. Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager/RIMN supports remote installation of servers across WAN (or LAN) with either IPv4 or IPv6 connectivity. Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager can be installed on the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Deployment node by using air-gapped installation. Once RIMN software is installed on its management node, the user will define an input file for bare-metal config (in YAML format) and use Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager CLI or Rest-API to deploy the user-specified ISO into target platform (as depicted in the Figure below):



RIMN solution is built based on the interaction of several components as depicted below:



- Rest-API & CLI: Pushes the received input data into Etcd datastore.
- Etcd datastore: Stores any stateful data related to sites, jobs, and flavor/policies used in the deployment.
- Agent: Golang based services that installs the servers based on user config, and includes a controller + multiple services (TFTP, DHCP, HTTP, NFS)

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager software is designed to be stateful, micro-service based, and easy to use.

Hardware Requirements for RIMN

RIMN/Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager solution consists of two hardware components:

- Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager deployment server. Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager service is deployed on the deployment server. Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager can be deployed on standard CISCO VIM Management node BOM, which is based on UCS-C or Quanta hardware.
- 2. Servers to be deployed. These are actual hardware to pxe-boot, install & configure, which can include a number of clusters and a number of servers in each cluster. CISCO VIM Management node BOM (UCS-C M5, M4 and/or Quanta servers) are supported target servers. Supported firmware versions are Major = 4.0 and Minor >= 1a.

From a component point of view, a typical CISCO VIM Management node BOM includes:

- 8, 16 or 24 1.2 TB Hard disks are required to install the OS
- Intel 1G NIC (br_api) for PXE and 10/25/40G VIC or Intel NIC (for br_mgmt) NICs to support configuration of multiple bridges, and other minimum requirements to satisfy the server workload.
- API availability for remote server management:
 - Quanta: Redfish
 - UCS-C: Redfish + UCS-C XML-API
- Enabled pxeboot in UEFI mode for NIC chosen (1g intel NIC: br api) for the target servers

Network Infrastructure Requirements for RIMN

To install RIMN/Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager pxe-boots target nodes over layer 2 or layer 3 network, certain conditions need to be met for the solution feasibility:

- The Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager server need to have access for the Remote management API interface (Redfish for Quanta, Redfish + XML-API for UCS-C) of the target nodes.
- The Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager server services (agent, including agent, tftp, dhcp, http, nfs ports) need to be reachable over a layer 2 or layer 3, IPv4 and IPv6 network from the target nodes.
- For layer 3 based installation, DHCP forwarder needs to be configured in the intermediate routing infrastructure, so that the installed nodes can DHCP query the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager server from its own network across WAN.
- For Edge deployment across WAN, DHCP Helper is configured on the network Gateway of management node API network to point out the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Agent IP for DHCP server.
- WAN latencies for less than 500 milli-second needs a successful install within a reasonable time period (< 30 mins). The higher the latency, the slower the installation and chances for installation failure.

Below are examples of topology deployed with Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager on bare-metal servers over Layer 2 and Layer 3 networks respectively.

Target Server connected to RIMN over Layer 2 and IPv4 networking
 Here, the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager server with agent running on br_mgmt using address 172.29.86.61

is pxe-booting 2 worker nodes on VLAN 887 on ip-address 172.29.86.151 and 172.29.86.152.

2. Here, the Cisco VIM Baremetal Managerserver with agent running on br_mgmt on address is pxe-booting 2 remote worker nodes on VLAN 123 and VLAN124 across WAN. Notice DHCP forwarder is configured on VLAN 123 and 124 to forward DHCP request to the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager server IP.

In either case 1 or 2, a port channel configured for installed server pxe-boot interface (eg. po18 on case 1) look like:

```
interface port-channel18
switchport access vlan 887
spanning-tree port type edge
no lacp suspend-individual
```

Also, it should be noted that the following Network Ports are open on the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Deployment Server:

| Interface | Туре | Port | Protocol | Application |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| restapi_interface | ТСР | 8141 | HTTP | Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST-API |
| pxe_interface | ТСР | 24601 | HTTP | Agent Asset Server |
| pxe_interface. | TCP | 2049 | NFS | Agent NFS Server |
| pxe_interface | UDP | 67 | DHCP4 | Agent DHCPserver ipv4 |
| pxe_interface | UDP | 547 | DHPCP6 | Agent DHCP server ipv6 |
| pxe_interface | UDP | 69 | TFTP | Agent tftp server |

High Level Flow for Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager/RIMN

The high level flow for Argus has the following steps:

- Install the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager management node server with the ISO
- Create the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager setup data
- Bootstrap the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Management Server
- Import target ISO file(s) and fetch the associated flavors
- Create baremetal files with flavor and target server details
- Deploying the Target Servers

Overview to Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST API

The following topic explains how to use the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST API to manage RIMN:

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager provides a Representational State Transfer (REST) API that is used to deploy, expand, and manage RIMN.

Actions performed using the REST APIs are the following:

• Provides a logical grouping of management nodes in form of site, cluster and nodes for better management of nodes globally.

```
| .
`-- node_n.n
```

- Import ISO files for booting Management node.
- Deploy an Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager site, cluster, and node.
- Add cluster to the deployed site.
- Delete cluster from the deployed site
- Add node to the deployed cluster.
- Delete node from a deployed cluster.
- Jobs to track deployment of site, cluster, and node.

The Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager API security is provided by the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) included on the Apache web server. The Flask-Restplus-based web application runs the Rest API server. The Flask REST API server requires a username and password to authorize the REST API server requests. Apache handles the authorization process, which authorizes the request to access the Flask web application. You can access API server on the br_api interface on port 8141. Authentication is enabled by default in the web service.

You can access the API end points of a version (v1 now) using the following URL format: https://<management_node_api_ip>:8141/v1

By default, basic authentication is enabled for the API endpoints in the management node. You can find the authentication credentials in the following file in the management node:

```
/opt/cisco/argus/rest api/client config.json
```

The following code shows a sample client_config.json file.

```
{
"REST_API_URL": "http://172.22.191.134:5001",
"REST_API_USERNAME": "admin",
"REST_API_PASSWORD": "8675d63674ff686e8688",
"PODTYPE": "rmi"
}
```

API Resources

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST API is a Flask-Restplus-based web application, which comes with Swagger integration. Swagger is built around OpenAPI Specification that helps to design, build, document, and consume REST-APIs.

The REST-API resources along with their expected payloads and responses have been documented by Swagger. Here is the view of Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST-API.

Installing Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Management Node On a UCS C-series Server

The steps to install an Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager management node are similar to the steps in Installing Management Node on UCS C-series (M4/M5).

For installation of Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager management node, do the following changes:

- 1. In Step 11, choose the option to configure the server as a CVIM Baremetal node (Option 5).
- 2. Management (br_mgmt) interface has to be routable as it serves host to Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Agent. The API (br_api) interface rout-ability depends upon user's choice. If the intention is to expose Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager REST API externally, br api has to be routable else not.



Note

The default gateway in Cisco VIM Baremetal manager management node is through br_mgmt, and not through br_api.

In the subsequent prompts, you can enter information such as the hostname, IPv4 or IPv6 addresses for br_api and br_mgmt interfaces, and gateway addresses (make sure you stick to above mentioned point: 2 while providing inputs), as per the Installing Management Node on UCS C-series (M4/M5) procedure.

The node is installed with RHEL 7.4 with the following modifications:

- Security Enhanced Linux (SELinux) is enabled on the management node for security.
- The Cisco VIM Baremetal code consists of packages with installer code. After provisioning the server with ISO, the installer code is placed in the following path:

/root/cvim_bm-<tag>

Installing Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Management Node On Quanta Servers

For Quanta-based system, the CDC management node is used as the Cisco VIM Baremetal manager management node. Please leave the settings in the quanta to its default.

The bootstrap procedure on the management node sets up Cisco VIM Baremetal manager/RIMN with its components REST API, CLI, Agent, and ETCD along with the needed data containers. It prepares the Cisco VIM Baremetal manager server for the actual site deployment.

Preparing the Argus Management Node in an Air-gapped Install

If the Argus management node does not have Internet access, use the prepared USB stick and complete the following steps:

Refer to Preparing to Install Cisco NFVI on Management Nodes Without Internet Access, to prepare the USB stick with the Argus artifacts.



Note

The only change is in the 'getartifacts' command is that --argus needs to be added.

- 1. Insert the USB stick into the management node drive after it has been installed with buildnode iso with the CISCO VIM Baremetal option.
- **Step 2** 2. Run the import_artifacts.sh script to copy all artifacts onto the management node, for example:

```
# cd ~/Cisco VIM_bm-<tag_id>/tools
# ./import artifacts.sh
```

The installation artifacts are copied to /var/cisco/artifacts/ on the management node. Once the artifacts are available in the management node, the steps to set up the Argus server is irrespective of the install mode (connected or disconnected).

Preparing the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Management Node from Cisco VIM Software Hub Server

When you want to install the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager node using the artifacts obtained from the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, you need to provide an additional parameter in setup_data.yaml. Ensure that the release artifacts are pre-installed on the Cisco VIM Software Hub server and that the setup_data.yaml file is populated with the pod details. Provide the registry FQDN name to enable installation through Cisco VIM Software Hub. For example, your.domain.com.

```
REGISTRY NAME: '<registry name>' # Mandatory Parameter.
```

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager node's setup_data.yaml requires the REGISTRY_USERNAME and REGISTRY_PASSWORD to connect to the docker registry and fetch docker images. To fetch the docker images from Cisco VIM Software Hub node, provide the user credentials available in the SDS_READ_ONLY_USERS section of sds_setup_data.yaml. The details of an admin user with read/write access to docker registry are provided in SDS_REGISTRY_USERNAME and SDS_REGISTRY_PASSWORD field. So, it is recommended to have a read-only user on Cisco VIM pod.

Creation OF RIMN Setup Data.yaml

```
# cd Cisco VIM_bm-<tag-id>
```

cp openstack-configs/setup data.yaml.Argus.EXAMPLE /root/openstack-configs/setup data.yaml

Users are required to make changes to this example format as per their pod and use case. Argus also supports Cisco VIM Software hub (SDS) based install. The setup data of Argus has multiple sections; listed below are the snippets of the common section of the Argus setup data.yaml

```
setup_data.yaml
#******** ARGUS SETUP CONFIGURATIONS ********

# User Defined Configuration File
# Information in this file is specific to the user setup

# REGISTRY CREDENTIALS #

# Mandatory parameters
REGISTRY_USERNAME: '<username>'
REGISTRY_PASSWORD: '<password>'
# Mandatory Parameter when SDS is enabled.
# Not required when SDS is not enabled.
# Example registry FQDN name [your.domain.com]
REGISTRY_NAME: '<registry_name>'
# INSTALLATION MODE #
```

Setting up RIMN/Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Server

The first step is to set up the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager management server infrastructure including the REST-API and CLI

- **Step 1** Perform hardware validations to check if deployment node is Cisco compliant BOM and validations on user passed setup data.yaml.
- Step 2 Run Ansible playbooks and deploy docker containers namely argus_rest_api_<tag-id>, argus_agent_<tag_id>, argus_etcd <tag_id>, CISCO VIM data containers and install a CLI to Argus Baremetal REST-API.

Deploying the Target Servers over Layer-2/Layer-3

Post Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager/RIMN server installation, the deployment of remote server(s) can happen

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager CLI Helper:

```
# argus -h
      usage: argus [-h] [--json] [--debug] <subcommand> ...

Command-line interface to the Argus Baremetal Installer
```

```
positional arguments:
    <subcommand>
    baremetal Perform baremetal operations
    job Perform job operations
    flavor Perform flavor operations
    iso Perform ISO operations

optional arguments:
    -h, --help show this help message and exit
    --json Get output in json format
    --debug Print debugging output
```

Import ISO(s) to Argus:

The user needs to download the Cisco-provided ISO file to the Argus management node before starting the server(s) deployment. The ISO file creates a unique flavor for Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Agent which is then used to decide the base of networking, boot, and OS for new servers.

```
# argus iso -h
usage: argus iso [-h] -a action [-f config file] [-n name]
optional arguments:
 -h, --help show this help message and exit
 -a action
               list - List all ISOs
                       - Show ISO details
               show
               import - Import an ISO on the management node
               delete - Delete ISO
 -f config_file Path of an ISO file
 -n name ISO name
# argus iso -a import -f buildnode-internal-18173.iso -n rakuten-iso
      +----+
      | Action | Status |
      +----+
      | Import | PASS |
```

The above command can be used multiple times to import different ISO files. Verify the ISO and the corresponding flavor via:

The ISO import creates flavors that define the nature of the server. A flavor is specifically tied to the ISO file imported. You can verify the flavors that are created from the ISO import operations explained above:

```
# argus flavor -a list
List of Flavors:
+-----+
| SL.NO. | Flavors |
```

The above-mentioned created flavor(s) should be used in the site/cluster/node config during server deployment

```
* Flavor can be defined either in common or server level, as a single flavor can be used with multiple severs
clusters:
...
servers:
- name: server-1
flavor: rakuten-iso-18173
[OR]
common_info:
flavor: rakuten-iso-18173
```

Deploy the site:

To help deploy the target nodes, the next step is to create the site configuration data file. To deploy the site, execute the following:

```
# cp openstack-configs/argus baremetal.EXAMPLE /root/argus baremetal.yaml
```

Listed below is an example of the Cisco VIM Baremetal Managersite config data to deploy the target server. Users are required to make changes to this example format as per their use case:

Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager Site config:

```
# Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager CONFIGURATIONS:
#********
# User defined Baremetal configuration file, information specific to user setup
# Structure: Logical grouping of nodes to form clusters and similar grouping of
# clusters to form a site.
# REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIAS:
#*****
# Some validations for critical keys have been listed here:
## 1. oob password: CIMC PASSWORD
## Passwords should satisfy at least 3 of the following conditions:
   a. at least 1 letter between a to z
##
     b. at least 1 letter between A to Z
## c. at least 1 number between 0 to 9
##
    d. at least 1 character from !$@%^- +=
## AND
##
   e. No space allowed
```

```
##
    f. 8<= Length <=20
## 2. name: RESOURCE NAME (SITE/CLUSTER/NODE)
## Resource names should satisfy following criteria:
##
     a. Required
##
    b. Unique
##
    c. ASCII chars
##
     d. No space allowed
     e. 1 <= Length <=32
## 3. info: RESOURCE INFORMATION (SITE/CLUSTER)
    ______
## Resource info keys should satisfy the following criteria:
##
     a. Required
##
     b. ASCII chars
##
     c. 1 <= Length <=50
## 4. boot network: SERVER'S BOOT NETWORK
##-----
## Server's boot network holds following criteria:
   a. Optional, defaults to:
##
        -> management_*_v4: if Agent running on DHCP_MODE: v4
##
        -> management_*_v6: if v6 management interface defined in
##
                          server's ip address section and Agent
                          running on DHCP MODE: v6
##
##
    b. Should follow <api|management>_*_<v4|v6> pattern
##
## * - Interface Representation Number
## 5. ip_address: SERVER'S NETWORKING INTERFACES AND CONFIGS
##-----
## Networking Interface(s) dictionary of the server to be deployed
## Dict should satisfy the following criteria:
##
     a. Pattern of Keys:
       ##
##
##
##
##
     b. Mandatory Keys:
        -> api_*_v4, api_*_gateway_v4
##
##
        -> management_*_v4
##
##
     c. Optional Keys:
##
        -> management * gateway v4
        # Any 1 of the below 4 keys defined, makes others mandatory
##
##
        -> api_*_v6, api_*_gateway_v4
##
        -> management_*_v6, management_*_gateway_v6
##
     d. Interfaces:
##
##
        # Different interfaces should NOT share a common network
##
        \# Interfaces should be in valid v4 or v6 CIDR format
##
        -> api * v4, api * v6
##
        -> management_*_v4, management_*_v6
##
##
     e. Gateways:
##
        # Gateways should have a valid v4 or v6 IP
##
        # IP should be in the respective interface network
##
        -> api_*_gateway_v4, api_*_gateway_v6
        -> management_*_gateway_v4, management_*_gateway_v6
##
##
## -> No duplicate values allowed
```

```
## * - Interface Representation Number
## Representation number: The one which defines an interface's uniqueness
## ( * ) Eg. '2' in case of api 2 v4
          _____
# SECTION 1. SITE INFORMATION AND COMMON CONFIGS:
name: <overall site name>
info: <site description>
common info:
    # Required, common username for multiple CIMC's
    # Can be overidden at server level
   oob username: <oob username>
    # Required, common password for multiple CIMC's
    # Can be overidden at server level
    oob password: <oob password>
    # Required, time zone to be configured for node(s)
    time zone: <UTC or US/Pacific, etc>
    # Required
    domain name: <your.domain.com>
    # Required, max of 3
    # Can be overidden in server level
    domain name servers:
      - <8.8.8.8>
    domain name servers: [171.70.168.183, 173.36.131.10]
    # Required
    ntp_servers:
     - <1.pool.ntp.org>
   ntp servers: [ ntp.cisco.com, time.apple.com ]
    # Required, common flavor for each node
    # Forms the base of OS, Boot and Networking
    # Should be created by ISO import previous to the deploy
    # Can be overidden at server level
    flavor: rakuten-iso-18173
    # Required, should start with $6
    # Run python script argus_password_hash.py in Cisco VIM_bm-<tag-id>/tools
    # to generate it from the paintext.
    # Can be overidden at server level
    # Example formatted for readability
   password hash: $6$RoUqWDqgLdYG9Z8u$LSZ36DAlrJiXH69mUv9ySiXPNJ4aWwKWUZUu/6jg
                  7E0uPK4qoggH0bNDgi7npAG1yL/zeW20cTOTF8mLhSiqa.
    # Required, Public SSH key of Argus management Node
    # Makes SSH into the deployed nodes, passwordless
    # Use ssh-keygen command to generate this
    # Example formatted for readability
    ssh key: "ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaClyc2EAAAADAQABAAABAQCz26ysi6dUrvQo+2tW9S0rPSdVt
             exqzf5ZPdHAnabV4iChI8MAeJRognVx1SjFKyg8LiNTYQCBh4h4rJq6mEiYXd0nmv
             z5d5srcH3spnaW0gZn4VDZQ8aD2UBK1rFyt6qVERaci7/IX0kvqpblqBT2KzU0nVz
```

0yz7vDLV2qj8JCDL18gdlkdqPbx8nSQ3ETFh9jlt5Gj99mVaXeaNNxAy6z2FuDHJD fxq8ra7F+jHAq/5Lz61Nu38uDl+OrTrCqahE2ZtO+eiGU6Pwc+p5QGUq2wjw/Cayq Z9AkdCRA8Wlm8yCxVXMn7ERRN2OaaAIOtw6JVVNGmjkqJ5nKJGOZ root@raku-aio"

```
# SECTION 2. CLUSTER(S) INFORMATION AND SERVER(S) NETWORKING CONFIGS:
# Required, at least 1
clusters:
  - name: <cluter name>
   info: <cluster description>
   # Required, at least 1
   servers:
     - name: <target server name>
       # Required, CIMC IP of target server
       # IPv4 or v6
       oob ip: 2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE9:2D51
       # Optional, defaults to value in common info
       oob username: admin
       # Optional, defaults to value in common info
       oob_password: ******
       # Optional, defaults to value in common info
       # Should be created by ISO import, previous to the deploy
       flavor: rakuten-iso-26073
       # Optional, defaults to value in common info
       # Example formatted for readability
       password hash: $6$osTdkA95zuhv8Qp/$joETG21jcc6rix03ywila2KIJO7SU1N8tFoJ
                     N3jJYPApvej8wkCVgUL4DbdYvOYewGCZsM/8gN36/7Rs3Day1
       # Optional, defaults to value in common_info
       # Max of 3
       domain name servers: [171.70.168.183, 173.36.131.10]
       # Server's Interface(s) example configs
       # Refer validations mentioned in Requirements Section: 4 & 5
       boot_network: api_1_v6
       # Required
       ip_address:
         api 1 v4: 10.30.117.248/28
         api 1 gateway v4: 10.30.117.241
         api 1 v6: 2001:420:293:256a::1248/64
         api 1 gateway v6: 2001:420:293:256a::2
         management_1_v4: 20.20.30.248/25
         management_1_gateway_v4: 20.20.30.1
         management 1 v6: 2001:420:293:2447:2f6:63ff:fedb:9e2/64
         management_1_gateway_v6:2001:420:293:2447::2
     - name: node-2
       oob ip: 2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE8:9690
       ip address:
         api 2 v4: 10.30.117.246/28
         api 2 gateway v4: 10.30.117.241
         management 2 v4: 20.20.30.248/25
```



Note

Note: The information in the common sections is shared across all target servers in the cluster. However, one could potentially overwrite it on as per server basis. For example: flavor, oob username/password, password hash, domain name servers can be defined as per server level.

The password is an encrypted string from plain text password; To get you can run python script argus password hash.py in Cisco VIM bm-<tag-id>/tools to generate it from the plaintext.

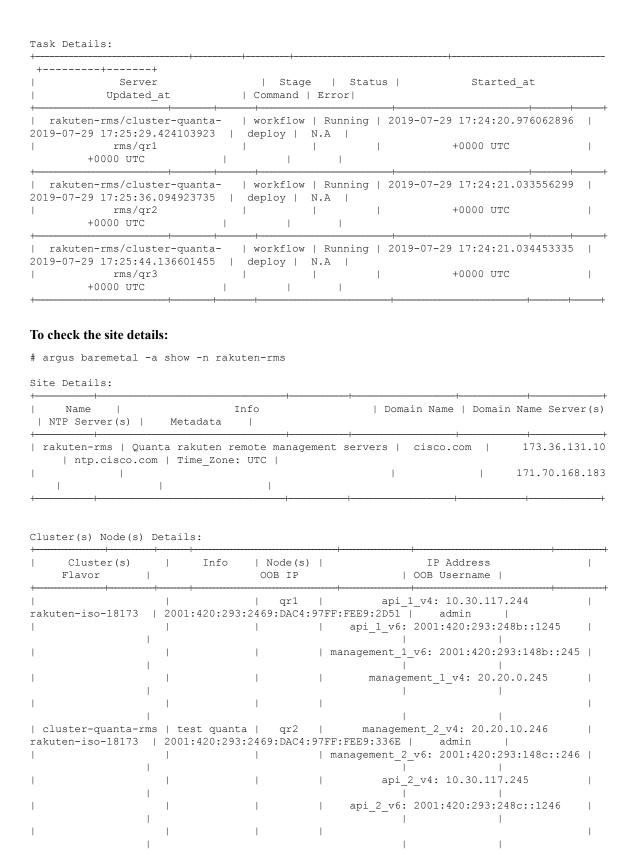
usage: argus baremetal [-h] -a action [-f config file] [-n name] [--status]

The ssh_key is a public SSH key for a host, and if provided, one can automatically get authenticated and SSH into the deployed nodes after installation without a password. The public/private key pair maybe generated with command below:

Baremetal CLI Helper:

[root@argus-mgmt ~]# argus baremetal -h

```
optional arguments:
 -h, --help show this help message and exit
 -a action
              list - List site/cluster/node
                      Show details of a site/cluster/nodeCreate and deploy a site
               show
               deploy
               deploy-cluster - Add and deploy a cluster
               deploy-node - Add and deploy a node
               delete
                            - Delete a site
               delete-cluster - Delete a cluster
               delete-node - Delete a node
 -f config file Path of argus config-file
 -n name
              Name of site/cluster/node on which operation is to be performed.
 --status
              Get status of site/cluster
               Use this argument with 'show' action.
To start server deploy, the user needs to pass the above-created site confiq data to the
Argus CLI with the appropriate parser and action.
# argus baremetal -a deploy -f /root/argus_baremetal.yaml
| Action | Status | Resource Name |
                                           Details
+----+
| Deploy | PASS | rakuten-rms | job_uuid: 943c1a82-cfdb-4281-a655-d56eb9ce7318 |
               - 1
                                           status: ToRun
       ___+___
A job is created to deploy the site with UUID shown above. One can query its status as shown
# argus job -a show -u 943c1a82-cfdb-4281-a655-d56eb9ce7318
Job Details:
               | Stage | Status | Cloud | _____ |
| Aborted_at | Command | Version | Error | Log | ______
                  | Stage | Status | Created at
     Description
                                                               Started at
     Updated at
     deploy site: | workflow | Running | 2019-07-29 |
                                                               2019-07-29
                                           v1 | N.A | N.A |
     2019-07-29
                   | deploy |
     rakuten-rms
                                 | 10:24:20.326375 | 17:24:20.684958544
  17:25:54.462980001
                                       1
                                                               +0000 UTC
     +0000 UTC
```



```
| qr3 | management_3_v6: 2001:420:293:2461::248 |
rakuten-iso-18173 | 2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE8:9690 | admin |
                                   | management 3 v4: 20.20.30.248
                            1
                                   | api_3_v6: 2001:420:293:256a::1248
                             api_3_v4: 10.30.117.246
                                                      Networking Details:
   Interface |
                     Subnet
                                  api_1_v4 | 10.30.117.0/28 | 10.30.117.241
    api_1_v6
              | 2001:420:293:248b::/64 | 2001:420:293:248b::2 |
   api_2_v4
                   10.30.117.0/28
                                      10.30.117.241
   api_2_v6 | 2001:420:293:248c::/64 | 2001:420:293:248c::2 |
                   10.30.117.0/28
   api 3 v4
                                      10.30.117.241
   api 3 v6 | 2001:420:293:256a::/64 | 2001:420:293:256a::2
| management 1 v4 |
                   20.20.0.0/25
                                          N.A
 management_1_v6 | 2001:420:293:148b::/64 |
                                          N.A
| management 2 v4 |
                   20.20.10.0/25
                                          N.A
| management 2 v6 | 2001:420:293:148c::/64 | N.A
                 20.20.30.0/25
| management 3 v4 |
                                  N.A
| management_3_v6 | 2001:420:293:2461::/64 |
Site Status Details:
   Cluster(s) | Node(s) | Node Status | Cluster Status | Site Status
  | qr1 | Deploying |
  - 1
| cluster-quanta-rms | qr2 | Deploying | Deploying. | Deploying
  | qr3 |
                             Deploying
The above command can also be used to get details for a specific cluster:
# argus baremetal -a show -n rakuten-rms/cluster-quanta-rms
Cluster Node(s) Details:
                      IP Address
| OOB Username |
                                                | Flavor |
  Info
          | Node(s) |
          OOB IP
          | qr1 | api_1_v4: 10.30.117.244 | rakuten-iso-18173 |
2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE9:2D51 | admin
          | api_1_v6: 2001:420:293:248b::1245
                   | management 1 v6: 2001:420:293:148b::245 |
```

```
| management_1_v4: 20.20.0.245
                          I I
                             - 1
| test quanta | qr2 |
                       management 2_v4: 20.20.10.246 | rakuten-iso-18173
2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE9:336E | admin |
          | management 2 v6: 2001:420:293:148c::246 |
                          api_2_v4: 10.30.117.245
                      api 2 v6: 2001:420:293:248c::1246
                            | qr3 | management_3_v6: 2001:420:293:2461::248 | rakuten-iso-18173 |
2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE8:9690 | admin |
                  management_3_v4: 20.20.30.248
           api 3 v6: 2001:420:293:256a::1248
                           api 3 v4: 10.30.117.246
                                                                      1
Cluster Status Details:
| Node(s) | Node Status | Cluster Status
  qr1 | Deploying |
                      į
| qr2 | Deploying | qr3 | Deploying.
                             Deploying
                        And also for a particular server:
# argus baremetal -a show -n rakuten-rms/cluster-quanta-rms/qr1
Node Details:
  IP Address | Flavor |
| OOB Username | Status |
                                                                 OOB IP
api 1 v4: 10.30.117.244
                                | rakuten-iso-18173 |
2001:420:293:2469:DAC4:97FF:FEE9:2D51 | admin | Deploying
api_1_v6: 2001:420:293:248b::1245
                                                 | management 1 v6: 2001:420:293:148b::245 |
      management 1 v4: 20.20.0.245
      The show command can also be used to get only status of the site with -status
# argus baremetal -a show -n rakuten-rms -status
Site Status Details:
| Cluster(s) | Node(s) | Node Status | Cluster Status | Site Status
  | qr1 | Deploying |
```

```
| cluster-quanta-rms | qr2 | Deploying | Deploying | Deploying
 | qr3 | Deploying
  And also to get the status of a particular cluster
# argus baremetal -a show -n rakuten-rms/cluster-quanta-rms -status
Cluster Status Details:
| Node(s) | Node Status | Cluster Status |
| qr1 | Deploying |
| qr2 | Deploying | qr3 | Deploying |
                        Deploying
+----+
Users can also abort the above job if required:
# argus job -a abort -u 943c1a82-cfdb-4281-a655-d56eb9ce7318
+-----
                       Details
| Action | Status |
| Abort | PASS | Abort job request accepted. Please Wait!! |
```

All the above Argus CLI commands can be used with:

- -- json: Prints the REST-API response in json format instead of tables
- --debug: Prints the CLI call as a CURL command, its relative logs along with the REST-API response
- Use –json and –debug together to achieve a collective behavior.

Delete the site:

The above-created site can be deleted as per user's choice, which is nothing but a power-off of all the servers and removal of their respective data from ETCD datastore.

Deploy Cluster:

A new cluster can be added to a deployed site using the modified bare-metal file which was used with the site deploy. The user must add the new cluster info in the bare-metal file and pass that to the Argus CLI.

| +------

Delete Cluster:

Similar to site delete, a user can delete a cluster which will again power-off all the servers present in that cluster and delete the server's entry from the ETCD datastore.

Deploy Node:

A new node can be added to a deployed cluster using the modified bare-metal file. User needs to add the new node info in the desired cluster in the bare-metal file and pass that to the Cisco VIM Baremetal Manager CLI.

Delete Node:

As the name sounds, delete node power-off that node and delete the server's entry from the ETCD datastore.

```
[root@argus-mgmt ~]# argus baremetal -a delete -n rakuten-rms/cluster-quanta-bms/qr3
+-----+
| Action | Status | Details |
|-----+
| Delete | PASS | job_uuid: ef648d52-20eb-49d7-b16d-b84cb52eae66 |
| | status: ToRun |
+-----+
```



Installing Cisco VTS

If your Cisco NFVI package includes Cisco Virtual Topology System (VTS), refer this section on how to install Cisco VTS for use with Cisco NFVI. The Cisco VTS installation procedures are customized for Cisco NFVI from the standard Cisco VTS 2.6.2 installation procedures located on the Cisco VTS product site. You must install Cisco VTS before you install Cisco VIM.

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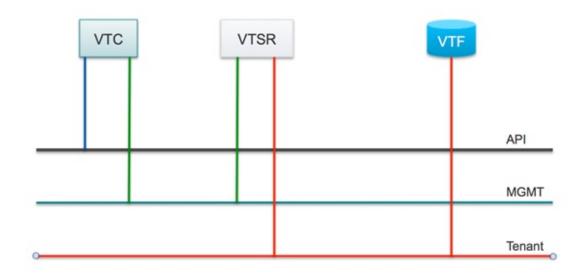
Overview to Cisco VTS Installation in Cisco NFVI

The Cisco Virtual Topology System is an overlay management and provisioning system for data center networks. It automates data center overlay fabric provisioning for both physical and virtual workloads. It provides a policy-based approach for overlay provisioning, and can be used for multitenant data centers for cloud services, including Cisco NFVI.

To install Cisco VTS with Cisco NFVI, you must manually install the Cisco VTS Virtual Topology Controller (VTC) and its VTSR VMs before you start the Cisco VIM installation. The VTC and VTSR VMs must be run on an independent pair of servers, and not on a Cisco NFVI control, compute, storage, or management node. You can set up the networking on those servers as described in the installation procedures. When you run the Cisco VIM installer, you have to provide the VTC VIP and appropriate VTS credentials.

The following figure shows how Cisco VTS Virtual Topology Controller (VTC) and VTSR virtual machines (VMs) connect to the Cisco NFVI networks.

Figure 37: Cisco VTS Connectivity to Cisco NFVI



The following table maps Cisco VTS network names to Cisco VIM network names.

Table 16: Cisco VTS to Cisco VIM Network Name Mapping

| Cisco VTS VM | Cisco VTS Network Name | Cisco VIM Network Name |
|--------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| VTC | Management Network | API (a) |
| VTC | Underlay Network | Management or Provision (mx) |
| VTSR | Management Network | Management or Provision (mx) |
| VTSR | Underlay Network | Tenant (t) |

The following table describes the required IP address allocations for VTS components.

Table 17: Cisco VTS IP Address Allocations

| Cisco VIM Network | Required Cisco VTS IP Addresses | Description |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| API (a) | 3 total (1 VIP + 1 IP per VTC VM) | Set up in the VTC config.iso and cluster.conf |
| Management or Provisioning (mx) | total—Three for VTC (one VTC VIP called as VTS_NCS_IP in setup_data and one IP per VTC VM) Two for VTSR: one IP per VTSR VM. | Set up in VTSR config.iso. Note: VTS component IP addresses cannot overlap with the pool ranges configured in the Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml. |

| Cisco VIM Network | Required Cisco VTS IP Addresses | Description |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Tenant (t) | 2 total—(one IP address VTSR VM. | Set up in VTSR config.iso Note: The VTS component IPs cannot overlap with pool ranges that are configured in the Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml. |

The following is the VTS IP distribution and setup mechanism.

VIM API network

- VTC1—api (a) network IP1 (associated through the VTC1 config ISO)
- VTC2—api (a) network IP2 (associated through the VTC2 config ISO)
- VTC VIP—api (a) network IP3 (associated through the HA step cluster.conf)

VIM Management/Provisioning network

- VTC1—management/provisioning (mx) network IP1 (associated through the VTC1 config ISO)
- VTC2—management/provisioning (mx) network IP2 (associated through the VTC2 config ISO)
- VTC VIP—management/provisioning (mx) network IP3 (associated through the HA step cluster.conf)
- VTSR 1—management/provisioning (mx) network IP4 (associated through the VTSR-1 config ISO)
- VTSR 2—management/provisioning (mx) network IP5 (associated through the VTSR-2 config ISO)

VIM Tenant network:

- VTSR 1—tenant (t) network IP1 (associated through the VTSR-1 config ISO)
- VTSR 2—tenant (t) network IP2 (associated through the VTSR-2 config ISO)

Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI

The following table lists the Cisco VTS usernames and passwords that are deployed after you install Cisco VTS in Cisco NFVI.

Table 18: Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI

| Configuration Location | Value Requirements | Description/Comments |
|---|--|--|
| CVIM: openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml VTS_PARAMETERS: VTS_USERNAME VTS_PASSWORD VTS_SITE_UUID The following parameters are optional, only required if VTS_DAY0 is enabled. VTC_SSH_PASSWORD | VTS_USERNAME must be admin. VTS_PASSWORD must match VTC UI login password for the admin user. Password must have a minimum of 8 characters and at least one uppercase letter, one digit, and one special character. VTS_SITE_UUID is unique UUID of VTS SITE_UUID is unique UUID of VTS SITE_UUID must be in a generic UUID format (Unique Pod UUID to indicate | Used by VTF to register with the VTC / VTSR. |
| VTC_SSH_USERNAME VTS_SITE_UUID Optional: MANAGED | which pod the VTS is controlling) The VTC_SSH_PASSWORD and VTC_SSH_USERNAME are ssh credentials to login to VTC VMs. MANAGED is either True or False. By default, it is false. If it is True, VTS deployment mode is managed. | |
| VTC ISO config.txt : vts-adminPassword AdministrativeUser AdministrativePassword | Must match the Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml VTC_SSH_PASSWORD parameter. AdministrativeUser must match with setup_data.yml VTC_SSH_USERNAME parameter AdministrativePassword matches with VTC_SSH_PASSWORD parameter. | Configures VTC admin user's initial password. SSH username/password for VTC VM. |
| VTSR ISO: USERNAME PASSWORD | | VTSR VM SSH username/password The VTSR adds this in VTS Inventory > Authorization Group > vtsgroup Device User Name associated with VTC admin user |

Modes of TOR Configuration with VTS

Cisco VTS supports two modes of TOR configuration:

- Unmanaged TOR: It is the default mode of operation for VTS with Cisco VIM. VTS network inventory
 is added as "Unmanaged" device instead of actual TOR switches. BGP EVPN ingress replication mode
 mechanism is used for admin domain, but the port configuration does not push configuration to the TOR
 switches.
- Managed TOR: VTS network inventory is added with actual TOR switches. Control and compute nodes
 information are added with their corresponding interfaces connected with TOR in the VTS host inventory.
 BGP EVPN multicast replication mode is used for admin domain, while the port configuration enables
 multicast Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) snooping and PIM configuration for Tenant
 VLAN on actual TOR switches.



Note

As the storage nodes do not have VTF, the switch ports hanging off the storage nodes are configured statically.

To maintain consistency, add the tor_info to the storage nodes in the setup_data of the pod. .

Listed below is the snippet of the Multicast configuration push to Cisco Nexus 9000, when port is configured with Tenant VLAN ID 111.

```
interface Vlan111
no shutdown
no ip redirects
ip address 22.22.22.200/24
no ipv6 redirects
ip router ospf 100 area 0.0.0.0
ip pim sparse-mode
ip igmp version 3
ip igmp static-oif 239.0.0.1
hsrp 22
ip 22.22.22.1
vlan configuration 111
ip igmp snooping static-group 239.0.0.1 interface port-channel12
ip igmp snooping static-group 239.0.0.1 interface port-channel13
ip igmp snooping static-group 239.0.0.1 interface port-channel14
```



Note

Due to limitation of VTS, Tenant VLAN ID needs to be selected as lowest number in the TOR interface. If not, Multicast configuration will be pushed incorrectly.

The following table lists the configurations required to enable the functionality of TORs "managed" through VTS.

Table 19: Cisco VTS Parameters for TORs managed through VTS

| Configuration Location | Value Requirements | Description |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| CVIMmercury: | MANAGED: Set to True or False. | |
| openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml | By default, it is False. | as True, when VTS deployment mode is managed. It is a day-0 |
| VTS_PARAMETERS: | | configuration, and cannot be |
| MANAGED: | | enabled as a reconfigure option. |

| Configuration Location | Value Requirements | Description |
|---|---|--|
| TORSWITCHINFO: CONFIGURE_TORS | CONFIGURE_TORS: False | CONFIGURE_TORS value has be to False to indicate that CVIM is not configuring the TORs; this is a way for VTC to know what switches to access and manage |
| SWITCHDETAILS: | Hostname, ssh_ip, username, and password of the switches for VTC to manage {switch_a_hostname: ethx/y, switch_b_hostname: ethx/y} | Need minimum switch details to access it. |
| SERVERS: <server_name>: tor_info:</server_name> | | For each server, list the tor_info associated to the server, so that VTC can manage the switch ports. Note that the storage nodes do not have VTF and hence switch ports hanging off the storage nodes are configured statically. To maintain consistency, add the tor_info to the storage nodes in the setup_data of the pod. |

From an architecture point of view, the following are configured automatically in VTC Node when Managed TOR mode is selected in setup_data.yaml:

- VTS System Settings and Route reflector are configured in VTC.
- Openstack Virtual Machine Manager is configured.
- Global VNI POOL is configured.
- Multicast pools are created to allocate multicast IP address for Tenant VLAN ID.
- Authentication Group is created for device.
- TOR switches are configured under Network Inventory.
- Admin domain is created with BGP EVPN multicast replication mode for L2 and L3 Gateway.
- TOR switches and VTSR are added to L2 and L3 Gateway in admin domain.
- Controller and Compute Node are added under host inventory with corresponding TOR interfaces.
- All VTFs are registered with VTSRs and appear under Virtual Forwarding Groups.

System Requirements for VTC VM

The following table provides information about the minimum system requirements for the VTC virtual machine:

| Requirement | Details |
|-------------|---------|
| Disk space | 48 GB |

| Requirement | Details |
|----------------|--|
| CPU | 8 |
| Memory | 32 GB |
| Computing host | Certified with Cisco UCS B-series, Cisco UCS C-series Rack Servers |

System Requirements for VTSR VM

The following table gives details about the minimum system requirements for the VTSR virtual machine:



Note

The VTSR VM serves two purposes. It is required to enable VTS High Availability. It also acts as the control plane for the VTF. You need to install VTSR only if you consider enabling High Availability or if you plan to have a VTF in your set up.

| Requirement | Details |
|----------------|---|
| Disk Space | Primary disk must be 77 GB. |
| CPUs | 14 |
| Memory | 48 GB RAM |
| Computing Host | Certified with Cisco UCS B-series, Cisco UCS C-series Rack Servers |

Supported Virtual Machine Managers

You can install Cisco VTS on the following supported versions of Virtual Machine manager (VMM):

Table 20: Openstack Versions

| | OpenStack Liberty | OpenStack Newton/Queens |
|-----------|---|-------------------------|
| On RHEL | 12.0.0; 12.0.1; 12.0.2; 12.0.3; 12.0.4; 12.0.5; 12.0.6 | 14.0.3 On CentOS |
| On CentOS | 12.0.0; 12.0.1; 12.0.2 | N/A |

Supported Platforms

The following tables provide information about the Cisco VTS supported platforms and their role.



Note

VTS supports VXLAN overlays using the BGP EVPN control plane.

| Role | Platform Supported |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Top-of-rack (ToR) leaf switch | Cisco Nexus 9300TX and 9300PX platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9332PQ and 93128TX switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9200 platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9500 platform switches |
| Data center spine | Cisco Nexus 9300TX and 9300PX platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9500 platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9200 platform switches |
| Border leaf | Cisco Nexus 9300TX and 9300PX platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9500 platform switches |
| | Cisco Nexus 9200 platform switches |
| Data center interconnect (DCI) | Cisco ASR 9000 Series Aggregation Services routers |
| | Cisco Nexus 9300 platform switches |
| Virtual machine manager (VMM) | OpenStack Queens on RHEL versions |
| Hypervisor | • Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 with KVM |
| | • Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6 |
| | • CentOS |
| Virtual forwarders | Cisco Virtual Topology Forwarder (VTF) |

The following table lists the software images supported for the different devices.

Table 21: Software Images Supported

| Cisco Nexus 93xx | NX OS Release 7.0.3.I7.2 or 9.2(1) |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Cisco Nexus 95xx | NX OS Release 7.0.3.I7.2 or 9.2(1) |
| Cisco ASR 9000 | Cisco IOS XR Software Release 6.5.1. |

The following table lists the VPC modes supported for different devices.

Note

If Cisco Nexus 9000 series ToR is not configured with vPC related configuration, including peer-link, (also known as a multichassis etherChannel trunk (MCT)), you must not configure vpc on the ToR. This may bring loopback interface used for NVE to admin down state.

Table 22: VPC Modes Supported

| Cisco Nexus 93xx | Server VPC |
|------------------|------------|
| Cisco Nexus 95xx | Server VPC |

Installing Cisco VTS in Cisco NFVI Environment

Installing Cisco VTS within Cisco NFVI involves installing the Virtual Topology Controller (VTC) VM. You can install the VTC VM using either the automatic or manual configuration option.

- To install the VTC VM using an ISO file (auto configuration), see Installing VTC VM Automatic Configuration Using ISO File, on page 141.
- To install the VTC VM using the virt-manager application (manual configuration), see Installing VTC VM Manual Configuration Using Virt-Manager, on page 142.
- To install the VTC VM using VNC (manual configuration), see Installing VTC VM Manual Configuration using VNC, on page 144

Installing VTC VM - Automatic Configuration Using ISO File

To install a VTC VM and enable configuration using an ISO file, create a text file with the VM settings, wrap the text file in an ISO file, and then attach the ISO file to the VM CD drive.

- **Step 1** Connect to the controller node via SSH, and copy the vtc.qcow2 file to /var/lib/libvirt/images/ folder.
- Step 2 Copy the vtc.sample.xml file to your controller. The Installing Cisco VTS in Cisco NFVI Environment, on page 141 topic provides the file contents.
- **Step 3** Create a config.txt file containing the following parameters:

```
Hostname=vtc
ManagementIPv4Method=Static
ManagementIPv4Address= <VM's a-net IP address in a.b.c.d form>
ManagementIPv4Netmask= <a-net IP mask in a.b.c.d form>
ManagementIPv4Gateway= <a-net gateway IP address in a.b.c.d form>
UnderlayIPv4Method=Static
UnderlayIPv4Address= <VM's mx-net IP address in a.b.c.d form>
UnderlayIPv4Netmask=<mx-net IP mask in a.b.c.d form>
UnSv4=<DNS server--ie. setup_data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain_name_servers'][0]>
Domain=<domain name--ie. setup_data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain_name']>
NTP=<NTP server--ie. setup_data.yaml::NETWORKING['ntp_servers'][0]>
vts-adminPassword=<password for user 'admin'--setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTC_SSH_PASSWORD']>
AdministrativeUser=<VM ssh login user--can be setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTC_SSH_PASSWORD']>
AdministrativePassword=<VM ssh login user--can be setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTC_SSH_PASSWORD']>
ManagementIPv6Method: Unused by NFVI
```

UnderlayIPv6Method: Ununsed by NFVI

Note config.txt file must have a blank line at the end.

Note Before entering the VTS_PASSWORD, review Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI, on page 135.

Parameter descriptions:

- Hostname—The VM hostname.
- ManagementPv4Method—Whether to use DHCP or static addressing for the Cisco NFVI API network (a-net) interface (eth0).
- ManagementIPv4Address—The api (a) network IPv4 address of the VM (required only for static addressing).
- ManagementIPv4Netmask—The a network IPv4 net mask of the VM (required only for static addressing).
- ManagementIPv4Gateway—The a network API IPv4 gateway of the VM (required only for static addressing).
- UnderlayIPv4Method—Whether to use DHCP or static addressing for the Cisco NFVI management/provisioning (mx) network interface (eth1).
- UnderlayIPv4Address—The mx network IPv4 address of the VM (required only for static addressing).
- UnderlayIPv4Netmask—The mx network IPv4 net mask of the VM (required only for static addressing).
- DNSv4—DNS IPv4 address (required only for static addressing).
- Domain—DNS search domain (required only for static addressing).
- NTPv4—NTP IPv4 address or FQDN (required only for static addressing).
- vts-admin Password—Password for the vts-admin user. This should match the value in setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD'] or subsequently changed through the VTC UI to match the value in setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD']
- Administrative User—New administrative user for login using SSH.
- Administrative Password—Sudo password for the administrative user.
- **Step 4** Use mkisofs to create an ISO file, for example:

mkisofs -o config.iso config.txt

Step 5 Create the VTC VM using following command:

virsh create vtc.sample.xml

Installing VTC VM - Manual Configuration Using Virt-Manager

To install VTC VM, configure it manually using the virt-manager application:

Step 1 Connect to the controller node through SSH, and copy the vtc.qcow2 file to /var/lib/libvirt/images/folder.

- Step 2 Copy the Cisco NFVI vtc.sample.xml file to your controller. Modify it as per your setup. SeeSample Cisco VTS Configurations for Cisco NFVI, on page 155 for examples.
- **Step 3** Create the VTC VM using following command:

```
virsh create vtc.sample.xml
```

Step 4 Run the command:

```
virsh list --all
```

It should display:

```
Id Name State
-----2 VTC running
```

Step 5 Start virt-manager. Run:

virt-manager

Step 6 After the virt-manager window opens, click the VTC VM to open up the VTC VM console.

The console displays an installation wizard that takes you through the initial VTC VM configuration.

Step 7 Enter the following:

Note For items that take multiple values such as DNS and NTP, each value must be separated by a space.

- VTS Hostname
- DHCP / Static IP configuration for static IP
- Management IP address for VTC—This is the Cisco NFVI api (a) network IP address.
- Management IP Netmask (api network)
- Management Gateway address (api network)
- DNS Address—One of the DNS servers in setup data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain name servers'
- DNS Search domain—-- setup data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain name']
- Underlay IP address—This is the IP address for Cisco NFVI management/provisioning (mx) network.
- Underlay IP Netmask (mx network)
- NTP address—One of the setup data.yaml::NETWORKING['ntp servers'] addresses
- Password change for user vts-admin—Enter the default user vts-admin password. The vts-admin user is used for
 password recovery and to revisit a configuration screen for editing the information. If you log in to the VTC VM
 using vts-admin username and password again, you get the same dialog to go through the VTC VM setup again.
 The password must match the value in setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD'] or subsequently
 changed through the VTC UI to match the value in setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD']

Before entering the VTS_PASSWORD, reviewing Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI, on page 135 is recommended.

- Administrator User—Enter administrative username and password. This username and password are used to login to the VM via SSH.
- · Password for administrator user

VTC VM reboots at this time. Wait for two minutes for the VTC VM to be up. You can ping the IP address given for VTC VM in the setup process to verify whether the VTC VM is up.

Step 8 SSH into VTC VM using the IP address, administrative username/password given in the setup process (not vts-admin user).

Installing VTC VM - Manual Configuration using VNC

If the server where you install VTC is in a remote location with network latency or low bandwidth, you can use VNC to access the VTC VM and manually configure it using the CTC VM graphic console. To do this:

- **Step 1** Connect to the controller node via SSH, and copy the vtc.qcow2 file to /var/lib/libvirt/images/ folder.
- Step 2 Copy the vtc.sample.xml file to your controller. Modify it as per your setup. The sample VTC XML file output is provided in Sample Cisco VTS Configurations for Cisco NFVI, on page 155.
- **Step 3** Replace the following sections of the vtc.sample.xml file:

Note Setting the listen address to 0.0.0.0 allows external clients to connect to the VNC port (5900). You have to make sure that iptables configuration (if any) allows inbound TCP port 5900 connections.

Step 4 Create the VTC VM using following command:

```
virsh create vtc.sample.xml
```

You should now be able to use a VNC client to connect to the VTC VM graphic console and continue the setup.

Step 5 Enter the following:

Note For items that take multiple values, such as DNS and NTP, use a space to separate each value.

- VTS Hostname
- DHCP/Static IP configuration for static IP
- Management IP address for VTC—This is the Cisco NFVI api (a) network IP address.
- Management IP Netmask (api network)
- Management Gateway address (api network)
- DNS Address—One of the DNS servers in setup data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain name servers'
- DNS Search domain—-- setup_data.yaml::NETWORKING['domain_name']
- Underlay IP address—This is the IP address for Cisco NFVI management/provisioning (mx) network.
- Underlay IP Netmask (mx network)

- NTP address—One of the setup_data.yaml::NETWORKING['ntp_servers'] addresses
- Password change for user vts-admin—Enter the default user vts-admin password. The vts-admin user is used for
 password recovery and to revisit a configuration screen if you make a mistake or need to change the information.
 If you log into the VTC VM using vts-admin username and password again, you get the same dialog to go through
 the VTC VM setup again. This should match the value in
 setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD'] or subsequently changed through the VTC UI to
 match the value in setup_data.yaml::VTS_PARAMETERS['VTS_PASSWORD']
- Administrator User—Enter administrative username and password. This username and password are used to login to the VM via SSH.
- · Password for administrator user.

When VTC VM reboots at this time, wait for two minutes for the VTC VM to come up. You can ping the IP address given for VTC VM in the setup process to verify whether the VTC VM is up.

Step 6 SSH into VTC VM using the IP address, administrative username/password given in the setup process (not vts-admin user).

Installing the VTSR VMs

Before you can install Cisco VTS for Cisco NFVI, you must install the VTSR VM and register it to VTS. VTSR VM is the control plane VM. Installing and registering the VTSR VM requires you to complete the following procedures:

- Creating VTSR VM, on page 145
- Creating an ISO for IOS VTSR, on page 146

Creating VTSR VM

The VTSR VM is essential to the Virtual VTEP topology. The VTSR VM contains a nested VM so VTSR must enable nesting.

Before you begin

You must complete VTS VM installation and change the VTC UI initial password to the password that you enter for Cisco VIM when you install Cisco VIM. This password is set in setup_data.yaml or Cisco VIM Insight. Login to VTC UI and create a site with Unique UUID and EVPN VxLAN Type. Then, update the site UUID in setup_data.yaml as VTS_SITE_UUID.

Bringing up the KVM-based VTSR VM

- **Step 1** Create the VTSR VM XML referring the Cisco NFVI sample (VTSR.XML).
- **Step 2** Generate an ISO file for the VTSR. See Creating an ISO for IOS VTSR, on page 146.
- **Step 3** Create the VM using the XML.

virsh create VTSR.xml

Creating an ISO for IOS VTSR

To create an ISO file for VTSR:

Step 1 Create the system.cfg file based on the sample below.

Note

- Verify that the configuration file has no space or extra characters.
- Before you enter the VTS_USERNAME and VTS_PASSWORD, review Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI, on page 135.

```
# This is a sample VTSR configuration file
# Copyright (c) 2015 cisco Systems
# Protect the generated ISO, as it contains authentication data
# in plain text.
  The following are the common configurations for VTSR
  VTS Registration Information:
  VTS ADDRESS should be the VTS IP. The value must be either an IP or a mask.
# VTS ADDRESS is mandatory. If only the V4 version is specified,
# the V4 management interface for the VTSR (NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IP ADDRESS)
# will be used. If the V6 version is specified, the V6 management interface
  for the VTSR (NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 ADDRESS) must be specified and will be used.
VTS ADDRESS="10.85.88.152"
#VTS IPV6 ADDRESS="a1::10"
# VTS REGISTRATION USERNAME used to login to VTS.
VTS REGISTRATION USERNAME="admin"
# VTS REGISTRATION PASSWORD is in plaintext.
VTS REGISTRATION PASSWORD="Cisco123!"
# VTSR VM Admin user/password
USERNAME="cisco"
PASSWORD="cisco123"
# Mandatory Management-VRF name for VTSR.
VTS MANAGEMENT VRF="vtsr-mgmt-vrf"
# VTSR VM Network Configuration for Node 1:
# NETWORK IP ADDRESS, NETWORK IP NETMASK, and NETWORK IP GATEWAY
      are required to complete the setup. Netmask can be in the form of
      "24" or "255.255.255.0"
# The first network interface configured with the VTC VM is used for
# underlay connectivity, while the second interface is used for the management network.
# For both MGMT and UNDERLAY networks, a <net-name> NETWORK IP GATEWAY
  variable is mandatory and used for monitoring purposes.
\# V6 is only supported on the mgmt network and dual stack is
# not supported. If both are specified, V6 will take priority (and
# requires VTS IPV6 ADDRESS to be set).
\# The ^*	ext{V6*} parameters for the mgmt network are optional. Note that if 	ext{V6} is used for mgmt
\# it must be V6 on both nodes. Netmask must be the prefix length for V6.
   NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IP ADDRESS="19.1.0.20"
   NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
   NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IP GATEWAY="19.1.0.1"
```

```
#NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 ADDRESS="a1::20"
   #NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 NETMASK="64"
   #NODE1 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 GATEWAY="a1::1"
   NODE1 UNDERLAY NETWORK IP ADDRESS="19.0.128.20"
   NODE1_UNDERLAY_NETWORK_IP_NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
   NODE1 UNDERLAY NETWORK IP GATEWAY="19.0.128.1"
   # AUX network is optional
   #NODE1 AUX NETWORK IP ADDRESS="169.254.20.100"
   #NODE1 AUX NETWORK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
   #NODE1_AUX_NETWORK_IP_GATEWAY="169.254.20.1"
# XR Hostname
NODE1 XR HOSTNAME="vtsr01"
# Loopback IP and netmask
NODE1 LOOPBACK IP ADDRESS="128.0.0.10"
NODE1 LOOPBACK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.255"
# Operational username and password - optional
# These need to be configured to start monit on VTSR
#VTSR OPER USERNAME="monit-ro-oper"
# Password needs an encrypted value
# Example : "openssl passwd -1 -salt <salt-string> <password>"
#VTSR OPER PASSWORD="$1$cisco$b88M8bkCN2ZpXgEEc2sG9/"
# VTSR monit interval - optional - default is 30 seconds
#VTSR MONIT INTERVAL="30"
# VTSR VM Network Configuration for Node 2:
# If there is no HA, the following Node 2 configurations will remain commented and
# will not be used and Node 1 configurations alone will be applied.
# For HA , the following Node 2 configurations has to be uncommented
  VTSR VM Network Configuration for Node 2
   NETWORK IP ADDRESS, NETWORK IP NETMASK, and NETWORK IP GATEWAY
      are required to complete the setup. Netmask can be in the form of
      "24" or "255.255.255.0"
   The first network interface configured with the VTC VM is used for \,
# underlay connectivity, while the second interface is used for the management network.
# For both MGMT and UNDERLAY networks, a <net-name>_NETWORK_IP_GATEWAY
# variable is mandatory and used for monitoring purposes.
  V6 is only supported on the mgmt network and dual stack is
# not supported. If both are specified, V6 will take priority (and
# requires VTS_IPV6_ADDRESS to be set).
The *V6* parameters for the mgmt network are optional. Note that if V6 is used for mgmt
\# it must be V6 on both nodes. Netmask must be the prefix length for V6.
#NODE2_MGMT_NETWORK_IP_ADDRESS="19.1.0.21"
#NODE2 MGMT NETWORK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
#NODE2 MGMT NETWORK IP GATEWAY="19.1.0.1"
##NODE2 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 ADDRESS="a1::21"
##NODE2 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 NETMASK="64"
##NODE2 MGMT NETWORK IPV6 GATEWAY="a1::1"
#NODE2 UNDERLAY NETWORK IP ADDRESS="19.0.128.21"
#NODE2 UNDERLAY NETWORK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
#NODE2_UNDERLAY_NETWORK_IP_GATEWAY="19.0.128.1"
# AUX network is optional
# Although Aux network is optional it should be either present in both nodes
# or not present in both nodes.
  It cannot be present on Nodel and not present on Node2 and vice versa
#NODE2 AUX NETWORK IP ADDRESS="179.254.20.200"
#NODE2 AUX NETWORK IP NETMASK="255.255.255.0"
#NODE2 AUX NETWORK IP GATEWAY="179.254.20.1"
```

```
# XR Hostname
#NODE2_XR_HOSTNAME="vtsr02"
# Loopback IP and netmask
#NODE2_LOOPBACK_IP_ADDRESS="130.0.0.1"
#NODE2_LOOPBACK_IP_NETMASK="255.255.255.255"
# VTS site uuid
VTS SITE UUID="abcdefab-abcd-abcd-abcd-abcdefabcdef"
```

Step 2 Copy your VTSR system.cfg files to the same path where the script resides. For example:

Step 3 Create the ISO file as shown below (you need to log in as root):

```
root:/opt/cisco/package/vts/bin# ./build_vts_config_iso.sh vtsr system.cfg.
Validating input.
Generating ISO File. Done!
```

- **Step 4** Spawn the VTSR VM with the ISO connected to it.
- **Step 5** Power on the VM.

In case you spawn a new VTSR VM later, it comes up with VTSR Day Zero configuration and get re-registered with the VTC. Use the **sync-to** option available in the Config Sync feature to synchronize the configuration with the latest VTC configuration. See the *Synchronizing Configuration* section for more information.

Verifying Cisco VTS Installation in Cisco NFVI

The following procedures provide information about how to verify the Cisco VTS installation in Cisco NFVI.

Verifying VTSR VM Installation

To verify VTSR VM installation:

Before you begin

Ensure that the tenant network (t) gateway and management network (mx) gateway are reachable from the VTSR server.

- Step 1 Log into the VTSR VM using the VTC VM console. If you had installed the VTC VM in an RedHat KVM based-OpenStack environment, use virt-manager or VNC console to log into the VM. See Installing VTC VM Manual Configuration using VNC, on page 144
- **Step 2** Ping the Cisco NFVI tenant (t) network gateway IP address.

In case ping fails, verify Cisco NFVI tenant network.

Step 3 Ping the VTC Cisco NFVI management/provisioning (mx) network IP address.

In case ping fails, verify the mx network.

Note

You should be able to ping the gateway IP address for both Cisco NFVI mx and t networks, as VTSR registers to the VTC using the VTC mx network IP address.

Verifying VTC VM Installation

To verify VTC VM installation:

- **Step 1** Log into the VTC VM just created using the VTC VM console.
 - If you installed the VTC VM in an RedHat KVM based-OpenStack environment, telnet 0 < console-port> (The console port is the Telnet port in the VTC.xml file.)
- **Step 2** Ping the Cisco NFVI api network gateway.

If ping fails, verify the VM networking to the Cisco NFVI api network.

Step 3 For the VTC VM CLI, ping the Cisco NFVI management/provisioning (mx) network gateway.

If ping fails, verify VM networking to the mx network.

Note Underlay network gateway is the switched virtual interface (SVI) created for IOSXRv and VTF on the leaf where the controller is connected.

Step 4 After a few minutes, verify whether the VTS UI is reachable by typing in the VTS api network IP in the browser.

Troubleshooting VTF Registration

If VTF registration issues arise, you can use the following commands to find the VTF registration logs on each Cisco NFVI compute node:

```
[root@devstack-71 neutron]# docker exec -it neutron_vtf_4269 bash
[root@devstack-71 /]# cd /var/log/vpfa
[root@devstack-71 vpfa]# ls
vpfa_err.log vpfa_med.log vpfa_server.log vpfa_server_frequent.log vpfa_stdout.log

vpfa_freq.log vpfa_reg.log vpfa_server_errors.log vpfa_server_slow.log
[root@devstack-71 vpfa]# tail vpfa_reg.log
2016-06-23 02:47:22,860:INFO:VTF-REG: Sent PATCH {"vtf": {"username": "admin",
"vpp-client-name": "devstack-71", "ip": "34.34.34.5", "binding-host-name": "devstack-71",
"gateway-ip": "34.34.34.1", "local-mac": "00:3a:7d:6a:13:c9"}} to
https://172.18.96.15:8888/api/running/cisco-vts/vtfs/vtf
2016-06-23 02:47:23,050:INFO:VTF-REG-ERR: Failure:400!!!
```

A successful log example is shown below:

```
[root@devstack-71 vpfa] # tail vpfa_reg.log
2016-06-23 15:27:57,338:INFO:AUTH: Successful Login - User: admin
URI:/yang-api/datastore/interfaces Host:IPv4Address(TCP, '34.34.34.5', 21345) Method:GET
2016-06-23 15:28:07,340:INFO:AUTH: Successful Login - User: admin
URI:/yang-api/datastore/interfaces Host:IPv4Address(TCP, '34.34.34.5', 21345) Method:GET
```

If a VTF registration fails, check the following:

- IP network connectivity between the compute nodes and the VTC and VTSR VMs (Cisco NFVI tenant and management/provisioning networks)
- VTS_PARAMETERS—The VTS_USERNAME must be admin.
- The VTC and VTSR must be up and the VTS configurations must be applied. The VTSR must be registered with VTC.
- Check that the VTS UI shows "vtsgroup3" in Inventory->Authorization Groups.
- Check that the VTC Admin Username is admin and Device Username is what was set for XRVR USERNAME in the VTSR config ISO.

Configuring Cisco VTS and VTSR After Installation

The following steps cover the Cisco VTS configurations you need to provision after installation.

- **Step 1** If you had changed the Cisco VTS username/password when you configured the VTS HA configuration, continue with Step 3. If not, log into the Cisco VTS GUI using the default username/password admin/admin.
- **Step 2** Change the Cisco VTS password using the UI Change Password tab.
 - **Note** Before you enter the Cisco VTS password, review Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI, on page 135.
- **Step 3** Log into the VTC VM using the following command:

```
cd /opt/vts/bin
sudo ./vts-cli.sh -applyTemplate vtsr-underlay-loopback-template
./vts-cli.sh -applyTemplate vtsr-underlay-loopback-template command is applyTemplate and template
name is vtsr-underlay-loopback-template
Enter device name: <hostname of vtsr>
Enter loopback-interface: <loopback interface name>
Enter ipaddress: <loopback interface ip>
Enter netmask: <loopback interface netmask>
```

Similarly configure IGP config in VTSR

Step 4 Log into the VTC VM using the following command:

```
cd /opt/vts/bin
sudo ./vts-cli.sh -applyTemplate vtsr-underlay-ospf-template
    ./vts-cli.sh -applyTemplate vtsr-underlay-ospf-template command is applyTemplate and template name
    is vtsr-underlay-ospf-template
Enter device name: <hostname of vtsr>
Enter process-name: <ospf process id >
Enter router-id: <ospf router id>
Enter area-address: <ospf area address>
Enter physical-interface: <VTSR interface connected to NFVI t-network>
Enter loopback-interface: <vtsr loopback interface>
Enter default-cost: <ospf default >
```

Installing VTS in an HA Configuration

Complete the following steps to install Cisco VTS in a Layer 2 HA configuration.

- Step 1 Create two VTC VMs. (In the following steps, these are referred to as VTC1 and VTC2.) When you create the VMs, reserve three IP addresses for each Cisco VIM network to which the VTC VM are connected as described in Overview to Cisco VTS Installation in Cisco NFVI, on page 133.
- **Step 2** If you changed the initial VTC password in a previous installation step, proceed to Step 4. If not, log into the VTC GUI using the default username/password admin/admin.
- Step 3 Change the VTC password using the UI Change Password tab. See Cisco VTS Usernames and Passwords in Cisco NFVI, on page 135 for information about Cisco VTS usernames and passwords.
- **Step 4** Edit the cluster.conf file on VTC1 and VTC2 located in /opt/vts/etc/. Both VTCs must have identical information in the cluster.conf file. Parameters includes:
 - vip_public—VIP address used for the Cisco VIM API (a) network.
 - vip_private—VIP address used for VTS on the Cisco VIM management/provisioning (mx) network. Cisco VIM uses VTFs, so this field must be entered. The vip_private field is the VIP for the VTS master private interface.
 - master_name—Enter the name of the primary VTC in the HA configuration.
 - master_ip—The master VTC IP address used for the Cisco NFVI API network.
 - slave name—Enter the name of the secondary VTC in the HA configuration.
 - slave ip—The secondary VTC IP address used for the Cisco NFVI API network.
 - external_ip—The external IP address. This comes from the Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml file after you complete the Cisco VIM installation and Cisco VIM configuration for Cisco VTS installation. For details on Cisco VIM configuration, see Cisco VIM Configuration for Cisco VTS Installation, on page 204 procedure.

```
\#\#\#Virtual Ip of VTC Master on the public interface. Must fill in at least 1
vip public=
vip public ipv6=
###VTC1 Information. Must fill in at least 1 ip address
master name=
master ip=
master ipv6=
###VTC2 Information. Must fill in at least 1 ip address
slave name=
slave ip=
slave_ipv6=
###In the event that a network failure occurs evenly between the two routers, the cluster needs an
outside ip to determine where the failure lies
###This can be any external ip such as your vmm ip or a dns but it is recommended to be a stable ip
within your environment
###Must fill in at least 1 ip address
external ip=
external_ipv6=
##############################
### Non-mandatory fields ###
```

```
############################
###If you intend to use a virtual topology forwarder (VTF) in your environment, please fill in the
vip for the underlay as well as the underlay gateway. Otherwise leave blank.
###Virtual Ip of VTC Master on the private interface. You can fill in ipv4 configuration, ipv6, or
both if you use both
vip private=
private_gateway=
vip_private_ipv6=
private gateway ipv6=
\#\#\#If you have your vtc's in different subnets, xrvr needs to be configured to route traffic and the
below section needs to be filled in
###If you have your vtc's on the same subnet, the below section has be skipped
###Name of your vrf. Example: VTS VIP
vrf name=
###Ip of your first Xrvr. Example: 11.1.1.5
xrvr1_mgmt_ip=
###List of neighbors for xrvr1, separated by comma. Example: 11.1.1.1,11.1.1.2
xrvr1 bgp neighbors=
xrvrl bgp neighbors ipv6=
###Ip of your second Xrvr. Example: 12.1.1.5
xrvr2 mgmt ip=
###List of neighbors for xrvr2, separated by comma. Example: 12.1.1.1,12.1.1.2
xrvr2 bgp neighbors=
xrvr2 bgp neighbors ipv6=
###Username for Xrvr
xrvr user=
###Xrvr ASN information
remote ASN=
local ASN=
###Xrvr BGP information
bgp keepalive=
bgp hold=
###Update source for Xrvrl (i.e. loopback)
xrvr1_update_source=
###Update source for Xrvr2 (i.e. loopback)
xrvr2_update_source=
###Router BGP Id for Xrvr1
xrvr1 router id=
###Router BGP Id for Xrvr2
xrvr2 router id=
###XRVR1 name
xrvr1 name=
###XRVR2 name
xrvr2 name=
###If you plan on having your VTC's on different subnets and intend to use a virtual topology forwarder
(VTF) in your environment,
```

```
### please fill out the following fields. Otherwise, leave blank
###List of neighbors for xrvr1, separated by comma. Example: 2.2.2.2,2.2.3.
xrvr1 underlay neighbors=
xrvrl underlay_neighbors_ipv6=
###List of neighbors for xrvr2, separated by comma. Example: 3.3.3.2,3.3.3.3
xrvr2 underlay neighbors=
xrvr2 underlay neighbors ipv6=
###Directly connected Tor information for Xrvr1
xrvrl directly connected device ip=
xrvr1 directly connected device ipv6=
xrvr1 directly connected device user=
xrvrl_directly_connected_device_neighbors=
xrvr1_directly_connected_device_neighbors_ipv6=
xrvr1_directly_connected_ospf=
xrvrl_directly_connected_router_id=
xrvrl_directly_connected_update_source=
\#\#\#Directly connected Tor information for Xrvr2
xrvr2_directly_connected_device_ip=
xrvr2 directly connected device user=
xrvr2_directly_connected_device_neighbors=
xrvr2 directly connected device neighbors ipv6=
xrvr2_directly_connected_ospf=
xrvr2_directly_connected_router_id=
xrvr2 directly connected update source=
###VPC Peer information if any. Otherwise leave blank
xrvr1 vpc peer ip=
xrvr1_vpc_peer_user=
xrvr1_vpc_peer_ospf=
xrvr1 vpc peer router id=
xrvr1_vpc_peer_update_source=
xrvr2_vpc_peer_ip=
xrvr2_vpc_peer_user=
xrvr2 vpc peer ospf=
xrvr2 vpc_peer_router_id=
xrvr2_vpc_peer_update_source=
###VTC Underlay Addresses
vtc1 underlay=
vtc2_underlay=
vtc1_underlay_ipv6=
vtc2 underlay ipv6=
##Gateway of secondary L3 underlay
vtc2 private gateway=
vtc2_private_gateway_ipv6=
```

Step 5 Execute the cluster installer script, cluster_install.sh, located in /opt/vts/bin/ on VTC1 and VTC2. Do not run the script until have completed Steps 1-5.

```
admin@vtc1:/opt/vts/bin$ sudo ./cluster_install.sh
[sudo] password for admin:
Change made to ncs.conf file.
Need to restart ncs
Created symlink from /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/pacemaker.service to
/lib/systemd/system/pacemaker.service.
Created symlink from /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/corosync.service to
/lib/systemd/system/corosync.service.
```

```
Please run cluster_install.sh on vtc2.waits until finished Both nodes are online. Configuring master Configuring Pacemaker resources

Master node configuration finished

HA cluster is installed
```

In order for HA to run, the cluster_install.sh script updates /etc/hosts with the VTC information. If run on the node you specified as master, it completes the basic cluster setup, then wait for the slave to complete. Once the slave is finished, the master completes the remainder of the setup.

When the cluster_install script is finished on the master, you can see both the public and private VIP using 'ip addr'. If you use VTFs, now that the VIP is up, both VTSRs completes their auto-registration.

Step 6 Verify the HA Status:

```
admin@vtc1:/opt/cisco/package/vtc/bin$ sudo crm status
Last updated: Wed May 4 00:00:28 2016
Last change: Wed May 4 00:00:10 2016 via crm_attribute on vtc2
Stack: corosync
Current DC: vtc2 (739533872) - partition with quorum
Version: 1.1.10-42f2063
2 Nodes configured
4 Resources configured
Online: [ vtc1 vtc2 ]
              (ocf::heartbeat:IPaddr2):
                                               Started vtc1
Master/Slave Set: ms vtc_ha [vtc_ha]
    Masters: [ vtc1 ]
    Slaves: [ vtc2 ]
ClusterIP2
              (ocf::heartbeat:IPaddr2):
                                               Started vtc1
admin@vtc1:/opt/cisco/package/vtc/bin$ sudo ip addr
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default
   link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00
   inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
      valid lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
2: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo fast state UP group default qlen 1000
   link/ether 52:54:00:00:bd:0f brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 11.1.1.4/24 brd 11.1.1.255 scope global eth0
      valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
  inet 11.1.1.2/32 brd 11.1.1.2 scope global eth0
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet6 2001:420:10e:2010:5054:ff:fe00:bd0f/64 scope global dynamic
      valid lft 2591955sec preferred lft 604755sec
    inet6 fe80::5054:ff:fe00:bd0f/64 scope link
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
3: eth1: <BROADCAST, MULTICAST, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo fast state UP group default qlen 1000
   link/ether 52:54:00:4c:11:13 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 15.15.15.4/24 brd 11.1.1.255 scope global eth1
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet 15.15.15.20/32 brd 11.1.1.20 scope global eth1
```

Completing VTSR HA Configuration

Complete the following steps to set up the VTSR HA configuration:

Before you begin

You must complete a VTS VM installation and change the VTC UI initial password to the password that you enter for Cisco VIM when you install Cisco VIM. This password is set in setup_data.yaml or the Cisco VIM Insight.

Login to VTC UI and create a site with Unique UUID and EVPN VxLAN Type. Update this UUID as VTS_SITE_UUID in setup_data.yaml.

Ensure the tenant network (t) gateway and management network (mx) gateway are reachable from the VTSR server

Power on the 2 VTSR VM 's as per the VTSR install step. The VTSR VM comes up in active/active HA mode.

Uninstalling VTC HA

To move VTC back to it's original pre-HA state, run the following script on both the active and standby nodes.

sudo /opt/vts/bin/cluster_uninstall.sh

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Sample VTC VM libvert Domain Configuration

```
<domain type='kvm' id='1332'>
 <name>VTC-release2.1</name>
 <uuid>5789b2bb-df35-4154-a1d3-e38cefc856a3</uuid>
 <memory unit='KiB'>32389120</memory>
 <currentMemory unit='KiB'>32388608/currentMemory>
  <vcpu placement='static'>8</vcpu>
 <resource>
    <partition>/machine</partition>
 </resource>
   <type arch='x86 64' machine='pc-i440fx-rhel7.0.0'>hvm</type>
    <boot dev='hd'/>
 </os>
  <features>
   <acpi/>
   <apic/>
    <pae/>
 </features>
 <cpu mode='custom' match='exact'>
    <model fallback='allow'>Westmere</model>
   <feature policy='require' name='vmx'/>
 </cpu>
 <clock offset='utc'/>
 <on poweroff>destroy</on poweroff>
 <on reboot>restart</on reboot>
 <on crash>restart</on crash>
```

```
<devices>
  <emulator>/usr/libexec/qemu-kvm</emulator>
  <disk type='file' device='disk'>
   <driver name='qemu' type='qcow2' cache='none'/>
   <source file='/home/cisco/VTS2.1/vtc.qcow2'/>
    <target dev='vda' bus='virtio'/>
    <alias name='virtio-disk0'/>
   <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x06' function='0x0'/>
  </disk>
  <controller type='usb' index='0'>
    <alias name='usb0'/>
    <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x01' function='0x2'/>
  </controller>
  <controller type='pci' index='0' model='pci-root'>
    <alias name='pci.0'/>
  </controller>
  <controller type='virtio-serial' index='0'>
   <alias name='virtio-serial0'/>
    <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x05' function='0x0'/>
  </controller>
  <interface type='bridge'>
   <mac address='52:54:00:5b:12:3a'/>
    <source bridge='br-ex'/>
   <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
      <parameters interfaceid='263c1aa6-8f7d-46f0-b0a3-bdbdad40fe41'/>
   </virtualport>
   <target dev='vnet0'/>
    <model type='virtio'/>
    <alias name='net0'/>
    <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x03' function='0x0'/>
  </interface>
  <interface type='bridge'>
   <mac address='52:54:00:8d:75:75'/>
    <source bridge='br-control'/>
   <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
      <parameters interfaceid='d0b0020d-7898-419e-93c8-15dd7a08eebd'/>
   </virtualport>
   <target dev='vnet1'/>
    <model type='virtio'/>
    <alias name='net1'/>
    <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x0b' function='0x0'/>
  </interface>
  <serial type='tcp'>
   <source mode='bind' host='127.0.0.1' service='4888'/>
    cprotocol type='telnet'/>
   <target port='0'/>
   <alias name='serial0'/>
  </serial>
  <console type='tcp'>
    <source mode='bind' host='127.0.0.1' service='4888'/>
    cprotocol type='telnet'/>
   <target type='serial' port='0'/>
   <alias name='serial0'/>
  </console>
  <channel type='spicevmc'>
    <target type='virtio' name='com.redhat.spice.0'/>
   <alias name='channel0'/>
   <address type='virtio-serial' controller='0' bus='0' port='1'/>
  </channel>
  <input type='mouse' bus='ps2'/>
  <graphics type='spice' port='5900' autoport='yes' listen='127.0.0.1'>
   <listen type='address' address='127.0.0.1'/>
  </graphics>
  <sound model='ich6'>
```

```
<alias name='sound0'/>
     <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x04' function='0x0'/>
   </sound>
   <video>
     <model type='gxl' ram='65536' vram='65536' heads='1'/>
      <alias name='video0'/>
      <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x02' function='0x0'/>
   </video>
   <memballoon model='virtio'>
      <alias name='balloon0'/>
      <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x07' function='0x0'/>
   </memballoon>
 </devices>
 <seclabel type='dynamic' model='selinux' relabel='yes'>
   <label>system_u:system_r:svirt_t:s0:c26,c784</label>
   <imagelabel>system_u:object_r:svirt_image_t:s0:c26,c784</imagelabel>
  </seclabel>
</domain>
```

Sample VTSR VM libvirt Domain Configuration

```
<domain type='kvm' id='20'>
 <name>SAMPLE-VTSR-1</name>
 <memory unit='GiB'>48</memory>
 <cpu mode='host-passthrough'/>
 <vcpu placement='static'>14</vcpu>
 <resource>
   <partition>/machine</partition>
 </resource>
   <type arch='x86 64' machine='pc-i440fx-rhel7.0.0'>hvm</type>
   <boot dev='hd'/>
   <boot dev='cdrom'/>
 </0s>
 <features>
   <acpi/>
   <apic/>
   <pae/>
 </features>
 <clock offset='localtime'/>
 <on poweroff>destroy</on poweroff>
 <on reboot>restart</on reboot>
 <on crash>restart</on_crash>
  <devices>
   <emulator>/usr/libexec/qemu-kvm</emulator>
   <disk type='file' device='cdrom'>
     <driver name='qemu'/>
      <source file='/home/admin/VTS20/images/vtsr node1 cfg.iso'/>
      <target dev='hda' bus='ide'/>
     <readonly/>
   </disk>
   <disk type='file' device='disk'>
     <driver name='gemu' type='gcow2'/>
      <source file='/home/admin/VTS20/images/vtsr.qcow2'/>
     <target dev='vda' bus='virtio'/>
     <alias name='virtio-disk0'/>
     <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x09' function='0x0'/>
   </disk>
   <controller type='usb' index='0'>
     <alias name='usb0'/>
     <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x01' function='0x2'/>
```

```
</controller>
<controller type='ide' index='0'>
  <alias name='ide0'/>
 <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x01' function='0x1'/>
</controller>
<controller type='pci' index='0' model='pci-root'>
  <alias name='pci.0'/>
</controller>
<interface type='bridge'>
  <source bridge='br-ex'/>
  <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
   <parameters interfaceid='4ffa64df-0d57-4d63-b85c-78b17fcac60a'/>
  </virtualport>
 <target dev='vtsr-dummy-mgmt'/>
 <model type='virtio'/>
  <alias name='vnet1'/>
  <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x02' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
  <source bridge='br-inst'/>
  <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
    <parameters interfaceid='4ffa64df-0d67-4d63-b85c-68b17fcac60a'/>
 </virtualport>
 <target dev='vtsr-dummy-2'/>
  <model type='virtio'/>
  <alias name='vnet1'/>
  <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x03' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
 <source bridge='br-inst'/>
  <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
    <parameters interfaceid='4ffa64df-0f47-4d63-b85c-68b17fcac70a'/>
 </virtualport>
  <target dev='vtsr-dummy-3'/>
  <model type='virtio'/>
  <alias name='vnet1'/>
  <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x04' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
 <source bridge='br-inst'/>
  <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
   <parameters interfaceid='4ffa64df-0d47-4d63-b85c-58b17fcac60a'/>
  </virtualport>
  <vlan>
   <tag id='800'/>
  </vlan>
  <target dev='vtsr-gig-0'/>
 <model type='virtio'/>
  <alias name='vnet1'/>
  <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x05' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
  <source bridge='br-ex'/>
  <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
    <parameters interfaceid='3ffa64df-0d47-4d63-b85c-58b17fcac60a'/>
  </virtualport>
  <target dev='vtsr-gig-1'/>
```

```
<model type='virtio'/>
     <alias name='vnet1'/>
     <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x06' function='0x0'/>
   </interface>
   <interface type='bridge'>
     <source bridge='br-inst'/>
     <virtualport type='openvswitch'>
       <parameters interfaceid='a2f3e85a-4de3-4ca9-b3df-3277136c4054'/>
     </virtualport>
      <vlan>
       <tag id='800'/>
     </vlan>
     <target dev='vtsr-gig-2'/>
     <model type='virtio'/>
     <alias name='vnet3'/>
      <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x07' function='0x0'/>
   </interface>
   <serial type='pty'>
     <source path='/dev/pts/0'/>
     <target port='0'/>
     <alias name='serial0'/>
   </serial>
   <console type='pty' tty='/dev/pts/0'>
     <source path='/dev/pts/0'/>
     <target type='serial' port='0'/>
      <alias name='serial0'/>
   </console>
   <input type='tablet' bus='usb'>
     <alias name='input0'/>
   </input>
   <input type='mouse' bus='ps2'/>
   <graphics type='vnc' port='5900' autoport='yes' listen='0.0.0.0' keymap='en-us'>
     <listen type='address' address='0.0.0.0'/>
   </graphics>
   <video>
     <model type='cirrus' vram='9216' heads='1'/>
     <alias name='video0'/>
      <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x08' function='0x0'/>
   </video>
   <memballoon model='virtio'>
     <alias name='balloon0'/>
      <address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x0a' function='0x0'/>
   </memballoon>
 </devices>
</domain>
```

Sample Cisco VTS Configurations for Cisco NFVI



Installing Cisco VIM

The following topics tell you how to configure and install Cisco VIM:

- Cisco VIM Installation Overview, on page 161
- Installing Cisco VIM, on page 162
- Cisco VIM Client Details, on page 164
- Re-installing Pod with same Image version, on page 167
- Cisco VIM Configuration Overview, on page 168

Cisco VIM Installation Overview

Before you can install Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager, complete the procedures in *Preparing for Cisco NFVI Installation*. If your management node does not have Internet access, complete the *Preparing to Install Cisco NFVI on Management Nodes Without Internet Access* procedure. The Cisco VIM installation procedure provides two methods for downloading and installing the Cisco VIM installation files, from USB stick prepared for installation, or from the Internet.

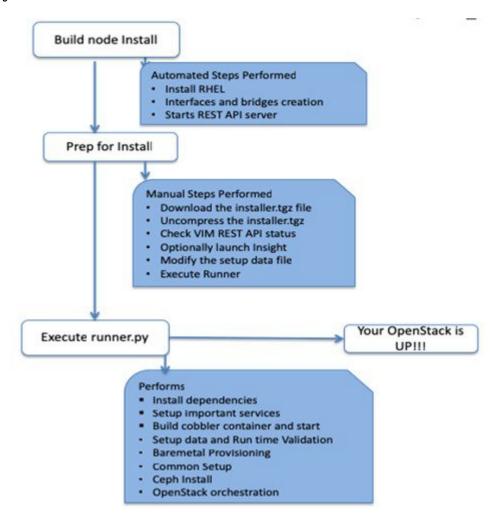
Completing these procedures ensures the Cisco NFVI network infrastructure is set up before the Cisco VIM installation. The bootstrap script is then kicked off, which downloads installer repository, installs Docker and dependencies and starts installer web service,

The Cisco VIM installer can then be launched. It validates the testbed configuration file (setup_data.yaml), creates new vNICs on the controller, compute, and dedicated storage nodes based on the configuration provided in the setup_data.yaml file. This is followed by the Pxeboot Execution Environment (PXE) boot of RHEL onto the target nodes (control, compute and storage) through the Cobbler server set up on the management node. After the installation, the Cisco VIM installer performs common steps across all the Cisco NFVI nodes.

Next, Ceph related packages required for managing the cluster and creating OSD and monitor nodes are installed on the control and storage nodes. By default, the minimum three Ceph monitor nodes are installed at the host level on the control nodes. These serve as management nodes and have the administration keyring. Ceph configurations, such as ceph.conf and Ceph client keyrings files, are stored under /etc/ceph on each controller. Each Ceph storage node associates an Object Storage Daemon (OSD) to a physical hard drive with a write journal on a separate SSD to support small block random I/O.

The following illustration provides an overview to the Cisco VIM installation.

Figure 38: Cisco VIM Installation Flow



If you have Cisco Unified Management, complete only part of the Cisco VIM installation procedure and proceed to the Installing Cisco VIM Insight on page procedure followed by Installing Cisco VIM through Cisco VIM Unified Management to complete the configuration and setup of Cisco VIM using the Cisco VIM Insight. If you do not have Cisco VIM UM, configure Cisco VIM by editing the data_setup.yaml as described in the Cisco VIM installation.

Installing Cisco VIM

This procedure allows you to install the Cisco VIM on a Cisco NFVI management node:

Before you begin

• You need to get Cisco NFVI installation file download site credentials from your Cisco account representative.

- For management nodes with no Internet access, you need a USB stick containing the Cisco NFVI installation files. To prepare the USB stick, see Preparing to Install Cisco NFVI on Management Nodes Without Internet Access, on page 77
- The private networks 192.168.1.0/24 and 192.168.2.0/24 are internally reserved for testing the cloud from a control and data plane point of view. Cisco recommends that you do not use these reserved networks while preparing network layouts.
- You need to provide a valid certificate signed by a trusted certificate authority, for the Cisco VIM deployment. It needs to be a server certificate with a common name matching the IP address and DNS name specified in the setup data file under "external_lb_vip_address" and "external_lb_vip_fqdn". To ensure security, use only the valid certificate signed by a trusted certificate authority in a production environment. For details on generating self-signed certificate, see Setting Up Cisco VIM OpenStack Configuration, on page 188
- **Step 1** If your management node does not have Internet access, use the prepared USB stick and complete the following steps:
 - a) Insert the USB stick into the management node drive.
 - b) Run the import artifacts.sh script to copy all artifacts onto the management node, for example:

```
cd ~/installer-<tag id>/tools
```

./import artifacts.sh

All the installation artifacts are copied to /var/cisco/artifacts/ on the management node

Step 2 If you are installing Cisco VIM Insight, navigate to Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management and complete the Cisco VIM Insight installation.

If you are not installing Cisco VIM Insight, complete the following steps.

Step 3 Change to the installer directory by running the following command:

```
cd ~/installer-<tag_id>
```

- Step 4 Create a dir (for example, ~/Save/) to contain a copy of the setup_data.yaml file, the file that configures the Cisco NFVI for your particular implementation.
- Step 5 Change to the openstack-configs directory and copy the example Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml file into the directory you just created:

```
cd openstack-configs/
cp setup_data.yaml.<C_or_B>_Series_EXAMPLE setup_data.yaml
~/Save/setup_data.yaml
```

Note Only the CPU and MEM allocation ratio needs to be changed for the target pod. Update the following to your target value:

```
NOVA_RAM_ALLOCATION_RATIO: 1.5 # range of 1.0 to 4.0 NOVA_CPU_ALLOCATION_RATIO: 16.0 # range of 1.0 to 16.0
```

- **Step 6** With a yaml editor, modify the copied example setup_data.yaml file as the data setup file for your implementation. This includes both Cisco NFVI data and OpenStack parameters.
- Step 7 If you intend to run the cloud over TLS, see Setting Up Cisco VIM OpenStack Configuration, on page 188 for TLS certificate generation.
- **Step 8** Run the installation:

```
ciscovim --setupfile ~/Save/setup data.yaml run
```

After the installation is complete, you can view the installation logs at /var/log/mercury.

Cisco VIM Client Details

Cisco VIM combines the CLI and API so that you can use the CLI or API installer transparently.



Note

For a complete list of Cisco VIM REST API commands, see the Cisco NFVI Administrator Guide.

Before you use the Cisco VIM CLI, check that the API server is up and pointing to the right installer directory. You can execute the following command to validate the state of the API server and the installer directory it is referencing:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/tools
#./restapi.py -a status
Status of the REST API Server: active (running) since Thu 2016-08-18 09:15:39 UTC; 9h ago
REST API launch directory: /root/installer-<tagid>/
```

Verify the server status is active and the restapi launch directory is the same the directory from where the installation is launched. If the installer directory, or the REST API state is not correct, go to the target installer directory and execute the following:

```
# cd new-installer-<tagid>/tools
#./restapi.py -a setup

Check if the REST API server is running from the correct target directory
#./restapi.py -a status

Status of the REST API Server: active (running) since Thu 2016-08-18 09:15:39 UTC; 9h ago
REST API launch directory: /root/new-installer-<tagid>/
```

The REST API tool also provides the options to restart, tear down and reset password for the REST API server as listed:

```
# ./restapi.py --h
usage: restapi.py [-h] --action ACTION [--yes] [--verbose]
REST API setup helper
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                        show this help message and exit
  --action ACTION, -a ACTION
                        setup - Install and Start the REST API server.
                        teardown - Stop and Uninstall the REST APT server.
                        restart - Restart the REST API server.
                        regenerate-password - Regenerate the password for REST API server.
                        reconfigure-tls - Reconfigure SSL certificates and key.
                        upgrade - Upgrade to new workspace.
                        reset-password - Reset the REST API password with user given
password.
                        status - Check the status of the REST API server.
  --ves, -y
                        Skip the dialog. Yes to the action.
  --verbose, -v
                        Perform the action in verbose mode.
```

If the REST API server is not running, executing **ciscovim** shows the following error message:

```
# ciscovim -setupfile ~/Save/<setup data.yaml> run
```

If the installer directory, or the REST API state is not correct or it is pointing to an incorrect REST API launch directory, go to the installer-<tagid>/tools dir and execute:

```
# ./restapi.py --action setup
```

To confirm that the Rest API server state and launch directory is correct, execute:

```
# ./restapi.py --action status
```

If you ran the REST API recovery step on an existing pod, run the following command to ensure that the REST API server continues to manage the existing pod:

```
# ciscovim --setup file <setup data file path> --perform 7 -y
```

For an overview to the commands you can execute from the CLI, enter the following command:

```
ciscovim --help
```

```
usage: ciscovim [--setupfile <setupdata file>] <subcommand> ...
```

Command-line interface to the Cisco Virtualized manager

Positional arguments:

<subcommand> run Perform/terminate an install operation install-status Status of installation of the Openstack cloud list-steps List steps

Add compute-nodes to the Openstack cloud add-computes Add a storage-node to the Openstack cloud add-storage

list-nodes List the nodes in the Openstack cloud remove-computes Remove compute-nodes from the Openstack cloud remove-storage Remove a storage-node from the Openstack cloud replace-controller Replace a controller in the Openstack cloud list-openstack-configs List of Openstack configs that can be changed using reconfigure

list-password-keys List of password keys that can be changed

using reconfigure

reconfigure Reconfigure the Openstack cloud

cluster-recovery Recover the Openstack cluster after a network

partition or power outage

mgmtnode-health Show health of the Management node commit Commit an update

rollback Rollback an update update Update the Openstack cloud

Status of the update operation update-status Upgrade the Openstack cloud upgrade

check-fernet-keys Check whether the fernet keys are successfully

synchronized across keystone nodes

NFVbench Launch NFVbench Flows

nfvimon NFVI Monitoring / Zenoss management operations Resynchronize the fernet keys across all the resync-fernet-keys

kevstone nodes

rotate-fernet-keys Trigger rotation of the fernet keys on

kevstone

client-version Show Virtualized Infrastructure Manager

Version

version Show Virtualized Infrastructure Manager

Version

help Display help about this program or one of its subcommands.

```
Optional arguments:
  --setupfile <setupdata file>
See "ciscovim help COMMAND" for help on a specific command.
To look at the help for a sub-command (e.g. run) execute the following:
# ciscovim help run
usage: ciscovim run [--join] [--perform <perform>] [--skip <skip>] [-y] Perform a install
operation
Optional arguments:
--join Join the installation process
--perform <perform> Perform the following steps.
--skip <skip> Skip the following steps.
-y, --yes Yes option to skip steps without prompt [root@MercRegTB1 installer]#
You can also run the installer in multiple smaller steps. To understand the steps involved
during installation
execute the following command:
# ciscovim list-steps
Virtualized Infrastructure Manager:
______
| Operations
                      | Operation ID |
+----+
                  1
| INPUT VALIDATION
                              1
| MGMTNODE ORCHESTRATION |
| VALIDATION
                              3
BAREMETAL
| COMMONSETUP
                              5
                              6
I CEPH
| ORCHESTRATION
                       8
```

To execute the installer in steps, include specific steps from above. For example:

\$ ciscovim run --perform 1,3 -y

Similarly, you can execute the installation using the skip option, where you explicitly indicate which options to skip. For example

```
$ ciscovim run --skip 1,3 -y
```



Note

When using the step-by-step installation, keep a track of what steps are already completed, or unpredictable results might occur.

While the install time varies from pod to pod, typical installation times through the Internet for a UCS C-series with three controller, nine compute, and three storage are listed in the following table.

Table 23:

| Operation ID | Operation | Estimated Time |
|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Input validation | 6 minutes |
| 2 | Management node orchestration | 40 minutes |

| Operation ID | Operation | Estimated Time |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| 3 | Run time Validation | 30 seconds |
| 4 | Bare metal | 60 minutes |
| 5 | Host setup | 10 minutes |
| 6 | Ceph | 5 minutes |
| 7 | Orchestration | 25 minutes |
| 8 | VMTP (external and provider networks) | 14 minutes |

Re-installing Pod with same Image version

In unforeseen circumstances there might be a need to reinstall the pod with the same image version. To alleviate the need of a reimaging of the management node, followed by re-install, you can take the following steps to re-install the pod on assuming that the management node is compatible to the same tag. Ensure that you use the same servers for re-installation. If a different set of servers are used for the re-installation, the servers from the previous install which are no longer participating in the new install must be powered off to avoid the duplicate IP floating in the network.

Listed below are the steps to reinstall the pod without reimaging the management node.

Step 1 Copy the setup_data.yaml from /root/openstack-configs/ directory to ~/Save/

```
cd ~/installer-<3.2.0>
./unbootstrap.sh -k
```

Step 2 Verify that no docker containers are running

docker ps -a

Step 3 Verify that no docker images are present

docker images

Step 4 Setup RestAPI

```
cd ~/installer-3.2.0/tools
./restapi -a setup
```

Step 5 Regenerate TLS certificate, if needed or TLS is enabled.

```
cd ~/installer-3.2.0
tools/tls cert gen.sh -f ~/Save/setup data.yaml
```

Step 6 Re-run Cisco VIM installation

ciscovim run --setupfile ~/Save/setup data.yaml

Cisco VIM Configuration Overview

The following topics provide a list of Cisco NFVI configurations you must enter in setup_data.yaml with a yaml editor. These configurations has to be performed prior to running the Cisco VIM installation. If you are installing Cisco Insight, you have to complete the Cisco VIM data and OpenStack configurations using VIM Insight as described in Installing Cisco VIM through Cisco VIM Unified Management .

Configuring ToR Automatically

Cisco VIM provides a complete automation of the cloud deployment. It automates day-0 configuration of N9xxx series Top of Rack (ToR) switches. This feature is optional and applicable only to the Pods that are running with ACI. For ToR switch details related to ACI, see Enabling ACI in Cisco VIM, on page 206.

It automates Power-On Auto Provisioning (post-POAP) configuration on ToR with one or more pair of identical Cisco N9300 series switches. The day-0 ToR automation configures the interfaces that are connected to the management (br_mgmt), control, compute, and storage nodes of the pod. In addition, it configures the VPC peer link interfaces for ToR pairs. The automation handles both B and C-series pods. The automation includes configuration of the edge ports in the leaf switches off which the hosts hang-out and the VPC peer link between the switches.

Auto-configuration feature does not include the configuration of the spine switches and the connectivity between the leaf and the spine; that is the upstream link of the spine switches that carry the external VLAN connectivity.

As the feature is a post-POAP automation provisioning, ensure that the management interface, vrf, and admin user are pre-provisioned on each ToR switch. Also, you must enable ssh in each ToR.

The recommended N9K switch software versions are 7.0(3)I4(6) and 7.0(3)I6(1). Bootstraping the ToR image is still a manual process. Ensure that the installer API interface (br_api) is up and running on the management node with SSH. You can access each ToR through its management interface from the Cisco VIM management node using SSH.

Setting Up Cisco VIM Data Configuration

You can install and configure the Cisco VIM deployment using the Cisco VIM configuration file (setup_data.yaml). Ensure that you take extreme care while creating the configuration file, as any change in the configuration after deployment, with the exception (example: NFVIMON, of adding and removing nodes and so on) causes a stack redeployment.



Note

Any change done to the pod networking layout plan configured in setup_data.yaml requires the pod to be reinstalled.

If your configuration is correct, the installation goes smoothly. Cisco recommends using a YAML editor on Linux (PyCharm, Komodo or vi/vim with YAML plugin) to edit this file. Items shown in brown must be

changed to your specific testbed. Do not copy the examples shown below into your YAML file, as your browser might render the characters differently.

If you are using the Cisco VIM installer, you cannot update the OpenStack config files (for example, ml2_conf.ini, and other files) directly. All OpenStack configurations must be in the setup_data.yaml file. This ensures that the installer has a view of the OpenStack deployment, so that it can reliably perform software updates and upgrades. This ensures a consistent and repeatable installation. Key setup file parts are shown in the following sections.

Setting up ToR Configurations for B-series and C-series

The ToR configuration is driven through the mercury setup_data.yaml configuration. The information for automated TOR configuration is provided in two parts in the setup_data.yaml file. The common information is in the TORSWITCHINFO section, whereas the information on individual switch ports connected to specific nodes are under SERVERS section for C-seires, and UCSM-COMMON section for B-series. If the TORSWITCHINFO section is not provided or CONFIGURE_TORS attribute under TORSWITCHINFO then all the ToR provisioning related steps are skipped. The ToR section contains attributes related to ToR connection, configuration for the management interface for the management node, and vPC peer details in case of ToR pairs.



Note

The port-channel number for the vPC peer link interfaces, is derived from the Vpc domain. The ToRs are paired with each other based on their corresponding vpc_peer_link addresses.

```
TORSWITCHINFO:
     CONFIGURE TORS: True
        SWITCHDETAILS:
   hostname: K09-n9k-a # mandatory for NFVbench
   username: admin # mandatory for NFVbench
    password: <redacted> # mandatory for NFVbench
   ssh ip: <a.b.c.d> # mandatory for NFVbench
    ssn num: <xyz>
    vpc peer keepalive: <f.g.h.i>
    vpc domain: <int>
    vpc peer port info: <'eth1/45,eth1/46,eth1/47'>
    vpc peer vlan info: <'NNNN,NNNN-NNNN'>
   br mgmt port info: 'eth1/19'
   br mgmt po info: <'NN'>
   hostname: K09-n9k-b # mandatory for NFVbench
   username: admin # mandatory for NFVbench
   password: <redacted> # mandatory for NFVbench
   ssh ip: <f.g.h.i> # mandatory for NFVbench
    ssn num: < xyz>
    vpc peer keepalive: < a.b.c.d>
    vpc domain: <int>
    vpc_peer_port_info: <'eth1/45,eth1/46,eth1/47'>
    vpc peer vlan info: <'NNNN,NNNN-NNNN'>
   br mgmt port info: 'eth1/19'
   br mgmt po info: <'NN'>
```

The attributes for vpc peer vlan info, vpc domain and br_mgmt_po_info have to match across the ToRs, and should only be defined in only two of the TORs, where the management node is hanging off. The attribute for vpc_peer_vlan_info is optional. If it is not specified, it derives a list of VLAN ids from the host/FI facing

interfaces and br_mgmt interface. Also, the attribute for ssn_num which represents the chassis serial number is optional.

The chassis serial number can be obtained by executing the following command on each of the ToRs:

```
show license host-id
```

In the case of B-series, Cisco VIM configures the UCSMCOMMON section to declare the interface configuration under **tor info fi** and **tor info fi** redundant for the FI.



Note

ToR names need to match with names provided in the TORSWITCHINFO section.

```
UCSMCOMMON:
    ucsm_ip: <p.q.r.s>,
    ucsm_password: <redacted>,
    ucsm_resource_prefix: c43b,
    ucsm_username: admin,
        tor_info_fi: {po: 18, K09-n9k-a: eth1/17, K09-n9k-b: eth1/17}
        tor info fi redundant: {po: 19, K09-n9k-a: eth1/19, K09-n9k-b: eth1/19}
```

In this example of B-Series, tor_info is not declared in the SERVERS section as all connectivity is through the FI (controller, compute, and storage) declared in the UCSCOMMON section. VLANs for the FI facing interfaces are derived from the NETWORK segment ROLES for controller, compute, and storage nodes.

The SERVERS section declares the interface configurations for each of the controller, compute, and storage nodes under **tor info.**

```
SERVERS:
 controller-1:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43X}
   cimc info: {cimc ip: <ip addr>}
   tor info: {po: 5, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/5, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/5}
controller-2:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43Y}
   cimc info: {cimc ip: <ip addr>}
   tor info: {po: 7, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/7, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/7}
  controller-3:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43Z}
   cimc_info: {cimc_ip: <ip_addr>}
   tor_info: {po: 9, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/9, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/9}
  compute-1:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43}
   cimc info: {cimc ip: <ip addr>}
   tor info: {po: 11, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/11, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/11}
  compute-2:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43}
   cimc info: {cimc ip: <ip addr>}
   tor_info: {po: 13, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/13, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/13}
storage-1:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43}
   cimc_info: {cimc_ip: <ip_addr>}
   tor info: {po: 14, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/14, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/14}
storage-2:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43}
   cimc info: {cimc ip: <ip addr>}
   tor info: {po: 15, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/15, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/15}
storage-3:
   rack info: {rack id: rack43}
   cimc_info: {cimc_ip: <ip_addr>}
    tor info: {po: 16, B9-TOR-9K-1: eth1/16, B9-TOR-9K-2: eth1/16}
```

VLANS for host facing interfaces are derived from NETWORK section based on the server ROLES definition of each of the servers and their corresponding network profile roles assigned for each of the segments.

Server Level Setup_data info for C-series with Intel NIC

When the C-series pod is configured to run in a complete Intel NIC environment, the ToR have an additional configuration that is dp_tor_info section. Control plane and data plane traffic are broken out into two separate interfaces with VLAN limiting applied on each of the interfaces facing the controller and compute nodes.

```
c43b-control-1:
    rack_info: {rack_id: rack43}
    cimc_info: {cimc_ip: <ip_addr>}
    tor_info: {po: 9, K09-n9k-a: 'eth1/9, eth1/12'}
    dp_tor_info: {po: 12, K09-n9k-a: 'eth1/12, eth1/12'}
c43b-compute-1:
    rack_info: {rack_id: rack43}
    cimc_info: {cimc_ip: <ip_addr>}
    tor_info: {po: 10, K09-n9k-a: 'eth1/10, eth1/13'}
    dp_tor_info: {po: 13, K09-n9k-a: 'eth1/13, eth1/13'}
```

Server Level Setup_data info for C-series with Intel NIC with SRIOV

When the C-series pod is configured to support SRIOV with Intel NIC, a third interface is configured to allow SRIOV traffic for the compute nodes. Switchports configured for SRIOV are not placed in a port-channel. VLAN limiting is applied to this interface for all the data plane related VLAN IDs.

Support for Custom Configuration

Custom Configuration is an optional procedure. The setup_data.yaml file has a section called CUSTOM_CONFIG to support custom configuration. Under the CUSTOM_CONFIG section, raw CLI commands can be provided at the global, port channel, and switchport level. CUSTOM_CONFIG is applied at the time of bootstrap and add-interfaces workflow steps.

For example: setup data.yaml

```
TORSWITCHINFO:

CONFIGURE_TORS: true

CUSTOM_CONFIG:

GLOBAL:

[<'cli line 1'>,

<'cli line 2'>,]

PORTCHANNEL:

[<'cli line 1'>]

SWITCHPORT:

[<'cli line 1'>,

<'cli line 2'>,]
```

Setting Up ToR Configurations for NCS-5500



Note

In Cisco VIM, the following caveats apply to a Cisco VIM deployment with NCS:

- BGP: For a fresh install of Cisco VIM, assure no BGP configuration is present on the NCS, otherwise
 the peering between the two NCS does not come up properly. Un-configure any existing BGP
 configuration. If additional BGP complimentary configuration is needed, add it after a successful Cisco
 VIM install.
- Segment-Routing: The global block of Segment Routing IDs have to be pre-defined by the admin. Make sure that the prefix defined within the setup data.yaml is within the Segment Routing global block range.
- NCS Interface Naming: There are a set of different Interface naming variations. We support the following: [Te0/0/0/0, TenGigE0/0/0/0, Gi0/0/0/0, Hu0/0/1/0, HundredGigE 0/0/1/0, FortyGigE0/0/0/0].
- Any manual adjustments to the ISIS, L2VPN sections (on top of the configuration provided by the CVIM automation) causes subsequent Cisco VIM installs to fail.

For a Cisco VIM with NCS-5500 Auto-ToR is a must-have. You can use the Auto-ToR configuration feature to setup NCS-5500. The mercury Cisco VIM setup_data.yaml configuration file is used as an input file for the configuration.

The setup_data.yaml file contains the following three sections:

- TORSWITCHINFO: This section provides the general information.
- SERVERS section for C-series: This section provides the information on the switch ports that are connected to the specific nodes. When the micro pod is configured to run in a complete Intel NIC environment with NCS-5500 as the ToR, the SERVER level configurations include tor_info (for control plane) and dp_tor_info (data plane) section. Control plane and data plane traffic are broken out into two separate interfaces with bridge domains applied on each of the control and data interfaces facing each for the controller and compute nodes.
- MULTI_SEGMENT_ROUTING_INFO: This section provides the information related to routing.
 NCS-5500 supports a micro-pod with additional computes running on Intel 710 NICs with no SR-IOV



Note

The current release supports the use of two NCS-5500 within a single pod.

The following snippet shows an example of the mercury setup_data.yaml configuration file for NCS-5500

```
TORSWITCHINFO:

CONFIGURE_TORS: true  # Mandatory

TOR_TYPE: NCS-5500  # Mandatory

SWITCHDETAILS:

hostname: <NCS-5500-1>  # hostname of NCS-5500-1
 username: admin
 password: <ssh_password of NCS-5500-1>
 ssh_ip: <ssh_ip_address of NCS-5500-1>
 vpc peer keepalive: <ssh IP address of the peer NCS-5500-2>
```

with mechanism driver of VPP.

```
br mgmt port info: <interface of which br mgmt of management node is hanging of
NCS-5500-1>
      br mgmt po info: <int; bundle Ethernet interface to pxe the management node>
     vpc peer port info: <local interface to which peer NCS-5500 is connected, "," separated,
max of 2 entries>' >
     vpc peer port address: <local address with mask for vpc peer port info, "," separated,
max of 2 entries>' can have a mask of /31>
     isis loopback addr: <local isis loopback interface address without mask> # assumes
      isis_net_entity_title: <isis network_entity_title>
      isis prefix sid: <int between 16000-1048575> # has to be unique in the ISIS domain
and depends on the
 global segment routing block define by the admin
      hostname: <NCS-5500-2> # hostname of NCS-5500-2
      username: admin
      password: <ssh password of NCS-5500-2>
      ssh_ip: <ssh_ip_address of NCS-5500-2>
      vpc peer keepalive: <ssh IP address of the peer NCS-5500-1>
      br mgmt port info: <interface of which br mgmt of management node is hanging of
NCS-5500-2>
      br mgmt po info: <int; bundle Ethernet interface to pxe the management node>
     vpc peer port info: <local interface to which peer NCS-5500 is connected>,"," seperated,
max of two entries
     vpc peer port address: <local address with mask for vpc peer port info>,"," seperated,
max of two entries
     isis loopback addr: <local isis loopback interface address without mask> # assumes
      isis net entity title: <isis network entity title>
      isis prefix sid: <int between 16000-1048575> has to be unique in the ISIS domain and
 depends on the global segment routing block defined by the admin.
      Not allowed when ESI PREFIX is defined
     splitter opt 4 10: 'FortyGigE<C/D/X/Y>, HundredGigE<E/F/A/B>' # Optional for NCS-5500,
 only when splitter is needed on per switch basis (that is, the peer switch may or maynot
have the entry)
SERVER SECTION FOR C SERIES:
      a27-fretta-micro-1:
      cimc info: {cimc ip: 172.28.121.172}
      dp tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/1, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/1, po: 1}
      hardware info: {VIC slot: MLOM}
      rack_info: {rack id: RackA}
      tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/0, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/0, po: 2}
# Optional
sriov tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/6, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/6} or
sriov tor info: {NCS-5500-1: 'TenGigE0/0/0/6, TenGigE0/0/0/7', NCS-5500-2: 'TenGigE0/0/0/6,
TenGigE0/0/0/7'}
      a27-fretta-micro-2:
      cimc info: {cimc ip: 172.28.121.174}
      dp tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/3, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/3, po: 3}
      hardware info: {VIC slot: MLOM}
      rack info: {rack id: RackB}
      tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/2, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/2, po: 4}
      a27-fretta-micro-3:
      cimc info: {cimc ip: 172.28.121.175}
      dp tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/5, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/5, po: 5}
      hardware info: {VIC slot: MLOM}
      rack_info: {rack_id: RackC}
sriov tor info: {NCS-5500-1: 'TenGigE0/0/0/8, TenGigE0/0/0/9', NCS-5500-2: 'TenGigE0/0/0/8,
TenGiqE0/0/0/9'}
```

```
#Note: if sriov is defined, it need not be present on all servers; However, when present
on a given server, the number of SRIOV port need to be 4 and consistent across the servers;
Also, please set the INTEL SRIOV PHYS PORTS to 4, when using SRIOV with NCS-5500 as ToR.
Please set the value of INTEL SRIOV VFS as per the settings of your VNF (see details later
for the default values, etc)
tor info: {NCS-5500-1: TenGigE0/0/0/4, NCS-5500-2: TenGigE0/0/0/4, po: 6}
MULTI SEGMENT ROUTING INFO:
      bgp as num: <1 to 65535>
      isis area tag: <string>
      loopback name: <loopback<0-2147483647>>
      api bundle id: <1 to 65535>
      api bridge domain: <string> #Optional, only needed when br api of mgmt node is also
going via NCS-5500; #this item and api bundle id are mutually exclusive
      ext bridge domain: <string> # user pre-provisions physical, bundle interface,
subinterface and external BD" for external uplink and provides
external BD info in the setup_data
```

Customization of Cisco NCS 5500 Configurations for Ethernet Segment ID and Route-Target

Cisco VIM automatically generates the Ethernet Segment Identifier (ESI) for EVPN segments (as defined under each Bundle-Ether interface) and route-targets during Cisco NCS 5500 ToR configuration.

You can set the ESI for EVPN segments only during day-0 configuration. To customize the configuration, define the following in the setup data as part of the day-0 configuration:

```
ESI PREFIX: 91.<Pod number>.<pod region number>.00.00.00.00
```

Sample ESI

```
evpn
interface Bundle-Ether<BE#>
    ethernet-segment
    ethernet-segment identifier type 0
91.<Pod_number>.<pod_region_number>.00.00.00.00.00.00.00.<BE#_in_hex>

Example:

evpn
interface Bundle-Ether10
    ethernet-segment
    ethernet-segment identifier type 0 91.05.02.00.00.00.00.00.00
```

If ESI defined in RFC 7432 is appended with the Bundle ID in hex, it will add up to a total of 9 octects, that is, the ESI_PREFIX must have a max length of 7 octects.

Similar to ESI_PREFIX, Cisco VIM supports custom-defined route-targets for management, storage, and tenant network segment when Cisco NCS 5500 is set as ToR switch. This configuration is optional on per network segment basis, but Cisco VIM generates route-target automatically if not defined. To avail this configuration, the pod administrator must define a rt_suffix and rt_prefix in each network segment as listed below:

```
NETWORKING:
networks:
    - gateway: 5.0.0.1
    pool: [5.0.0.11 to 5.0.0.50]
    segments: [management, provision]
    subnet: 5.0.0.0/24
    vlan id: 200
```

```
rt_prefix: <Local to POD>
rt_suffix: < Region>:< pod_region_number >

- gateway: 172.25.34.161
segments: [storage]
subnet: 172.25.34.160/28
vlan_id: 2438
rt_prefix: <Local to POD>
rt suffix: < Region>:< pod region number >
```

Resultant Route-Target

```
<Local to POD>:<Region>< POD number in the region><vlan_id>
```

Example:

```
3000:10100214
```

Each route-target is unique with its respective vlan-id. Route targets associated to tenant vlans are generated by appending each vlan id from TENANT_VLAN_RANGES to the rt_suffix and rt_prefix as defined in the network segments.

Resulting route-targets ("rt_prefix", plus ":", plus "rt_suffix", plus the VLAN ID) must not exceed the 6 octets as per RFC 4360 for the Extended Communities. The maximum value is 8 octets with first 2 being reserved for type information.

NCS Day-0 Configuration (Prior to starting Cisco VIM install)

The following snippets have to be defined on the NCS before starting Cisco VIM installation:

```
SSH:
ssh server v2
ssh server vrf default
ssh server netconf port 831
ssh server netconf vrf default
ssh timeout 60
ssh server rate-limit 600

USERNAME:
username admin
group root-lr
group cisco-support
secret 0 <password>
```



Note

For SSH to work generate a key using crypto key generate rsa.

Pre-requisites for Segment Routing Global Block and ISIS Prefix

The segment routing configuration has to be predefined by the admin.

The following snippet provides an example:

```
segment-routing
global-block 16000 20000
The prefix within the ISIS setup_data.yaml configuration has to be within the global-block
IDs. Example:
TORSWITCHINFO:
```

Pre-requisites for API and External Network Segments with NCS-5500 as TOR

Pre-Provision the NCS-5500 with the Bridge domains for API and External network segments. The configured bridge domain names for api and external need to be the same as those defined in setup_data.yaml (api_bridge_domain and ext_bridge_domain) under the MULTI_SEGMENT_ROUTING_INFO section defined above.

A check on each of the NCS-5500 should show the following:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:NCS-5500-2#sh run l2vpn bridge group cvim
    l2vpn
bridge group cvim
    bridge-domain api
l2vpn
bridge group cvim
    bridge-domain external
```

During the deployment of NCS-5500 as TOR, we also support the workloads off the provider network along with the tenant network.

Listed below are some of the assumptions under which this combination works.

- Provider network segment has to be in scope from day-0. Few of the PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES
 has to be defined.
- You can always expand the PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES with additional VLAN range (minimum starting VLAN range is 2)
- The maximum number of PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES and TENANT_VLAN_RANGES should add up to 200.
- Bridge domain for provider starts with prefix: provider VLANId. They are created manually on the NCS-5500, before the VIM deployment begins; and upstream interfaces are stitched in.

Support and pre-requisites for Provider Network with NCS-Concept

In a deployment of NCS-5500 as TOR, along with the tenant network, we also support provider networks. The following points are key to use provider_networks with a NCS TOR:

• Provider network segment has to be defined on day-0; also, a handful of PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES has to be defined in the setup data.yaml.



You cannot add it after a Cisco VIM deployment!

- The PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES can be extended after a Cisco VIM install by running reconfigure with a updated setup_data.yaml (min starting VLAN range is 2, for example PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES: 3200:3202 (existing range),3204:3206 (newly added range))
- The maximum number of PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES and TENANT_VLAN_RANGES should not exceed 200.
- Bridge domain for provider starts with prefix: provider<VLANId> and are created manually on the NCS-5500 before VIM deployment begins with necessary upstream interfaces configured accordingly.

Pre-requisites for Provider Network with NCS-5500 as TOR

Provider network support requires the following pre-requisites:

Step 1 Define the network and provider vlan ranges sections in setup_data.yaml.

```
NETWORKING:
    - segments: [provider]
    vlan_id: None
PROVIDER VLAN RANGES: 127,3406:3409
```

Step 2 Pre-provisioning the NCS with bridge-domains for corresponding VLANs and plumbing the uplink configuration into these bridge-domains.

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:NCS-5500-2#sh run l2vpn bridge group cvim
l2vpn
bridge group cvim
bridge-domain provider127

l2vpn
bridge group cvim
bridge-domain provider3406

l2vpn
bridge group cvim
bridge group cvim
bridge-domain provider3407
```

Note The Cisco VIM Automation will then configure all the host facing subinterfaces for these provider vlans, EVIs and plumb them into each of the pre-provisioned provider bridge-domains.

Note When pre-provisioning bridge-domain, ensure that the BD names follow the naming convention of "provider<vlan-id>".

Intel NIC Support

Cisco VIM supports C-series pod running with either all Intel 710X NICs or Cisco VICs for control and data plane. In the Intel NIC setup, M4 and M5 (Micropod) based pods need to have 2-4 port and 1 or 2 4 port X710 respectively, for control and data plane connectivity. The orchestrator identifies the NIC support based on the following INTEL_NIC_SUPPORT values:

- False-This is the default value. The orchestrator assumes that all the servers have Cisco VIC
- True-The orchestrator assumes that all the servers have Intel NIC.

To define the value, run the following command

```
# INTEL NIC SUPPORT: <True or False>
```

The X710 based NIC redundancy is enabled by default for M4-based Intel NIC system, but not for M5-based Intel NIC system. See *Figure 7: UCS C-Series Intel NIC Details* in UCS C-Series Network Topologies, on page 25. To bring in NIC redundancy across the X710s for M5-based Intel NIC systems, define the following global parameter in the setup data.

```
# NIC_LEVEL_REDUNDANCY: <True or False> # optional and only applies when INTEL_NIC_SUPPORT
  is set to True
```

A C-series pod, running Intel NIC, also supports SRIOV as an option when defined in a setup_data. To enable SRIOV as an option, define a value in the range 1-32 (32 is maximum number of INTEL_SRIOV_VFS: <integer>.

By default, in the C-series pod running with 4 port Intel 710 card, 1 port (port #c) from each of the Intel NICs are used for SRIOV. However, some VNFs needs additional SRIOV ports to function. To meet the requirement, an additional variable has been introduced in the setup_data.yaml file by which you can include a second port (port d) of the Intel NIC for SRIOV.

To adjust the number of SRIOV ports, set the following option in the setup data yaml file:

```
#INTEL SRIOV PHYS PORTS: <2 or 4>
```

The parameter, INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS is optional, and if nothing is defined a value of 2 is used. The only values the parameter takes is 2 or 4. For NCS-5500, the only value supported for INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS is 4, and has to be defined for SRIOV support on NCS-5500. As the M5 Micropod environment is based on X710 for control and data plane and an additional XL710 or 2 port X710 for SRIOV only INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS of 2 is supported.

SRIOV support on a Cisco VIC POD

Cisco VIM supports M4 based C-series pod running with one 2-port Cisco VIC for control plane and two 2-port Intel 520s or two 2-port XL710 for SRIOV (called VIC/NIC deployment). We also support M5 based C-series pod running with one 2-port Cisco VIC for control plane and two 2-port XL710 for SRIOV.

The orchestrator identifies the VIC/NIC support based on the following CISCO VIC INTEL SRIOV values:

- False-This is the default value. The orchestrator assumes that all the servers have Cisco VIC.
- True-The orchestrator assumes that all the servers have Intel NIC.

To define the value, run the following command:

```
# CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV: <True or False>
```

A C-series M4 pod, running Cisco VIC/Intel NIC (2x520 or 2xXL710), also supports SRIOV on the Intel NIC. To enable, SRIOV define a value in the range 1-63 (63 is maximum) (for X520) or 1-32 (32 is maximum for XL710) number of INTEL_SRIOV_VFS: <integer>

By default in the C-series M4 pod running with Cisco VIC and Intel 520/XL710, the control plane runs on the Cisco VIC ports, and all the 4 ports from the 2 Intel 520 NICs or 2 intel XL710 are used for SRIOV.

In C-Series M5 pods running with Cisco VIC and Intel XL710, the control plane runs on the Cisco VIC ports and all the 4 or 8 ports from the 2 intel XL710 are used for SRIOV.

In M5-based VIC/NIC pods, define INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS: <4 or 8>, with default value as 4, to indicate the number of ports participating in SRIOV.

In the pods running with CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV option, some computes can run only with Cisco VIC without SRIOV option if they do not have Intel NIC cards.

Define the following parameter in the setup data yaml to setup the card type, in SRIOV.

```
#SRIOV_CARD_TYPE: <X520 or XL710># for M4 based computes # SRIOV CARD TYPE: <XXV710 or XL710> # for M5 based computes
```

Compute supports different types of the card. If SRIOV_CARD_TYPE is not provided, Cisco VIM chooses the first 2 slots from all SRIOV compute nodes. If SRIOV_CARD_TYPE is provided, Cisco VIM chooses the first 2 slots matching the target card type from each of the SRIOV compute nodes, so that a match between intent and reality exist.

For Quanta-based pods, the SRIOV slot order starts from the higher slot number, that is, for NUMA, NIC at higher slot has value 0, 2. You can override this, by defining the following as ascending, in which case NIC at higher slot has value of 1, 3.

```
# SRIOV_SLOT_ORDER: <ascending or descending> # Optional, applicable for Quanta-based pods
```



Note

From release Cisco VIM 2.4.4 onwards, some computes have XL710 while others have X520 for SRIOV in an M4 settings. This is achieved by defining the SRIOV_CARD_TYPE at a per compute level (see the SERVERS section of the setup_data in example file). From Cisco VIM 2.4.9 onwards, 40G based M5 computes are supported. From Cisco VIM 2.4.15, 40G based M5 controller and Ceph nodes can be mixed with 10G based M4 VIC/NIC pods.

Support of 25G VIC and NIC

From Cisco VIM 3.4.0, Cisco VIC 1457 and Intel XXV710 are supported in some specific BOM configuration. The first one is a combination where the control plane is running on two ports of Cisco 1457 and data plane is running over VPP on the two ports of the Intel XXV710. In this configuration, there is a second XXV710 NIC for SRIOV. To realize this configuration of Cisco VIC and Intel NIC baremetal combination without creating any Cisco vNICs, the option of INTEL_NIC_SUPPORT must be set to true.

```
CISCO_VIC_SUPPORT: true
INTEL_NIC_SUPPORT: true
INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS: 2
INTEL_SRIOV_VFS: 16
```

If the above option is chosen for Cisco 1457 VIC, by default port A and C of the VIC are used for the control plane. To use the port A and B of the Cisco VIC for samx, you can define an optional variable globally or at a per server level. Following is the snippet of how to define the configuration in setup_data:

```
SERVER_COMMON:

# Optional global config to change VIC's port channel enable configuration

# option, from default True to False. Applicable only for Cisco VIC that

# support Port Channel, like UCS VIC 1457 25Gbps network adapter.

#VIC_port_channel_enable: <True or False> # This can also be specified or

# overridden at per server level

# under server's hardware info section.
```

A global configuration option is available to change VIC's admin FEC mode from default 'Auto' to either 'Off', 'cl74', or 'cl91' mode and to adapt to different types of switches. This is applicable only for Cisco VIC that supports changing the admin FEC mode like UCS VIC 1457 25Gbps network adapter. The following is the snippet in setup_data to realize this configuration for the pod.

Cisco M4 (VIC 1227) based VTS pods support additional M5 computes running on Cisco 1457 VIC. Additionally, OVS based Cisco M5 VIC (1457) with XXV710 NIC pods is supported. In this combination, the control and data plane run on Cisco 1457 VIC, with four ports of XXV710 Intel NIC dedicated for SRIOV.

Support of Third-party Compute in Hybrid Mode (HP DL360 Gen9)

Cisco VIM 2.4 introduces the first third-party compute. The first SKU chosen is HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9. With this support, the Cisco VIM software is flexible enough to accommodate for other SKUs. In Cisco VIM 2.4, the supported deployment is a full-on pod, with OVS as the mechanism driver, where the management, control, and storage nodes are based on existing Cisco UCS c220/240M4 BOM, and the compute nodes are on HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 hardware. From Cisco VIM 2.4.5 onwards, Cisco VIM supports the same HP SKU with both "HP" and "HPE" brand.

To minimize the changes done to the existing orchestration workflow and Insight UI, you can reuse the existing Cisco VIC+NIC combo deployment scenario. This minimizes the changes needed for the hardware topology and the "setup_data.yaml" configuration file. For NIC settings that need to be passed to enable HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 third-party compute, see "Intel NIC Support for SRIOV only".

In case of Quanta servers, the support of third-party has been extended to all nodes (servers in control, compute, storage and management role.

The following table shows the port type mapping between Cisco UCS C-series, HPE ProLiant DL360, and Quanta computes:

| Port Type | Cisco UCS c220/c240Compute | HPE ProLiant DL360 Gen9 Compute | Quanta Server |
|------------------------|--|---|---|
| Control and Data Plane | M4: MLOM - VIC 1227 M5: MLOM - VIC 1387 M5 MLOM - VIC 1457 | FlexLOM - HP Ethernet 10Gb 2-port 560FLR-SFP+ Adapter | OCP 25G 2 port xxv710 based card |
| SRIOV | M4: PCIe - Intel X520-DA2 10 Gbps or Intel XL710 DA2 40 Gbps 2 port NIC M5: PCIe - Intel XL710 DA2 40 Gbps 2 port NIC | PCIe - HP Ethernet 10Gb 2-port 560SFP+ Adapter | PCIe - Intel xxv710 DA2 25 Gbps 2 port NIC |
| SRIOV | PCIe - Intel X520-DA2 10 Gbps or Intel XL710 DA2 40 Gbps 2 port NIC or Intel XXV710 25Gbps 2 port NIC | | |

As this deployment do not support Auto-ToR configuration, the TOR switch needs to have Trunk configuration with native VLAN, jumbo MTU, and no LACP suspend-individual on the control and data plane switch ports.

Sample Nexus 9000 port-channel configuration is as follows:

```
interface port-channel30
  description compute-server-hp-1 control and data plane
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk native vlan 201
  spanning-tree port type edge trunk
  spanning-tree bpdufilter enable
  mtu 9216
  no lacp suspend-individual
  vpc 30
!
interface Ethernet1/30
  description compute-server-hp-1 flexlom port 1
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk native vlan 201
  mtu 9216
  channel-group 30 mode active
```

Once the physical connection to the top-of-rack switches and the switch ports' configuration have been completed, enable/add the following additional variables in the VIM's "setup data.yaml" configuration file:

```
CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV: True
INTEL_SRIOV_VFS: 63
```

Remote Registry Credentials

```
REGISTRY_USERNAME: '<username>'
REGISTRY_PASSWORD: '<password>'
REGISTRY_EMAIL: '<email@address.com>'
REGISTRY_NAME: <hostname of Cisco VIM software hub'> # optional only if Cisco VIM software
Hub is used
```

Common CIMC Access Information for C-series POD

```
CIMC-COMMON:
cimc_username: "admin"
cimc password: <"password">
```

UCSM Common Access Information for B-series POD

```
UCSMCOMMON:
ucsm_username: "admin"
ucsm_password: <"password">
ucsm_ip: <"a.b.c.d">
ucsm_ip: <"a.b.c.d">
ucsm_resource_prefix: <"skull"> # max of 6 chars

ENABLE_UCSM_PLUGIN: <True> #optional; if True, Cisco-UCSM is used, if not defined, default
is False
MRAID_CARD: <True or False>
```



Note

In Cisco VIM 3.x, UCSM plugin support is not enabled.

Configure Cobbler

```
## Cobbler specific information.
## kickstart: static values as listed below
## cobbler_username: cobbler #username to access cobbler server; static value of Cobbler;
not user configurable
## admin_username: root # static value of root; not user configurable
## admin_ssh_keys: This is a generated key which is put on the hosts.
## This is needed for the next install step, using Ansible.
COBBLER:
```

```
pxe timeout: 45
                                              # Optional parameter (in minutes); min of 30
and max of 120, defaults to 45 mins
 cobbler username: cobbler # cobbler UI user; currently statically mapped to cobbler;
not user configurable
 admin username: root
                              # cobbler admin user; currently statically mapped to root;
not user configurable
  #admin password hash has be the output from:
  # python -c "import crypt; print crypt.crypt('<plaintext password>')"
 admin password hash: <Please generate the admin pwd hash using the step above; verify the
 output starts with $6>
                                              # Optional parameter
  admin ssh keys:
   - ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEAoMrVHLwpDJX8j2DiE55WtJ5NWdiryP5+FjvPEZcjLdtdWaWA7W
dP6EBaeskmyyU9B8ZJr1uClIN/sT6yD3gw6IkQ73Y6bl1kZxu/ZlcUUSNY4RVjSAz52/oLKs6n3wqKnn
7rQuLGEZDvXnyLbqMoxHdc4PDFWiGXdlg5DIVGigO9KUncPK cisco@cisco-server
  kickstart:
                            # not user configurable, optional
   control: ucs-b-and-c-series.ks
    compute: ucs-b-and-c-series.ks
   block storage: ucs-b-and-c-series.ks
```

Configure Network

```
NETWORKING:
 domain name: domain.example.com
#max of 4 NTP servers
 ntp servers:
   - <1.ntp.example.com>
   - <2.ntp.example2.com >
ntp servers: ['2001:c5c0:1234:5678:1002::1', 15.0.0.254] <== support for IPv6 address
#max of 3 DNS servers
  domain name servers:
    - <a.b.c.d>
domain name servers: ['2001:c5c0:1234:5678:1002::5', 15.0.0.1]
                                                                  <== support for IPv6
address
 http proxy server: <a.b.c.d:port> # optional, needed if install is through internet, and
 the pod is behind a proxy
 https proxy server: <a.b.c.d:port> # optional, needed if install is through internet, and
 the pod is behind a proxy
 admin source networks: # optional, host based firewall to white list admin's source IP
(v4 or v6)
   - 10.0.0.0/8
   - 172.16.0.0/12
    - <"2001:xxxx::/64">
```



Note

External access to the management node is made through the IP address configured on the br_api interface. To provide additional security for this connection, the optional admin_source_networks parameter is provided. When specified, access to administrator services is only allowed from the IP addresses specified on this list. Use this setting with care, since a misconfiguration can lock out an administrator from accessing the management node through the network. Recovery can be made by logging in through the console and reconfiguring this setting.

Define Network Segments

```
networks:
- # CIMC network section is applicable only for B-series vlan_id: <int> # between 1 and
4096
subnet: <cidr with mask> # true routable network, e.g. 10.30.115.192/28
gateway: <ip address>
pool:
```

```
- ip address 1 to ip address 2 in the current network segment
seaments:
- cimc
vlan id: <int>
                        subnet: <cidr with mask> # true routable network
                        gateway: <ipv4 address>
ipv6 gateway: <ipv6 address> <== required if IPv6 based OpenStack public API is enabled
ipv6_subnet: <v6 cidr with mask>
segments:
- api
vlan id: <int> subnet: <cidr/mask>
gateway: <ipaddress>
pool:
# specify the pool range in form of <start ip> to <end ip>, IPs without the "to" # is treated
 as an individual IP and is used for configuring
- ip_address_1 to ip_address_2 in the current network segment
# optional, required if managemen_ipv6 is defined at server level ipv6_gateway: <ipv6_address>
ipv6 subnet: <v6 cidr with mask>
ipv6 pool: ['ipv6 address 1 to ipv6 address 2']
segments: #management and provisioning are always the same
- management
- provision
# OVS-VLAN requires VLAN-id as "None"
# LinuxBridge-VXLAN requires valid VLAN-id
vlan id: <vlan id or None> subnet: <v4 cidr w/ mask>
gateway: <v4 ip address>
- ip_address_1 to ip_address_2 in the current network segment
segments:
- tenant
vlan id: <vlan id>
subnet: <v4 cidr w/ mask>
gateway: <ipv4_addr>
- ip address 1 to ip address 2 in the current network segment
segments:
- storage
# optional network "external"
vlan id: <int> segments:
- external
# optional network "provider"; None for C-series, vlan range for B-series
vlan id: "<None or 3200-3210>" segments:
- provider
```



For PODTYPE: ceph, the storage segment needs to be replaced with segment named "cluster". Also, for central ceph pod, the only other segment allowed is management/provision.

Define Server Roles

In the Roles section, add the hostname of the servers and their corresponding roles. In case of Micropod, specify the same server names under control, compute, and ceph. Ensure that the number of servers under each role must be three for Micropod. You can optionally expand the Micropod to include additional computes. In the case of HC (Hyperconverged deployment), all storage nodes acts as compute nodes, but not vice-versa.

In the case of edge pod (to support low latency workloads without persistent storage), specify the same server names under control (total of 3), and compute role (there is no server with storage role). You can optionally expand the edge pod, to include additional computes. The edge pod can connect to a central Ceph cluster via its management network, so that the Ceph cluster offers glance image service.

The central Ceph cluster to which the edge pod is communicating to for the glance image service is called the "ceph" pod-type. For the pod-type "ceph", specify the same server names under cephcontrol (total of 3), and cephosd role. You can optionally expand the ceph pod, to include additional cephosd nodes.

```
ROLES:
          -> for PODTYPE: fullon
 control:
   - Your-Controller-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Controller-Server-2-HostName
   - Your-Controller-Server-3-HostName
   - Your-Compute-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Compute-Server-2-HostName
   - Your-Compute-Server-n-HostName
block storage:
   - Your-Ceph-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Ceph-Server-2-HostName
   - Your-Ceph-Server-3-HostName
ROLES: -> for PODTYPE: micro
 control:
   - Your-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Server-2-HostName
   - Your-Server-3-HostName
 compute:
   - Your-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Server-2-HostName
   - Your-Server-3-HostName
   - Your-Server-4-HostName (optional expansion of computes)
   - Your-Server-5-HostName (optional expansion of computes)
block storage:
   - Your-Server-1-HostName
   - Your-Server-2-HostName
    Your-Server-3-HostName
object storage:
networker:
ROLES: -> for PODTYPE: UMHC
control:
- Your-Controller-Server-1-HostName

    Your-Controller-Server-2-HostName

- Your-Controller-Server-3-HostName
- Your-Compute-Server-1-HostName
- Your-Compute-Server-2-HostName
- Your HC Server-1 HostName
- Your HC Server-2 HostName
- Your HC Server-3 HostName
block storage:
- Your HC Server-1 HostName
- Your HC Server-2 HostName
- Your HC_Server-3_HostName
   object storage:
```

```
networker:
ROLES: -> for PODTYPE: edge
control:
- Your-Server-1-HostName
- Your-Server-2-HostName
- Your-Server-3-HostName compute:
- Your-Server-1-HostName
- Your-Server-2-HostName
- Your-Server-3-HostName
- Your-Server-4-HostName (optional expansion of computes)
- Your-Server-5-HostName (optional expansion of computes)
ROLES: -> for PODTYPE: ceph
cephcontrol:
- Your-Server-1-HostName
- Your-Server-2-HostName
- Your-Server-3-HostName cephosd:
- Your-Server-1-HostName
- Your-Server-2-HostName
- Your-Server-3-HostName
- Your-Server-4-HostName (optional expansion of Ceph OSD Nodes)
- Your-Server-5-HostName (optional expansion of Ceph OSD Nodes)
object storage: networker:
# Server common
# Provide the username (default: root)
SERVER COMMON:
   server username: root
# Allow static override value for platform vendor instead of dynamic
# discovery at runtime, optional value.
# Allowed values
# CSCO - Cisco Systems Inc
# HPE - Hewlett Packard Enterprise
# QCT - Quanta Cloud Technology Inc
  vendor: <CSCO or QCT>
                            <= Global level override, all servers
# control:
    hardware info:
      vendor: <CSCO or OCT> <= Role level override, all controls
#
  compute:
    hardware info:
      vendor: <CSCO, HPE, or QCT> <= Role level override, all computes
# block storage:
   hardware info:
      vendor: <CSCO or QCT> <= Role level override, all storages</pre>
```



The maximum length of non-FQDN hostname is 32 characters. The length of Your-Controller-Server-1-HostName hostname is 32 characters in both the ROLES and SERVERS section. The maximum length including the FQDN is 64 characters, where the hostname can only have characters that are in any combination of "A-Za-z0-9-.", and the TLD is not all numeric. Cisco VIM does not allow "_" in the hostnames.

Cisco VIM introduces a new topology type called Micropod to address solutions that have requirements of high availability, but with limited compute and storage needs. In this deployment model, the control, compute, and storage services reside on each of the three nodes that constitute the pod. Cisco VIM also supports the

expansion of the Micropod to accommodate additional compute nodes. Each cloud application can decide the type of pod needed based on their resource (mem, storage consumption) requirements. The Micropod option supports only OVS/VLAN (with Cisco-VIC or Intel 710 NIC) or VPP/VLAN (only on Intel NIC) on a specific BOM.

To enable the Micropod option, update the setup_data as follows:

```
PODTYPE: micro
```

Cisco VIM supports the hyper-convergence (UMHC) option of UMHC and NGENAHC. The UMHC option supports only OVS/VLAN with a combination of Cisco-VIC and Intel 520 NIC on a specific BOM, while the NGENAHC option supports only VPP/VLAN with control plane over Cisco-VIC and data plane over 2-port Intel X-710.

To enable the hyper convergence with (UMHC) option, update the setup_data as follows:

```
PODTYPE: UMHC
```

To enable the hyper convergence with NGENAHC option, update the setup data as follows:

```
PODTYPE: NENAHC
```

On Quanta server, you can also enable edge cloud functionality for low-latency workloards, for example, vRAN that does not need persistent storage. To enable such deployment, update the setup data as follows:

```
PODTYPE: edge
```

If the edge pod is communicating with a central Ceph cluster that is managed by Cisco VIM, update the setup_data for the respective central-ceph cluster as follows:

```
PODTYPE: ceph
```

Define Servers - Rack (C-Series, Quanta) Pod Example



Note

The maximum host name length is 32 characters.

```
SERVERS:
Your_Controller_Server-1_HostName:
cimc info: {'cimc ip': <IPv4 or IPv6>}
rack info: {'rack id': 'RackA'}
#hardware info: {'VIC slot': '7'} # optional; only needed if vNICs need to be created on a
 specific slot, e.g. slot 7
#management ip: <static ip from management pool> #optional, if defined for one server, has
to be defined for all nodes
#cimc username, password at a server level is only needed if it is different from the one
defined in the CIMC-COMMON section
# management ipv6: <Fixed ipv6 from the management ipv6 pool>
                                                                   # <== optional, allow
manual static IPv6 addressing, also if defined management ip has to be defined
#storage_ip: <Fixed IP from the storage pool> # optional, but if defined for one server,
then it must be defined for all, also if defined management ip has to be defined
Your Controller Server-2 HostName:
cimc info: {'cimc ip': '<v4 or v6>', 'cimc username': 'admin','cimc password': 'abc123'}
rack info: {'rack id': 'RackB'}
Your Controller Server-3 HostName:
cimc info: {'cimc ip': 'v4 or v6'}
rack info: {'rack id': 'RackC'}
hardware info: {'VIC slot': '7'} # optional only if the user wants a specific VNIC to be
chosen
```

```
Your Storage or Compute-1 HostName:
cimc_info: {'cimc_ip': '<v4 or v6>}
rack info: {'rack id': 'RackA'}
hardware info: {'VIC slot': '3'} # optional only if the user wants a specific VNIC to be
VM HUGHPAGE PERCENTAGE: <0 - 100> # optional only for compute nodes and when NFV HOSTS:
ALL and
MECHANISM DRIVER: openvswitch
VM HUGHPAGE SIZE: <2M or 1G> # optional, only for compute nodes and when NFV HOSTS is ALL
and MECHANISM DRIVER is openvswitch.
trusted vf: <True or False> # optional, only for compute nodes which have in SRIOV
rx tx queue size: <512 or 1024> # optional, only for compute nodes
hardware info: {'VIC slot': '<7>', SRIOV CARD TYPE: <XL710 or X520 or XXV710>,
VIC port channel enable: <True or False>, VIC admin fec mode: <Auto, Off, c174, or c191>}
# VIC_Slot is optional, defined for location of Cisco VIC,
  VIC port channel enable is optional and applicable to 1457 based VIC where one wants to
use port A and B to connect to ToR (instead of port A and C),
 VIC_admin_fec_mode is optional and used when the ToR needs explicit configuration of fec
Your Storage HostName:
cimc info: {'cimc ip': 'v4 or v6'} rack info: {'rack id': 'RackA'}
hardware_info: {osd_disk_type: <HDD or SSD>} # optional only the pod is multi-backend ceph,
 and a minimum of three storage servers should be available for each backend type.
```



SRIOV_CARD_TYPE option is valid only when CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV is True; and can be defined at per compute level in a pod. If it is not defined at a per compute level, the global value is taken for that compute. If not defined at the compute nor at the global level, the default of X520 is set. The compute can be standalone or hyper-converged node.



Note

Cisco VIM installation requires that controller node Rack IDs be unique. The intent it to indicates the physical rack location so that physical redundancy is provided within the controllers. If controller nodes are installed all in the same rack, you must assign a unique rack ID to prepare for future Cisco NFVI releases that include rack redundancy. However, compute and storage nodes does not have rack ID restrictions.



Note

For Central Ceph cluster, swap the "storage ip" with "cluster ip".

Define Servers - B-Series Pod Example



Note

For UCS B-Series servers, the maximum host name length is 16 characters.

```
SERVERS:
Your_Controller_Server-1_HostName:
rack_info: {'rack_id': 'rack2'}
ucsm_info: {'server_type': 'blade',
'chassis_id': 1,
'blade id': 1}
```

```
Your Controller Server-2 HostName:
rack_info: {'rack_id': 'rack3'}
ucsm info: {'server_type': 'blade',
'chassis id': 2,
'blade id' : 1}
Your Controller Server-3 HostName:
rack info: {'rack id': 'rack4'}
ucsm info: {'server_type': 'blade',
'chassis id': 2,
'blade i\overline{d}' : 4}
#management ip: <static ip from management pool> #optional, if defined for one server, it
must be defined for all nodes
#storage_ip: <Fixed ip from the storage pool> # optional, but if defined for one server,
then it must be defined for all,
also if defined management ip has to be defined
Your Compute-1 HostName:
rack info: {'rack id': 'rack2'}
ucsm_info: {'server_type': 'blade',
'chassis id': 2,
'blade id' : 2}
.. add more computes as needed
Your Storage-1 HostName:
rack info: { 'rack id': 'rack2'}
ucsm info: {'server type': 'rack',
'rack-unit id': 1}
Your Storage-2 HostName:
rack info: { 'rack id': 'rack3'}
ucsm_info: {'server_type': 'rack',
'rack-unit id': 2}
Your Storage-3 HostName:
rack info: {'rack id': 'rack4'}
ucsm info: {'server_type': 'rack',
'rack-unit id': 3}
# max # of chassis id: 24
# max # of blade id: 8
#max # of rack-unit_id: 96
```



Cisco VIM requires the controller Rack IDs to be unique to indicate the physical rack location and provide physical redundancy for controllers. If your controllers are all in the same rack, you must still assign a unique rack ID to the controllers to provide for future rack redundancy. Compute and storage nodes have no Rack ID restrictions.

Setting Up Cisco VIM OpenStack Configuration

The following sections provide examples of Cisco VIM OpenStack configuration in the setup_data.yaml file.

OpenStack Admin Credentials

```
ADMIN_USER: <admin>
ADMIN_TENANT_NAME: <admin tenant>
```

OpenStack HAProxy and Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol Configuration

```
external_lb_vip_address: An externally routable ipv4 address in API network external_lb_vip_ipv6_address: An externally routable ipv6 address in API network VIRTUAL_ROUTER_ID: vrrp_router_id #eg: 49 (range of 1-255) internal lb vip address: <Internal IP address on mgmt network>
```

internal_lb_vip_ipv6_address: <Internal IPv6 address on mgmt network> # optional, only for
dual stack environment

OpenStack DNS Name Configuration

For web and REST interfaces, names are commonly used instead of IP addresses. You can set the optional external_lb_vip_fqdn parameter to assign a name that resolves to the external_lb_vip_address. You must configure the services to ensure the name and address match. Resolution can be made through DNS and the Linux /etc/hosts files, or through other options supported on your hosts. The Cisco VIM installer adds an entry to /etc/hosts on the management and other Cisco NFVI nodes to ensure that this resolution can be made from within the pod. You must ensure the resolution can be made from any desired host outside the pod.

```
external lb vip fqdn: host or DNS name matching external lb vip address
```

OpenStack TLS and HTTPS Configuration

Enabling TLS is important to ensure the Cisco VIM network is secure. TLS encrypts and authenticates communication to the cloud endpoints. When TLS is enabled, two additional pieces of information must be provided to the installer: haproxy.pem and haproxy-ca-crt. These must be placed in the ~/installer-xxxx/openstack-configs directory.

haproxy.pem is the server side certificate file in PEM format. It must include the server certificate, any intermediate certificates, and the private key for the server. The common name of the certificate must match the external_lb_vip_address and/or the external_lb_vip_fqdn as configured in the setup_data.yaml file. haproxy-ca.crt is the certificate of the trusted certificate authority that signed the server side.

For production clouds, these certificates are provided by a trusted third-party CA according to your company IT policy. For test or evaluation clouds, self-signed certificates can be used quickly enable TLS. For convenience, the installer includes a script that creates and install self-signed certificates



Note

Do not use the certificates generated by this tool for production. They are for test purposes only.

To use this tool, make the following changes to the setup data file, then run the tool:

```
external_lb_vip_address: <IP address on external network>
external_lb_vip_tls: True
external_lb_vip_fqdn: host or DNS name matching external_lb_vip_address (if FQDN is needed)
```

To run the tool, from the /working_dir/ directory, execute #./tools/tls_cert_gen.sh -f openstack-configs/setup data.yaml.

OpenStack Glance Configuration with Dedicated Ceph/Netapp

For OpenStack Glance (OpenStack image service), the dedicated Ceph object storage configuration is show below. Do not change it. The Ceph and Glance keys are generated during the Ceph installation step, so you do not need to specify the keys in setup data.yaml file.

STORE_BACKEND: ceph/netapp #supported as 'ceph' for ceph backend store; and netapp for netapp backend

CPU Allocation for Ceph in Hyper-converged or Micropod systems

As the storage node is shared with other node types (e.g. compute for Hyper-converged and control and compute for micropod), there are deployments where the number of CPU cores allocated to the Ceph role needs to be higher than the default value of 2. From release Cisco VIM 2.4.2 onwards, the option CEPH_OSD_RESEREVED_PCORES is available on fresh install only in the case of Micropod and hyperconverged pods.

This option is set using the following commands in setup data, where the value can range between 2 and 12.

```
\# Number of cores associated to CEPH-OSD in a micro, UMHC or NGNENAHC deployment, \# default value if not defined is 2 \#CEPH OSD RESERVED PCORES: <2 - 12>
```

CEPH Placement Group Info (Optional)

If you need to change the default percentages for placement group calculation use this section to indicate the amount of data you expect in cinder/glance/nova. For NOVA_BOOT_FROM local, provide the values for cinder and glance. Additionally, for NOVA_BOOT_FROM ceph provide nova_percentage_data for ephemeral data. All Percentages need to add up to 100. If no information is provided, the code defaults to 60% cinder and 40% glance for NOVA_BOOT_FROM local. Similarly, if no information is provided the code defaults to 40% cinder, 30% glance and 30% nova ephemeral for NOVA_BOOT_FROM ceph. You cannnot change these values after deployment via update or reconfiguration.

```
# For NOVA_BOOT_FROM local
# CEPH_PG_INFO: {cinder_percentage_data: x, glance_percentage_data: y}
# where x and y are integers and must add up to 100

# For NOVA_BOOT_FROM Ceph
# CEPH_PG_INFO: {cinder_percentage_data: x, glance_percentage_data: y, nova_percentage_data: z}
# where x, y and z are integers and must add up to 100
```

OpenStack Glance Configuration

STORE BACKEND: <ceph or netapp based on backend storage>

OpenStack Cinder Configuration with Dedicated Ceph/Netapp

For OpenStack Cinder (OpenStack storage service), the dedicated Ceph object storage configuration is shown below. Do not change it. The Ceph and Cinder keys are generated during the Ceph installation step, so you do not need to specify the keys in setup_data.yaml file. Use the **vgs** command to check your volume groups available on your controller nodes. The controller nodes run the Cinder volume containers and hold the volume groups for use by Cinder. If you have available disks and want to create a new volume group for Cinder use the **vgcreate** command.

```
VOLUME_DRIVER: ceph/netapp
```

OpenStack Settings on PODTYPE: Ceph for Glance Image service

Following are the examples for central_ceph setup_data details:

```
STORE_BACKEND: 'ceph'
VOLUME DRIVER: 'ceph'
```

OpenStack Settings on PODTYPE: Edge for Glance Image service

For the edge pod installation to be successful, the central Ceph cluster with which it will communicate for glance image service must be up and running. For the edge pod to communicate with the central Ceph cluster, the following configurations are needed:

```
MON_HOSTS: <3 IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, of the cephcontrol servers in the central ceph cluster>
MON_MEMBERS: <3 IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, of the cephcontrol servers in the central ceph cluster>
CLUSTER_ID: <ceph_cluster_id>
# to fetch the CLUSTER_ID of the central ceph cluster, ssh to the management node of the "ceph" pod, and execute the following:
# cat /root/openstack-configs/ceph/fetch/ceph_cluster_uuid.conf to get the CLUSTER_ID GLANCE_RBD_POOL: images
GLANCE_CLIENT_KEY: <key_info>
# to fetch the GLANCE CLIENT KEY, ssh to the management node of the "ceph" pod, and execute
```

```
the following:
# cd /root/openstack-configs/ceph/fetch/
# ls to get the UUID
# cd /root/openstack-configs/ceph/fetch/<UUID>/
# cat etc/ceph/ceph.client.glance.keyring
```

OpenStack Nova Configuration

To reduce the boot time, the NOVA_BOOT_FROM parameter is set to local for Cisco VIM. While this reduces the boot time, it does not provide Ceph back end redundancy. For typical NFVI workloads, you must not enable this option (it will default to local). To overwrite it, you can set NOVA_BOOT_FROM to **ceph**. This is applicable only when the backend is ceph. For Netapp, no entry for this parameter is allowed.

```
# Nova boot from CEPH/local
NOVA BOOT FROM: <ceph or local> #optional, if not defined will default to local
```

OpenStack Neutron Configuration

OpenStack Neutron configuration is shown below.

```
# ML2 Conf - reference implementation of OVS/VLAN

MECHANISM_DRIVERS: openvswitch
TENANT_NETWORK_TYPES: "VLAN"

# VLAN ranges can be a single continuous range or comma separated discontinuous range
TENANT_VLAN_RANGES: 3001:3100,3350:3400

# Jumbo MTU functionality.

# ENABLE_JUMBO_FRAMES: True

# for Provider networks, just specifying the provider in the segments under

# the NETWORKING section is enough. Use phys_prov as physical_network name when creating a provider network
```

Ensure that you include the PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES information in the setup_data as given in the following syntax:

PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES: <a,b:c,d:e>, where the VLAN ranges can be a continuous range or comma separated discontinuous range.



Note

When creating an external or provider network, use physical_network=phys_ext (need to be specified) or physical_network=phys prov (need to be specified), respectively.

The JUMBO_MTU functionality is available only for OVS over VLAN in a UCS B-Series pod. In a VLAN setup, by default the MTU size is set to 1500 (1450 for VXLAN) and 8972 bytes. When JUMBO_MTU is enabled (with 28 bytes left for the header), the VLAN MTU is 9000 and VXLAN is 8950.

Control and Data Plane Testing in Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM offers an integrated test to validate the control and data plane sanity of the cloud. Virtual Machine Through Put (VMTP), an optional test is available to check the Layer 2 and Layer 3 data plane traffic between Cisco NFVI compute nodes. VMTP performs ping connectivity, round trip time measurement (latency), and TCP/UDP throughput measurement for the following Cisco NFVI east to west VM-to-VM flows:

- Same network (private fixed IP, flow number 1).
- Different network using fixed IP (same as intra-tenant L3 fixed IP, flow number 2).
- Different network using floating IP and NAT (same as floating IP inter-tenant L3, flow number 3.)

To enable VMTP for basic Cisco VIM installation, update the setup_data with the following commands:

```
VMTP VALIDATION:
 EXT NET:
            # Only for V4 with External network with floating IP, min of 5 cont. IP
   NET NAME: <name of external network>
   NET SUBNET: <external cidr>
   NET IP START: <floating ip start>
   NET_IP_END: <floating ip end>
   NET GATEWAY: <external net gateway>
   DNS SERVER: <dns server for external net>
                    # Either for V4 or V6 for Provider network
 PROV NET:
   NET NAME:   provider network name>
   IP START: <starting IP for provider net>
   NET IP END: <end IP for provider net>
   DNS SERVER: <dns server for provider net>
   SEGMENTATION ID: <segmentation id for provider net>
                                                   # Needs to match a vlan defined
 under PROVIDER VLAN RANGES
   VNIC TYPE: <"direct" or normal>
                                # use value of direct for SRIOV, default is over
virtio (value of normal)
                             # needed for SRIOV, entry has to be of the name:
   PHYSNET NAME: <physnet name>
phys_sriov0, or phys_sriov1, ... phys_sriovn, where n is total num of SRIOV port-1
```

Optional Services in Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM supports the installation of optional services, namely, ceilometer, ironic, and load balance as a service (lbass). OpenStack Heat is an orchestration service that allows you to spin up multiple instances, logical networks, and other cloud services in an automated fashion. To enable Heat, add the following in the setup data.yaml.

```
# Optional Services:
OPTIONAL_SERVICE_LIST:
- beat
```

To disable Heat, remove the optional services section from the setup_data.yaml file. The optional services support provides an infrastructure to support additional services in the future.



Note

Auto-scaling is not supported in Cisco VIM.

Ceilometer Support in Cisco VIM

The reference implementation of ceilometer is available from Cisco VIM 3.0.0 onwards. The 'ceilometer' service can be brought in as a day-0 option. To enable this service, update the setup_data with the following:



Note

Ceilometer is disabled when the pod type is edge.

LBASS Support

The reference implementation of LBASS is available from Cisco VIM 3.2.2 onwards. The **lbass** service can be brought in as a day-0 option. To enable this service, update the setup_data with the following:

```
# Optional Services:
OPTIONAL_SERVICE_LIST:
- lbass
```

Ironic Support in Cisco VIM

The reference implementation of ironic is available in Cisco VIM. The ironic service can be brought in day-0 or as a reconfigure option. Once enabled, it cannot be disabled. Ironic support is only available with Cisco UCS C baremetal servers and when Cisco VIM is deployed with OVS as the mechanism driver. The ironic interface to be used on the baremetal servers for openstack can be either an MLOM interface, an Intel NIC, or the onboard 1G LOM port. Ironic supports only the configuration of a single interface on the baremetal server.

You must have one separate network segment that is used for ironic_management and ironic inspector. The inspector is a service used to automate the creation of the openstack baremetal port with switch interface, for example, eth 1/39 and MAC address information of both the switch MAC and server interface MAC apart from automatically adding the deploy image information to the ironic node.

You must ensure that the ironic management, ironic inspector, Cisco VIM management, and ironic CIMC networks are routed to each other.

The Cisco VIM management must be able to reach:

- Ironic management network and vice-versa.
- CIMC network of the ironic nodes so that the Cisco VIM controller servers can directly reach the CIMC IP of the ironic servers.

To enable network reachability:

- All three networks such as Cisco VIM management, Ironic management and CIMC must be private networks with SVI interfaces on the ToR.
- Routed network must be deployed for all three network segments. In this case, the need for SVI interfaces
 on the ToR is eliminated.



Note

It is mandatory to include the ironic management/ironic inspector VLANs on the ToR interfaces connected to all the mercury controller servers. This must be manually configured at present.

While deploying ironic, follow the below steps before installing VIM:

 Create a separate ironic_inventory.yaml with CIMC/ IPMI details of the servers to be used as ironic baremetals. For example,

```
/root/installer-XXX/openstack-configs/ironic inventory.yaml.
```

 Save this file with your ironic server details in /root/installer-XXX/openstack-configs/ironic inventory.yaml

- Specify the ironic management/ironic inspector VLAN in all control interfaces of the mercury controller servers. This is essential to perform ironic introspection so as to transfer the images from the controller to the baremetal server.
- If ironic is deployed in a Nexus mode of ToR, ensure that no existing configuration exists on the interface
 of the ToR connected to the baremetal. The interface is in ACCESS mode. Only the ironic inspector
 VLAN needs to be set as the access VLAN.
- If ironic is deployed in an ACI mode testbed, you must ensure that ironic management network VLAN and all the tenant VLANs from setup_data are configured on the interface of the ToR connected to the baremetal the ironic inspector VLAN. The interface is in TRUNK mode. You need to set the ironic inspector network as the native VLAN.
- Verify whether the following are done in the baremetal server CIMC before proceeding
 - Check if IPMI connections are allowed over LAN.
 - In BIOS configured Boot order, only pxeboot is present and available as the first option.
 - PXE is enabled in VNIC adapters, if VNICs are used as the interface for ironic. If deploying on an Intel NIC or the onboard LOM interface, this step is not needed.
 - Set the VLAN mode on the VNIC being used as TRUNK, if VNICs are used as the interface for ironic. This step is not required for deployment on an Intel NIC or the onboard LOM interface.
 - Turn ON the baremetal node, to have access to all parameters of CIMC. Cisco VIM installer verifies the node at Step 1.
 - Disable LLDP on Cisco VIC Adaptor of all the servers used for ironic by doing the following and then reboot the server:

```
sh admin@X.X.X.X (CIMC IP)
C240-FCH1832V1HW# scope chassis
C240-FCH1832V1HW /chassis # show adapter
C240-FCH1832V1HW /chassis # scope adapter <PCI slot>
C240-FCH1832V1HW /chassis/adapter # set lldp disabled
C240-FCH1832V1HW*# commit
C240-FCH1832V1HW /chassis/adapter # show detail <To Verify LLDP is disabled>
```

To enable this service, update the setup data with the following:

```
# Optional Services:
OPTIONAL_SERVICE_LIST:
    ironic

IRONIC:
    IRONIC_SWITCHDETAILS: # list of switches off which the ironic servers are hanging. This is mainly used to provide ironic switch details to neutron
    - {hostname: <switch_name>, password: <password>, ssh_ip: <ssh_ip>, username: <switch_admin_username>, switch_type: <"Nexus", "ACI", or "BypassNeutron">}

NETWORKING:
    - gateway: <gateway_information> # Mandatory if ironic is present pool: [<ip_start1 to ip_end1] segments: [ironic] subnet: <subnet with/mask> vlan id: <unique vlan id across the pod>
```

```
inspector_pool: [ip_add_1 to ip_add_2, ip_add_3 to ip_add_4, ip_add_5 to ip_add_6] (#
of entry pool : 3, same network as ironic but doesn't overlap with the pool of IPs defined
in the ironic segment)
# alternate format for pool (# of entry pool : 3)
        - ip_add_1 to ip_add_2
        - ip_add_3 to ip_add_4
        - ip_add_5 to ip_add_6
```

Container Support in Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM supports VM, baremetal, or container-based workloads. To support the container-based workloads, Cisco VIM hosts Cisco Container Platform as an application. The orchestrator creates a common OpenStack tenant and deploys the Cisco Container Platform control plane on it. The orchestrator can also create a tenant cluster if needed.

The Kubernetes clusters deployed are multi-master clusters with three master nodes and N worker nodes. The Cisco Container Platform control plane consists of three masters and three workers. The master and worker nodes run as VMs on OpenStack.

Assumptions to enable Cisco Container Platform on Cisco VIM:

- Cisco VIM is up and running on the pod.
- Cisco Container Platform is deployed during day-0 or day-2 as part of reconfiguration.
- Cisco Container Platform workload runs as an OpenStack Tenant.
- Cisco Container Platform control plane VMs and all tenant cluster VMs are up and runing.
- A user must pre-exist for the OpenStack tenant where Cisco Container Platform can run.
- The virtual IP (VIP) for the Cisco Container Platform Installer is either a provider or floating IP address in the tenant.
- SSH key in tenant has SSH access to Cisco Container Platform control plane VMs.
- Cisco Container Platform is run on a floating IP address-based or a provider-based environment:
 - If Cisco Container Platform is running on a floating IP address-based environment, managed L3 connectivity is used for networking. A public external network is used to host a minimum of 10 floating IP addresses.
 - If Cisco Container Platform is running on a provider network, managed L3 connectivity is not used for networking. A public provider network is used for connecting to hosts and load balancers. A minimum of 20 IP addresses is required.

Prerequisites for Cisco Container Platform installation:

- Use the installer in the VM of Cisco VIM to create a new OpenStack tenant and to deploy the Cisco Container Platform control plane. You can use the control plane API to create multiple tenant clusters.
- Use Calico network plugin as an overlay.
- For persistent storage, use Cinder as the storage provider. When a Kubernetes-based workload request is received for a persistent volume, dynamic persistent storage is automatically created.
- Ensure that LBaaS is enabled in the optional service list. If LBaaS is not enabled, follow these steps:
 - Update the setup file to include LBaaS.

```
OPTIONAL SERVICE LIST: [heat, lbaas]
```

• Run the following command:

ciscovm reconfigure --setupfile <path to new setupfile containing lbass>;

Cisco Container Platform Installation:

Follow these steps to install Cisco Container Platform on Cisco VIM:

1. Generate an SSH key of ecdsa type.

```
# ssh-keygen -f /root/ecdsa-key -t ecdsa -b 521
```

Press the enter key to continue until the SSH key generation process is completed.

2. Download the tenant and installer images from the following link:

https://software.cisco.com/download/redirect?config=3d26225bd6d385d843a8bcbfa1f43146

3. Configure the tenant or provider networking type on the basis of the CCP_DEPLOYMENT section defined in setup data.

```
CCP DEPLOYMENT: # Parameters for CCP Deployment Optional services LBAAS mandatory
CCP CONTROL: # Installer creates a new tenant in Openstack based on below information
and set all quotas in that tenant
UI PASSWORD: <UI PASSWORD> # password for CCP UI (required)
ccp subnet cidr: <ip address/mask> # subnet to create to deploy CCP control plane
(required for tenant network should be removed for provider network)
installer subnet cidr: <ip address/mask> # subnet to create for bootstrap installer
(required for tenant network should be removed for provider network)
installer subnet gw: <ip address> # gateway to use for bootstrap installer (required
for tenant network should be removed for provider network)
password: <password> # password for the Openstack tenant (required)
private key: <absolute path for ed25519 based key> # private key to be used to SSH
to VM must be ed25519 (required)
project name: <tenant name> # Tenant name to create for CCP control Plane installer
will create this Openstack tenant (required)
public key: <absolute path for ed25519 based public key> # Public key for CCP VMs,
e.g. /root/ecdsa-key.pub
username: <string> # username for the CCP control plane tenant (required)
CCP INSTALLER IMAGE: <qcow2 absolute image path> # Pointer to the CCP Installer image
(required)
CCP TENANT: # Test only option not supported in production to create demo tenant cluster
using CCP API (Optional NA in production)
password: <password> # password for tenant (required)
project_name: ct_name> # tenant name to create in Openstack to host tenant cluster
 (required)
username: <username> # username for openstack tenant (required)
workers: 1 # no of kubernetes workers in tenant cluster (required)
subnet_cidr: <ip_address/mask> # tenant subnet CIDR
CCP_TENANT_IMAGE: <qcow2 based abs path of tenant cluster image> # Pointer to CCP tenant
cluster image (required)
DNS SERVER: [list of IPv4 based DNS servers] # DNS server to be reachable from
cloud(required)
KUBE VERSION: <x.y.z> # Version of Kubernetes to install (required) normally can be
deciphered from tenant image name; e.g. 2.3.4
NETWORK TYPE: <tenant or provider> # Network Type valid values provider or tenant network
 (required)
POD CIDR: <ip address/mask> # POD CIDR to use for calico network optional if not to be
changed (optional)
PUBLIC NETWORK UUID: <UUID of Openstack external network or provider network; Fake UUID
incase of Day-0 Install > (optional initially but mandatory when ccp is being run)
CCP FLAVOR: <flavor> optional initially, but mandatory when NFV HOSTS is enabled during
ccp installation.
```

4. To enable Cisco Container Platform on Cisco VIM on day-0, update setup_data to include the CCP_DEPLOYMENT section and execute the standard ciscovim install command. After the installation, update the PUBLIC_NETWORK_UUID from the output of "neutron net-list" after sourcing openrc from /root/openstack-configs and CCP_FLAVOR

```
[root@mgmt1 ~]# cd /root/
[root@mgmt1 ~]# mkdir MyDir
[root@mgmt1 ~]# cp /root/openstack-configs/setup_data.yaml /root/MyDir/
[root@mgmt1 ~]# # update the setup_data to update the PUBLIC_NETWORK_UUID and CCP_FLAVOR information
[root@mgmt1 ~]# cd /root/MyDir/
[root@mgmt1 ~]# vi setup_data.yaml
[root@mgmt1 ~]# cd ~/installer-xxxx
[root@mgmt1 ~]# ccp install --setupfile /root/MyDir/setup_data.yaml
```

5. Install Cisco Container Platform:

```
# ciscovim ccp install --setupfile <path_to_setup_file>
```

6. Get the URL for the Cisco Container Platform control plane:

```
# ciscovim ccp show
```

For more information on installing Cisco Container Platform, see https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/cloud-systems-management/container-platform/products-installation-guides-list.html..

For more information on verification and management of Cisco Container Platform cluster, see *Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Manager Administrator Guide*

LDAP support in Cisco VIM

To continue enhancing the security portfolio and multi-tenancy with the use of domains, Keystone v3 support is now default in Cisco VIM 3.0.0.

With the introduction of Keystone v3, the OpenStack service authentication can now be delegated to an external LDAP server. In Cisco VIM, this feature has been introduced optionally if the authorization is done by Keystone v3.

An important pre-requisite for enabling LDAP integration is that the LDAP endpoint has to be reachable from all the Controller nodes that run OpenStack Keystone Identity Service.

To benefit LDAP support with Keystone v3 feature, the setup_data needs to be augmented with the following information during the installation of the pod.

```
LDAP:
 domain: <Domain specific name>
 user objectclass: <objectClass for Users> # e.g organizationalPerson
  group objectclass: <objectClass for Groups> # e.g. groupOfNames
  user_tree_dn: '<DN tree for Users>' # e.g. 'ou=Users,dc=cisco,dc=com'
  group tree dn: '<DN tree for Groups>' # e.g. 'ou=Groups,dc=cisco,dc=com'
  suffix: '<suffix for DN>' # e.g. 'dc=cisco,dc=com'
  url: '<ldap:// host:port>' # e.g. 'ldap://172.26.233.104:389'
 user: '<DN of bind user>' # e.g. 'dc=admin,dc=cisco,dc=com'
  password: <password> # e.g. password of bind user
 user filter: '(memberOf=CN=os-users,OU=OS-Groups,DC=mercury,DC=local)' # Optional
 user id attribute: sAMAccountName
  user name attribute: sAMAccountName
                                        # Optional
  user mail attribute: mail
  group name attribute: sAMAccountName
  group filter: '(&(objectClass=group)(|(cn=server-ops)(cn=admins)))' # Optional
  group member attribute: memberUid
                                             # Optional
  group id attribute: gidNumber
                                              # Optional
```

```
group_members_are_ids: True  # Optional
chase referrals: <True or False>  # Optional
```

Conditions for LDAP user and password parameters:

- 1 Can be optional (for group option).
- 2 It must be mutually inclusive.
- 3 If defined, it cannot be empty.



Note

The values for the parameters may differ based on the Directory Service provider. For Example: OpenLDAP or Microsoft Active Directory.

Integrating identity with LDAP over TLS: The automation supports keystone integration with LDAP over TLS. In order to enable TLS, the CA root certificate must be presented as part of the /root/openstack-configs/haproxy-ca.crt file. The url parameter within the LDAP stanza must be set to *ldaps*.

url parameter supports the following formats

```
url: '<ldaps | ldap>://<FQDN | IP-Address>:[port]'
```

The protocol can be ldap for non-ssl OR ldaps if TLS is to be enabled

The ldap host can be a fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) or an IP Address depending on how the SSL certificates are generated.

The port number is optional and if it is not provided it is assumed that the ldap services are running on the default ports For Example:389 for non-ssl and 636 for ssl. However, if these ports are not the default ports, then the non-standard port numbers must be provided.

Support for Anonymous LDAP Bind

The automation provides support for anonymous simple bind where the LDAP configuration for a "user" representing the **bindDN** and **password** is optional and may not be provided.

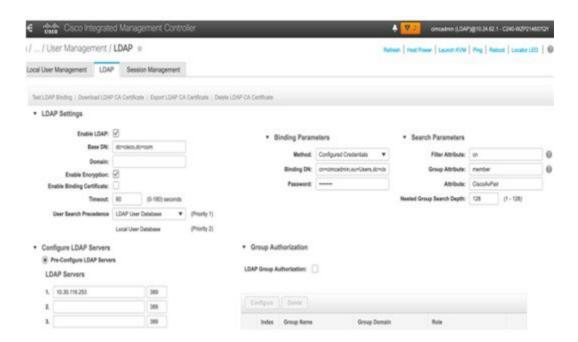


Note

Ensure that the LDAP server allows the clients to bind and search anonymously.

CIMC Authentication via LDAP

Cisco VIM optionally supports the login of designated users into the CIMC via LDAP authentication. Enabling LDAP authentication for CIMC is a manual day-0 process and outside the scope of Cisco VIM automation. Once the LDAP authentication is setup, you must update the setup_data with the CIMC administration information that authenticates against LDAP, so that Cisco VIM works seamlessly. Listed below is a snapshot of the CIMC configuration to authenticate via LDAP.



OpenStack Object Storage Integration with Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM supports automated integration with a customer-managed object storage solution. The integration points reside primarily in the OpenStack Identity (Keystone) component of Cisco VIM. In the current release, this integration is restricted to Keystone v2 only. It currently integrates with SwiftStack as the choice of object storage solution. The deployment assumes a customer-managed SwiftStack solution. Installation of the SwiftStack Controller/PACO cluster is out of scope of this document and customer has to reach out to the SwiftStack team for license and installation details. While OpenStack can support multiple endpoints for a given object-store service, the current setup in the context of automation supports a single Keystone object-store service per SwiftStack PACO cluster endpoint.

The current automation uses the admin role for authentication and authorization of SwiftStack users between the Keystone SwiftStack tenant and SwiftStack account.

Pre-requisites

Since it is a customer-managed deployment model, the minimum pre-requisite is to have a SwiftStack controller, Cluster deployed with appropriate PAC (Proxy/Account/Container) and Object configured ahead of time. The swift endpoint of the PAC outward facing ip address, the corresponding admin user, password and service tenant information is known at the time of configuring Keystone integration. The networking has to be configured in such a way that the PAC outward facing ip address and the POD API network can talk to each other. Also the Keystone Auth and Keystone Auth Token middleware are pre-configure in SwiftStack (see the steps in subsequent section).

In order for Horizon and Cinder Backup Service to talk to the SwiftStack endpoints, it is necessary for the OpenStack controllers to have network reachability to the SwiftStack API endpoints.

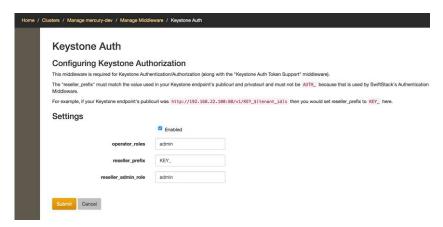
Keystone Configuration Requirements in SwiftStack

Configuring Keystone Authorization: From the SwiftStack controller, select the Cluster> Manage > Middleware > Keystone Auth option.



reseller_prefix enables the Keystone Auth middleware invocation at the time of authentication.

Figure 39: Configuring Keystone



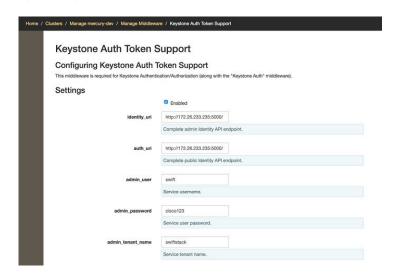
Configuring Keystone Auth Token Support: From the SwiftStack controller, select the Cluster > Manage > Middleware > Keystone Auth Token Support option.



Note

auth uri is deprecated

Figure 40: Keystone Auth



Usage in Cisco VIM

To support SwiftStack endpoint configuration, update the setup_data.yaml with the following:.

```
# reseller_prefix: <Reseller_prefix configured in Swiftstack Keystone middleware E.g KEY_>
# admin_user: <admin user for swift to authenticate in keystone>
# admin_password: <swiftstack_admin_password>
# admin_tenant: <The service tenant corresponding to the Account-Container used by
Swiftstack>
# protocol: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.org/">https://doi.org//> # protocol that swiftstack is running on top</a>
```

The automation supports two modes of Integration with SwiftStack- Integration during fresh install of the pod and a reconfigure option to add a SwiftStack endpoint to an existing Pod running CiscoVIM 2.0.

In the Fresh Install mode, adding the setup data.yaml is automatically provision the following in Keystone.

- Keystone service for Object Store.
- Keystone endpoints for the Object Store service.
- A SwiftStack admin user with admin role in a SwiftStack tenant.

Integration Testing: In order to test if the Keystone integration has been successful, request a token for the configured swift user, tenant

Output must contain a properly generated endpoint for the object-store service that points to the SwiftStack PAC cluster endpoint with the expected "reseller_prefix" For example: KEY_

```
curl -d '{"auth":{"passwordCredentials":{"username": "<username>", "password": "<password>"},"tenantName":"<swift-tenant>"}}'-H "Content-type: application/json" < OS_AUTH_URL >/tokens
```

Output has to list endpoints generated by Keystone for the object-store cluster endpoint of SwiftStack for the user tenant (SwiftStack account).

Sample output snippet (all IP and Keys are just examples, they vary from Pod to Pod):

```
"access": {
          "metadata": {
              "is admin": 0,
              "roles": [
                  "33f4479e42eb43529ec14d3d744159e7"
          },
          "serviceCatalog": [
                           "endpoints": [
                               {
                                   "adminURL": "http://10.30.116.252/v1",
                                   "id": "3ca0f1fee75d4e2091c5a8e15138f78a",
                                   "internalURL":
"http://10.30.116.252/v1/KEY_8cc56cbe99ae40b7b1eaeabb7984c77d",
                                   "publicURL":
"http://10.30.116.252/v1/KEY_8cc56cbe99ae40b7b1eaeabb7984c77d",
                                   "region": "RegionOne"
                           "endpoints links": [],
                          "name": "object-store",
                           "type": "object-store"
```

Verify that the Keystone user has access to the SwiftStack cluster. Using the token generated preceding for the swiftstack user and tenant, make a request to the SwiftStack cluster

```
curl -v -H "x-auth-token: <auth-token>"
http://10.30.116.252/v1/KEY 8cc56cbe99ae40b7b1eaeabb7984c77d
```

This lists all the containers (if present) for the SwiftStack tenant (account)

Integrating SwiftStack over TLS: The automation supports SwiftStack integration over TLS. To enable TLS, the CA root certificate must be presented as part of the /root/openstack-configs/haproxy-ca.crt file. The **protocol** parameter within the SWIFTSTACK stanza must be set to **https.** As a pre-requisite, the SwiftStack cluster has to be configured to enable HTTPS connections for the SwiftStack APIs with termination at the proxy servers.

Cinder Volume Backup on SwiftStack

Cisco VIM, enables cinder service to be configured to backup its block storage volumes to the SwiftStack object store. Cinder Volume Backup on SwiftStack feature is automatically configured if the SWIFTSTACK stanza is present in the setup_data.yaml. The mechanism to authenticate against SwiftStack during volume backups leverages the same keystone SwiftStack endpoint configured for use to manage objects. The default SwiftStack container to manage cinder volumes within the Account (Keystone Tenant as specified by "admin tenant") is currently defaulted to **volumebackups**.

Once configured, cinder backup service is automatically be enabled as follows.

```
cinder service-list
| Binary | Host
                            | Zone | Status | State | Updated at
| Disabled Reason |
| c43b-control-2 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:35.000000
| cinder-backup
              L 2017-03-27T18:42:33.000000
| cinder-backup
              | c43b-control-3 | nova | enabled | up
| cinder-scheduler | c43b-control-1 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:32.000000
              | cinder-scheduler | c43b-control-2 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:32.000000
| cinder-scheduler | c43b-control-3 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:31.000000
             | c43b-control-1 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:35.000000
| cinder-volume
              | cinder-volume
              | c43b-control-2 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:30.000000
              | c43b-control-3 | nova | enabled | up
                                                   | 2017-03-27T18:42:32.000000
```

Backing up of an existing cinder volume is as follows

```
openstack container show volumebackups
 +----
                                                l Value
+----+
                                                    | KEY 9d00fa19a8864db1a5e609772a008e94 |
 account
 | bytes_used | 3443944
 | container
                                                     | volumebackups
 | object count | 23
swift list volumebackups
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00001
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00002
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00003
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00004
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00005
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volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00013
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00014
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00015
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00016
volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00017
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volume\ f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az\_nova\_backup\_42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc-00020
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volume f046ed43-7f5e-49df-bc5d-66de6822d48d/20170327185518/az nova backup 42a20bd1-4019-4571-a2c0-06b0cd6a56fc sha256file
```

SolidFire Integration with Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM supports the automated integration with a customer-managed SolidFire cluster for a block-storage option. SolidFire supports Cinder service for backup of block-storage. The pre-deployed SolidFire cluster has two HA networks such as management network and storage network. The management network is on 1G interface with active/Passive configuration for two ports, while the storage network is on 10G interface with active/active Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) configuration.

It is recommended that the:

- Storage network of Cisco VIM is same as that of SolidFire.
- Management network of Solidfire to be reachable from Cisco VIM control nodes.

SolidFire is available only as a day-0 configuration. To enable SolidFire, update the setup_data.yam file with the following code prior to the installation.

```
SOLIDFIRE:

cluster_mvip: <management IP of SolidFire cluster> # must be reachable from the controller Nodes

cluster_svip: <storage VIP on SolidFire cluster to be used by CVIM> # must be in Cisco
VIM storage/management network; recommended to have it in storage network for better performance

admin_username: <admin user on SolidFire cluster to be used by CVIM>
```

```
admin_password: <password for admin user defined above; password criteria is:
    "satisfy at least 3 of the following conditions: " \
        "at least 1 letter between a to z, " \
        "at least 1 letter between A to Z, " \
        "at least 1 number between 0 to 9, " \
        "at least 1 character from !$#@%^-_+=, " \
        "AND password length is between 8 and 20 characters."</pre>
```

Cisco VIM Configurations for VPP/VLAN Installation

If you are installing Cisco VIM with VPP/VLAN, the mechanism driver in the setup_yaml file should reflect the same.

Cisco VPP/VLAN Mechanism Driver Configuration

```
MECHANISM_DRIVERS: vpp

TENANT_NETWORK_TYPES: "VLAN"

TENANT_VLAN_RANGES: <START>:<END> # arbitrary VLAN range***

NFV_HOSTS: ALL

NR_RESERVED_VSWITCH_PCORES: <int> # Optional, defaults to 2; takes values in the range 2 to 4, in order to increase performance by allocating more cores to VPP
```

Cisco VIM Configuration for Cisco VTS Installation

If you are installing Cisco VIM with Cisco Virtual Topology Systems, you must enter the Cisco VTS parameters in Cisco VIM setup yaml file.

Cisco VTS Mechanism Driver Configuration

```
MECHANISM_DRIVERS: vts
TENANT_NETWORK_TYPES: "VLAN"
TENANT_VLAN_RANGES: <START>:<END> # arbitrary VLAN range***
ENABLE JUMBO FRAMES: True
```



Note

VLAN range overlap on the physical network could occur if a hardware VTEP is configured on a top of rack (ToR) switch. (VTEPs are Virtual Extensible Local Area Network (VXLAN) tunnel end points.)

NFV Parameters

```
NFV HOSTS: ALL
# Only enabled when NFV HOSTS is set to ALL
## Only 2 Values allowed is: 2M or 1G (defaults to 2M)
#VM HUGEPAGE SIZE: 2M or 1G
Along with supporting it globally, Cisco VIM also supports VM HUGEPAGE SIZE on a per server
basis with OVS/VTS/VPP as mechanism driver.
SERVERS:
 compute-server-1:
   VM HUGEPAGE SIZE: <2M or 1G> # <== optional
\#\# Percentage of huge pages assigned to VM
## On NFV HOSTS enabled hosts, VM memory can be a mix of regular pages and huge pages. This
setting sets the ratio. By default, all VM memories (100%)
## has huge pages.
## Only input of type integer is allowed, in the range of 0-100 (including 0 and 100)
# values < 100 is only supported for mechanism driver of openvswitch
#VM HUGEPAGE PERCENTAGE: 100
```

Along with supporting it globally, Cisco VIM also supports VM_HUGEPAGE_PERCENTAGE on a per server basis with openvswitch as mechanism driver.

SERVERS:

compute-server-1:

VM HUGEPAGE PERCENTAGE: <0 to 100> # <== optional, only for mechanism driver openvswitch



Note

If huge page is used, the memory used in the flavor must be exact multiples of the huge page sizes. For example, memory must be multiple of 2 if 2M huge page is used, and multiple of 1024 if 1G huge page is used.

VMTP Parameters

Networking Parameters



Note

The tenant network pool size has to take into account the IP addresses that are statically assigned through the VTS VTSR VM bootstrap configuration. For more information, see the Installing Cisco VTS

Cisco VTS Parameters

```
VTS Day0 PARAMETERS:
VTS 2.5 mandates the VTC inventory generation and day0 configuration for VTF's to register.
without VTS DAYO the cloud is not operational as VTF does not register to VTC. Hence all
cloud operations fail.
This is a boolean variable set as True or False. If set True, VTC day0 can be configured
by the Cisco VIM Installer.
By default values is 'False', i.e. if VTS DAYO is not set, the orchestrator sets it internally
to 'False'
VTS DAY0: '<True|False>'
## Optional, BGP ASN:
   BGP ASN: int # Optional, min=1, max=65535;
                                                if it is not defined, the default to 23
## Optional, MANAGED:
  MANAGED: <TRUE OR FALSE> #Optional; if it is true, tor info in SERVERS becomes mandatory,
 CONFIGURE TORS under
                                  TORSWITCHINFO should be false and VTS deployment mode is
managed.
```



The mx-net IP pool configuration must take into account the IP addresses that are allocated to the VTC (VTS_NCS_IP). For more information, see the Installing Cisco VTS

Enabling ACI in Cisco VIM

Cisco VIM integrates with ACI without the APIC plugin. Cisco VIM invokes the APIC APIs to pre-provision the right set of VLANs (along with the day-0 aspects) on the corresponding server ports ahead of time, while supporting pod management operations.

As Cisco VIM does the day-0 configuration of the ACI, following are the assumptions that Cisco VIM makes for the integration to happen.

- Before the Cisco VIM installation, the APIC 3.2 controllers running in a cluster of three must be installed and active.
- All spine and leaf switches are booted in ACI mode and discovered under fabric inventory. The number of leaf switches cannot be changed after the initial install.

The IP address should be assigned to each device from the TEP_ADDRESS_POOL.



- Network should be designed such that the management node and controllers are reachable to APIC controllers.
- Tunnel end point address pool (TEP_ADDRESS_POOL) is set to ACI default at 10.0.0.0/16. Ensure that this address space is not assigned in the cloud.
- Multicast address pool is set to ACI default at 225.0.0.0/15. Ensure that this address space is not assigned anywhere in the cloud.
- TEP ADDRESS POOL, and multicast address pool are immutable for the lifecycle of the infrastructure.



Note

Using Auto-ToR provisioning via APIC API, the port PV (port*VLAN) count in a given ACI Fabric domain is under the scale limits 10000 PV/ToR and 450000 PV/Fabric.

Additional Settings for Auto-ToR via ACI API on Day 0

When using the option of ToR automation via ACI API on day-0 without the APIC plugin, FABRIC_INTERFACE_POLICIES (under SERVER_COMMON section) and vim_apic_network section are required. The FABRIC_INTERFACE_POLICIES include global fabric policies which are defined in APIC and to be applied to the relevant switch ports. Listed below is the definition of the same:

```
SERVER COMMON:
FABRIC INTERFACE POLICIES:
                # Global policies can be overridden per server role
 global:
   tor info:
                   # <list of global fabric policies for control plane>
                  # string, E.g. hintfpol-25G-On-RS-FEC. Must be pre-provisioned.
   - <str>
   - <str>
                  # string E.g cdpIfP-CdpDisable
   dp tor info:  # <list of policies for data plane for Intel NIC>
    - \langle st.r \rangle
                   # string, E.g. lacplagp-LacpActive. Must be pre-provisioned.
                   # string E.g lldpIfP-LldpEnable
   sriov_tor_info: # <list of policies for sriov interfaces>
                  # string, E.g. hintfpol-25G-On-RS-FEC. Must be pre-provisioned.
  control:
                   # Optional in case needs to over-ridden. Must be one of the SERVER
roles.
   tor info:
                   # <list of policies for control plane>
    - <str>
                   # string, E.g. hintfpol-25G-On-RS-FEC. Must be pre-provisioned.
                   # Optional in case needs to over-ridden. Must be one of the SERVER
 compute:
roles.
                   # <list of policies for data plane>
   dp tor info:
    - <str>
                   # string, E.g. hintfpol-25G-On-RS-FEC. Must be pre-provisioned.
    # Pre-provision EPG/BD policies to be configured for management and tenant/provider
EPGs (FHS policy)
   EPG_POLICIES: # Goes by Network Segments and is entirely Optional
       management:
                                 # Optional, list of policy for management segment
        - <path to epg policy>
                                  # Must be pre-provisioned.
tn-cvim-installer-tenant/trustctrlpol-Trust-DHCP-Sv.
                                  # Optional, list of policy for provider segment
       provider:
        - <path to epg policy1>
                                  # Must be pre-provisioned.
       - <path to epg policy2>
                                  # Must be pre-provisioned.
                                   # Optional, list of policy for tenant segment
       tenant:
        - <path to epg policy1>
                                   # Must be pre-provisioned.
        - <path_to_epg_policy2>
                                   # Must be pre-provisioned.
```

In the vim apic networks section, the provider and tenant VLAN definitions are listed as below:

```
config type: pre-provisioned
  vlan pools:
    - \langle st.r-1 \rangle
                         # string E.g. 'Server-VlanPool'
  # The "vlan ids' can be a VLAN Range only for L2 networks provided they belong
  #to the same VLAN pool and EPGs map to the same Phydom, App Profile, VRF
  - vlan ids: '<3550>'  # <Can be a single id or range and/or comma separated list>
   EPG NAME: <str>
                        \ensuremath{\text{\#}}  coptional string. Will prefix the pattern in the global EPG NAME
 definition>
   BD NAME: <str>
                       # <optional string. Will prefix the pattern in the global BD NAME
 definition>
                        # List of vlan pool names. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD
   vlan pools:
    - <str-1>
                        # string E.g. 'Server-VlanPool'
                        # string E.g. 'Ext-VlanPool'
    - <str-2>
                       # string. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. E.g. Server-PhysDom
   phys dom: <str>
   description: <str>
                        # optional; string. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. E.g.
'provider net 3550'
   tenant: <str>
                        # string, E.g. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. 'Core'
   app_profile: <str>
                       # string, E.g. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. 'Core-AP'
   vrf: <str>
                        # string, E.g. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. 'Core'
    subnets:
                        # List of subnets to be configured for the Bridge Domain
    - scope: <str>
                         # string. Can be <'private'|'public'|'private, shared'>
     gateway cidr:
                         # IPv4 or IPv6 network gateway with cidr E.g.
'240b:c010:101:2839::ffff/64'
 ctrl: <no-default-gateway" or "nd" or "nd, no-default-gateway" or "no-default-gateway,nd"
 or "unspecified"> # when gateway cidr is of type IPv6
 ctrl: <no-default-gateway" or "querier" or "querier, no-default-gateway" or
"no-default-gateway, querier" or "unspecified"> # when gateway cidr is of type IPv4
   13-out:
                        # optional, List of L3out External Routed Network Instances. Must
be pre-provisioned
   - <External Routed Network/Instance Profile>
                                                  # E.g. Core-Ba-Ma-L3out/Core-Ba-Ma-ExtEPG
   - <External Routed Network/Instance Profile>
                                                  # E.g. cel-epc-CP-L3out/cel-epc-CP-ExtEPG
   mode: trunk|access # string, default trunk
  12 unknown unicast: <flood or proxy>
  limit ip learning: <true or false>
  preferred_group_member: <include or exclude>
                                                  # Optional, default is exclude
  arp flood: <true or false>
  unicast routing: <true or false>
  nd policy: <true or false>
                                # When true, ensure that path/ndifpol is defined under
SERVER_COMMON -> EPG_POLICIES -> provider section
TENANT:
  # Does not contain 13out
  \ensuremath{\sharp} Can be a VLAN Range only for L2 networks provided they belong to the
  # same VLAN pool and EPGs map to the same Phydom, App Profile, VRF
  - vlan ids: '<2251:2260,2280,2290>'
   EPG NAME: <str>
                        # <optional string. Will prefix the pattern in the global EPG NAME
 definition>
   BD NAME: <str>
                         definition>
   vlan pools:
    - 'Server-VlanPool'
   phys dom: Server-PhysDom
    tenant: 'Core'
   app profile: <str>  # string, E.g. Must be pre-provisioned in ACI POD. 'Core-AP'
    vrf: Nokia-LI
   mode: trunk
   subnets:
                         # May contain a subnet in which case only valid value is a single
 vlan id
```



Note

Ensure that you update right VLAN information when using this option in context of APIC during reconfiguration of VLANs.

Setting of Memory Oversubscription Usage

Cloud allows you for over-subscription of resources (CPU, Memory, storage). The memory oversubscription value is set to 1.5. Cisco VIM gives the flexibility to change the default values at the beginning of the installation. You can adjust the memory oversubscription value between 1.0 to 4.0.

Run the following command to set the NOVA RAM ALLOCATION RATIO, on fresh install:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/
# update NOVA_RAM_ALLOCATION_RATIO value in openstack_config.yaml
```

What to do next

Once the NOVA_RAM_ALLOCATION_RATIO is set, continue with the rest of the steps as planned for installation.

Setting of CPU Oversubscription Usage

Cloud allows you for over-subscription of CPU, storage and memory. The CPU oversubscription value is set to 16.0. Cisco VIM gives the flexibility to change the default values before the installation begins. You can adjust the CPU oversubscription value in the range of 1.0 to 16.0.

Run the following command to set the NOVA_CPU_ALLOCATION_RATIO on fresh install:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/
# update NOVA_CPU_ALLOCATION_RATIO value in openstack_config.yaml
```

What to do next

Once the NOVA_CPU_ALLOCATION_RATIO is done, continue with the rest of the steps as planned for installation.

Disabling Management Node Accessibility to Cloud API Network

Cisco VIM provides cloud connectivity verification from the data and control plane point of view using tools like cloud-sanity, VMTP, and NFVbench, which are typically run from the Management node. For these tools to work, reachability to the Cloud API, external, and provider network is a must.

From release Cisco VIM 2.4.3 onwards, you can set the MGMTNODE_EXTAPI_REACH variable to True in the setup_data file to override the need to ensure reachability of management node from Cloud API, external, and provider network.

For example:

MGMTNODE EXTAPI REACH: True

By default, the MGMTNODE_EXTAPI_REACH variable is set to True. If you do not want to use the MGMTNODE EXTAPI REACH variable, you can set it to False as part of the day-0 settings.



Note

- The MGMTNODE_EXTAPI_REACH variable must be set during the initial install, and cannot be changed later.
- You must ensure that the Cloud API, external, and provider network are properly routable, as Cisco VIM cannot automatically validate the same.

When MGMTNODE_EXTAPI_REACH is set to True, features such as VMTP and NFVbench are no longer accessible from the management node.

Enabling NFVbench on Cisco VIM

This section describes how to setup and use NFVbench with Cisco VIM.

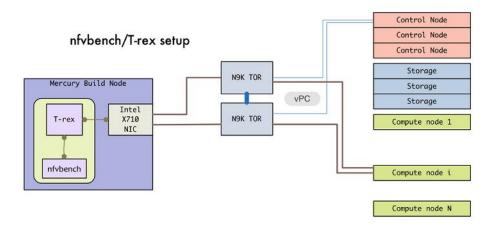
Once the pre-requisites for the management node hardware (Intel NIC) are met, add the NFVbench configuration in the setup_data.yaml. By default, NFVbench configuration is not enabled in Cisco VIM as it needs additional hardware. NFVbench also works, when mechanism driver is OVS or VPP.

Before you begin

- If you are using Quanta servers, see Installing Management Node on Quanta Servers, for the day-0 BIOS setting of the management node.
- NFVbench offering in Cisco VIM, requires an extra Intel NIC (Intel X710 NIC (4 x 10G) or Intel XL710 (2x40G)) or Intel xxv710 (25G) to be installed on the management node.
- To interact with Intel NIC, TRex traffic generator uses DPDK interface, and makes use of hardware instead of just software to generate packets. This approach is more scalable and enables NFVbench to perform tests without software limitations.

If your NIC has more than two ports, use the first two ports only. Connect the first port to the first ToR switch (order is given by setup_data.yaml) and the second port to the second TOR switch. In case of only one ToR switch connect the first two ports to it as shown in the NFVbench topology figure.

Figure 41: NFVbench topology setup



Step 1 To enable the NFVbench, set the following command:

```
NFVBENCH:
  enabled: True
                    # True or False
  tor_info: {switch_a_hostname: ethx/y, switch_b_hostname: ethx/y} # mandatory
# tor info: {switch c hostname: 'etha/b,ethx/y'} # use if there is only one TOR switch
# nic ports: int1,int2
                                   # Optional input, indicates which two of the four ports in the
10G intel NIC ports on the
                                     management node is used by NFVBENCH tool to send and receive
traffic. If nothing is
                                      specified, the tool assumes it is port 1,2 i.e. the first two
ports are used
# nic slot: <int> # Optional, defaults to 1st set of unbonded pair of NIC ports in an Intel 710 or
520 card the code finds; Via this option, one can choose to run NFVbench via XL710, 520 or X710 card
# For VTS/VXLAN, enable the following:
# vteps: "vtep ip1, vtep ip2"  # Mandatory and needed only for VTS/VXLAN. Specify "," separated
IP pairs in tenant network and not in the tenant pool, reconfigurable
# For VXLAN over vxlan-tenant network
# vteps: "vtep ip1, vtep ip2"
                                     # Mandatory, specify reconfigurable and separated IP pairs in
vxlan-tenant network and not in the
                                       vxlan-tenant pool
 vnis: "vni id1, vni id2"
                                    # Mandatory, specify reconfigurable and separated vnid id pairs
 # Note: if nic_ports are defined, then nic_slot has to be defined and vice-versa
  # Minimal settings always required with NFVbench
  TORSWITCHINFO:
  CONFIGURE TORS: True
  SWITCHDETAILS:
  - hostname: <switch a hostname>
    username: admin
    password: <password>
    ssh ip: <ssh access to the switch a
  - hostname: <switch b hostname>
    username: admin
```

```
password: <password>
ssh ip: <ssh access to the switch b</pre>
```

The tor_info provides the information to configure the TOR switches. Two ports specified by interfaces will be configured in trunk mode in the same port-channel **po**. NFVbench needs the login details to access ToR details and retrieve TX/RX counters. Manual configuration is required if the 'CONFIGURE TORS' is set to 'True'.

With VTS as mechanism driver additional settings are needed. NFVbench needs access to VTS NCS to perform cleanup after it detaches traffic generator port from VTS. Also a pair of VTEP VLANs is required for VLAN to VxLAN mapping. Value can be any random VLAN ID. Note that vtep_vlans field is required if VxLAN is used as encapsulation without VTS.

Step 2 To do manual configuration on the ToRs, we recommend you to perform the following configurations:

```
interface Ethernetx/y
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan <3000-3049>
  spanning-tree bpdufilter enable
```

Customization of Edge

From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0 onwards, you need to specify a flavor metadata key "hw:vcpu0_pin_to_shared" to use the optional flavor in OpenStack, that can be set only at day-0.

When a VM is spawned with the flavor that contains the above metadata sets to **Yes**, NOVA allocates additional vCPU on top of the vCPU count specified in the flavor and pin vCPU0 to the pCPU that is reserved in the pool. The pinning of vCPU to pCPU is load balanced, if hyper-threading is enabled in the host level.

To enable this configuration, set hw:cpu_policy to **dedicated**. And it is often used together with **hw:emulator_threads_policy** being set to **share**, so that the VM emulator threads are also pinned to the same dedicated pool to enable better real time processing for latency and performance sensitive VNFs.

To enable this feature, set the following command in setup data on day-0.

```
ENABLE_VM_EMULATOR_PIN: <True or False> # optional, default is false
```

The number of cores reserved is determined by VM_EMULATOR_PCORES_PER_SOCKET, which is also pre-defined at the day-0 configuration.

```
VM\_EMULATOR\_PCORES\_PER\_SOCKET: < 1 to 4> # Optional, takes effect only when ENABLE VM EMULATOR PIN is true, and if undefined default to value of 1.
```

You can set the NOVA_OPT_LOW_LATENCY flag to enable further optimization on nova libvirt, to achieve lower latency for VM applications. To be specific, it will set **cpu_mode** to **host-passthrough** and **cpu_model_extra_flags** to **tsc-deadline** in nova.conf.

```
NOVA OPT FOR LOW LATENCY: True or False # Optional, default to False
```

From release Cisco VIM 3.2.1 onwards, an option to enable Intel's Resource Director Technology (RDT) by Cache Allocation Technology (CAT) is available. To enable CAT, you must enable NFV_HOSTS option. You can enable the CAT option only as a day-0 option with the following option in the setup data:

```
INTEL_RDT:
    ENABLE_CAT: false # Enable Intel CAT, optional and default to False
#Reserved cachelines per socket for sockets, allowed value of 1 to 32.
#Only valid when ENABLE CAT is sets to True.
```

```
RESERVED L3 CACHELINES PER SOCKET: 3
```

The cachelines reserved for hosts are not immediately applied. When first VM with the cacheline requirements lands on the any NUMA node of one compute node, Cisco VIM performs the cacheline partitioning on the host. If VM with no cacheline requirements are spawned (as defined via flavor) on one compute node, all VMs are allowed to use all cachelines available in the CPU. When the last VM with cacheline requirements is deleted from any NUMA node of one compute node, Cisco VIM resets the cacheline masks so that all new and existing VMs are allowed to use all available cachelines again.

To support extreme low latency (less than 50 micro-seconds) requirements for vRAN workload, Cisco VIM integrates with Intel N3000 FPGA card for both hardware offload and I/Os. The option of N3000 Intel card is only allowed with Quanta servers, and the following item in the setup_data enables the cards on the servers. These configurations have effect only on computes where the N3000 cards are installed.

```
# Intel FPGA N3000 NIC (for QCT now)
# By default, FPGA VF is not enabled.
# To enable, define a value in the range from 1 to 8.
# INTEL_FPGA_VFS: <integer value from 1 to 8>
# By default, FPGA VF is not enabled.
# VFS support for Intel FPGA N3000 NIC (for QCT now) for SRIOV
# INTEL VC SRIOV VFS: <integer value from 1 to 32>
```

You can enable the virtual function (VFS) values optionally at a per server level, however the global configuration is needed, as listed below.

```
SERVERS:
compute-server-1:
   INTEL_FPGA_VFS: <integer value from 1 to 8>
        INTEL_SRIOV_VFS: <integer value from 1 to 32>
        INTEL_VC_SRIOV_VFS: <integer value from 1 to 32>
```



Note

You can enable single or multiple options listed above on a per server basis.

NFV Host Configuration

NFV Host configuration describes how to configure NFV hosts and Cisco VIM monitoring.

Cisco VIM supports CPU pinning and huge page on the compute nodes. To enable non-uniform memory access (NUMA), you can use ALL (case insensitive) to configure all compute nodes. For VTS and VPP/VLAN, only the value of ALL is allowed. For OVS/VLAN, alternatively, you can list the compute nodes where NUMA must be enabled.

```
# For VPP and VTS, only NFV_HOSTS: ALL is allowed
NFV_HOSTS: ALL
or
NFV HOSTS: ['compute-server-1']
```

By default, hyper-threading is enabled across compute nodes in Cisco VIM. Based on certain VNF characteristics, Cisco VIM offers user the capability to disable hyper-threading across the pod on day-0. You can also disable it on a single compute node on day-n, updating the setup_data and doing remove or add of compute nodes (see Utilizing NUMA features in Cisco NFV Infrastructure section in the Cisco VIM Admin Guide for details on day-n operation). To disable hyper-threading, update the setup_data with the following name or value pair before starting the installation.

DISABLE HYPERTHREADING: True or False; this is optional and default value is false.

Install Mode

You can deploy Cisco VIM on the setup in one of the following install modes:

- 1. Connected: In this mode, the setup must be connected to Internet to fetch artifacts and docker images.
- 2. Disconnected: In this mode, Cisco VIM is not connected to Internet. The artifacts and docker images are loaded from USB device

Based on the deployment type, select the install mode as connected or disconnected.

```
# Install Mode: connected/disconnected
INSTALL MODE: connected
```

Enabling NFVIMON on Cisco VIM

The Cisco VIM solution uses Cisco NFVI Monitor (NFVIMON) to monitor the health and performance of the NFVI. This includes monitoring both the physical and logical components of single or multiple NFVI pods. The NFVIMON feature enables extensive monitoring and collection of performance data for various components of the cloud infrastructure including Cisco UCS blade and rack servers, service profiles, Nexus top of rack switches, fabric connections, and OpenStack instances.

The monitoring system is designed such that it can monitor single or multiple pods from a single management system. NFVIMON is enabled by extending the setup_data.yaml file with relevant information. You can enable NFVIMON on an existing pod through the reconfigure option. Then, add the pod as the VIM resource to be monitored in a Control Center.

NFVIMON consists of four components: ceilometer service (for data collection), collector, resource manager (RM), and control-center with Cisco Zenpacks (CZ). Integration of NFVIMON into VIM is loosely coupled and the VIM automation only deals with installing the ceilometer service software needed to monitor the pod. The installing of the other NFVIMON components (collector, resource manager (RM) and control-center with Cisco Zenpacks (CZ), are outside the scope of the install guide.

Before you Begin

Ensure that you have engaged with the account team for services engagement on the planning and installation of the NFVIMON accessories along with its network requirements. The image information of collector, Resource Manager (RM) and control-center with Cisco Zenpacks (CZ) is available only through Cisco Advance Services. At a high level, have a node designated to host a pair of collector VM for each pod, and a common node to host CC and RM VMs, which can aggregate and display monitoring information from multiple pods.

The collector VMs must have two interfaces:

- Interface with br mgmt of the VIM.
- Interface that is routable and reachable to the VIM Installer REST API and RM VMs.

As the collector VM is in an independent node, four IPs from the management network of the pod must be pre-planned and reserved. The installation steps of the collector, resource manager (RM) and control-center with Cisco Zenpacks (CZ) are part of Cisco advance services activities.

Installation of NFVIMON

The ceilometer service is the only component in NFVIMON that is managed by Cisco VIM orchestrator. While the ceilometer service collects the metrics to pass OpenStack information of the pod to the collectors, the Cisco Zenpack available in the controller node gathers the node level information.

To enable NFVIMON as part of the VIM installation, update the setup data with the following information:

```
#Define the PODNAME
PODNAME: <PODNAME with no space>; ensure that this is unique across all the pods
NFVIMON:
 MASTER:
                           # Master Section
   admin_ip: <IP address of Control Centre VM>
 COLLECTOR:
                          # Collector Section
   management vip: <VIP for ceilometer/dispatcher to use> #Should be unique across the VIM
 Pod; Should be part of br mgmt network
   Collector VM Info:
        hostname: <hostname of Collector VM 1>
        password: <password for collector vm1> # max length of 32
      ccuser password: <password from master for 'ccuser' (to be used for self monitoring)>
  # max length of 32
        admin ip: <ssh ip collector vm1> # Should be reachable from br api network
        management ip: <mgmt ip collector vml> # Should be part of br mgmt network
        hostname: <hostname of Collector VM 2>
        password: <password for collector vm2> # max length of 32
      ccuser password: <password from master for 'ccuser' (to be used for self monitoring)>
  # max length of 32
        admin_ip: <ssh_ip_collector_vm2> # Should be reachable from br_api network
        management ip: <mgmt ip collector vm2> # Should be part of br mgmt network
   COLLECTOR TORCONNECTIONS: # Optional. Indicates the port where the collector is hanging
 off. Recommended when Cisco NCS 5500 is used as ToR
      - tor info: {po: <int>, switch a hostname: ethx/y, switch b hostname: ethx/y}
# Section of MASTER 2 and COLLECTOR 2 are optional and only needed to support NFVIMON in
MASTER 2: # Master Section
  admin ip: <IP address of Control Centre VM>
COLLECTOR 2: # Collector Section
 management vip: <VIP for ceilometer/dispatcher to use> #Should be unique across the VIM
Pod; Should be part of br mgmt network
 Collector VM Info:
   hostname: <hostname of Collector VM 1>
   password: <password for collector vm1> # max length of 32
   ccuser password: <password from master for 'ccuser' (to be used for self monitoring)>
# max length of 32
   admin_ip: <ssh_ip_collector_vml> # Should be reachable from br_api network
   management ip: <mgmt ip collector vml> # Should be part of br mgmt network
   hostname: <hostname of Collector VM 2>
   password: <password for collector vm2> # max length of 32
   ccuser password: <password from master for 'ccuser' (to be used for self monitoring)>
# max length of 32
    admin ip: <ssh ip collector vm2> # Should be reachable from br api network
   management_ip: <mgmt_ip_collector_vm2> # Should be part of br_mgmt network
  COLLECTOR TORCONNECTIONS: # Optional. Indicates the port where the collector is hanging
off. Recommended when Cisco NCS 5500 is used as ToR
   - tor info: {po: <int>, switch a hostname: ethx/y, switch b hostname: ethx/y}
  DISPATCHER:
   rabbitmq username: admin # Pod specific user for dispatcher module
```

NFVIMON_ADMIN: admin_name # Optional, once enabled, you need to have only one admin that is reconfigurable to add/update non-root user id



Note

If NFVIMON HA is enabled, ensure that all the admin IPs are on the same subnet for NFVIMON VMs and deployed servers.

To monitor ToR, ensure that the following **TORSWITCHINFO** sections are defined in the setup_data.yaml file.

```
TORSWITHCINFO:
 SWITCHDETAILS:
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
      hostname: <switch_a_hostname>:
      username: <TOR switch username>
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
needed
      password: <TOR switch password>
                                         # Mandatory for NFVBENCH; Mandatory for NFVIMON
if switch monitoring is needed
      ssh ip: <TOR switch ssh ip>
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
needed
      hostname: <switch b hostname>:
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
needed
      username: <TOR switch username>
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
needed
     password: <TOR switch password>
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
needed
                                         # Mandatory for NFVIMON if switch monitoring is
     ssh ip: <TOR switch ssh ip>
needed
```

Enabling CVIM-MON on Cisco VIM

The Cisco VIM solution offers the use of Cisco VIM Monitor (CVIM-MON) to monitor the health and performance of NFVI. This includes monitoring both the physical and logical (openstack services) components at each NFVI pod level.

The CVIM-MON feature enables extensive monitoring and collection of performance data for various components of the cloud infrastructure, and also the OpenStack instances. The monitoring system is designed at a single pod level.

CVIM-MON is enabled by extending the setup_data.yaml file with relevant information.

You can enable CVIM-MON on an existing pod that is installed with Cisco VIM 2.4.3 or later, through the reconfigure option.

The components of CVIM-MON are as follows:

- CVIM MON: It provides the base functionality of monitoring and KPIs.
- CVIM_TRAP: It is enabled using SNMP. This component is available only if CVIM_MON is enabled. You can enable SNMP at the server or infrastructure level.

• **SERVER-MON:** If SNMP is enabled, you can enable SERVER_MON to use SNMP from the Cisco IMC of Cisco UCS C-series server. This component is available only if the SNMP option is enabled.

Install the CVIM-MON using the standard Cisco VIM installer after enabling it in the setup_data configuration file. It is assumed that the pod is newly installed with Cisco VIM 2.4.3 or later. To install CVIM-MON, CVIM MON and PODNAME keys must be added to the setup data.yaml file.

The CVIM MON key has:

- enabled: A boolean value indicating whether CVIM_MON is enabled.
- polling_intervals: It is a dictionary having three different levels of data collection frequencies. Defining polling_intervals is optional and a default value is used if the polling_interval is not defined.
- ui_access: A boolean indicating whether CVIM-MON UI access is enabled or not.

PODNAME is mandatory for CVIM-MON.

CVIM-MON, CVIM-Trap and SERVER-MON can be installed by the standard Cisco VIM installer, if they are enabled in the setup_data configuration file.

The CVIM_TRAP key has:

- Boolean value indicating whether CVIM_TRAP is enabled. If CVIM_TRAP is enabled, CVIM-MON must be enabled.
- List of SNMP managers to send the SNMP traps. This list contains SNMPv2 or SNMPv3 managers. For SNMPv2, community and port field can be set. For SNMPv3, the engine_id and list of users must be specified, where the Engine id is the EngineContextID which is used to send trap of the SNMP Manager.



Note

SNMP-Traps are sent without setting any authentication or security engine_id for the user.

| Property Group and Name | Values | Default Value | Description |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---|
| PODNAME: | <string></string> | (required) | Must be provided for identifying each pod if CVIM_MON is enabled. |
| CVIM_MON: enabled | true false | false | A boolean indicating whether CVIM-MON is enabled or not. Set to True to enable CVIM_MON. |
| CVIM_MON: ui_access | true false | true | A boolean indicating whether CVIM-MON UI acces is enabled or not. |
| CVIM_MON: polling_intervals: | - | - | Metric collection frequency 10s <= low frequency <med frequency < high frequency <=1 hour</med |

| Property Group and Name | Values | Default Value | Description |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| low_frequency | - | deprecated | Must be higher than med_frequency integer following with time sign (m/h) |
| medium_frequency | - | deprecated | Must be higher than high_frequency integer following with time sign (s/m/h) |
| high_frequency | 10s to 30s | 15s | Integer following with time sign (s/m/h) |
| SNMP:enabled | true false | false | A Boolean indicating whether CVIM-Trap is enabled or not. |
| | | | If true, CVIM_MON:enabled must also be set to true. |
| SNMP:managers: | - | - | A list of up to 3 SNMP managers to send traps |
| address | <ipv4 ipv6="" or=""></ipv4> | (required) | IPv4 or IPv6 address of the SNMP manager |
| port | 1-65535 | 162 | Optional, port to send traps |
| version | v2c v3 | v2c | SNMP manager version |
| community | <string></string> | public | Used for SNMPv2c |
| SNMP:managers:users: | | | Required for SNMPv3, up to 3 users. |
| engine_id | <hexadecimal string=""></hexadecimal> | (required v3) | ContextEngineId (unique across all managers) |
| | | | Minimum length is 5 and max length is 32 |
| | | | Cannot be all 00s or FFs; and cannot start with 0x |
| name | <string></string> | (required v3) | User name |
| auth_key | <string></string> | (required v3) | Authorization password, must be eight characters at least |
| authentication | SHA MD5 | SHA | Authentication protocol |

| Property Group and Name | Values | Default Value | Description |
|-------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| privacy_key | <str></str> | (auth_key) | Encryption key |
| encryption | 'AES128' 'AES192' 'AES256' | 'AES128' | Encryption protocol |
| SERVER_MON: enabled | true false | false | Enable SNMP traps for CIMC faults (UCS C-series only) |
| host_info: | 'ALL' or list of servers | 'ALL' | Specifies the UCS-C servers to be monitored. |
| rsyslog_severity | emergency alert critical error warning notice informational debug | (Optional) | Specifies the minimum severity from the UCS C-server logs that are to be sent to remote syslog servers |



Note

If SERVER_MON.rsyslog_severity is configured, you must configure SYSLOG_EXPORT_SETTINGS as well to indicate the remote syslog servers to send the logs.

Support of CVIM-MON Grafana with LDAP Backend

The CVIM-MON Grafana LDAP feature allows you to login with LDAP credentials. You can enable this feature by configuring the connection to the LDAP server and setting a valid filter to access Grafana with your LDAP credentials. Once the filter is set, it is possible to map the users groups with specific roles of permission in Grafana.

CVIM-MON supports the roles of:

- Viewer: Can only view dashboards and cannot modify them.
- Editor : Can view, create, copy, modify and save dashboards.

To enable LDAP for Grafana, you must modify the setup_data.yaml file by adding a "ldap" section under the CVIM MON section as following (replace example values as appropriate):

```
CVIM MON:
  enabled: true
  ldap:
    group mappings:
    - {group dn: 'CN=Employees,OU=Openstack Users,DC=mercury,DC=local', org role: Admin}
    - {group dn: 'CN=OS-ReadOnlyGrp,OU=Openstack Users,DC=mercury,DC=local', org role:
Viewer} # Optional, Can have only 1 Admin and 1 Viewer User
    domain mappings: # Max of one domain name for now
    - domain_name: corp_ldap1
     attributes: {email: email, member of: memberOf, name: givenName, surname: sn, username:
 cn}
      bind dn: cn=osadmin, cn=users, dc=mercury, dc=local
     bind password: Lab1234! # optional, this is possible when bind dn matches all possible
      ldap uri: "ldap://172.29.68.196:389" \# , separated one or more ldap end points
      search base dns: ['dc=mercury,dc=local']
      search filter: (cn=%s)
```

| Property | Field Required | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|--|
| search_filter | Mandatory | Filter for the queries. |
| search_base_dns | Mandatory | The base dns name used for all queries |
| ldap_uri | Mandatory | URI used to connect to the LDAP servers (at least one, multiple URIs can be configured - separated by a comma) |
| group_mappings | Mandatory | Must contain at least one group with org_role Admin |
| | | Optionally, you can add a second group with org_role Viewer |
| domain_name | Optional | Any non empty name is acceptable |
| domain_mappings | Mandatory | Must contain one domain exactly. |
| bind_password | Conditional | This is the password of the bind_dn user. When the bind_dn is a group, this field must be omitted. |
| bind_dn | Mandatory | Refers to the users who can connect to the LDAP sever to check credentials. It can be a read-only user or a group that matches all possible users. |
| attributes | Mandatory | All subkeys are mandatory. |

Enabling Inventory Discovery with CVIM-MON

CVIM_MON is a pre-requisite to enable the feature of inventory discovery. You can enable this feature by setting the following flag in the setup_data.yaml file:

```
INVENTORY DISCOVERY: {enabled: true}
```

Use the following commands to verify whether the feature is operational:

```
docker ps | grep calipso - expected results: 3 containers are in 'UP' state-
calipso_scan_<tag>, calipso_api_<tag> and calipso_mongo_<tag>
  where calipso_client, calipso_replication_client and calipso_csv_tool are available in
bash and provides -help guidance.
```

To get the API secret, use the command:

ciscovim list-secrets --getpassword CALIPSO_API_SERVICE_PWD



Note

For more information on usage of inventory discovery, see Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Manager Administrator Guide

Enabling or Disabling Autobackup of Management Node

Cisco VIM supports the backup and recovery of the management node. By default, the feature is enabled. Auto-snapshots of the management node happens during pod management operation. You can disable the autobackup of the management node.

To enable or disable the management node, update the setup data.yaml file as follows:

```
# AutoBackup Configuration
# Default is True
#autobackup: <True or False>
```

Enabling Custom Policy for VNF Manager

Some of the VNF managers operates, using specific OpenStack features that require the admin role. Cisco VIM introduces a feature to enable non-admin role for VNF managers (such as Cisco ESC). VNF manager is used to operate and manage tenant VMs in the OpenStack cloud, with minimally enhanced privileges.

To enable this option, the administrator needs to add the following line in the setup data.yaml:

```
ENABLE ESC PRIV: True # optional; default is false
```

Forwarding ELK logs to External Syslog Server

Cisco VIM supports backup and recovery of the management node, to keep the process predictable and avoid loss of logs. The software supports the capability of forwarding the ELK logs to multiple external syslog server. It supports minimum of one and maximum of four external syslog servers.

Before launching the installation, update the setup data yaml file with the following information:

```
## SYSLOG EXPORT SETTINGS
#####################################
SYSLOG EXPORT SETTINGS:
   remote host: <Syslog ipv4 or v6 addr> # required IP address of the remote syslog
   server protocol : udp # defaults to udp
   facility: <string> # required; possible values local[0-7]or user
   severity : <string; suggested value: debug>
   port : <int>; # defaults, port number to 514
   clients : 'ELK' # defaults and restricted to ELK;
 remote_host: <Syslog_ipv4_or_v6_addr> # IP address of the remote syslog #2 (optional)
 server protocol : udp # defaults to udp
 facility: <string> # required; possible values local[0-7]or user severity: <string;
suggested value: debug>
port : <int>; # defaults, port number to 514 clients : 'ELK' # defaults and restricted to
# Please note other than the remote host info, most of the other info is not needed; Also
the client list is restricted to ELK only
```

With this configuration, the ELK logs are exported to an external syslog server. You can add this configuration to a pod that is already up and running. For more details, refer to Forwarding ELK logs to External Syslog Server section in the admin guide.

Support of NFS for ELK Snapshot

Cisco VIM optionally supports NFS for ELK snapshots. In this configuration, the remote location specified in the configuration has to allow user elasticsearch (2020) and group mercury (500) to read/write into the path specified in remote path of the remote host server.

Before launching the installation, update the setup_data.yaml file with the following information:

With this configuration, the ELK snapshots are hosted at the remote NFS location, thereby ensuring that that the management node does not run out of disk space. You can add this configuration to a pod that is already up and running. For more details, refer to Support of NFS for ELK Snapshot section in the admin guide.

Support for TTY Logging

Cisco VIM supports enabling of TTY logging on the management node and all of the cluster hosts through the option in the setup_data.yaml file. By default, the TTY logging feature is not enabled. The feature is made available only at the time of installation. If SYSLOG_EXPORT_SETTINGS is configured, the TTY audit messages are available in local syslog, Kibana dashboard, and remote syslog.

For the TTY logging to take effect in the management node, reboot the management node based on the customer downtime window.

At the end of the installation, the following message is displayed: Management node needs to be rebooted for TTY Logging to take effect.

Before launching the installation, update the setup_data.yaml file with the following information:

```
# TTY Logging with pam.d and auditd. Events available in Kibana and remote syslog, if syslog
export is enabled
ENABLE TTY LOGGING: <True or False> # default value is False
```

Configuring Additional VIM Administrators

Cisco VIM supports management of VIM administrators. VIM administrator can login to the management node or Unified Management node through SSH or the console using the configured password. Administrators have their own accounts. After the VIM administrator account creation, the administrator can manage their own password using the Linux "passwd" command. You can change the *vim_admins* parameter to add and remove VIM administrators during reconfiguation, while the passwords for existing accounts remain unchanged.

Before launching the installation, update the setup_data.yaml file with the following information:

```
vim_admins:
    vim_admin_username: <username>
    vim_admin_password_hash: <sha512-password-hash>#
    vim_admin_username: <username>
    vim_admin_username: <username>
    vim_admin_password_hash: <sha512-password-hash>
```

```
- vim_admin_username: <username>
   vim_admin_password_hash: <sha512-password-hash>
The value of password hash must be in the standard sha512 format.
```

With the preceding configuration, administrators have access to a shell with system privileges on the management node. To go hand in hand with the management of VIM administrator, Cisco VIM offers the option of disabling "root login". Listed below are the available options:

```
# Permit Root Login (optional, default True)
# True: admin can ssh to management node with root userid and password
# False: admin can not use root userid for ssh; must use vim_admin_username
# At least one vim_admin must be configured if this is False
permit root login: True
```

Support of LDAP for Management Node

Cisco VIM supports enabling of LDAP for admin access to the management node. It can be added as a day-0 or day-1 activity. Multiple LDAP entries are allowed as only the domain_name and ldap_uri in each entry are mandatory. Ensure that the ldap_uris is secured over ldaps, and the TLS is enabled for the external api (external lb vip tls: True).

To obtain sudo access to the management node and execute ciscovim commands, you must manually add the user with root privileges to the wheel group in the corresponding LDAP domain, for example, usermode -aG wheel user1.

To enable this feature, update the setup data with the following during installation.

```
vim_ldap_admins:
    domain_name: corp_ldap1
    ldap_uri: "ldaps://10.30.116.253:636,ldaps://10.30.116.254:636"
    ldap_search_base: "dc=cisco,dc=com"  # Optional
    ldap_schema: rfc2307  # Optional
    ldap_user_object_class: posixAccount  # Optional
    ldap_user_uid_number: uidNumber  # Optional
    ldap_user_gid_number: gidNumber  # Optional
    ldap_user_gid_number: memberUid  # Optional
    recommended
```

Horizon Hosting Through NAT or DNS Aliases

From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0, you can deploy the Horizon portal through NAT or DNS alias. As a security measure, Horizon accepts a list of host addresses (IP or DNS) that are accessible. By default, this list includes the external_lb_vip_addr, the external_lb_vip_fqdn, and the ipv6 address (if applicable) only.

An optional parameter HORIZON_ALLOWED_HOSTS added in the setup_data accepts the list of IP addresses and/or DNS names that you want to add as allowed hosts. Mostly, this IP address list match with the NAT address used for the deployment.

Before launching the installation, update the setup_data.yaml file with the following information:

With the preceding configuration, administrator can access the Horizon dashboard through aliases or NAT IPs.

DHCP Reservations for VM's MAC Addresses

From release Cisco VIM 3.2.0, you can have DHCP reservations for virtual machine MAC addresses, to get the same IP address always regardless of the host hypervisor or operating system they are running. To avail this optional feature, few restrictions exist.

If the MAC address ends with 00:00, then

- First entry of the first octect must be a Hex
- Second entry of the first octect must be 2, 6, a or e

For example, the MAC address entry can be [a-f][2,6,a,e]:yz:uv:ws:00:00.

To enable this feature, add the following entry in the setup data file:

```
BASE MACADDRESS: <[a-f][2,6,a,e]:[a-f0-9][a-f0-9]:[a-f0-9]:[a-f0-9]:[a-f0-9]:00:00>
```



Note

To avoid mac-address collision, ensure that a minimum of last three octects is 00. For example: BASE MACADDRESS: <[a-f][2,6,a,e]:[a-f0-9][a-f0-9]:[a-f0-9][a-f0-9]:00:00:00>

Customizing SSH Login Banner

From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0, you can provide a customized banner that will be displayed when an administrator attempts to login to the management node or Unified Management node. An optional parameter ssh_banner in the setup_data accepts a string or message to be displayed before the login prompt. This message indicates a warning consistent with a company's IT policies.

Before launching the installation, update the setup_data.yaml file with the following information:

```
ssh_banner: |
   WARNING: Unauthorized access to this system is forbidden and will be
   prosecuted by law. By accessing this system, you agree that your actions
   may be monitored if unauthorized usage is suspected.
```

Cinder Volume Encryption

From release Cisco VIM 3.0.0, you can encrypt Cinder volumes using Linux Unified Key Setup (LUKS). This encryption is enabled by default. and does not require any installation. For more information on creating encrypted Cinder volumes, see *Cisco VIM Admin Guide*.

Encryption of Secrets

Cisco VIM installation dynamically generates passwords for each Openstack service and for services running on the management node. By default, these passwords are system generated and are stored in secrets.yaml file on the management node and then subsequently being read by various steps during the installation.

The secrets.yaml file is currently protected by Linux file permissions as well as SELinux mandatory access control. A cleartext copy of this file is required during installation, reconfiguration, update, and upgrade.

Therefore, the secrets yaml file stores the passwords in cleartext, where a hashed version of these passwords is not sufficient.

From Cisco VIM 3.4.0, Vault is used. Vault is a tool specifically designed to store and access the passwords securely. Vault encrypts the secrets prior to writing them to persistent storage. Hence, gaining access to the raw storage is not enough to access the secrets. To take advantage of this additional hardening option, you can optionally enable Vault in setup_data.yaml as a day-0 option (reconfigure option will be available in the future). With vault enabled, all the passwords used by Cisco VIM services are stored in Vault with Consul as storage backend. To enable Vault, update the setup_data, with the following information as part of day-0 installation.

```
VAULT: {enabled: True}
```

Once Vault is enabled, the contents of secrets.yaml are no longer visible. To get the following user relevant secrets, CLI and the corresponding Rest API are provided:

```
"CVIM_MON_PASSWORD", "CVIM_MON_READ_ONLY_PASSWORD", "CVIM_MON_SERVER_PASSWORD", "ADMIN_USER_PASSWORD", "KIBANA PASSWORD", "CVIM_MON_PROXY_PASSWORD".
```

Listed below is an example of how to fetch the secrets:

The command ciscovim list-secrets can list all the secrets that are encrypted. TAC/services are trained on how to fetch any of the non-user facing secrets.

Configuring Support for Read-only OpenStack Role

By default, Cisco VIM deployment of OpenStack supports two user roles: admin and user. Admin have privilege to view and change all OpenStack resources including system and project resources. Users have privileges to view and change only project resources.

Optionally, Cisco VIM provides OpenStack user role which is read-only or readonly. Read-only users can view the project resources, but cannot make any changes. Use the optional parameter ENABLE_READONLY_ROLE to enable this feature.

The admin can only assign the readonly role using the Horizon dashboard or OpenStack CLI, to the target user for accessing each project. A user can be given the readonly role to multiple projects.



Note

Ensure that the admin role is not given for the user having only readonly access, as the conflict of access will not constrain the user to read-only operations.

Enabling this feature provides the following enhancements to the Cisco VIM Pod.

- "readonly" role is added to the OpenStack deployment.
- OpenStack service policies are adjusted to grant read permissions such as "list" and "show", but not "create", "update", or "delete".

• "All Projects tab is added to the Horizon interface. This allows the readonly user to see all instances for which the user have access. Under the **Project** tab, you can see the resources for a single project. You can change the projects using the Project pulldown in the header.

Before launching the installation, update the setup data.yaml file with the following information:

```
ENABLE READONLY ROLE: True
```

With the preceding configuration, the readonly role is created in OpenStack. After deployment, the administrators have the privilege to create new users assigned with this role.



Note

If the ENABLE_READONLY_ROLE is False (by default), the readonly role will not have special permissions or restrictions, but have create, update, and delete permissions to project resources similar to that of project member. You need to assign the users with readonly role, when ENABLE_READONLY_ROLE is set to True.

VPP Port Mirroring Support

The VPP Port Mirror feature enables you to selectively create a mirror port to a VM. This mirror port detects all the packets sent and received by the VM without having access to the VM. The packets captured in this manner can be saved as peap files, which can be used for further analysis by tools like Wireshark and so on.

The following CLIs are available in Cisco VIM:

- vpp-portmirror-create: Tool to create mirrored ports corresponding to Openstack ports
- vpp-portmirror-delete: Tool to delete mirrored ports
- vpp-portmirror-list: Tool to get a list of current mirrored port

In addition, the VPP port mirror tools perform the following tasks:

- Checks if the port specified is a valid neutron port with valid UUID pattern
- Checks if there is a corresponding Vhost interface in the VPP instance for the neutron port specified
- Checks if the port has already mirrored

VPP Port Mirroring Usage

Step 1 Identify the VM that you want to monitor and the compute host on which it runs.

```
| OS-EXT-STS:vm state | active |
| OS-SRV-USG:launched at | 2018-05-10T02:40:58.000000 |
| OS-SRV-USG:terminated at | None |
| accessIPv4 | |
| accessIPv6 | |
| addresses | net1=10.0.1.4 |
| config drive | |
| created | 2018-05-10T02:40:37Z |
| flavor | m1.medium (ac4bdd7f-ff05-4f0d-90a5-d7376e5e4c75) |
| hostId | 8e7f752ab34153d99b17429857f86e30ecc24c830844e9348936bafc |
| id | 46e576c1-539b-419d-a7d3-9bdde3f58e35 |
| image | cirros (e5e7e9d8-9585-46e3-90d5-4ead5c2a94c2) |
| key name | None |
| name | vm-7 |
| os-extended-volumes:volumes attached | [] |
| progress | 0 |
| project id | 434cf25d4b214398a7445b4fafa8956a |
| properties | |
| security_groups | [{u'name': u'my_sec group'}] |
| status | ACTIVE |
| updated | 2018-05-10T02:40:58Z |
| user id | 57e3f11eaf2b4541b2371c83c70c2686 |
```

Step 2 Identify the neutron port that corresponds to the interface that you want to mirror.

```
# openstack port list | grep 10.0.1.4
| ed8caee2-f56c-4156-8611-55dde24f742a | | fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8 | ip_address='10.0.1.4',
subnet id='6d780f2c-0eeb-4c6c-a26c-c03f47f37a45' |
```

Step 3 ssh to the target compute node on which the VM is running and join the VPP docker container.

```
# vpp
neutron vpp 13881 [root@k07-compute-1 /]#
```

The syntax of the Port mirror create tool is as follows:

```
neutron_vpp_13881 [root@k07-compute-1 /]# vpp-portmirror-create Option -p (--port) requires an argument -p --port [arg] Port in openstack port uuid format. Required. -d --debug Enables debug mode -h --help This page -n --no-color Disable color output VPP port mirror utility.
```

Step 4 Create a port mirror using the Neutron port ID identified in Step 2.

The CLI tool displays the mirrored interface name.

Note Use the –debug flag to troubleshoot the Linux/VPP commands that are used to set up the port mirror.

Step 5 Use the tap device as a standard Linux interface and use tools such as topdump to perform packet capture.

```
neutron_vpp_13881 [root@k07-compute-1 /]# tcpdump -leni taped8caee2
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v or -vv for full protocol decode
listening on taped8caee2, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 262144 bytes
16:10:31.489392 fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8 > fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.4
```

```
> 10.0.1.10: ICMP echo
request, id 32513, seq 25752, length 64
16:10:31.489480 fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b > fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.10
> 10.0.1.4: ICMP echo
reply, id 32513, seq 25752, length 64
16:10:32.489560 fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8 > fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.4
> 10.0.1.10: ICMP echo
request, id 32513, seq 25753, length 64
16:10:32.489644 fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b > fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.10
> 10.0.1.4: ICMP echo
reply, id 32513, seg 25753, length 64
16:10:33.489685 fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8 > fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.4
> 10.0.1.10: ICMP echo
request, id 32513, seq 25754, length 64
16:10:33.489800 fa:16:3e:0e:58:7b > fa:16:3e:6a:d3:e8, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 10.0.1.10
> 10.0.1.4: ICMP echo
reply, id 32513, seq 25754, length 64
```

Step 6 Obtain a list of all the mirrored ports.

```
neutron_vpp_13881 [root@k07-compute-1 /]# vpp-portmirror-list

VPP interface VPP-side span port Kernel-side span port Neutron port

------

VirtualEthernet0/0/0 tapcli-0 tap88b637e4 net-vpp.port:88b637e4-43cc-4ea2-8a86-2c9b940408ec

VirtualEthernet0/0/1 tapcli-1 taped8caee2 net-vpp.port:ed8caee2-f56c-4156-8611-55dde24f742a
```

Step 7 Remove the mirrored port.

Setting up VXLAN/EVPN in Cisco VIM

Choose single VXLAN or multi-VXLAN (multi refers to 2) network terminating on the same box on day-0. Two vxlan segments such as vxlan-tenant and vxlan-ecn are defined.

For single VXLAN network, define only the vxlan-tenant. For two-VXLAN network, define vxlan-ecn segment along with vxlan-tenant network.

To enable VXLAN/EVPN in Cisco VIM, define the following in the setup-data file during the Day-0 deployment. Optionally, you can overload the configuration with that of head-end-replication for static VXLAN configuration.

Step 1 In the **Networking** section, define the segment vxlan-tenant.

```
NETWORKING:
...
networks:
....
- # only needed when NETWORK_OPTIONS is vxlan, and TOR is Cisco NCS5500
vlan_id: <2003>
subnet: <191.168.11.0/25>
gateway: <191.168.11.1>
```

```
## 'pool' can be defined with single ip or a range of ip
:loog
- <191.168.11.2,191.168.11.5>
- <191.168.11.7 to 191.168.11.12>
- <191.168.11.20>
seaments:

    vxlan-tenant

- # only needed when NETWORK OPTIONS is vxlan, and TOR is Cisco NCS5500, and second VXLAN segment is
required
vlan_id: <2005>
subnet: <191.165.11.0/25>
gateway: <191.165.11.1>
\ensuremath{\#\#} 'pool' can be defined with single ip or a range of ip pool:
- <191.165.11.2,191.165.11.5>
- <191.165.11.7 to 191.165.11.12>
- <191.165.11.20>
seaments:
- vxlan-ecn
```

Step 2 Define the vxlan section under NETWORK OPTIONS, only allowed for Cisco NCS 5500 as ToR.

```
# Optional, only allowed for NCS-5500 as tor
NETWORK OPTIONS:
vxlan:
vxlan-tenant:
provider network name: <name of provider network>
bgp_as_num: <int value between 1 and 232-1>
bgp peers: ['ip1', 'ip2'] ---> list of min length 1, Peer Route Reflector IPs
bgp router id: 'ip3' ---> The router ID to use for local GoBGP cluster, part of vxlan-tenant network
but not in the pool
head end replication: # Optional, can be brought in as reconfigure
- vtep ips: vni id1:vni id2, vni id3, ... (upto as many Remote POD vteps, as required)
vxlan-ecn:
   provider_network_name: <name of provider network>
   bgp as num: <int value between 1 and 232-1>
   bgp peers: ['ip1', 'ip2'] ---> list of min length 1, Peer Route Reflector IPs
   bgp_router_id: 'ip3' ---> The router ID to use for local GoBGP cluster, part of vxlan-ecn network
but not in the pool
head end replication:
                           # Optional and reconfigurable
  - vtep_ips: vni_id1:vni_id2, vni_id3, ... (upto as Remote POD many vteps, as required)
```

Note Following are the assumptions for the HER feature:

- VNIs can repeat across two or more remote POD VTEPs for HA.
- VNIs cannot repeat for the same remote POD VTEP.
- Within the same network segment, no remote POD VTEPs IP adddress can repeat.

Step 3 In the **SERVERS** section, define vxlan bgp speaker ip for each controller node.

Note The vxlan_bgp_speaker_ip belongs to the vxlan network, however, it is not part of the IP pool defined in the vxlan segment.

Note Setting up the BGP route-reflector and accessing it over the VXLAN network from the three controllers is outside the scope of Cisco VIM automation.

For head-end-replication option, define Local POD vtep ips on all servers that act as compute nodes.

From release Cisco VIM 2.4.9, the BGP session between the controllers and route-reflector is set to be Layer 3 adjacent. By default, it is L2 adjacent. To support Layer 3 adjacency, define bgp mgmt address for each controller.

Setting up Trusted Virtual Functions

The kernel feature allows the Virtual Functions to become trusted by the Physical Function and perform some privileged operations such as enabling VF promiscuous mode and changing VF MAC address within the guest. The inability to modify MAC addresses in the guest prevents the users from being able to easily setup up two VFs in a fail-over bond in a guest.

To avail this feature, enable the following under each of the target compute nodes that are enabled with SRIOV.

```
SERVERS:
compute-server-1:
trusted_vf: <True or False> # <== optional, only applicable if its SRIOV node</pre>
```

You can avail this feature on day-0 or enable in a compute on day-2 by removing it and adding it back into the cloud after updating the setup_data with the configuration.

Setting up Reception/Transmission Buffer Size

By default, the transmission and reception buffer for the interfaces on each server is set to 1024. This feature allows you to set the rx_tz_queue_size to 256, 512, or 1024 on a per server basis based on the requirement for some VNFs. Also, along with setting the queue size, you can disable the seccomp syscall sandbox in QEMU to avail this feature.

To avail this feature, enable the following under each of the target compute nodes.

```
SERVERS:
compute-server-1:
rx_tx_queue_size: <256 or 512 or 1024> # optional only for compute nodes, default if not
defined is 1024
seccomp sandbox: <0 or 1> # optional, Set to 1 by default, if not defined.
```

Updating Cisco NFVI Software

The Cisco VIM installer provides a mechanism to update all OpenStack services and some infrastructure services such as RabbitMQ, MariaDB, HAProxy, and VMTP. Updating host-level packages and management node ELK and Cobbler containers are not supported. Updating Cisco NFVI software has minimal service impact because the update runs serially, component-by-component, one node at a time. If errors occur during an update, an automatic rollback will bring the cloud back to its previous state. After an update is completed, check for any functional cloud impacts. If everything is fine, you can commit the update which clears the old containers from the system. Cisco recommends that you commit the update before you perform any other pod management functions. Skipping the commit option might lead to double faults. If you see any functional impact on the cloud, perform a manual rollback to start the old containers again.



Note

Cisco NFVI software updates are not supported for registry related containers and authorized_keys. Also, after the management node repo containers are updated, they cannot be rolled back to the older versions because this requires node packages to be deleted, which might destabilize the cloud.



Note

Update of Cisco NFVI software is within the same major version, that is from 3.2.0 to 3.2.1, and not from 2.4 to 3.0.

To prevent double faults, a cloud sanity check is done both before and after the update.

To complete the software update, perform the Installing Cisco VIM m_Install_VIM.ditamap#id_33373. If your management node does not have Internet, complete the m_Preparing_USB_Stick.ditamap#id_38540 procedure first, then follow the Cisco VIM installation instructions. Differences between a software update and regular Cisco VIM installation:

- You do not need to modify setup_data.yaml like you did during the first installation. In most cases, no modifications are needed.
- You do not need to repeat the Cisco VIM Insight installation.
- Minor differences between NFVI software installation and updates are listed in the installation procedure.



Note

After you complete a software update, you must commit it before you perform any pod management operations. During software updates, the following operations are locked: add/remove compute/storage node, replace controllers, and rotate fernet key. Before you commit, you can roll back the update to return the node to its previous software version.

For information on updating the Cisco NFVI software, see *Managing Cisco NFVI* of the corresponding *Cisco VIM Administrator Guide*

Updating Cisco NFVI Software



Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management



Note

Cisco VIM Insight is also known as Cisco VIM Unified Management. They are interchangeable across the guide.

Cisco VIM offers a unified management solution which is available in the subsequent releases.

Cisco VIM Unified Managment can be installed on two modes:

- Standalone/non-HA mode on a dedicated node to manage multiple VIM pods.
- Standalone/non-HA mode on the management node to manage a single VIM pod.

You can start the installation in a standalone/non-HA mode initially (on the management node of the pod) or a standalone (BOM) server. If VIM UM is hosted on the node where the VIM management service of a pod is running, ensure that the workspace for Insight is different from that of the installer. Rendition and migration from one install mode to another is easy as the UI interacts to each pod through REST API and very little RBAC information of both the admin and user is maintained in the database. As the UI interacts with the REST API, it is not necessary that the pod should be managed by Insight from day 0. You can register a pod, with an Insight instance after it is up and running.

Also, the UI has two types of Admin: UI Admin and Pod Admin. UI Admin is for the administrators who can add more folks as UI Admin or Pod admin. Pod Admin has privileges only at the pod level, whereas an UI Admin has privileges both at UI and pod level.

Complete the following procedure to install Cisco VIM Insight on the Cisco NFVI management node.

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- Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with Cisco VIM Software Hub, on page 239
- Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with LDAP, on page 239
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- Cisco VIM Insight Post Bootstrap Validation Checks, on page 245
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- VIM UM Pod Admin Login for Standalone Setup, on page 250

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with Internet Access

Complete the following steps to install Cisco VIM Insight on the Cisco NFVI management node. As security is paramount to pod management, the web-service hosting the single pane of glass is protected through TLS. Following are the steps to get the TLS certificate setup going.

You can select one of the following approaches for the TLS certificate configurations:

- 1. Provide your own certificate: You can bring in your certificate on the management node and provide the absolute path of .pem and CA certificate files in the insight_setup_data.yaml file. The path must be provided as a value for the key 'PEM_PATH' in the insight_setup_data.yaml file.
- **2.** Generate a new certificate on the node. You can create a new certificate on the node by running the following command:

```
# cd /root/installer-<tag_id>/insight/
#./tls_insight_cert_gen.py -f <path_to_insight_setup_data.yaml>/insight_setup_data.yaml.
```

This script searchs for the 'PEM_PATH' inside the insight_setup_data.yaml. As the path is not provided, it creates a new certificate inside install-dir/openstack-configs.



Note

The self-signed certificate generation utility script is provided for lab/testing deployment only. Ensure that you do not use self-signed certificate generated by this utility for the production deployment.

Before you begin

Complete all Cisco NFVI preparation tasks that are described in Preparing for Cisco NFVI Installation, and the management node that are described Cisco VIM Management Node Networking. The procedure to bootstrap the node hosting the Insight is same as installing the buildnode.iso. Make sure that you plan for a standalone unified management node for production. Click the Yes option if the node is to be used in the production.

Step 1 Enter **ip a** to verify the br mgmt and br api interfaces are up and are bound to bond0 and bond1 respectively. For example:

```
$ ip a br_api: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP link/ether 00:42:68:6f:79:f2 brd ff:ff:ff:ff
inet nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn scope global br_api valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
inet6 fe80::3c67:7aff:fef9:6035/64 scope link valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
bond1: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,MASTER,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue master br_api state UP link/ether 00:42:68:6f:79:f2 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
br_mgmt: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP link/ether 00:78:88:46:ee:6e brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
inet nnn.nnn.nnn/24 brd nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn scope global br_mgmt valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever inet6 fe80::278:88ff:fe46:ee6e/64 scope link valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever bond0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,MASTER,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue master br_mgmt state UP link/ether 00:78:88:46:ee:6e brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
```

Note The br_mgmt and br_api interfaces are created when you install the RHEL on the management node in Installing the Management Node.

- **Step 2** Run the following commands to copy the installer directory and the standalone insight setup data yaml.
 - a) Copy the installer dir to a directory in /root/. Start the name of the new directory with Insight-tag id.

```
# cd /root/
# cp -pr installer-<tag id> <Insight-tag id>
```

b) Copy the Standalone insight_setup_data.yaml. Standalone_EXAMPLE file from the Insight-dir/openstack-configs to any other location on the management node or the BOM.

```
# cp /root/Insight-<tag_id>/openstack-configs/insight_setup_data.yaml.
Standalone_EXAMPLE /root/insight_setup_data.yaml
```

Step 3 Modify the insight setup data according to your requirements.

```
#Configuration File:
# User Defined Configuration File.
# Information in this file is specific to the user setup.
# This file is used as an inventory file to setup Insight Container.
# Registry credentials
REGISTRY USERNAME: '<username>'
REGISTRY PASSWORD: '<password>'
# Install Mode: connected/disconnected, Optional parameter; default is connected
INSTALL MODE: connected
# https proxy: <Name of the proxy server without https://> ; Optional Parameter for INSTALL MODE
# Needed for connected install only and not required for disconnected mode.
# Super Admin Username Password
# This user is the default Super Admin of the system and can grant Aacess to all other users getting
registered to PODs.
# This is a mandatory field and is required to be filled every time.
UI ADMIN USERNAME: '<username>'
UI ADMIN EMAIL ID: '<email id@domain.com>'
# Please define the mail server off which the Insight email alias works;
# For example, outbound.cisco.com
# Optional: Valid SMTP Server is required for sending mails to the customers. By default, it is set
as True.
INSIGHT SMTP SERVER: <smtp.domain.com>
#INSIGHT SMTP PORT: <port no.>
#optional, defaults to 25, if undefined
# for Insight UI, customer needs to create a mailer, so that automated mails come from that alias;
# For example, vim-insight-admin@cisco.com
# Mandatory: You need to create a valid email alias that would be responsible for sending email
notification for users and UI Admin.
INSIGHT EMAIL ALIAS: <Email-Alias@domain.com>
# Optional: Insight Email Alias Password is required if log in on a SMTP server requires authentication.
INSIGHT EMAIL ALIAS PASSWORD: 
                                    #Optional
```

```
# LDAP Configuration
LDAP MODE: <True or False>
                              # Required, True when ldap server is available.
# Following LDAP settings are required only when LDAP MODE is True.
LDAP SERVER: <IP Address of the LDAP Server>
LDAP PORT: <port no.>
LDAP ADMIN: '<user-DN for admin>' # e.g Complete DN of admin user for bind and search. <cn=admin,
dc=example, dc=com>
LDAP ADMIN PASSWORD: '<password>' \# e.g. password of bind user
LDAP BASE DN: '<DN tree for Groups>' # e.g. 'ou=Groups,dc=cisco,dc=com'
LDAP SECURE: '<True or False> # For protocol to be followed. True is for ldaps and False is for ldap
# LDAP certificate path for self-signed certificates only;
# Required when LDAP SECURE is True for self-signed certificate.
# In case of trusted Root-CA-Certificate, this key in not required.
LDAP CERT PATH: '<abs_location_for_cert_path>'
LDAP USER ID ATTRIBUTE: 'LDAP attribute which can be used as user-id' # e.g. <'uid' or 'cn' or 'mail'>
LDAP GROUP SEARCH FILTER: 'LDAP search filter to search groups on LDAP' # e.g.
<LDAP GROUP SEARCH FILTER: "(objectClass=posixGroup)">
LDAP GROUP USER SEARCH FILTER: 'LDAP search filter to search group-members on LDAP' # e.g.
<LDAP_GROUP_USER_SEARCH_FILTER: "(objectClass=posixAccount)">
###############################
# LDAP AUTHORIZATION
##################################
LDAP AUTHORIZATION: <True or False>
                                        #Optional, Default is False
#############################
# Role Mapping keys
#############################
UM ADMIN GROUP: <LDAP group to be mapped as Insight UM-Admins> #Optional, Default is CVIM-UM-ADMIN
POD ADMIN GROUP: <LDAP group to be mapped as Insight Pod-Admins> #Optional, Default is CVIM-POD-ADMIN
POD USER GROUP: <LDAP group to be mapped as Insight Pod-Users[Write and Read Permissions]> #Optional,
Default is CVIM-POD-USER
READ ONLY POD USER GROUP: <LDAP group to be mapped as Insight Pod-Users[Read Only]> #Optional, Default
is CVIM-READ-ONLY
#TLS certificate path;
#Absolute TLS certificate path, can also be generated using the script tls insight cert gen.py located
# installer-<tagid>/insight/; if generated by: tls insight cert gen.py, then entry of the info is
optional;
# the script copies the certs to installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/ dir
PEM PATH: <abs location for cert path>
SSL CERT CHAIN FILE: <abs location for cert chain file of x509 certificate> #Mandatory if PEM PATH
is defined in the setupdata.
#If using tls_insight_cert_gen.py to create the cert, please define the following:
CERT IP ADDR: <br/>
<br/>
dr api of the insight node> # Mandatory
CERT HOSTNAME: <Domain name for Cert>
                                         # Optional
And then execute:
# cd installer-<tagid>/insight
# ./tls_insight_cert_gen.py --file <absolute path of insight_setup_data.yaml>
The script generates the certs at installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/ dir
If bringing in a 3rd part Cert, skip the above step and define the following
CERT IP ADDR: <br/>
's api of the insight node # Mandatory
CERT HOSTNAME: <Domain name for Cert> # Optional
PEM PATH in insight setup data.yaml, and go to step 4 instead of executing # ./tls insight cert gen.py
```

As part of insight bootstrap the script copy the certs to installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/ dir

Step 4 Save the edited insight setup data.yaml file.

Step 5 Start the insight installation process.

```
$ cd /root/Insight-<tag id>/insight/
$./bootstrap_insight.py --help
usage: bootstrap insight.py [-h]
                              --action ACTION
                         [--regenerate secrets] [--setpassword]
                         [--file INSIGHTSETUPDATA] [--keep] [--verbose]
                         [--backupdir BACKUPDIR] [-y]
Insight install setup helper.
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                   show this help message and exit
 --action ACTION, -a ACTION
                     install - Install Insight UI
                     install-status - Display Insight Install Status
                     reconfigure - Reconfigure Insight SSL CERT CHAIN FILE,
                     DB password, TLS Certificate,
                     INSIGHT SMTP SERVER, INSIGHT EMAIL ALIAS PASSWORD,
                     INSIGHT_EMAIL_ALIAS, INSIGHT_SMTP_PORT, LDAP_MODE, LDAP_SERVER, LDAP_PORT,
                     LDAP ADMIN, LDAP ADMIN PASSWORD, LDAP BASE DN, LDAP SECURE,
                     LDAP CERT PATH, LDAP USER ID ATTRIBUTE,
                     LDAP GROUP_SEARCH_FILTER, LDAP_GROUP_USER_SEARCH_FILTER,
                     UM ADMIN GROUP, POD ADMIN GROUP,
                     POD USER GROUP, READ ONLY POD USER GROUP,
                     UM ADMIN AS POD ADMIN, DISPLAY ALL POD USERS,
                     update - Update Insight UI
                     update-status - Display Insight Update Status
                     rollback - Rollback Insight UI update
                     commit - Commit Insight UI update
                     backup - Backup Insight UI
                     uninstall - Uninstall Insight UI
 --regenerate secrets, -r
                     System generated INSIGHT DB PASSWORD
 --setpassword, -s
                    User supplied INSIGHT DB PASSWORD,
 --file INSIGHTSETUPDATA, -f INSIGHTSETUPDATA
                     Location of insight setup_data.yaml
 --keep, -k
                     Preserve Insight artifacts during uninstall on UM Node only.
 --verbose, -v
                     Verbose on/off
 --backupdir BACKUPDIR, -b BACKUPDIR
                    Path to backup Insight
               -y, --yes
                                  Option to skip reconfigure or uninstall steps without prompt
$ ./bootstrap insight.py -a install -f </root/insight setup data.yaml>
VIM Insight install logs are at: /var/log/insight/bootstrap_insight/bootstrap_insight_<date>_<time>.log
Management Node validation!
+----+
| Rule
                      | Status | Error |
+----+
| Check Kernel Version | PASS | None |
| Root Password Check | PASS | None |
| Check Boot Partition Settings | PASS | None |
```

```
| Check Home Dir Partition
                        | PASS | None |
| Check Root Dir Partition
                        | PASS | None |
| Check LVM partition
                           PASS
| Check RHEL Pkgs Install State | PASS | None |
Insight standalone Input validation!
+----+
I Rule
                                   | Status | Error |
| Insight standalone Schema Validation | PASS | None |
| Valid Key Check in Insight Setup Data | PASS | None
| Duplicate Key Check In Insight Setup Data | PASS | None | CVIM/Insight Workspace Conflict Check | PASS | None | Check Registry Connectivity | PASS | None
Check Registry Connectivity
| Check LDAP Connectivity
                             | PASS | None |
| Test Email Server for Insight | PASS | None |
Downloading VIM Insight Artifacts, takes time!!!
Cisco VIM Insight Installed successfully!
+-----
| Description | Status | Details
| VIM Insight UI URL | PASS | https://<br/>br api:9000>
| VIM UI Admin Email ID | PASS | Check for info @: <abs path of insight setup data.yaml>
| VIM UI Admin Password | PASS | Check for info @ /opt/cisco/insight/secrets.yaml
| VIM Insight Workspace | PASS | /root/Insight-<tag id>/insight/
+------
Cisco VIM Insight backup Info!
+-----
I Description
           | Status| Details
+------
| Insight backup Status | PASS | Backup done @
                 | /var/cisco/insight backup/insight backup <release tag> <date time>|
Cisco VIM Insight Autobackup Service Info!
| Description | Status | Details
| VIM Insight Autobackup | PASS | [ACTIVE]: Running 'insight-autobackup.service' |
Done with VIM Insight install!
VIM Insight install logs are at: "/var/log/insight/bootstrap insight/"
Logs\ of\ Insight\ Bootstrap\ are\ generated\ at\ :\ /var/log/insight/bootstrap\_insight/\ on\ the\ management
node. Log file name for Insight Bootstrap are in the following format:
bootstrap insight <date> <time>.log. Only ten bootstrap Insight log files are displayed at a time.
Once the bootstrap process is completed a summary table preceding provides the information of the UI
URL and the corresponding login credentials. After first login, for security reasons, we recommend
you to change the Password.
Insight autobackup takes place after an install and is located at default backup location
/var/cisco/insight backup;
```

details of which is provided in the backup summary table.

To add a new UI Admin in a setup that just got created, login to VIM insight and add a new UI admin user from the Manage UI Admin Users menu. Without doing a fresh install (that is un-bootstrap, followed by bootstrap) of the insight application, the UI admin that was bootstrapped cannot be changed.

Refer Cisco VIM Insight Post Bootstrap Validation Checks section, to verify the bootstrap status of Cisco VIM Insight.

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with Cisco VIM Software Hub

To reduce the logistics of the artifact distribution during an air-gapped installation, use Cisco VIM Software Hub. To download the artifacts to the Cisco VIM Software Hub server, follow the instructions available at Installing Cisco VIM Software Hub in Air-Gapped Mode, on page 100. Then, you can use the connected way of installing Unified Management (UM) on the UM node.

To install UM on the UM node through Cisco VIM Software Hub, you need RESGITRY_NAME as an additional field in the setup data for the UM node.

```
REGISTRY NAME: '<registry name>' #Mandatory Parameter when SDS is enabled.
```

For example, registry FQDN name [your.domain.com]. When Cisco VIM Software Hub is not enabled, this parameter must not be used.

Once REGISTRY_NAME is defined in the setup data, the UM software fetches the artifacts from the Cisco VIM Software Hub server as long as the INSTALL_MODE is defined to be connected or not defined in the insight setup data.yaml file. By default, it is assumed to be connected.

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with LDAP

Insight supports both LDAP and LDAPs (Secure over SSL) for an AD (Active Directory) environment. You can choose only one at a time.

LDAPs supports connection using both self-signed and CA-signed certificate. You can choose any type of certificate for LDAPs.

- Selecting self-signed certificate option will require a certificate for verification over LDAPs and to make a secure connection to LDAP over SSL.
- No certificate is required when selecting CA-signed certificate option.

The following are the required keys in setup data for LDAP support:

- LDAP MODE: < True or False >
- LDAP_SERVER: < IP address of LDAP server >
- LDAP PORT: < Port no. >
- LDAP_BASE_DN: <DN tree for Groups>

- LDAP_SECURE: < True or False >
- LDAP_USER_ID_ATTRIBUTE: <'uid' or 'cn' or 'mail'>

Following optional key is required in the setup_data file, when LDAP_SECURE is True and a self-signed certificate is used:

LDAP_CERT_PATH: < Path of cert file >

Following optional keys are required in the setup_data file, when LDAP server is configured to support simple binding:

- LDAP_ADMIN: < User-Name of Admin user >
- LDAP_ADMIN_PASSWORD: < Password of user Admin >
- LDAP_GROUP_SEARCH_FILTER: < Filter to search LDAP-Group on Server >
- LDAP GROUP USER SEARCH FILTER: < Filter to search user in LDAP-Group >

Following optional key is required in the setup_data file, to setup Insight authorization via LDAP server.:

LDAP_AUTHORIZATION: < True or False >

This key is non-reconfigurable, that is, this functionality can only be set ON/OFF at the time of fresh-installation.

Following optional keys are required in the setup data file, when LDAP authorization is True:

- UM_ADMIN_GROUP: <LDAP group-dn to be mapped as Insight UM-Admins>
- POD ADMIN GROUP: <LDAP group-dn to be mapped as Insight Pod-Admins>
- POD_USER_GROUP: <LDAP group-dn to be mapped as Insight Pod-Users[Write and Read Permissions]>
- READ_ONLY_POD_USER_GROUP: <LDAP group-dn to be mapped as Insight Pod-Users[Read Only]>



Note

The group-DN values must exclude LDAP_BASE_DN value. For example: UM_ADMIN_GROUP: "cn=cvim-um-admin,ou=Group"

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management Without SMTP

By default, a SMTP infrastructure is required for Cisco VIM Unified Management service.

For releases starting from Cisco VIM 2.4.2, the Unified Management service is supported in the absence of SMTP.



Note

The migration of the Unified Management service to SMTP enabled mode from the mode which does not require SMTP, is not supported.

To install Unified Management without SMTP, follow the below steps:

Step 1 Modify the insight_setup_data.yaml file and add following key:

```
SMTP MODE: False
```

Step 2 Remove the following keys from the insight_setup_data.yaml:

```
INSIGHT_SMTP_SERVER
INSIGHT_EMAIL_ALIAS
INSIGHT_SMTP_PORT and
INSIGHT_EMAIL_ALIAS PASSWORD
```

Step 3 Save the yaml file and begin the installation from the insight dir:

```
#./bootstrap_insight.py -a install -f <path to insight_setup_data.yaml>
```

With SMTP disabled, bootstrap insight sets both the Super Admin and Pod Admin as the default user.

The user can login and register the Pod, but cannot perform the following:

- Add new user at POD Level.
- · Add new Pod Admin.
- Add new Super Admin.

To add new user or update password for the existing user for Insight without SMTP, use the below script.

Optional arguments:

```
-h, --help

show the help message and exit

--username USERNAME, -u USERNAME
name of the user.

--emailid EMAILID, -e EMAILID
Email ID of the user.

--usertype USERTYPE, -t USERTYPE
User Type:
super_admin - User is Super User for Insight
pod_admin - User allowed to register new PODS
pod_user - User can only get associated with PODS

--updatepass UPDATEPASS, -p UPDATEPASS
Email ID of user whose password needs to be updated.
```

To add a user, enter the below command:

```
#./user_populate.py -u abc -e abc@abc.com -t pod_user
```

Note

- -t can take one of the following values such as super_admin, pod_admin, and pod_user as an argument.
- If the user already exists, an error stating "User already exists" is displayed. If the user is new, the script prompts to enter a new password and confirmation password.

To use forgot password functionality, use the below command:

```
#./user_populate.py -p abc@abc.com
```

If the user is added or password has been changed using "-p" option, then on first login through Unified Management, the user is redirected to the **Change Password** page.

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management without Internet Access

Complete the following steps to install Cisco VIM Insight on the Cisco NFVI management node.

Management Node setup (without Internet):

For many service providers, the infrastructure on which management node setup is run is air-gapped. This presents an additional dimension for the orchestrator to handle. To support install that is air-gapped, refer to the section Preparing for Installation on Servers Without InternetAccess and follow the steps to prepare 64G USB 2.0. You can use USB 3.0 if the management node is based on M5.

Before you begin

You must complete all Cisco NFVI preparation tasks described in Preparing for Cisco NFVI Installation and the management node as described in Cisco VIM Management Node Networking

Step 1 Enter ip a to verify the br_mgmt and br_api interfaces are up and are bound to bond1 and bond0. For example:

```
br_api: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP link/ether 00:42:68:6f:79:f2 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:
inet nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn/25 brd nnn.nnn.nnn scope global br_api valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever inet6 fe80::3c67:7aff:fef9:6035/64 scope link valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever bond1: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,MASTER,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue master br_api state UP link/ether 00:42:68:6f:79:f2 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
br_mgmt: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP link/ether 00:78:88:46:ee:6e brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:
inet nnn.nnn.nnn/24 brd nnn.nnn.nnn.nnn scope global br_mgmt valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever inet6 fe80::278:88ff:fe46:ee6e/64 scope link valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever bond0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,MASTER,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue master br_mgmt state UP link/ether 00:78:88:46:ee:6e brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:
```

Note The br_mgmt and br_api interfaces are created when you install RHEL on the management node in Installing the Management Node, on page 56

- **Step 2** Run the following commands to copy the installer directory and the standalone insight_setup_data_yaml.
 - a) Copy the installer dir to a another directory in /root/. The name of the new directory should start with Insight-

```
# cd /root/
# cp -r installer-<tag id> Insight-<tag id>
```

b) Copy the Standalone insight_setup_data.yaml.Standalone_EXAMPLE filefrom the Insight-dir/openstack-configs to any other location on the management node or the BOM.

```
# cp /root/Insight-<tag_id>/openstack-configs/insight_setup_data.yaml.Standalone_EXAMPLE
/root/insight setup data.yaml
```

- **Step 3** Modify the insight setup data according to the requirements. Refer to the insight_setup_data.yaml and cert generation as listed in step 5 of the preceding section.
- **Step 4** Save the edited insight setup data.yaml file.
- **Step 5** Run Import Artifacts:

```
$ cd /root/insight-<tag_id>/tools
./import_artifacts.sh
```

This verifies that /var/cisco/artifcats on the management node has the following Insight artifacts, along with the other components 'insight-K9.tar', 'mariadb-app-K9.tar'.'

Step 6 Start the insight installation process.

```
$ cd /root/Insight-<tag id>/insight/
$./bootstrap insight.py --help
usage: bootstrap insight.py [-h] --action ACTION
                            [--regenerate secrets] [--setpassword]
                            [--file INSIGHTSETUPDATA] [--keep] [--verbose]
                            [--backupdir BACKUPDIR] [-y]
Insight install setup helper.
 optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                       show this help message and exit
  --action ACTION, -a ACTION
                       install - Install Insight UI
                       install-status - Display Insight Install Status
                       reconfigure - Reconfigure Insight SSL_CERT_CHAIN_FILE,
                       DB password, TLS Certificate,
                       INSIGHT_SMTP_SERVER, INSIGHT_EMAIL_ALIAS_PASSWORD,
                       INSIGHT EMAIL ALIAS, INSIGHT SMTP PORT, LDAP MODE, LDAP SERVER, LDAP PORT,
                       LDAP ADMIN, LDAP ADMIN PASSWORD, LDAP BASE DN, LDAP SECURE,
                       LDAP CERT PATH, LDAP_USER_ID_ATTRIBUTE,
                       LDAP GROUP SEARCH FILTER, LDAP GROUP USER SEARCH FILTER,
                       UM ADMIN GROUP, POD ADMIN GROUP,
                       POD USER GROUP, READ ONLY POD USER GROUP,
                       UM ADMIN AS POD ADMIN, DISPLAY ALL POD USERS,
                       update - Update Insight UI
                       update-status - Display Insight Update Status
                       rollback - Rollback Insight UI update
                       commit - Commit Insight UI update
                       backup - Backup Insight UI
                       uninstall - Uninstall Insight UI
  --regenerate_secrets, -r
                       System generated INSIGHT DB PASSWORD
  --setpassword, -s
                       User supplied INSIGHT DB PASSWORD,
  --file INSIGHTSETUPDATA, -f INSIGHTSETUPDATA
                       Location of insight setup data.yaml
                       Preserve Insight artifacts during uninstall on UM Node only.
  --keep, -k
  --verbose, -v
                       Verbose on/off
  --backupdir BACKUPDIR, -b BACKUPDIR
                       Path to backup Insight
  -y, --yes
                       Option to skip reconfigure or uninstall steps without prompt
$ ./bootstrap insight.py -a install -f </root/insight_setup_data.yaml> Insight Schema Validation
would be initiated:
VIM Insight install logs are at: / var/log/insight/<bootstrap insight <date> <time>.log
Management Node Validations!
                          ----+
| Rule | Status | Error |
```

```
+----+
| Check Kernel Version | PASS | None |
| Check Ansible Version | PASS | None |
| Check Docker Version | PASS | None |
| Check Management Node Tag | PASS | None |
| Check Bond Intf. Settings | PASS | None |
| Root Password Check | PASS | None |
| Check Boot Partition Settings | PASS | None |
| Check LV Swap Settings | PASS | None |
| Check Docker Pool Settings | PASS | None |
| Check Home Dir Partition | PASS | None |
| Check Root Dir Partition |
                      PASS | None |
| Check /var Partition | PASS | None |
| Check LVM partition | PASS | None |
| Check RHEL Pkgs Install State | PASS | None |
+----+
Insight standalone Input Validations!
| Rule
                                | Status | Error |
+----+
| Duplicate Key Check In Insight Setup Data | PASS | None
| Check Registry Connectivity
                                 | PASS | None |
                                 | PASS | None |
| Check LDAP Connectivity
| Test Email Server for Insight
                                | PASS | None |
+----+
Setting up Insight, Kindly wait!!!
Cisco VIM Insight Installed successfully!
+------
| Description | Status | Details
| VIM Insight UI URL | PASS | https://<br/>br api:9000>
| VIM UI Admin Email ID | PASS | Check for info 0: <abs path of insight_setup_data.yaml> |
| \  \, \text{VIM UI Admin Password} \  \, | \  \, \text{PASS} \quad | \  \, \text{Check for info @ /opt/cisco/insight/secrets.yaml}
| VIM Insight Workspace | PASS | /root/Insight_<tag_id>/insight/
Cisco VIM Insight backup Info!
+-----+
           | Status| Details
| Description
+-----
| Insight backup Status | PASS | Backup done @
                      | /var/cisco/insight backup/insight backup <release tag> <date time>|
+------
Done with VIM Insight install!
VIM Insight install logs are at: /var/log/insight/bootstrap insight/
Logs of Insight Bootstrap is generated at : /var/log/insight/bootstrap_insight/ on the management
node. Log file name for Insight Bootstrap is in the following format :
bootstrap insight <date> <time>.log. Only ten bootstrap Insight log files are displayed at a time.
Once the bootstrap process is completed a summary table preceding provides the information of the UI
URL and the corresponding login credentials. After first login, for security reasons, we recommend
you to change the Password.
Insight autobackup takes place after an install and is located at default backup location
/var/cisco/insight backup;
```

details of which is provided in the backup summary table.

To add a new UI Admin in a setup that just got created, login to VIM insight and add a new UI admin user from the Manage UI Admin Users menu. Without doing a fresh install (that is un-bootstrap, followed by bootstrap) of the insight application, the UI admin that was bootstrapped with cannot be changed.

Refer Cisco VIM Insight Post Bootstrap Validation Checks , on page 128 to verify the bootstrap status of Cisco VIM Insight.

Installing Cisco VIM Unified Management with Optional Services

For releases from Cisco VIM 3.2.0, Cisco VIM Unified Management service provides the following as optional features:

- Automatically add each UM-admin as the default pod-user with Full-Pod-Access to a pod during pod-registration.
- Display all the pod-users as suggested users, while registering a new pod-user.



Note

By default, these features are set to False. To use these features, change the value of corresponding keys to True in Insight setup data file.

To install Unified Management with these features, follow the below steps:

- **Step 1** Modify the insight setup data.yaml file and add following key:
 - a) To automatically add each UM admin to pod with Full-Pod-Access during pod registration, set the following key with True as value:

```
UM ADMIN AS POD ADMIN: True
```

b) To display the suggested users during pod-user registration, set the following key with True as value:

```
DISPLAY ALL POD USERS: True
```

Step 2 Save the yaml file and begin the installation from the insight directory:

#./bootstrap_insight.py -a install -f <path to insight_setup_data.yaml>

Cisco VIM Insight Post Bootstrap Validation Checks

1. After the VIM Insight bootstrap, you can view the status of Insight installation through install-status action using bootstrap.

2. You can also verify if the Insight and MySQL containers are up or not by running the following command:

3. Check the status of Insight by running the following command:

```
$ systemctl status docker-insight
docker-insight.service - Insight Docker Service
Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/docker-insight.service; enabled; vendor preset:
Active: active (running) since Fri 2017-04-07 13:09:25 PDT; 36s ago Main PID: 30768
(docker-current)
Memory: 15.2M
CGroup: /system.slice/docker-insight.service
L30768 /usr/bin/docker-current start -a insight <tag-id>
Apr 07 13:09:26 ill-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: Tables_in_rbac
Apr 07 13:09:26 i11-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: buildnode master
Apr 07 13:09:26 ill-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: permission master
Apr 07 13:09:26 ill-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: role master
Apr 07 13:09:26 i11-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: role permission
Apr 07 13:09:26 i11-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: user master
Apr 07 13:09:26 i11-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: user role
Apr 07 13:09:26 i11-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: user session
Apr 07 13:09:26 ill-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: Starting the apache httpd
Apr 07 13:09:26 ill-tb2-ins-3 docker[30768]: AH00558: httpd: Could not reliably determine
the server's fully qualified domain name, using 2.2.2.6.
Set the 'ServerName' directive gl... this message
Hint: Some lines were ellipsized, use -1 to show in full.
```

4. Check if the Insight is up by running the following command:

```
$curl https://br api:9000 -k (or --insecure)
Your response of curl should show the DOCTYPE HTML:
<!DOCTYPE html>
<!--[if lt IE 7]>
                   <html lang="en" ng-app="myApp" class="no-js lt-ie9 lt-ie8 lt-ie7">
<![endif]-->
<!--[if IE 7]>
                     <html lang="en" ng-app="myApp" class="no-js lt-ie9 lt-ie8">
<![endif]-->
                     <html lang="en" ng-app="myApp" class="no-js lt-ie9"> <![endif]-->
<!--[if IE 8]>
<!--[if gt IE 8]><!--> <html lang="en" ng-app="mercuryInstaller" class="no-js">
<!--<![endif]-->
   <head>
        <meta charset="utf-8">
        <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">
```

```
<title>Cisco VIM Installer</title>
        <meta name="description" content="">
       <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1,</pre>
maximum-scale=1, user-scalable=0"/>
       <link rel="stylesheet"</pre>
href="../static/lib/html5-boilerplate/dist/css/normalize.css">
       <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/html5-boilerplate/dist/css/main.css">
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/bootstrap/bootstrap.min.css">
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/font-awesome/font-awesome.min.css">
        <!--<li>1 ink
href="http://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/font-awesome/4.1.0/css/font-awesome.min.css"
rel="stylesheet">-->
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/bootstrap/bootstrap-theme.min.css">
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/uigrid/ui-grid.min.css">
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/lib/chart/angular-chart.min.css">
        <script
src="../static/lib/html5-boilerplate/dist/js/vendor/modernizr-2.8.3.min.js"></script>
       <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/css/app.css">
        <!--new dashboard css starts-->
       <link rel="stylesheet" href="../static/css/dashboard.css">
        <!--new dashboard css end-->
    </head>
    <body class="skin-blue sidebar-collapse" ng-controller="DashboardCtrl"</pre>
id="ToggleNavbar">
    <div class="wrapper" id="wrapper">
        <div class="content-wrapper" id="contentclass">
            <mi-header></mi-header>
            <mi-left-side-navbar></mi-left-side-navbar>
           <message-box> </message-box>
           <div class=" viewheight" ng-view autoscroll="true"></div>
        </div>
        <mi-footer></mi-footer>
    </div>
       <!--new dashboard js starts-->
        <script src="../static/lib/bootstrap/jquery.min.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/jquery/jquery-ui.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/bootstrap/progressbar.js"></script>
       <!--new dashboard js ends-->
       <script src="../static/lib/chart/Chart.min.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/bootstrap/bootstrap.min.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/chart/angular-chart.min.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/angular-touch.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/angular-animate.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/csv.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/pdfmake.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/vfs_fonts.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/uigrid/ui-grid.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/angular/smart-table.min.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/angular-route/angular-route.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/angular-cookies/angular-cookies.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/angular/angular-translate.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/lib/angular/angular-translate-loader-static-files.min.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/lib/angular/angular-translate-storage-cookie.min.js"></script>
        <script
src="../static/lib/angular/angular-translate-storage-local.min.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/lib/yamltojson/yaml.js"></script>
```

```
<script src="../static/lib/yaml/js-yaml.min.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/lib/d3/d3min.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/utility/utility.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/widgets/widgets.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/app.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/layout/layout.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/login/login.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/globals/globals.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/dashboard/dashboard.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/cloudpulse/cloudpulse.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/ucsmcommon.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/cimccommon.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/vmtp/runvmtp.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/networking.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/serverandroles.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/cephsetup.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/cindersetup.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/glancesetup.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/haproxy.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/keystonesetup.js"></script>
        <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/swiftstack.js"></script>
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/neutronsetup.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/vmtpsetup.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/physicalsetupwizard.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/servicesSetupWizard/systemlog.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/servicesSetupWizard/NFVbench.js"></script>
        <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/servicesSetupWizard/servicesSetupWizard.js"></script>
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/openstacksetupwizard.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/blueprintsetup.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/topology/topology.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/monitoring/monitoring.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/horizon/horizon.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/podmanagement/podmanagement.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/tlssupport.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/elksetup.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/systemupdate/systemupdate.js"></script>
src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/registrysetup.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/registertestbed/registertestbed.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/registersaas/registersaas.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/useradministration/manageusers.js"></script>
        <script src="../static/useradministration/rolemanagement.js"></script>
```

```
<script src="../static/saasadmindashboard/saasadmindashboard.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/saasadmindashboard/buildnodes.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/saasadmindashboard/buildnodeusers.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/saasadmindashboard/managesaasuser.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/saasadminusermanagement/saasadminusermgmt.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/nfvisetup.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/physicalsetupwizard/torswitch.js"></script>
      <script src="../static/blueprintsetup/openstacksetupwizard/vtssetup.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/rbacutilities/rbacutility.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/changepassword/changepassword.js"></script>
       <script src="../static/passwordreconfigure/passwordreconfigure.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/openstackconfigreconfigure/openstackconfigreconfigure.js"></script>
       <script
src="../static/reconfigureoptionalservices/reconfigureoptionalservices.js"></script>
```

5. VIM Insight Autobackup: Insight will invoke Insight Autobackup as a daemon process. Autobackup is taken as an incremental backups of database and /opt/cisco/insight/mgmt_certs dir if there is any change.

You can check the status of Insight Autobackup service:

VIM UM Admin Login for Standalone Setup

For security reasons, the Insight Admin logs in to the UI with which UM is bootstrapped and Add users. Insight Admin needs to add new users as Pod Admin.

Registration of UM Admin to UM

- **Step 1** Enter the following address on the browser: https://
br api>:9000.
- Step 2 Enter the Email ID and Password. The Email ID should be the one specified as 'UI_ADMIN_EMAIL_ID in insight_setup_data.yaml during bootstrap. The Password for UI Admins are generated at:

 /opt/cisco/insight/secrets.yaml and key is 'UI_ADMIN_PASSWORD'. If LDAP mode is True and LDAP user attribute is set to uid, login with LDAP user id credentials.
- Step 3 Click Login as UI Admin User. You will be redirected to Insight UI Admin Dashboard.

VIM UM Pod Admin Login for Standalone Setup

- **Step 1** Log in as Insight UM.
- Step 2 Navigate to Manage Pod Admin and click Add Pod Admin.
- Step 3 Enter a new Email ID in Add Pod Admin pop-up.
- **Step 4** Enter the username of the Pod Admin.
- **Step 5** Click **Save**. User Registration mail is sent to a newly added Pod Admin with a token.
- **Step 6** Click the URL with token and if token is valid then Pod Admin is redirected to Insight-Update Password page.
- **Step 7** Enter new password and then confirm the same password.
- Step 8 Click Submit.



Installing Cisco VIM through Cisco VIM Unified Management

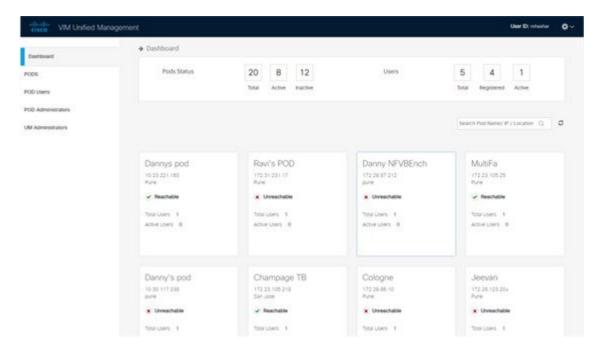
The VIM UM has an UI admin, who has the privilege to manage the UI offering. The Insight UI admin, has the rights to add the right users as Pod administrators. Post bootstrap, the URL for the UI will be: https://br_api:9000.

The following topics helps you to install and configure Cisco Virtual Infrastructure Manager with VIM Insight:

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- Unified Management (UM) Administrator, on page 255
- Registering New Pod to Insight, on page 256
- Configuring OpenStack Installation, on page 257
- Post Installation Features for Active Blueprint, on page 359

Unified Management Dashboard

When you login as UM admin, you will be redirected to the UM admin Dashboard.



The UM dashboard displays the following information about the pods it is currently managing:

Pod Status

- Active Number of Pods which has health status OK (Example: Mgmt Node health of the pod is good).
- Inactive Number of Pods whose health status is not good (Example: Mgmt Node health of the pod is not good).
- Total number of Pods Number of Pods registered in the system.

Pod Users

- Total Total number of users registered who are associated with at-least one Pod.
- Registered Number of users who have completed the registration process and are associated with at-least one Pod.
- Active Number of Online users who are associated with at-least one Pod.

You can see the list of Pod with its Pod name, description, IP address, location, Pod status along with the Total users and Active users of each pod. You can search for a Pod using Name, IP and location in the search option.

If you click **Get health of current nodes icon (spin)** it does the health check of the Pod.

Pods

Pods allows you to check the health status (indicated through green and red dot) of the pod respectively.

To fetch the latest health status, click **Refresh** which is at the upper right corner.

• Green dot – Pod is reachable and health is good.

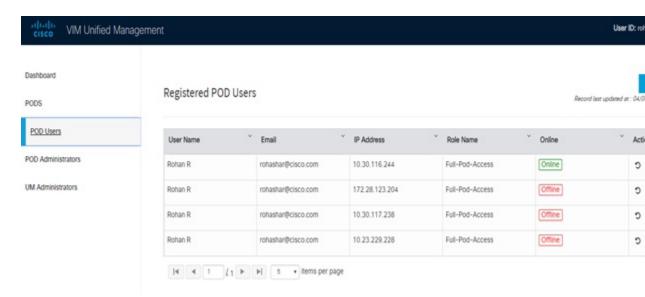
• Red dot – Pod is not reachable.

Pod Users

The Pod Users page, gives you the details associated the pod, status (Online or Offline) and their Roles.

UM admin has the right to manage all Pod users in the system. The user with UM admin access can manage the following actions:

- Revoke User's permission from a specific Pod.
- Delete User from the system.



Revoking User

UM admin revokes the user's permission from a Pod by clicking (undo) icon. If the user is the only user with a Full-Pod-Access role for that particular Pod, then the revoke operation is not permitted. In this case, another user is granted with a Full-Pod-Access role for that Pod and then proceeds with revoking the old user.



Note

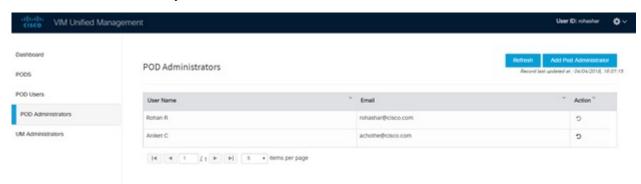
If the user is revoked from the last associated Pod, then the user is deleted from the system.

Deleting Users

UM admin can delete any user from the system by clicking **X** from an Action column. The delete operation is not permitted if the user has Full-Pod-Access. In, such case another user is granted with *Full-Pod-Access* role for that Pod and then proceed with deleting the old user. UM admin must revoke respective permission first and then proceed further.

Pod Administrator

Pod admins are the users who has the permission to register new Pods in the system. UM admin can add any number of Pod admins in the system.



Adding Pod Admin

- Step 1 Log in as UI Admin and navigate to POD Administrator page.
- Step 2 Click Add Pod Administrator.
- **Step 3** Select User auth for the new user. This option is enabled only if LDAP mode is true.
- **Step 4** Enter the Email ID/LDAP user id (if LDAP user attribute is set to uid) of the user.
 - If the email is already registered, the **Username** gets populated automatically.
 - If the email is not registered, an email is sent to the user email ID with the verification token. If User auth is set as LDAP, no verification token email is sent.
- **Step 5** Navigate to https://br api :9000.
- **Step 6** Enter the **Email ID** and **Password** of the Pod Admin
- **Step 7** Click **Login as Pod User**. It redirects to the landing page where the Pod admin can register a new Pod.

Revoking Pod Admin

UM admin can revoke Pod admin's permission anytime. To revoke Pod admin permission for the user, click **undo** icon.



Note

You cannot revoke self permission.

Unified Management (UM) Administrator

UM admins have the access to the UM profile. Only a UM admin can add another UM admin in the system. There should be at least one UM admin in the system.



Adding UM Admin

To add a UM admin perform the following steps.

- **Step 1** Log in as **UI Admin** and navigate to UM Administrator page.
- Step 2 Click Add UM Administrator.
- **Step 3** Select User auth for the new user. This option is enabled only if LDAP mode is true.
- **Step 4** Enter the Email ID/ LDAP user id (if LDAP user attribute is set to uid) of the user.
 - If email is already registered, the **Username** gets populated automatically.
 - If email is not registered, an email is sent to the user email ID with the verification token. If User auth is set as LDAP, no verification token email is sent.
- **Step 5** Navigate to https://br api: 9000.
- **Step 6** Enter the Email ID and Password of the UM Admin.
- Step 7 Click Log in as UM admin to view the UM dashboard.

Revoking UM Admin

UM admin can revoke another UM admin's permission. To revoke UM Admin permission for any user, click **undo** icon.



Note

You cannot revoke a self's permission. You can revoke a user if the user is not associated with any pod. After, revoking the user is deleted from the system.

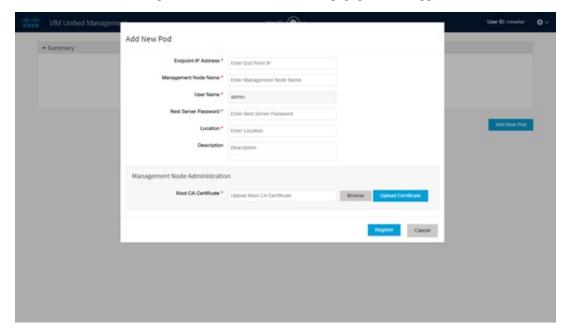
Registering New Pod to Insight

Following are the steps that are required for UI Admin to register a Pod Admin:

Before you begin

UI Admin has to register a Pod Admin to allow the user to access a pod.

- **Step 1** Log in as **UM Administrator**.
- Step 2 Navigate to Pod Administrator and click Add Pod Admin.
- Step 3 Enter the Email ID and the Password of the Pod Admin and click Login as Pod User. Then, you will be redirected to the landing page.
- Step 4 Click Add New Pod to register a Pod. The Add New Pod popup window appears on the screen.



- Step 5 Enter the br_api of the pod management node as the Endpoint IP Address and Rest Server Password from the file /opt/cisco/ui_config.json.
- **Step 6** Enter the values for the remaining fields in **Add New Pod**.
- **Step 7** Click **Browse** to select the Root CA certificate.

For more information on Root CA certificate, see Managing Root CA Certificate

- **Step 8** Click **Upload Certificate** to upload the selected Root CA certificate.
- **Step 9** Click **Register** to start the Pod registration.

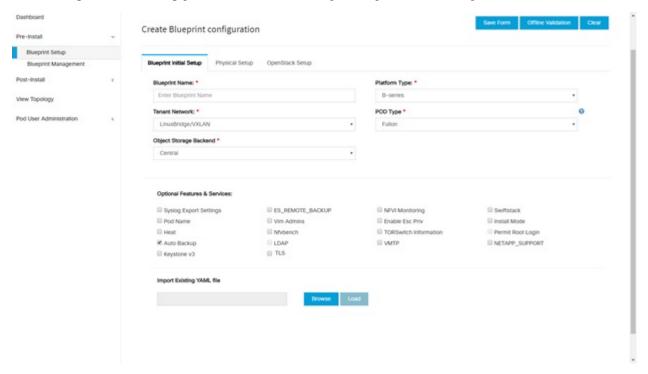
The newly created Pod appears on the landing page.

Configuring OpenStack Installation

Before you begin

You need to create a Blueprint (B or C Series) to initiate OpenStack Installation through the VIM.

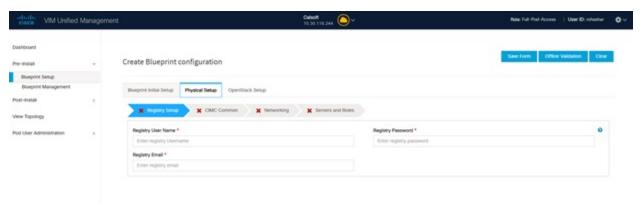
- **Step 1** In the navigation pane, choose **Pre-Install** > **Blueprint Setup**.
- **Step 2** To create a **B Series Blueprint**:
 - 1. On the Blueprint Initial Setup pane of the Cisco VIM Insight, complete the following fields:



| Name | Description |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Blueprint Name field | Enter blueprint configuration name. |
| Platform Type drop-down list | Choose one of the following platform types: • B-Series (By default) choose B series for this section. • C-Series |
| Tenant Network drop-down list | Choose tenant network type: OVS/VLAN |

| Name | Description |
|---|--|
| Pod Type drop-down list | Choose one of the following pod types: |
| | • Fullon(By Default) |
| Ceph Mode drop-down list | Choose one of the following Ceph types: |
| | Dedicated |
| | Central (By Default) - Not supported in Production |
| Optional Features and Services Checkbox | Swiftstack, LDAP, Syslog Export Settings, Install Mode, ToR Switch Information, TLS, NFVMON, Pod Name, VMTP, NFV Bench, Auto-backup, Heat, Ceilometer, Keystone v3, Enable Esc Priv, Enable TTY logging, SNMP, ManagementNode_CloudAPI_Reachability. |
| | If any one is selected, the corresponding section is visible in various Blueprint sections. SNMP requires CVIM-MON to be enabled. |
| | By default, all features are disabled except Auto-backup and Management Node_CloudAPI_Reachability. |
| | Select Enable Read-only OpenStack Admins to add a custom role with read-only admin privileges to OpenStack resources. |
| Import Existing YAML file | Click Browse button to import the existing yaml file. |
| | If you have an existing B Series YAML file you can use this feature to upload the file. |
| | Unified Management automatically fill in the fields and if any mandatory field is missed then it gets highlighted in the respective section. |

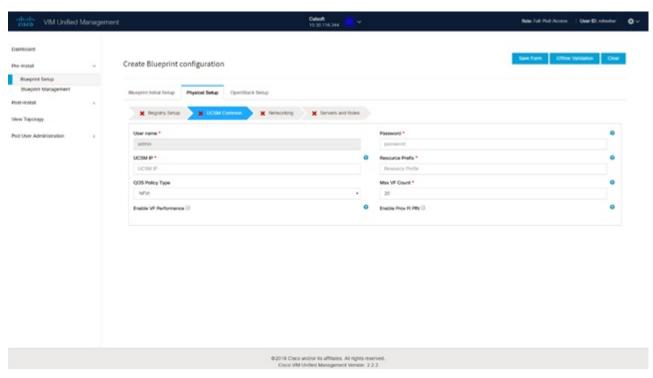
2. Click **Physical Setup** to navigate to the **Registry Setup** configuration page. Fill in the following details for Registry Setup:



| Name | Description |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Registry User Name text field | Enter the User-Name for Registry (Mandatory). |
| Registry Password text field | Enter the Password for Registry (Mandatory). |
| Registry Email text field | Enter the Email ID for Registry (Mandatory). |

Once all mandatory fields are filled the Validation Check Registry Pane shows a Green Tick.

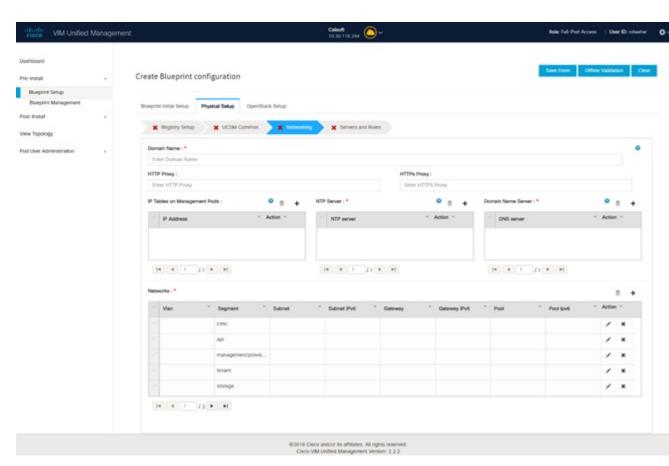
3. Click UCSM Common Tab and complete the following fields:



| Name | Description |
|----------------------------|---|
| User name disabled field | By default the value is Admin. |
| Password text field | Enter Password for UCSM Common (Mandatory). |
| UCSM IP text field | Enter IP Address for UCSM Common (Mandatory). |
| Resource Prefix text field | Enter the resource prefix(Mandatory). |
| QOS Policy Type drop-down | Choose one of the following types: |
| | • NFVI (Default) |
| | • Media |
| | |

| Name | Description |
|---|---|
| Max VF Count text field | Select the Max VF Count. |
| | <1-54> Maximum VF count 54, default is 20. |
| | If VF performance is enabled we recommend you to keep MAX_VF_COUNT to 20 else may fail on some VICs like 1240. |
| Enable VF Performance optional checkbox | Default is false. Set to true to apply adaptor policy at VF level. |
| Enable Prov FI PIN optional checkbox | Default is false. |
| MRAID-CARD optional checkbox | Enables JBOD mode to be set on disks. Applicable only if you have RAID controller configured on Storage C240 Rack servers. |
| Enable UCSM Plugin optional checkbox | Visible when Tenant Network type is OVS/VLAN. |
| Enable QoS Policy optional checkbox | Visible only when UCSM Plugin is enabled. If UCSM Plugin is disabled then this option is set to False. |
| Enable QOS for Port Profile optional checkbox | Visible only when UCSM Plugin is enabled. |
| SRIOV Multi VLAN Trunk optional grid | Visible when UCSM Plugin is enabled. Enter the values for network and vlans ranges. Grid can handle all CRUD operations such as Add, Delete, Edit and, Multiple Delete. |

4. Click **Networking** to advance to the networking section of the Blueprint:



| Name | Description |
|------------------------------|---|
| Domain Name field | Enter the domain name (Mandatory). |
| HTTP Proxy Server field | If your configuration uses an HTTP proxy server, enter the IP address of the server. |
| HTTPS Proxy Server field | If your configuration uses an HTTPS proxy server, enter the IP address of the server. |
| IP Tables on Management Pods | Specifies the list of IP Address with Mask. |
| NTP Server | Enter a maximum of four and minimum of one IPv4 and /or IPv6 addresses in the table. |
| Domain Name Server | Enter a maximum of three and minimum of one IPv4 and/or IPv6 addresses. |

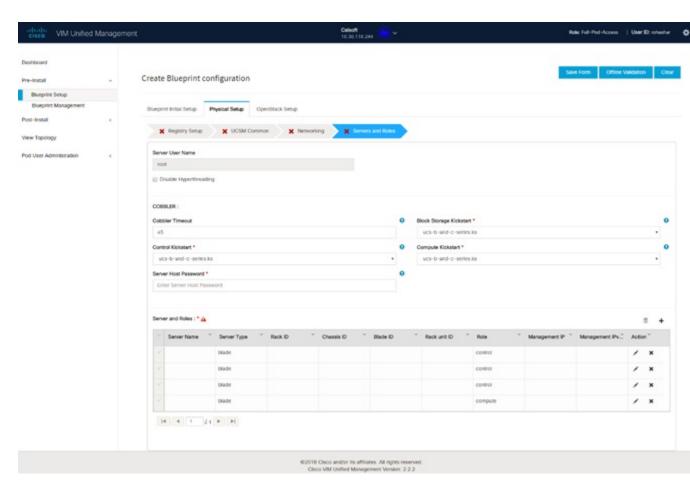
| Name | Description | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Network options | This section is accessible only if ToR type is Cisco NCS 5500. | |
| | vxlan-tenant: | |
| | • Provider network name: It is a unique name. | |
| | • BGP AS num: Takes value between 1 and 65535. | |
| | BGP Peers: Enter the peer route reflector IPs (IPs to be comma separated) | |
| | BGP router ID: The router ID is used for local GoBGP cluster. | |
| | Head-end replication (Optional): You can add VTEP IP address and comma separated VNI IDs. Multiple entries are allowed. | |
| | Note VXLAN-TENANT is allowed only when NETWORK_OPTIONS is vxlan network. The IPs defined belong to the vxlan-tenant network, but are not part of the vxlan-tenant network pool. | |
| | VXLAN-ECN: | |
| | • Provider network name: It is the unique name. | |
| | BGP AS num: It takes the value between 1 and 65535. | |
| | BGP Peers: Enter the peer route reflector IPs. (IP to be comma separated) | |
| | BGP router ID: The router ID is used for local GoBGP cluster. | |
| | Head-end replication (Optional): You can add VTEP IP address and comma separated VNI IDs. Multiple entries are allowed. | |
| | Note • You cannot have VXLAN-ECN without vxlan-tenant segment defined, however vxlan-tenant can be defined standalone. | |
| | Ensure that you take care while choosing single or multi-VXLAN (two-VXLAN) option as this is a day-0 configuration. | |
| | VXLAN_ECN is allowed only when NETWORK_OPTIONS is vxlan network. The IPs defined belong to the vxlan-ecn network, but are not part of the vxlan-ecn network pool. | |

| Name | Description |
|---------------|-------------|
| Network table | |

Name **Description** Network table is pre-populated with segments. To add Networks you can either clear all the table using Delete All or click Edit icon for each segment and fill in the You can add, edit, or delete network information in the table: Edit Network • Click + to enter new entries (networks) to the table. • Specify the following fields in the **Edit Entry to** Networks dialog box. Name **Description** VLAN field Enter the VLAN ID. For Segment - Provider, the VLAN ID value is always none. Segment drop-down list You can select any one segment from the drop-down list. • API Management/Provision • Tenant • CIMC • Storage External

| Name | Description | |
|------|--------------------|--|
| | Name | Description |
| | | • Provider (optional) |
| | | Note Some segments do not need some of the values listed in the preceding points. |
| | Subnet field | Enter the IPv4 address for the subnet. |
| | IPv6 Subnet field | Enter IPv6 address. This field is available only for Management provision and API. |
| | Gateway field | Enter the IPv4 address for the Gateway. |
| | IPv6 Gateway field | Enter IPv6 gateway. This field is available only for Management provision and API network. |
| | Pool field | Enter the pool information in the following format. For example: 10.30.1.1 or 10.30.1.1 to 10.30.1.12 |
| | IPv6 Pool field | Enter the pool information in the following format. For example: 10.1.15-10.1.1.10,102.1.5-102.1.10 This field is only available for the Mgmt/Provision. |
| | Click Save. | 1 |

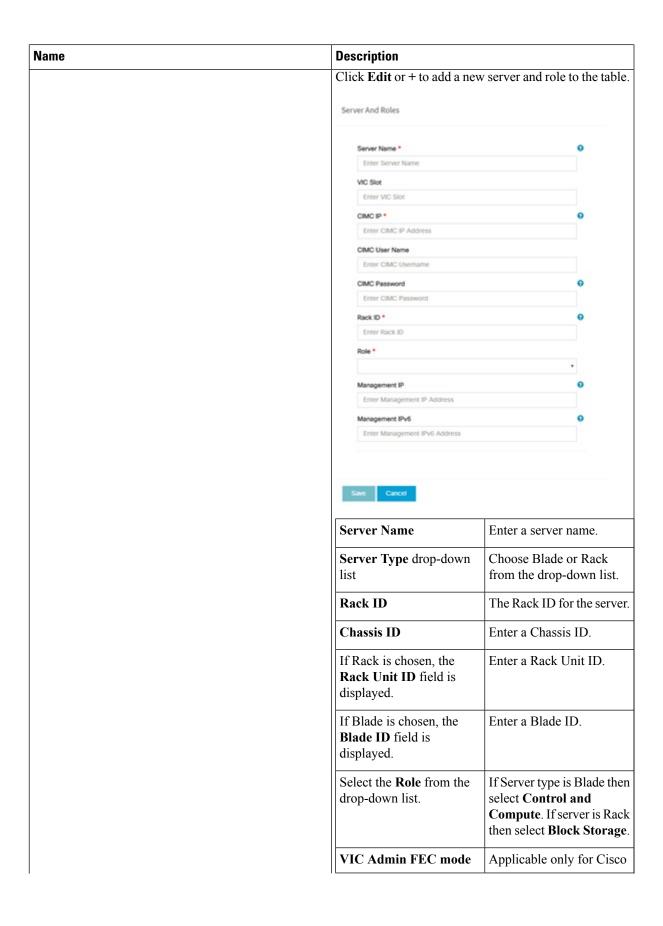
5. On the **Servers and Roles** page of the Cisco VIM Suite wizard, you see a pre-populated table filled with Roles: Control, Compute and Block Storage (Only if CEPH Dedicated is selected in Blueprint Initial Setup.



| Name | Description |
|------------------------|--|
| Server User Name field | Enter the username of the server. |
| Disable Hyperthreading | Default value is false. You can set it as true or false. |

| Name | Description | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Cobbler | Enter the Cobbler details in | Enter the Cobbler details in the following fields: | |
| | Name | Description | |
| | Cobbler Timeout field | The default value is 45 min. | |
| | | This is an optional parameter. Timeout is displayed in minutes, and its value ranges from 30 to 120. | |
| | Block Storage Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Storage Node. | |
| | Admin Password Hash field | Enter the Admin Password. Password must be Alphanumeric. Password should contain minimum 8 characters and maximum of 32 characters. | |
| | Cobbler Username field | Enter the cobbler username to access the cobbler server. | |
| | Control Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Control Node. | |
| | Compute Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Compute Node. | |
| | Cobbler Admin Username field | Enter the admin username of the Cobbler. | |

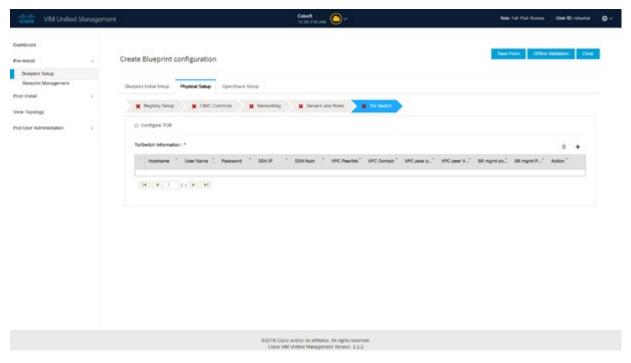
| Name | Description |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Add Entry to Servers and Roles | |



| Name | Description | |
|------|--------------------------|--|
| | | VIC that supports to change the admin FEC mode.Can be auto/off/cl74/cl91 |
| | VIC Port Channel Enable | Optional. By default, it is true. Can be either true or false. |
| | Secure Computing mode | Optional. By default, it is set to 1, if not defined. Can be either 0 or 1. |
| | Management IP | It is an optional field but if provided for one server then it is mandatory to provide details for other Servers as well. |
| | Storage IP | It is an optional field, but if provided for one server then it is mandatory to provide details for other servers. |
| | Management IPv6 | Enter the Management IPv6 Address. |
| | Vtep IPs | Two input fields for vxlan-tenant and vxlan-ecn ips are available, for any node having compute role, vxlan-tenant and vxlan-ecn in network option. |
| | BGP management addresses | Two input fields for vxlan-tenant and vxlan-ecn ips, are available for any node having control role and having vxlan-tenant and vxlan-ecn in network option. |
| | | IPs must be from management subnet, but not from the pool. |
| | trusted_vf | Optional and not reconfigurable. Applicable only for SRIOV node with compute role for C-series pod. |

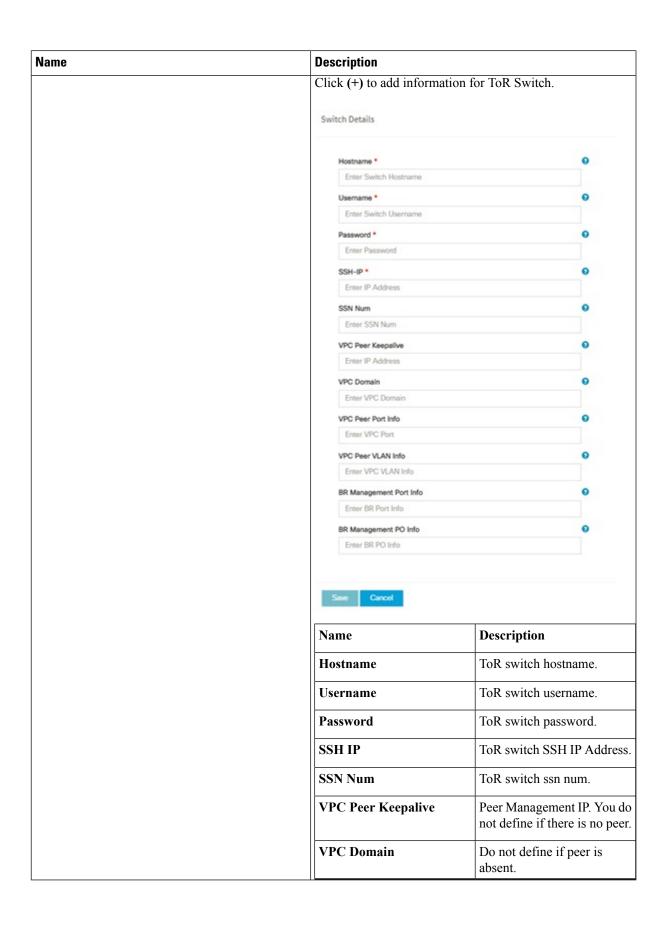
| Name | Description |
|------|-------------|
| | Click Save. |

6. Click **ToR Switch** checkbox in **Blueprint Initial Setup** to enable the **TOR SWITCH** configuration page. It is an **Optional** section in Blueprint Setup, but when all the fields are filled it is a part of the Blueprint.



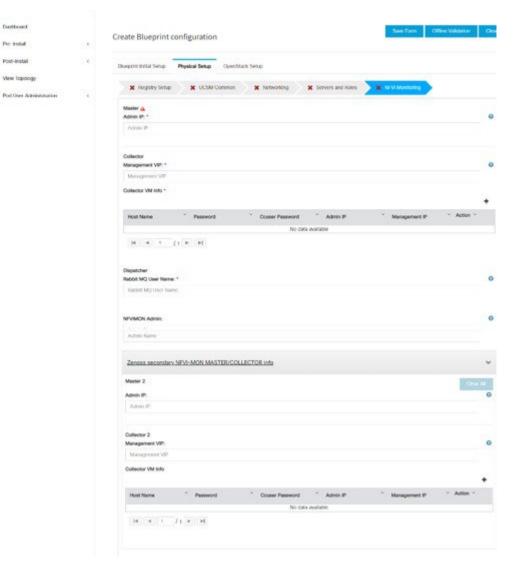
| Name | Description |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Configure ToR optional checkbox. | Enabling this checkbox, changes the configure ToR section from false to true. |

| Name | Description |
|--|-------------|
| ToR Switch Information mandatory table. | |



| Name | Description | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| | VPC Peer Port Info | Interface for vpc peer ports. |
| | BR Management Port Info | Management interface of the management node. |
| | BR Management PO Info | Port channel number for management interface of the management node. |
| | ClickSave. | |
| On clicking save button, Add ToR Info Connected to Fabric field is visible. | Port Channel field. | Enter the Port Channel input. |
| | Switch Name field. | Enter the name of the Switch. |

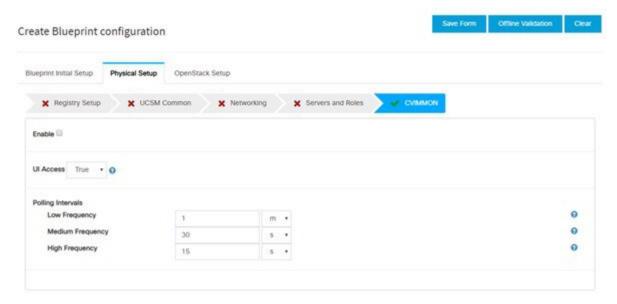
7. Click **NFVI Monitoring** checkbox in Blueprint Initial Setup to enable the NFVI Monitoring configuration tab.



| Name | Description |
|----------------------------|---|
| Master - Admin IP | IP Address of Control Center VM |
| Collector - Management VIP | VIP for ceilometer/dispatcher to use, must be unique across VIM Pod |
| Master 2 | Optional, but becomes mandatory if collector 2 is defined. Must contain valid admin IP. |
| Collector 2 | Collector 2 is secondary set of collector. All the properties must be present as collector. Optional, but becomes mandatory if Master 2 is defined. Contains management VIP and collector VM information. |
| NFVIMON ADMIN | Optional and reconfigurable to add/update user id. Once enabled, you must have only one admin. |

| Name | Description |
|---------------------------|---|
| Host Name | Hostname of Collector VM |
| Password | Password of Collector VM |
| CCUSER Password | Password of CCUSER |
| Admin IP | SSH IP of Collector VM |
| Management IP | Management IP of Collector VM |
| Collector ToR Connections | Click on (+) icon to Add Collector ToR Connections. Select the ToR switches from list to add the information. It is optional and available for ToR type NCS-5500 For now, it supports adding only one Collector ToR Connection Add Collector Tor Connections Salect Tor whitch for connections Salect Tor whitch for connections Switch- test-torhoustrame * Output Error Port Information |
| | Port Channel Enter port channel. |
| | Switch - Enter port number, E.g:eth1/15. |
| | Click Save |
| Rabbit MQ User Name | Enter Rabbit MQ username. |

8. Click **CVIMMON** option in Blueprint Initial Setup to enable the CVIMMON configuration tab.



CVIM-MON is a built-in infrastructure monitoring service based on telegraf/prometheus/grafana.

When enabled, the telegraf service will be deployed on every node on the pod to capture infrastructure level stats (CPU, memory, network, containers, and so on) and a Prometheus server will be installed on the management node to poll for these stats and store them in its time series database. The statistics can then be viewed using the grafana server that is accessible on the management node at port 3000 (password protected).

There are three levels of polling intervals which are used by different telegraf plugins:

- Low frequency interval is used to collect system level metrics like cpu, memory
- Medium frequency interval is used to collect docker metrics
- High frequency interval is used to collect rabbitmq metrics

Defining polling intervals in setup data is optional, if not defined the default values will be used

PODNAME is required when CVIM-MON is enabled

| Name | Description |
|----------------------------|--|
| Enable | Default is False |
| UI-Access | Indicates either True or False. If this option is set in setupdata with a value, the same value is shown as selected in the drop-down list. If this option is not set in the setupdata, the default value of True is selected in the drop-down list. |
| Central | Optional, if not defined it will default to False; With this option enabled, User will get central CVIM-MON |
| Polling Intervals | |
| Low frequency - deprecated | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 1 minute (1m) if not defined defaults to 1m, also it needs to be higher than medium interval.</integer> |

| Name | Description |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Medium frequency - deprecated | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 30 seconds (30s) if not defined defaults to 30s, also it needs to be higher than high interval.</integer> |
| High frequency | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 10 seconds (10s) if not defined defaults to 10s.</integer> |

While CVIM-MON checkbox is checked in Blueprint Initial setup, there is a checkbox provided in the CVIM-MON tab area for enabling the SNMP feature. When user check this enable SNMP checkbox, Add a Manager button appears in the right area.

Clicking on this button shows various fields related to that manager. User can add up to three SNMP managers.

| Name | Description |
|----------------|--|
| Address | IPv4 or IPv6 address of the remote SNMP manager, unique across all managers |
| Port | Port (1-65535) to sent the traps; default 162, unique across all managers |
| Version | SNMP version of the manager; default 'v2c' |
| Community | For SNMPv2c. Community name; default 'public' |
| Engine_Id | For SNMPv3. ContextEngineId, min length of 5, max length of 32, unique across all managers; cannot we all 00s or FFs |
| Users | List of users; maximum: 3 |
| Name | Username has to be unique across users for the same manager |
| auth_key | Need to be min of 8 chars |
| authentication | Authentication protocol; default: 'SHA' |
| privacy_key | Encryption password; by default uses the same as the authentication |
| encryption | Encryption protocol; default: 'AES128' |

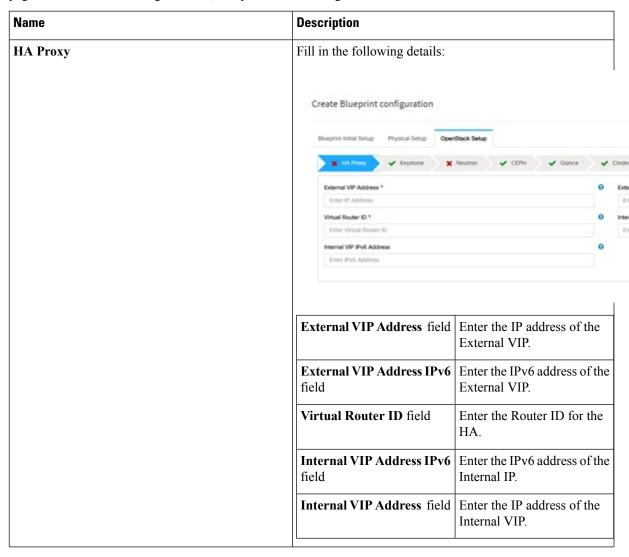
If CVIM-MON is enabled and Platform type is C, then an optional feature to get SNMP traps from Cisco CIMC is available in the CVIM-MON tab area. With this new feature SERVER_MON, there is a checkbox to enable or disable this feature and an input field to provide host information. You can either add comma separated server information or can have ALL to include all the servers.

Table 24:

| Name | Description |
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| Enable | True/False |

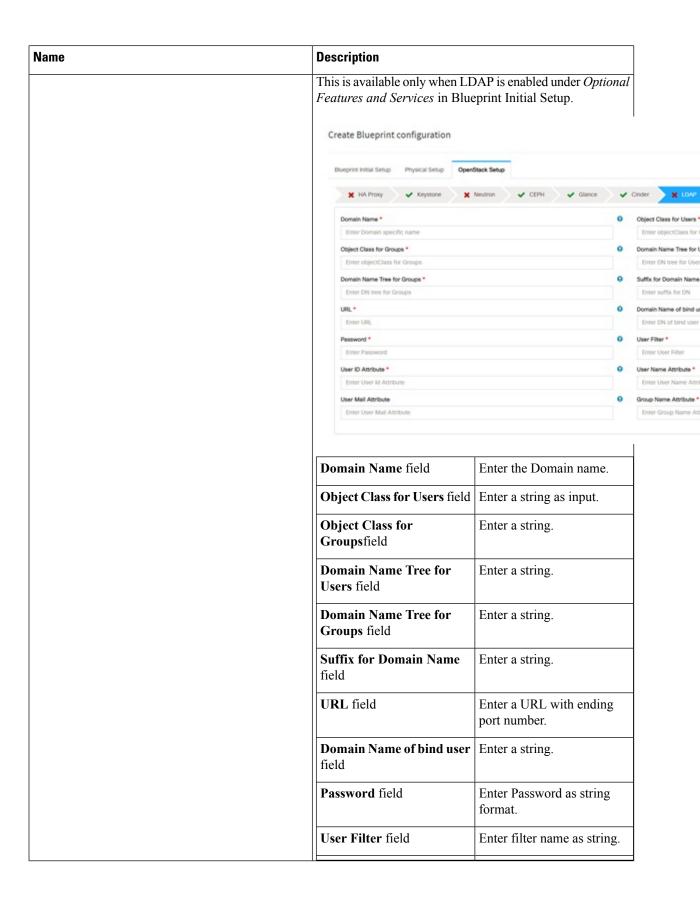
| Name | Description |
|------------------------|---|
| Host information | ALL or list of servers. |
| Remote syslog severity | Optional. Indicates if cime is programmed to send rsyslog events with this minimum severity. |
| | Possible syslog severity values are: <'emergency' 'alert' 'critical' 'error' 'warning' 'notice' 'informational' 'debug'>. These are optional and values can be changed. |

9. Click **OpenStack Setup** tab to advance to the OpenStack Setup Configuration page. On the **OpenStack Setup** page of the Cisco VIM Insight wizard, complete the following fields:



| | | Description | Name |
|----------------|----------------------------|--|----------|
| on | ated field values. This op | The following are the Pre-populis always set to be true. | Keystone |
| | | Create Blueprint configuration | |
| | x Setup | Blueprint Initial Setup Physical Setup OpenSta | |
| Cinder | tron 🗸 CEPH 🗸 Glance | X HA Prony X New | |
| Admin Tenant I | | Admin Username * | |
| admin | | admin | |
| EMEC IP A | | Enter VYTUM Router ID | |
| 0 | | Internal VIP IPv6 Address | |
| | | Enter IPv6 Address | |
| ı | | -2 | |
| | admin | Admin Username field | |
| | admin | Admin Tenant Name field | |
| _ | admin | Admin Tenant Name field | |

| Name | | Description |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| LDAP Note | (Only if Keystonev3 is enabled) This option is only available with | |
| | Keystone v3 | |



| Name | Description | Description | | |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| | User ID Attribute field | Enter a string. | | |
| | User Name Attribute field | Enter a string. | | |
| | User Mail Attribute field | Enter a string. | | |
| | Group Name Attribute field | Enter a string. | | |
| | Group_filter field | It is optional. Enter a string. | | |
| | Group Member Attribute field. | It is optional. Enter a string. | | |
| | Group Id Attribute field | It is optional. Enter a string. | | |
| | Group Members Are Ids field. | It is optional. Enter True or False | | |

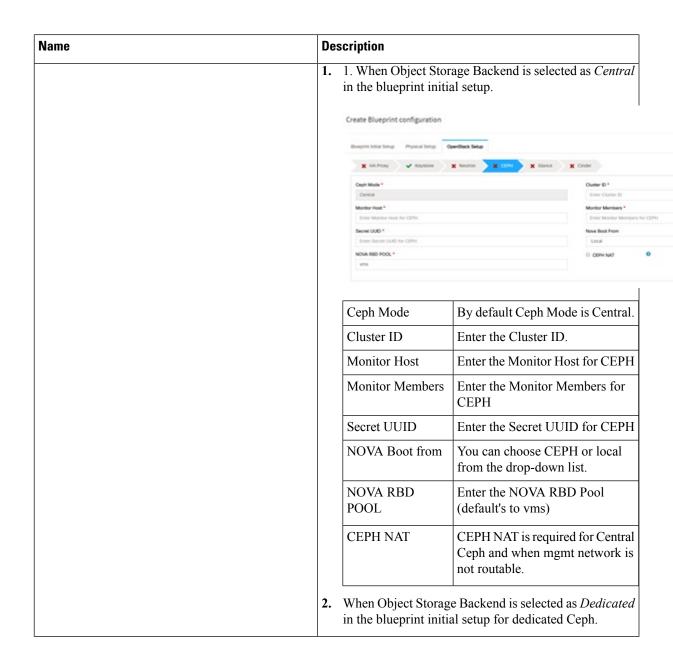
| Name | Description | |
|---------|-------------|--|
| Neutron | | |

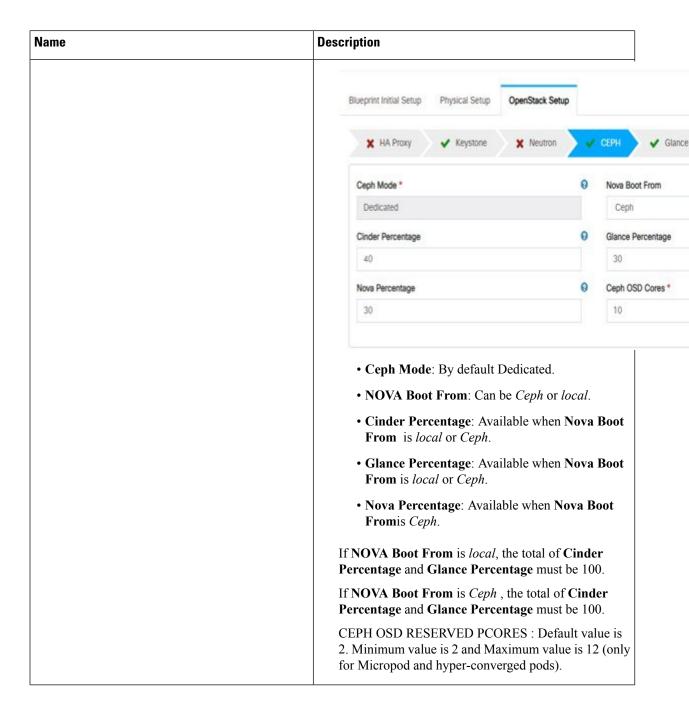
| Name | Description | | | |
|------|--|---|-------------------------------|--|
| | Neutron fields change on the basis of <i>Tenant Network Type</i> selection from Blueprint Initial Setup . Following are the options available for Neutron for OVS/VLAN: | | | |
| | Create Blueprint configuration Stueprint Initial Setup Physical Setup OpenStack Setup | | | |
| | | | | |
| | X HA Proxy ✓ Keystone | ✓ CEHI ✓ Glance ✓ | Cinder > 3 | |
| | Tenant Network Type * VLAN | | Mechanism Dri | |
| | NPV Hosts * | | Tenant VLAN F | |
| | Compute Name - | | Enter Tenant | |
| | Enable Jumbo Frames | | Provider VLAN | |
| | Tenant Network Type field | It is Auto-filled based on Tenant Network Typesele in the Blueprint Initial Sepage. | | |
| | Mechanism Drivers field | It is Auto-filled based on t Tenant Network Type selected in Blueprint Initia Setup page. | | |
| | NFV Hosts field | It is auto-filled with the compute you added in Se and Roles. | | |
| | | If you select All in the section NFV_HOSTS is added to the Bluep you can select one pacompute. For example | S: ALL rint or rticular | |
| | | NFV_HOSTS: compute-server-1, compute-server-2. | | |
| | ENABLE_CAT | Optional to enable In CAT. It is valid only NFV Host is enabled default, it is set to fall | when . By | |
| | RSHMDI3CACHINSHRSOCHT | Allowed value of reserved cache lines per socket is between 1 and 32. It is va only when ENABLE_CA' is set to True. | | |

| Name | Description | | |
|------|--|--|--|
| | Tenant VLAN Ranges field | List of ranges separated by comma form start:end. | |
| | Provider VLAN Ranges field | List of ranges separated by comma form start:end. | |
| | VM Hugh Page Size (available for NFV_HOSTS option) field | 2M or 1G | |
| | Enable Jumbo Frames field | Enable the checkbox. | |
| | Enable VM Emulator Pin | Optional, when NFV_HOSTS is enabled. | |
| | | When a VM is spawned with this parameter enabled, NOVA allocates additional vCPU on top of the vCPU count specified in the flavor, and pin vCPU0 to the pCPU that is reserved in the pool. | |
| | VM Emulator PCORES Per Socket | • Optional, if ENABLE_VM_EMULAIOR_PN is enabled. | |
| | | Enter the number of cores per socket. | |
| | | • Defaults to 1. Can be in the range of 1 to 4. | |
| | Base MAC Address | | |

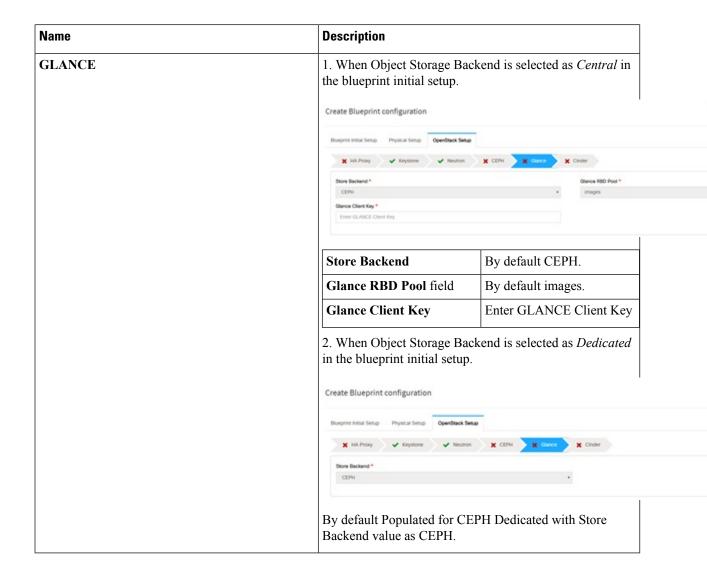
| Name | Description | | |
|------|--|---|--|
| | | Option for virtual machine MAC addresses. You can configure DHCP reservations for them so that they always get the same IP address regardless of the host hypervisor or operating system that is running. | |
| | | If the MAC address ends with 00:00, | |
| | | • First entry of the first octect must be a Hex | |
| | | • Second entry of the first octect must be 2, 6, a or e | |
| | | For example, [a-f][2,6,a,e]:yz:uv:ws:00:00 | |
| | Nova Opt for low latency | Optional. You can enable additional real time optimizations in OpenStack NOVA. | |
| | | By default, it is set to False | |
| | For Tenant Network Type, Linux Bridge everything remather the same but Tenant VLAN Ranges is removed. | | |

| Name | Description |
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| Name | Description | |
|--------|--|------------------------------------|
| Name . | 3. When Object Storage Backend is select the blueprint initial setup, the Create Blueprint configuration Discourse Install Setup | eted as NetApp in |
| | Glance Percentage 40 | 0 |
| | Ceph Mode: NetApp is selected Cinder Percentage: Enter Cinde Ceph. Glance Percentage: Enter glance Ceph Total of Cinder Percentage and Glanmust be 100. | er percentage for e percentage for |





| Name | Description |
|--|-------------|
| VMTP | |
| VMTP optional section will only be visible once VMTP is selected from Blueprint Initial Setup. | |

| Description | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------|---|--|
| Check one of the check box | Check one of the check boxes to specify a VMTP network: | | | |
| Provider Network | Provider Network | | | |
| • External Network | • External Network | | | |
| For the Provider Network | complete the following | g: | | |
| Provider Network | | | | |
| Network Name * | | 0 | Carrie Const. State Const. | |
| Enter Network Name | | | Subnet * ©IPV4 #IPV Enter Subnet for IPV | |
| Landan Santa Control | | • | 200000000000000000000000000000000000000 | |
| Network IP Start * Enter IP Address | | 0 | Network IP End * Enter IP Address | |
| | | | | |
| Network Gateway * | | 0 | DNS Server * | |
| Enter Network Gateway | | | Enter DNS Server | |
| Segmentation ID * | | 0 | IPV6 Mode | |
| Enter Segmentation ID from 2 to 4094 | | | Select IPV6 MODE | |
| VNIC Type | | 0 | PHYSNET NAME | |
| direct | | | phys_prov_fia | |
| | T | | | |
| Network Name field | Enter the name of t | he | | |
| | provider network. | | | |
| IPv4 Or IPv6 field | Select either IPv4 o | or II | Pv6 | |
| Subnet field | Enter the Subnet for Provider Network. | | ovider | |
| Network IP Start field | Enter the start of the IPv4/IPv6 address. | e flo | pating | |
| Network IP End field | Enter the end of the IPv4/IPv6 address. | e flo | pating | |
| Network Gatewayfield | Enter the IPv4/IPv6 for the Gateway. | 5 ad | ldress | |
| DNS Server field | Enter the DNS serv IPv4/IPV6 address. | | | |
| Segmentation ID field | Enter the segmenta | tior | ı ID. | |
| IPv6 Mode field | Enter the IPv6 addr with the prefix, if II option is selected. | | | |
| VNIC Type | For B-series, Direc default value. For C it is either 'Default 'Normal' | C −s | series, | |

| Name | Description | | |
|--|---|--|------------------|
| | PHYSNET NAME | For B-series, the value is phys_prov_fia or phys_prov_fib. For C-series, value like phys_sriov_n is found, when n is number of ports. | e |
| | For External Network fill | in the following details: | |
| | External Network | | ı |
| | Network Name * | | Subnet * |
| | Enter Network Name | | Enter Subnet |
| | Network IP Start * | | Network IP End * |
| | Enter IP Address | | Enter IP Addres |
| | Network Gateway * | | DNS Server * |
| | Enter Network Gateway | | Enter DNS Serv |
| | VNIC Type | 0 | |
| | direct | | |
| | Network Name field | Enter the name for the external network. | |
| | Subnet field | Enter the Subnet for the external Network. | |
| | Network IP Start field | Enter the start of the floatin IPv4 address. | g |
| | Network IP End field | Enter the endof the floating IPv4 address. | 5 |
| | Network Gateway field | Enter the IPv4 address for the Gateway. | |
| | DNS Server field | Enter the DNS server IPv4 address. | |
| TLS This optional section will only be visible once TLS is selected from Blueprint Initial Setup Page. | TLS has two options: • External LB VIP FQ | DN - -Text field. | |
| | • External LB VIP TL option is false. | S True/False. By default this | |

| Name | Description | |
|--|--|---|
| Under the OpenStack setup tab, Vim_admins tab will be visible only when Vim_admins is selected from the Optional Features & Services under the Blueprint Initial setup tab | non-root login. | rd, Public key or both for the must be configured when |
| | Create Blueprint configuration Blueprint Initial Setup Physical Setup | OpenStack Setup |
| | ★ HA Proxy | ✓ Neutron 🗶 CEPH 🗶 Glance Password Public key dation. |
| | | |
| | User Name | Enter username for Vim Admin. |
| | Password | Password field. Admin hash password should always start with \$6. |
| | Public Key | Public key for vim admin should always start with 'ssh-rsa AAAA' |

Name **Description** Following are the options that needs to be filled for SwiftStack optional section will be visible once SwiftStack is selected from Blueprint Initial Setup SwiftStack: Page. SwiftStack is only supported with KeyStonev2 . If you select Keystonev3, swiftstack will not be Create Blueprint configuration available for configuration. Cluster End Point field IP address of PAC (Proxy-Account-Container) endpoint. Admin User field Admin user for swift to authenticate in keystone. Admin Tenant field The service tenant corresponding to the Account-Container used by the Swiftstack. Reseller Prefix field Reseller_prefix as configured for Keysone Auth, AuthToken support in Swiftstack. Example: KEY Admin Password field swiftstack_admin_password Protocol http or https

10. For SolidFire, enter the following:

| Name | Description | |
|------|-------------|--|
| | | |

SolidFire is visible for configuration on day0
SolidFire is not allowed as a day-2 deployment option
SolidFire is always available with CEPH.

Cluster MVIP
field
Cluster.

Cluster SVIP field
Storage VIP of SolidFire cluster.

Admin Username
Admin user on SolidFire cluster

Admin Password
Admin password on SolidFire cluster.

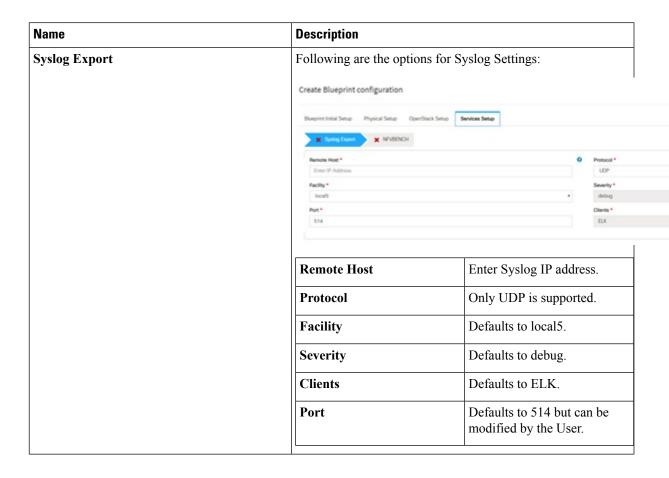
11. For NetApp, enter the following:

| Name | Decription |
|--------|---|
| NETAPP | Optional NETAPP configuration. No dedicated Ceph allowed. |

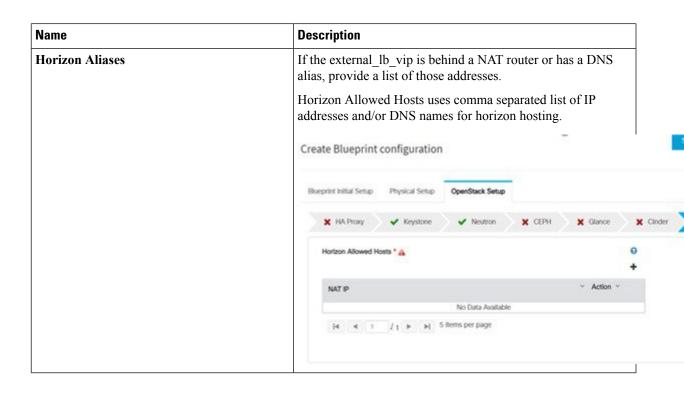
| Name | Decription | |
|------|--|--|
| | • Server Hostname: It is the IPv4/IPv6/Hostname/FQDN of NetApp management/API server. | |
| | • Server Port: It is the port of NetApp management/API server. 80 for HTTP 443 for HTTPS. | |
| | • Transport Type: It is HTTP or HTTPS. Server port depends on Transport type. | |
| | • Username : It is the username of Netapp API Server. | |
| | • Password: It is the password of NetApp API Server. | |
| | • Cinder NFS Server: It is the data path IP of NFS Server. Provide the IPv4/IPv6/Hostname/FQDN | |
| | • Cinder NFS Path: It is the path of NFS Server. | |
| | • Nova NFS Server: It is the data path IP of NOVA NFS server. Provide the IPv4/IPv6/Hostname/FQDN. | |
| | • Nova NFS Path: It is the path of NOVA NFS. | |
| | • V Server: SVM for Cinder NFS volume. Provide the IPv4/IPv6/Hostname/FQDN. | |
| | Glance NFS Server: It is the data path of glance NFS server. Provide the IPv4/IPv6/Hostname/FQDN | |
| | Glance NFS Path: It is the path of glance NFS server. | |

12. If **Syslog Export** or **NFVBENCH** is selected in **Blueprint Initial Setup**, the **Services Setup** pane is enabled for the user to view.

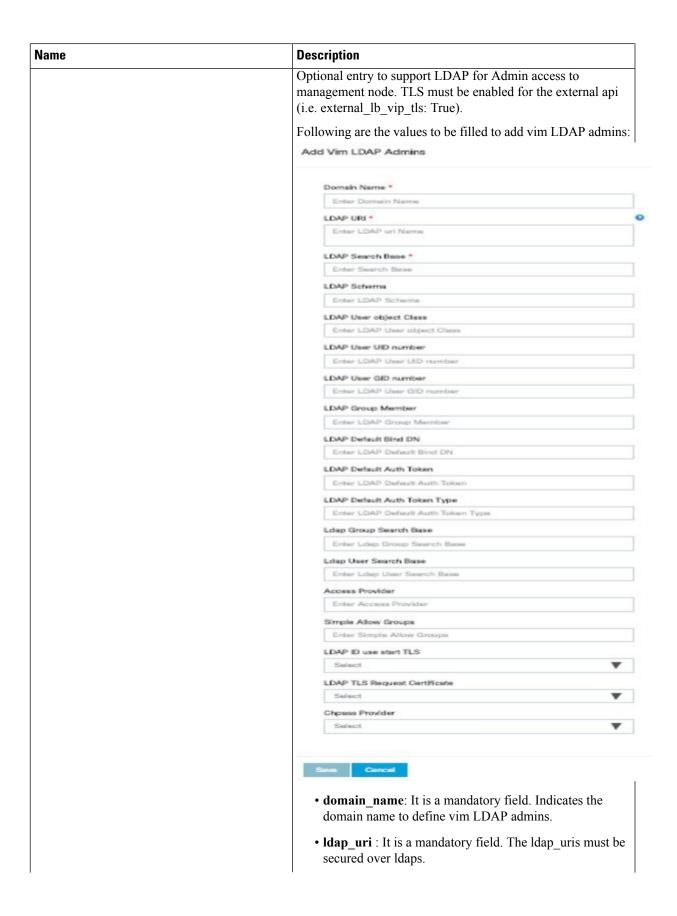
Following are the options under **Services Setup** tab:



| Name | Description |
|-----------------|--|
| NFVBENCH | NFVBENCH enable checkbox which by default is <i>False</i> . |
| | Create Blueprint configuration |
| | Blueprint Initial Setup Physical Setup OpenStack Setup Services Setup |
| | X Syslog Export X NEVELNOH |
| | □ Enable TORSWITCH details are empty, Add TORSWITCH details to configure NFVBENCH |
| | NIC Ports: INT1 • INT2 |
| | 1 |
| | Add ToR information connected to switch: |
| | Select a TOR Switch and enter the Switch name. |
| | Enter the port number. For example:eth1/5. VTEP VLANS (mandatory and needed only for VXLAN): Enter 2 different VLANs for VLAN1 and VLAN2 |
| | • NIC Ports: INT1 and INT2 optional input. Enter the 2 port numbers of the 4-port 10G Intel NIC at the management node used for the NFVbench. |
| | For mechanism driver VPP, two optional fields are available if network option is present: |
| | • VTEP IPs: It is mandatory for NFVbench with VXLAN. Comma separated IP pair in vxlan-tenant network, but not in the tenant pool. This option is not required. |
| | VNIs: It is mandatory for NFVbench with VXLAN and must be comma separated vnid_id pairs. |
| | For mechanism driver VTS: |
| | VTEP Ips: Mandatory only for VTS/VXLAN. Comma separated IP pair belongs to tenant network segment, but not in tenant network pool. |
| ENABLE_ESC_PRIV | Enable the checkbox to set it as True. By default it is <i>False</i> . |



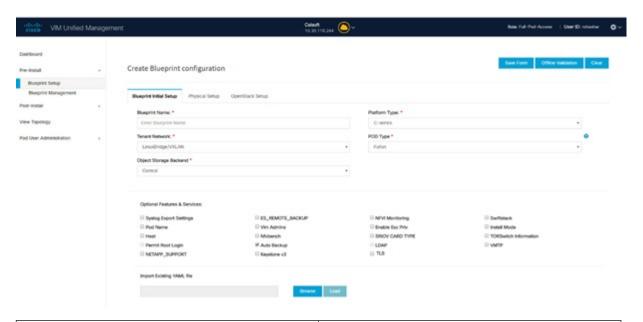
| Name | Description |
|------------------|-------------|
| Vim LDAP Admins. | |



| Name | Description |
|------|--|
| | • Idap_search_base: It is mandatory. Enter search base. |
| | • Idap_schema: Optional. Enter the schema. |
| | • ldap_user_object_class: Optional. Indicates the posixAccount. |
| | • Idap_user_uid_number: Optional. Enter the user id number. |
| | • ldap_user_gid_number: Optional. Enter the group id number. |
| | • Idap_group_member: Optional. Enter the group member ID. |
| | • ldap_default_bind_dn: Optional . Enter the default DN |
| | • ldap_default_authtok: Optional. Enter the default Auth token |
| | • Idap_default_authtok_type :Optional. Enter the default Auth token type |
| | • ldap_group_search_base: Optional. Enter the group search base |
| | • ldap_user_search_base:Optional. Enter the user search base |
| | • access_provider: Optional |
| | • simple_allow_groups: Optional |
| | • ldap_id_use_start_tls: Optional. Can be true or false |
| | • ldap_tls_reqcert: Optional, can be "never"/"allow"/"try"/"demand" |
| | • chpass_provider:Optional can be 'ldap' or 'krb5' or 'ad' or 'none' |

Step 3 To create a C Series Blueprint:

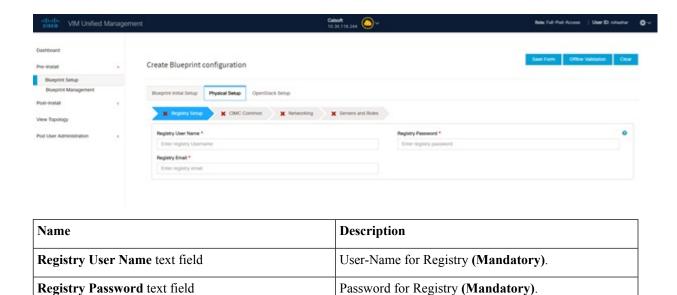
1. On the **Blueprint Initial Setup** page of the Cisco VIM Insight, complete the following fields:



| Name | Description | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Blueprint Name field. | Enter the name for the blueprint configuration. | |
| Platform Type drop-down list | Choose one of the following platform types: • B-Series (By default) • C-Series (Select C Series) | |
| Tenant Network drop-down list | B-Series (By default) | |

| Name | Description | |
|---|--|--|
| Pod Type drop-down list | Choose one of the following pod type : • Fullon(By Default) | |
| | | |
| | • Micro | |
| | • UMHC | |
| | • NGENAHC | |
| | • UMHC pod type is only supported for OVS/VLAN tenant type. | |
| | NGENAHC is supported for VPP/VLAN tenant type with no SRIOV | |
| | Pod type micro is supported for OVS/VLAN and VPP/VLAN. | |
| Ceph Mode drop-down list | Choose one of the following Ceph types: | |
| | Dedicated (By Default) | |
| | Central. Central is not supported in Production | |
| Optional and Services Features checkbox | Swiftstack, LDAP, Syslog Export Settings, Install Mode, TorSwitch Information, TLS, NFVMON, Pod Name, VMTP, NFVbench, Autbackup, Heat, Keystone v3, Enable Esc Priv. | |
| | If any one is selected, the corresponding section is visible in various Blueprint sections. | |
| | By default all features are disabled except Auto Backup. | |
| Import Existing YAML file | If you have an existing C Series YAML file you can use this feature to upload the file. | |
| | Insight will automatically fill in the fields and any missed mandatory field will be highlighted in the respective section. | |

2. Click **Physical Setup** to advance to the **Registry Setup** configuration page. Fill in the following details for Registry Setup:

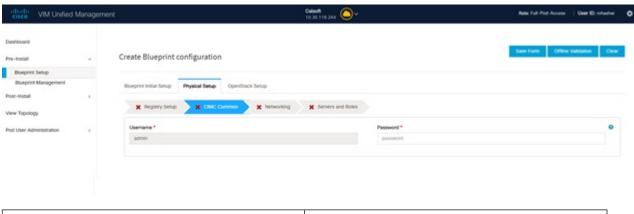


Once all the mandatory fields are filled the **Validation Check Registry Page** will be changed to a Green Tick.

Email ID for Registry (Mandatory).

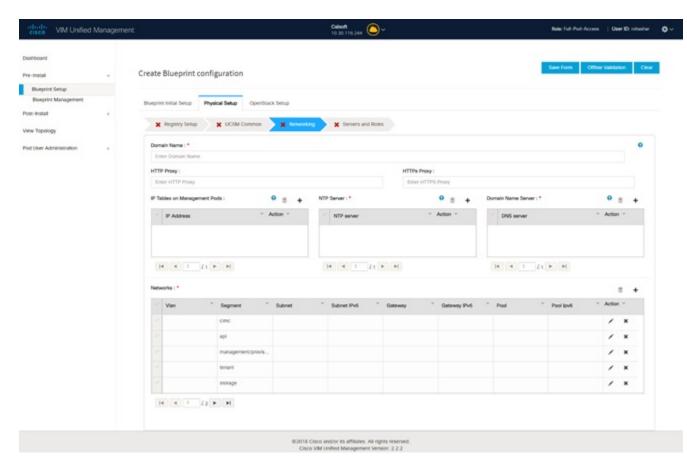
3. Click CIMC Common Tab and complete the following fields:

Registry Email text field



| Name | Description |
|--------------------------|---|
| User Name disabled field | By default value is Admin. |
| Password text field | Enter Password for UCSM Common (Mandatory). |

4. Click **Networking** to advance to the networking section of the Blueprint.



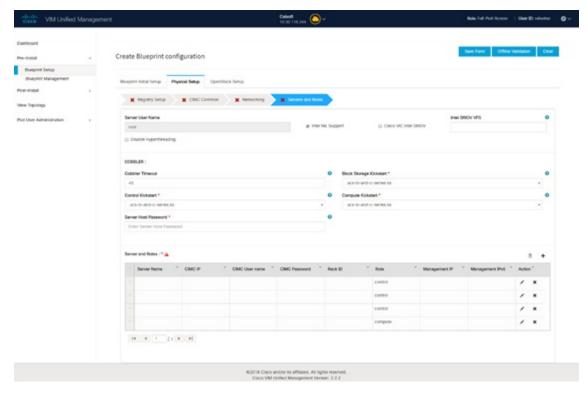
| Name | Description |
|------------------------------|---|
| Domain Name field | Enter the domain name. (Mandatory) |
| HTTP Proxy Server field | If your configuration uses an HTTP proxy server, enter the IP address of the server. |
| HTTPS Proxy Server field | If your configuration uses an HTTPS proxy server, enter the IP address of the server. |
| IP Tables on Management Pods | Specifies the list of IP Address with Mask. |
| NTP Servers field | Enter a maximum of four and minimum of one IPv4 and/or IPv6 addresses in the table. |
| Domain Name Servers field | Enter a maximum of three and minimum of one IPv4 and/or IPV6 addresses. |

| Name | Description |
|----------------|-------------|
| Networks table | |

Name **Description** Network table is pre-populated with Segments. To add Networks you can either clear all the table with **Delete** all or click edit icon for each segment and fill in the details. You can add, edit, or delete network information in the table. • Click Add (+) to add new entries (networks) to the table. • Specify the following fields in the Edit Entry to Networks dialog: Name Description VLAN field Enter the VLAN ID. For Segment - Provider, the VLAN ID value is 'none'. Segment drop-down list When you add/edit new segment then following segments types are available in the form of dropdown list and you can select only one. API Management/provision • Tenant

| Name | Description | Description | |
|------|--------------------|--|--|
| | | StorageExternalProvider | |
| | Subnet field | Enter the IPv4 address for the subnet. | |
| | IPv6 Subnet field | Enter IPv6 address. This field will be available only for Management provision and API | |
| | Gateway field | Enter the IPv4 address for the Gateway. | |
| | Gateway IPv6 field | Enter the IPv6 address for the gateway. This will support for API and management provision. | |
| | Pool field | Enter the pool information in the required format, for example: 10.1.1.5-10.1.1.10,102.1.5-102.1.10 | |
| | | This field is available only for the Mgmt/Provision, Storage, and Tenant segments. | |
| | IPv6 Pool field | Enter the pool information in the required format. For example: 10.1.1.5-10.1.1.10,102.1.5-102.1.10 | |
| | Click Save. | | |

5. On the **Servers and Roles** page of the Cisco VIM Suite wizard, a pre-populated table filled with Roles: Control, Compute and Block Storage (Only if CEPH Dedicated is selected in Blueprint Initial Setup is available.

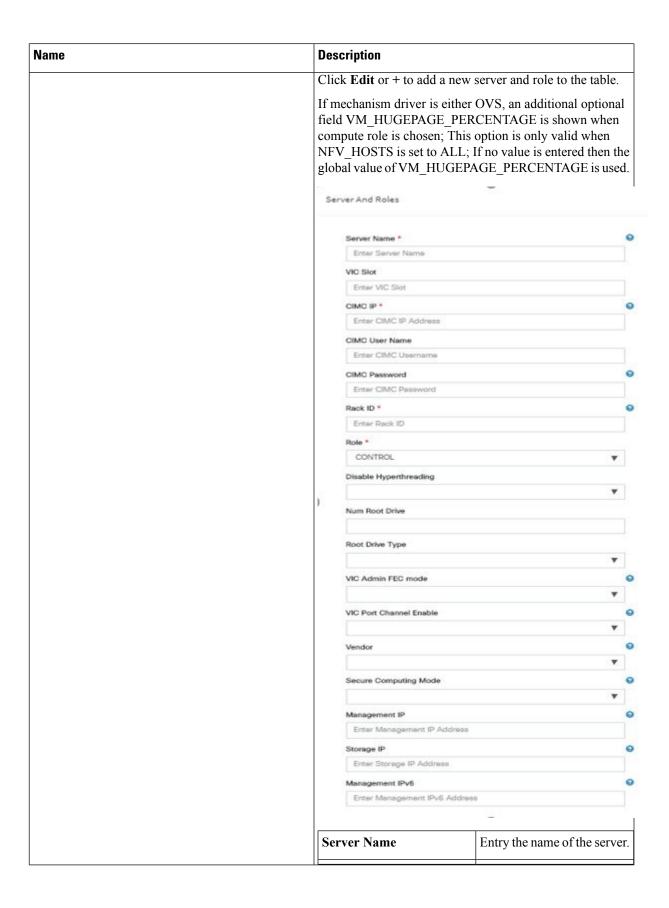


Note If you choose mechanism driver as OVS, VM_HUGEPAGE_PERCENTAGE field column is available for compute nodes, where you can fill values from 0 to 100%, when NFV_HOSTS: ALL is chosen. Also, option of NIC Level Redundancy appears only when Intel Nic Support is set to true. This is applicable only in the case of M5 based pods.

| Name | Description |
|------------------------|--|
| Server User Name field | Enter the username of the server. |
| Disable Hyperthreading | Default value is false. You can set it as true or false. |

| Name | Description | | |
|---------|--|---|--|
| Cobbler | Enter the Cobbler details in the following fields: | | |
| | Name | Description | |
| | Cobbler Timeout field | The default value is 45 min. This is an optional parameter. Timeout is displayed in minutes, and its value ranges from 30 to 120. | |
| | Block Storage Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Storage Node. | |
| | Admin Password Hash field | Enter the Admin Password. Password should be Alphanumeric. Password should contain minimum 8 characters and maximum of 32 characters. | |
| | Cobbler Username field | Enter the cobbler username to access the cobbler server. | |
| | Control Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Control Node. | |
| | Compute Kickstart field | Kickstart file for Compute Node. | |
| | Cobbler Admin Username field | Enter the admin username of the Cobbler. | |

| Name | | Description |
|---------|--|-------------|
| Add E | ntry to Servers and Roles | |
| Note | when Pod type micro is selected then all the three servers will be associated with control, compute and block storage role. | |
| For exa | ample: | |
| Roles | | |
| • B | lock Storage | |
| | • -Server 1 | |
| | • -Server 2 | |
| | • -Server 3 | |
| • C | ontrol | |
| | • -Server 1 | |
| | • -Server 2 | |
| | • -Server 3 | |
| • C | ompute | |
| | • -Server 1 | |
| | • -Server 2 | |
| | • -Server 3 | |
| Note | When Pod type UMHC is selected then auto ToR configuration is not supported and the ToR info at server and roles level is not allowed to be entered. | |



| Name | Description | |
|------|--|--|
| | Rack ID field | The rack ID for the server. |
| | VIC Slot field | Enter a VIC Slot. |
| | CIMC IP field | Enter a IP address. |
| | CIMC Username field | Enter a Username. |
| | CIMC Password field | Enter a Password for CIMC. |
| | Select the Role from the drop down list | Choose Control or Compute or Block Storage from the drop-down list. If Podtype is fullon and selected role type is Block storage, an additional field Osd_disk_type is displayed where you can choose either HDD or SSD. |
| | VIC Admin FEC mode | Applicable only for Cisco VIC that supports to change the admin FEC mode. Can be auto/off/cl74/cl91. |
| | VIC Port Channel Enable | Optional. Default is true. Can be either true or false. |
| | Secure Computing mode | Optional. By default, it is set to 1, if not defined. Can be either 0 or 1. |
| | Management IP | It is an optional field but if provided for one Server then it is mandatory to provide it for other Servers as well. |
| | Storage IP | Optional, but if provided for one server then it is mandatory to provide details for other servers. |
| | Vendor | Allow static override value for platform vendor instead of dynamic discovery at runtime. Can be CISCO - Cisco Systems Inc/ QCT - Quanta Cloud Technology Inc/ HPE - Hewlett Packard Enterprise. |
| | Management IPv6 | |

| Name | Description | |
|---|---|--|
| | | Routable and valid IPv6 address. It is an optional field but if provided for one server then it is mandatory for all other servers as well. |
| | BGP speaker addressees | Optional, only when NETWORK_OPTIONS is vxlan network, for controller node only, IP belongs to the vxlan-tenant network but not part of the pool. |
| | INTEL_SRIOV_VFS | Value range is 1 to 32. Can be defined globally and overridden at per compute level via add/remove or fresh installationI, if Intel N3000 card is installed for pod type edge. |
| | INTEL_FPGA_VFS | Value range is 1 to 8. Can be defined globally and overridden at per compute level via add/remove or fresh installationI, if Intel N3000 card is installed for pod type edge. |
| | INTEL_VC_SRIOV_VFS | Value range is 1 to 32. Can be defined globally and overridden at per compute level via add/remove or fresh installationI, if Intel N3000 card is installed for pod type edge. |
| Click Save or Add. | On clicking Save or Add all and Roles gets saved. | information related to Servers |
| If Configure ToR checkbox is Truewith at-least one switch detail, these fields will be displayed for each server and this is similar to DP Tor: Port Channel and Switch Name (Mandatory if Configure ToR is true) | Port Channel field Switch Name field Switch Port Info field | Enter the port channel input. Enter the switch name. Enter the switch port information. |

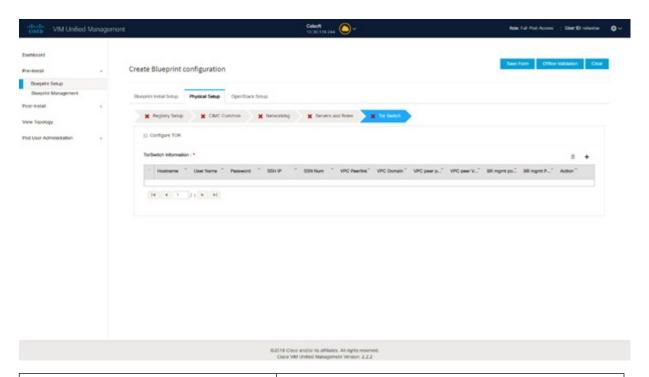
| Name | Description | |
|--|--|---|
| DP ToR (Only for Control and Compute): Mandatory if Intel NIC and Configure TOR is True. | Port Channel field Switch Name field Switch Port Info field | Enter the port channel input. Enter the switch name. Enter the switch port information. |
| SRIOV TOR INFO (Only for Compute Nodes). It is mandatory in server and roles if Intel NIC and Configure TOR is True. with TOR TYPE Nexus. For TOR TYPE NCS-5500 these fields are optional Switch Name (Mandatory if Configure ToR is true). This field appears only when Intel NIC support is true, as Auto TOR config is not supported in VIC_NIC combo | | Enter the switch name. Enter the switch port information. |
| Intel SRIOV VFS (valid for Intel NIC testbeds) and can be integer. | support is disabled. To enab # * 1-32 when INTEL_NIC | le, define a value in the range _SUPPORT is set True (X710 n CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV |
| INTEL_SRIOV_PHYS_PORTS (valid for Intel NIC test beds) and can be of value 2 or 4 (default is 2) | meet that requirement, define optional, if nothing is define the only 2 integer values this is true when INTEL_NIC_S | ed code will assume it to be 2; s parameter # takes is 2 or 4 and |
| Click Save or Add . | If all mandatory fields are fi information on Servers and | illed click Save or Add to add Roles. |
| Disable Hyperthreading | Default value is false. You c | can set it as true or false. |
| Click Save | | |

Note Maximum two ToR info needs to be configured for each connection type on each node (control, compute and block_storage node).

Note If pod type UMHC is selected then CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV is enabled to be TRUE. CISCO_VIC_INTEL_SRIOV is also supported on Micro pod with expanded computes

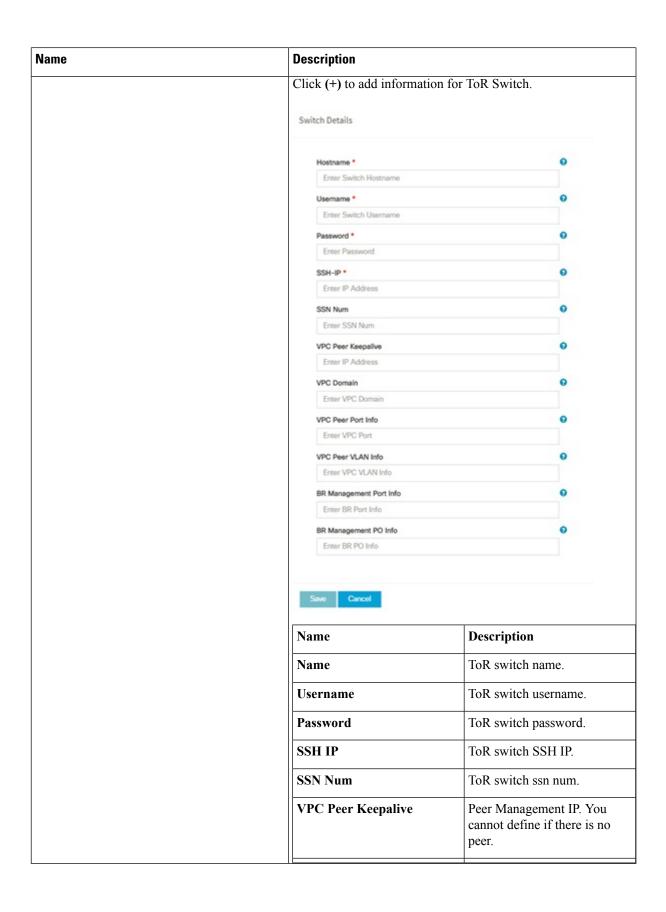
Note For Tenant type, port channel for each ToR port is not available in servers and roles, as APIC automatically assigns the port-channel numbers.

6. Click **ToR Switch** checkbox in **Blueprint Initial Setup** to enable the **TOR SWITCH** configuration page. It is an **Optional** section in Blueprint Setup but once all the fields are filled in then it will become a part of the Blueprint.



| Name | | Descrip | otion |
|---------|--|----------|--|
| Configu | re ToR optional checkbox. | | ng this checkbox, changes the configure ToR section from |
| Note | If UMHC is selected as podtype, configure TOR is not allowed. | false to | Configure tor is true then ToR switch info maps in servers |

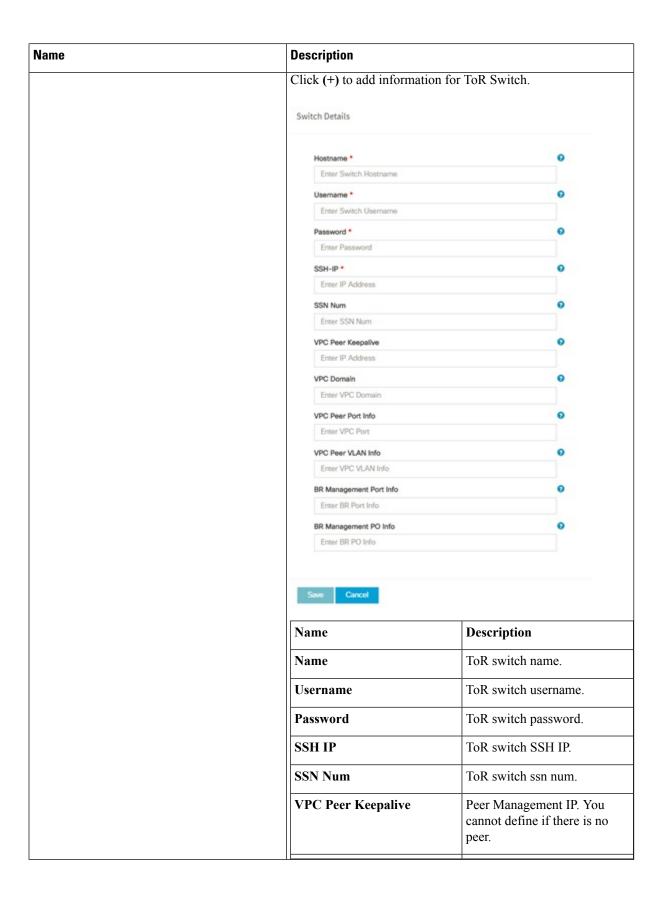
| Name | Description |
|---|-------------|
| ToR Switch Information mandatory table if you want to enter ToR information. | |



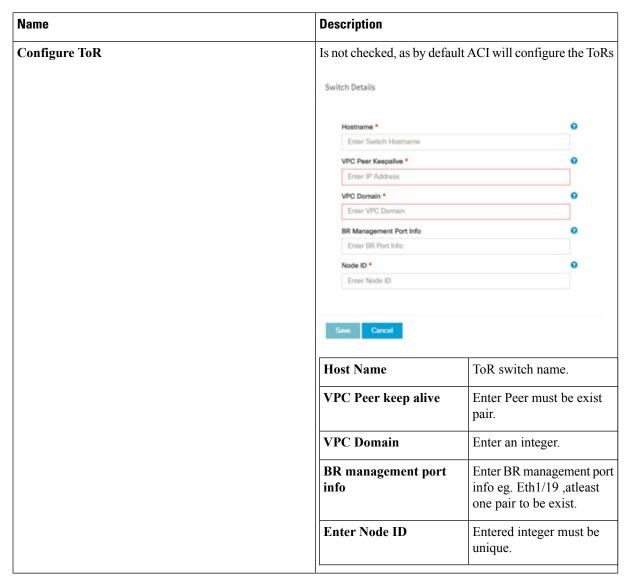
| Name | Description | | |
|---------------------|--|---|--|
| | VPC Domain | Cannot define if there is no peer. | |
| | VPC Peer Port Info | Interface for vpc peer ports. | |
| | VPC Peer VLAN Info | VLAN ids for vpc peer ports (optional). | |
| | BR Management Port Info | Management interface of build node. | |
| | BR Management PO Info | Port channel number for management interface of build node. | |
| | BR Management VLAN info | VLAN ID for management interface of build node (access). | |
| Splitter Optic 4x10 | For C Series platform type, Tena Type is either fullon or Micro, a provided to select the TOR Type NCS-5500, then user can config | n additional choice will be e. If selected TOR type is | |
| Click Save. | | | |

| Name | | Descrip | otion |
|------|--|------------------|--|
| | re ToR optional checkbox. | Enablir false to | ng this checkbox, changes the configure ToR section from |
| Note | If UMHC is selected as podtype, configure TOR is not allowed. | Note | Configure tor is true then ToR switch info maps in servers |

| Name | Description |
|---|-------------|
| ToR Switch Information mandatory table if you want to enter ToR information. | |



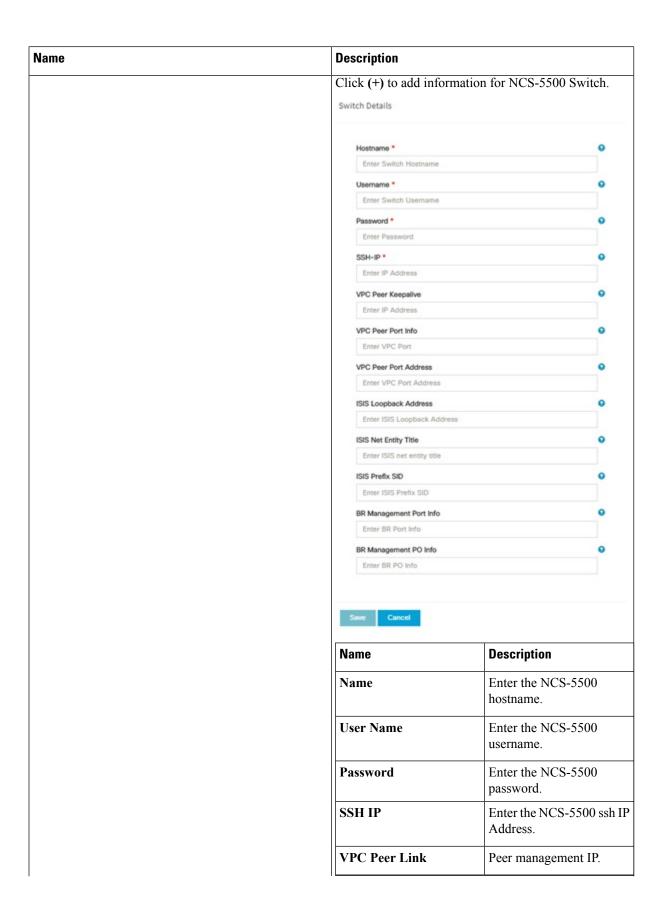
| Name | Description | | |
|------|-------------------------|---|--|
| | VPC Domain | Cannot define if there is no peer. | |
| | VPC Peer Port Info | Interface for vpc peer ports. | |
| | VPC Peer VLAN Info | VLAN ids for vpc peer ports (optional). | |
| | BR Management Port Info | Management interface of build node. | |
| | BR Management PO Info | Port channel number for management interface of build node. | |
| | BR Management VLAN info | VLAN id for management interface of build node (access) | |



Note If TOR_TYPE is selected as NCS-5500, the TOR switch information table differs and is mandatory.

| Name | | Descri | otion |
|---------|--|--------|--|
| Configu | ure ToR optional checkbox | | g this checkbox, changes the configure ToR from false to true. |
| Note | If NSC-5500 is selected as TOR_TYPE, configure TOR is set as mandatory. | Note | Configure TOR is true then ToR switchinfo maps in servers. |

| Name | Description |
|--|-------------|
| If you want to enter NCS details fill in the NCS-5500 Information table. | |

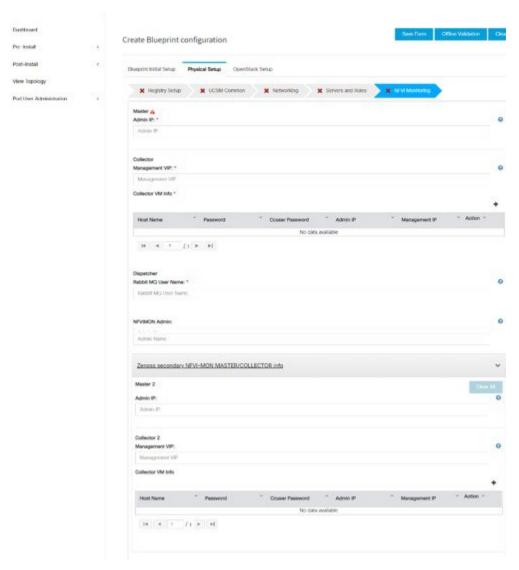


| Name | Description | |
|------|---------------------------------|---|
| | Name | Description |
| | BR Management PO Info | Port channel number for management interface of build node. |
| | BR Management VLAN info | VLAN id for management interface of build node (access). |
| | VPC Peer Port Info | Interface for vpc peer ports. |
| | VPC Peer Port Address | Address for ISIS exchange. |
| | ISIS Loopback Interface address | ISIS loopack IP Address. |
| | ISIS net entity title | Enter a String. |
| | ISIS prefix SID | Integer between 16000 to 1048575. |

When TOR-TYPE selected as NCS-5500 and 2 NCS-5500 are configured it is mandatory to configure MULTI_SEGMENT_ROUTING_INFO

| Name | Description | |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| BGP AS Number field | Integer between 1 to 65535. | |
| ISIS Area Tagfield | A valid string. | |
| Loopback Interface namefield | Loopback Interface name. | |
| API bundle IDfield | Integer between 1 to 65535. | |
| API bridge domain field | String (Optional, only needed when br_api of mgmt noo is also going through NCS-5500; this item and api_bundle_id are mutually exclusive). | |
| EXT bridge domain field | A valid string (user pre-provisions physical, bundle interface, sub-interface and external BD for external uplink and provides external BD info setup_data). | |

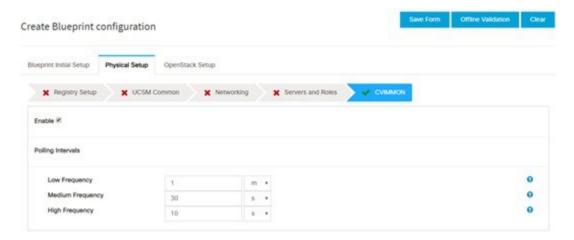
7. Click **NFVI Monitoring** checkbox in Blueprint Initial Setup to enable the NFVI Monitoring configuration tab.



| Name | Description | |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| Master - Admin IP | IP Address of Control Center VM | |
| Collector - Management VIP | VIP for ceilometer/dispatcher to use, must be unique across VIM Pod | |
| Host Name | Hostname of Collector VM | |
| Password | Password of Collector VM | |
| CCUSER Password | Password of CCUSER | |
| Admin IP | SSH IP of Collector VM | |
| Management IP | Management IP of Collector VM | |

| Name | Description | Description | |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|
| Master 2 | | Optional, but becomes mandatory if collector 2 is defined. Must contain a valid Admin IP. | |
| Collector 2 | Contains Management VIP information. Collector 2 is | Optional, but becomes mandatory if Master 2 is defined. Contains Management VIP and Collector VM information. Collector 2 is secondary set to collector, with all the properties of Collector. | |
| NFVIMON ADMIN | Optional and reconfigurable enabled, you must have onl | e to add/update user id. Once y one admin. | |
| Collector ToR Connections | Select the ToR switches information. It is optional and availa | Select the ToR switches from list to add the information. It is optional and available for ToR type NCS-5500 For now, it supports adding only one Collector ToR Connection Add Collector Tor Connections Select Tor switch for connections Port Channel * Error port channel * Switch- test-torhostrame * | |
| | Port Channel Enter port channel. | | |
| | Switch - {torSwitch-hostname} | Enter port number, For example, eth1/15. | |
| | Click Save | | |
| Rabbit MQ User Name | Enter Rabbit MQ username. | | |

8. Click **CVIMMON** checkbox in Blueprint Initial Setup to enable the CVIMMON configuration tab.



CVIM-MON is a built-in infrastructure monitoring service based on telegraf/prometheus/grafana.

When enabled, the telegraf service will be deployed on every node on the pod to capture infrastructure level stats (CPU, memory, network, containers, and so on.) and a Prometheus server will be installed on the management node to poll for these stats and store them in its time series database. The statistics can then be viewed using the grafana server that is accessible on the management node at port 3000 (password protected).

There are three levels of polling intervals which are used by different telegraf plugins:

- Low frequency interval is used to collect system level metrics like cpu, memory.
- Medium frequency interval is used to collect docker metrics.
- High frequency interval is used to collect rabbitmq metrics.

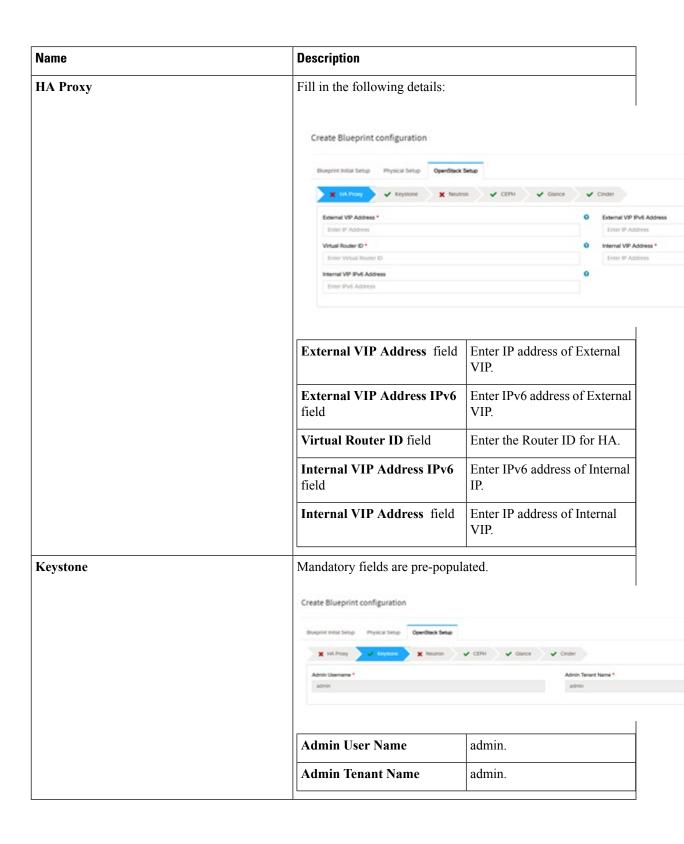
Defining polling intervals in setup data is optional. If not defined, the default values are used.

CVIM-MON is mutually exclusive to NFVIMON.

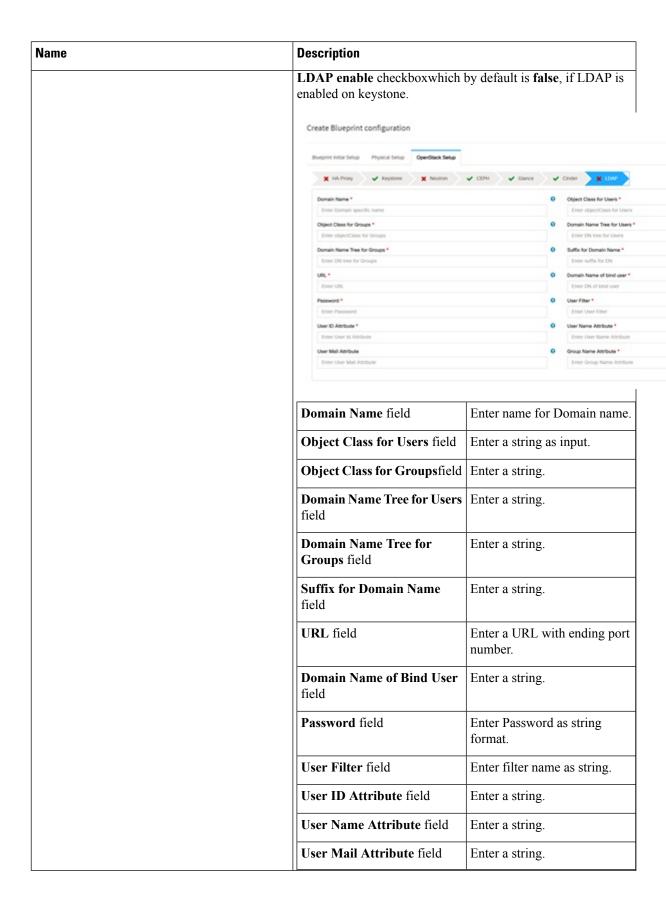
PODNAME is required, when CVIM-MON is enabled.

| Name | Description |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Enable | Default is False |
| Polling Intervals | |
| Low frequency – deprecated | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 1 minute (1m) if not defined defaults to 1m, also it needs to be higher than medium interval.</integer> |
| Medium frequency – deprecated | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 30 seconds (30s) if not defined defaults to 30s, also it needs to be higher than high interval.</integer> |
| High frequency | <integer (s="" following="" h)="" m="" sign="" time="" with=""> # min of 10 seconds (10s) if not defined defaults to 10s.</integer> |

9. Click **OpenStack Setup** Tab to advance to the **OpenStack Setup** Configuration page. On the **OpenStack Setup** Configuration page of the Cisco VIM Insight wizard, complete the following fields:



| Name | Description |
|------|-------------|
| LDAP | |



| Name | Description | |
|------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| | Group Name Attribute field | Enter a string. |

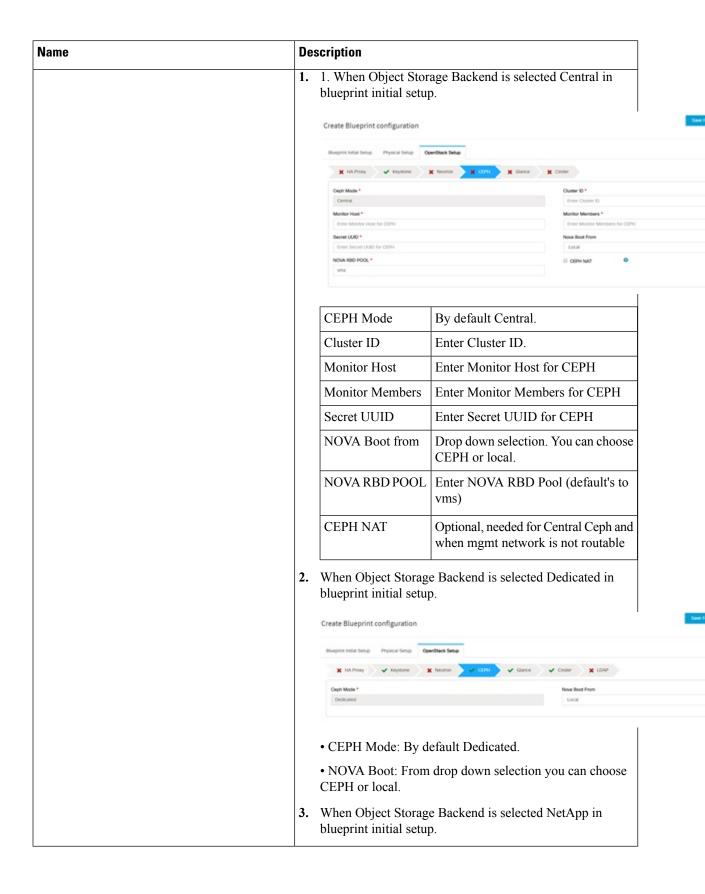
| Name | Description |
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| Neutron | |

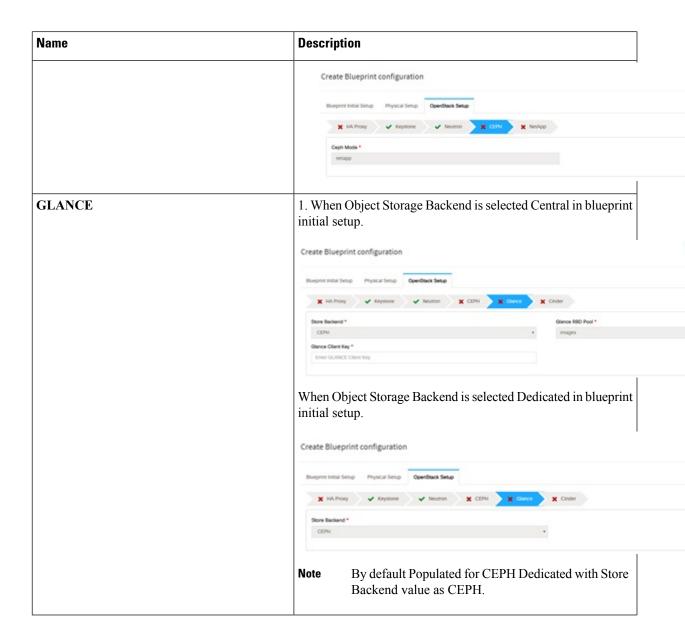
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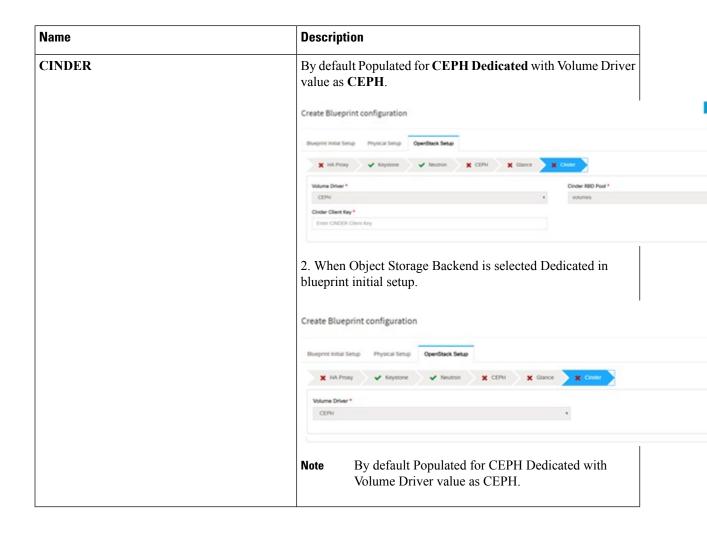
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| | Tenant VLAN Ranges field | List of ranges separated by comma form start:end. |
| | Provider VLAN Ranges field | List of ranges separated by comma form start:end. |
| | VM Hugh Page Size (available for NFV_HOSTS option) field | 2M or 1G (optional, defaults to 2M) |
| | VM_HUGHPAGE_PERCENTAGE | Optional, defaults to 100%; can range between 0 and 100 |
| | VSWITCH_WORKER_PROFILE | Allowed only for VPP Available options are: • numa_zero: The reserved cores always reside in NUMA node 0. • Even: The reserved cores are evenly distributed across all NUMA |
| | NR_RESERVED_VSWICH_PCORES | Allowed only for VPP Number of cores associated to VPP, defaults to 2. Takes value of 2 through 6. |
| | Enable Jumbo Frames field | Enable the checkbox |
| | Enable VM Emulator Pin | Optional, when NFV_HOSTS is enabled. When a VM is spawned with this parameter enabled, NOVA allocates additional vCPU on top of the vCPU count specified in the flavor, and pin vCPU0 to the pCPU that is reserved in the pool. |
| | VM Emulator PCORES Per Socket | |

| Name | Description | | |
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| | | Optional, when ENABLE VM EMULATOR PIN is enabled. Enter the number of cores per socket. Defaults to 1. Values can range from 1 to 4. | |
| | Nova Opt For Low Latency | Optional. Used to enable additional real-time optimizations in OpenStack NOVA. Defaults to False. | |
| | | For Tenant Network Type Linux Bridge everything remains the same but Tenant VLAN Ranges will be removed. | |

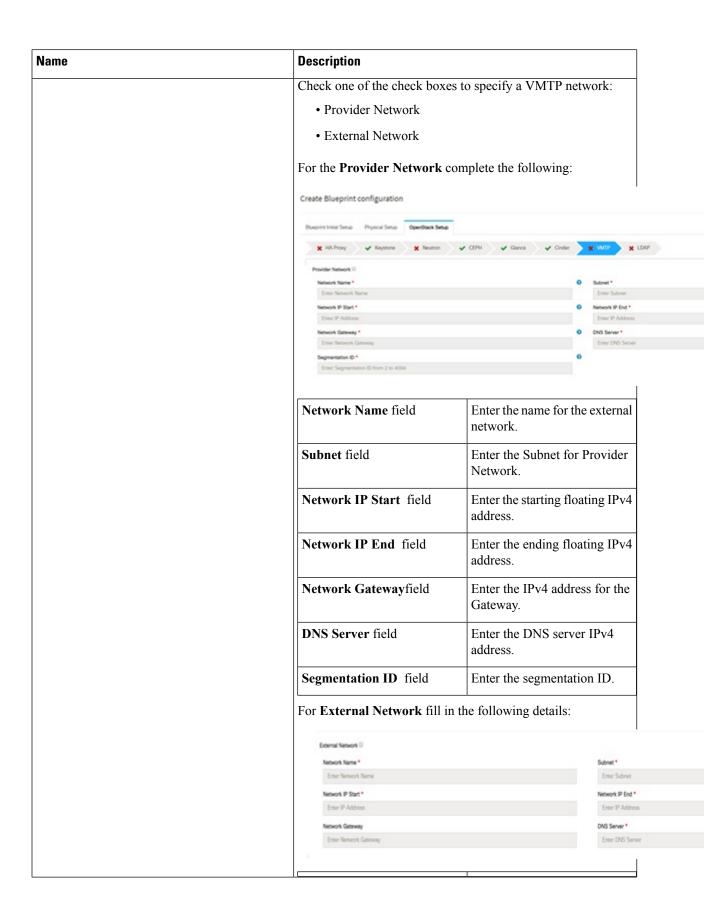
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| VMTP optional section, this will be visible only if VMTP is selected from Blueprint Initial Setup. For VTS tenant type Provider network is only supported. | |



| Name | Description | |
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| | Network Name field | Enter the name for the external network. |
| | IP Start field | Enter the starting floating IPv4 address. |
| | IP End field | Enter the ending floating IPv4 address. |
| | Gateway field | Enter the IPv4 address for the Gateway. |
| | DNS Server field | Enter the DNS server IPv4 address. |
| | Subnet field | Enter the Subnet for External Network. |
| TLS optional section, this will be visible only if TLS is selected from Blueprint Initial Setup Page. | TLS has two options: External LB VIP FQDN - Text Field. External LB VIP TLS - True/False. By default this option is false. | |

| Name | Description | |
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| Under the OpenStack setup tab, Vim_admins tab | | |
| will be visible only when Vim_admins is selected from the Optional Features & Services under the Blueprint Initial setup tab | Add Username, Password, Public key or both for the non-root login. | |
| | At least one Vim Admin must be configured when Permit root login is false. | |
| | Create Blueprint configuration | |
| | Blueprint Initial Setup Physical Setup OpenStack Setup | |
| | ★ HA Proxy ★ Keystone ★ Neutron ★ CEPH ★ Glance | × Cinder |
| | Username* Password Public key | |
| | Note: Remove empty records before validation. | |
| | Permit root login | |
| | | |
| | User Name Enter username for Vim Admin. | |
| | Password field. Admin hash password should always start with \$6. | |
| | Public Key Public key for vim admin should always start with 'ssh-rsa AAAA' | |

| Name | Description | |
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| if SwiftStack is selected from Blueprint Initial | Following are the options of Create Blueprint configuration | that needs to be filled for SwiftStack: |
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| swiftstack will not be available to configure. | Blueprint Initial Serup Physical Serup OpenStack Setu | 9 |
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| | Cluster End Point | IP address of PAC (proxy-account-container) endpoint. |
| | Admin User | Admin user for swift to authenticate in keystone. |
| | Admin Tenant | The service tenant corresponding to the Account-Container used by Swiftstack. |
| | Reseller Prefix | Reseller_prefix as configured for Keysone Auth,AuthToken support in Swiftstack E.g KEY_ |
| | Admin Password | swiftstack_admin_password |
| | Protocol | http or https |

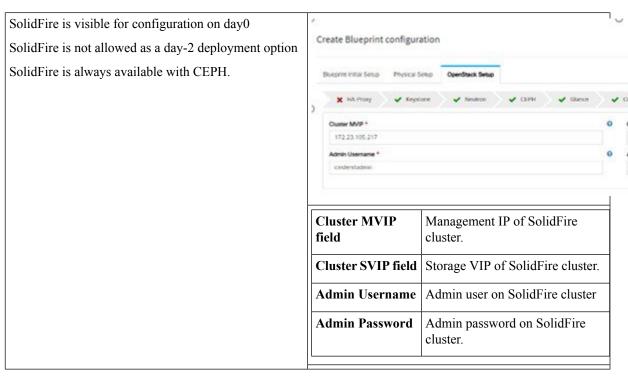
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| Horizon Aliases | If the external_lb_vip is behind a NAT router or has a DNS alias, provide a list of those addresses. |
| | Horizon Allowed Hosts uses comma separated list of IP addresses and/or DNS names for horizon hosting. |
| | Create Blueprint configuration |
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Name **Description** Vim LDAP Admins: Optional entry to support Following are the values to be filled to add vim LDAP admins: LDAP for admin access to management node. For this feature, TLS has to be enabled for the Create Blueprint configuration external api (i.e. external lb vip tls: True). VM LDAP Admins * A Newed to defend at least one actions LDAP URS " LDAP Searc.." LDAP Sche..." 14 4 1 /1 > at 5 ferms per page • domain_name: It is a mandatory field. Indicates the domain name to define vim LDAP admins. • ldap_uri : It is a mandatory field. The ldap_uris must be secured over ldaps. • **ldap_search_base**: It is mandatory. Enter search base. • ldap_schema: Optional. Enter the schema. • ldap_user_object_class: Optional. Indicates the posixAccount. • Idap_user_uid_number: Optional. Enter the user id • ldap_user_gid_number: Optional. Enter the group id number. • Idap_group_member: Optional. Enter the group member

| Name | | Description | |
|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| APICINFO tab is available in Openstack setup, when the Tenant type ACI/VLAN is selected in | | Name | Description |
| 1 ** | APIC Hosts field | Enter host input. Example: <ip1 host1>:[port] . max of 3, min of 1, not 2;</ip1 host1> | |
| | mandatory. | apic_username field | Enter a string format. |
| | | apic_password filed | Enter Password. |
| | | apic_system_id field | Enter input as string. Max length 8. |
| | | apic_resource_prefix field | Enter string max length 6. |
| | | apic_tep_address_ pool field | Allowed only 10.0.0.0/16 |
| | multiclass_address_pool field | Allowed only 225.0.0.0/15 | |
| | apic_pod_id field | Enter integer(1- 65535) | |
| | apic_installer_tenant field | Enter String, max length 32 | |
| | apic_installer_vrf field | Enter String, max length 32 | |
| | | api_l3out_network field | Enter String, max length 32 |
| | o is available in Openstack setup, when Type is VTS/VLAN selected. | Name | Description |
| If vts da | y0 is enabled then SSH username and | VTS Day0 (checkbox) | True or false default is false. |
| SSH password is mandatory. If SSH_username is input present then SSH password is mandatory vice-versa | VTS User name | Enter as string does not contain special characters. | |
| | VTS Password | Enter password | |
| | | VTS NCS IP | Enter IP Address format. |
| | | VTC SSH Username | Enter a string |
| | | VTC SHH Password | Enter password |
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10. For SolidFire, enter the following:

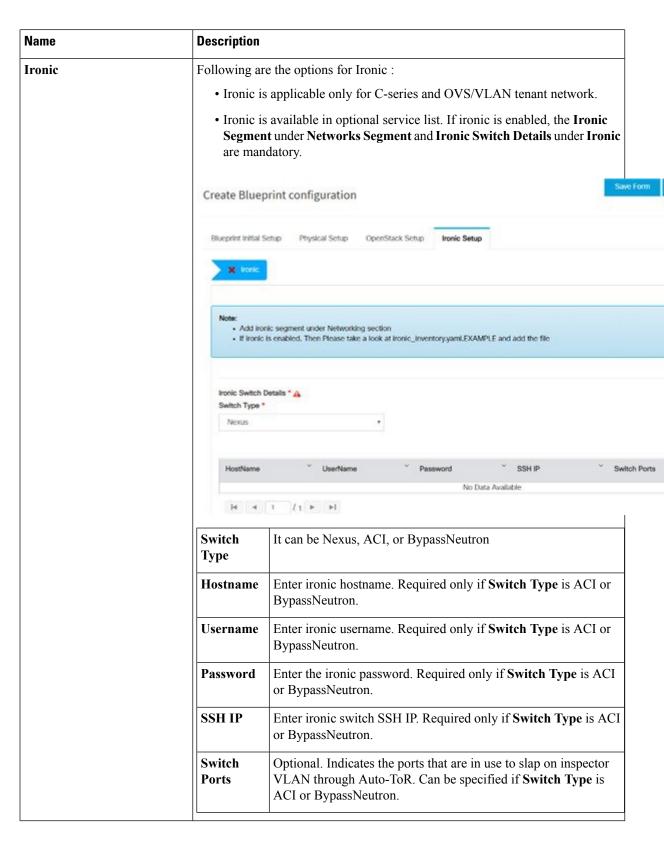
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11. If **Syslog Export** or **NFVBENCH** is selected in **Blueprint Initial Setup** Page, then **Services Setup** page will be enabled for user to view. Following are the options under **Services Setup** Tab:

| Name | Description | | |
|---------------|--|--|--|
| Syslog Export | Following are the options for Syslog Settings: | | |
| | User can add maximum of three entries. | | |
| | To add new SysLog information, click on Add SysLog button, fill all the required information listed below and hit Save button. | | |
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| | H.T. IN H. | | |
| | Remote Host Enter Syslog IP address. | | |
| | Protocol Only UDP is supported. | | |
| | Facility Defaults to local5. | | |
| | Severity Defaults to debug. | | |
| | Clients Defaults to ELK. | | |
| | Port Defaults to 514 but can be modified by the User. | | |

| Name | Description | | | | |
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| NFVBENCH | NFVBENCH enable checkbox by default isfalse. | | | | |
| | Add ToR information of | onnect to Switch: | | | |
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| | Add for info connected to switch: Select YOR Switches * | Switch- 113-N937299 | 1-2* | | |
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| | Select a TOR Switch and enter the Switch name. | | | | |
| | Enter the port number. For Example: eth1/5 . VTEP VLANS (mandatory and needed only for VTS/VXLAN,): Enter 2 different VLANs for VLAN and VLAN2. NIC Ports: INT1 and INT2 optional input. Enter the 2 port numbers of th 4-port 10G Intel NIC at the management node used for NFVbench. | | ` ` | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | e are multiple NICs. If ni | nge of 1-6, indicates which NIC c_slot is defined, then nic_port | | |
| ENABLE_ESC_PRIV | Enable the checkbox to | set it as True. By defaul | t, it is False. | | |



Step 4 Click **Offline validation**, to initiate an offline validation of the Blueprint.

Step 5 Blueprint can also be created using an **Upload functionality**:

- In Blueprint Initial Setup.
- Click **Browse** in the blueprint initial setup.
- Select the YAML file you want to upload.
- Click Select button.
- Clicking on load button in the Insight UI Application. All the fields present in the YAML file would be uploaded to the respective fields in UI.
- Enter the name of the Blueprint (Make sure you enter unique name while saving Blueprints. There would be no two Blueprints with same name.)
- Click Offline Validation.
- If all the mandatory fields in the UI are populated, then Offline Validation of the Blueprint will start else a pop up would be visible which will inform which section of Blueprint Creation has a missing information error.
- On Validation Success of Blueprint Save Blueprint button will be enabled with Cancel button
- A pop up will be generated asking to initiate the deployment with **Blueprint Name** and the stages you need to run. On Validation Failure of Blueprint **Cancel** button will be enabled.

Once the **Offlinevalidation** is successful, **Save** option will be enabled which will redirect you to the Blueprint Management Page.

The wizard advances to the Blueprint Management page. On the Blueprint Management page you can select the recently added valid Blueprint and click **Install** button which is disabled by default.

A pop up will be generated asking to initiate the deployment with **Blueprint Name** and the stages you need to run.

By default all stages are selected but you can also do an incremented install.

In case of Incremented Install you should select stages in the order. For Example: If you select **Validation Stage** then the 2^{nd} stage Management Node Orchestration will be enabled. You cannot skip stages and run a deployment.

Once you click **Proceed** the Cloud Deployment would be initiated and the progress can be viewed from "Dashboard".

Note Once the Blueprint is in **Active** State, the **Post-Install** features listed in Navigation Bar will changed to **Active** stage.

Post Installation Features for Active Blueprint

This option is only available to a pod, which is successfully deployed. There are multiple sublinks available to manage the day-n operation of the pod. However, often Insight cross-launches the relevant services, through delegating the actual rendering to the individual services.

Monitoring the Pod

Cisco VIM uses ELK (elasticsearch, logstash and Kibana) to monitor the OpenStack services, by cross-launching the Kibana dashboard.

To cross launch Kibana, complete the following instructions:

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- Step 2 Naviagte to POD.
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click Monitoring
 - The **Authentication Required** browser pop up is displayed.
- **Step 5** Enter the **username** as admin.
- **Step 6** Enter the ELK_PASSWORD password obtained from /root/installer-<tagid>/openstack-configs/secrets.yaml in the management node.

Kibana is launched in an I-Frame

Note Click Click here to view Kibana logs in new tab link to view Kibana Logs in a new tab.

Cross Launching Horizon

Horizon is the canonical implementation of Openstack's Dashboard, which provides a web based user interface to OpenStack services including Nova, Swift and, Keystone.

- **Step 1** In the Navigation pane, click **Post-Install > Horizon**.
- Step 2 Click Click here to view Horizon logs in new tab.

You will be redirected to Horizon landing page in a new tab.

NFVI Monitoring

NFVI monitoring is a Cross launch browser same as Horizon. NFVI monitoring link is available in the post install only if the setupdata has NFVI Monitoring configuration during the cloud deployment which basically pings the monitoring and checks status of **Collector VM1 Info** and **Collector VM2 Info**.

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- Step 2 Naviagte to POD.
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click Reconfigure.
- **Step 5** Click **NFVI Monitoring**
- Step 6 Click the link Click here to view NFVI monitoring.

You will be redirected to NFVI monitoring page

Run VMTP

VIM 2.0, provides an integrated data and control plan test tool (called VMTP). VMTP helps you to test the cloud at any given time.

Run VMTP is divided in two sections:

- **Results for Auto Run**: Auto run shows the results of VMTP which was run during the cloud deployment (Blueprint Installation).
- Results for Manual Run: To run VMTP on demand click Run VMTP.



Note

If VMTP stage was skipped or not-run during Blueprint Installation, this section of POST Install gets disabled for the user.

Run CloudPulse

In VIM, we provide an integrated tool, called Cloud Pulse, that periodically checks the cloud services endpoint. The results of these tests are reflected under the Cloud Pulse link. You can also run these API endpoint tests on demand, and fetch the result of these tests by refreshing the table.

Endpoints Tests:

- 1. cinder_endpoint
- 2. glace_endpoint
- 3. keystone_endpoint
- 4. nova endpoint
- 5. neutron_endpoint
- **6.** all endpoint tests

Operator Tests:

- rabbitmq_check
- 2. galera_check
- 3. ceph_check
- 4. node_check
- 5. docker_check
- **6.** all_operator_tests

Run NFVbench

You can execute **Run NFV Bench** for **B**and**C** series Pod, through Cisco VIM Insight. On a pod running with Cisco VIM, click on the NFVbench link on the NAV-Menu.

You can run either fixed rate test or NDR/PDR test. As the settings and results for the test types differ, the options to run these tests are presented in two tabs, with its own settings and results.

NDR/PDR Test

- Step 1 Log-in to CISCO VIM Insight.
- Step 2 In the Navigation pane, click Post-Install >Run NFV Bench.
- **Step 3** Click on NDR/PDR test and complete the following fields.

| Name | Description |
|--------------------|---|
| Iteration Duration | Select duration from 10 to 60 sec. Default is 20 sec |
| Frame Size | Select the correct frame size to run |
| Run NDR/PDR test | Click on Run NDR/PDR test. Once NDR/PDR test is finished it will display each type of test with its own settings and results. |

Fixed Rate Test

- **Step 1** Log in as **POD User.**
- **Step 2** Navigate to **POD.**
- **Step 3** Navigate to **Postinstall.**
- Step 4 Click Run NFV Bench.
- **Step 5** Click Fixed rate test and complete the following fields.

| Name | Description |
|---------------------|--|
| Rate | Rate: Select right configuration pps or bps from drop down-list and enter values: |
| | For pps: minimum: 2500pps; maximum: 14500000pps (=14.5Mpps); default: 1000000pps (=1Mpps) |
| | For bps: minimum: 1400000bps; maximum: 10000000000bps (=10Gbps); default: 1000000000 (=1Gbps) |
| Iteration Duration | Select duration from 10-60Sec. Default is 20sec. |
| Frame Size | Select the right frame size(64,IMIX,1518) to run. |
| Run Fixed Rate Test | Click Run Fixed Rate Test. Once Fixed rate test is finished, it displays each type of test with its own settings and results. |

POD Management

One of the key aspects of Cisco VIM is that it provides the ability for the admin to perform pod life-cycle management from a hardware and software perspective. Nodes of a given pod corrupts at times and VIM provides the ability to add, remove or replace nodes, based on the respective roles with some restrictions. Details of pod management will be listed in the admin guide, however as a summary the following operations are allowed on a running pod:

- **Step 1** Add or Remove Storage Nodes: You can add one node at a time, given that we run Ceph as a distributed storage offering.
- **Step 2** Add or Remove Computes Nodes: N-computes nodes can be replaced simultaneously; however at any given point, at least one compute node should be active.
- **Step 3** Replace Control Nodes: We do not support double fault scenarios, replacement of one controller at a time is supported.

System Update

As part of the lifecycle management of the cloud, VIM has the ability to bring in patches (bug fixes related to code, security, etc.), thereby providing the additional value of seamless cloud management from software perspective. Software update of the cloud is achieved by uploading a valid tar file following initiation of a System Update from the Insight as follows:

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- **Step 2** Naviagte to **POD.**
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click System Update.
- Step 5 Click Openstack Password
- Step 6 Click Browse button.
- **Step 7** Select the valid tar file.
- Step 8 Click Open > Upload and Update.

Message stating System Update has been initiated will be displayed. Logs front-ended by hyperlink would be visible in the section below before Update Logs to help see the progress of the update. During the software update, all other pod management activities will be disabled. Post-update, normal cloud management will commence.

Reconfiguring CIMC Password through Insight

Update the cimc_password in the CIMC-COMMON section, and/or the individual cimc_password for each server and then run the update password option.

To update a password, you need to follow the password rules:

- Must contain at least one lower case letter.
- Must contain at least one upper case letter.
- Must contain at least one digit between 0 to 9.

- One of these special characters !\$#@%^-_+=*&
- Your password has to be 8 to 14 characters long.

Before you begin

You must have a C-series pod up and running with Cisco VIM to reconfigure CIMC password.



Note

Reconfigure CIMC password section would be disabled if the pod is in failed state as indicated by ciscovim install-status.

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- **Step 2** Naviagte to **POD.**
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click Reconfigure.
- Step 5 Click Openstack Password

| Name | Description |
|--------------------------|--|
| CIMC_COMMON old Password | CIMC_COMMON old password field cannot be edited. |
| CIMC-COMMON new Password | Enter new CIMC-COMMON password. Password should be alphanumeric according to the password rule. |
| Click Update Password | Old CIMC-COMMON password will be updated with new CIMC-COMMON password. |

Reconfiguring OpenStack Password

Cisco VIM has been designed with security to accommodate users password policy.

There are two options to regenerate the Password:

- 1. Regenerate all passwords: Check the Regenerate all passwords checkbox and click Set Password. This automatically regenerates all passwords in alphanumeric format.
- 2. Regenerate single or more password: If you want to set a specific password for any service like Horizon's ADMIN_USER_PASSWORD you can add it by doing an inline edit. Double click field under Password and then enter the password which enables **Set Password**.



Note

During the reconfiguration of password, all other pod management activities are disabled. Postupdate, normal cloud management commences.

Reconfiguring OpenStack Services, TLS certs and ELK configurations

Cisco VIM supports the reconfiguration of OpenStack log level services, TLS certificates, and ELK configuration. Listed below are the steps to reconfigure the OpenStack and other services:

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- Step 2 Naviagte to POD.
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click Reconfigure OpenStack Config.
- **Step 5** Click on the specific item to be changed and updated; For TLS certificate it is the path to certificate location.
- **Step 6** Enter **Set Config** and the process will commence.

During the reconfiguration process, all other pod management activities will be disabled. Post-update, normal cloud management will commence.

Reconfiguring Optional Services

Cisco VIM offers optional services such as heat, NFVbench, NFVIMON, CVIM-MON and so on, that can be enabled as post-pod deployment. Optional services can be un-configured as post-deployment in Cisco VIM feature set. These services can be enabled in one-shot or selectively. Listed below are the steps to enable optional services:

- Step 1 Login as POD User.
- **Step 2** Naviagte to **POD.**
- Step 3 Navigate to Post-install
- Step 4 Click Reconfigure Optional Services.
- **Step 5** Choose the right service and update the fields with the right values.
- **Step 6** Enter **Reconfigure** to commence the process.

During the reconfiguration process, all other pod management activities will be disabled. Post-update, normal cloud management will commence. Once reconfigure is initiated than optional feature would be updated in active blueprint. If reconfigure of Optional Services fail in the time of reconfigure process then it is advised to contact CiscoTAC to resolve the situation through CLI.

Note All reconfigure operation feature contains repeated deployment true or false.

- Repeated re-deployment true Feature can be re-deployed again.
- Repeated re-deployment false- Deployment of feature allowed only once.

Deployment Status:

| Optional Features | Repeated re-deployment Options |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| APICINFO | True |

| Optional Features | Repeated re-deployment Options |
|--|--------------------------------|
| DHCP Reservation for Virtual MAC Addresses | True |
| EXTERNAL_LB_VIP_FQDN | False |
| EXTERNAL_LB_VIP_TLS | False |
| INSTALL_MODE | True |
| LDAP | True |
| NETWORKING | True |
| NFVBENCH | False |
| NFVIMON | False |
| PODNAME | False |
| PROVIDER_VLAN_RANGES | True |
| SWIFTSTACK | True |
| SYSLOG_EXPORT_SETTINGS | False |
| TENANT_VLAN_RANGES | True |
| TORSWITCHINFO | False |
| VIM _ ADMINS | True |
| VMTP | False |
| VTS_PARAMETERS | False |
| AUTOBACKUP | ` |
| | True |
| Heat | False |
| Ceilometer | False |
| HTTP Proxy Server | True |
| HTTPS Proxy Server | True |
| Enable TTY LOGGING | False |
| MGMTNODE_EXTAPI_REACH | False |
| Cobbler | True |
| SNMP | True |

| Optional Features | Repeated re-deployment Options |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Base MAC address | True |

Pod User Administration

Cisco VIM Insight offers Users (Pod Admin(s) or Pod Users) to manage Users and roles associated with them.

Managing Users

To add new User

- Step 1 Click Login as POD User.
- **Step 2** Navigate to **POD User Administration**.
- Step 3 Click Manage Users.
- Step 4 Click Add Users to add a new user.
- **Step 5** Complete the following fields in the **Add Users** page of the Cisco VIM Insight:

| Field Name | Field Description |
|------------|---|
| Email ID | Enter the Email ID of the User. |
| User Name | Enter the User Name if the User is new. If the User is already registered to the Insight the User-Name gets auto-populated. |
| Role | Select the Role from the drop-down list. |

Step 6 Click Save.

Managing Roles

To create a new Role:

- Step 1 Click Log in as POD User.
- Step 2 Navigate to Pod User Administration and click Manage Roles. By default you will see a full-pod-access role in the table.
- **Step 3** Click **Add Role** to create a new role.
- **Step 4** Complete the following fields on the **Add Roles** page in Cisco VIM Insight:

| Field Name | Field Description | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Role | Enter the name of the role. | |
| Description | Enter the description of the role. | |

| Field Name | | Field Description | | |
|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| | Permission | Check the Permission checkbox to select the permission. | | |

Step 5 Click Save. Once, the Blueprint is in an Active state all the permissions are same for C-series and B-series Pods other than Reconfigure CIMC Password which is missing for B-series Pod.

Note Permissions are divided in the granular level where viewing *Dashboard* is the default role that is added while creating a role.

Managing Root CA Certificate

You can update the CA Certificate during the registration of the POD. Once, logged in as POD User and if you have the permission to update the certificate you can view under POD User Administration>> Manage Root CA Certificate.

To update the Certificate:

- Step 1 Click Login as POD User
- **Step 2** Navigate to **POD** User Administration>>Manage Root CA certificate.
- **Step 3** Click **Browse** and select the certificate that you want to upload.
- Step 4 Click Upload.
 - If the certificate is Invalid, and does not matches with the certificate on the management node located at (var/www/mercury/mercury-ca.crt) then Insight will revert the certificate which was working previously.
 - If the Certificate is valid, Insight will run a management node health check and then update the certificate with the latest one.

Note The CA Certificate which is uploaded should be same as the one which is in the management node.



Verifying the Cisco NFVI Installation

The following topics provide quick methods for checking and assessing the Cisco NFVI installation.

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Displaying Cisco NFVI Node IP Addresses

To display the IP addresses for all Cisco NFVI nodes, enter the following command:

cd /root/openstack-configs
[root @nfvi_management_node openstack-configs]# cat
/root/installer/openstack-configs/mercury_servers_info

The following is the sample output:

| Total nodes: 8 Controller nodes: 3 | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|---------|
| Server | CIMC | • | Provision | • | Storage |
| c44-control-1 | 172.26.233.54 | 10.21.1.25 | 10.21.1.25 | 10.2.2.22 | None |
| c44-control-3 | 172.26.233.56 | 10.21.1.27 | 10.21.1.27 | 10.2.2.24 | None |
| c44-control-2 | 172.26.233.55 | I | İ | 10.2.2.25 | None |
| Compute nodes: 2 | · | + | + | + | |
| Server | CIMC | Management | Provision | Tenant | Storage |
| c44-compute-1 | 172.26.233.57 | 10.21.1.26 | 10.21.1.26 | 10.2.2.23 | None |
| c44-compute-2 | 172.26.233.58 | 10.21.1.23 | 10.21.1.23 | 10.2.2.21 | None |
| Storage nodes: 3 | | | | | |

| Server | CIMC | Management | | | |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | 172.26.233.53 | | | | |
| c44-storage-2 | 172.26.233.52 | 10.21.1.24 | 10.21.1.24 | None | 10.3.3.23 |
| c44-storage-1 | 172.26.233.51 | 10.21.1.21 | 10.21.1.21 | None | 10.3.3.21 |
| + | + | + | | + | ++ |
| [root@c44-top-mg | mt openstack-con | fiasl# | | | |

Verifying Cisco VIM Client CLI Availability

Cisco VIM Client CLI is used for managing Cisco NFVI pods. After the Cisco NFVI installation is complete, verify that the Cisco VIM user is running and pointing to the right management node in the installer directory. Cisco NFVI provides a tool that you can use to check the REST API server status and directory where it is running.

To start the tool, enter the following:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/tools
#./restapi.py -a status
Status of the REST API Server: active (running) since Thu 2016-08-18 09:15:39 UTC; 9h ago
REST API launch directory: /root/installer-<tagid>/
```

Confirm that the server status is active and check that the REST API directory matches the directory where the installation is launched.

The REST API command also provides options to start, tear down, and reset the REST API server password. Run the following REST API command to rest the password.

```
# ./restapi.py -h
usage: restapi.py [-h] --action ACTION [--yes] [--verbose]
REST API setup helper
optional arguments:
  -h, --help
                       show this help message and exit
  --action ACTION, -a ACTION
                       setup - Install and Start the REST API server.
                        teardown - Stop and Uninstall the REST API
       server.
                       restart - Restart the REST APT server.
                       regenerate-password - Regenerate the password for
      REST API server.
                       reset-password - Reset the REST API password with
     user given password.
                       status - Check the status of the REST API server
                       Skip the dialog. Yes to the action.
  --ves, -v
  --verbose, -v
                      Perform the action in verbose mode.
```

If the REST API server is not running, executing **ciscovim** displays the following error message:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/
# ciscovim -setupfile ~/Save/<setup data.yaml> run
```

If the installer directory or the REST API state is not correct or pointing to an incorrect REST API directory, go to the installer-<tagid>/tools dir and execute the following command:

./restapi.py -action setup

Confirm that the REST API server state and directory is correct:

./restapi.py -action status

If the REST API recovery step was run on an existing pod, run the following command to ensure that the REST API server continues to manage it:

```
# cd installer-<tagid>/
# ciscovim --setup_file <setup_data_file_path> --perform 7 -y
```



Note

Detailed information about the Cisco NFVI REST API is provided in the Cisco Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Administrator Guide.

Displaying Cisco NFVI Logs

Cisco NFVI installation logs are generated in the management node /var/log/mercury//<install_uuid>/ directory. The last 20-log directories are tarred and kept in this directory. The logs are archived (tar.gz file) after each run.

The following table lists the Cisco NFVI installation steps and corresponding log files:

Table 25: Cisco NFVI Installation Logs

| Step | Description | Log File |
|------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | INPUT_VALIDATION | mercury_baremetal_install.log |
| 2 | MGMTNODE_ORCHESTRATION | mercury_buildorchestration.log |
| 3 | VALIDATION | mercury_baremetal_install.log |
| 4 | BAREMETAL | mercury_baremetal_install.log |
| 5 | COMMONSETUP | mercury_os_install.log |
| 6 | СЕРН | mercury_ceph_install.log |
| 7 | ORCHESTRATION | mercury_os_install.log |
| 8 | VMTP | None |

Accessing OpenStack API Endpoints

The Cisco NFVI installer stores access credentials in the management node /root/installer-<tag-number>/openstack-configs/openrc. The external_lb_vip_address provided in setup_data.yaml is the IP address where OpenStack APIs are handled.

Following is an example:

Assessing Cisco NFVI Health with CloudPulse

You can use the OpenStack CloudPulse tool to verify Cisco NFVI health. CloudPulse servers are installed in containers on all Cisco NFVI control nodes, and CloudPulse users are installed on the management node. Run the following commands to display Cisco NFVI information. For information about CloudPulse, visit the OpenStack CloudPulse website.

To check the results of periodic CloudPulse runs:

```
# cd /root/openstack-configs
# source openro
# cloudpulse result
                                       | id | name | testtype | state |
I uuid
| bf7fac70-7e46-4577-b339-b1535b6237e8 | 3788 | glance_endpoint | periodic | success |
| 1f575ad6-0679-4e5d-bc15-952bade09f19 | 3791 | nova_endpoint | periodic | success |
| 765083d0-e000-4146-8235-ca106fa89864 | 3794 | neutron_endpoint | periodic | success | c1c8e3ea-29bf-4fa8-91dd-c13a31042114 | 3797 | cinder endpoint | periodic | success |
| 04b0cb48-16a3-40d3-aa18-582b8d25e105 | 3800 | keystone endpoint | periodic | success |
| db42185f-12d9-47ff-b2f9-4337744bf7e5 | 3803 | glance endpoint | periodic | success |
| 90aa9e7c-99ea-4410-8516-1c08beb4144e | 3806 | nova endpoint | periodic | success |
| d393a959-c727-4b5e-9893-e229efb88893 | 3809 | neutron_endpoint | periodic | success |
| 50c31b57-d4e6-4cf1-a461-8228fa7a9be1 | 3812 | cinder endpoint
                                                                    | periodic | success |
| d1245146-2683-40da-b0e6-dbf56e5f4379 | 3815 | keystone_endpoint | periodic | success |
| ce8b9165-5f26-4610-963c-3ff12062a10a | 3818 | glance endpoint | periodic | success |
| 6a727168-8d47-4a1d-8aa0-65b942898214 | 3821 | nova endpoint | periodic | success |
| 6fbf48ad-d97f-4a41-be39-e04668a328fd | 3824 | neutron_endpoint | periodic | success |
```

To run a CloudPulse test on demand:

```
# cd /root/openstack-configs
# source openrc
# cloudpulse run --name <test_name>
# cloudpulse run --all-tests
# cloudpulse run --all-endpoint-tests
# cloudpulse run --all-operator-tests
```

To run a specific CloudPulse test on demand:

```
[root@vms-line2-build installer-3128.2]# cloudpulse run --name neutron_endpoint
+-----+
| Property | Value | |
```

To show detailed results from a specific CloudPulse run:

CloudPulse has two test sets: endpoint_scenario (runs as a cron or manually) and operator test (run manually). Endpoint tests include:

- nova_endpoint
- neutron_endpoint
- · keystone_endpoint
- glance_endpoint
- cinder_endpoint

Operator tests include

- ceph_check
- docker_check
- galera_check
- node_check
- · rabbitmq_check

The following table lists the operator tests that you can perform with CloudPulse.

Table 26: CloudPulse Operator Tests

| Test | Description |
|----------------|--|
| Ceph Check | Executes the ceph -f json status command on the Ceph-mon nodes and parses the output. If the result of the output is not HEALTH_OK, the ceph_check reports an error. |
| Docker Check | Finds out if all Docker containers are in running state on all nodes and reports an error if any containers are in the Exited state. The Docker check runs the command, docker ps -aqfilter 'status=exited'. |
| Galera Check | Executes the command, mysql 'SHOW STATUS, on the controller nodes and displays the status. |
| Node Check | Checks if all the nodes in the system are up and online. It also compares the results of the Nova hypervisor list and determines whether all the compute nodes are available. |
| RabbitMQ Check | Runs the command, rabbitmqctl cluster_status, on the controller nodes and finds out if the RabbitMQ cluster is in quorum. If nodes are offline, the rabbitmq_check reports a failure. |

Displaying HA Proxy Dashboard and ELK Stack Logs

You can view the HA Proxy dashboard at: http://< external_lb_vip_address >:1936 using the following username and password.

- Username—haproxy
- Password—Value for HAPROXY_PASSWORD in /root/installer-<tag-number>/openstack-configs/secrets.yaml

You can use the Kibana dashboard to view logs aggregated by Logstash at: http://<management_node_IP>:5601 using the following username and password.

- Username—admin
- Password—Value for ELK PASSWORD in /root/installer-<tag-number>/openstack-configs/secrets.yaml

Checking Cisco NFVI Pod and Cloud Infrastructure

To test the Cisco NFVI pod and cloud infrastructure (host connectivity, basic mraiadb, rabbit, ceph cluster check, and RAID disks), you can use the cloud-sanity tool available on the management node.



Note

For details on the execution of cloud-sanity with Cisco VIM, see Assessing Cisco NFVI Status with Cloud-Sanity of Cisco Virtualized Infrastructure Manager Administrator Guide, Release 3.0.0 to 3.4.0.



Appendix

• Cisco VIM Wiring Diagrams, on page 375

Cisco VIM Wiring Diagrams

Figure 42: M4-Micropod with Cisco VIC

Figure 43: M4-Full-On with Cisco VIC

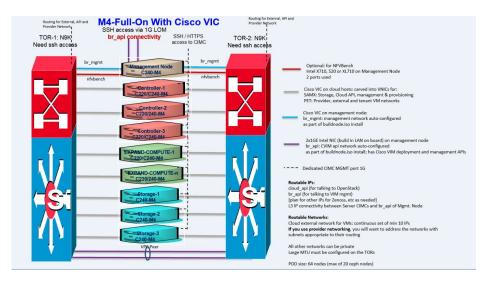
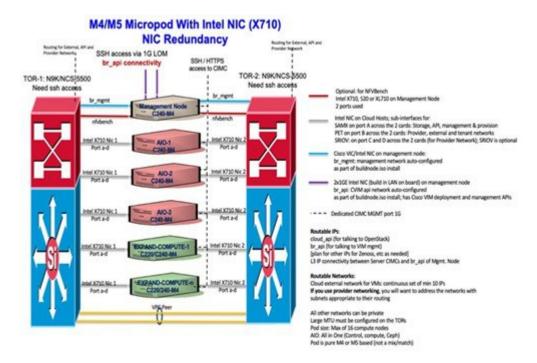


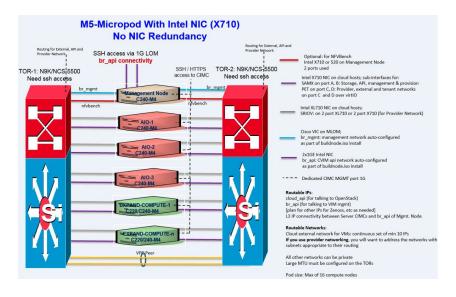
Figure 44: M4/M5 Micropod with Intel NIC (X710) - NIC Redundancy



M4 HC With Cisco VIC/NIC (1xX710) VPP based; no SRIOV outing for External, API and roulder Network, solt for migrat node oute to CINIC of all servers Routing for External, API and Provider Retwork, ssh for regist node floate to CMC for all servers TOR-1: NSK SSH access via 1G LOM SSH/HTTPS TOR-2: N9K access to CIMC Need ssh access br api connectivity Need ssh access Optional: for NFVBench intel X710 or 520 on Management Node 2 ports used Cisco VIC on cloud hosts: carved into VNICs for: SAMX: Storage, Cloud API, management & provisioning Intel NIC; 1x 2-port 520 for PET: Provider, external and tenant VM networks Over VPP Cisco VIC on management node: br_mgmt: management network auto-configured as part of buildnode.iso install 2x1GE Intel NIC (build in LAN on board) on management node Jacobs when he journe in base in ouerly on management in br_api: CVIM api network auto-configured as part of buildende iso install; sit connectivity has Closo VIM deployment and management APis CMC of all servers have to be reachable from migrit node --- Dedicated CIMC MGMT port 1G Routable IPs: cloud_api (for talking to Opendizack) br_api (for talking to VM mgmt) (plan for other IPs for Zenoss, etc as needed) L3 IP connectivity between Server CIBACs and br_api of Mgmt. Node Routable Networks: Cloud external network for VMs: continuous set of min 10 IPs If you use provider networking, you will want to address the networks with subnets appropriate to their routing All other networks can be private Large MTU must be configured on the TORs

Figure 45: M4 Hyperconverged with Cisco VIC/NIC (1xX710) VPP based; no SRIOV

Figure 46: M5-Micropod with Intel NIC (X710) - No NIC Redundancy



M4/M5 Full-On With Intel NIC (X710) With NIC Redundancy SSH access via 1G LOM br api cong SSH/HTTPS TOR-2: N9K TOR-1: N9K access to CIMC Need ssh access Need ssh access Optional: for NFVBench Intel X710, X520 or XL710 on Management Node 2 ports used Intel X710 Nic 2 Intel X710 Nic Cisco VIC/Intel NIC on management node: br_mgmt: management network auto-configured as part of buildnode.iso install 2x1GE Intel NIC (build in LAN on board) on management node br_api: CVIM api network auto-configured as part of buildnode.iso install; Intel X710 Nic 2 Port a-d Intel X710 Nic 1 has Cisco VIM deployment and management APIs. ntel X710 Nic 1 ntel X710 Nic 2 · - - - Dedicated CIMC MGMT port 1G Routable IPs: cloud_api (for talking to OpenStack) br_api (for talking to VIM mgmt) ntel X710 Nic 1 Port a, b [plan for other IPs for Zenoss, etc as needed]
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Figure 47: M4/M5 Full-On with Intel NIC (X710) and with NIC Redundancy

Figure 48: M4/M5 Full-On with Cisco VIC/NIC (2xXL710/2x520)

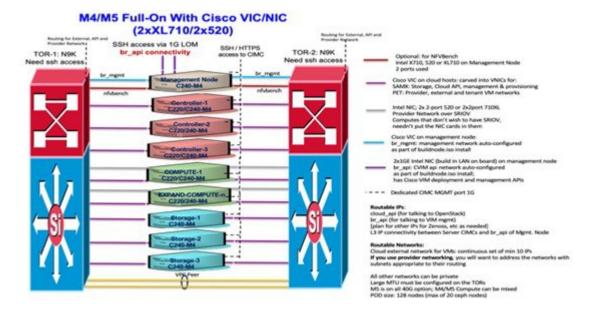


Figure 49: M4/M5 Micropod with Cisco VIC/NIC (2xXL710/2x520)

M4/M5 Micropod With Cisco VIC/NIC (2xXL710/2x520)

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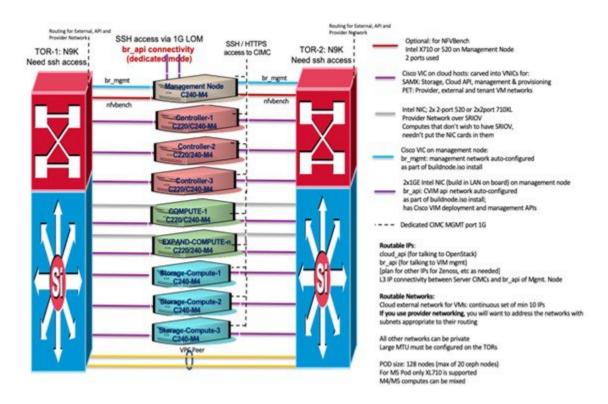
Routable IPs:
cloud_api_(for talking to OpenStack)
br_api_(for talking to VMM mgmt)
[plan for other IPs for Zenoss, etc. as needed]
L3 IP connectivity between Server CIMCs and br_api_of Mgmt. Node

Routable Networks:
Cloud external network for VMs: continuous set of min 10 IPs
If you use provider networking, you will want to address the networks with
subnets appropriate to their routing

All other networks can be private
Large MTU must be configured on the TORs
MS is based on 405 NtC, MS/M4 Servers cannot be mixed
POD size: Mix of 35 compute Nodes

--- Dedicated CIMC MGMT port 1G

Figure 50: M4/M5-HC with Cisco VIC/NIC (2xXL710/2x520)



Quanta (D52BQ-2U) Fullon Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710) SSH access via 1G PCIE SSH/HTTPS TOR-2: N9K br_api conn TOR-1: N9K access to BMC Optional: for NFVBench Intel xxv710 (2 port), on Management Node Part of ACI Fabic Part of ACI Fabric SRIOV: 2 PICIE cards (xxv710 (2 port 25 GE) for Provider Network , on compute node only; xw710 in OCP slot on management node br_mgmt: management network auto-configured as part of buildnode iso install 2xSGE Intel NIC on management node br_api: CVIM ap network auto-configured as part of buildnode iso install; has Cisco VIM deployment and management APIs -- Dedicated BMC MGMT port 1G Routable IPs: cloud_apt (for talking to OpenStack) br_apt (for talking to VM mgmt) 13 IP connectivity between Server CIMCs and br_apt of Mgmt. Node nourage retrievals. Could external network for VMs: continuous set of min 10 IPs If you use provider networking, you will want to address the networks with subnets appropriate to their routing All other networks can be private Large MTU must be confligured on the TORs POD size: 128 nodes (max of 20 cept nodes with multi-backend option)

Figure 51: Quanta (D52BQ-2U 3UPI) Fullon Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710)

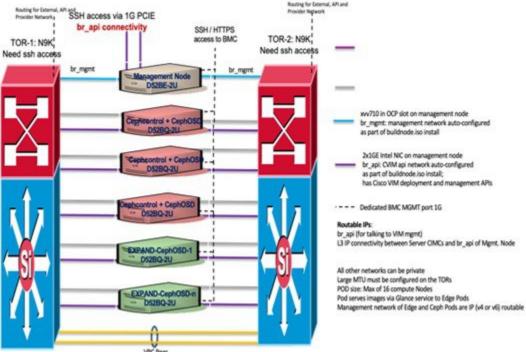
Figure 52: Quanta (D52BE-2U) Edge Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710)

Optional: for NFVBench ting for External, API and SSH access via 1G PCIE Intel xw710 (2 port), on Management Node br_api connectivity SSH / HTTPS access to BMC TOR-2: N9K TOR-1: N9K Need ssh access Need ssh access br mgmt SRIOV: 2 PICIE cards (xw/710 (2 port 25 GE) for Provider Network xxv710 in OCP slot on management node br_mgmt; management network auto-configured as part of buildnode iso install 2x1GE Intel NIC on management node br api: CVIM api network auto-configured as part of buildnode iso install; has Cisco VIM deployment and management APIs --- Dedicated BMC MGMT port 1G cloud api (for talking to OpenStack) br_api (for talking to VIM mgmt) L3 IP connectivity between Server CIMCs and br_api of Mgmt. Node Routable Networks: Cloud external network for VMs: continuous set of min 10 IPs If you use provider networking, you will want to address the networks with subnets appropriate to their routing All other networks can be private Large MTU must be configured on the TORs POD size: Max of 16 compute Nodes Needs a Ceph pod for Glance image Service Edge cloud doesn't support persistent storage Management network of Edge and Ceph Pods are IP (v4 or v6) routable

Quanta (D52BE-2U) edge Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710))

Quanta (D52BQ-2U) ceph Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710))

Figure 53: Quanta (D52BQ-2U 3UPI) Ceph Pod with 25GE Intel NIC (xxv710)



Appendix