

Install and Deploy Geo Redundant Cisco Optical Network Controller

Geo redundancy

Geo redundancy involves placing physical servers in geographically different data centers to safeguard against catastrophic events and natural disasters. Cisco Optical Network Controller can now be deployed with Geo-redundancy by connecting three distinct clusters into a Geo Super cluster.

Geo Redundant Deployment in Cisco Optical Network Controller allows the integration of multiple Cisco Optical Network Controller clusters into a single Geo Supercluster, facilitating services to be automatically deployed across multiple separated regions. This feature enhances availability and resilience by providing continuous service even if one region experiences an outage. Each region functions as a separate Kubernetes cluster.

For geo-redundancy you can deploy a supercluster in a 1+1+1 configuration, which includes:

- an active single-node (worker)
- a standby single-node (worker)
- a witness node (arbitrator)

The following image describes a high redundancy deployment of Cisco Optical Network Controller.

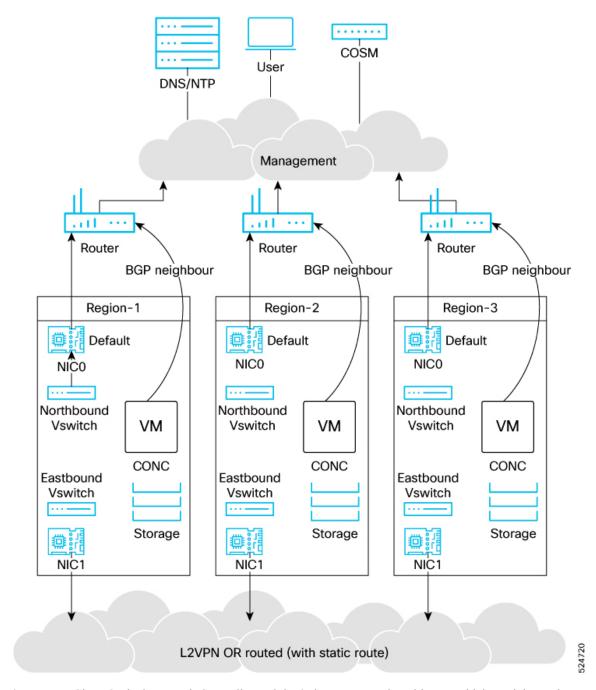


Figure 1: Cisco Optical Network Controller Deployment Infrastructure

2 VMs run Cisco Optical Network Controller and the 3rd VM acts as the arbitrator which participates in Active node selection using RAFT Algorithm.

The arbitrator runs only the OS and system services. Cisco Optical Network Controller microservices do not run on the arbitrator node. The arbitrator participates in the selection of the active node.

Releases supporting geo-redundant deployments

Cisco Optical Network Controller 24.3.2

Information About Geo Redundant Deployment

Geo redundancy involves asynchronous replication of services. This setup ensures that, during failover, services can continue operating from a standby region. The Supercluster formation involves establishing connections between regions, allowing for dynamic cluster enrollment and seamless IP connectivity.

Benefits of Geo-Redundant Deployment

- Enhanced Availability: Ensures service continuity during regional outages.
- Resilience: Provides failover capabilities with asynchronous data replication, minimizing downtime.

Supported Scenarios

The Geo Redundant Deployment is suitable for scenarios where continuous service is critical, such as:

- Enterprises with global operations requiring regional data centers.
- Services demanding high availability and disaster recovery setups.

Limitations of Geo-redundant Deployments

- **Replication lag:** If a switchover occurs during an ongoing operation, there's a small risk of data loss if there are network latency issues. The new active database may not have the information about the ongoing operation due to the delay. If this issue arises, retry the request. Ensure that your Eastbound network maintains low latency to minimize the risk of data loss.
- For example, during node or circuit delete operation, after Active completes the delete operation, and before a database transaction completes, a switchover or failover event occurs. The New Active continues to show the node/circuit. You must retry the delete operation.
- **Double failures:** If two out of 3 nodes are down or unreachable, the remaining node becomes a standby node. You will not be able to access Cisco Optical Network Controller using the virtual IP. Bring up at least one of the nodes to bring back the Supercluster to be able to use Cisco Optical Network Controller.
- Northbound notification loss: During a switchover or failover, the virtual IP interface is unreachable for a short amount of time. During this connectivity disturbance, event notifications to any hierarchical controllers are lost. In Releases 24.x.x and 25.x.x, Cisco Optical Network Controller does not support notification replay.
- **PM Loss:** The 15-minutes and 1-day PM buckets during a switchover or failover event is lost. The next PM bucket after the switchover or failover alarm clears, continues to work as expected.
- **SWIM Job Failures:** Any SWIMU ad hoc device configuration backup jobs that are in progress at the time of a switchover or failover move to the Failed state. You must create the job again to trigger backups. Scheduled SWIM jobs fail if they are in progress at the time of a switchover or failover. Scheduled jobs continue to run according to the schedule.
- Data Corruption during Restore Operations: Cisco Optical Network Controller supports database restore operations only on the active node. If a switchover or failover happens when a restore operation is ongoing, the data may get corrupted. In case of data corruption, Cisco Optical Network Controller services do not come back to the ready state. You must perform a restore again to recover the cluster.
- Switchover and Failover Duration: You must verify that all micro-services on both active and standby nodes are in ready state by running the sedo system status command. A manual switchover should be triggered only when all services are confirmed to be in ready state. Cisco Optical Network Controller requires approximately 4 minutes to complete the switchover/failover procedure. During this period, do not initiate another switchover. After a node failover, the failed node requires approximately 15–20

minutes to be prepared for a second switchover/failover. A double failure may occur if a second switchover or failover occurs before the VMs are ready. When TAPI is enabled, the switchover time exceeds 4 minutes, depending on the scale of devices and circuits involved.

- Web UI Down During Failover: When a failover occurs, the WebUI is not accessible until the failover process completes. This delay is approximately 4 minutes. Access the web UI after 4 minutes by refreshing the browser. To confirm a failover, go to the Alarms app and look for the switchover alarm in Alarm History.
- Incomplete Circuit Configurations: If a network circuit is only partially set up with a few cross-connects and a switchover or failover occurs before database replication between active and standby nodes are complete, the system creates incomplete or unconnected configurations. You must manually clean them up using Cisco Optical Site Manager.

Installation Files

Cisco Optical Network Controller is released with a single VMware OVA file distribution. OVA is a disk image deployed using vCenter on any ESXi host. This OVA packages together several components including a file descriptor (OVF) and virtual disk files containing a basic operating system and the Cisco Optical Network Controller installation files. OVA can be deployed using vCenter on ESXi hosts supporting Standalone (SA) or supercluster deployment models.



Note

During the OVF deployment, the deployment gets aborted if there is an internet disconnection.

Before you begin

• **Infrastructure**: VMware ESXi 7.0 and later releases, vCenter 7.0 and later releases, and adequate resources for VM deployment.



Attention

Upgrade to VMware vCenter Server 8.0 U2 if you are using VMware vCenter Server 8.0.2 or VMware vCenter Server 8.0.1.

- You need a VM for each cluster. You need 3 clusters.
- We recommend the VMs must be running at 3 different zones or regions to avoid a single point of failure. You need two out of 3 VMs up for Cisco Optical Network Controller to work. If you have two VMs in the same location, this location can become a single point of failure.
- Depending on your scale needs, you can choose from one of the 3 profiles from the following table.

Profile	CPU (in cores)	1	Memory (GB)		
	Worker Node	Arbitrator Node	Worker Node	Arbitrator Node	
XS	16	8	64	32	0.8
S	32	8	128	32	1.5
M	48	8	256	32	1.5

- vCPU to Physical CPU Core Ratio: We support a vCPU to Physical CPU core ratio of 2:1 if hyperthreading is enabled and the hardware supports hyperthreading. Hyperthreading is enabled by default on Cisco UCS servers that support hyperthreading. In other cases, the vCPU to Physical CPU core ratio is 1:1.
- Accept the Self-Signed Certificate from the ESXi host.
 - 1. Access the ESXi host using your web browser.
- 2. If you receive a security warning indicating that the connection is not private or that the certificate is not trusted, proceed by accepting the risk or bypassing the warning.
- **Network**: Before installing Cisco Optical Network Controller, create three networks.

Control Plane Network

The control plane network helps in the internal communication between the deployed VMs within a cluster.

VM Network or Northbound Network

The VM network is used for communication between the user and the cluster. It handles all the traffic to and from the VMs running on your ESXi hosts. This network is the public network through which the web UI is hosted. Cisco Optical Network Controller uses this network to connect to COSM devices using Netconf/gRPC.

· Eastbound Network

The Eastbound Network helps in the internal communication between the deployed VMs within a supercluster. The active and standby nodes use this network to sync their databases. The postgres database is replicated across active and standby. MinIO is replicated on the arbitrator also.

Bandwidth requirement: The Eastbound network should have a bandwidth of 1 Gbps and a latency less than 100 ms.

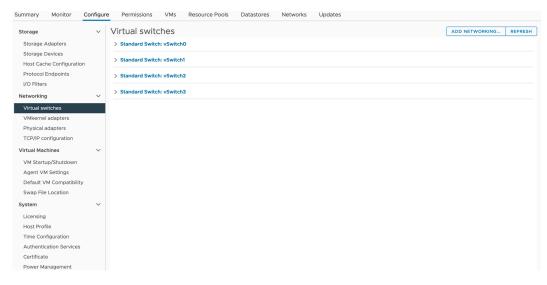
You can configure the Eastbound network to be a flat Layer 2 network or an L2VPN where the Eastbound IPs of all the nodes are in the same subnet. If your Eastbound IPs are in different subnets, you must configure static routing between your nodes for the eastbound network.

• You must create three network interfaces within vCenter (Control Plane, Northbound, Eastbound) with specific IP configurations for each node in a 1+1+1 supercluster.

After adding the ESXi host to vCenter, create the Control Plane, Northbound, and Eastbound Networks before deploying. To create the Control Plane, Northbound, and Eastbound networks, perform the following steps:

1. Log in to the vCenter and Select the ESXi Host that you want to deploy GeoHA on.

Select Configure > Networking > Virtual Switches > Add Networking



- 2. In Select connection type, choose Virtual Machine Port Group for a Standard Switch and click Next.
- 3. In Select target device, select New Standard Switch (MTU 1500) and click Next.
- **4.** In **Create a Standard Switch**, click **Next**, and confirm *There are no active physical network adapters for the switch*. for the Control Plane Network. For Northbound and Eastbound networks, choose the relevant adapter.
- **5.** In **Connection settings** choose the relevant network label (Control Plane, Northbound, or Eastbound) and select the relevant VLAN ID. Click **Next**.
- 6. In Ready to complete, review your configuration and click Finish.
- Storage: SSDs to meet the disk write latency requirement of ≤ 100 ms.
- BGP is used for traffic routing to the virtual IP from the various locations. You must configure the BGP router and configure the nodes as neighbors in the router. Contact your network admin to set up your BGP router.
- You need 3 separate VMs with separate Eastbound Network, Northbound network, and Control Plane network.
- You cannot remove nodes from or change roles of a cluster after a cluster joins a supercluster.

This table lists the default port assignments.

Table 1: Communications Matrix

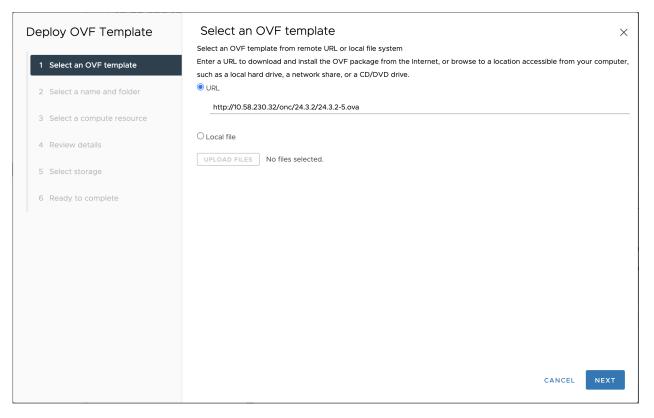
Traffic Type	Port	Description	
Inbound	TCP 22	SSH remote management	
	TCP 8443	HTTPS for UI access	

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Outbound	TCP 22	NETCONF to routers
	TCP 389	LDAP if using Active Directory
	TCP 636	LDAPS if using Active Directory
	Customer Specific	HTTP for access to an SDN controller
	User Specific	HTTPS for access to an SDN controller
	TCP 3082, 3083,	TL1 to optical devices
	2361, 6251	
Eastbound	TCP 10443	Supercluster join requests
	UDP 8472	VxLAN
syslog	User specific	TCP/UDP
Control Plane Ports	TCP 443	Kubernetes
(Internal network between cluster	TCP 6443	Kubernetes
nodes, not exposed)	TCP 10250	Kubernetes
	TCP 2379	etcd
	TCP 2380	etcd
	UDP 8472	VXLAN
	ICMP	Ping between nodes (optional)

Procedure

- **Step 1** Right-click the ESXi host in the vSphere client screen and click **Deploy OVF Template**.
- In the **Select an OVF template** screen, select the **URL** radio button for specifying the URL to download and install the OVF package from the Internet or select the **Local file** radio button to upload the downloaded OVA files from your local system and click **Next.**

Figure 2: Select an OVF Template

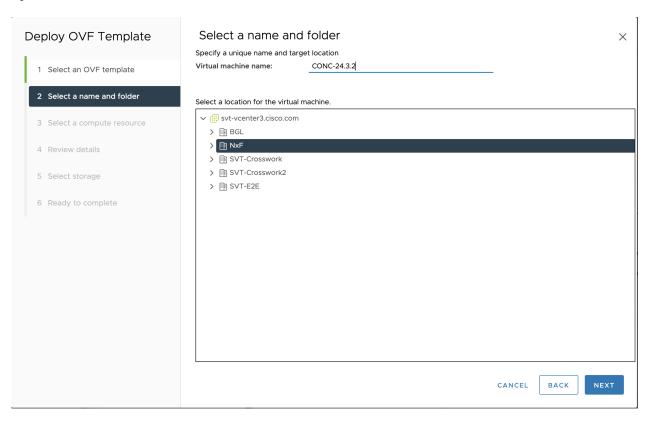


Step 3 In the Select a name and folder screen, specify a unique name for the virtual machine Instance. From the list of options, select the location of the VM to be used and click Next.

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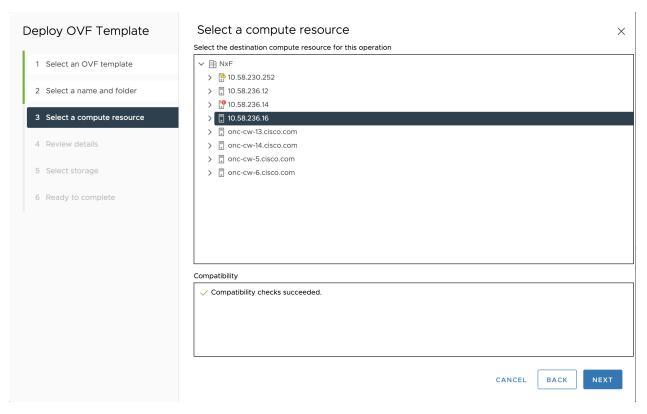
The data center and location of for each virtual machine for Geo Redundant deployment must be chosen according to the location where you want to deploy each VM. The compute resources in the next step are shown based on the selection in this screen.

Figure 3: Select a name and folder



In the **Select a compute resource** screen, select the destination compute resource on which you want to deploy the VM and click **Next.**

Figure 4: Select a Compute Resource

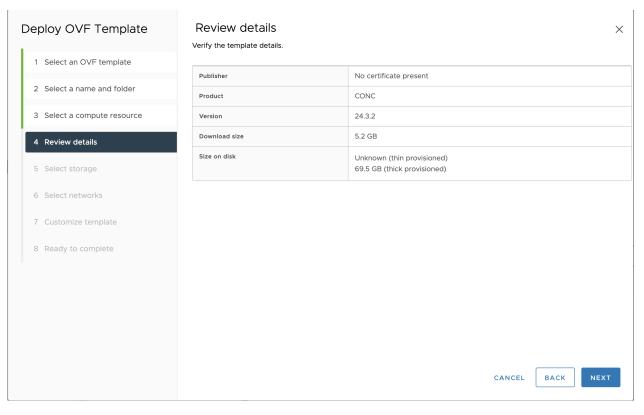


Note

While selecting the compute resource the compatibility check proceeds till it completes successfully.

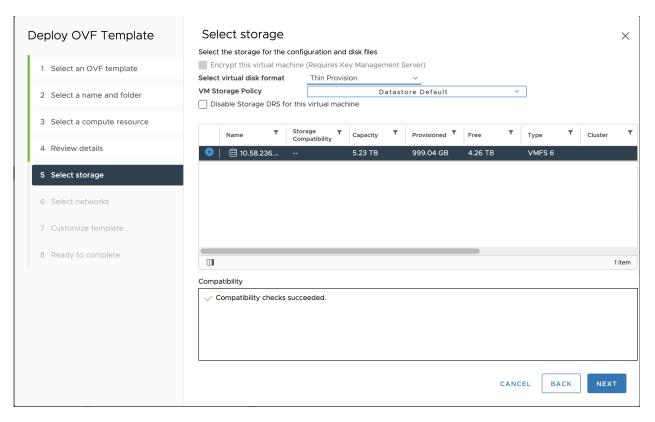
Step 5 In the **Review details** screen, verify the template details and click **Next**.

Figure 5: Review Details



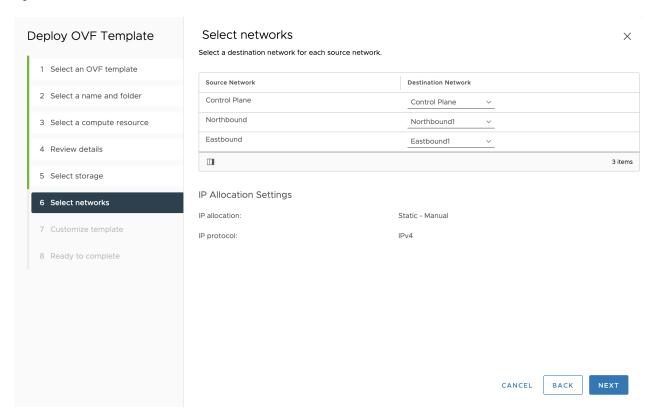
Step 6 In the Select storage screen, select the virtual disk format based on provision type requirement. VM Storage Policy is set as *Datastore Default* and click Next. Select the virtual disk format as *Thin Provision*.

Figure 6: Select Storage



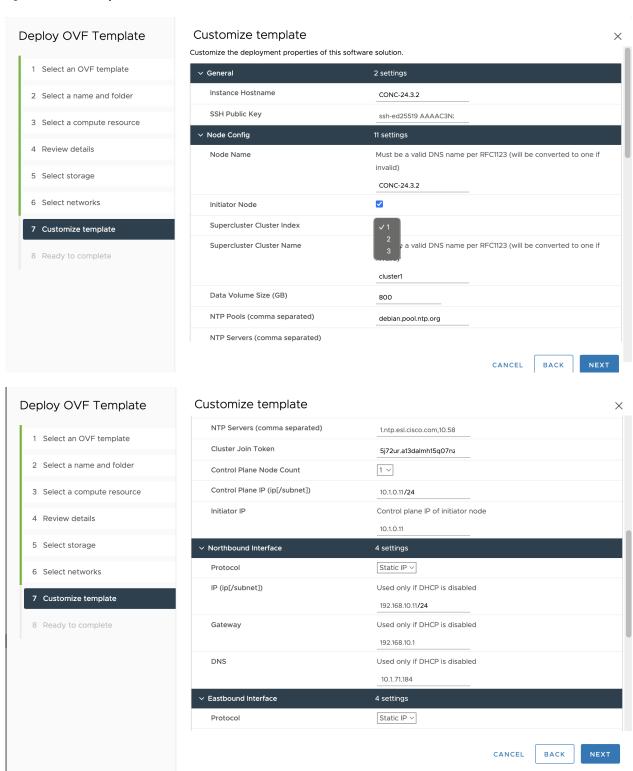
Step 7 In the Select networks screen, select the Control Plane, Eastbound, and Northbound networks you created for each VM and click Next.

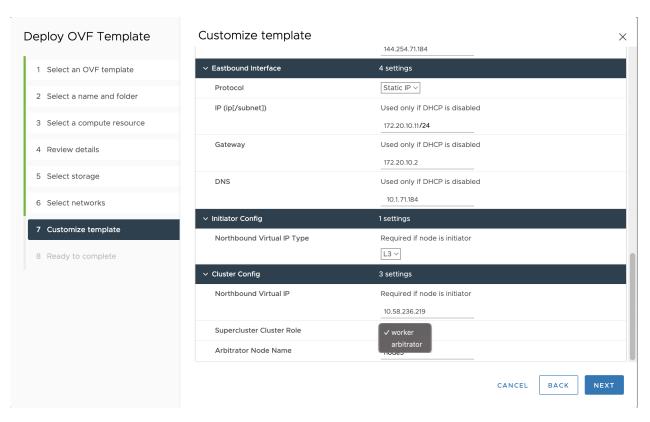
Figure 7: Select Networks



Step 8 In the **Customize template** screen, set the values using the following table as a guideline for deployment.

Figure 8: Customize Template





For the arbitrator node, choose arbitrator as the Supercluster Cluster Role.

Table 2: Customize Template

Кеу	Values				
General					
Instance Hostname	<instance-name></instance-name>				
	Must be a valid DNS name per RFC1123.1.2.4.				
	Contain at most 63 characters.				
	Contain only lowercase alphanumeric characters or '-'				
	Start with an alphanumeric character.				
	• End with an alphanumeric character.				
SSH Public Key	<ssh-public-key>. Used for SSH access that allows you to connect to the instant securely without the need to manage credentials for multiple instances. SSH public key must be a ed25519 key. See SSH Key Generation.</ssh-public-key>				
Node Config					
Node Name	Use the same name as <i>Instance Hostname</i>				
Initiator Node	Select the check box				

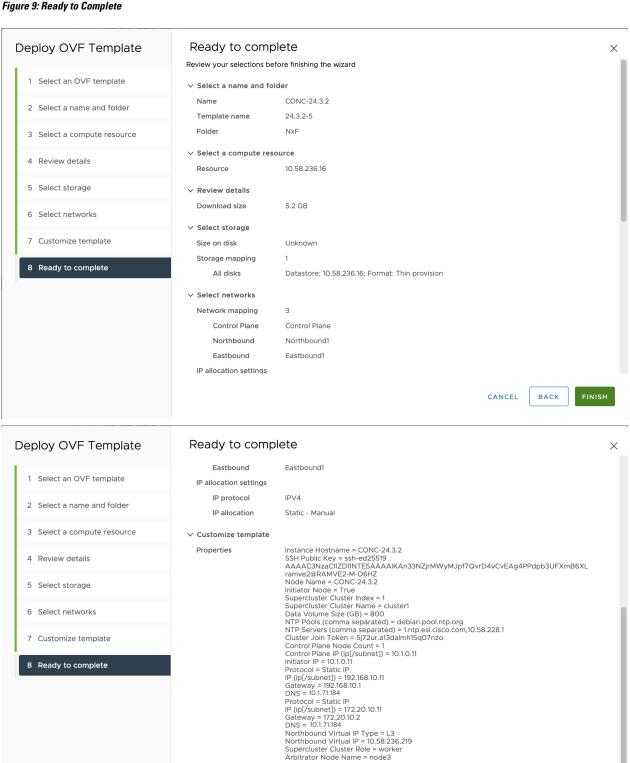
Key	Values
Supercluster Cluster Index	Set to 1 (active cluster), 2 (standby cluster), or 3 (arbitrator).
Supercluster Cluster Name	Set to cluster1 (active cluster), cluster2 (standby cluster), or cluster3 (arbitrator).
Data Volume Size (GB)	Configure data volume according to the VM profile.
NTP Pools (comma separated)	(Optional) A comma-separated list of the NTP pools. For example, debian.pool.ntp.org
NTP Servers (comma separated)	(Optional) A comma-separated list of the NTP servers.
Cluster Join Token	Autogenerated value. Leave as is.
Control Plane Node Count	1
Control Plane IP (ip[/subnet])	<private for="" instance="" ip="" the=""> Control Plane Network</private>
Initiator IP	<same as="" control="" ip="" plane=""> Control Plane Network</same>
Northbound Interface	
Protocol	Static IP
IP (ip[/subnet]) - if not using DHCP	<public for="" instance="" ip="" the=""> Northbound Network</public>
Gateway - if not using DHCP	<gateway for="" instance="" ip="" the=""> Northbound Network</gateway>
DNS	DNS Server IP
Eastbound Interface	
Protocol	Static IP
IP (ip[/subnet]) - if not using DHCP	< IP for the Instance> Eastbound Network
Gateway - if not using DHCP	<gateway for="" ip="" network="" the=""> Eastbound Network</gateway>
DNS	DNS Server IP
Initiator Config	
Northbound Virtual IP Type	L3
Cluster Config	
Northbound Virtual IP	Virtual IP for the SuperCluster
Supercluster Cluster Role	worker for primary and secondary nodes
	arbitrator for arbitrator node

Key	Values
Arbitrator Node Name	a unique node name.
	 Attention The arbitrator node name must not the same as any node in the supercluster. This field must not be the same as the node name of the arbitrator node either. The arbitrator node name must be the same across all nodes in the supercluster.

Step 9 In Review the details screen, review all your selections and click Finish. To check or change any properties from the review screen anytime, before clicking Finish, click BACK to go back to the previous screen, Customize template, to make necessary changes.

CANCEL

BACK



Step 10 Perform the previous steps 3 times to create the two worker node VMs (active and standby), and the arbitrator node VM.

Attention

- You can create the other nodes at a different data center, host, or vCenter instance according to your requirements. Ensure Eastbound and Northbound network connectivity between the nodes.
- Upon activation of the virtual machine (VM), it is designed not to respond to ping requests. However, you can log in using SSH if the installation has been completed successfully.

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Set Up the Supercluster

Before you begin

You must have created 3 VMs for geo-redundant deployment of Cisco Optical Network Controller. See Install and Deploy Geo Redundant Cisco Optical Network Controller, on page 1

Procedure

- Step 1 After the VMs are created, try connecting to the VM using the pem key which was generated earlier, see *SSH Key Generation*. For this, use the private key that is generated along with the public key during customizing the public key options.
- **Step 2** Log in to each VM using the private key.

```
# ssh -i <private-key file> nxf@<node ip>
```

Note

- If you are prompted for a password, there might be a problem with the key. If your SSH key has a passphrase, the system prompts you for the passphrase. If you are prompted for a password even after entering your SSH key passphrase, your PEM key might be wrong or corrupted.
- If the command times out, check your network settings and make sure the node is reachable.
- After the nodes are deployed, the deployment of OVA progress can be checked in the Tasks console of vSphere Client. After Successful deployment, Cisco Optical Network Controller takes around 20 minutes to boot.
- The default user ID is admin. Use the sedo security user set admin --password command to set the password.

- **Step 3** If peer nodes Eastbound IPs are in different subnets, you must create static routes between the nodes for the eastbound traffic flow among the nodes. From each node, create routes to each of the two other nodes.
 - a) Navigate to the configuration directory.

```
cd /etc/systemd/network/
```

- b) Identify the Network Configuration File: Find the file associated with the eastbound interface *ens256*. The filename must be similar to *10-cloud-init-ens256.network*.
- c) Open the configuration file using a text editor like nano or vim with administrative privileges:
- d) Update the [Route] Section: Modify the [Route] section by adding the static routes using the following template. Ensure you replace placeholders with actual IP addresses and gateway information as necessary.

```
[Match]
Name=ens256

[Network]
DHCP=no
DNS=<dns-server-ip>

[Address]
Address=<cluster1-eastbound-ip>/<subnet-mask>

[Route]
Destination=<eastbound-subnet-of-cluster2>/<subnet-mask>
Gateway=<gateway-ip>

[Route]
Destination=<eastbound-subnet-of-cluster3>/<subnet-mask>
Gateway=<gateway-ip>
```

e) After editing, save the file and exit the text editor.

Example:

Here is a sample file.

```
#Example:

[Match]

Name=ens256

[Network]

DHCP=no

DNS=10.10.128.236

[Address]

Address=172.10.10.11/24

[Route]

Destination=172.10.20.0/24

Gateway=172.30.10.2

[Route]

Destination=172.10.30.0/24

Gateway=172.30.10.2
```

Note

- Ensure that the Name in the [Match] section corresponds to the correct network interface.
- Verify that the DNS and Gateway IPs are correctly assigned as per your network requirements.
- f) Use ping to verify connectivity between the nodes.

Step 4 Restart the **systemd-networkd** service to apply the changes.

Example:

sudo systemctl restart systemd-networkd

You have created routes for communication. Verify that the routes have been created using the **ip route** command.

- **Step 5** Configure BGP for virtual IP route advertisement.
 - a) Initialize BGP on each node.

```
sedo ha bgp init <CURRENT_NODE_NAME> <CURRENT_NODE_NORTHBOUND_IP> <CURRENT_NODE_AS> --nexthop <CURRENT NODE NORTHBOUND IP>
```

b) Add a BGP router to each node.

```
sedo ha bgp router add <CURRENT_NODE_NAME> <BGP_ROUTER_IP> <BGP_ROUTER_AS> <BGP_PASSWORD>
--enable-gtsm
```

Note

Collect the BGP router IP, Router autonomous system number, and the BGP password from your network admin. The BGP password must match the neighbor configuration on the router.

Step 6 Retrieve Cluster ID: On each node, run the following command to retrieve the Cluster ID.:

sedo supercluster status

Example:

sedo supercluster status
#Sample Output

Supercluster Status			
Cluster ID	vk0uFBSwM1vX4_mC1BAabDxAKXYUTv1KH5dcCDawZw4		
Cluster Name	cluster1		
Cluster Role	worker		
Peers	<no peers=""></no>		
Initialized	No		

Note

The cluster ID for each node is required in the following steps.

Step 7 Connect cluster1 to cluster2.

a) On cluster1, initiate the supercluster connection by running the following command.

sudo sedo supercluster wait-for -b <cluster1_node_eastboundIP>:10443 <cluster2_node_CLUSTER_ID>

Example:

```
#Sample Output sudo sedo supercluster wait-for -b 172.20.2.89:10443 uUD21AaV4cQ8CzZQf0E0YrGmALi0vHASpZI07YzcsQ Listening for join requests on 172.20.2.89:10443... Please run the following on peer node: $ sudo /usr/bin/sedo supercluster join Lh9Gv3FwSUsx7Gu_7EJoIMe4r5YE6ApyHqOEt83fko https://172.20.2.89:10443/join/g4jKVulJo74ptz82lMvngQ
```

b) On the Cluster2, execute the command that is generated from Cluster1 to join the supercluster.

Example:

sudo /usr/bin/sedo supercluster join Lh9Gv3FwSUsx7Gu_7EJoIMe4r5YE6ApyHq0Et83fko https://172.20.2.89:10443/join/g4jKVulJo74ptz82lMvngQ

Step 8 Connect cluster1 to cluster3.

a) On cluster1, initiate the supercluster connection by running the following command.

```
sudo sedo supercluster wait-for -b <cluster1 node eastboundIP>:10443 <cluster3 node CLUSTER ID>
```

b) On the Cluster3, execute the command that is generated from Cluster1 to join the supercluster.

Step 9 Connect cluster2 to cluster3.

a) On cluster2, initiate the supercluster connection by running the following command.

```
sudo sedo supercluster wait-for -b <cluster2 node eastboundIP>:10443 <cluster3 node CLUSTER ID>
```

b) On the Cluster3, execute the command that is generated from Cluster2 to join the supercluster.

Step 10 Check Cluster Connectivity: After all clusters are joined, verify connectivity using the following command:

sudo sedo supercluster connectivity

Note

Wait till all connections are successful. It typically takes about 5 minutes for the clusters to establish connectivity between each other.

Example:

sudo sedo supercluster connectivity

Supercluster Connectivity				
FROM	TO	RTT	RESULT	
cluster2/controller-0 cluster1/controller-0 cluster1/controller-0 cluster3/controller-0 cluster3/controller-0	cluster1/controller-0 cluster3/controller-0 cluster3/controller-0 cluster2/controller-0 cluster2/controller-0 cluster1/controller-0	14ms 15ms 12ms 12ms 13ms 13ms	Success Success Success Success Success	

Step 11 Start the Super-Cluster: Once connectivity is verified, start the supercluster using the following command:

sudo sedo supercluster start

Note

The node on which you execute this comand becomes the active node and the other worker node becomes the standby node.

Example:

sudo sedo supercluster start

Checking Supercluster connectivity...Passed Initiating Supercluster...Done

Step 12 Verify Super-Cluster Status: Check the status of the supercluster to ensure that all nodes are active and properly connected using the following command:

sedo supercluster status

Example:

sedo supercluster status

Supercluster Status

```
Cluster ID
                  QgQV2uXgP1udqshlIssyTwf3LZzEyRh6I3z5MH8almA
Cluster Name
                  cluster1
Cluster Role
                   worker
Peers
                   cluster2 (worker, jaWeN9BdXUUTxvofwt6Hukt6OQXIUaqo4NxN6zHYDc)
                   cluster3 (arbitrator, SUCrwqQjXToG5GKBwckcg CtzgHstQigaEM1X0988E)
Mode
                   Running
Current Active
                   cluster1
Previous Active
Standby Clusters
                   cluster2
Last Switchover
Last Failover
                   controller-0.cluster2: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.051 +0000 UTC
Last Seen
                   controller-0.cluster3: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.047 +0000 UTC
                   controller-0.cluster1: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.051 +0000 UTC
Last Peer Error
Server Error
DB Replication
                   streaming
DB Lag
                   0 bytes
```

This sample output shows the output of the command on the standby node. The output shows the current active and standby clusters. When **DB replication** is streaming, and **DB Lag** is 0 bytes, the Geo-redundant Deployment is up and running.

Step 13 Use the sedo system status command to check the status of all the pods.

sedo system status

System S	System Status (Fri, 20 Sep 2024 08:21:27 UTC)				
OWNER	NAME	NODE	STATUS	RESTARTS	STARTED
onc	monitoring	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-alarm-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-apps-ui-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-circuit-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-collector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-config-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-devicemanager-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-inventory-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-nbi-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-netconfcollector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-osapi-gw-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-pce-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-pm-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-pmcollector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-topology-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
onc	onc-torch-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago
system	authenticator	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	controller	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	flannel	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	ingress-proxy	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	kafka	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	loki	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	metrics	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	minio	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	postgres	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	promtail-cltmk	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago
system	vip-add	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago

Note

• The different pods along with their statuses are displayed in the different terminal sessions for each node.

• The status of all the services must be Running.

Step 14 You can check the current version using the **sedo version** command.

IMAGE NAME		VERSION	
L	NODES	 	
L		 	

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Set Up Web UI Access to Cisco Optical Network Controller

Procedure

Step 1 Set the initial UI password for the admin user. Execute the following command.

Example:

sedo security user set admin --password

Note

The password policy for the system includes both configurable settings and nonconfigurable hard requirements to ensure security.

Password Requirements

- The password must contain at least:
 - 1 uppercase letter
 - 1 lowercase letter
 - 1 number
 - 1 special character
- Must have a minimum length of 8 characters.

Configurable Requirements

You can change the password policy settings using the sedo security password-policy set command. Specify the desired parameters to adjust the configuration:

```
sedo security password-policy set --expiration-days <number> --reuse-limit <number>
--min-complexity-score <number>
```

- expiration-days: Default password expiration used when creating new users, in days (default 180)
- min-complexity-score: The password strength forced for local users can be enabled or disabled and can be set in scores of 1 to 5 (weak to strong). The password is checked against several dictionaries and common passwords lists, to ensure its complexity according to the selected score.(default 3)
- reuse-limit: Number of historical passwords that are retained and blocked from reuse when changing password (default 12)
- Step 2 To check the default admin user ID, use the command sedo security user list. To change the default password, use the command sedo security user admin set --password on the CLI console of the VM or through the web UI.
- Step 3 Use a web browser to access https://<virtual IP>:8443/ to access the Cisco Optical Network Controller Web UI. Use the admin user id and the password that you set to log in to Cisco Optical Network Controller.

Note

Access the web UI only after all the one services are running. Use the **sedo system status** command to verify that all services are running.

Perform a Switchover in a Geo Redundant Cisco Optical Network Controller Deployment

To switch the active and standby clusters, perform the following steps.

Before you begin

You must have a Geo Redundant Cisco Optical Network Controller Deployment.

Run the **sedo supercluster status** command to view the supercluster status.

sedo supercluster status

Supercluster Statu	Supercluster Status			
Cluster ID Cluster Name Cluster Role				
Peers	cluster2 (worker, jaWeN9BdXUUTxvofwt6Hukt6OQXIUaqo4NxN6zHYDc) cluster3 (arbitrator, SUCrwqQjXToG5GKBwckcq CtzqHstQiqaEM1X0988E)			
Mode Current Active Previous Active	Running cluster1			
Standby Clusters Last Switchover Last Failover	cluster2			
Last Seen	controller-0.cluster2: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.051 +0000 UTC controller-0.cluster3: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.047 +0000 UTC controller-0.cluster1: 2025-03-19 11:16:57.051 +0000 UTC			

```
| Last Peer Error |
| Server Error |
| DB Replication | streaming |
| DB Lag | 0 bytes
```

Procedure

Step 1 Execute the **sedo supercluster switchover** < *target-active-cluster-name* > and confirm when prompted.

Example:

```
nxf@node:~\$ sudo sedo supercluster switchover cluster? Are you sure you want to initiate supercluster switchover to cluster "cluster2"? [y/n]y
```

The switchover takes place and the WebUI displays a message that says *Switchover happened. Please refresh the page*. The WebUI update takes about 20 seconds.

SSH in to the new active node or using the Virtual IP. Run the **sedo supercluster status** command to view the supercluster status.

sedo supercluster status

```
Supercluster Status
Cluster ID
                 jaWeN9BdXUUTxvofwt6Hukt6OQXIUaqo4NxN6zHYDc
Cluster Name
                  cluster2
Cluster Role
                  worker
Peers
                  cluster1 (worker, QgQV2uXgP1udqshlIssyTwf3LZzEyRh6I3z5MH8almA)
                 cluster3 (arbitrator, SUCrwqQjXToG5GKBwckcg CtzgHstQigaEM1X0988E)
Mode
                 Running
                 cluster2
Current Active
Previous Active
                  cluster1
Standby Clusters
                 | cluster1
Last Switchover
                  2025-03-19 11:20:49.705 +0000 UTC
Last Failover
                  controller-0.cluster1: 2025-03-19 11:24:07.056 +0000 UTC
Last Seen
                  controller-0.cluster2: 2025-03-19 11:24:07.058 +0000 UTC
                  controller-0.cluster3: 2025-03-19 11:24:07.058 +0000 UTC
Last Peer Error
Server Error
DB Replication
                  streaming
DB Lag
                  0 bytes
```

The DB replication status changes from Disconnected to Streaming as the switchover process progresses. Database replication is complete when the **DB Replication** status is streaming and **DB Lag** is 0 bytes.

Note

A switchover alarm is raised by Cisco Optical Network Controller during the switchover process. The alarm is cleared after the switchover. You can see the alarm details under Alarm History in the alarms app.

Step 3 (Optional) Use the raft API to get the supercluster status.

Example:

```
nxf@node:~$ kubectl exec -it onc-devicemanager-service-0 -- curl -X GET
http://controller.nxf-system.svc.cluster.local/api/v1/raft/status
```

The API response gives you the information from the **sedo supercluster status** command.

Restriction

- Do not perform a switchover until the **DB replication** status is Streaming and **DB Lag** is 0 bytes after the previous switchover. This typically takes five minutes.
- If you perform a switchover while a delete operation was in progress, you must repeat the deleted operation on the new active after the switchover. This restriction applies to node and circuit delete operations.
- If the active cluster goes down for some reason, a failover takes place. The web UI goes down for up to a minute during a failover. The switchover alarm is raised if a failover occurs.

Upgrade a Standalone Deployment of Cisco Optical Network Controller to a Geo-Redundant Deployment

The following sections provide instructions for upgrading a standalone deployment of Cisco Optical Network Controller from Release 24.3.1 to 24.3.2 and configuring the necessary networks to ensure seamless communication between nodes in a geo-redundant supercluster.

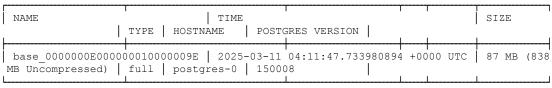
Before you begin

• Backup Creation: Ensure that a full system backup is created using the command sedo backup create full and exported for recovery if needed.

Example:

```
root@conc-1:~# sedo backup create full
Creating backup, this may take a while...
Done creating backup
```

root@conc-1:~# sedo backup list



root@conc-1:/data# scp /data/nxf-backup-3.0-1736872559.tar.gz <remote location>

- **Network Configuration**: Before installing Cisco Optical Network Controller, three networks must be created.
 - **Control Plane Network:** The control plane network helps in the internal communication between the deployed VMs within a cluster.
 - VM Network or Northbound Network: The VM network is used for communication between the user and the cluster. It handles all the traffic to and from the VMs running on your ESXi hosts. This

- network is your public network through which the UI is hosted. Cisco Optical Network Controller uses this network to connect to Cisco Optical Site Manager devices using Netconf/gRPC.
- Eastbound Network: The Eastbound Network helps in the internal communication between the deployed VMs within a supercluster. The active and standby nodes use this network to sync there databases. The postgres database is replicated across active and standby. MinIO is replicated on the arbitrator also.



Note

Bandwidth requirement: The Eastbound network should have a bandwidth of 1 Gbps and a latency less than 100 ms.

You can configure the Eastbound network to be a flat Layer 2 network or an L2VPN where the Eastbound IPs of all the nodes are in the same subnet. If your Eastbound IPs are in different subnets, you must configure static routing between your nodes for the eastbound network.

- **BGP Router Configuration:** Obtain the BGP router IP, Router autonomous system number, and BGP password from network administrators for configuration.
- **VMware Setup:** Ensure that the vCenter has the required networks configured and attached correctly. Verify that physical adapters are correctly mapped for Northbound and Eastbound networks.
- Access and Permissions: Ensure you have the necessary permissions to execute commands and modify network settings on the nodes.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the standalone node CLI using the private key.

Example:

```
ssh -i <private-key file> nxf@<node ip>
```

Step 2 Download or copy the 24.3.2 system pack system-pack-file.tar.gz to the NxF SA system running 24.3.1 and place it in the /data directory using curl or scp.

Example:

```
scp user@remote_server:/path/to/system-pack-file.tar.gz /data/
curl -o /data/system-pack-file.tar.gz http://example.com/path/to/system-pack-file.tar.gz
```

Step 3 Upgrade the SA VM from 24.3.1 to 24.3.2 using the sedo system upgrade commands:

Example:

```
sedo system upgrade upload /data/system-pack-file.tar.gz
sedo system upgrade apply
reboot
```

The system reboots and upgrades. The system takes approximately 30 minutes to complete this.

Step 4 After the system reboots, verify the NxF version and system status. Use the sedo version and sedo system status commands.

Example:

sedo version

Installer: 24	.3.2	
NODE NAME	OS VERSION	KERNEL VERSION
node1-c1-sc2	NxFOS 3.2-555 (93358ad257a6cf1e3da439144e3d2e8343b53008)	6.1.0-31-amd64

IMAGE NAME	VERSION
NODES	1
docker.io/rancher/local-path-provisioner	v0.0.30
node1-c1-sc2	1 0.0.30
dockerhub.cisco.com/cisco-onc-docker/dev/monitoring	dev_latest
node1-c1-sc2	· -
quay.io/coreos/etcd	v3.5.15
nodel-c1-sc2 registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/alarmservice	24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	24.3.2-3
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/circuit-service	24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	·
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/collector-servi	ce 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	1 04 2 2 5
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/config-service node1-c1-sc2	24.3.2-5
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/devicemanager-s	service 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/inventory-servi	ce 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	1 0 0 0 5
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/monitoring node1-c1-sc2	24.3.2-5
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/nbi-service	24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	1
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/netconfcollecto	or-service 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/onc-apps-ui-ser	rvice 24.3.2-5
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/onc-kafkarecap-	service
0.1.PR93-26c53efb0cf6ebc1f0c4a2aa226a0ab3751b9101 node1-c1-sc2	
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/osapi-gw-service	ce 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	1
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/pce_service	24.3.2-5
nodel-c1-sc2 registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/pm-service	24.3.2-5
nodel-c1-sc2	21.3.2 3
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/pmcollector-ser	evice 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/topology-service	ce 24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2 registry.nxf-system.svc:8443/cisco-onc-docker/dev/torch	24.3.2-5
node1-c1-sc2	24.3.2 3
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/authenticator	3.2-508
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/bgp	3.2-505
nodel-c1-sc2 registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/controller	3.2-533
node1-c1-sc2	3.2-333
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/firewalld	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/flannel	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2 registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/ingress-proxy	3.2-508
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxi/ingress-proxy	1 3.2-300

registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/kafka	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/kubernetes	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2	·
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/loki	3.2-505
nodel-cl-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/metrics-exporter	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/minio	3.2-505
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/service-proxy	3.2-508
node1-c1-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/timescale	3.2-515
nodel-cl-sc2	
registry.sedona.ciscolabs.com/nxf/timescale	3.2-514
node1-c1-sc2	
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sedo system status

System Status (Fri, 20 Sep 2024 08:21:27 UTC)							
OWNER	NAME	NODE	STATUS	RESTARTS	STARTED		
onc	monitoring	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-alarm-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-apps-ui-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-circuit-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-collector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-config-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-devicemanager-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-inventory-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-nbi-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-netconfcollector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-osapi-gw-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-pce-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-pm-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-pmcollector-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-topology-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
onc	onc-torch-service	node1	Running	0	3 hours ago		
system	authenticator	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	controller	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	flannel	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	ingress-proxy	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	kafka	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	loki	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	metrics	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	minio	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	postgres	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	promtail-cltmk	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		
system	vip-add	node1	Running	0	12 hours ago		

Step 5 Verify onboarded sites and services by accessing the Cisco Optical Network Controller UI.

Example:

Use a web browser to access https://<virtual ip>:8443/ to access the Cisco Optical Network Controller Web UI.

What to do next

Set Up Eastbound and Northbound Networks, on page 31

Set Up Eastbound and Northbound Networks

Procedure

Step 1 Verify the Eastbound (ens256) and Northbound (ens224) interfaces using the ip address command.

Example:

```
ip address
3: ens224: <BROADCAST, MULTICAST, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 1500 gdisc mg state UP group default glen 1000
   link/ether 00:50:56:9c:16:fb brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
   altname enp19s0
    inet 192.168.10.11/24 brd 192.168.10.255 scope global ens224
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet 10.64.103.73/32 scope global ens224
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet6 fe80::250:56ff:fe9c:16fb/64 scope link
       valid lft forever preferred lft forever
4: ens256: <BROADCAST, MULTICAST, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 1500 qdisc mq state UP group default qlen 1000
   link/ether 00:50:56:9c:el:fc brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
   altname enp27s0
   inet 172.10.10.11/24 brd 172.10.10.255 scope global ens256
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet6 fe80::250:56ff:fe9c:e1fc/64 scope link
       valid lft forever preferred lft forever
```

Note

This sample output shows only the relevant part of the command output.

Step 2 Update the IP address for the northbound interface (ens224) by modifying the configuration file located at /etc/systemd/network/10-cloud-init-ens224.network.

Example:

```
[Address]
Address=<northbound-node1-ip-address>/<subnet>
[Match]
Name=ens224
[Network]
DHCP=no
DNS=<northbound-node1-dns>
[Route]
Destination=0.0.0.0/0
Gateway=<northbound-node1-gateway>
```

Step 3 Update the IP address of the Eastbound interface (ens256) by modifying the corresponding interface file located at /etc/systemd/network/10-cloud-init-ens256.network.

Example:

```
[Address]
Address=<eastbound-node1-ip-address>/<subnet>
```

```
[Match]
Name=ens256

[Network]
DHCP=no
DNS=<eastbound-nodel-dns>

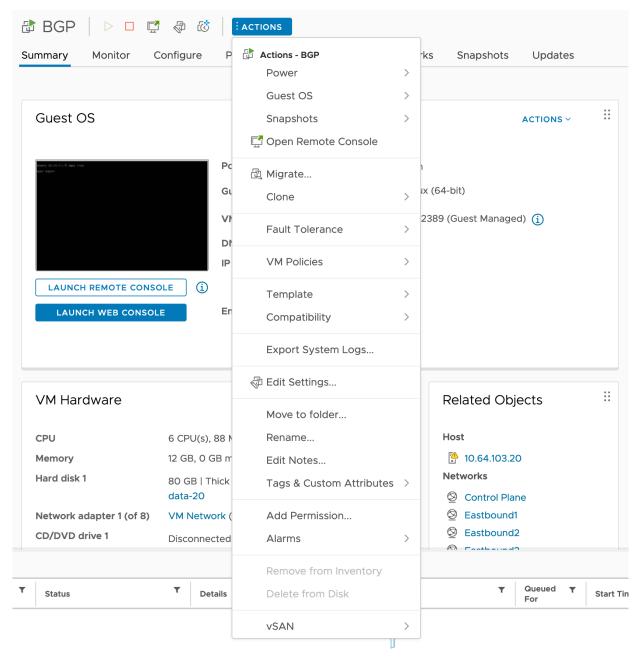
# Optional - when static route is needed for eastbound network
[Route]
Destination=<network address need to be routed>/<subnet>
Gateway=<eastbound network gateway>
```

Step 4 Restart the network service to apply the changes.

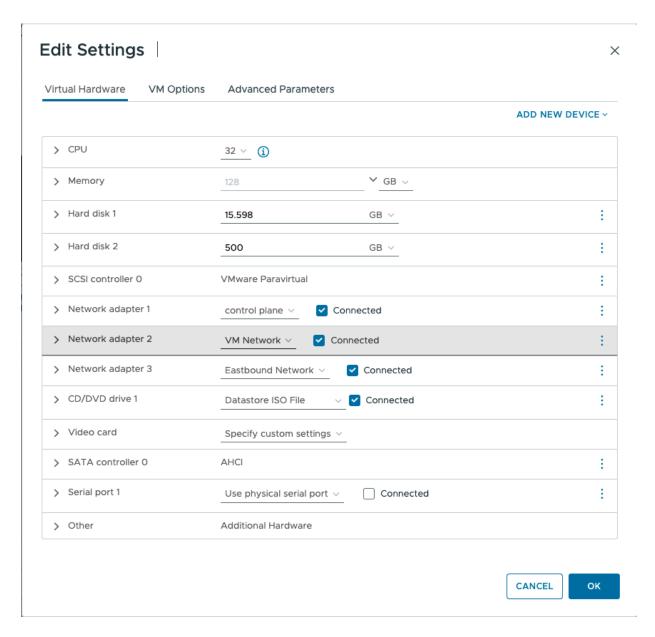
Example:

sudo systemctl restart systemd-networkd

- **Step 5** Verify and correct northbound and eastbound network settings for the node in vCenter.
 - a) In vCenter, click ACTIONS in the node screen.



- b) Click Edit Settings in the drop-down list.
- c) Update the Northbound and Eastbound network which you have created for the supercluster.



Step 6 SSH into the upgraded node usinf the new northbound IP and run the following command.

 ${\bf sedo\ system\ set-east bound} east bound-interface$

Example:

sedo system set-eastbound ens256

What to do next

Bring up a Worker Node and an Arbitrator Node.

Bring Up a Worker Node and an Arbitrator Node

Procedure

Step 1 Follow the instructions at Install and Deploy Geo Redundant Cisco Optical Network Controller to create two more Cisco Optical Network Controller nodes for Geo-redundancy.

Create a worker node and an arbitrator node.

Step 2 (Optional) Create static routes between the nodes for the Eastbound network if the Eastbound interfaces for the nodes are in different subnets. Modify the interface file located at /etc/systemd/network/10-cloud-init-ens256.network.

Example:

```
# Optional - when static route is needed for eastbound network
[Route]
Destination=<network address need to be routed>/<subnet>
Gateway=<eastbound network gateway>
```

Add the preceding section with the necessary IP addresses to add static routes.

Step 3 (Optional) Restart the network service to apply the changes.

Example:

sudo systemctl restart systemd-networkd

What to do next

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Bring Up a Worker Node and an Arbitrator Node