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Executive Summary

Modern data centers increasingly rely on a variety of architectures for storage. Whereas in the past organizations focused on traditional storage only, today organizations are focusing on Software Defined Storage for several reasons:

- Software Defined Storage offers unlimited scalability and simple management.
- Because of the low cost per gigabyte, Software Defined Storage is well suited for large-capacity needs, and therefore for use cases such as archive, backup, and cloud operations.
- Software Defined Storage allows the use of commodity hardware.

Enterprise storage systems are designed to address business-critical requirements in the data center. But these solutions may not be optimal for use cases such as backup and archive workloads and other unstructured data, for which OLTP-style data latency is not especially important.

Red Hat Ceph Storage is an example of a massively scalable, Open Source, software-defined storage system that gives you unified storage for cloud environments. It is an object storage architecture, that can easily achieve enterprise-class reliability, scale-out capacity, and lower costs with an industry-standard server solution.

The Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server (S3260), originally designed for the data center, together with Red Hat Ceph Storage is optimized for Software Defined Storage solutions, making it an excellent fit for unstructured data workloads such as backup, archive, and cloud data. The S3260 delivers a complete hardware with exceptional scalability for computing and storage resources together with 40 Gigabit Ethernet networking. The S3260 is the platform of choice for Software Defined Storage solutions because it provides more than comparable platforms:

- Proven server architecture that allows you to upgrade individual components without the need for migration.
- High-bandwidth networking that meets the needs of large-scale object storage solutions like Red Hat Ceph Storage.
- Unified, embedded management for an easy-to-scale infrastructure.
- API access for cloud-scale applications.

Cisco and Red Hat are collaborating to offer customers a scalable Software Defined Storage solution for unstructured data that is integrated with Red Hat Ceph Storage. With the power of the Cisco UCS management framework, the solution is cost effective to deploy and manage and will enable the next-generation cloud deployments that drive business agility, lower operational costs and avoid vendor lock-in.

Solution Overview

Introduction

Traditional storage systems are limited in their ability to easily and cost-effectively scale to support massive amounts of unstructured data. With about 80 percent of data being unstructured, new approaches using x86 servers are proving to be more cost effective, providing storage that can be expanded as easily as your data grows. Software Defined Storage is a scalable and cost-effective approach for handling massive amounts of data.

Red Hat Ceph Storage is a massively scalable, open source, software-defined storage system that supports unified storage for a cloud environment. With object and block storage in one platform, Red Hat Ceph Storage efficiently and automatically manages the petabytes of data needed to run businesses facing massive data growth. It is proven at web scale and has many deployments in production environments as an object store for large, global corporations. Red Hat Ceph Storage was designed from the ground up for web-scale block and object storage and cloud infrastructures.

Scale-out storage uses x86 architecture storage-optimized servers to increase performance while reducing costs. The Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server is well suited for scale-out storage solutions. It provides a platform that is cost effective to deploy and manage using the power of the Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) management: capabilities that traditional unmanaged and agent-based **management systems can't offer. You can design S3260 solutions** for a computing-intensive, capacity-intensive, or throughput-intensive workload.

Both solutions together, Red Hat Ceph Storage and Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, deliver a simple, fast and scalable architecture for enterprise scale-out storage.

Solution

This Cisco Validated Design (CVD) is a simple and linearly scalable architecture that provides Software Defined Storage for block and object on Red Hat Ceph Storage 2.3 and Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server. The solution includes the following features:

- Infrastructure for large scale-out storage.
- Design of a Red Hat Ceph Storage solution together with Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
- Simplified infrastructure management with Cisco UCS Manager (UCSM).
- Architectural scalability – linear scaling based on network, storage, and compute requirements.
- Operational guide to extend a working Red Hat Ceph cluster with Ceph RADOS Gateway (RGW) and Ceph OSD nodes.

Audience

This document describes the architecture, design and deployment procedures of a Red Hat Ceph Storage solution using six Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Servers with two C3x60 M4 server nodes each as

OSD nodes, three Cisco UCS C220 M4 S rack server each as Monitor nodes, three Cisco UCS C220 M4S rackserver each as RGW node, one Cisco UCS C220 M4S rackserver as Admin node, and two Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect managed by Cisco UCS Manager. The intended audience for this document includes, but is not limited to, sales engineers, field consultants, professional services, IT managers, partner engineering, and customers who want to deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage on the Cisco Unified Computing System (UCS) using Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Servers.

Solution Summary

This CVD describes in detail the process of deploying Red Hat Ceph Storage 2.3 on Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

The configuration uses the following architecture for the deployment:

- 6 x Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Servers, each with 2 x C3x60 M4 server nodes working as Ceph OSD nodes
- 3 x Cisco UCS C220 M4S rack server working as Ceph Monitor nodes
- 3 x Cisco UCS C220 M4S rack server working as Ceph RADOS gateway nodes
- 1 x Cisco UCS C220 M4S rack server working as Ceph Admin node
- 2 x Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect
- 1 x Cisco UCS Manager
- 2 x Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switches

The solution has various options to scale performance and capacity. A base capacity summary is shown in [Table 1](#).

Table 1 Usable capacity options for tested Cisco Validated Design

HDD Type	Number of Disks	Data Protection 3 x Replication	Data Protection Erasure Coding 4:2
4 TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives	288	384 TB	760 TB
6 TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives ¹	288	576 TB	1140 TB
8 TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives	288	768 TB	1520 TB
10 TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives	288	960 TB	1900 TB

¹ Tested configuration

Technology Overview

Cisco Unified Computing System

The Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) is a state-of-the-art data center platform that unites computing, network, storage access, and virtualization into a single cohesive system.

The main components of Cisco Unified Computing System are:

- Computing - The system is based on an entirely new class of computing system that incorporates rack-mount and blade servers based on Intel Xeon Processor E5 and E7. The Cisco UCS servers offer the patented Cisco Extended Memory Technology to support applications with large datasets and allow more virtual machines (VM) per server.
- Network - The system is integrated onto a low-latency, lossless, 10-Gbps unified network fabric. This network foundation consolidates LANs, SANs, and high-performance computing networks which are separate networks today. The unified fabric lowers costs by reducing the number of network adapters, switches, and cables, and by decreasing the power and cooling requirements.
- Virtualization - The system unleashes the full potential of virtualization by enhancing the scalability, performance, and operational control of virtual environments. Cisco security, policy enforcement, and diagnostic features are now extended into virtualized environments to better support changing business and IT requirements.
- Storage access - The system provides consolidated access to both SAN storage and Network Attached Storage (NAS) over the unified fabric. By unifying the storage access the Cisco Unified Computing System can access storage over Ethernet (NFS or iSCSI), Fibre Channel, and Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE). This provides customers with choice for storage access and investment protection. In addition, the server administrators can pre-assign storage-access policies for system connectivity to storage resources, simplifying storage connectivity, and management for increased productivity.

The Cisco Unified Computing System is designed to deliver:

- A reduced Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) and increased business agility.
- Increased IT staff productivity through just-in-time provisioning and mobility support.
- A cohesive, integrated system which unifies the technology in the data center.
- Industry standards supported by a partner ecosystem of industry leaders.

Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

The Cisco UCS® S3260 Storage Server (Figure 1) is a modular, high-density, high-availability dual node rack server well suited for service providers, enterprises, and industry-specific environments. It addresses the need for dense cost effective storage for the ever-growing data needs. Designed for a new class of cloud-scale applications, it is simple to deploy and excellent for big data applications, software-defined storage environments such as Ceph and other unstructured data repositories, media streaming, and content distribution.

Figure 1 Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server



Extending the capability of the Cisco UCS C3000 portfolio, the Cisco UCS S3260 helps you achieve the highest levels of data availability. With dual-node capability that is based on the Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 v4 series, it features up to 600 TB of local storage in a compact 4-rack-unit (4RU) form factor. All hard-disk drives can be asymmetrically split between the dual-nodes and are individually hot-swappable. The drives can be built-in in an enterprise-class Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) redundancy or be in a pass-through mode.

This high-density rack server comfortably fits in a standard 32-inch depth rack, such as the Cisco® R42610 Rack.

The Cisco UCS S3260 is deployed as a standalone server in both bare-metal or virtualized environments. Its modular architecture reduces total cost of ownership (TCO) by allowing you to upgrade individual components over time and as use cases evolve, without having to replace the entire system.

The Cisco UCS S3260 uses a modular server architecture that, using Cisco's blade technology expertise, allows you to upgrade the computing or network nodes in the system without the need to migrate data migration from one system to another. It delivers:

- Dual server nodes
- Up to 36 computing cores per server node
- Up to 60 drives mixing a large form factor (LFF) with up to 28 solid-state disk (SSD) drives plus 2 SSD SATA boot drives per server node

- Up to 1 TB of memory per server node (2 terabyte [TB] total)
- Support for 12-Gbps serial-attached SCSI (SAS) drives
- A system I/O Controller with Cisco VIC 1300 Series Embedded Chip supporting Dual-port 40Gbps
- High reliability, availability, and serviceability (RAS) features with tool-free server nodes, system I/O controller, easy-to-use latching lid, and hot-swappable and hot-pluggable components

Cisco UCS C220 M4 Rack Server

The Cisco UCS® C220 M4 Rack Server ([Figure 2](#)) is the most versatile, general-purpose enterprise infrastructure and application server in the industry. It is a high-density two-socket enterprise-class rack server that delivers industry-leading performance and efficiency for a wide range of enterprise workloads, including virtualization, collaboration, and bare-metal applications. The Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers can be deployed as standalone servers or as part of the Cisco Unified Computing System™ (Cisco UCS) to take advantage of Cisco's standards-based unified computing innovations that help reduce customers' total cost of ownership (TCO) and increase their business agility.

Figure 2 Cisco UCS C220 M4 Rack Server



The enterprise-class Cisco UCS C220 M4 server extends the capabilities of the Cisco UCS portfolio in a 1RU form factor. It incorporates the Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 v4 and v3 product family, next-generation DDR4 memory, and 12-Gbps SAS throughput, delivering significant performance and efficiency gains. The Cisco UCS C220 M4 rack server delivers outstanding levels of expandability and performance in a compact 1RU package:

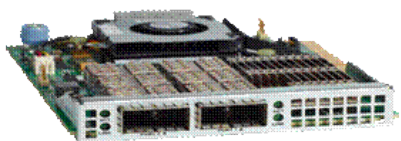
- Up to 24 DDR4 DIMMs for improved performance and lower power consumption
- Up to 8 Small Form-Factor (SFF) drives or up to 4 Large Form-Factor (LFF) drives
- Support for 12-Gbps SAS Module RAID controller in a dedicated slot, leaving the remaining two PCIe Gen 3.0 slots available for other expansion cards
- A modular LAN-on-motherboard (mLOM) slot that can be used to install a Cisco UCS virtual interface card (VIC) or third-party network interface card (NIC) without consuming a PCIe slot
- Two embedded 1Gigabit Ethernet LAN-on-motherboard (LOM) ports

Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card 1387

The Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1387 ([Figure 3](#)) is a Cisco® innovation. It provides a policy-based, stateless, agile server infrastructure for your data center. This dual-port Enhanced Quad Small Form-Factor Pluggable (QSFP) half-height PCI Express (PCIe) modular LAN-on-motherboard (mLOM) adapter is designed exclusively for Cisco UCS C-Series and S3260 Rack Servers. The card supports 40 Gigabit Ethernet and Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE). **It incorporates Cisco's next-generation**

converged network adapter (CNA) technology and offers a comprehensive feature set, providing investment protection for future feature software releases. The card can present more than 256 PCIe standards-compliant interfaces to the host, and these can be dynamically configured as either network interface cards (NICs) or host bus adapters (HBAs). In addition, the VIC supports Cisco Data Center Virtual Machine Fabric Extender (VM-FEX) technology. This technology extends the Cisco UCS fabric interconnect ports to virtual machines, simplifying server virtualization deployment.

Figure 3 Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card 1387



The Cisco UCS VIC 1387 provides the following features and benefits:

- **Stateless and agile platform:** The personality of the card is determined dynamically at boot time using the service profile associated with the server. The number, type (NIC or HBA), identity (MAC address and World Wide Name [WWN]), failover policy, bandwidth, and quality-of-service (QoS) policies of the PCIe interfaces are all determined using the service profile. The capability to define, create, and use interfaces on demand provides a stateless and agile server infrastructure
- **Network interface virtualization:** Each PCIe interface created on the VIC is associated with an interface on the Cisco UCS fabric interconnect, providing complete network separation for each virtual cable between a PCIe device on the VIC and the interface on the fabric interconnect

Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect

The Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnects are a core part of Cisco UCS, providing both network connectivity and management capabilities for the system ([Figure 4](#)). The Cisco UCS 6300 Series offers line-rate, low-latency, lossless 10 and 40 Gigabit Ethernet, Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE), and Fibre Channel functions.

Figure 4 Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect



The Cisco UCS 6300 Series provides the management and communication backbone for the Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers, 5100 Series Blade Server Chassis, and C-Series Rack Servers managed by Cisco UCS. All servers attached to the fabric interconnects become part of a single, highly available management domain. In addition, by supporting unified fabric, the Cisco UCS 6300 Series provides both LAN and SAN connectivity for all servers within its domain.

From a networking perspective, the Cisco UCS 6300 Series uses a cut-through architecture, supporting deterministic, low-latency, line-rate 10 and 40 Gigabit Ethernet ports, switching capacity of 2.56 terabits per second (Tbps), and 320 Gbps of bandwidth per chassis, independent of packet size and enabled services. The product family supports Cisco® low-latency, lossless 10 and 40 Gigabit Ethernet unified network fabric capabilities, which increase the reliability, efficiency, and scalability of Ethernet networks. The fabric interconnect supports multiple traffic classes over a lossless Ethernet fabric from

the server through the fabric interconnect. Significant TCO savings can be achieved with an FCoE optimized server design in which network interface cards (NICs), host bus adapters (HBAs), cables, and switches can be consolidated.

The Cisco UCS 6332 32-Port Fabric Interconnect is a 1-rack-unit (1RU) Gigabit Ethernet, and FCoE switch offering up to 2.56 Tbps throughput and up to 32 ports. The switch has 32 fixed 40-Gbps Ethernet and FCoE ports.

Both the Cisco UCS 6332UP 32-Port Fabric Interconnect and the Cisco UCS 6332 16-UP 40-Port Fabric Interconnect have ports that can be configured for the breakout feature that supports connectivity between 40 Gigabit Ethernet ports and 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports. This feature provides backward compatibility to existing hardware that supports 10 Gigabit Ethernet. A 40 Gigabit Ethernet port can be used as four 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports. Using a 40 Gigabit Ethernet SFP, these ports on a Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect can connect to another fabric interconnect that has four 10 Gigabit Ethernet SFPs. The breakout feature can be configured on ports 1 to 12 and ports 15 to 26 on the Cisco UCS 6332UP fabric interconnect. Ports 17 to 34 on the Cisco UCS 6332 16-UP fabric interconnect support the breakout feature.

Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch

The Cisco Nexus® 9000 Series Switches (Figure 5) include both modular and fixed-port switches that are designed to overcome these challenges with a flexible, agile, low-cost, application-centric infrastructure.

Figure 5 Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch



The Cisco Nexus 9300 platform consists of fixed-port switches designed for top-of-rack (ToR) and middle-of-row (MoR) deployment in data centers that support enterprise applications, service provider hosting, and cloud computing environments. They are Layer 2 and 3 nonblocking 10 and 40 Gigabit Ethernet switches with up to 2.56 terabits per second (Tbps) of internal bandwidth.

The Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch is a 1-rack-unit (1RU) switch that supports 2.56 Tbps of bandwidth and over 720 million packets per second (mpps) across thirty-two 40-Gbps Enhanced QSFP+ ports.

All the Cisco Nexus 9300 platform switches use dual-core 2.5-GHz x86 CPUs with 64-GB solid-state disk (SSD) drives and 16 GB of memory for enhanced network performance.

With the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series, organizations can quickly and easily upgrade existing data centers to carry 40 Gigabit Ethernet to the aggregation layer or to the spine (in a leaf-and-spine configuration) through advanced and cost-effective optics that enable the use of existing 10 Gigabit Ethernet fiber (a pair of multimode fiber strands).

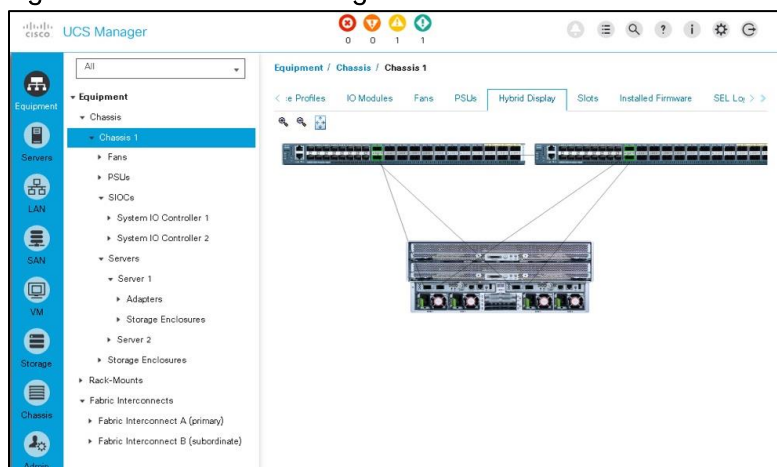
Cisco provides two modes of operation for the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series. Organizations can use Cisco® NX-OS Software to deploy the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series in standard Cisco Nexus switch environments. Organizations also can use a hardware infrastructure that is ready to support Cisco

Application Centric Infrastructure (Cisco ACI™) to take full advantage of an automated, policy-based, systems management approach.

Cisco UCS Manager

Cisco UCS® Manager (Figure 6) provides unified, embedded management of all software and hardware components of the Cisco Unified Computing System™ (Cisco UCS) across multiple chassis, rack servers and thousands of virtual machines. It supports all Cisco UCS product models, including Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers, C-Series Rack Servers, and M-Series composable infrastructure and Cisco UCS Mini, as well as the associated storage resources and networks. Cisco UCS Manager is embedded on a pair of Cisco UCS 6300 or 6200 Series Fabric Interconnects using a clustered, active-standby configuration for high availability. The manager participates in server provisioning, device discovery, inventory, configuration, diagnostics, monitoring, fault detection, auditing, and statistics collection.

Figure 6 Cisco UCS Manager



An instance of Cisco UCS Manager with all Cisco UCS components managed by it forms a Cisco UCS domain, which can include up to 160 servers. In addition to provisioning Cisco UCS resources, this infrastructure management software provides a model-based foundation for streamlining the day-to-day processes of updating, monitoring, and managing computing resources, local storage, storage connections, and network connections. By enabling better automation of processes, Cisco UCS Manager allows IT organizations to achieve greater agility and scale in their infrastructure operations while reducing complexity and risk. The manager provides flexible role- and policy-based management using service profiles and templates.

Cisco UCS Manager manages Cisco UCS systems through an intuitive HTML 5 or Java user interface and a command-line interface (CLI). It can register with Cisco UCS Central Software in a multi-domain Cisco UCS environment, enabling centralized management of distributed systems scaling to thousands of servers. Cisco UCS Manager can be integrated with Cisco UCS Director to facilitate orchestration and to provide support for converged infrastructure and Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS).

The Cisco UCS XML API provides comprehensive access to all Cisco UCS Manager functions. The API provides Cisco UCS system visibility to higher-level systems management tools from independent software vendors (ISVs) such as VMware, Microsoft, and Splunk as well as tools from BMC, CA, HP, IBM, and others. ISVs and in-house developers can use the XML API to enhance the value of the Cisco UCS platform according to their unique requirements. Cisco UCS PowerTool for Cisco UCS Manager

and the Python Software Development Kit (SDK) help automate and manage configurations within Cisco UCS Manager.

Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3

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Red Hat Enterprise Linux:

- Delivers high performance, reliability, and security
- Is certified by the leading hardware and software vendors
- Scales from workstations, to servers, to mainframes
- Provides a consistent application environment across physical, virtual, and cloud deployments

Designed to help organizations make a seamless transition to emerging datacenter models that include virtualization and cloud computing, Red Hat Enterprise Linux includes support for major hardware architectures, hypervisors, and cloud providers, making deployments across physical and different virtual environments predictable and secure. Enhanced tools and new capabilities in this release enable administrators to tailor the application environment to efficiently monitor and manage compute resources and security.

Red Hat Ceph Storage

Red Hat® Ceph Storage is an open, cost-effective, software-defined storage solution that enables massively scalable cloud and object storage workloads. By unifying object, block storage and file storage in one platform, Red Hat Ceph Storage efficiently and automatically manages the petabytes of data needed to run businesses facing massive data growth. Ceph is a self-healing, self-managing platform with no single point of failure. Ceph enables a scale-out cloud infrastructure built on industry standard servers that significantly lowers the cost of storing enterprise data and helps enterprises manage their exponential data growth in an automated fashion.

For OpenStack environments, Red Hat Ceph Storage is tightly integrated with OpenStack services, including Nova, Cinder, Manila, Glance, Keystone, and Swift, and it offers user-driven storage life-cycle **management. Voted the No. 1 storage option by OpenStack users, the product's highly tunable,** extensible, and configurable architecture offers mature interfaces for enterprise block and object storage, making it well suited for archival, rich media, and cloud infrastructure environments.

Red Hat Ceph Storage is also ideal for object storage workloads outside of OpenStack because it is proven at web scale, flexible for demanding applications, and offers the data protection, reliability, and availability enterprises demand. It was designed from the ground up for web-scale object storage. Industry-standard APIs allow **seamless migration of, and integration with, an enterprise's applications.** A Ceph object storage cluster is accessible via S3, Swift, or native API protocols.

Ceph has a lively and active open source community contributing to its innovation. At Ceph's core is RADOS, a distributed object store that stores data by spreading it out across multiple industry standard servers. Ceph uses CRUSH (Controller Replication Under Scalable Hashing), a uniquely differentiated data placement algorithm that intelligently distributes the data pseudo-randomly across the cluster for better performance and data protection. Ceph supports both replication and erasure coding to protect data and also provides multi-site disaster recovery options.

Red Hat collaborates with the global open source Ceph community to develop new Ceph features, then packages changes into predictable, stable, enterprise-quality SDS product, which is Red Hat Ceph Storage. This unique development model takes combines the advantage of a large development community **with Red Hat's industry**-leading support services to offer new storage capabilities and benefits to enterprises.

Solution Design

Solution Overview

The current solution based on Cisco UCS and Red Hat Ceph Storage is divided into multiple sections and covers three main aspects:

1. Design of an Object Storage Solution based on Cisco UCS and Red Hat Ceph Storage.
2. Deployment of the Solution ([Figure 7](#)) is divided into three areas:
 - Integration and configuration of the Cisco UCS hardware into Cisco UCS Manager
 - Base installation of Red Hat Enterprise Linux
 - Deployment of Red Hat Ceph Storage

Figure 7 Deployment Parts for the Cisco Validated Design



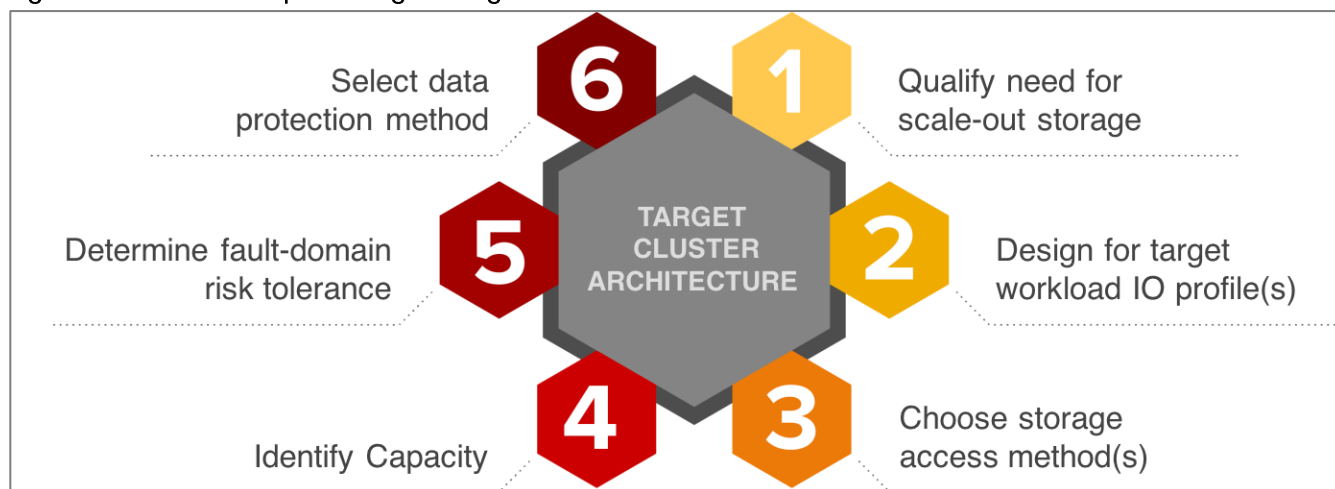
3. Operational guide to work with Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS
 - Expansion of the current cluster by adding one more Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server with two C3x60 M4 server nodes working as OSD nodes
 - Expansion of the current cluster by adding three more Cisco UCS C220 M4S Rack Server working as RADOS gateways for object storage

Design Principles of Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS

A general design of a Red Hat Ceph Storage solution should consider the principles shown in [Figure 8](#).

1. Quality need for scale-out storage – Scalability, dynamic provisioning across a unified namespace, and performance-at-scale are common reasons why people chose to add distributed scale-out storage to their datacenters. For a few use cases, such as primary storage for scale-up Oracle RDBMS, traditional storage appliances remain the right solution
2. Design for a target workload – Red Hat Ceph Storage pools can be deployed to serve three different types of workload categories, including IOPS-intensive, throughput-intensive, and capacity-intensive workloads. As noted in [Table 2](#), server configurations should be chosen accordingly.
3. Storage Access Method – Red Hat Ceph Storage supports both block access pools and object access pools within a single Ceph cluster (additionally, distributed file access is in tech preview at time of writing). Block access is supported on replicated pools. Object access is supported on either replicated or erasure-coded pools.
4. Capacity – Based on the cluster storage capacity needs, standard, dense, or ultra-dense servers can be chosen to sit beneath Ceph storage pools. Cisco UCS C-Series and Cisco UCS S-Series provide several well-suited server models to choose from.
5. Fault-domain risk tolerance – Ceph clusters are self-healing following hardware failure. Customers wanting to reduce performance and resource impact during self-healing should observe minimum cluster server recommendations described in [Table 2](#) below.
6. Data Protection method – With Replication and Erasure Coding, Red Hat Ceph Storage offers two data protection methods that could affect the overall design. Erasure-coded pools can provide greater price/performance, while replicated pools typically provide higher absolute performance.

Figure 8 Red Hat Ceph Storage Design Consideration



Based on the previous section of design principles there are some technical specifications that have to be followed for a successful implementation. The technical specifications are shown in [Table 2](#)

Table 2 Technical Specifications for Red Hat Ceph Storage

Workload	Cluster Size	Network	CPU / Memory	OSD Journal to Disk Media Ratio	Data Protection
IOPS	Min. 10 OSD nodes	10G - 40G	5 core-GHz per NVMe OSD or 3 core-GHz per SSD OSD / 16 GB + 2 GB per OSD	4:1 → SSD :NVMe or all NVMe with co-located journals	Ceph RBD (Block) Replicated Pools
Throughput	Min. 10 OSD nodes	10G - 40G (>10G when > 12 HDDs/node)	1 core-GHz per HDD / 16 GB + 2 GB per OSD	12-18:1 → HDD:NVMe, or 4-5:1 → HDD:SSD	Ceph RBD (Block) Replicated Pools Ceph RGW (Object) Replicated Pools
Capacity-Archive	Min. 7 OSD nodes	10G (or 40G for latency sensitive requirements)	1 core-GHz per HDD / 16 GB + 2 GB per OSD	All HDD with co-located journals	Ceph RGW (Object) Erasure-Coded Pools

The solution for the current Cisco Validated Design follows a mixed workload setup of Throughput- and Capacity-intensive configurations and is classified as follows²:

- Cluster Size: Starting with 10 OSD nodes and adding two more OSD nodes.
- Network: All Ceph nodes connected with 40G.
- CPU / Memory: All nodes come with 128 GB memory and more than 40 Core-GHz.
- OSD Disk: The solution is configured for a 6:1 HDD:SSD ratio.
- Data Protection: Ceph RBD with 3 x Replication and Ceph RGW with Erasure Coding.
- Ceph Admin, Monitor, and RADOS gateway nodes are deployed on Cisco UCS C220 M4S rack server.
- Ceph OSD nodes are deployed on Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

Deploying Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS

Deploying the solution is based on three steps; the first step is integrating Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server and Cisco UCS C220 M4S into Cisco UCS Manager, connected to Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect and then Cisco Nexus 9332PQ; the second step is the installation of Red Hat Enterprise Linux and preparation for the third step; the installation, configuration and deployment of Red Hat Ceph Storage. [Figure 9](#) illustrates the deployment steps.

² A detailed Bill of Material list can be found at [Bill of Materials](#)

Figure 9 Deployment Parts for Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS

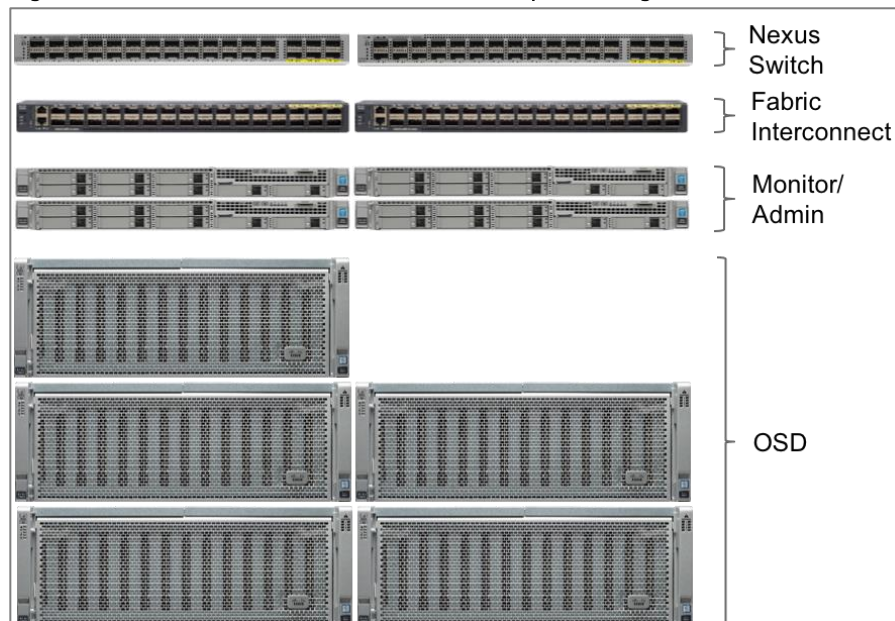


Operational Guide for Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS

As an addition to the design and deployment part of the Red Hat Ceph Storage solution on Cisco UCS, the Cisco Validated Design gives an operational guidance on how to add more capacity and another access layer to the starting configuration.

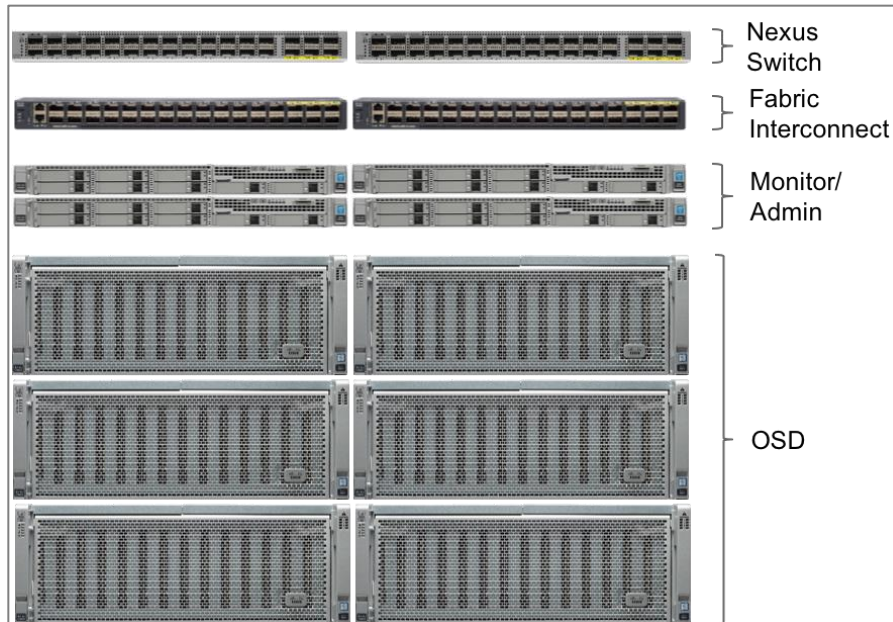
The first part of installation and configuration of the solution contains one Admin node, three Ceph Monitor nodes and 10 Ceph OSD nodes and is shown in [Figure 10](#). This comes along with the minimum size of a Throughput-intensive Ceph cluster of 10 Ceph OSD nodes.

Figure 10 Base Installation of Red Hat Ceph Storage on Cisco UCS



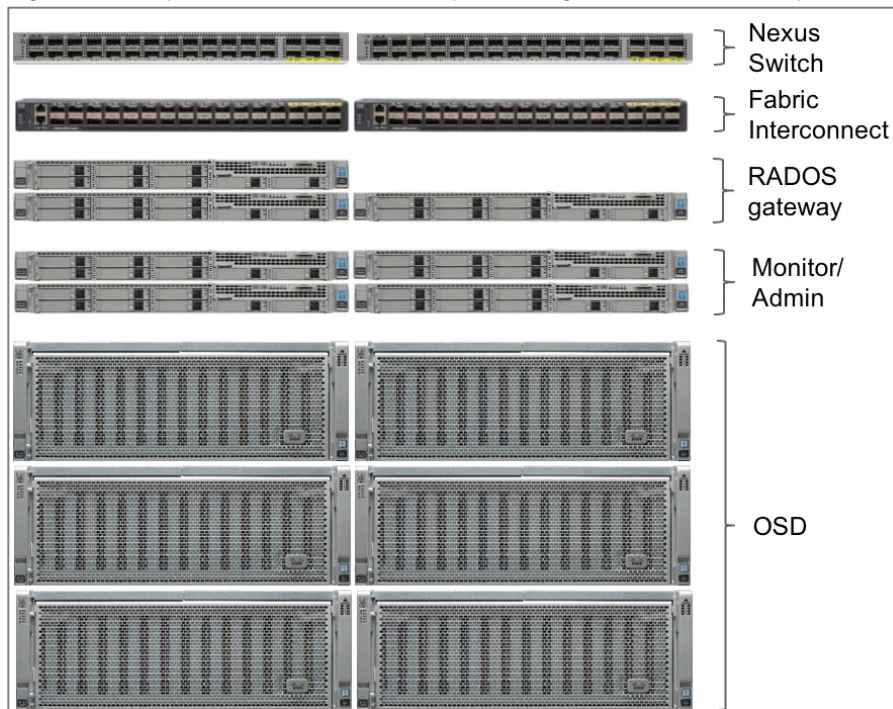
In the second step, the environment gets expanded by adding one more Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server enclosure with two C3x60 M4 server nodes inside. All steps will be described, showing the simplicity of adding further capacity in less than 40 minutes. [Figure 11](#) shows the additional integration of a Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

Figure 11 Expansion of Red Hat Ceph Storage Cluster with Ceph OSD Nodes



In the last step, the cluster gets further expanded by adding an object storage pool accessed via the RADOS Gateway (RGW). Three more Cisco UCS C220 M4S nodes are getting implemented with Cisco UCS Manager, installed with Red Hat Enterprise Linux and Red Hat Ceph Storage. [Figure 12](#) shows the final infrastructure of this CVD.

Figure 12 Expansion of Red Hat Ceph Storage Cluster with Ceph RADOS Gateways



Requirements

This CVD describes the architecture, design and deployment of a Red Hat Ceph Storage solution on six Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, each with two C3x60 M4 nodes and seven Cisco UCS C220 M4S Rack servers providing control-plane functions, including three Ceph Monitor nodes, three Ceph RGW nodes, and one Ceph Admin node. The whole solution is connected to two Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects and two Cisco Nexus 9332PQ.

The detailed configuration consists the following:

- Two Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switches
- Two Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects
- Six Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Servers with two C3x60 M4 server nodes each
- Seven Cisco UCS C220 M4S Rack Servers
- One Cisco R42610 Standard Rack
- Two Vertical Power Distribution Units (PDUs) (Country Specific)



Note: Please contact your Cisco representative for country specific information.

Rack and PDU Configuration

Each rack consists of two vertical PDUs. The rack consists of two Cisco Nexus 9332PQ, two Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects, 7 Cisco UCS C220 M4S, and 6 Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server. Each chassis is connected to two vertical PDUs for redundancy, to help ensure availability during power source failure. 0shows the exact layout of the configuration.

Figure 13 Rack Configuration



Table 3 Position and Devices

Position	Devices
42	Cisco Nexus 9332PQ
41	Cisco Nexus 9332PQ
40	Cisco UCS 6332 FI
39	Cisco UCS 6332 FI
38	Unused
37	Unused
36	Unused
35	Unused
34	Unused
33	Unused
32	Unused
31	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
30	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
29	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
28	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
27	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
26	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
25	Cisco UCS C220 M4S
24	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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20	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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16	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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12	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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10	
9	
8	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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4	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server
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Physical Topology and Configuration

The following sections describe the physical design of the solution and the configuration of each component.

Table 4 shows the naming conventions used for this solution.

Table 4 Naming Convention

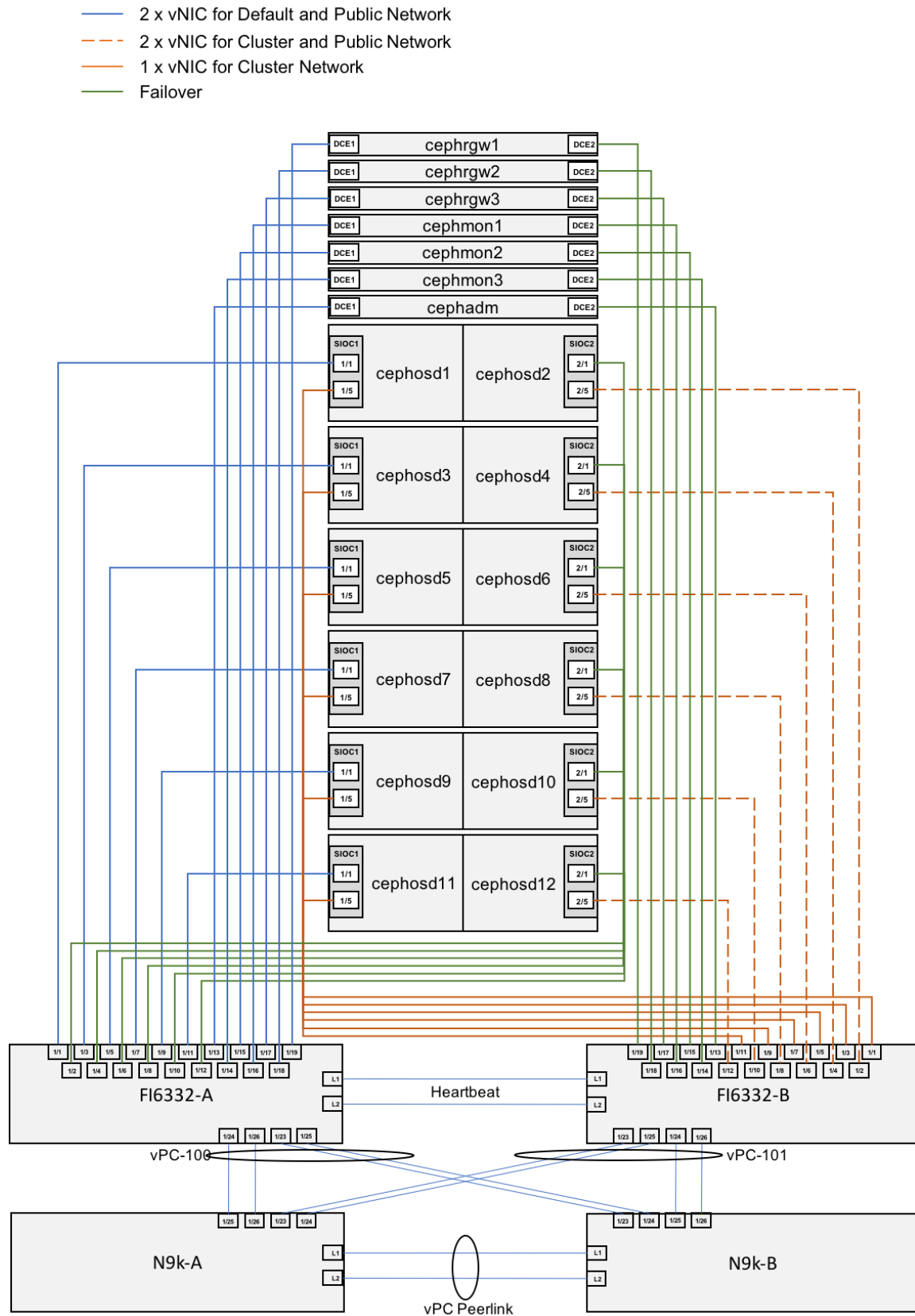
Device	Function	Name
Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch A		N9k-A
Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch B		N9k-B
Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect A		FI6332-A
Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect B		FI6332-B
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph RADOS Gateway	cephrgw1
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph RADOS Gateway	cephrgw2
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph RADOS Gateway	cephrgw3
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph Monitor	cephmon1
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph Monitor	cephmon2
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph Monitor	cephmon3
Cisco UCS C220 M4S	Ceph Admin	cephadm
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd1
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd2
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd3
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd4
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd5
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd6
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd7
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd8
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd9
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd10
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd11
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Bottom Node	Ceph OSD	cephosd12

The connectivity of the solution is based on 40 Gbit. All components are connected together via 40 Gbit QSFP cables. Between both Cisco Nexus 9332PQ switches are 2 x 40 Gbit cabling. Each Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect is connected via 2 x 40 Gbit to each Cisco UCS 9332PQ switch. And each Cisco UCS C220 M4S and each Cisco UCS C3x60 M4 server is connected with a single 40 Gbit cable to each Fabric Interconnect.

The exact cabling for the Red Hat Ceph Storage solution is illustrated in [Figure 14](#). It shows also the separate vNIC configuration for Public and Cluster network to avoid traffic congestion. The Public Network for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server is connected to Fabric Interconnect A and the Public Network for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server is connected to Fabric Interconnect B.

All vNICs for the Cluster Network are connected to Fabric Interconnect B to keep the whole Cluster traffic under a single Fabric Interconnect. All vNICs are configured for Fabric Interconnect failover.

Figure 14 Red Hat Ceph Storage Solution Cabling Diagram



For a better reading and overview the exact physical connectivity between the Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects and the Cisco UCS S-Series and C-Class server is shown in [Table 5](#) .

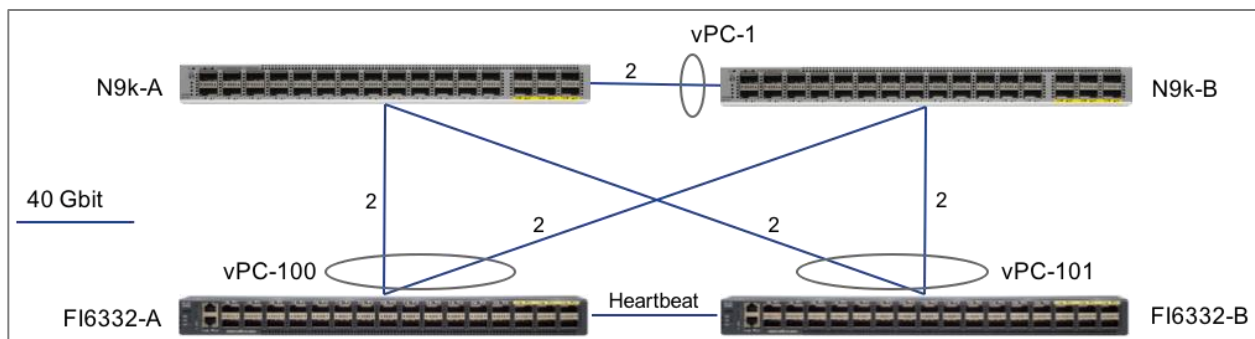
Table 5 Physical Connectivity between FI 6332 and S3260/C220 M4S

Port	Role	FI6332-A	FI6332-B
Eth1/1	Server	cephosd1, SIOC1/1	cephosd1, SIOC1/5
Eth1/2	Server	cephosd2, SIOC2/1	cephosd2, SIOC2/5
Eth1/3	Server	cephosd3, SIOC1/1	cephosd3, SIOC1/5
Eth1/4	Server	cephosd4, SIOC2/1	cephosd4, SIOC2/5
Eth1/5	Server	cephosd5, SIOC1/1	cephosd5, SIOC1/5
Eth1/6	Server	cephosd6, SIOC2/1	cephosd6, SIOC2/5
Eth1/7	Server	cephosd7, SIOC1/1	cephosd7, SIOC1/5
Eth1/8	Server	cephosd8, SIOC2/1	cephosd8, SIOC2/5
Eth1/9	Server	cephosd9, SIOC1/1	cephosd9, SIOC1/5
Eth1/10	Server	cephosd10, SIOC2/1	cephosd10, SIOC2/5
Eth1/11	Server	cephosd11, SIOC1/1	cephosd11, SIOC1/5
Eth1/12	Server	cephosd12, SIOC2/1	cephosd12, SIOC2/5
Eth1/13	Server	cephadm, DCE1	cephadm, DCE2
Eth1/14	Server	cephmon3, DCE1	cephmon3, DCE2
Eth1/15	Server	cephmon2, DCE1	cephmon2, DCE2
Eth1/16	Server	cephmon1, DCE1	cephmon1, DCE2
Eth1/17	Server	cephrgw3, DCE1	cephrgw3, DCE2
Eth1/18	Server	cephrgw2, DCE1	cephrgw2, DCE2
Eth1/19	Server	cephrgw1, DCE1	cephrgw1, DCE2
Eth1/23	Network	N9k-B, Eth1/23	N9k-A, Eth1/23
Eth1/24	Network	N9k-A, Eth1/25	N9k-B, Eth1/25
Eth1/25	Network	N9k-B, Eth1/24	N9k-A, Eth1/24
Eth1/26	Network	N9k-A, Eth1/26	N9k-B, Eth1/26

[Figure 15](#) shows a more detailed view on the cabling and configuration of Cisco Nexus 9332PQ and Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect. Between each Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect and both Cisco Nexus 9332PQ is one virtual Port Channel (vPC) configured. vPCs allow links that are physically connected to two different Cisco Nexus 9000 switches to appear to the Fabric Interconnect as coming from a single device and as part of a single port channel. vPC-100 connects FI6332-A with N9k-A and N9k-B. vPC-101 connects FI6332-B with N9k-A and N9k-B. The overall bandwidth for each Port Channel is 160 Gbit.

Between both Cisco Nexus 9332PQ is a vPC peer link configured, containing two 40 Gbit lines.

Figure 15 Cabling and Configuration of Cisco Nexus 9332PQ and Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect



The connectivity between Cisco Nexus 9332PQ and Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect is shown in [Table 6](#).

Table 6 Physical Connectivity between Cisco Nexus 9332PQ and Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect

Port	N9k-A	N9k-B
Eth1/23	FI6332-B, Eth1/23, vPC-101	FI6332-A, Eth1/23, vPC-100
Eth1/24	FI6332-B, Eth1/25, vPC-101	FI6332-A, Eth1/25, vPC-100
Eth1/25	FI6332-A, Eth1/24, vPC-100	FI6332-B, Eth1/24, vPC-101
Eth1/26	FI6332-A, Eth1/26, vPC-100	FI6332-B, Eth1/26, vPC-101
Eth1/31	N9k-B, Eth1/31, vPC-1	N9k-A, Eth1/31, vPC-1
Eth1/32	N9k-B, Eth1/32, vPC-1	N9k-A, Eth1/32, vPC-1

Software Distributions and Versions

The required software distribution versions are listed below in [Table 7](#).

Table 7 Software Versions

Layer	Component	Version or Release
Compute (Chassis) S3260	Board Controller	1.0.15
	Chassis Management Controller	3.0(3b)
	Shared Adapter	4.1(3a)
	SAS Expander	04.08.01.B076
Compute (Server Nodes) C3x60 M4	BIOS	C3x60M4.3.0.3b
	Board Controller	2.0
	CIMC Controller	3.0(3b)
	Storage Controller	29.00.1-0110
Compute (Rack Server) C220 M4S	Adapter	4.1(3a)
	BIOS	C220M4.3.0.3a

Layer	Component	Version or Release
	Board Controller	33.0
	CIMC Controller	3.0(3c)
	FlexFlash Controller	1.3.2 build 165
	Storage Controller	24.12.1-0203
Network 6332 Fabric Interconnect	UCS Manager	3.1(3c)
	Kernel	5.0(3)N2(3.13c)
	System	5.0(3)N2(3.13c)
Network Nexus 9332PQ	BIOS	07.59
	NXOS	7.0(3)I5(1)
Software	Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server	7.3 (x86_64)
	Ceph	10.2.3-13.el7cp

Deployment of Hardware and Software

Fabric Configuration

This section provides the details for configuring a fully redundant, highly available Cisco UCS 6332 fabric configuration.

- Initial setup of the Fabric Interconnect A and B.
- Connect to Cisco UCS Manager using virtual IP address of the web browser.
- Launch Cisco UCS Manager.
- Enable server and uplink ports.
- Start discovery process.
- Create pools and policies for service profile template.
- Create chassis and storage profiles.
- Create Service Profile templates and appropriate Service Profiles.
- Associate Service Profiles to servers.

Initial Setup of Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects

This section describes the initial setup of the Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnects A and B

Configure Fabric Interconnect A

To configure Fabric Interconnect A, follow these steps:

1. Connect to the console port on the first Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect.
2. At the prompt to enter the configuration method, enter `console` to continue.
3. If asked to either perform a new setup or restore from backup, enter `setup` to continue.
4. Enter `y` to continue to set up a new Fabric Interconnect.
5. Enter `n` to enforce strong passwords.
6. Enter the password for the admin user.
7. Enter the same password again to confirm the password for the admin user.
8. When asked if this fabric interconnect is part of a cluster, answer `y` to continue.

9. Enter `a` for the switch fabric.
10. Enter the cluster name `FI6332` for the system name.
11. Enter the Mgmt0 IPv4 address.
12. Enter the Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask.
13. Enter the IPv4 address of the default gateway.
14. Enter the cluster IPv4 address.
15. To configure DNS, answer `y`.
16. Enter the DNS IPv4 address.
17. Answer `y` to set up the default domain name.
18. Enter the default domain name.
19. Review the settings that were printed to the console, and if they are correct, answer `yes` to save the configuration.
20. Wait for the login prompt to make sure the configuration has been saved.

Example Setup for Fabric Interconnect A

---- Basic System Configuration Dialog ----

This setup utility will guide you through the basic configuration of the system. Only minimal configuration including IP connectivity to the Fabric interconnect and its clustering mode is performed through these steps.

Type Ctrl-C at any time to abort configuration and reboot system.

To back track or make modifications to already entered values, complete input till end of section and answer no when prompted to apply configuration.

Enter the configuration method. (console/gui) ? 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: FI6332
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP address : 172.25.206.221
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask : 255.255.255.0
IPv4 address of the default gateway : 172.25.206.1
Cluster IPv4 address : 172.25.206.220
Configure the DNS Server IP address? (yes/no) [n]: yes
DNS IP address : 173.36.131.10
Configure the default domain name? (yes/no) [n]:
Join centralized management environment (UCS Central)? (yes/no) [n]:

```

Following configurations will be applied:

```

Switch Fabric=A
System Name=FI6332
Enforced Strong Password=no
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP Address=172.25.206.221
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP Netmask=255.255.255.0
Default Gateway=172.25.206.1
Ipv6 value=0
DNS Server=173.36.131.10

```

```

Cluster Enabled=yes
Cluster IP Address=172.25.206.220

```

NOTE: Cluster IP will be configured only after both Fabric Interconnects are initialized.

UCSM will be functional only after peer FI is configured in clustering mode.

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

```
Applying configuration. Please wait.
```

```
Configuration file - Ok
```

```
Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect
```

```
FI6332-A login:
```

Configure Fabric Interconnect B

To configure Fabric Interconnect B, follow these steps:

1. Connect to the console port on the second Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect.
2. When prompted to enter the configuration method, enter `console` to continue.
3. The installer detects the presence of the partner Fabric Interconnect and adds this fabric interconnect to the cluster. Enter `y` to continue the installation.
4. Enter the admin password that was configured for the first Fabric Interconnect.
5. Enter the Mgmt0 IPv4 address.
6. Answer `yes` to save the configuration.
7. Wait for the login prompt to confirm that the configuration has been saved.

Example Setup for Fabric Interconnect B

```
---- Basic System Configuration Dialog ----
```

```
This setup utility will guide you through the basic configuration of  
the system. Only minimal configuration including IP connectivity to  
the Fabric interconnect and its clustering mode is performed through these  
steps.
```

```
Type Ctrl-C at any time to abort configuration and reboot system.
```

```
To back track or make modifications to already entered values,  
complete input till end of section and answer no when prompted  
to apply configuration.
```

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

```
Installer has detected the presence of a peer Fabric interconnect. This  
Fabric interconnect will be 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 IPv4 Address: 172.25.206.221
```

```
Peer Fabric interconnect Mgmt0 IPv4 Netmask: 255.255.255.0
```

```
Cluster IPv4 address          : 172.25.206.220
```

```
Peer FI is IPv4 Cluster enabled. Please Provide Local Fabric Interconnect  
Mgmt0 IPv4 Address
```

```
Physical Switch Mgmt0 IP address : 172.25.206.222
```

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

```
Applying configuration. Please wait.
```

```
Fri Sep 30 05:41:48 UTC 2016
```

```
Configuration file - Ok
```

```
Cisco UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect
```

```
FI6332-B login:
```

Logging Into Cisco UCS Manager

To login to Cisco UCS Manager, follow these steps:

1. Open a Web browser and navigate to the Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect cluster address.

2. Click the Launch link to download the Cisco UCS Manager software.
3. If prompted to accept security certificates, accept as necessary.
4. Click Launch UCS Manager HTML.
5. When prompted, enter `admin` for the username and enter the administrative password.
6. Click Login to log in to the Cisco UCS Manager.

Configure NTP Server

To configure the NTP server for the Cisco UCS environment, follow these steps:

1. Select `Admin` tab on the left side.
2. Select Time Zone Management.
3. Select `Time Zone`.
4. Under `Properties` select your time zone.
5. Select Add NTP Server.
6. Enter the IP address of the NTP server.
7. Select `OK`.

Figure 16 Adding a NTP Server - Summary

The screenshot displays the 'Adding a NTP Server - Summary' window. On the left, a blue sidebar contains navigation icons for Equipment, Servers, LAN, SAN, VM, Storage, Chassis, and Admin. The 'Equipment' tab is active, showing a dropdown menu with 'All' selected. The main content area has a breadcrumb 'All / Time Zone Management / Timezone' and two tabs: 'General' (selected) and 'Events'. Under the 'General' tab, there is an 'Actions' section with a button 'Add NTP Server'. To the right, the 'Properties' section shows 'Time Zone' set to 'America/Los_Angeles (Pacif)' and a table titled 'NTP Servers'. The table has a header 'Name' and one row with the value 'NTP Server 10.29.137.1'. Above the table are buttons for 'Advanced Filter', 'Export', and 'Print'.

Initial Base Setup of the Environment

Configure Global Policies

To configure the Global Policies, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Equipment** tab on the left side of the window.
2. Select **Policies** on the right side.
3. Select Global Policies.
4. Under Chassis/FEX Discovery Policy select **Platform Max** under Action.
5. Select **40G** under Backplane Speed Preference.
6. Under Rack Server Discovery Policy select **Immediate** under Action.
7. Under Rack Management Connection Policy select **Auto Acknowledged** under Action.
8. Under Power Policy select **Redundancy N+1**.
9. Under Global Power Allocation Policy select **Policy Driven**.

10. Select Save Changes.

Figure 17 Configuration of Global Policies

Equipment

Main Topology View Fabric Interconnects Servers Thermal Decommissioned Firmware Management **Policies** Faults

Global Policies Autoconfig Policies Server Inheritance Policies Server Discovery Policies SEL Policy Power Groups

Chassis/FEX Discovery Policy

Action : Platform Max

Link Grouping Preference : ☒ None ☐ Port Channel

Backplane Speed Preference : ☒ 40G ☐ 4x10G

Rack Server Discovery Policy

Action : ☒ Immediate ☐ User Acknowledged

Scrub Policy : <not set>

Rack Management Connection Policy

Action : ☒ Auto Acknowledged ☐ User Acknowledged

Power Policy

Redundancy : ☐ Non Redundant ☒ N+1 ☐ Grid

MAC Address Table Aging

Aging Time : ☐ Never ☒ Mode Default ☐ other

Global Power Allocation Policy

Allocation Method : ☐ Manual Blade Level Cap ☒ Policy Driven Chassis Group Cap

Firmware Auto Sync Server Policy

Sync State : ☒ No Actions ☐ User Acknowledge

Global Power Profiling Policy **Info Policy**

Profile Power : ☐ Action : ☒ Disabled ☐ Enabled

Enable Fabric Interconnect A Ports for Server

To enable server ports, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Equipment** tab on the left site.
2. Select **Equipment > Fabric Interconnects > Fabric Interconnect A (subordinate) > Fixed Module**.
3. Click **Ethernet Ports** section.
4. Select Ports 1-10 and 13-16, right-click and then select **Configure as Server Port**.
5. Click **Yes** and then **OK**.

6. Repeat the same steps for Fabric Interconnect B.

Figure 18 Configuration of Server Ports

Slot	Aggr. Port ID	Port ID	MAC	If Role	If Type	Overall Status	Admin State
1	0	1	00:C8:8B:CC:96:DE	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	2	00:C8:8B:CC:96:E2	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	3	00:C8:8B:CC:96:E6	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	4	00:C8:8B:CC:96:EA	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	5	00:C8:8B:CC:96:EE	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	6	00:C8:8B:CC:96:F2	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	7	00:C8:8B:CC:96:F6	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	8	00:C8:8B:CC:96:FA	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	9	00:C8:8B:CC:96:FE	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	10	00:C8:8B:CC:97:02	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	11	00:C8:8B:CC:97:06	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	12	00:C8:8B:CC:97:0A	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	13	00:C8:8B:CC:97:0E	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	14	00:C8:8B:CC:97:12	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	15	00:C8:8B:CC:97:16	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	16	00:C8:8B:CC:97:1A	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled
1	0	17	00:C8:8B:CC:97:1E	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	18	00:C8:8B:CC:97:22	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	19	00:C8:8B:CC:97:26	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	20	00:C8:8B:CC:97:2A	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	21	00:C8:8B:CC:97:2E	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	22	00:C8:8B:CC:97:32	Unconfigured	Physical	Sfp Not Present	Disabled
1	0	23	00:C8:8B:CC:97:36	Unconfigured	Physical	Admin Down	Disabled

Enable Fabric Interconnect A Ports for Uplinks

To enable uplink ports, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Equipment** tab on the left site.
2. Select **Equipment > Fabric Interconnects > Fabric Interconnect A (subordinate) > Fixed Module**.
3. Click **Ethernet Ports** section.
4. Select Ports 23-26, right-click and then select **Configure as Uplink Port**.
5. Click **Yes** and then **OK**.
6. Repeat the same steps for Fabric Interconnect B.

Label Each Chassis for Identification

To label each chassis for better identification, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Equipment** tab on the left site.
2. Select **Chassis > Chassis 1**.
3. In the **Properties** section on the right go to **User Label** and add **ceph OSD 1/2** to the field.
4. Repeat the previous steps for Chassis 2 – 5 by using the following labels ([Table 8](#)):

Table 8 Chassis Label

Chassis	Name
Chassis 1	Ceph OSD 1/2
Chassis 2	Ceph OSD 3/4
Chassis 3	Ceph OSD 5/6
Chassis 4	Ceph OSD 7/8
Chassis 5	Ceph OSD 9/10

Figure 19 Labeling of all Chassis

The screenshot displays the Cisco UCS Manager interface for configuring a chassis. On the left, a navigation pane shows the hierarchy: Equipment > Chassis > Chassis 1 (Ceph OSD 1/2). The main panel shows the configuration for Chassis 1. The 'Fault Summary' section displays four status icons (red X, yellow triangle, yellow triangle, green plus) all with a count of 0. The 'Status' section shows the overall status as 'Operable' with a green plus icon. The 'Actions' section lists various actions like 'Associate Chassis Profile', 'Acknowledge Chassis', 'Decommission Chassis', 'Remove Chassis', 'Turn on Locator LED', 'View POST Results', 'Start Fault Suppression', 'Stop Fault Suppression', and 'Suppression Task Properties'. The 'Physical Display' section shows a photograph of the chassis. The 'Properties' section contains the following fields: ID (1), Product Name (Cisco UCSC C3X60), Vendor (Cisco Systems Inc), Revision (0), Chassis Profile (UCSC-C3X60), Locator LED (off), and User Label (Ceph OSD 1/2).

Label Each Server for Identification

To label each server for better identification, follow these steps:

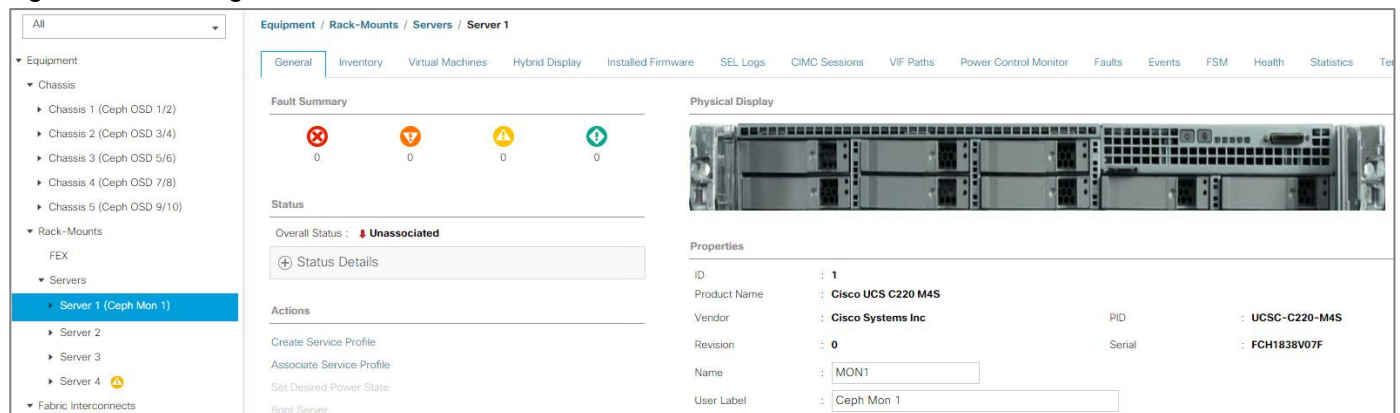
1. Select the **Equipment** tab on the left site.
2. Select **Chassis > Chassis 1 > Server 1**.
3. In the **Properties** section on the right go to **User Label** and add **Ceph OSD 1** to the field.
4. Repeat the previous steps for **Server 2** of **Chassis 1** and for all other servers of **Chassis 2 – 5** according to [Table 9](#).

5. Go then to Servers > Rack-Mounts > Servers > and repeat the step for all servers according to Table 9 .

Table 9 Server Label

Server	Name
Chassis 1 / Server 1	Ceph OSD 1
Chassis 1 / Server 2	Ceph OSD 2
Chassis 2 / Server 1	Ceph OSD 3
Chassis 2 / Server 2	Ceph OSD 4
Chassis 3 / Server 1	Ceph OSD 5
Chassis 3 / Server 2	Ceph OSD 6
Chassis 4 / Server 1	Ceph OSD 7
Chassis 4 / Server 2	Ceph OSD 8
Chassis 5 / Server 1	Ceph OSD 9
Chassis 5 / Server 2	Ceph OSD 10
Rack-Mount / Server 1	Ceph Mon 1
Rack-Mount / Server 2	Ceph Mon 2
Rack-Mount / Server 3	Ceph Mon 3
Rack-Mount / Server 4	Ceph Adm

Figure 20 Labeling of Rack Servers

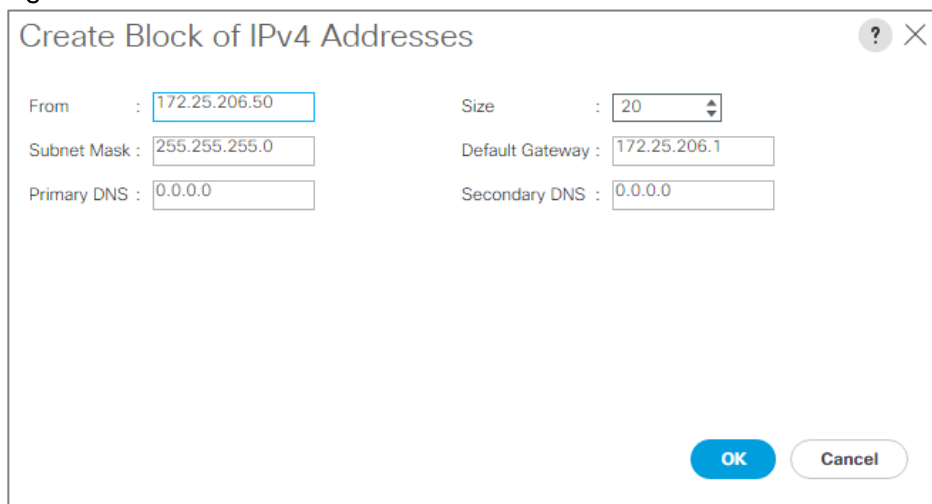


Create KVM IP Pool

To create a KVM IP Pool, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab on the left site.
2. Go to **LAN > Pools > root > IP Pools > IP Pool ext-mgmt**.
3. Right-click **Create Block of IPv4 Addresses**.
4. Enter an IP Address in the **From** field.
5. Enter **Size 20**.
6. Enter your **Subnet Mask**.
7. Fill in your **Default Gateway**.
8. Enter your **Primary DNS** and **Secondary DNS** if needed.
9. Click **OK**.

Figure 21 Create Block of IPv4 Addresses



Create Block of IPv4 Addresses

From : 172.25.206.50 Size : 20

Subnet Mask : 255.255.255.0 Default Gateway : 172.25.206.1

Primary DNS : 0.0.0.0 Secondary DNS : 0.0.0.0

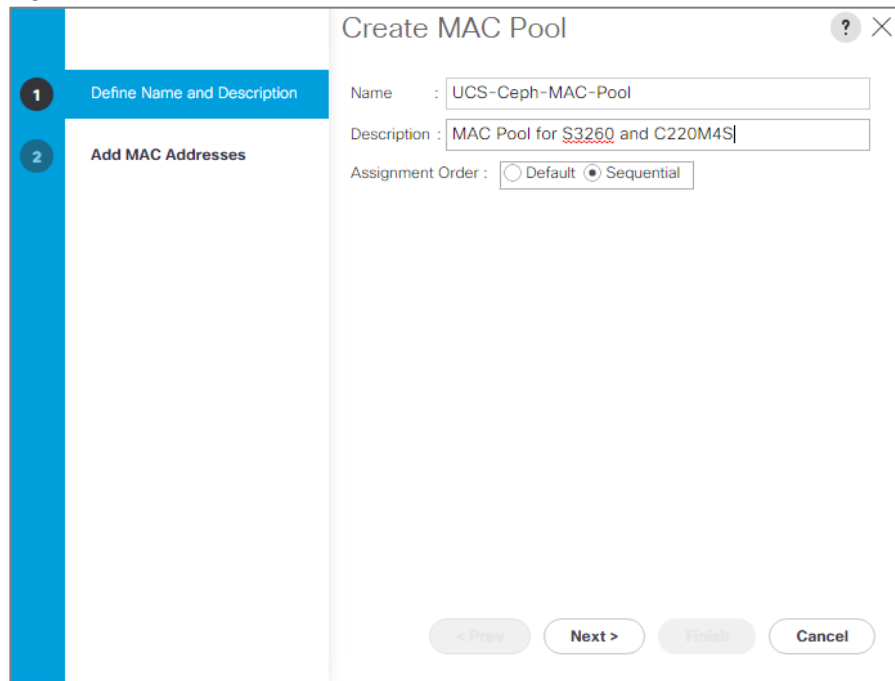
OK **Cancel**

Create MAC Pool

To create a MAC Pool, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab on the left site.
2. Go to **LAN > Pools > root > Mac Pools** and right-click **Create MAC Pool**.
3. Type in **UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool** for **Name**.
4. (Optional) Enter a **Description** of the MAC Pool.
5. Set **Assignment Order** as **Sequential**.

Figure 22 Create MAC Pool



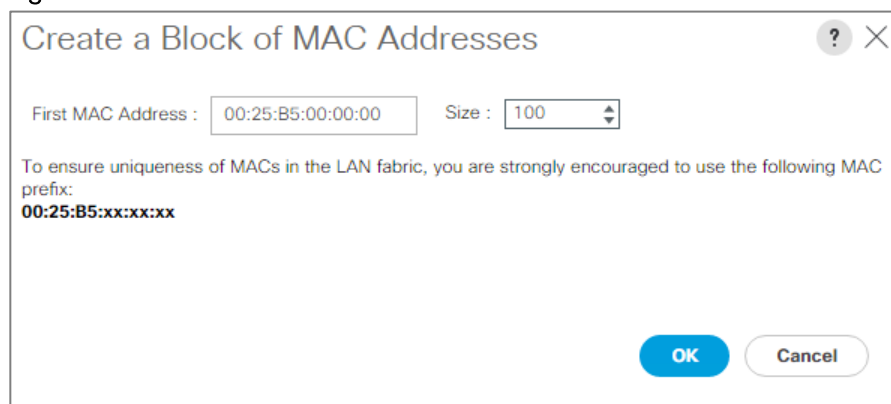
The 'Create MAC Pool' dialog box is shown. It has a sidebar on the left with two steps: '1 Define Name and Description' (highlighted in blue) and '2 Add MAC Addresses'. The main area contains the following fields:

- Name: UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool
- Description: MAC Pool for S3260 and C220M4S
- Assignment Order: ☐ Default ☒ Sequential

At the bottom are four buttons: '< Prev', 'Next >', 'Finish', and 'Cancel'.

6. Click Next.
7. Click Add.
8. Specify a starting MAC address.
9. Specify a size of the MAC address pool, which is sufficient to support the available server resources, for example, 100.

Figure 23 Create a Block of MAC Addresses



The 'Create a Block of MAC Addresses' dialog box is shown. It contains the following fields:

- First MAC Address: 00:25:B5:00:00:00
- Size: 100

Below these fields, a note states: 'To ensure uniqueness of MACs in the LAN fabric, you are strongly encouraged to use the following MAC prefix: 00:25:B5:xx:xx:xx'.

At the bottom are two buttons: 'OK' and 'Cancel'.

10. Click OK.
11. Click Finish.

Create UUID Pool

To create a UUID Pool, follow these steps:

1. Select the `servers` tab on the left site.
2. Go to `Servers > Pools > root > UUID Suffix Pools` and right-click `Create UUID Suffix Pool`.
3. Type in `UCS-Ceph-UUID-Pool` for Name.
4. (Optional) Enter a Description of the UUID Pool.
5. Set Assignment Order to `Sequential` and click `Next`.

Figure 24 Create UUID Suffix Pool

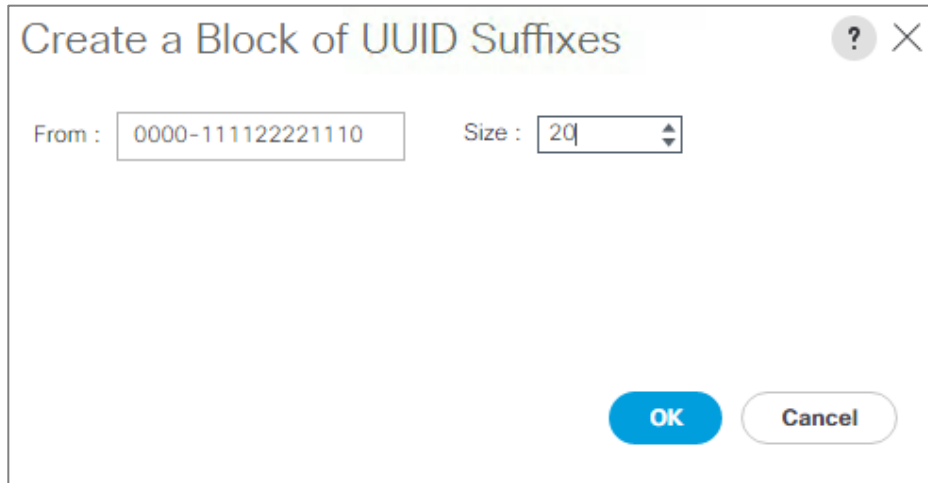
The screenshot shows a 'Create UUID Suffix Pool' dialog box. On the left, a blue sidebar contains two numbered steps: '1 Define Name and Description' (highlighted) and '2 Add UUID Blocks'. The main content area has the following fields and options:

- Name :**
- Description :**
- Prefix :** ☒ Derived ☐ other
- Assignment Order :** ☐ Default ☒ Sequential

At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'Prev' (disabled), 'Next >' (active), 'Finish' (disabled), and 'Cancel'.

6. Click `Add`.
7. Specify a starting UUID Suffix.
8. Specify a size of the UUID suffix pool, which is sufficient to support the available server resources, for example, 20.

Figure 25 Create a Block of UUID Suffixes



From : 0000-111122221110 Size : 20

OK Cancel

9. Click **OK**.

10. Click **Finish** and then **OK**.

Create VLANs

As mentioned before it is important to separate the network traffic with VLANs for Public network traffic and Cluster network traffic. Table 10 lists the configured VLANs.

Table 10 VLAN Configurations

VLAN	Name	NIC Port	Function
1	default	eth0	Administration & Management
10	Public	eth1	Public network
20	Cluster	eth2	Cluster network

To configure VLANs in the Cisco UCS Manager GUI, follow these steps:

1. Select **LAN** in the left pane in the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Select **LAN > LAN Cloud > VLANs** and right-click **Create VLANs**.
3. Enter **Public** for the **VLAN Name**.
4. Keep **Multicast Policy Name** as **<not set>**.
5. Select **Common/Global** for **Public**.
6. Enter **10** in the **VLAN IDs** field.
7. Click **OK** and then **Finish**.

Figure 26 Create a VLAN

Create VLANs

VLAN Name/Prefix :

Multicast Policy Name : [Create Multicast Policy](#)

☒ Common/Global
 ☐ Fabric A
 ☐ Fabric B
 ☐ Both Fabrics Configured Differently

You are creating global VLANs that map to the same VLAN IDs in all available fabrics.
 Enter the range of VLAN IDs.(e.g. " 2009-2019", " 29,35,40-45", " 23", " 23,34-45")

VLAN IDs :

Sharing Type :
 ☒ None
 ☐ Primary
 ☐ Isolated
 ☐ Community

8. Repeat the steps for VLAN Cluster.

Enable CDP

To enable Network Control Policies, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **LAN > Policies > root > Network Control Policies** and right-click **Create Network-Control Policy**.
3. Type in **Enable-CDP** in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Click **Enabled** under **CDP**.
6. Click **All Hosts Vlans** under **MAC Register Mode**.
7. Leave everything else untouched and click **OK**.
8. Click **OK**.

Figure 27 Create a Network Control Policy

Create Network Control Policy

Name : Enable-CDP

Description : Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) is enabled

CDP : ☐ Disabled ☒ Enabled

MAC Register Mode : ☐ Only Native Vlan ☒ All Host Vlans

Action on Uplink Fail : ☒ Link Down ☐ Warning

MAC Security

Forge : ☒ Allow ☐ Deny

LLDP

OK Cancel

QoS System Class

To create a Quality of Service System Class, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **LAN > LAN Cloud > QoS System Class**.
3. Set **Best Effort Weight** to 10 and **MTU** to 9216.
4. Set **Fibre Channel Weight** to None.
5. Click **Save Changes** and then **OK**.

Figure 28 QoS System Class

LAN / LAN Cloud / QoS System Class

General Events FSM

Priority	Enabled	CoS	Packet Drop	Weight	Weight (%)	MTU	Multicast Optimized
Platinum	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	10	N/A	normal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gold	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9	N/A	normal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silver	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8	N/A	normal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bronze	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7	N/A	normal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Best Effort	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Any	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10	100	9216	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fibre Channel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	none	N/A	fc	N/A

QoS Policy Setup

Based on the previous QoS System Class, to setup a QoS Policy follow these steps:

1. Select the LAN tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to LAN > Policies > root > QoS Policies and right-click Create QoS Policy.
3. Type in QoS-Ceph in the Name field.
4. Set Priority as Best Effort and leave everything else unchanged.
5. Click OK and then OK.

Figure 29 QoS Policy Setup

Create QoS Policy

Name : QoS-Ceph

Egress

Priority : Best Effort

Burst(Bytes) : 10240

Rate(Kbps) : line-rate

Host Control : ☒ None ☐ Full

OK Cancel

vNIC Template Setup

Based on the previous section of creating VLANs, the next step is to create the appropriate vNIC templates. For Red Hat Ceph Storage we need to create up four different vNICs, depending on the role of the server.

For the Public Network, please create two vNIC, one for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server to connect to Fabric Interconnect A and one vNIC for the bottom node to connect to Fabric Interconnect B. This to avoid traffic congestion over the configured vPCs. If you have more OSD nodes think about upgrading the number of vPC lines to the Cisco Nexus 9332PQ switch.

Table 11 gives you an overview of the configuration.

Table 11 vNIC Table

Name	vNIC Name	Fabric Interconnect	Failover	VLAN	MTU Size	MAC Pool	Network Control Policy
Default	Default-NIC	A	Yes	default - 1	1500	UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool	Enable-CDP
Public Network	PublicA-NIC	A	Yes	Public - 10	9000	UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool	Enable-CDP
	PublicB-NIC	B	Yes	Public - 10	9000	UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool	Enable-CDP
Cluster Network	Cluster-NIC	B	Yes	Cluster - 20	9000	UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool	Enable-CDP

To create the appropriate vNICs, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **LAN > Policies > root > vNIC Templates** and right-click **Create vNIC Template**.
3. Type in **Default-NIC** in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Click **Fabric A** as **Fabric ID** and enable **failover**.
6. Select **default** as **VLANs** and click **Native VLAN**.
7. Select **UCS-Ceph-MAC-Pool** as **MAC Pool**.
8. Select **QoS-Ceph** as **QoS Policy**.
9. Select **Enable-CDP** as **Network Control Policy**.
10. Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 30 Setup of vNIC Template for Default vNIC

Create vNIC Template

Name : Default-NIC

Description : Default NIC Template

Fabric ID : ☒ Fabric A ☐ Fabric B ☒ Enable Failover

Redundancy

Redundancy Type : ☒ No Redundancy ☐ Primary Template ☐ Secondary Template

Target

☒ Adapter ☐ VM

Warning

If **VM** is selected, a port profile by the same name will be created.
If a port profile of the same name exists, and updating template is selected, it will be overwritten

Template Type : ☒ Initial Template ☐ Updating Template

VLANs

Advanced Filter Export Print

Select	Name	Native VLAN
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cluster	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public	<input type="radio"/>

OK Cancel

- Repeat the above steps for the vNICs Public and Cluster. Make sure you select the correct Fabric Interconnect, VLAN (without Native VLAN), and MTU size according to [Table 11](#).

Adapter Policy Setup

To create a specific adapter policy for Red Hat Enterprise Linux, follow these steps:

- Select the **Server** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
- Go to **Servers > Policies > root > Adapter Policies** and **right-click** **Create Ethernet Adapter Policy**.
- Type in **RHEL** in the **Name** field.
- (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
- Under **Resources** type in the following values:
 - Transmit Queues: 8
 - Ring Size: 4096
 - Receive Queues: 8

- d. Ring Size: 4096
 - e. Completion Queues: 16
 - f. Interrupts: 32
6. Under Options enable Receive Side Scaling (RSS).
 7. Click OK and then OK.

Figure 31 Adapter Policy for RHEL

Create Ethernet Adapter Policy

Name :

Description :

Resources

Transmit Queues :	<input type="text" value="8"/>	[1-1000]
Ring Size :	<input type="text" value="4096"/>	[64-4096]
Receive Queues :	<input type="text" value="8"/>	[1-1000]
Ring Size :	<input type="text" value="4096"/>	[64-4096]
Completion Queues :	<input type="text" value="16"/>	[1-2000]
Interrupts :	<input type="text" value="32"/>	[1-1024]

Options

Transmit Checksum Offload	: <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled
Receive Checksum Offload	: <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled
TCP Segmentation Offload	: <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled
TCP Large Receive Offload	: <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled
Receive Side Scaling (RSS)	: <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled
Accelerated Receive Flow Steering	: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> Enabled
Network Virtualization using Generic Routing Encapsulation	: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> Enabled
Virtual Extensible LAN	: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> Enabled

OK **Cancel**

Boot Policy Setup

To create a Boot Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the Servers tab in the left pane.
2. Go to Servers > Policies > root > Boot Policies and right-click Create Boot Policy.
3. Type in a PXE-Boot in the Name field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the Description field.

Figure 32 Create Boot Policy

Create Boot Policy

Name : PXE-Boot

Description : Ceph Boot Policy

Reboot on Boot Order Change : ☐

Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name : ☒

Boot Mode : ☒ Legacy ☐ Uefi

WARNINGS:
 The type (primary/secondary) does not indicate a boot order presence.
 The effective order of boot devices within the same device class (LAN/Storage/iSCSI) is determined by PCIe bus scan order.
 If **Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name** is selected and the vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI does not exist, a config error will be reported.
 If it is not selected, the vNICs/vHBAs are selected if they exist, otherwise the vNIC/vHBA with the lowest PCIe bus scan order is used.

Boot Order

Name	Order	vNIC/vH...	Type	WWN	LUN Na...	Slot Nu...	Boot Na...	Boot Path	Descripti...
No data available									

- Click Local Devices > Add Local LUN.

Figure 33 Add Local LUN

Add Local LUN Image Path

Type : ☐ Primary ☐ Secondary ☒ Any

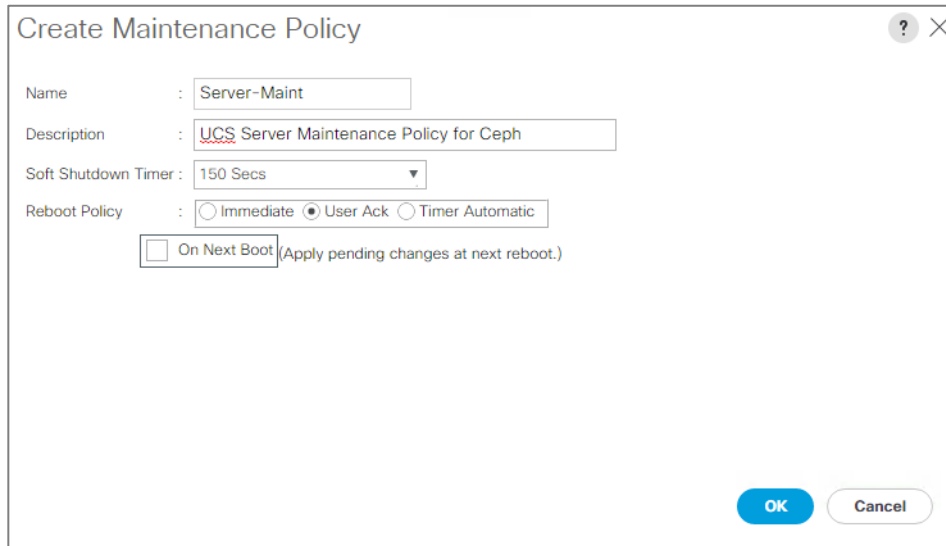
6. Click **OK**.
7. Click **Local Devices > Add Local CD/DVD**.
8. Click **OK**.
9. Click **OK**.

Create Maintenance Policy Setup

To setup a Maintenance Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Servers** tab in the left pane.
2. Go to **Servers > Policies > root > Maintenance Policies** and right-click **Create Maintenance Policy**.
3. Type in a **Server-Maint** in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Click **User Ack** under **Reboot Policy**.
6. Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 34 Create Maintenance Policy



Create Maintenance Policy

Name :

Description :

Soft Shutdown Timer :

Reboot Policy : ☐ Immediate ☒ User Ack ☐ Timer Automatic

☐ On Next Boot (Apply pending changes at next reboot.)

OK **Cancel**

Create Power Control Policy Setup

To create a Power Control Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Servers** tab in the left pane.
2. Go to **Servers > Policies > root > Power Control Policies** and right-click **Create Power Control Policy**.

3. Type in No-Power-Cap in the Name field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the Description field.
5. Click No Cap.
6. Click OK and then OK.

Figure 35 Power Control Policy

Create Power Control Policy ? X

Name : No-Power-Cap

Description : Power Cap Policy for Ceph

Fan Speed Policy : Any ▼

Power Capping

If you choose **cap**, the server is allocated a certain amount of power based on its priority within its power group. Priority values range from 1 to 10, with 1 being the highest priority. If you choose **no-cap**, the server is exempt from all power capping.

☒ No Cap ☐ cap

Cisco UCS Manager only enforces power capping when the servers in a power group require more power than is currently available. With sufficient power, all servers run at full capacity regardless of their priority.

OK Cancel

Create Disk Scrub Policy

To prevent failures during re-deployment of a Red Hat Ceph Storage environment, implement a Disk Scrub Policy that is enabled when removing a profile from a server.

To create a Disk Scrub Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the Servers tab in the left pane.
2. Go to Servers > Policies > root > Scrub Policies and right-click Create Scrub Policy.
3. Type in Disk-Scrub in the Name field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the Description field.
5. Select Disk Scrub radio button to Yes.

- Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 36 Create a Disk Scrub Policy

Create Scrub Policy

Name : Description :

Disk Scrub : ☐ No ☒ Yes

BIOS Settings Scrub : ☒ No ☐ Yes

FlexFlash Scrub : ☒ No ☐ Yes

OK **Cancel**

Creating Chassis Profile

The Chassis Profile is required to assign specific disks to a particular server node in a Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server as well as upgrading to a specific chassis firmware package.

Create Chassis Firmware Package

To create a Chassis Firmware Package, follow these steps:

- Select the **Chassis** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
- Go to **Chassis > Policies > root > Chassis Firmware Package** and right-click **Create Chassis Firmware Package**.
- Type in **UCS-S3260-Firm** in the **Name** field.
- (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
- Select **3.1. (2b) C** from the drop-down menu of **Chassis Package**.
- Select **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 37 Create Chassis Firmware Package

Create Chassis Firmware Package

Name : UCS-S3260-Firm

Description : Firmware Package for UCS S3260

Chassis Package : 3.1(2b)C

Excluded Components:

- ☐ Chassis Board Controller
- ☐ Chassis Management Controller
- ☐ Chassis Adaptor
- ☒ Local Disk
- ☐ SAS Expander

OK Cancel

Create Chassis Maintenance Policy

To create a Chassis Maintenance Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Chassis** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Chassis > Policies > root > Chassis Maintenance Policies** and right-click **Create Chassis Maintenance Policy**.
3. Type in **UCS-S3260-Main** in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 38 Create Chassis Maintenance Policy

Create Chassis Maintenance Policy

Name

: UCS-S3260-Main

Description

: Maintenance Policy for UCS S3260

Reboot Policy

: User Ack

OK

Cancel

Create Disk Zoning Policy

To create a Disk Zoning Policy, follow these steps:

- 1. Select the Chassis tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
- 2. Go to Chassis > Policies > root > Disk Zoning Policies and right-click Create Disk Zoning Policy.
- 3. Type in UCS-S3260-Zoning in the Name field.
- 4. (Optional) Enter a description in the Description field.

Figure 39 Create Disk Zoning Policy

Create Disk Zoning Policy

Name

: UCS-S3260-Zoning

Description

: Disk Zoning Policy for UCS S3260

Preserve Config

: ☐

Disk Zoning Information

+ - Advanced Filter Export Print

Name	Slot Number	Ownership	Assigned to Ser...	Assigned to Con...	Controller Type
No data available					

Add

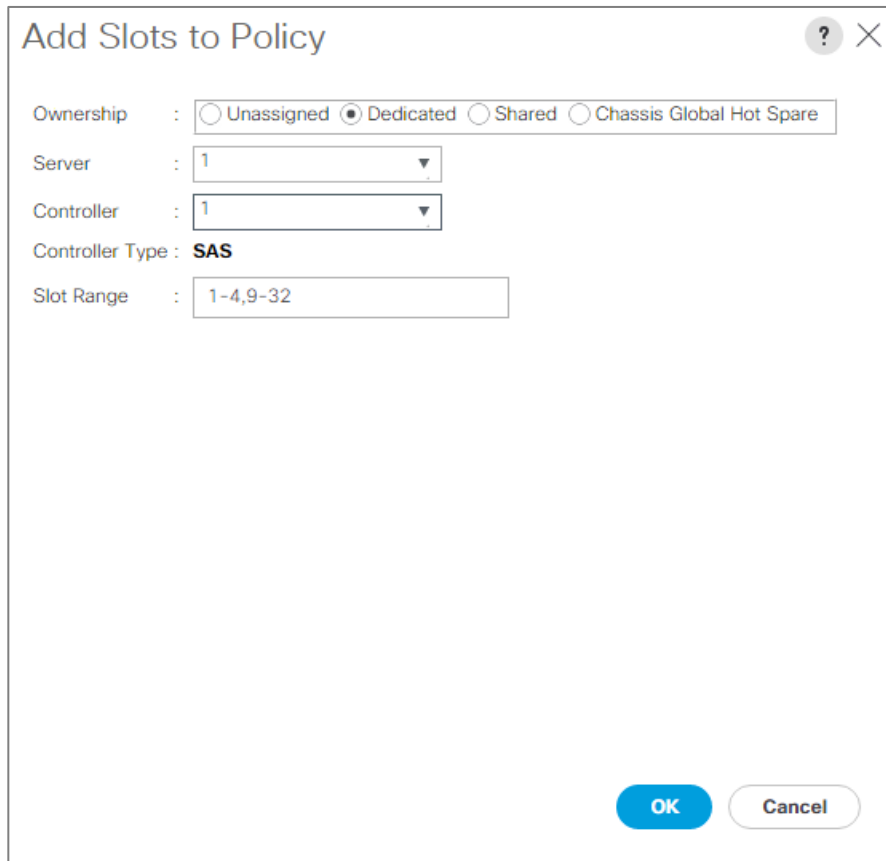
Delete

Modify

- 5. Click Add.

6. Select Dedicated under Ownership.
7. Select Server 1.
8. Select Controller 1.
9. Add Slot Range 1-4, 9-32 for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

Figure 40 Add Slots to Top Node of Cisco UCS S3260



Add Slots to Policy [?] [X]

Ownership : ☐ Unassigned ☒ Dedicated ☐ Shared ☐ Chassis Global Hot Spare

Server : 1 ▼

Controller : 1 ▼

Controller Type : **SAS**

Slot Range : 1-4,9-32

OK Cancel

10. Click OK.
11. Click Add.
12. Select Dedicated under Ownership.
13. Select Server 2.
14. Select Controller 1.
15. Add Slot Range 5-8, 33-56 for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

Figure 41 Add Slots to Bottom Node of Cisco UCS S3260

Add Slots to Policy

Ownership : ☐ Unassigned ☒ Dedicated ☐ Shared ☐ Chassis Global Hot Spare

Server : 2

Controller : 1

Controller Type : SAS

Slot Range : 5-8,33-56

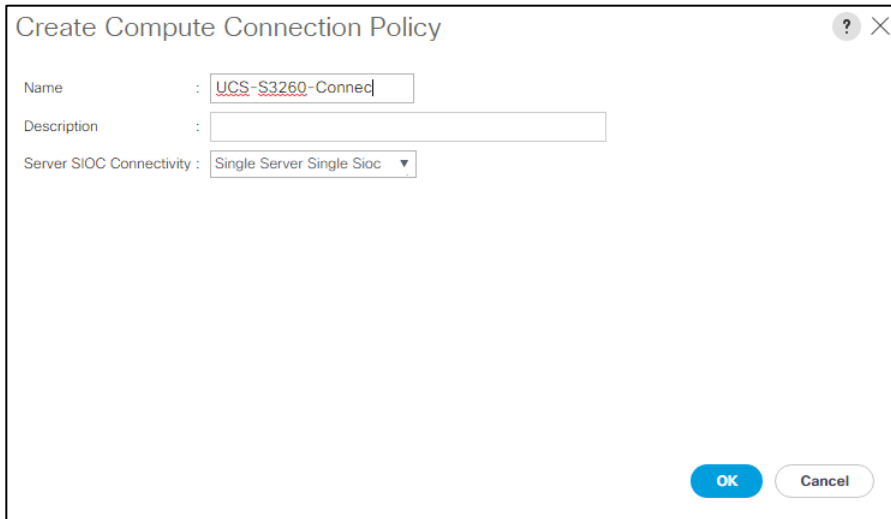
OK Cancel

16. Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Create Compute Connection Policy

To create a Compute Connection Policy, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Chassis** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Chassis > Policies > root > Compute Connection Policies** and right-click **Create Compute Connection Policy**.
3. Type in **UCS-S3260-Connec** in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Select **Single Server Single Sloc**.
6. Click **OK** and then **OK**.

Figure 42 Create a SIOC Connection Policy

Create Compute Connection Policy

Name : UCS-S3260-Connec

Description :

Server SIOC Connectivity : Single Server Single Sioc

OK Cancel

Create Chassis Profile Template

To create a Chassis Profile Template, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Chassis** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Chassis > Chassis Profile Templates** and right-click **Create Chassis Profile Template**.
3. Type in **UCS-S3260** in the **Name** field.
4. Under **Type**, select **Updating Template**.
5. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.

Figure 43 Create Chassis Profile Template

Create Chassis Profile Template

You must enter a name for the chassis profile template and specify the template type. You can also enter a description of the template.

1 Identify Chassis Profile Template

2 Chassis Maintenance Policy

3 Policies

4 Disk Zoning Policy

Name :

The template will be created in the following organization. Its name must be unique within this organization.

Where : **org-root**

Type : ☐ Initial Template ☒ Updating Template

Optionally enter a description for the template. The description can contain information about when and where the chassis profile template should be used.

Chassis Template for UCS S3260

6. Select Next.

7. Under the radio button **Chassis Maintenance Policy**, select your previously created Chassis Maintenance Policy.

Figure 44 Chassis Profile Template – Chassis Maintenance Policy

Create Chassis Profile Template

Specify how disruptive changes (such as reboot, network interruptions, firmware upgrades) should be applied to the system.

1 Identify Chassis Profile Template

2 Chassis Maintenance Policy

3 Policies

4 Disk Zoning Policy

Chassis Maintenance Policy

Select a maintenance policy to include with this chassis profile template or create a new maintenance policy that will be accessible to all chassis profile templates.

Chassis Maintenance Policy: [Create Chassis Maintenance Policy](#)

Name : **UCS-S3260-Main**

Description : **Maintenance Policy for UCS S3260**

Reboot Policy : **User Ack**

8. Select Next.

9. Select the + button and select under **Chassis Firmware Package** your previously created Chassis Firmware Package Policy.

10. Select the + button and select under **Compute Connection Policy** your previously created Compute Connection Policy.

Figure 45 Chassis Profile Template – Chassis Firmware Package

1

Identify Chassis Profile Template

2

3

Chassis Maintenance Policy

4

Policies

Disk Zoning Policy

Create Chassis Profile Template

Optionally configure chassis firmware package for this chassis profile template.

Chassis Firmware Package

If you select a chassis firmware policy for this chassis profile template, the template will update the firmware on the chassis that it is associated with.
Otherwise the system uses the firmware already installed on the associated chassis.

Chassis Firmware Package : UCS-S3260-Firm Create Chassis Firmware Package

11. Select Next.

12. Under Disk Zoning Policy select your previously created Disk Zoning Policy.

Figure 46 Chassis Profile Template – Disk Zoning Policy

1

Identify Chassis Profile Template

2

3

Chassis Maintenance Policy

4

Policies

Disk Zoning Policy

Create Chassis Profile Template

Optionally specify information that affects how the system operates.
Disk Zoning policies are applicable only to UCSC-C3X60-BASE chassis

Disk Zoning Policy: UCS-S3260-Zoning

Create Disk Zoning Policy

Name : UCS-S3260-Zoning
Description : Disk Zoning Policy for UCS S3260
Preserve Config : No
Disks Zoned

+ - Advanced Filter Export Print

Name	Slot Number	Ownership	Assigned to Ser...	Assigned to Con...	Controller Type
▶ disk-slot-1	1	Dedicated			
▶ disk-slot-10	10	Dedicated			
▶ disk-slot-11	11	Dedicated			
▶ disk-slot-12	12	Dedicated			
▶ disk-slot-13	13	Dedicated			
▶ disk-slot-14	14	Dedicated			

13. Click Finish and then OK.

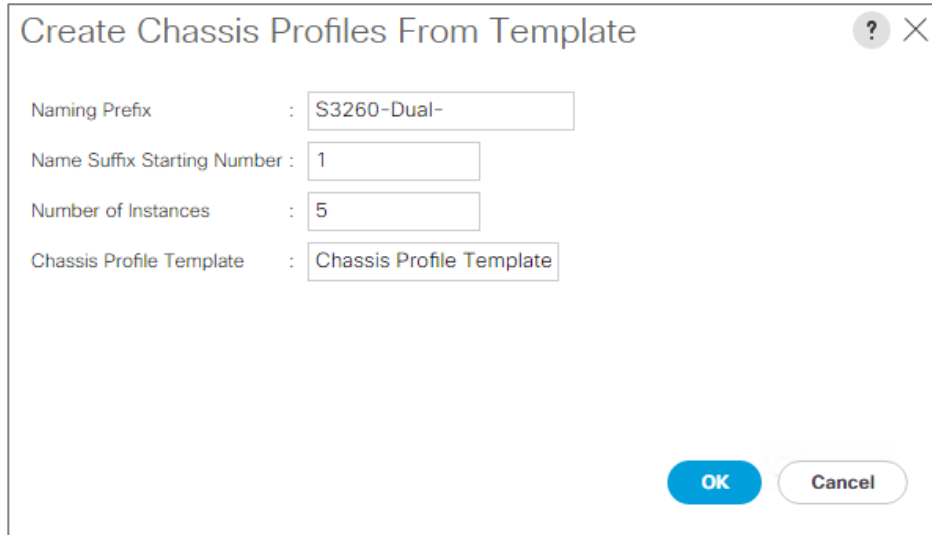
Create Chassis Profile from Template

To create the Chassis Profiles from the previous created Chassis Profile Template, follow these steps:

- 1. Select the Chassis tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
- 2. Go to Chassis > Chassis Profiles and right-click Create Chassis Profile from Template.

3. Type in S3260-Dual- in the Name field.
4. Leave the Name Suffix Starting Number untouched.
5. Enter 5 for the Number of Instances for all connected Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
6. Choose your previously created Chassis Profile Template.
7. Click OK and then OK.

Figure 47 Create Chassis Profiles from Template



Create Chassis Profiles From Template

Naming Prefix : S3260-Dual-

Name Suffix Starting Number : 1

Number of Instances : 5

Chassis Profile Template : Chassis Profile Template

OK Cancel

Associate Chassis Profile

To associate all previous created Chassis Profile, follow these steps:

1. Select the Chassis tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to Chassis > Chassis Profiles and select S3260-Dual-1.
3. Right-click Change Chassis Profile Association.
4. Under Chassis Assignment, choose Select existing Chassis.
5. Under Available Chassis, select ID 1.
6. Click OK and then OK.
7. Repeat the steps for the other four Chassis Profiles by selecting the IDs 2 – 5.

Figure 48 Associate Chassis Profile

Associate Chassis Profile

Select a previously-discovered chassis by name, or manually specify a custom chassis by entering its chassis ID. If no chassis currently exists at that location, the system waits until one is discovered.

You can select an existing chassis you want to associate with this chassis profile.

Chassis Assignment: Select existing Chassis ▼

☒ Available Chassis
 ☐ All Chassis

Select	ID
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	1
<input type="radio"/>	2
<input type="radio"/>	3
<input type="radio"/>	4
<input type="radio"/>	5

Restrict Migration : ☐

OK

Cancel

Creating Storage Profiles

Setting Disks for Rack-Mount Servers to Unconfigured-Good

To prepare all disks from the Rack-Mount servers for storage profiles, the disks have to be converted from JBOD to Unconfigured-Good. To convert the disks, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Equipment > Rack-Mounts > Servers > Server 1 > Disks`.
3. Select both disks and right-click `Set JBOD to Unconfigured-Good`.
4. Repeat the steps for Server 2-4.

Figure 49 Set Disks for Rack-Mount Servers to Unconfigured-Good

The screenshot shows the Cisco UCS Manager interface. On the left is a navigation tree with 'Equipment' expanded, showing 'Chassis' and 'Rack-Mounts'. Under 'Rack-Mounts', 'Servers' is expanded, and 'Server 2 (Ceph Mon 2)' is selected. The 'Disks' option is highlighted in blue. The main panel shows the breadcrumb 'Equipment / Rack-Mounts / Servers / Server 2 (Ceph Mon 2) / Disks'. Below this is a table of disks with columns 'ID', 'Vendor', and 'Size (MB)'. Two disks are listed: ID 1 (TOSHIBA, 571776 MB) and ID 2 (SEAGATE, 571776 MB). A context menu is open over the table, listing actions like 'Set Unconfigured Bad to Good', 'Prepare for Removal', 'Undo Prepare for Removal', 'Mark as Dedicated Hot Spare', 'Remove Hot Spare', 'Set JBOD to Unconfigured Good' (highlighted in blue), 'Set JBOD Mode', 'Copy', and 'Copy XML'.

ID	Vendor	Size (MB)
1	TOSHIBA	571776
2	SEAGATE	571776

Setting Disks for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server to Unconfigured-Good with Cisco UCS PowerTool

To convert all top-loaded HDDs and the back-end Boot-SSDs in all five attached Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server from JBOD to Unconfigured-Good, use a Cisco UCS PowerTool Script, which accelerates and simplifies the deployment.

To convert all top-loaded HDDs, follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://communities.cisco.com/docs/DOC-37154> and download the latest UCS PowerTool Suite.
2. Install UCS PowerTool Suite on a Windows system that has access to the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
3. **Download the UCS PowerTool Script** “Convert all disks to Unconfigured-Good for UCS Domain(s)” under <https://communities.cisco.com/docs/DOC-70616>
4. Start a PowerShell CLI and start the script.
5. Type in the Cluster IP of your Cisco UCS Manager.
6. Type in your password.

7. Type in `Y` for converting your disks from JBOD to Unconfigured-Good.

Create Storage Profile for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

To create the Storage Profile for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, follow these steps:

1. Select **Storage** in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Storage > Storage Profiles** and right-click **Create Storage Profile**.
3. Type in `s3260-Node1` in the **Name** field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.
5. Click **Add**.
6. Type in `Boot` in the **Name** field.
7. Configure as follow:
 - a. Create Local LUN
 - b. Size (GB) = 1
 - c. Fractional Size (MB) = 0
 - d. Auto Deploy
 - e. Select **Expand To Available**
8. Click **Create Disk Group Policy**

Figure 50 Create Local LUN

The screenshot shows a 'Create Local LUN' dialog box with the following fields and values:

- Name:** Boot
- Size (GB):** 1 (range [0-102400])
- Fractional Size (MB):** 0
- Auto Deploy:** ☒ Auto Deploy ☐ No Auto Deploy
- Expand To Available:** ☒
- Select Disk Group Configuration:** <not set> (with a dropdown arrow)
- Create Disk Group Policy:** (link)
- Buttons:** OK, Cancel

9. Type in `s3260-Boot` in the **Name** field.
10. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.

- 11. RAID Level = RAID 1 Mirrored.
- 12. Select Disk Group Configuration (Manual).
- 13. Click Add.
- 14. Type in 201 for slot Number.
- 15. Click ok and then again Add.
- 16. Type in 202 for slot Number.
- 17. Leave everything else untouched.
- 18. Click ok and then ok.
- 19. Select your previously created Disk Group Policy for the Boot SSDs with the radio button under select Disk Group Configuration.
- 20. Click ok and then ok and again ok.

Figure 51 Storage Profile for the Top Node of Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

Create Storage Profile

Name : S3260-Node1

Description : Boot LUN for S3260 Top Node

LUNs

Local LUNs

Controller Definitions

Advanced Filter

Export

Print

Name	Size (GB)	Order	Fractional Size (MB)
Boot	1	Not Applicable	0

+ Add

Delete

Info

OK

Cancel

To create the Storage Profile for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, follow these steps:

1. Select `Storage` in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Storage > Storage Profiles` and right-click `Create Storage Profile`.
3. Type in `S3260-Node2` in the `Name` field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the `Description` field.
5. Click `Add`.
6. Type in `Boot` in the `Name` field.
7. Configure as follows:
 - a. `Create Local LUN`.
 - b. `Size (GB) = 1`
 - c. `Fractional Size (MB) = 0`
 - d. `Auto Deploy`
 - e. Select `Expand To Available`
 - f. Select your previously created Disk Group Policy for the S3260 Boot SSDs with the radio button under `Select Disk Group Configuration`.
8. Click `OK` and then `OK` and again `OK`.

Creating Disk Group Policies and RAID 0 LUNs for Top-Loaded Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server HDDs

To create Disk Group Policies and RAID 0 local LUNs for all top-loaded HDDs for a Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, use a Cisco UCS PowerTool Script, which accelerates and simplifies the deployment and follow these steps:



Note: Please make sure that you have Cisco UCS PowerTool from the previous section installed.

1. **Download the UCS PowerTool Script “Create RAID 0 Disk Group Policies and Storage Profile(s)”** under <https://communities.cisco.com/docs/DOC-70617>
2. Start a PowerShell CLI and start the script.
3. Type in the Cluster IP of your Cisco UCS Manager.
4. Type in your password.
5. Type in 46 for the number of Disk Group Policies.
6. Type in `R0_HDD_` for the Disk Group Policies.
7. Type in `Y` for top-loaded SSDs installed.

8. Type in 8 for number of top-loaded SSDs.
9. Type in `s3260-Node1` as a Storage Profile for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
10. Type in 9 . . 32 for the used Disk IDs, which should be included in the Storage Profile.
11. Type in `Y` for creating another Storage Profile.
12. Type in `s3260-Node2` as a Storage Profile for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
13. Type in 33 . . 56 for the used Disk IDs, which should be included in the Storage Profile.

Create Storage Profile for Cisco UCS C220 M4S Rack-Mount Server

To create a Storage Profile for the Cisco UCS C220 M4S, follow these steps:

1. Select `Storage` in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Storage > Storage Profiles` and right-click `Create Storage Profile`.
3. Type in `C220-Boot` in the `Name` field.
4. (Optional) Enter a description in the `Description` field.
5. Click `Add`.

Figure 52 Create Storage Profile for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Create Storage Profile

Name : C220-Boot

Description : Storage Profile for Ceph Monitor and Admin Nodes

LUNs

Local LUNs | Controller Definitions

Advanced Filter | Export | Print | Settings

Name	Size (GB)	Order	Fractional Size (MB)
No data available			

+ Add | Delete | Info

OK Cancel

6. Type in Boot in the Name field.
7. Configure as follows:
 - a. Create Local LUN
 - b. Size (GB) = 1
 - c. Fractional Size (MB) = 0
 - d. Auto Deploy
 - e. Expand To Available
 - f. Click Create Disk Group Policy

Figure 53 Create Local LUN for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Create Local LUN

☒ Create Local LUN
 ☐ Prepare Claim Local LUN

Name :

Size (GB) : **[0-102400]**

Fractional Size (MB) :

Auto Deploy : ☒ Auto Deploy ☐ No Auto Deploy

Expand To Available : ☒

Select Disk Group Configuration : [Create Disk Group Policy](#)

8. Type in `Boot-Ceph` in the Name field.
9. (Optional) Enter a description in the Description field.
10. RAID Level = RAID 1 Mirrored
11. Select Disk Group Configuration (Manual)
12. Click Add.
13. Type in 1 for Slot Number.
14. Click OK and then again Add.
15. Type in 2 for Slot Number.
16. Leave everything else untouched.
17. Click OK and then OK.
18. Select your previously created Disk Group Policy for the C220 M4S Boot Disks with the radio button under Select Disk Group Configuration.
19. Click OK and then OK and again OK.

Creating a Service Profile Template

Create Service Profile Template for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Top and Bottom Node

To create a Service Profile Template, follow these steps:

1. Select **Servers** in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Servers > Service Profile Templates > root** and right-click **Create Service Profile Template**.

Identify Service Profile Template

1. Type in **UCS-S3260-OSD-Node1** in the **Name** field.
2. In the **UUID Assignment** section, select the **UUID Pool** you created in the beginning.
3. (Optional) Enter a description in the **Description** field.

Figure 54 Identify Service Profile Template

Create Service Profile Template

You must enter a name for the service profile template and specify the template type. You can also specify how a UUID will be assigned to this template and enter a description.

Name :

The template will be created in the following organization. Its name must be unique within this organization.
Where : **org-root**

The template will be created in the following organization. Its name must be unique within this organization.
Type : ☒ Initial Template ☐ Updating Template

Specify how the UUID will be assigned to the server associated with the service generated by this template.
UUID

UUID Assignment:

The UUID will be assigned from the selected pool.
The available/total UUIDs are displayed after the pool name.

Optionally enter a description for the profile. The description can contain information about when and where the service profile should be used.

< Prev Next > **Finish** Cancel

4. Click **Next**.

Storage Provisioning

1. Go to the **Storage Profile Policy** tab and select the **Storage Profile s3260-Node1** for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server you created before.
2. Click **Next**.

Figure 55 Storage Provisioning

Create Service Profile Template

Optionally specify or create a Storage Profile, and select a local disk configuration policy.

Specific Storage Profile | **Storage Profile Policy** | Local Disk Configuration Policy

Storage Profile: S3260-Node1 Create Storage Profile

Name : **S3260-Node1**
Description : **Top Node in UCS S3260**

LUNs

Local LUNs | Controller Definitions

Advanced Filter | Export | Print

Name	Size (GB)	Order	Fractional Size (MB)
Boot	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-10	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-11	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-12	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-13	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-14	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-15	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-16	1	Not Applicable	0
R0-LUN-17	1	Not Applicable	0

< Prev | Next > | **Finish** | Cancel

Networking

1. Keep the Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy field at the default.
2. Select the Expert radio button for the option How would you like to configure LAN connectivity?
3. Click Add to add a vNIC to the template.
4. Insert Default as Name.
5. Select Use vNIC Template.
6. Select Default-NIC as vNIC Template.
7. Select RHEL as Adapter Policy.
8. Click OK.

Figure 56 Create vNIC

Create vNIC

Name :

Use vNIC Template : ☒

Redundancy Pair : ☐

vNIC Template :

Default-NIC

Peer Name :

Create vNIC Template

Adapter Performance Profile

Adapter Policy :

Linux

Create Ethernet Adapter Policy

9. Repeat the steps for PublicA and OSD-Cluster vNIC by choosing the appropriate vNIC template you created before for the Public and Cluster network. Make sure you always select RHEL as Adapter Policy.

Figure 57 Summary Networking

1 Identify Service Profile

2 Storage Provisioning

3 Networking

4 SAN Connectivity

5 Zoning

6 vNIC/vHBA Placement

7 vMedia Policy

8 Server Boot Order

9 Maintenance Policy

10 Server Assignment

11 Operational Policies

Create Service Profile (expert)

Optionally specify LAN configuration information.

Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy:

Select a Policy to use (no Dynamic vNIC Policy by default)

Create Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy

How would you like to configure LAN connectivity?

☐ Simple

☒ Expert

☐ No vNICs

☐ Hardware Inherited

☐ Use Connectivity Policy

Click **Add** to specify one or more vNICs that the server should use to connect to the LAN.

Name	MAC Address	Fabric ID	Native VLAN
vNIC OSD-Cluster	Derived	derived	
vNIC PublicA	Derived	derived	
vNIC Default	Derived	derived	

Delete

Add

Modify

+ iSCSI vNICs

< Prev

Next >

Finish

Cancel

10. Click Next to continue with SAN Connectivity.
11. Select No vHBA for How would you like to configure SAN Connectivity?

12. Click **Next** to continue with Zoning.

13. Click **Next**.

vNIC/vHBA Placement

1. Select **Specify Manually** form the drop-down menu.
2. Under **vNIC** select all three vNICs and select **vCON 1** on the right side, then click **>>assign>>**.
3. Sort all vNICs with **Default** at the top, then **PublicA** and then **OSD-Cluster**.

Figure 58 vNIC/vHBA Placement

The screenshot shows the 'Create Service Profile (expert)' wizard at the 'vNIC/vHBA Placement' step. The left sidebar lists steps 1 through 11, with step 6 'vNIC/vHBA Placement' highlighted. The main area has a title bar with a question mark and close button. Below the title bar is a subtitle 'Specify how vNICs and vHBAs are placed on physical network adapters'. The main content area explains vNIC/vHBA Placement and provides instructions. A 'Select Placement:' dropdown menu is set to 'Specify Manually', with a 'Create Placement Policy' link next to it. Below this, a table lists vNICs and vHBAs. The 'vNICs' tab is active, showing a list of vNICs: 'vNIC Default', 'vNIC PublicA', and 'vNIC OSD-Cluster'. The 'vHBAs' tab is also visible. The 'vNICs' list is currently empty, with a message 'No data available'. To the right of the list are buttons '>> assign >>' and '<< remove <<'. On the far right, a table titled 'Specific Virtual Network Interfaces (click on a cell to edit)' lists vNICs under different vCon profiles. The 'vCon 1' profile is expanded, showing three vNICs: 'vNIC Default' (Order 1, Selection ANY), 'vNIC PublicA' (Order 2, Selection ANY), and 'vNIC OSD-Cluster' (Order 3, Selection ANY). The 'vCon 2' and 'vCon 3' profiles are also listed. At the bottom right, there are buttons for '< Prev', 'Next >', 'Finish', and 'Cancel'.

Create Service Profile (expert)

Specify how vNICs and vHBAs are placed on physical network adapters

vNIC/vHBA Placement specifies how vNICs and vHBAs are placed on physical network adapters (mezzanine) in a server hardware configuration independent way.

Select Placement: **Specify Manually** [Create Placement Policy](#)

Virtual Network Interface connection provides a mechanism of placing vNICs and vHBAs on physical network adapters. vNICs and vHBAs are assigned to one of Virtual Network Interface connection specified below. This assignment can be performed explicitly by selecting which Virtual Network Interface connection is used by vNIC or vHBA or it can be done automatically by selecting "any". vNIC/vHBA placement on physical network interface is controlled by placement preferences.

Please select one Virtual Network Interface and one or more vNICs or vHBAs

vNICs **vHBAs**

Name

No data available

>> assign >>
<< remove <<

Specific Virtual Network Interfaces (click on a cell to edit)

Name	Order	Selection	Admin H...
vCon 1 All			
vNIC Default	1	ANY	
vNIC PublicA	2	ANY	
vNIC OSD-Cluster	3	ANY	
vCon 2 All			
vCon 3 All			
↑ Move Up ↓ Move Down			

< Prev Next > Finish Cancel

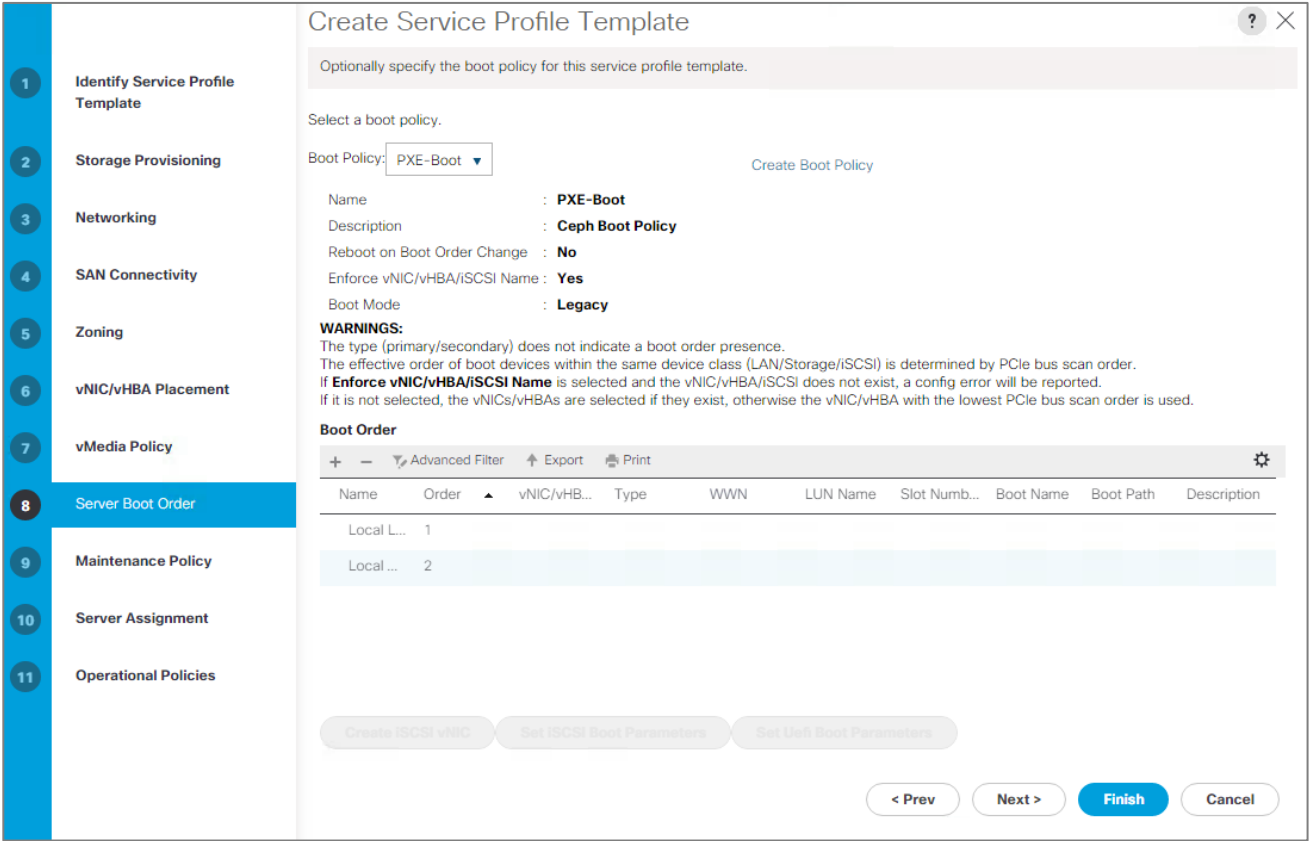
4. Click **Next** to continue with vMedia Policy.

5. Click **Next**.

Server Boot Order

- 1. Select the Boot Policy PXE-Boot you created before under Boot Policy.

Figure 59 Server Boot Order



- 2. Click Next.

Maintenance Policy

- 1. Select the Maintenance Policy you created before under Maintenance Policy.

Figure 60 Maintenance Policy

Create Service Profile Template

Specify how disruptive changes such as reboots, network interruptions, and firmware upgrades should be applied to the server associated with this service profile.

Maintenance Policy

Select a maintenance policy to include with this service profile or create a new maintenance policy that will be accessible to all service profiles.

Maintenance Policy: Server-Maint ▼ [Create Maintenance Policy](#)

Name : **Server-Maint**
 Description : **UCS Server Maintenance Policy for Ceph**
 Soft Shutdown Timer : **150 Secs**
 Reboot Policy : **User Ack**

< Prev Next > **Finish** Cancel

2. Click Next.

3. Click Next.

Operational Policies

1. Select under **Power Control Policy Configuration** the previous created Power Policy.
2. Select under **scrub Policy** the previous created Scrub Policy.

Figure 61 Operational Policy

Create Service Profile Template

Optionally specify information that affects how the system operates.

- + BIOS Configuration
- + External IPMI Management Configuration
- + Management IP Address
- + Monitoring Configuration (Thresholds)
- Power Control Policy Configuration

Power control policy determines power allocation for a server in a given power group.

Power Control Policy : No-Power-Cap [Create Power Control Policy](#)
- Scrub Policy

Scrub Policy : Disk-Scrub [Create Scrub Policy](#)
- + KVM Management Policy
- + Graphics Card Policy

< Prev Next > **Finish** Cancel

3. Click **Finish** and then **OK**.
4. Repeat the steps for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server but change the following
5. Choose the Storage Profile for the bottom node you created before.
6. Choose PublicB-NIC as the Public network interface.

Create Service Profile Template for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

The Service Profiles for the Cisco UCS Rack-Mount Servers are very similar to the profiles created for the S3260. The only differences are with the Storage Profiles, Networking, vNIC/vHBA Placement and Server Pools. The changes are listed in this section and to create these profiles, follow these steps:

1. In the **Storage Provisioning** tab choose the appropriate Storage Profile for the Cisco UCS C220 M4S you created before.

Figure 62 Storage Provisioning for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Create Service Profile Template

Optionally specify or create a Storage Profile, and select a local disk configuration policy.

Specific Storage Profile | **Storage Profile Policy** | Local Disk Configuration Policy

Storage Profile: **C220-Boot-1** Create Storage Profile

Name : **C220-Boot-1**
Description : **Boot LUN for Ceph Monitor1**

LUNs

Local LUNs | Controller Definitions

Advanced Filter | Export | Print

Name	Size (GB)	Order	Fractional Size (MB)
Boot-LUN	100	Not Applicable	0

< Prev | Next > | **Finish** | Cancel

- In the **Networking** tab create only two vNICs for Default and PublicA network in the same way and same order like the section before.

Figure 63 Networking for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Create Service Profile (expert)

Optionally specify LAN configuration information.

Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy: Select a Policy to use (no Dynamic vNIC Policy by default) ▼

[Create Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy](#)

How would you like to configure LAN connectivity?

☐ Simple
 ☒ Expert
 ☐ No vNICs
 ☐ Hardware Inherited
 ☐ Use Connectivity Policy

Click **Add** to specify one or more vNICs that the server should use to connect to the LAN.

Name	MAC Address	Fabric ID	Native VLAN
vNIC PublicA	Derived	derived	
vNIC Default	Derived	derived	

Delete
+ Add
Modify

+ iSCSI vNICs

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Next >
Finish
Cancel

- Configure the vNIC/vHBA Placement in the following order:

Figure 64 vNIC/vHBA Placement for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Create Service Profile (expert)

Specify how vNICs and vHBAs are placed on physical network adapters

vNIC/vHBA Placement specifies how vNICs and vHBAs are placed on physical network adapters (mezzanine) in a server hardware configuration independent way.

Select Placement: [Create Placement Policy](#)

Virtual Network Interface connection provides a mechanism of placing vNICs and vHBAs on physical network adapters. vNICs and vHBAs are assigned to one of Virtual Network Interface connection specified below. This assignment can be performed explicitly by selecting which Virtual Network Interface connection is used by vNIC or vHBA or it can be done automatically by selecting "any". vNIC/vHBA placement on physical network interface is controlled by placement preferences.

Please select one Virtual Network Interface and one or more vNICs or vHBAs

vNICs

Name

No data available

vHBAs

Name

No data available

>> assign >>
<< remove <<

Specific Virtual Network Interfaces (click on a cell to edit)

Name	Order	Selection...	Admin Ho...
▼ vCon 1		All	
vNIC Default	1		ANY
vNIC PublicA	2		ANY
vCon 2		All	
vCon 3		All	
vCon 4		All	

↑ Move Up ↓ Move Down

< Prev Next > **Finish** Cancel

Create Service Profiles from Template

Now create the appropriate Service Profiles from the previous Service Profile Templates. To create the first profile for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, follow these steps:

1. Select `servers` from the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Servers > Service Profiles` and right-click `Create Service Profile from Template`.
3. Type in `cephosd1` in the Name Prefix field.
4. Choose `UCS-S3260-Node1` as the `Service Profile Template` you created before for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
5. Click `OK` and then `OK`.

Figure 65 Create Service Profiles from Template for the Top Node of the S3260

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Create Service Profile from Template". It has a standard Windows-style title bar with a question mark icon and a close button (X). The dialog contains three labeled input fields: "Name" with the text "cephosd1", "Description" which is empty, and "Service Profile Template" which has a dropdown menu showing "UCS-S3260-OSD-Node1". At the bottom right of the dialog are two buttons: "OK" (highlighted in blue) and "Cancel".

6. Repeat steps 1-5 for the top nodes of the S3260 with an uneven number for the name of the service profile like cephosd1, cephosd3, cephosd5, etc.
7. Repeat steps 1-5 for the bottom node of the S3260. Choose the Service Profile Template `ucs-s3260-node2` you created before with an even number for the name of the service profile like cephosd2, cephosd4, cephosd6, etc.
8. Repeat steps 1-5 for the next Service Profile for the Cisco UCS C220 M4S Rack-Mount Server and choose the appropriate Service Profile Template `ucs-c220` you created before for the Cisco UCS C220 M4 S Rack-Mount Server and name it cephmon1, cephmon2, cephmon3, and cephadm.

Associate Service Profiles

1. Right-click the service profile cephosd1 and choose Change Service Profile Association.
2. Server Assignment should be Select Existing Server.
3. Select Chassis 1 and Slot 1.
4. Click OK and Yes and OK.
5. Repeat the steps for cephosd2 and Chassis 1, Slot 2. Repeat the steps for all other S3260 nodes and chassis in the same way, counting up the Chassis and Slot number corresponding with the service profile.
6. Repeat the steps for cephmon1-3 by choosing rack server 1-3.
7. Repeat the steps for cephadm by choosing rack server 4.

Creating Port Channel for Uplinks

Create Port Channel for Fabric Interconnect A/B

To create Port Channels to the connected Nexus 9332PQ switches, follow these steps:

1. Select the **LAN** tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **LAN > LAN Cloud > Fabric A > Port Channels** and right-click **Create Port Channel**.
3. Type in **ID 100**.
4. Type in **vPC100** in the **Name** field.
5. Click **Next**.
6. Select the available ports on the left 23–26 and assign them with **>>** to **Ports** in the **Port Channel**.

Figure 66 Create Port Channel

1 Set Port Channel Name

2 Add Ports

Slot ID	Aggr. Po...	Port	MAC
No data available			

>>

<<

Slot ID	Aggr. Po...	Port	MAC
1	0	23	00:C8:8...
1	0	24	00:C8:8...
1	0	25	00:C8:8...
1	0	26	00:C8:8...

< Prev

Next >

Finish

Cancel

7. Click **Finish** and then **OK**.
8. Repeat the same steps for Fabric B under **LAN > LAN Cloud > Fabric B > Port Channels** and right-click **Create Port Channel**.

9. Type in ID 101.
10. Type in vPC101 in the Name field.
11. Click Next.
12. Select the available ports on the left 23–26 and assign them with >> to Ports in the Port Channel.
13. Click Finish and then OK.

Configure Scheduled Backup

To make sure that your configuration of Cisco UCS Manager gets stored, do regular backups of your configuration by completing the following steps:

1. Select Admin tab on the left site.
2. Select All from the drop-down menu.
3. Select Policy Backup & Export from the right site.
4. Under Full State Backup Policy choose an IP address of a host or a hostname as a backup target.
5. Choose the as an example SCP as the protocol.
6. Choose a User and a Password.
7. Choose a Remote File Location.
8. Choose **you're a daily schedule**.
9. Enter a Description.
10. Enter the same information under All Configuration Backup Policy.
11. Select Save Changes.

Figure 67 Configuration of Scheduled Backups

All

All

Faults, Events and Audit Log

User Management

Key Management

Communication Management

Stats Management

Time Zone Management

Capability Catalog

License Management

All

General

Policy Backup & Export

Full State Backup Policy

Hostname : 172.25.206.202

Protocol : ☐ FTP ☐ TFTP ☒ SCP ☐ SFTP

User : owalsdor

Password : *****

Remote File : /home/owalsdor/FI6332backup/

Admin State : ☐ Disable ☒ Enable

Schedule : ☒ Daily ☐ Weekly ☐ Bi Weekly

Max Files : 0

Description : Database Backup Policy

All Configuration Backup Policy

Hostname : 172.25.206.202

Protocol : ☐ FTP ☐ TFTP ☒ SCP ☐ SFTP

User : owalsdor

Password : *****

Remote File : /home/owalsdor/FI6332backup/

Admin State : ☐ Disable ☒ Enable

Schedule : ☒ Daily ☐ Weekly ☐ Bi Weekly

Max Files : 0

Description : Configuration Export Policy

Backup/Export Config Reminder

Admin State : ☐ Disable ☒ Enable

Remind me after(Days) : 30

Configure Cisco Nexus C9332PQ Switch A and B

Both Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect A and B are connected to two Cisco Nexus 9332PQ switches for connectivity to applications and Ceph clients. The following sections describe the setup of both Cisco Nexus 9332PQ switches.

Initial Setup of Cisco Nexus C9332PQ Switch A and B

To configure Switch A, connect a Console to the Console port of each switch, power on the switch and follow these steps:

1. Type yes.
2. Type n.
3. Type n.
4. Type n.

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5. Enter the switch name.
6. Type *y*.
7. Type your IPv4 management address for Switch A.
8. Type your IPv4 management netmask for Switch A.
9. Type *y*.
10. Type your IPv4 management default gateway address for Switch A.
11. Type *n*.
12. Type *n*.
13. Type *y* for ssh service.
14. Press <Return> and then <Return>.
15. Type *y* for ntp server.
16. Type the IPv4 address of the NTP server.
17. Press <Return>, then <Return> and again <Return>.
18. Check the configuration and if correct then press <Return> and again <Return>.

The complete setup looks like the following:

```
---- System Admin Account Setup ----
```

```
Do you want to enforce secure password standard (yes/no) [y]:
```

```
Enter the password for "admin":
```

```
Confirm the password for "admin":
```

```
---- Basic System Configuration Dialog VDC: 1 ----
```

This setup utility will guide you through the basic configuration of the system. Setup configures only enough connectivity for management of the system.

Please register Cisco Nexus9000 Family devices promptly with your supplier. Failure to register may affect response times for initial service calls. Nexus9000 devices must be registered to receive entitled support services.

Press Enter at anytime to skip a dialog. Use ctrl-c at anytime to skip the remaining dialogs.

Would you like to enter the basic configuration dialog (yes/no): yes

Create another login account (yes/no) [n]:

Configure read-only SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]:

Configure read-write SNMP community string (yes/no) [n]:

Enter the switch name : N9k-A

Continue with Out-of-band (mgmt0) management configuration? (yes/no) [y]:

Mgmt0 IPv4 address : 172.25.206.226

Mgmt0 IPv4 netmask : 255.255.255.0

Configure the default gateway? (yes/no) [y]:

IPv4 address of the default gateway : 172.25.206.1

Configure advanced IP options? (yes/no) [n]:

Enable the telnet service? (yes/no) [n]:

Enable the ssh service? (yes/no) [y]:

Type of ssh key you would like to generate (dsa/rsa) [rsa]:

Number of rsa key bits <1024-2048> [1024]:

Configure the ntp server? (yes/no) [n]: y

NTP server IPv4 address : 10.29.137.1

Configure default interface layer (L3/L2) [L3]:

Configure default switchport interface state (shut/noshut) [shut]:

Configure CoPP system profile (strict/moderate/lenient/dense) [strict]:

The following configuration will be applied:

password strength-check

switchname N9k-A

vrf context management


```

ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.25.206.1
exit

no feature telnet

ssh key rsa 1024 force

feature ssh

ntp server 10.29.137.1

no system default switchport

system default switchport shutdown

copp profile strict

interface mgmt0

ip address 172.25.206.226 255.255.255.0

no shutdown

Would you like to edit the configuration? (yes/no) [n]:

Use this configuration and save it? (yes/no) [y]:

[#####] 100%
Copy complete.

User Access Verification

N9k-A login:

```



Note: Repeat the same steps for the Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch B with the exception of configuring a different IPv4 management address in step 7.

Enable Features on Cisco Nexus 9332PQ Switch A and B

To enable the features UDLD, VLAN, HSRP, LACP, VPC, and Jumbo Frames, connect to the management interface via ssh on both switches and complete the following steps on both Switch A and B:

Switch A

```

N9k-A# configure terminal

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

N9k-A(config)# feature udld

```

```
N9k-A(config)# feature interface-vlan
N9k-A(config)# feature hsrp
N9k-A(config)# feature lacp
N9k-A(config)# feature vpc
N9k-A(config)# system jumbomtu 9216
N9k-A(config)# exit
N9k-A#
```

Switch B

```
N9k-B# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
N9k-B(config)# feature udld
N9k-B(config)# feature interface-vlan
N9k-B(config)# feature hsrp
N9k-B(config)# feature lacp
N9k-B(config)# feature vpc
N9k-B(config)# system jumbomtu 9216
N9k-B(config)# exit
N9k-B#
```

Configuring VLANs on Nexus 9332PQ Switch A and B

To configure the same VLANs Public, OSD-Cluster, and Backup as we already did in the Cisco UCS Manager GUI, complete the following steps on Switch A and Switch B:

Switch A

```
N9k-A# config terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
N9k-A(config)# vlan 10
N9k-A(config-vlan)# name Public
N9k-A(config-vlan)# no shut
N9k-A(config-vlan)# exit
N9k-A(config)# vlan 20
N9k-A(config-vlan)# name OSD-Cluster
N9k-A(config-vlan)# no shut
```

```
N9k-A(config-vlan)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)# interface vlan10
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# description Public
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no shutdown
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no ip redirects
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# ip address 192.168.10.253/24
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no ipv6 redirects
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# hsrp version 2
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# hsrp 10
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# preempt
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# priority 5
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# ip 192.168.10.1
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)# interface vlan20
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# description OSD-Cluster
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no shutdown
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no ip redirects
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# ip address 192.168.20.253/24
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# no ipv6 redirects
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# hsrp version 2
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# hsrp 20
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# preempt
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# priority 5
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# ip 192.168.20.1
```

```
N9k-A(config-if-hsrp)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)#
```

Switch B

```
N9k-B# config terminal

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

N9k-B(config)# vlan 10

N9k-B(config-vlan)# name Public

N9k-B(config-vlan)# no shut

N9k-B(config-vlan)# exit

N9k-B(config)# vlan 20

N9k-B(config-vlan)# name OSD-Cluster

N9k-B(config-vlan)# no shut

N9k-B(config-vlan)# exit


N9k-B(config)# interface vlan10

N9k-B(config-if)# description Public

N9k-B(config-if)# no ip redirects

N9k-B(config-if)# ip address 192.168.10.254/24

N9k-B(config-if)# no ipv6 redirects

N9k-B(config-if)# hsrp version 2

N9k-B(config-if)# hsrp 10

N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# preempt

N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# priority 2

N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# ip 192.168.10.1

N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# exit

N9k-B(config-if)# exit


N9k-B(config)# interface vlan20

N9k-B(config-if)# description OSD-Cluster

N9k-B(config-if)# no ip redirects

N9k-B(config-if)# ip address 192.168.20.254/24

N9k-B(config-if)# no ipv6 redirects

N9k-B(config-if)# hsrp version 2

N9k-B(config-if)# hsrp 20
```

```

N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# preempt
N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# priority 2
N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# ip 192.168.20.1
N9k-B(config-if-hsrp)# exit
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
N9k-B(config)#

```

Configure vPC and Port Channels on Nexus C9332PQ Switch A and B

To enable vPC and Port Channels on both Switch A and B, follow these steps:

vPC and Port Channels for Peerlink on Switch A

```
N9k-B# config terminal
```

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```

N9k-A(config)# vpc domain 2
N9k-A(config-vpc-domain)# peer-keepalive destination 172.25.206.227

```

Note:

-----:: Management VRF will be used as the default VRF ::-----

```

N9k-A(config-vpc-domain)# peer-gateway
N9k-A(config-vpc-domain)# exit

```

```

N9k-A(config)# interface port-channel 1
N9k-A(config-if)# description vPC peerlink for N9k-A and N9k-B
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# spanning-tree port type network
N9k-A(config-if)# speed 40000
N9k-A(config-if)# vpc peer-link

```

Please note that spanning tree port type is changed to "network" port type on vPC peer-link.

This will enable spanning tree Bridge Assurance on vPC peer-link provided the STP Bridge Assurance

(which is enabled by default) is not disabled.

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```

N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/31
N9k-A(config-if)# description connected to peer N9k-B port 31
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# speed 40000
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode active
N9k-A(config-if)# exit

```

```

N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/32
N9k-A(config-if)# description connected to peer N9k-B port 32
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# speed 40000
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode active
N9k-A(config-if)# exit

```

vPC and Port Channels for Peerlink on Switch B

N9k-B# config terminal

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```

N9k-B(config)# vpc domain 2
N9k-B(config-vpc-domain)# peer-keepalive destination 172.25.206.226
Note:

```

-----:: Management VRF will be used as the default VRF ::-----

```

N9k-B(config-vpc-domain)# peer-gateway
N9k-B(config-vpc-domain)# exit

```

```

N9k-B(config)# interface port-channel 1
N9k-B(config-if)# description vPC peerlink for N9k-A and N9k-B
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-B(config-if)# spanning-tree port type network
N9k-B(config-if)# speed 40000
N9k-B(config-if)# vpc peer-link

```

Please note that spanning tree port type is changed to "network" port type on vPC peer-link.

This will enable spanning tree Bridge Assurance on vPC peer-link provided the STP Bridge Assurance

(which is enabled by default) is not disabled.

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/31
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# description connected to peer N9k-A port 31
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# speed 40000
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode active
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/32
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# description connected to peer N9k-A port 32
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# speed 40000
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 1 mode active
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

vPC and Port Channels for Uplink from Fabric Interconnect A and B on Switch A

```
N9k-B# config terminal
```

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```
N9k-A(config)# interface port-channel 100
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# description vPC for UCS FI-A port 24 & 26
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# vpc 100
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 10,20
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# spanning-tree port type edge trunk
```

Edge port type (portfast) should only be enabled on ports connected to a single

host. Connecting hubs, concentrators, switches, bridges, etc... to this interface when edge port type (portfast) is enabled, can cause temporary bridging loops.

Use with CAUTION

```
N9k-A(config-if)# mtu 9216
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)# interface port-channel 101
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# description vPC for UCS FI-B port 23 & 25
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# vpc 101
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 10,20
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# spanning-tree port type edge trunk
```

Edge port type (portfast) should only be enabled on ports connected to a single

host. Connecting hubs, concentrators, switches, bridges, etc... to this interface when edge port type (portfast) is enabled, can cause temporary bridging loops.

Use with CAUTION

```
N9k-A(config-if)# mtu 9216
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/23
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-B port 23
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 101 mode active
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/24
```

```
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
```



```

N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-B port 25
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 101 mode active
N9k-A(config-if)# exit

```

```

N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/25
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-A port 24
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 100 mode active
N9k-A(config-if)# exit

```

```

N9k-A(config)# interface ethernet 1/26
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport
N9k-A(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-A(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-A port 26
N9k-A(config-if)# channel-group 100 mode active
N9k-A(config-if)# exit

```

vPC and Port Channels for Uplink from Fabric Interconnect A and B on Switch B

```
N9k-B# config terminal
```

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```

N9k-B(config)# interface port-channel 100
N9k-B(config-if)# description vPC for UCS FI-A port 23 & 24
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 10,20
N9k-B(config-if)# spanning-tree port type edge trunk

```

Edge port type (portfast) should only be enabled on ports connected to a single

host. Connecting hubs, concentrators, switches, bridges, etc... to this interface when edge port type (portfast) is enabled, can cause temporary bridging loops.

Use with CAUTION

```
N9k-B(config-if)# vpc 100
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# mtu 9216
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface port-channel 101
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# description vPC for UCS FI-B port 25 & 26
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 10,20
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# spanning-tree port type edge trunk
```

Edge port type (portfast) should only be enabled on ports connected to a single

host. Connecting hubs, concentrators, switches, bridges, etc... to this interface when edge port type (portfast) is enabled, can cause temporary bridging loops.

Use with CAUTION

```
N9k-B(config-if)# vpc 101
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# mtu 9216
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/23
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-A port 23
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 100 mode active
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/24
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-A port 25
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 100 mode active
```

```
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

```
N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/25
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-B(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-B port 24
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 101 mode active
N9k-B(config-if)# exit

N9k-B(config)# interface ethernet 1/26
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport
N9k-B(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
N9k-B(config-if)# description Uplink from UCS FI-B port 26
N9k-B(config-if)# channel-group 101 mode active
N9k-B(config-if)# exit
```

Verification Check of Cisco Nexus C9332PQ Configuration for Switch A and B

Switch A

```
N9k-B# config terminal
```

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```
N9k-A(config)# show vpc brief
```

Legend:

(*) - local vPC is down, forwarding via vPC peer-link

```
vPC domain id                : 2
Peer status                   : peer adjacency formed ok
vPC keep-alive status         : peer is alive
Configuration consistency status : success
Per-vlan consistency status    : success
Type-2 consistency status      : success
vPC role                      : secondary
Number of vPCs configured      : 4
Peer Gateway                   : Enabled
```

```

Dual-active excluded VLANs      : -
Graceful Consistency Check      : Enabled
Auto-recovery status            : Disabled
Delay-restore status            : Timer is off.(timeout = 30s)
Delay-restore SVI status        : Timer is off.(timeout = 10s)

```

vPC Peer-link status

```

-----
id   Port   Status Active vlans
--   ----   -
1    Po1    up     1,10,20

```

vPC status

```

-----
id   Port   Status Consistency Reason           Active vlans
--   ----   -
100  Po100   up     success    success           10,20

101  Po101   up     success    success           10,20

110  Po110   up     success    success           10,20

111  Po111   up     success    success           10,20

```

N9k-A(config)#

N9k-A(config)# 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)
        p - Up in delay-lacp mode (member)

```

M - Not in use. Min-links not met

```

-----
---
Group Port-          Type      Protocol  Member Ports
      Channel
-----
---
1      Po1 (SU)       Eth      LACP      Eth1/31 (P)  Eth1/32 (P)
100    Po100 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/25 (P)  Eth1/26 (P)
101    Po101 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/23 (P)  Eth1/24 (P)
110    Po110 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/15/1 (P) Eth1/15/2 (P) Eth1/15/3 (P)
                                   Eth1/15/4 (I)
111    Po111 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/16/1 (P) Eth1/16/2 (P) Eth1/16/3 (P)
                                   Eth1/16/4 (P)

N9k-A(config)#

```

Switch B

N9k-B# config terminal

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

N9k-B(config)# show vpc brief

Legend:

(*) - local vPC is down, forwarding via vPC peer-link

```

vPC domain id                : 2
Peer status                   : peer adjacency formed ok
vPC keep-alive status        : peer is alive
Configuration consistency status : success
Per-vlan consistency status   : success
Type-2 consistency status     : success
vPC role                      : primary
Number of vPCs configured     : 4
Peer Gateway                  : Enabled
Dual-active excluded VLANs    : -
Graceful Consistency Check    : Enabled

```

```

Auto-recovery status          : Disabled
Delay-restore status          : Timer is off.(timeout = 30s)
Delay-restore SVI status      : Timer is off.(timeout = 10s)

```

vPC Peer-link status

```

-----
id   Port   Status Active vlans
--   ----   -
1    Po1    up     1,10,20

```

vPC status

```

-----
id   Port   Status Consistency Reason           Active vlans
--   ----   -
100  Po100   up     success    success           10,20

101  Po101   up     success    success           10,20

110  Po110   up     success    success           10,20

111  Po111   up     success    success           10,20

```

N9k-B(config)#

N9k-B(config)# 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)
        p - Up in delay-lacp mode (member)
        M - Not in use. Min-links not met

```

```

-----
---
Group Port-          Type      Protocol  Member Ports
      Channel
-----
---
1      Po1 (SU)       Eth      LACP      Eth1/31 (P)  Eth1/32 (P)
100    Po100 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/23 (P)  Eth1/24 (P)
101    Po101 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/25 (P)  Eth1/26 (P)
110    Po110 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/15/1 (P) Eth1/15/2 (P) Eth1/15/3 (P)
                                   Eth1/15/4 (P)
111    Po111 (SU)    Eth      LACP      Eth1/16/1 (P) Eth1/16/2 (P) Eth1/16/3 (P)
                                   Eth1/16/4 (P)

N9k-B (config) #

```

The formal setup for the Cisco UCS Manager environment and both Cisco Nexus 9332PQ switches is now finished. The next step is installing the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 Operating System.

Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 Operating System

The following section provides the detailed procedures for installing Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 on Cisco UCS C220 M4S and Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server. The installation uses the KVM console and virtual Media from Cisco UCS Manager.



Note: This requires RHEL 7.3 DVD/ISO media for the installation.

The whole installation procedure starts with the configuration of the Ceph administration node cephadm. According to https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/red_hat_ceph_storage/2/html-single/installation_guide_for_red_hat_enterprise_linux/#prerequisites the node acts then as a source for the installation of cephmon1-3 and cephosd1-10. The installation procedure for Monitor and OSD nodes will be simplified by using Kickstart scripts that shortens the whole installation process.

The concept of the installation process is as follows:

1. Prepare cephadm with all required software and configuration according to https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/red_hat_ceph_storage/2/html-single/installation_guide_for_red_hat_enterprise_linux/#prerequisites
2. Copy all necessary files for the installation of cephmon1-3 and cephosd1-10 to /var/www/html
3. Prepare the Kickstart files for an automated installation of cephmon1-3 and cephosd1-10
4. Install cephmon1-3 and cephosd1-10

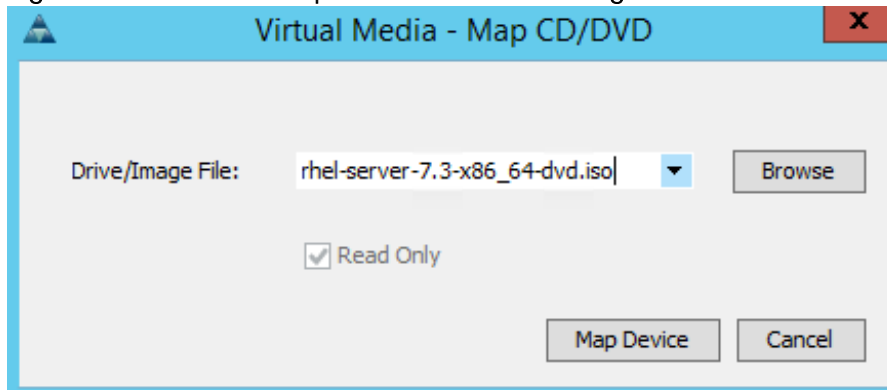
Prepare Ceph Admin Node cephadm

Install RHEL 7.3 on cephadm

To install Red Hat Linux 7.3 operating system on Cisco UCS C220 M4S, follow these steps:

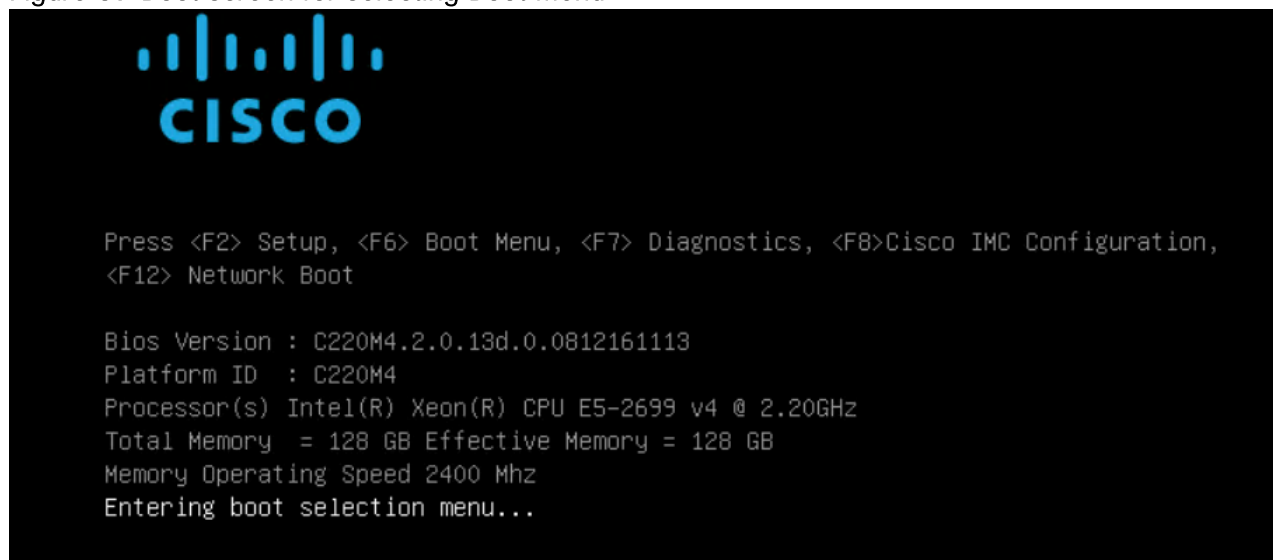
1. Log in to the Cisco UCS Manager and select the `Equipment` tab from the left pane.
2. Go to `Equipment > Rack-Mounts > Server > Server 4 (Ceph Mon 1)` and right-click `KVM Console`.
3. Launch Java KVM Console.
4. Click the `Activate Virtual Devices` in the `Virtual Media` tab.
5. In the KVM window, select the `Virtual Media` tab and click `Map CD/DVD`.
6. Browse to the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installation ISO image and select then `Map Device`.

Figure 68 Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 ISO Image



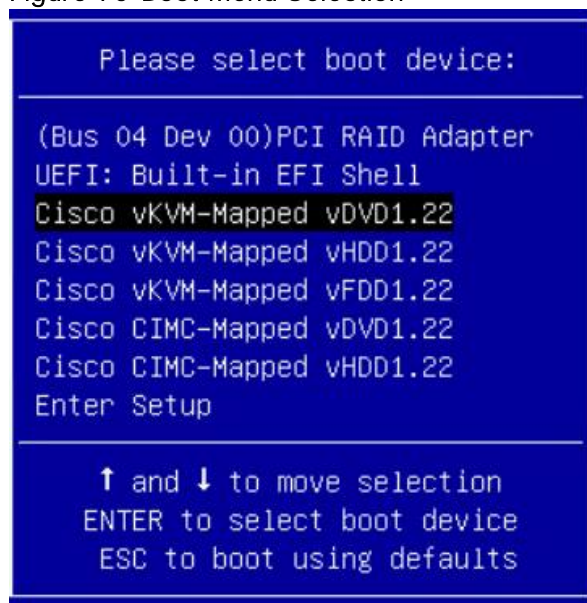
7. In the KVM window, select the `Macros > Static Macros > Ctrl-Alt-Del` button in the upper left corner.
8. Click `OK` and then `OK` to reboot the system.
9. In the boot screen with the Cisco Logo, press `F6` for the boot menu.

Figure 69 Boot screen for selecting Boot Menu



10. When the Boot Menu appears, select Cisco vKVM-Mapped vDVD1.22.

Figure 70 Boot Menu Selection



11. When the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installer appears, press the Tab button for further configuration options.

We prepared a Linux Kickstart file with all necessary options for an automatic install. The Kickstart file is located on a RHEL server in the same subnet. The content of the Kickstart file can be found in Appendix A. In addition, we configured typical network interface names like eth0 for the default Administration network and the management IP address for the server.

12. At the prompt type:

```
inst.ks=http://192.168.0.100/ceph-ks.cfg net.ifnames=0 biosdevname=0
ip=192.168.0.110::192.168.0.99:255.255.255.0:cephadm:eth0:none
nameserver=173.36.131.10
```

Configure /etc/hosts and Enable Password-Less Login

To configure the /etc/hosts and enable the password-less login, follow these steps:

1. Modify the /etc/hosts file on cephadm according to Table 12 and include all IP address of all nodes. An example is shown in Appendix E.

Table 12 IP Addresses for Ceph Nodes

	Default	Public	Cluster
cephadm	192.168.0.110	192.168.10.110	
cephmon1	192.168.0.111	192.168.10.111	
cephmon2	192.168.0.112	192.168.10.112	
cephmon3	192.168.0.113	192.168.10.113	
cephosd1	192.168.0.120	192.168.10.120	192.168.20.120
cephosd2	192.168.0.121	192.168.10.121	192.168.20.121
cephosd3	192.168.0.122	192.168.10.122	192.168.20.122
cephosd4	192.168.0.123	192.168.10.123	192.168.20.123
cephosd5	192.168.0.124	192.168.10.124	192.168.20.124
cephosd6	192.168.0.125	192.168.10.125	192.168.20.125
cephosd7	192.168.0.126	192.168.10.126	192.168.20.126
cephosd8	192.168.0.127	192.168.10.127	192.168.20.127
cephosd9	192.168.0.128	192.168.10.128	192.168.20.128
cephosd10	192.168.0.129	192.168.10.129	192.168.20.129

2. Login to cephadm and change /etc/hosts.

```
# ssh root@192.168.0.110
# vi /etc/hosts
```

3. Enable password-less login to all other nodes.

```
# ssh-keygen
```

4. Press Enter, then Enter and again Enter.

Configuring hostname

1. Configure hostname for cephadm

```
# hostnamectl set-hostname cephadm
```

Creating a Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 7.3 Repository

To prepare local repositories for the Red Hat Ceph installation, subscribe to CDN, create a directory with all the required RPMs and run the createrepo command. Follow the procedure

https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/red_hat_ceph_storage/2/html-

[single/installation_guide_for_red_hat_enterprise_linux/#registering_to_cdn](#) to subscribe to CDN. In addition prepare a local repository for the installation of all other hosts, which are located in the same private LAN:

1. Login to cephadm and subscribe to Red Hat CDN.

```
# ssh root@cephadm
# subscription-manager register
# subscription-manager refresh
# subscription-manager list --available
# subscription-manager attach --pool=<Pool ID for Red Hat 7 Enterprise Server>
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-7-server-rpms
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-7-server-rhscon-2-installer-rpms
```

2. Sync all data for Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.

```
# reposync --gpgcheck -l --repoid=rhel-7-server-rpms --
download_path=/var/www/html/ --downloadcomps --download-metadata
```

3. Create a .repo file to enable the use of the yum command.

```
vi /var/www/html/ceph.repo

[rhel-7-server-rpms]

baseurl = http://192.168.0.110/rhel-7-server
name = Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 Server (RPMs)
enabled = 1
gpgcheck = 0
```

4. Run createrepo on the repository to create the repo database:

```
# cd /var/www/html/rhel-server
# yum -y install createrepo
# createrepo -v .
```

5. Place Red Hat Ceph Storage ISO into /tmp directory



Note: This requires the ISO image Red Hat Ceph Storage.

```
# mv rhceph-2.3-rhel-7-x86_64.iso /tmp
```

Setting up HTTPD for cephadm

Setting up RHEL repo on cephadm requires httpd. To set up RHEL repository on cephadm, follow these steps:

1. Install httpd on cephadm to host repositories.

The Red Hat repository is hosted using HTTP on cephadm, this machine is accessible by all the hosts in the cluster.

```
# yum -y install httpd
```

2. Add ServerName and make the necessary changes to the server configuration file.

```
# vi /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
```

```
ServerName 192.168.0.110:80
```

3. Start httpd

```
# systemctl start httpd
```

```
# systemctl enable httpd
```

Install Latest Network Driver

To install the latest network driver for performance and updates, download the latest ISO image, by completing the following steps:



The ISO image for Cisco UCS C220 M4S and S3260 Storage Server have the same network driver for RHEL 7.3.

1. Mount the ISO image on cephadm, go to /Network/Cisco/VIC/RHEL/RHEL7.3 and copy the file kmod-enic-2.3.0.31-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm to /tmp.

```
# mkdir -p /mnt/cisco
```

```
# mount -o loop /tmp/ucs-cxxx-drivers-linux.3.0.3.iso /mnt/cisco/
```

```
# cd /mnt/cisco/Network/Cisco/VIC/RHEL/RHEL7.3/
```

```
# cp kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm /tmp
```

2. Install the VIC driver on cephadm.

```
# rpm -ivh /tmp/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm
```

3. Verify the installation of the VIC driver.

```
# modinfo enic | head -5
```

Create VLAN Interface for Network Public on cephadm

Provide the following IP address to cephadm (as shown in Table 10 :

1. To create the VLAN interface for the Public network on the node cephadm

```
# nmcli con add type vlan con-name eth1 dev eth1 id 10 ip4 192.168.10.110/24
```

Update cephadm

1. Update RHEL.

```
# yum clean all
# yum repolist
# yum -y update
```

Configuring Network Time Protocol

In our Kickstart installation file, we already included a time server. According to https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en/red-hat-ceph-storage/2/single/installation-guide-for-red-hat-enterprise-linux/#configuring_network_time_protocol now enable Network Time Protocol on all servers and configure them to use all the same source.

1. Install NTP on all servers:

```
# yum -y install ntp
```

2. Configure /etc/ntp.conf on cephadm node only with the following contents:

```
# vi /etc/ntp.conf
server 192.168.0.100 iburst
```

3. Start the ntpd daemon on cephadm:

```
# systemctl enable ntpd
# systemctl start ntpd
# systemctl status ntpd
```

4. Check ntp service:

```
# ntpq -p
```

Create an Ansible User

Since we use Ansible as the deployment method for Red Hat Ceph Storage, we need to provide the Ansible User with passwordless root privileges. In our Kickstart file, we already created a user cephadm. According to https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en/red-hat-ceph-storage/2/single/installation-guide-for-red-hat-enterprise-linux/#creating_an_ansible_user_ansible_deployment_only the user cephadm now needs root privileges.

1. On cephadm:

```
# cat << EOF >/etc/sudoers.d/cephadm
>>cephadm ALL = (root) NOPASSWD:ALL
>>EOF
```

```
#
# chmod 0440 /etc/sudoers.d/cephadm
```

Enabling Password-Less SSH

The user `cephadm` needs password-less access from the administration node `cephadm` to all Monitor and OSD nodes, according to https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en/red-hat-ceph-storage/2/single/installation-guide-for-red-hat-enterprise-linux/#enabling_password_less_ssh_ansible_deployment_only. To enable this function, follow these steps:

1. On the `cephadm` node log in as user `cephadm`.

```
$ ssh-keygen
```

2. Press Enter, then Enter and again Enter.
3. Create a file `~/.ssh/config` according to Appendix F.
4. Correct the permissions of `~/.ssh/config`.

```
$ chmod 600 ~/.ssh/config
```

Copy Files to /var/www/html to Install cephmon1-3 and cephosd1-10

```
# cp /etc/hosts /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/hosts
# cp /etc/sudoers.d/cephadm
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/cephadm
# cp /etc/ntp.conf /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/ntp.conf
# cp /tmp/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm
# cp /home/cephadm/.ssh/config /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/config
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/ceph.repo
```

Prepare Kickstart Files for an Automated Installation of Ceph Monitor and OSD Nodes

For a simplified and accelerated installation of Ceph Monitor and OSD nodes, we created specific Kickstart files for `cephmon1-3` and for `cephosd1-10`. The Kickstart files differentiate between each Monitor nodes and OSD nodes only by the IP address and hostname. The following specific tasks other than the tasks for the `cephadm` node are done by the Kickstart file:

- Setting the hostname

- Curl of hosts, ceph.repo, and ntp.conf files and moving to the right directory
- Install of latest network driver
- Create VLAN and IP address for network interface Public and Cluster
- Update RHEL
- Configure Firewall
- Start ntp
- Install root SSH key
- Install cephadm SSH key
- Curl of config and cephadm files and moving to the right directory

An example of the Ceph Monitor Kickstart file can be seen in Appendix B. An example of the Ceph OSD Kickstart file can be seen in Appendix C.

Install RHEL 7.3 on Ceph Monitor Nodes cephmon1-3 and Ceph OSD Nodes cephosd1-10

To install the Ceph Monitor Nodes cephmon1-3, proceed in the same way as with the Ceph Admin Node cephadm by using the vKVM interface, boot from CD/DVD and at the prompt type in the specific PXE boot variables for the node. Keep in mind that cephadm now provides all hosts with the necessary information for the installation. An example for the boot command of cephmon1 would be:

```
inst.ks=http://192.168.0.110/ks_c220-mon1.cfg net.ifnames=0 biosdevname=0
ip=192.168.0.111::192.168.0.99:255.255.255.0:cephmon1:eth0:none
nameserver=173.36.131.10
```

To install the Ceph OSD Nodes cephosd1-10, an example of the boot command would be:

```
inst.ks=http://192.168.0.110/ks_s3260-osd1.cfg net.ifnames=0 biosdevname=0
ip=192.168.0.120::192.168.0.99:255.255.255.0:cephosd1:eth0:none
nameserver=173.36.131.10
```

Enable Password-Less Login

You already configured the ssh key on each host for the root and cephadm login. To enable the passwordless login without any prompt, do the following from cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# for i in {1..3}; do ssh-copy-id -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no
root@cephmon${i}; done
```

```
[root@cephadm ~]# for i in {1..10}; do ssh-copy-id -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no
root@cephosd${i}; done
```

Repeat the same step for user cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# su - cephadm
```

```
[cephadm@cephadm ~]$ for i in {1..3}; do ssh-copy-id -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no
cephadm@cephmon${i}; done
```

```
[cephadm@cephadm ~]$ for i in {1..10}; do ssh-copy-id -o
StrictHostKeyChecking=no cephadm@cephosd${i}; done
```

Red Hat Ceph Storage Installation via Ansible

The Red Hat Ceph Storage installation via Ansible requires a few configurations steps, but can be deployed afterwards by using one single command. It is important to prepare all Monitor and OSD nodes before to get a clean and correct installation of the environment.

The Red Hat Ceph Storage installation via Ansible is available here:

https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/red_hat_ceph_storage/2/html-single/installation_guide_for_red_hat_enterprise_linux/#installing_red_hat_ceph_storage_using_ansible

All changes for the current installation are documented below.

Configure Ceph Global Settings

To configure the Ceph global settings, follow these steps:

1. Create an ansible hosts file for the environment under `/etc/ansible/hosts`:

```
# This is the default ansible 'hosts' file.
# It should live in /etc/ansible/hosts
#
# - Comments begin with the '#' character
# - Blank lines are ignored
# - Groups of hosts are delimited by [header] elements
# - You can enter hostnames or ip addresses
# - A hostname/ip can be a member of multiple groups
```

```
[mons]
cephmon[1:3]
```

```
[osds]
cephosd[1:10]
```

2. Configure `/usr/share/ceph-ansible/group_vars/all` for the environment as documented below. The whole configuration file can be found under Appendix G.

```
#####

# GENERAL #

#####

fetch_directory: ~/ceph-ansible-keys
cluster: ceph # cluster name
```

```
#####
```



```
# Stable Releases #
#####

ceph_rhcs: true
ceph_rhcs_version: 2
ceph_rhcs_iso_install: true
ceph_rhcs_iso_path: /tmp/rhceph-2.3-rhel-7-x86_64.iso
ceph_rhcs_mount_path: /tmp/rh-storage-mount
ceph_rhcs_repository_path: /tmp/rh-storage-repo
```

```
#####
# CEPH CONFIGURATION #
#####

generate_fsid: true
cephx: true
max_open_files: 131072
monitor_interface: eth1.10
journal_size: 30000
public_network: 192.168.10.0/24
cluster_network: 192.168.20.0/24
```

```
#####
# CONFIG OVERRIDE #
#####

ceph_conf_overrides:
global:
    cephx require signatures: true
    cephx cluster require signatures: true
    osd pool default pg num: 128
    osd pool default pgp num: 128
    mon osd down out interval: 600
    mon osd min down reporters: 7
    mon clock drift allowed: 0.15
```

```

mon clock drift warn backoff: 30
mon osd report timeout: 900
mon pg warn max per osd: 0
mon osd allow primary affinity: true
osd:
  filestore merge threshold: 40
  filestore split multiple: 8
  osd op threads: 8
  filestore op threads: 8
  osd recovery max active: 5
  osd max backfills: 2
  osd recovery op priority: 63
  osd recovery max chunk: 1048576
  osd scrub sleep: 0.1
  osd disk thread ioprio class: idle
  osd disk thread ioprio priority: 0
  osd deep scrub stride: 1048576
  osd scrub chunk max: 5
client:
  rbd concurrent management ops: 20
  rbd default map options: rw
  rbd default format: 2
os_tuning_params:
  - { name: kernel.pid_max, value: 4194303 }
  - { name: fs.file-max, value: 26234859 }
  - { name: vm.zone_reclaim_mode, value: 0 }
  - { name: vm.vfs_cache_pressure, value: 50 }
  - { name: vm.min_free_kbytes, value: "{{ vm_min_free_kbytes }}" }
3. Leave /usr/share/ceph-ansible/group_vars/mons untouched.

```

Configure Ceph OSD Settings

Change the configuration of `/usr/share/ceph-ansible/group_vars/osds` as follows. The whole configuration file can be found in Appendix H.

```
#####
# CEPH OPTIONS
#####
devices:
  - /dev/sdf
  - /dev/sdg
  - /dev/sdh
  - /dev/sdi
  - /dev/sdj
  - /dev/sdk
  - /dev/sdl
  - /dev/sdm
  - /dev/sdn
  - /dev/sdo
  - /dev/sdp
  - /dev/sdq
  - /dev/sdr
  - /dev/sds
  - /dev/sdt
  - /dev/sdu
  - /dev/sdv
  - /dev/sdw
  - /dev/sdx
  - /dev/sdy
  - /dev/sdz
  - /dev/sdaa
  - /dev/sdab
  - /dev/sdac
journal_collocation: false
raw_multi_journal: true
raw_journal_devices:
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
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```

```

- /dev/sdc
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- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd

```

Deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage via Ansible

As a final step, deploy the cluster via Ansible by completing the following steps:

```

# cd /usr/share/ceph-ansible
# vi Ansible.cfg
    retry_files_save_path = ~/
# cp site.yml.sample ceph.yml
# ansible-playbook ceph.yml

```

Your final result of the ansible-playbook script should look like the following:

```

PLAY RECAP
*****

cephmon1           : ok=64   changed=18   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephmon2           : ok=64   changed=18   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephmon3           : ok=64   changed=18   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd1           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd2           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd3           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd4           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd5           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd6           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd7           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd8           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd9           : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0
cephosd10          : ok=67   changed=13   unreachable=0   failed=0

```

Final Check of Ceph Deployment

To verify the correct deployment of the Ceph Cluster, complete the following step:

```
[root@cephadm ceph-ansible]# ceph -s
cluster ac268260-5b38-468d-a318-658664f187b3
health HEALTH_WARN
    too few PGs per OSD (2 < min 30)
monmap e1: 3 mons at
{cephmon1=192.168.10.111:6789/0,cephmon2=192.168.10.112:6789/0,cephmon3=192.168.1
0.113:6789/0}
election epoch 6, quorum 0,1,2 cephmon1,cephmon2,cephmon3
osdmap e244: 240 osds: 240 up, 240 in
flags sortbitwise,require_jewel_osds
pgmap v418: 64 pgs, 1 pools, 0 bytes data, 0 objects
4157 MB used, 1309 TB / 1309 TB avail
64 active+clean
```

There should be 240 OSDs for 240 physical disks installed and one default pool with 64 Placement Groups. You have now deployed your Red Hat Ceph Storage Cluster on Cisco UCS.

Operational Guide to Extend a Ceph Cluster with Cisco UCS

Adding Cisco UCS S3260 as Ceph OSD Nodes

One of the benefits of working with Cisco UCS Manager is the simple and fast way to extend a current Ceph cluster with additional nodes like Monitor, OSD or RADOS Gateway. In this example the current Ceph cluster will be enlarged with one more Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server or two more Cisco UCS C3x60 M4 nodes, working as OSD nodes.

The technical specifications for the additional S3260 chassis are identical with the already installed chassis, adding additional 48 x 6 TB (288 TB) capacity to the Ceph cluster.

The following steps describe the procedure to add one more S3260 chassis with two C3x60 M4 nodes.

Enable Fabric Interconnect Ports for Server

To enable server ports for the S3260 chassis after connecting it to both Fabric Interconnects, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab on the left site.
2. Select `Equipment > Fabric Interconnects > Fabric Interconnect A (subordinate) > Fixed Module`.
3. Click `Ethernet Ports` section.
4. Select Ports 11 and 12, right-click and then select `Configure as Server Port`.
5. Click `Yes` and then `OK`.
6. Repeat the same steps for Fabric Interconnect B.

Label Chassis for Identification

For a better identification, label the chassis by completing the following steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab on the left site.
2. Select `Chassis > Chassis 6`.
3. In the `Properties` section on the right go to `User Label` and add `Ceph OSD 11/12` to the field.

Label each Server for Identification

For a better identification, label each server by completing the following steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab on the left site.

Select `Chassis > Chassis 6 > Server 1`.

2. In the `Properties` section on the right go to `User Label` and add `Ceph OSD 11` to the field.
3. Repeat the previous steps for `Server 2` of `Chassis 6` and label it `Ceph OSD 12`.

Create Chassis Profile from Template

To create the Chassis Profile from the previous created Chassis Profile Template, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Chassis` tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Chassis > Chassis Profiles` and right-click `Create Chassis Profile from Template`.
3. Type in `S3260-Dual-6` in the `Name` field.
4. Choose `UCS-S3260` under `Chassis Profile Template`.
5. Click `OK` and then `OK`.

Associate Chassis Profile

To associate the previous created Chassis Profile, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Chassis` tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Chassis > Chassis Profiles` and select `S3260-Dual-6`.
3. Right-click `Change Chassis Profile Association`.
4. Under `Chassis Assignment`, choose `Select existing Chassis`.
5. Under `Available Chassis`, select `ID 6`.
6. Click `OK` and then `Yes` and then `OK`.
7. Under `Pending Activities` in the top right corner select `Chassis Profiles` then select `Acknowledge`, click `OK` and then `OK`.

Setting Disks for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server to Unconfigured-Good with Cisco UCS PowerTool

To convert all top-loaded HDDs from the additional chassis, follow these steps:

1. Start a PowerShell CLI and start the **previous downloaded script** “Convert all disks to Unconfigured-Good for UCS Domain(s)”.
2. Type in the Cluster IP of your Cisco UCS Manager.
3. Type in your password.
4. Type in `Y` for converting your disks from JBOD to Unconfigured-Good.

Create Service Profiles from Template and Associate to Servers

We are now going to create the appropriate Service Profiles from the previous Service Profile Templates. Please complete the following steps to create the first profile for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server:

1. Select **Servers** from the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to **Servers > Service Profiles** and right-click **Create Service Profile from Template**.
3. Type in **Ceph-OSD-Node1-6** in the **Name Prefix** field.
4. Choose **UCS-S3260-Node1** as the **Service Profile Template** you created before for the top node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
5. Click **OK** and then **OK**.
6. Repeat the previous steps for the next Service Profile for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server and choose the Service Profile Template **UCS-S3260-Node2** you created before for the bottom node of the Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.
7. Right-click on the previously created Service Profile and associate it to chassis 6, slot 1. Repeat the same step for the other Service Profile.

Configure /etc/hosts

To configure /etc/hosts follow these steps:

1. Modify the /etc/hosts file on cephadm according to Error! Reference source not found. and include all IP address of all nodes. Copy then the modified /etc/hosts to /var/www/html.

Table 13 IP Address for Ceph OSD Nodes

	Default	Public	Cluster
cephosd11	192.168.0.130	192.168.10.130	192.168.20.130
cephosd12	192.168.0.131	192.168.10.131	192.168.20.131

Change .ssh/config File for cephadm User

```
# vi .ssh/config

Host node14

    Hostname cephosd11

    User      cephadm

Host node15

    Hostname cephosd12

    User      cephadm
```

Copy the file to /var/www/html and adjust the rights to 644.

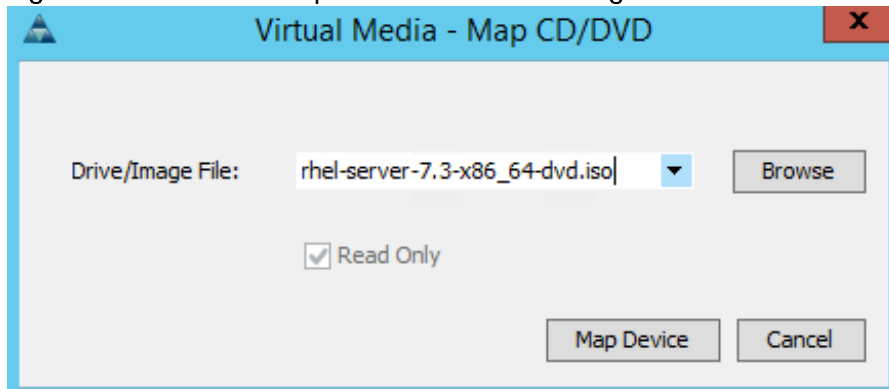

```
# cp /home/cephadm/.ssh/config /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/config
```

Install RHEL 7.3 on Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

To install RHEL 7.3 on Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, follow these steps:

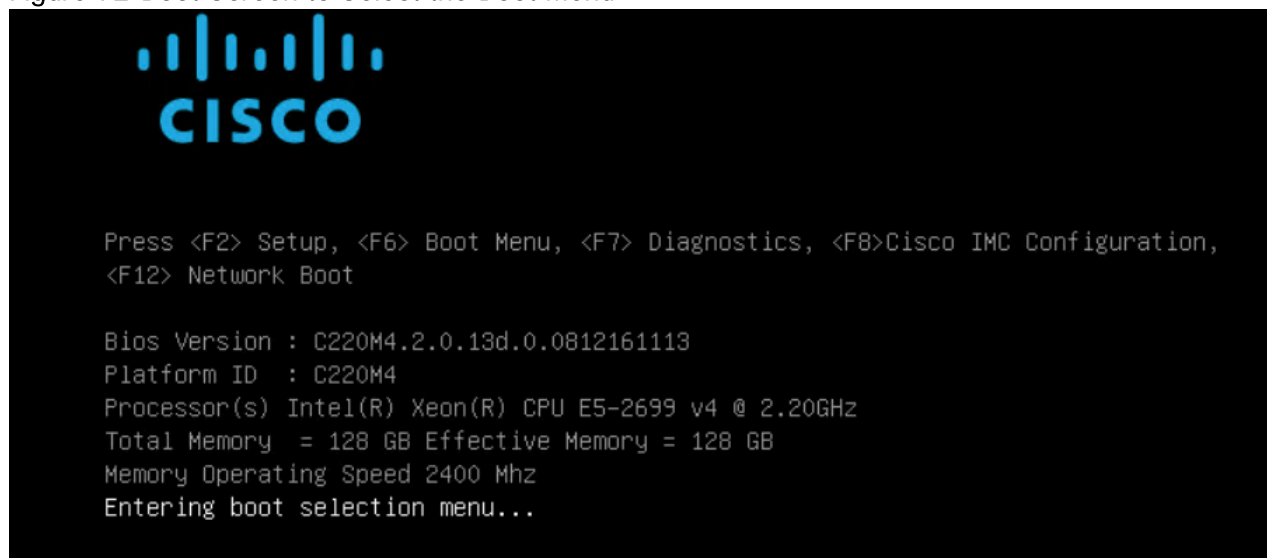
1. Log in to the Cisco UCS Manager and select the **Equipment** tab from the left pane.
2. Go to **Equipment > Chassis > Chassis 6 (Ceph OSD 11/12) > Server 1 (Ceph OSD 11)** and right-click **KVM Console**.
3. Launch **KVM Console**.
4. Click the **Activate Virtual Devices** in the **Virtual Media** tab.
5. In the KVM window, select the **Virtual Media** tab and click **Map CD/DVD**.
6. Browse to the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installation ISO image and select then **Map Device**.

Figure 71 Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 ISO image



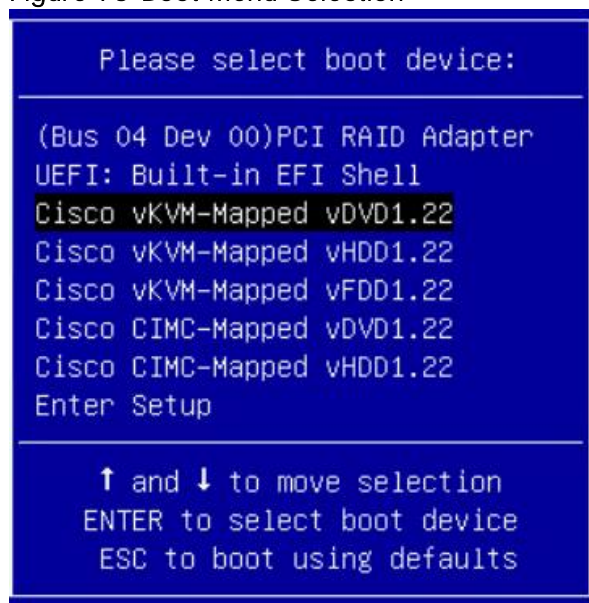
7. In the KVM window, select the **Macros > Static Macros > Ctrl-Alt-Del** button in the upper left corner.
8. Click **OK** and then **OK** to reboot the system.
9. In the boot screen with the Cisco Logo, press **F6** for the boot menu.

Figure 72 Boot Screen to Select the Boot Menu



10. When the Boot Menu appears, select Cisco vKVM-Mapped vDVD1.22.

Figure 73 Boot Menu Selection



11. When the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installer appears, press the Tab button for further configuration options.



Note: Use the previous created Kickstart file for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server.

12. At the prompt type.

```

inst.ks=http://192.168.0.100/ks_s3260-osd11.cfg net.ifnames=0 biosdevname=0
ip=192.168.0.130::192.168.0.99:255.255.255.0:cephosd11:eth0:none
nameserver=173.36.131.10

```

13. Repeat the previous steps for Ceph OSD 12 with the IP address 192.168.0.131.

Enable Password-Less Login

1. You already configured the ssh key on each host for the root and cephadm login. To enable the passwordless login without any prompt, please do the following from cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# for i in {11,12}; do ssh-copy-id -o
StrictHostKeyChecking=no root@cephosd${i}; done
```

2. Repeat the same step for user cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# su - cephadm

[cephadm@cephadm ~]$ for i in {11,12}; do ssh-copy-id -o
StrictHostKeyChecking=no cephadm@cephosd${i}; done
```

Change Ansible Hosts File

```
# vi /etc/ansible/hosts

[mons]

cephmon[1:3]

[osds]

cephosd[1:12]
```

1. Verify that all hosts are available.

```
# ansible all -m ping
```

Deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage via Ansible

To deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage via Ansible, complete the following step:

1. Deploy both OSD nodes via Ansible as follows:

```
# cd /usr/share/ceph-ansible
# ansible-playbook ceph.yml
```

After a successful deployment, your result should look like the following:

```
PLAY RECAP
*****

cephmon1           : ok=64    changed=2    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephmon2           : ok=64    changed=2    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephmon3           : ok=64    changed=2    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd1           : ok=64    changed=2    unreachable=0    failed=0
```

cephosd10	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd11	:	ok=65	changed=18	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd12	:	ok=65	changed=18	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd2	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd3	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd4	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd5	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd6	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd7	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd8	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd9	:	ok=64	changed=2	unreachable=0	failed=0

Final Check of Ceph Deployment

To verify the correct deployment of the Ceph Cluster, complete the following step:

```
[root@cephadm ceph-ansible]# ceph -s

cluster ac268260-5b38-468d-a318-658664f187b3

health HEALTH_WARN

    too few PGs per OSD (1 < min 30)

monmap e1: 3 mons at
{cephmon1=192.168.10.111:6789/0,cephmon2=192.168.10.112:6789/0,cephmon3=192.1
68.10.113:6789/0}

election epoch 6, quorum 0,1,2 cephmon1,cephmon2,cephmon3

osdmap e417: 288 osds: 288 up, 288 in

flags sortbitwise,require_jewel_osds

pgmap v886: 64 pgs, 1 pools, 0 bytes data, 0 objects

    8410 MB used, 1550 TB / 1550 TB avail

    64 active+clean
```

There should be 288 OSDs for 288 physical disks installed and one default pool with 64 Placement Groups. You have added two additional OSD nodes to your Red Hat Ceph Storage Cluster on Cisco UCS.

Add RADOS Gateway for Object Storage

Ceph Object Gateway node runs the Ceph RADOS Gateway daemon (ceph-radosgw), and is an object storage interface built on top of librados to provide applications with a RESTful gateway to Ceph Storage Clusters. The Ceph RADOS Gateway supports two interfaces:

- **S3** – Provides object storage functionality with an interface that is compatible with a large subset of the Amazon S3 RESTful API.
- **Swift** – Provides object storage functionality with an interface that is compatible with a large subset of the OpenStack Swift API.

After building the initial Ceph cluster with three Ceph Monitor Nodes and 12 Ceph OSD Nodes, the following steps describe the procedure to add three RADOS Gateway nodes with Cisco UCS Manager and Ceph Ansible to enable Object Storage.

Enable Fabric Interconnect Ports for Server

To enable server ports for all Ceph RGW nodes after connecting them to both Fabric Interconnects, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab on the left site.
2. Select `Equipment > Fabric Interconnects > Fabric Interconnect A (subordinate) > Fixed Module`.
3. Click `Ethernet Ports` section.
4. Select Ports 17-19, right-click and then select `Configure as Server Port`.
5. Click `Yes` and then `OK`.
6. Repeat the same steps for Fabric Interconnect B.

Label Each Server for Identification

For a better identification, label each server by completing the following steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab on the left site.
Select `Rack-Mounts > Servers > Server 5`.
2. In the `Properties` section on the right go to `User Label` and add `Ceph RGW 1` to the field.
3. Repeat the previous steps for `Server 6` and `Server 7` according to [Table 14](#).

Table 14 Server Label

Server	Name
Rack-Mount / Server 5	Ceph RGW 1
Rack-Mount / Server 6	Ceph RGW 2
Rack-Mount / Server 7	Ceph RGW 3

Setting Disks for Rack-Mount Servers to Unconfigured-Good

To prepare all disks from the Rack-Mount servers for storage profiles, the disks have to be converted from JBOD to Unconfigured-Good. To convert the disks, follow these steps:

1. Select the `Equipment` tab in the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Equipment > Rack-Mounts > Servers > Server 5 > Disks`.
3. Select both disks and right-click `Set JBOD to Unconfigured-Good`.
4. Repeat the steps for Server 6 and 7.

Create Service Profiles from Template and Associate Template

To create the additional profiles for the Ceph RGW nodes, follow these steps:

1. Select `Servers` from the left pane of the Cisco UCS Manager GUI.
2. Go to `Servers > Service Profiles` and right-click `Create Service Profiles from Template`.
3. Type in `UCS-RGW-C220M4S-` in the `Name Prefix` field.
4. Leave `Name Suffix Starting Number` as 1.
5. Type in 3 for the `Number of Instances`.
6. Choose `UCS-C220M4S` as the `Service Profile Template` you created before.
7. Click `OK` and then `OK`.
8. Right-click on the previously created `Service Profiles` and associate it to rack server 5. Repeat the same step for the other `Service Profile` for rack server 6 and 7.

Configure /etc/hosts

To configure `/etc/hosts`, follow these steps:

1. Modify the `/etc/hosts` file on `cephadm` according to Table 15 and include all IP address of all nodes. Copy then the modified `/etc/hosts` to `/var/www/html`.

Table 15 IP Address for Ceph OSD Nodes

	Default	Public
cephrgw1	192.168.0.115	192.168.10.115
cephrgw2	192.168.0.116	192.168.10.116
cephrgw3	192.168.0.117	192.168.10.117

Change .ssh/config File for cephadm User

```
# vi .ssh/config

Host node16

    Hostname cephrgw1

    User    cephadm

Host node17

    Hostname cephrgw2

    User    cephadm

Host node18

    Hostname cephrgw3

    User    cephadm
```

Copy the file to /var/www/html and adjust the rights to 644.

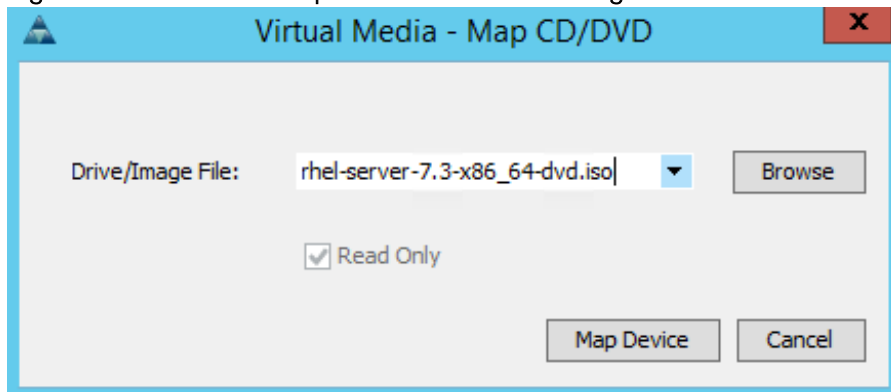
```
# cp /home/cephadm/.ssh/config /var/www/html
# chmod 644 /var/www/html/config
```

Install RHEL 7.3 on Cisco UCS C220 M4S

To install Red Hat Linux 7.3 operating system on all three Ceph RGW, follow these steps:

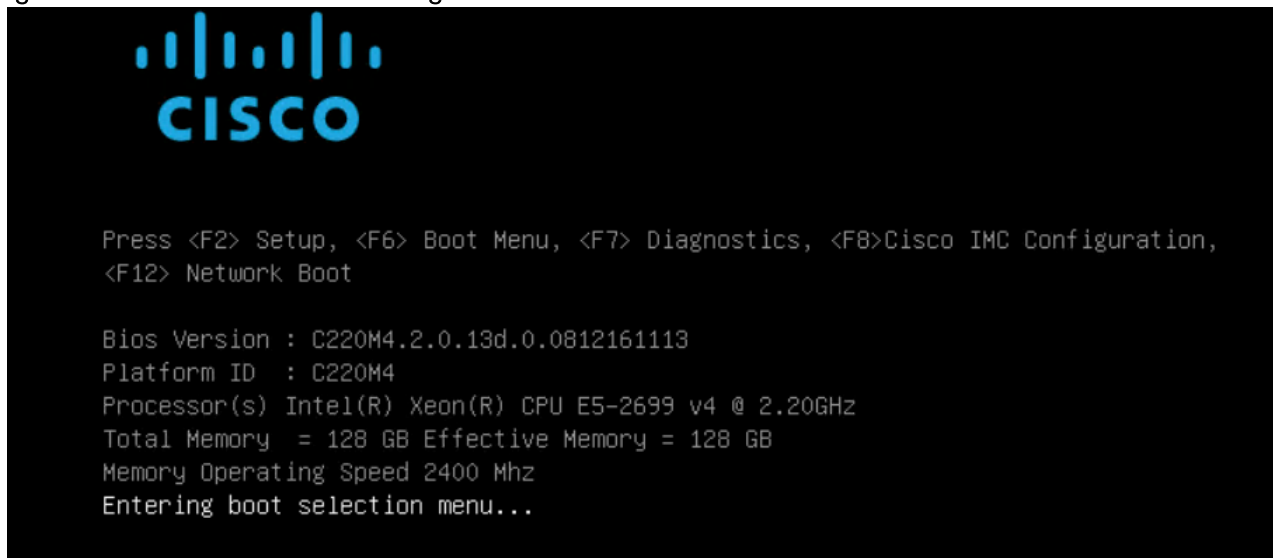
1. Log in to the Cisco UCS Manager and select the Equipment tab from the left pane.
2. Go to Equipment > Rack-Mounts > Server > Server 5 (Ceph RGW 1) and right-click KVM Console.
3. Launch KVM Console.
4. Click the Activate Virtual Devices in the Virtual Media tab.
5. In the KVM window, select the Virtual Media tab and click Map CD/DVD.
6. Browse to the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installation ISO image and select then Map Device.

Figure 74 Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 ISO image



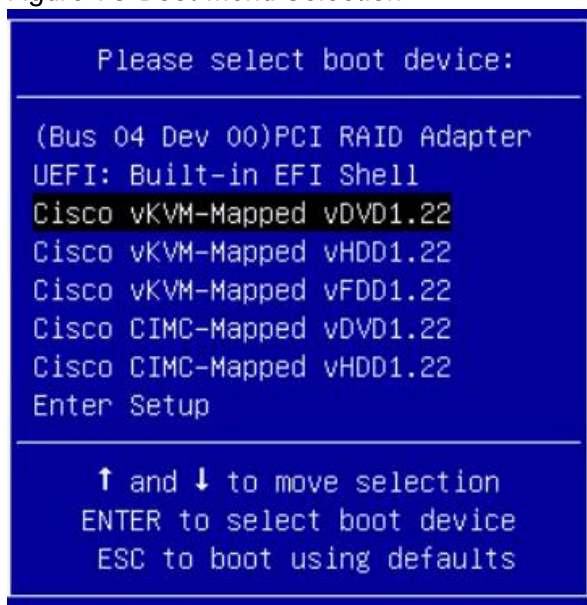
7. In the KVM window, select the Macros > Static Macros > Ctrl-Alt-Del button in the upper left corner.
8. Click OK and then OK to reboot the system.
9. In the boot screen with the Cisco Logo, press F6 for the boot menu.

Figure 75 Boot screen for selecting Boot Menu



10. When the Boot Menu appears, select Cisco vKVM-Mapped vDVD1.22.

Figure 76 Boot Menu Selection



11. When the Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.3 installer appears, press the Tab button for further configuration options.



Note: Use the previous created Kickstart file for Cisco UCS C220 M4S.

12. At the prompt type.

```
inst.ks=http://192.168.0.100/ks_c220-rgw1.cfg net.ifnames=0 biosdevname=0
ip=192.168.0.115::192.168.0.99:255.255.255.0:cephrgw1:eth0:none
nameserver=173.36.131.10
```

13. Repeat the previous steps for Ceph RGW 2, Ceph RGW 3 with the IP address shown in [Error! Reference source not found.](#) An example of the Kickstart File can be seen in Appendix D.

Enable password-less Login

1. We already configured the ssh key on each host for the root and cephadm login. To enable the passwordless login without any prompt, please do the following from cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# for i in {1..3}; do ssh-copy-id -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no
root@cephrgw${i}; done
```

2. Repeat the same step for user cephadm:

```
[root@cephadm ~]# su - cephadm

[cephadm@cephadm ~]$ for i in {1..3}; do ssh-copy-id -o
StrictHostKeyChecking=no cephadm@cephrgw${i}; done
```

Change Ansible Hosts File

```
# vi /etc/ansible/hosts
```

```
[mons]
cephmon[1:3]
```

```
[osds]
cephosd[1:12]
```

```
[rgws]
cephrgw[1:3]
```

Verify if all hosts are available

```
# ansible all -m ping
```

Prepare Expansion of Ceph Cluster with RGWs

```
# cd /etc/ansible/group_vars
# cp rgws.yml.sample rgws.yml
# vi /etc/ansible/group_vars/rgws.yml
copy_admin_key: true
```

Deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage via Ansible

To deploy Red Hat Ceph Storage via Ansible, complete the following step:

1. Deploy both OSD nodes via Ansible as follows:

```
# cd /usr/share/ceph-ansible
# ansible-playbook ceph.yml
```

After a successful deployment, your result should look like the following:

```
PLAY RECAP
*****
cephmon1           : ok=66   changed=5    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephmon2           : ok=62   changed=5    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephmon3           : ok=63   changed=5    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd1           : ok=68   changed=6    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd10          : ok=66   changed=6    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd11          : ok=66   changed=6    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd12          : ok=66   changed=6    unreachable=0    failed=0
cephosd2           : ok=66   changed=6    unreachable=0    failed=0
```

cephosd3	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd4	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd5	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd6	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd7	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd8	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephosd9	:	ok=66	changed=6	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephrgw1	:	ok=49	changed=19	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephrgw2	:	ok=48	changed=20	unreachable=0	failed=0
cephrgw3	:	ok=47	changed=19	unreachable=0	failed=0

Final Check of Ceph Deployment

To verify the correct deployment of the Ceph RADOS Gateway, login to cephrgw1 and check if the radosgw process is running.

```
[root@cephrgw1 ~]# systemctl status ceph-radosgw@rgw.cephrgw1.service
● ceph-radosgw@rgw.cephrgw1.service - Ceph rados gateway
   Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/ceph-radosgw@.service; enabled;
   vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Thu 2017-01-05 06:20:28 PST; 3 days ago
   Main PID: 15797 (radosgw)
   CGroup: /system.slice/system-ceph\x2dradosgw.slice/ceph-
   radosgw@rgw.cephrgw1.service
           └─15797 /usr/bin/radosgw -f --cluster ceph --name
   client.rgw.cephrgw1 --setuser ceph --setgroup ceph

Jan 05 06:20:28 cephrgw1 systemd[1]: Started Ceph rados gateway.
Jan 05 06:20:28 cephrgw1 systemd[1]: Starting Ceph rados gateway...
Jan 05 08:04:21 cephrgw1 systemd[1]: [/usr/lib/systemd/system/ceph-
radosgw@.service:17] Unknown lvalue 'TasksMa...rvice'
Hint: Some lines were ellipsized, use -l to show in full.
[root@cephrgw1 ~]#
```

Repeat the same step for cephrgw2 and cephrgw3. Replace the service name with the appropriate hostname for cephrgw2 and cephrgw3.

Bill of Materials

This section provides the BOM for the entire Red Hat Ceph Storage and Cisco UCS solution.

Table 16 Bill of Materials for Cisco Nexus 9332PQ

Item Name	Description	Quantity
N9K-C9332PQ	Nexus 9300 Series, 32p 40G QSFP+	2
CON-PSRT-9332PQ	PRTNR SS 8X5XNBD Nexus 9332 ACI Leaf switch with 32p 40G	2
NXOS-703I5.1	Nexus 9500, 9300, 3000 Base NX-OS Software Rel 7.0(3)I5(1)	2
N3K-C3064-ACC-KIT	Nexus 3K/9K Fixed Accessory Kit	2
QSFP-H40G-CU1M	40GBASE-CR4 Passive Copper Cable, 1m	10
NXA-FAN-30CFM-B	Nexus 2K/3K/9K Single Fan, port side intake airflow	8
CAB-C13-CBN	Cabinet Jumper Power Cord, 250 VAC 10A, C14-C13 Connectors	4
N9K-PAC-650W	Nexus 9300 650W AC PS, Port-side Intake	4

Table 17 Bill of Materials for Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect 6332

Item Name	Description	Quantity
UCS-SP-FI6332-2X	UCS SP Select 6332 FI /No PSU/32 QSFP+	1
UCS-SP-FI6332	(Not sold standalone) UCS 6332 1RU FI/No PSU/32 QSFP+	2
UCS-PSU-6332-AC	UCS 6332 Power Supply/100-240VAC	4
CAB-C13-C14-2M	Power Cord Jumper, C13-C14 Connectors, 2 Meter Length	4
QSFP-H40G-CU3M	40GBASE-CR4 Passive Copper Cable, 3m	38
QSFP-40G-SR-BD	QSFP40G BiDi Short-reach Transceiver	8
N10-MGT014	UCS Manager v3.1	2
UCS-FAN-6332	UCS 6332 Fan Module	8
UCS-ACC-6332	UCS 6332 Chassis Accessory Kit	2
RACK-UCS2	Cisco R42610 standard rack, w/side panels	1
RP230-32-1P-U-2	Cisco RP230-32-U-2 Single Phase PDU 20x C13, 4x C19	2

Table 18 Bill of Materials for Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

Item Name	Description	Quantity
UCSS-S3260	Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server Base Chassis	6
UCSC-C3X60-HD6TB	UCS C3X60 6TB 12Gbps NL-SAS 7200RPM HDD w carrier-Top-load	36
UCS-C3X60-12G240	UCSC C3X60 400GB 12Gbps SSD (Gen 2)	48
UCSC-PSU1-1050W	UCS C3X60 1050W Power Supply Unit	24
CAB-C13-CBN	Cabinet Jumper Power Cord, 250 VAC 10A, C14-C13 Connectors	24

Item Name	Description	Quantity
UCSC-C3X60-RAIL	UCS C3X60 Rack Rails Kit	6
N20-BBLKD-7MM	UCS 7MM SSD Blank Filler	12
UCSS-S3260-BBEZEL	Cisco UCS S3260 Bezel	6
UCSC-C3K-M4SRB	UCS C3000 M4 Server Node for Intel E5-2600 v4	6
UCS-CPU-E52680E	2.40 GHz E5-2680 v4/120W 14C/35MB Cache/DDR4 2400MHz	12
UCS-MR-1X161RV-A	16GB DDR4-2400-MHz RDIMM/PC4-19200/single rank/x4/1.2v	48
UCS-C3K-M4RAID	Cisco UCS C3000 RAID Controller M4 Server w 4G RAID Cache	6
UCSC-HS-C3X60	Cisco UCS C3X60 Server Node CPU Heatsink	12
UCSC-C3K-M4SRB	UCS C3000 M4 Server Node for Intel E5-2600 v4	6
UCS-CPU-E52680E	2.40 GHz E5-2680 v4/120W 14C/35MB Cache/DDR4 2400MHz	12
UCS-MR-1X161RV-A	16GB DDR4-2400-MHz RDIMM/PC4-19200/single rank/x4/1.2v	48
UCS-C3K-M4RAID	Cisco UCS C3000 RAID Controller M4 Server w 4G RAID Cache	6
UCSC-HS-C3X60	Cisco UCS C3X60 Server Node CPU Heatsink	12
UCSC-C3260-SIOC	Cisco UCS C3260 System IO Controller with VIC 1300 incl.	6
UCSC-C3260-SIOC	Cisco UCS C3260 System IO Controller with VIC 1300 incl.	6
UCSC-C3X60-42HD6	Cisco UCS C3X60 Three row of drives containing 42 x 6TB (Tot	6
UCSC-C3X60-HD6TB	UCS C3X60 6TB 12Gbps NL-SAS 7200RPM HDD w carrier-Top-load	252
UCS-C3X60-G2SD12	UCSC C3X60 120GB Boot SSD (Gen 2)	24

Table 19 Bill of Material for Cisco UCS C220 M4S

Item Name	Description	Quantity
UCSC-C220-M4S	UCS C220 M4 SFF w/o CPU, mem, HD, PCIe, PSU, rail kit	7
UCS-CPU-E52699E	2.20 GHz E5-2699 v4/145W 22C/55MB Cache/DDR4 2400MHz	14
UCS-MR-1X161RV-A	16GB DDR4-2400-MHz RDIMM/PC4-19200/single rank/x4/1.2v	56
UCS-HD600G10K12G	600GB 12G SAS 10K RPM SFF HDD	14
UCSC-PCIE-C40Q-03	Cisco VIC 1385 Dual Port 40Gb QSFP+ CNA w/RDMA	7
UCSC-RAILB-M4	Ball Bearing Rail Kit for C220 M4 and C240 M4 rack servers	7
UCSC-PSU1-770W	770W AC Hot-Plug Power Supply for 1U C-Series Rack Server	14
CAB-C13-C14-2M	Power Cord Jumper, C13-C14 Connectors, 2 Meter Length	14
UCS-M4-V4-LBL	Cisco M4 - v4 CPU asset tab ID label (Auto-Expand)	7
N20-BBLKD	UCS 2.5 inch HDD blanking panel	42
UCSC-SCCBL220	Supercap cable 950mm	7

Item Name	Description	Quantity
UCSC-MLOM-BLK	MLOM Blanking Panel	7
UCSC-HS-C220M4	Heat sink for UCS C220 M4 rack servers	14
UCSC-MRAID12G	Cisco 12G SAS Modular Raid Controller	7
UCSC-MRAID12G-1GB	Cisco 12Gbps SAS 1GB FBWC Cache module (Raid 0/1/5/6)	7
RHEL-2S2V-1A	Red Hat Enterprise Linux (1-2 CPU,1-2 VN); 1-Yr Support Req	7

Appendix

Appendix A – Kickstart File for Ceph Admin Host cephadm

```

lang en_US

keyboard --vckeymap=us --xlayouts='us'

timezone America/Los_Angeles --isUtc

rootpw $1$AzLo5Nru$YuZng8sCZSToN2FOiPYtk. --iscrypted

user --groups=wheel --name=cephadm --
password=$6$p0smwIo9EEQOhrC.$7Ho.dWuG6iRJY0fKcujsC92WZXXwDSZPGp/aA.UujDSmc5J5
.vndnyIfO9U7annoUTcfg0tXUCGVUwCqNGINI. --iscrypted

#platform x86, AMD64, or Intel EM64T

reboot

cdrom

bootloader --location=mbr --append="rhgb quiet crashkernel=auto" --boot-
drive=sda

zerombr

clearpart --all --initlabel --drives=sda

autopart

auth --passalgo=sha512 --useshadow

selinux --disabled

firewall --disabled

firstboot --disable

services --enabled="chronyd"

%packages

@base

chrony

kexec-tools

%end

%addon com_redhat_kdump --enable --reserve-mb='auto'

%end

```

Appendix B – Kickstart File for Cisco Monitor Node

```

lang en_US

keyboard us

timezone --isUtc America/Los_Angeles --ntpserver=192.168.0.100

rootpw $1$AzLo5Nru$YuZng8sCZSToN2FOiPYtk. --iscrypted

user --groups=wheel --name=cephadm --
password=$6$sp0smwIo9EEQOhrC.$7Ho.dWuG6iRJY0fKcujsC92WZXXwDSZPGp/aA.UujDSmc5J5
.vndnyIfO9U7annoUTcfg0tXUCGVUwCqNGINI. --iscrypted

#platform x86, AMD64, or Intel EM64T

reboot

url --url=http://192.168.0.110/rhel-7-server

network --bootproto=static --device=eth0 --ip=192.168.0.111 --
netmask=255.255.255.0 --gateway=192.168.0.99 --hostname=cephmon1 --onboot=on

network --bootproto=dhcp --device=eth1 --onboot=off --ipv6=auto

bootloader --location=mbr --append="rhgb quiet crashkernel=auto" --boot-
drive=sda

zerombr

clearpart --all --initlabel --drives=sda

autopart --type=lvm

auth --passalgo=sha512 --useshadow

selinux --disabled

firewall --enabled

firstboot --disable

ignoredisk --only-use=sda

services --disabled="chronyd"

services --enabled="ntpd"

%post

## Copy files

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/hosts

mv hosts /etc/

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ceph.repo

```



```
mv ceph.repo /etc/yum.repos.d/
curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ntp.conf
mv ntp.conf /etc/

## Install latest network driver for 40G VIC
rpm -ivh http://192.168.0.110/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm

## Create VLAN for Public and Cluster Network
IPADDR=`echo 192.168.0.111 | rev | cut -d '.' -f 1 | rev`
cat > /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth1-1 <<EOF
VLAN=yes
TYPE=Vlan
PHYSDEV=eth1
VLAN_ID=10
REORDER_HDR=yes
GVRP=no
MVRP=no
BOOTPROTO=none
IPADDR=192.168.10.$IPADDR
PREFIX=24
NAME=eth1
ONBOOT=yes
EOF
ifup eth1-1

## Update OS
yum clean all
yum repolist
yum -y update

## Configure Firewall
systemctl enable firewalld
```

```

systemctl start firewalld

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-port=6789/tcp

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-rich-rule="rule family="ipv4" source
address="192.168.10.0/24" port protocol="tcp" port="6789" accept"

## Configure NTP

systemctl enable ntpd

systemctl start ntpd

## Install root SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /root/.ssh/

cat <<EOF >/root/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQAC3uZYzN9O4dtoPVeKPjBMVBWsUf2JJbtA8VU2KNgptd4/zk
/FoEWa9DZFfnqxfcO5atVPGGZp4zX3C7UzdNP73YGvDrbKvf9rIcc88z6bpGr5xGXSKclKHilp9Ap
NRxbhco5WrP8w9XMTJZDkrl3zZNwL4i2Q+DLet8nelaQ1jbVMz+1SV5hViNmauGwFhIzdViBEELUY
5qMAAt4mwqxg1nhqcGLWlM37tzIMXKWM5ixwBWe9H4OOK3QGP+371oqoZt5JO2KoXEYhGsZgeO6oZM
VXHFEJAGtJUnNxKzOvvKSpnKQHc5C/uSLG7I/KlroyTNFEgpusL+j8Fwyq7rJinX root@cephadm

EOF

chmod 0600 /root/.ssh/authorized_keys

## Install cephadm SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /home/cephadm/.ssh/

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh

cat <<EOF >/home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQAC3tWwjXLYmV7cidBuV7+U8ALKa6KxOV7OcuqcwfyrtiHWoJ
IVIQ7t5jac9+HNMTzXuAplqEF8ThetuP/Ym0kKjQ+gvqz43JaHueKYMJYEMoElx5Z/kfFJ8G/0Odr
YB3w9PSKx19OjxrKl6dIH9ojFi2UoacRWU5bIizt4+owWmAnuoKOr2NVhw6tTzewWCgTFp22LSqDX
ltyFI/iX7dhTfhIVaw5RKZEfAw4clid3o+Wvc5ZuRhaBCwtD+XbUMizn4wczp8pON2ba3jRDYd9qu
0uynnGwiVXr93rg0U/x+AxwiA08PN4yjDa94N2TltDDo15lqfiABJqpWBKPCr32X
cephadm@cephadm

EOF

chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/config

```

```

mv config /home/cephadm/.ssh/
chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/config
chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/config
curl -O http://192.168.0.110/cephadm
mv cephadm /etc/sudoers.d/
chmod 0440 /etc/sudoers.d/cephadm

%end

%packages

@base
chrony
kexec-tools
ntp
gdisk

%end

%addon com_redhat_kdump --enable --reserve-mb='auto'

%end

```

Appendix C – Kickstart File for Cisco OSD Node

```

lang en_US
keyboard us
timezone --isUtc America/Los_Angeles --ntpservers=192.168.0.100
rootpw $1$AzLo5Nru$YuZng8sCZSToN2FOiPYtk. --iscrypted
user --groups=wheel --name=cephadm --
password=$6$p0smwIo9EEQOhrC.$7Ho.dWuG6iRJY0fKcujsC92WZXXwDSZPGp/aA.UujDSmc5J5
.vndnyIf09U7annoUTcfg0tXUCGVUwCqNGINI. --iscrypted
#platform x86, AMD64, or Intel EM64T
reboot

```

```

url --url=http://192.168.0.110/rhel-7-server

network --bootproto=static --device=eth0 --ip=192.168.0.125 --
netmask=255.255.255.0 --gateway=192.168.0.99 --hostname=cephosd6 --onboot=on

network --bootproto=dhcp --device=eth1 --onboot=off --ipv6=auto

network --bootproto=dhcp --device=eth2 --onboot=off --ipv6=auto

bootloader --location=mbr --append="rhgb quiet crashkernel=auto" --boot-
drive=sde

zerombr

clearpart --all --initlabel --drives=sde

autopart --type=lvm

auth --passalgo=sha512 --useshadow

selinux --disabled

firewall --enabled

firstboot --disable

ignoredisk --only-
use=sda,sdb,sdc,sdd,sde,sdf,sdg,sdh,sdi,sdj,sdk,sdl,sdm,sdn,sdo,sdp,sdq,sdr,s
ds,sdt,sdu,sdv,sdw,sdx,sdy,sdz,sdaa,sdab,sdac

services --disabled="chronyd"

services --enabled="ntpd"

%post

## Copy files

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/hosts

mv hosts /etc/

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ceph.repo

mv ceph.repo /etc/yum.repos.d/

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ntp.conf

mv ntp.conf /etc/

## Install latest network driver for 40G VIC

rpm -ivh http://192.168.0.110/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm

## Create VLAN for Public and Cluster Network

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IPADDR=`echo 192.168.0.125 | rev | cut -d '.' -f 1 | rev`  
cat > /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth1-1 <<EOF  
VLAN=yes  
TYPE=Vlan  
PHYSDEV=eth1  
VLAN_ID=10  
REORDER_HDR=yes  
GVRP=no  
MVRP=no  
BOOTPROTO=none  
IPADDR=192.168.10.$IPADDR  
PREFIX=24  
NAME=eth1  
ONBOOT=yes  
EOF  
ifup eth1-1
```

```
cat > /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth2-1 <<EOF  
VLAN=yes  
TYPE=Vlan  
PHYSDEV=eth2  
VLAN_ID=20  
REORDER_HDR=yes  
GVRP=no  
MVRP=no  
BOOTPROTO=none  
IPADDR=192.168.20.$IPADDR  
PREFIX=24  
NAME=eth2  
ONBOOT=yes  
EOF  
ifup eth2-1
```

```

## Update OS

yum clean all

yum repolist

yum -y update


## Configure Firewall

systemctl enable firewalld

systemctl start firewalld

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-port=6800-7300/tcp

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-rich-rule="rule family='ipv4' source
address='192.168.10.0/24' port protocol='tcp' port='6800-7300' accept"

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-rich-rule="rule family='ipv4' source
address='192.168.20.0/24' port protocol='tcp' port='6800-7300' accept"


## Configure NTP

systemctl enable ntpd

systemctl start ntpd


## Install root SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /root/.ssh/

cat <<EOF >/root/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQAC3uZYzN9O4dtoPVeKPjBMVBWsUf2JJbtA8VU2KNgptd4/zk
/FoEWa9DZFfnqxfcO5atVPGGZp4zX3C7UzdNP73YGvDrbKvf9rIcc88z6bpGr5xGXSKclKHilp9Ap
NRxbhco5WrP8w9XMTJZDkrl3zZNwL4i2Q+DLet8nelaQ1jbVMz+lSV5hViNmauGwFhIzdViBEELUY
5qMat4mwxqglnhqcGLWlM37tzIMXKWM5ixwBWe9H4OOK3QGP+371oqoZt5JO2KoXEYhGsZgeO6oZM
VXHFEJAGtJUnNxKzOvvKSpnKQHc5C/uSLG7I/KlroyTNFEgguSL+j8Fwyq7rJinX root@cephadm
EOF

chmod 0600 /root/.ssh/authorized_keys


## Install cephadm SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /home/cephadm/.ssh/

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh

```

```

cat <<EOF >/home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQ3tWwjXLYmV7cidBuV7+U8ALKa6KxOV70cuqcwfyrtiHWoJ
IVIQ7t5jac9+HNMTzXuAplqEF8ThetuP/Ym0kKjQ+gvqz43JaHueKYMJYEMoE1x5Z/kfFJ8G/0Odr
YB3w9PSKx190jxrKl6dIH9ojFi2UoacRWU5bIizt4+owWmAnuoKOr2NVhw6tTzewWCgTFp22LSqDX
ltyFI/iX7dhTfhIVaw5RKZEfAw4clid3o+Wvc5ZuRhaBCwtD+XbUMizn4wczp8pON2ba3jRDYd9qu
0uynnGwiVXr93rg0U/x+AxwiA08PN4yjDa94N2TltDDo15lqfiABJqpWBKPCr32X
cephadm@cephadm

EOF

chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/config

mv config /home/cephadm/.ssh/

chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/config

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/config

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/cephadm

mv cephadm /etc/sudoers.d/

chmod 0440 /etc/sudoers.d/cephadm


%end


%packages


@base

chrony

kexec-tools

ntp


%end


%addon com_redhat_kdump --enable --reserve-mb='auto'


%end

```

Appendix D – Kickstart File for Cisco RGW Node

```

lang en_US

keyboard us

timezone --isUtc America/Los_Angeles --ntpserver=192.168.0.100

rootpw $1$AzLo5Nru$YuZng8sCZSToN2FOiPYtk. --iscrypted

user --groups=wheel --name=cephadm --
password=$6$P0smwIo9EEQOhrC.$7Ho.dWuG6iRJY0fKcujsC92WZXXwDSZPGp/aA.UujDSmc5J5
.vndnyIfO9U7annoUTcfg0tXUCGVUwCqNGINI. --iscrypted

#platform x86, AMD64, or Intel EM64T

reboot

url --url=http://192.168.0.110/rhel-7-server

network --bootproto=static --device=eth0 --ip=192.168.0.115 --
netmask=255.255.255.0 --gateway=192.168.0.99 --hostname=cephrgw1 --onboot=on

network --bootproto=dhcp --device=eth1 --onboot=off --ipv6=auto

bootloader --location=mbr --append="rhgb quiet crashkernel=auto" --boot-
drive=sda

zerombr

clearpart --all --initlabel --drives=sda

autopart --type=lvm

auth --passalgo=sha512 --useshadow

selinux --disabled

firewall --enabled

firstboot --disable

ignoredisk --only-use=sda

services --disabled="chronyd"

services --enabled="ntpd"

%post

## Copy files

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/hosts

mv hosts /etc/

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ceph.repo

```



```

mv ceph.repo /etc/yum.repos.d/
curl -O http://192.168.0.110/ntp.conf
mv ntp.conf /etc/

## Install latest network driver for 40G VIC
rpm -ivh http://192.168.0.110/kmod-enic-2.3.0.39-rhel7u3.el7.x86_64.rpm

## Create VLAN for Public and Cluster Network
IPADDR=`echo 192.168.0.115 | rev | cut -d '.' -f 1 | rev`
cat > /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth1-1 <<EOF
VLAN=yes
TYPE=Vlan
PHYSDEV=eth1
VLAN_ID=10
REORDER_HDR=yes
GVRP=no
MVRP=no
BOOTPROTO=none
IPADDR=192.168.10.$IPADDR
PREFIX=24
NAME=eth1
ONBOOT=yes
EOF
ifup eth1-1

## Update OS
yum clean all
yum repolist
yum -y update

## Configure Firewall
systemctl enable firewalld

```

```

systemctl start firewalld

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-port=7480/tcp

firewall-offline-cmd --zone=public --add-rich-rule="rule family="ipv4" source
address="192.168.10.0/24" port protocol="tcp" port="7480" accept"

## Configure NTP

systemctl enable ntpd

systemctl start ntpd

## Install root SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /root/.ssh/

cat <<EOF >/root/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQAC3uZYzN9O4dtoPVeKPjBMVBWsUf2JJbtA8VU2KNgptd4/zk
/FoEwa9DZFfnqxfc05atVPGGZp4zX3C7UzdNP73YGvDrbKvf9rIcc88z6bpGr5xGXSKclKHilp9Ap
NRxbhco5WrP8w9XMTJZDkrl3zZNwL4i2Q+DLet8nelaQ1jbVMz+1SV5hViNmauGwFhIzdViBEELUY
5qMAAt4mwXqglnhqcGLWlM37tzIMXKWM5ixwBWe9H4OOK3QGP+371oqoZt5JO2KoXEYhGsZgeO6oZM
VXHFEJAGtJUnNxKzOvvKSpnKQHc5C/uSLG7I/KlroyTNFEgpusL+j8Fwyq7rJinX root@cephadm

EOF

chmod 0600 /root/.ssh/authorized_keys

## Install cephadm SSH key

mkdir -m0700 /home/cephadm/.ssh/

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh

cat <<EOF >/home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQAC3tWwjXLYmV7cidBuV7+U8ALKa6KxOV7OcuqcwfyrtiHwOJ
IVIQ7t5jac9+HNMTzXuAplqEF8ThetuP/Ym0kKjQ+gvqz43JaHueKYMJYEMoElx5Z/kfFJ8G/0Odr
YB3w9PSKx19OjxrKl6dIH9ojFi2UoacRWU5bIizt4+owWmAnuoKOr2NVhw6tTzewWCgTFp22LSqDX
ltyFI/iX7dhTfhIVaw5RKZEfAw4clid3o+Wvc5ZuRhaBCwtD+XbUMizn4wczp8pON2ba3jRDYd9qu
0uynnGwiVXr93rg0U/x+AxwiA08PN4yjDa94N2TltDDo15lqfiABJqpWBKPCr32X
cephadm@cephadm

EOF

chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/authorized_keys

curl -O http://192.168.0.110/config

```

```
mv config /home/cephadm/.ssh/  
chmod 0600 /home/cephadm/.ssh/config  
chown cephadm:cephadm /home/cephadm/.ssh/config  
curl -O http://192.168.0.110/cephadm  
mv cephadm /etc/sudoers.d/  
chmod 0440 /etc/sudoers.d/cephadm  
  
%end  
  
%packages  
  
@base  
chrony  
kexec-tools  
ntp  
gdisk  
  
%end  
  
%addon com_redhat_kdump --enable --reserve-mb='auto'  
  
%end
```

Appendix E – Example /etc/hosts File

```
# Copyright (c) 1993-2009 Microsoft Corp.  
#  
# This is a sample HOSTS file used by Microsoft TCP/IP for Windows.  
#  
# This file contains the mappings of IP addresses to host names. Each  
# entry should be kept on an individual line. The IP address should  
# be placed in the first column followed by the corresponding host name.  
# The IP address and the host name should be separated by at least one
```

```

# space.
#
# Additionally, comments (such as these) may be inserted on individual
# lines or following the machine name denoted by a '#' symbol.
#
# For example:
#
#      102.54.94.97      rhino.acme.com      # source server
#      38.25.63.10      x.acme.com         # x client host

# localhost name resolution is handled within DNS itself.
#      127.0.0.1        localhost
#      ::1              localhost
127.0.0.1      localhost
::1           localhost

# External/PXE Network

192.168.0.100  jumphost

192.168.0.110  cephadm
192.168.0.111  cephmon1
192.168.0.112  cephmon2
192.168.0.113  cephmon3

192.168.0.115  cephrgw1
192.168.0.116  cephrgw2
192.168.0.117  cephrgw3

192.168.0.120  cephosd1
192.168.0.121  cephosd2
192.168.0.122  cephosd3

```

```
192.168.0.123    cephosd4
192.168.0.124    cephosd5
192.168.0.125    cephosd6
192.168.0.126    cephosd7
192.168.0.127    cephosd8
192.168.0.128    cephosd9
192.168.0.129    cephosd10
192.168.0.130     cephosd11
192.168.0.131     cephosd12
```

```
# Public Network
```

```
192.168.10.110 cephadm-public
192.168.10.111 cephmon1-public
192.168.10.112 cephmon2-public
192.168.10.113 cephmon3-public
192.168.10.115 cephrgw1-public
192.168.10.116 cephrgw2-public
192.168.10.117 cephrgw3-public
192.168.10.120 cephosd1-public
192.168.10.121 cephosd2-public
192.168.10.122 cephosd3-public
192.168.10.123 cephosd4-public
192.168.10.124 cephosd5-public
192.168.10.125 cephosd6-public
192.168.10.126 cephosd7-public
192.168.10.127 cephosd8-public
192.168.10.128 cephosd9-public
192.168.10.129 cephosd10-public
192.168.10.130 cephosd11-public
192.168.10.131 cephosd12-public
```

```
# Storage Network
```

```
192.168.20.120 cephosd1-storage
192.168.20.121 cephosd2-storage
192.168.20.122 cephosd3-storage
192.168.20.123 cephosd4-storage
192.168.20.124 cephosd5-storage
192.168.20.125 cephosd6-storage
192.168.20.126 cephosd7-storage
192.168.20.127 cephosd8-storage
192.168.20.128 cephosd9-storage
192.168.20.129 cephosd10-storage
192.168.20.130 cephosd11-storage
192.168.20.131 cephosd12-storage
```

Appendix F – /home/cephadm/.ssh/config File from Ansible Administration Node cephadm

```
Host node1
    Hostname cephmon1
    User      cephadm

Host node2
    Hostname cephmon2
    User      cephadm

Host node3
    Hostname cephmon3
    User      cephadm

Host node4
    Hostname cephosd1
    User      cephadm

Host node5
    Hostname cephosd2
    User      cephadm

Host node6
```

```
        Hostname cephosd3
        User      cephadm
Host node7
        Hostname cephosd4
        User      cephadm
Host node8
        Hostname cephosd5
        User      cephadm
Host node9
        Hostname cephosd6
        User      cephadm
Host node10
        Hostname cephosd7
        User      cephadm
Host node11
        Hostname cephosd8
        User      cephadm
Host node12
        Hostname cephosd9
        User      cephadm
Host node13
        Hostname cephosd10
        User      cephadm
Host node14
        Hostname cephosd11
        User      cephadm
Host node15
        Hostname cephosd12
        User      cephadm
Host node16
        Hostname cephrgw1
        User      cephadm
```

```

Host node17
    Hostname cephrgw2
    User      cephadm
Host node18
    Hostname cephrgw3
    User      cephadm

```

Appendix G - /usr/share/ceph-ansible/group_vars/all Configuration File

```

---

# Variables here are applicable to all host groups NOT roles

# This sample file generated by generate_group_vars_sample.sh

# Dummy variable to avoid error because ansible does not recognize the
# file as a good configuration file when no variable in it.
dummy:

# You can override vars by using host or group vars

#####
# GENERAL #
#####

fetch_directory: ~/ceph-ansible-keys
cluster: ceph # cluster name

#####
# INSTALL #
#####

#mon_group_name: mons
#osd_group_name: osds

```



```

#rgw_group_name: rgws
#mds_group_name: mdss
#restapi_group_name: restapis
#rbdmirror_group_name: rbdmirrors
#client_group_name: clients

# If check_firewall is true, then ansible will try to determine if the
# Ceph ports are blocked by a firewall. If the machine running ansible
# cannot reach the Ceph ports for some other reason, you may need or
# want to set this to False to skip those checks.
#check_firewall: True

# This variable determines if ceph packages can be updated.  If False, the
# package resources will use "state=present".  If True, they will use
# "state=latest".
#upgrade_ceph_packages: False

# If this is false then the 'ceph' package will be installed on rpm systems,
which
# is not needed for versions after infernalis.
#use_server_package_split: true

# /\ EITHER ACTIVE ceph_stable OR ceph_dev /\

#debian_package_dependencies:
# - python-pycurl
# - hdparm
# - ntp

#centos_package_dependencies:
# - python-pycurl
# - hdparm

```

```

# - yum-plugin-priorities.noarch
# - epel-release
# - ntp
# - python-setuptools
# - libselinux-python

#redhat_package_dependencies:
# - python-pycurl
# - hdparm
# - ntp
# - python-setuptools

# Whether or not to install the ceph-test package.
#ceph_test: False

## Configure package origin
#
#ceph_origin: 'distro'
# 'distro' means that no separate repo file will be added
# you will get whatever version of Ceph is included in your Linux distro.
#
#ceph_use_distro_backports: false # DEBIAN ONLY

# STABLE
#####

# COMMUNITY VERSION
#ceph_stable: false # use ceph stable branch
#ceph_stable_key: https://download.ceph.com/keys/release.asc
#ceph_stable_release: infernalis # ceph stable release
#ceph_stable_repo: "http://ceph.com/debian-{{ ceph_stable_release }}"

```

```
#####

# Stable Releases #

#####

#ceph_stable_releases:

# - dumpling
# - emperor
# - firefly
# - giant
# - hammer

# Use the option below to specify your applicable package tree, eg. when
using non-LTS Ubuntu versions

# # for a list of available Debian distributions, visit
http://ceph.com/debian-{{ ceph_stable_release }}/dists/

# for more info read: https://github.com/ceph/ceph-ansible/issues/305

#ceph_stable_distro_source:

# This option is needed for _both_ stable and dev version, so please always
fill the right version

# # for supported distros, see http://ceph.com/rpm-{{ ceph_stable_release }}/

#ceph_stable_redhat_distro: el7

# ENTERPRISE VERSION RED HAT STORAGE (from 1.3)

# This version is only supported on RHEL 7.1

# As of RHEL 7.1, libceph.ko and rbd.ko are now included in Red Hat's kernel
# packages natively. The RHEL 7.1 kernel packages are more stable and secure
than

# using these 3rd-party kmods with RHEL 7.0. Please update your systems to
RHEL

# 7.1 or later if you want to use the kernel RBD client.

#

# The CephFS kernel client is undergoing rapid development upstream, and we
do
```

```

# not recommend running the CephFS kernel module on RHEL 7's 3.10 kernel at
this

# time. Please use ELRepo's latest upstream 4.x kernels if you want to run
CephFS

# on RHEL 7.

#

ceph_rhcs: true

# This will affect how/what repositories are enabled depending on the desired
# version. The previous version was 1.3. The current version is 2.

ceph_rhcs_version: 2

#ceph_rhcs_cdn_install: "{{ ceph_stable_rh_storage_cdn_install |
default(false) }}" # assumes all the nodes can connect to cdn.redhat.com

ceph_rhcs_iso_install: true

ceph_rhcs_iso_path: /tmp/rhceph-2.3-rhel-7-x86_64.iso

ceph_rhcs_mount_path: /tmp/rh-storage-mount

ceph_rhcs_repository_path: /tmp/rh-storage-repo


# DEV

# ###


#ceph_dev: false # use ceph development branch

#ceph_dev_key: https://download.ceph.com/keys/autobuild.asc

#ceph_dev_branch: master # development branch you would like to use e.g:
master, wip-hack


# supported distros are centos6, centos7, fc17, fc18, fc19, fc20, fedora17,
fedora18,

# fedora19, fedora20, opensuse12, sles0. (see http://gitbuilder.ceph.com/).

# For rhel, please pay attention to the versions: 'rhel6 3' or 'rhel 4', the
fullname is _very_ important.

#ceph_dev_redhat_distro: centos7


# CUSTOM

# ###

```

```

# Use a custom repository to install ceph.  For RPM, ceph_custom_repo should
be

# a URL to the .repo file to be installed on the targets.  For deb,

# ceph_custom_repo should be the URL to the repo base.

#ceph_custom: true # use custom ceph repository
#ceph_custom_repo: https://192.168.0.100/rhcs2


#####

# CEPH CONFIGURATION #

#####


## Ceph options

#

# Each cluster requires a unique, consistent filesystem ID. By
# default, the playbook generates one for you and stores it in a file
# in `fetch_directory`. If you want to customize how the fsid is
# generated, you may find it useful to disable fsid generation to
# avoid cluttering up your ansible repo. If you set `generate_fsid` to
# false, you must generate `fsid` in another way.
#fsid: "{{ cluster_uuid.stdout }}"
generate_fsid: true


cephx: true
max_open_files: 131072


## Client options

#

#rbd_cache: "true"
#rbd_cache_writethrough_until_flush: "true"
#rbd_concurrent_management_ops: 20

```

```

# rbd_client_directories: true # this will create rbd_client_log_path and
# rbd_client_admin_socket_path directories with proper permissions

# Permissions for the rbd_client_log_path and
# rbd_client_admin_socket_path. Depending on your use case for Ceph
# you may want to change these values. The default, which is used if
# any of the variables are unset or set to a false value (like `null`
# or `false`) is to automatically determine what is appropriate for
# the Ceph version with non-OpenStack workloads -- ceph:ceph and 0770
# for infernalis releases, and root:root and 1777 for pre-infernalis
# releases.
#
# For other use cases, including running Ceph with OpenStack, you'll
# want to set these differently:
#
# For OpenStack on RHEL, you'll want:
#   rbd_client_directory_owner: "qemu"
#   rbd_client_directory_group: "libvirt" (or "libvirt", depending on your
#   version of libvirt)
#   rbd_client_directory_mode: "0755"
#
# For OpenStack on Ubuntu or Debian, set:
#   rbd_client_directory_owner: "libvirt-qemu"
#   rbd_client_directory_group: "kvm"
#   rbd_client_directory_mode: "0755"
#
# If you set rbd_client_directory_mode, you must use a string (e.g.,
# 'rbd_client_directory_mode: "0755"', *not*
# 'rbd_client_directory_mode: 0755', or Ansible will complain: mode
# must be in octal or symbolic form
# rbd_client_directory_owner: null
# rbd_client_directory_group: null
# rbd_client_directory_mode: null

```

```

#rbd_client_log_path: /var/log/ceph

#rbd_client_log_file: "{{ rbd_client_log_path }}/qemu-guest-$pid.log" # must
be writable by QEMU and allowed by SELinux or AppArmor

#rbd_client_admin_socket_path: /var/run/ceph # must be writable by QEMU and
allowed by SELinux or AppArmor


## Monitor options

#

# You must define either monitor_interface or monitor_address. Preference
# will go to monitor_interface if both are defined.
monitor_interface: eth1.10

#monitor_address: 0.0.0.0

#mon_use_fqdn: false # if set to true, the MON name used will be the fqdn in
the ceph.conf


## OSD options

#

journal_size: 20480
public_network: 192.168.10.0/24
cluster_network: 192.168.20.0/24
#osd_mkfs_type: xfs
#osd_mkfs_options_xfs: -f -i size=2048
#osd_mount_options_xfs: noatime,largeio,inode64,swallock
#osd_objectstore: filestore

# xattrs. by default, 'filestore xattr use omap' is set to 'true' if
# 'osd_mkfs_type' is set to 'ext4'; otherwise it isn't set. This can
# be set to 'true' or 'false' to explicitly override those
# defaults. Leave it 'null' to use the default for your chosen mkfs
# type.
#filestore_xattr_use_omap: null

```

```

## MDS options

#

#mds_use_fqdn: false # if set to true, the MDS name used will be the fqdn in
the ceph.conf


## Rados Gateway options

#

#radosgw_dns_name: your.subdomain.tld # subdomains used by radosgw. See
http://ceph.com/docs/master/radosgw/config/#enabling-subdomain-s3-calls

#radosgw_civetweb_port: 8080 # on Infernalis we get: "set_ports_option:
cannot bind to 80: 13 (Permission denied)"

#radosgw_keystone: false # activate OpenStack Keystone options full detail
here: http://ceph.com/docs/master/radosgw/keystone/

#radosgw_keystone_url: # url:admin_port ie: http://192.168.0.1:35357

#radosgw_keystone_admin_token: password

#radosgw_keystone_accepted_roles: Member, _member_, admin

#radosgw_keystone_token_cache_size: 10000

#radosgw_keystone_revocation_internal: 900

#radosgw_s3_auth_use_keystone: "true"

#radosgw_nss_db_path: /var/lib/ceph/radosgw/ceph-radosgw.{{ ansible_hostname
}}/nss

# Rados Gateway options

#email_address: foo@bar.com


## REST API options

#

#restapi_interface: "{{ monitor_interface }}"

#restapi_address: "{{ monitor_address }}"

#restapi_port: 5000


## Testing mode

# enable this mode _only_ when you have a single node

# if you don't want it keep the option commented

#common_single_host_mode: true

```



```
#####
# CONFIG OVERRIDE #
#####

# Ceph configuration file override.
# This allows you to specify more configuration options
# using an INI style format.
# The following sections are supported: [global], [mon], [osd], [mds], [rgw]
#
# Example:
# ceph_conf_overrides:
#   global:
#     foo: 1234
#     bar: 5678
#
ceph_conf_overrides:
global:
    cephx require signatures: true
    cephx cluster require signatures: true
    osd pool default pg num: 128
    osd pool default pgp num: 128
    mon osd down out interval: 600
    mon osd min down reporters: 7
    mon clock drift allowed: 0.15
    mon clock drift warn backoff: 30
    mon osd report timeout: 900
    mon pg warn max per osd: 0
    mon osd allow primary affinity: true
osd:
    filestore merge threshold: 40
```

```

filestore split multiple: 8
osd op threads: 8
filestore op threads: 8
osd recovery max active: 5
osd max backfills: 2
osd recovery op priority: 63
osd recovery max chunk: 1048576
osd scrub sleep: 0.1
osd disk thread ioprio class: idle
osd disk thread ioprio priority: 0
osd deep scrub stride: 1048576
osd scrub chunk max: 5

client:
  rbd concurrent management ops: 20
  rbd default map options: rw
  rbd default format: 2

#####
# OS TUNING #
#####

#disable_transparent_hugepage: true
#disable_swap: true
os_tuning_params:
  - { name: kernel.pid_max, value: 4194303 }
  - { name: fs.file-max, value: 26234859 }
  - { name: vm.zone_reclaim_mode, value: 0 }
  - { name: vm.vfs_cache_pressure, value: 50 }
  - { name: vm.min_free_kbytes, value: "{{ vm_min_free_kbytes }}" }

```

```
#####
# DOCKER #
#####

#docker: false

# Do not comment the variable mon_containerized_deployment_with_kv here. This
variable is being used

# by ceph.conf.j2 template. so it should always be defined
#mon_containerized_deployment_with_kv: false
#mon_containerized_deployment: false

#####

# Temporary Vars #
#####

# NOTE(SamYaple): These vars are set here to they are defined before use.
They

# should be removed after a refactor has properly seperated all the checks
into

# the appropriate roles.

#journal_collocation: False
#raw_multi_journal: False
#osd_directory: False
#bluestore: False
#dmccrypt_journal_collocation: False
#dmccrypt_dedicated_journal: False
```

Appendix H - /usr/share/ceph-ansible/group_vars/osds Configuration File

```
---

# Variables here are applicable to all host groups NOT roles

# This sample file generated by generate_group_vars_sample.sh
```

```

# Dummy variable to avoid error because ansible does not recognize the
# file as a good configuration file when no variable in it.
dummy:

# You can override default vars defined in defaults/main.yml here,
# but I would advise to use host or group vars instead

#####
# GENERAL #
#####

#fetch_directory: fetch/

# Even though OSD nodes should not have the admin key
# at their disposal, some people might want to have it
# distributed on OSD nodes. Setting 'copy_admin_key' to 'true'
# will copy the admin key to the /etc/ceph/ directory
#copy_admin_key: false

#####
# OSD CRUSH LOCATION
#####

# The following options will build a ceph.conf with OSD sections
# Example:
# [osd.X]
# osd crush location = "root=location"
#
# This works with your inventory file
# To match the following 'osd_crush_location' option the inventory must look
like:

```

```

#
# [osds]
# osd0 ceph_crush_root=foo ceph_crush_rack=bar

crush_location: false
osd_crush_location: "'root={{ ceph_crush_root }} rack={{ ceph_crush_rack }}
host={{ ansible_hostname }}"

#####
# CEPH OPTIONS
#####

# ACTIVATE THE FSID VARIABLE FOR NON-VAGRANT DEPLOYMENT
#fsid: "{{ cluster_uuid.stdout }}"
#cephx: true

# Devices to be used as OSDs
# You can pre-provision disks that are not present yet.
# Ansible will just skip them. Newly added disk will be
# automatically configured during the next run.
#

# !! WARNING !!
#
# /\ ENABLE ONLY ONE SCENARIO AT A TIME /\
#
# !! WARNING !!

# Declare devices
# All the scenariii inherit from the following device declaration
#

```

```
devices:
```

- /dev/sdf
- /dev/sdg
- /dev/sdh
- /dev/sdi
- /dev/sdj
- /dev/sdk
- /dev/sdl
- /dev/sdm
- /dev/sdn
- /dev/sdo
- /dev/sdp
- /dev/sdq
- /dev/sdr
- /dev/sds
- /dev/sdt
- /dev/sdu
- /dev/sdv
- /dev/sdw
- /dev/sdx
- /dev/sdy
- /dev/sdz
- /dev/sdaa
- /dev/sdab
- /dev/sdac

```
# Device discovery is based on the Ansible fact 'ansible_devices'  
# which reports all the devices on a system. If chosen all the disks  
# found will be passed to ceph-disk. You should not be worried on using  
# this option since ceph-disk has a built-in check which looks for empty  
# devices.  
# Thus devices with existing partition tables will not be used.
```

```

# This mode prevents you from filling out the 'devices' variable above.
#
#osd_auto_discovery: false

# I. First scenario: journal and osd_data on the same device
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
# This will collocate both journal and data on the same disk
# creating a partition at the beginning of the device

journal_collocation: false

# II. N journal devices for N OSDs
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
#
# In the following example:
# * sdd and sde will get sdb as a journal
# * sdf and sdg will get sdc as a journal
# While starting you have 2 options:
# 1. Pre-allocate all the devices
# 2. Progressively add new devices
raw_multi_journal: true
raw_journal_devices:
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sda
  - /dev/sdb
  - /dev/sdb
  - /dev/sdb

```

```
- /dev/sdb
- /dev/sdb
- /dev/sdb
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdc
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd
- /dev/sdd

# III. Use directory instead of disk for OSDs
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
#osd_directory: false
#osd_directories:
# - /var/lib/ceph/osd/mydir1
# - /var/lib/ceph/osd/mydir2

# IV. This will partition disks for BlueStore
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
#bluestore: false

# V. Encrypt osd data and/or journal devices with dm-crypt.
# Keys are stored into the monitors k/v store
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
```



```

# Both journal and data are stored on the same dm-crypt encrypted device
#dmccrypt_journal_collocation: false

# VI. Encrypt osd data and/or journal devices with dm-crypt.
# Keys are stored into the monitors k/v store
# Use 'true' to enable this scenario
# Journal and osd data are separated, each with their own dm-crypt device
# You must use raw_journal_devices and set your journal devices
#dmccrypt_dedicated_journal: false

#####
# DOCKER #
#####

#osd_containerized_deployment: false
#osd_containerized_deployment_with_kv: false
#kv_type: etcd
#kv_endpoint: 127.0.0.1
#ceph_osd_docker_prepare_env: ""
#ceph_osd_docker_username: ceph
#ceph_osd_docker_imagename: daemon
#ceph_osd_docker_extra_env: "CEPH_DAEMON=OSD_CEPH_DISK" # comma separated
variables
#ceph_osd_docker_devices:
# - /dev/sdb
#ceph_docker_on_openstack: false

```

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