Cisco Catalyst 9800 Wireless Controller for Cloud on Microsoft Azure Deployment Guide

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Overview



The IOS XE based Cisco Cloud Wireless LAN Controller sets the standard for Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) secure wireless network services in the Microsoft Azure cloud, bringing the world's most popular networking wireless platform to Azure.

The Public Cloud model chosen for the Cisco Catalyst 9800 for Cloud is Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS). In this model, the Public Cloud vendor provides the networking, computing, and security infrastructure while the customer fully manages the C9800-CL virtual machine in the cloud.

There are many advantages in adopting Public Cloud, let's list the ones that are most significant for the Catalyst 9800:

- Agility: it takes a few minutes to spawn a C9800 instance in Azure. This makes it easy to quickly launch a wireless controller to test some new feature or functionality and terminate it when done.
- Scalability: There are no physical limits in the public cloud, so new instances can be added as the requirements for additional APs or clients increase
- Global footprint: This is important for latency but also for security and privacy policies. The public cloud providers have a global footprint so from any location that APs installed to reach a C9800-CL in the cloud with a lower latency. Some customers have a strict security policy dictating that user data and traffic need to stay within the region; the public cloud providers have a Data Center in every geographical region.
- Cost effectiveness: reduce data center footprint and infrastructure costs. Shift from a capital expenditure (buying up front) model to an operational expenditure model.

Integration with Azure Marketplace

On Azure's Marketplace, there are multiple types of offerings for any given product. Only 2 options are applicable for C9800-CL to keep it consistent with AWS and GCP.

- 1. **Azure Virtual Machine**: Cisco provides only the image to the user, and it is up to the user to configure the VM as per the data sheet.
- 2. **Azure Application**: "Azure application" allows us to support automating the deployment and configuration of a solution beyond a single virtual machine (VM). It can simplify the process of providing multiple resources, including VMs, networking, and storage resources to provide complex solutions.

Required Resources

Like AWS and GCP, Cisco support the following template. Users will be able to choose the scale when launching via marketplace.

Scale	Memory(GB)	CPUs
Small- 1K APs, 10K Clients	8	4
Medium – 3K APs, 32K Clients	16	6
Large - 6K APs, 64K Clients	32	10

For more details on required resources and scale information, please visit Datasheet <u>here</u>

MS Azure Deployment



Section 0: Azure Deployment Workflow

Above is an example of Cisco Catalyst 9800 Wireless Controller Deployment in Azure. Please look at this workflow below that will help better understand and build up the deployment.



Section 1: Create Resource Group

Step1:

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	Ature conticos	Services See all	Marketplace							
	Azure services	🕞 Resource groups	Resource group							

On MS Azure Home Page, Search for resource groups and Click on the result.

😑 Microsoft Azure	$ {\cal P}$ Search resources, services, and docs (G+/)
Home >	
Resource groups ≈ ··· Cisco (cisco.onmicrosoft.com)	
+ Create 🕲 Manage view \lor 🕐 Refresh 🞍 Export to CSV $\%$	S Open query ∅ Assign tags ↓ 🖓 Feedback

Click on "Create".

Step2:

Create a resource grou	p	
Basics Tags Review + create Resource group - A container that holds n resources for the solution, or only those reallocate resources to resource groups base	elated resources for an Azure solution. The resource group can include all the sources that you want to manage as a group. You decide how you want to d on what makes the most sense for your organization. Learn more \mathcal{C}	
Project details		
Subscription *	Azure subscription 1 V	1
Resource group * ①	EFT_Azure_Resource_Group	2
Resource details		
Region * 🛈	(US) East US 🗸	3
Review + create < Previous	Next : Tags >	

- 1. Select a subscription.
- 2. Give a name to the new resource group.
- 3. Select the region for the resource group.

Section 2: Create Azure Virtual Network

Step 1:

On MS Azure Home Page, Search for Virtual networks and click on the search result. And then click on "**Create**"

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Home >	Services See all	Marketplace	See all						
Virtual networks 🖈 …	••• Virtual networks	Azure Virtual Network Endpoints Management							

Step2:

Create virtual netwo	rk
Basics IP Addresses Security	Tags Review + create
Azure Virtual Network (VNet) is the fu of Azure resources, such as Azure Virt premises networks. VNet is similar to additional benefits of Azure's infrastru	ndamental building block for your private network in Azure. VNet enables many types ual Machines (VM), to securely communicate with each other, the internet, and on- a traditional network that you'd operate in your own data center, but brings with it cuture such as scale, availability, and isolation. Learn more about virtual network
Project details	
Subscription *	Azure subscription 1
Resource group * ①	Create new 1
Instance details	
Name *	2
Pagion *	West US 2

- 1. Select the resource group that just created.
- 2. Give a name to the Virtual network
- 3. Select a region for the deployment.

Step 3:

Create virtual network			
Basics IP Addresses Security T The virtual network's address space, specifie	ags Review + create	in CIDR notation (e.g. 192.168.1.0/24).	
IPv4 address space 10.3.0.0/16 10.3.0.0 - 10.3.255.255 (65	536 addresses)		1]
Add IPv6 address space The subnet's address range in CIDR notati network.	on (e.g. 192.168.1.0/24). It must be	contained by the address space of the	virtual
+ Add subnet 🗊 Remove subnet			
Subnet name	Subnet address range	NAT gateway	3
default	10.3.0.0/24	-	
Use of a NAT gateway is recommended for it to a subnet after you create the virtual n	r outbound internet access from a sul etwork. Learn more හි	onet. You can deploy a NAT gateway and a	ssign

- 1. Click on "IP Address"
- 2. Enter the IPv4 address space for the Virtual network
- 3. Add subnets to the IPv4 address space

Note: The Virtual Ip address space and subnet should be different from the Campus network.

Note: The IPv4 address space and subnet are in CIDR notation e.g., 10.1.1.0/24

Step 3: Click on "**Security**", leave the following in default:

- DDoS protection: Disabled
- Firewall: Disabled

Click on "Review + create" and review the configuration and click on "Create".

Create virtual ne	twork
Basics IP Addresses	security Tags Review + create
BastionHost i	Disable Enable
DDoS Protection Standard ①	
Firewall ①	
	U Enable
Review + create	< Previous Next : Tags > Download a template for automation

Section 3: Create Network Security Group (for Azure Virtual Machine Only)

Note: This step is for deploying with Azure Virtual Machine only. If deploying with Azure Application, a network security group will be automatically generated by the preconfigured template in its resource group, it is not needed to create a new one here.

Step1:

On the Search bar, Search for "Network Security Group" and click on the search result.

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Home	> Network security gro	Services	See all	Marketplace						
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Step2: Click on "**Create**" and then:

Home > Network security groups >		
Create network security	y group	
Basics Tags Review + create		
Project details		
Subscription *	Azure subscription 1	\sim
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nesource group	Create new	
Instance details		
Name * 2		
Region * 3	West US 2	\sim

- 1. Choose the resource group just created.
- 2. Give a name to the network security group.
- 3. Select current region for the deployment.

Click on "Review Create" and "Create".

Step3: Add inbound rule

Go back to Network Security Group page and click on the security group just created.

On the left menu click on "**Inbound Security Rules**" Click on "**add**"

Add inbound security rule		×
Source ①		
Any		\sim
Source port ranges * ①		
*		
Destination ①		
Any		\sim
Service ①		
Custom		\sim
Destination port ranges * ①		
8080		
Protocol		
Any		
○ тср		
O UDP		
Action	1	
Allow		
O Deny		
Priority * 🕕		
100		~
Name *	2	
Port_8080		
Description		
3		
Add Cancel		

 Add typical ports that are needed for the traffic going into the instance. For Security reason, only allow ports are needed based on the network architect. Below is a list of ports with corresponding protocol that Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL is normally used.

Ports	Protocol
UDP 5246/5247/5248	CAPWAP
TCP 22	SSH, SCP
TCP 21	FTP
ICMP	Ping
UDP 161, 162	SNMP/SNMP traps
TCP 443/80	HTTPs/HTTP
TCP/UDP 49	TACACS+
UDP 53	DNS Server
UDP 1812/1645/1813/1646	Radius
UDP 123	NTP Server
UDP 514	Syslog

- 2. Give priority to this rule, rules are processed with priority order. The lower priority number is, the higher priority it has.
- 3. Give a name to this rule.

Repeat this process until all the rules have been added to the inbound rule.

Outbound Rules will be by default allow all. There is no requirement to change the default outbound rules.

Section 4: Managed VPN

Note:

From 17.8.1 release, onboarding through public IP for APs is supported on all public cloud platforms. Please refer to Section 6.

Note:

As of 17.7.1, the C9800-CL in Azure does not support use of the public IP. For AP join, the APs need to be behind a VPN. Please follow the steps below to establish a VPN connection to on-prem network.



4.1 Create Virtual Network Gateway

Step1: On the top Search bar, search for **"Virtual network gateways"** and click on the result

■ Microsoft Azure	℅ Virtual network gateways		
Home >	Services See all	Marketplace	
Virtual network gateways	🔒 Virtual network gateways	🎽 Virtual network gateway	

Step2: Click on "Create"

Home >	
Virtual network gateways Cisco (cisco.onmicrosoft.com)	\$ ² ···
+ Create 🔅 Manage view \vee 🖒 Refresh	⊥ Export to CSV S Open que
Filter for any field Subscription == all	Resource group == all \times
Showing 1 to 1 of 1 records.	

Step3:

Basics Tags Review + create	
Azure has provided a planning and desig	in guide to help you configure the various VPN gateway options. Learn more.
Project details	
Select the subscription to manage deploy your resources.	yed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and manage all
Subscription *	Wireless-TME-Azure
Resource group ①	Select a virtual network to get resource group
Instance details	
Name *	
Region *	West US 2 V
Gateway type * 🕥	VPN C ExpressRoute
VPN type * ①	Route-based Policy-based
SKU * 🕕	VpnGw2AZ 🗸
Generation ①	Generation2 V
Virtual network * 🛈	✓ 3
	Create virtual network
	 Only virtual networks in the currently selected subscription and region are listed.
Public IP address	
Public IP address *	Create new Use existing
Public IP address name *	5
Public IP address SKU	Standard
Assignment	Opynamic () Static
Availability zone *	€
Enable active-active mode * 🛈	C Enabled Disabled
Configure BGP * ①	C Enabled Disabled
Azure recommends using a validat instructions for configuration, refer	ed VPN device with your virtual network gateway. To view a list of validated devices and r to Azure's documentation regarding validated VPN devices.

- 1. Give a name for the gateway
- 2. Select current region for the deployment
- 3. Select the virtual network that you want to associate with the gateway, in this case, it will be the subnet where the C9800-CL is going to be located.
- 4. A new IP address can be created here, or it is also an option to choose the existing public IP address from the drop-down menu.
- 5. Give a name to the public IP address (only apply for creating a new public IP address)
- 6. Select the Availability zone

Click on "Review + create" and then "Create"

4.2 Create Local Network Gateway

Step1: On the top Search bar, search for **"Local Network Gateways"**, and click on the search result.

Microsoft Azure	$ {\cal P} $ local network gateways	×
> Virtual network gateways > ual network ga «	Services See all	Marketplace
isco.onmicrosoft.com)	··> Virtual networks	× · · ·

Step2: Click on "Create"

Home >	
Local n Cisco (cisco.on	network gateways 🖈 … nmicrosoft.com)
+ Create	\equiv Edit columns 🕐 Refresh \overrightarrow{e} Try preview $\not \bigtriangledown$ Feedback $\mid \ \oslash$ Assign
Subscription	s: Wireless-TME-Azure – Don't see a subscription? Open Directory + Subscription set
Filter by nar	me All resource groups V All locations

Step3:

Create local network gateway				
Basics Advanced Review + create	2			
A local network gateway is a specific object more.	t that represents an on-premises location (the site) for routing purposes. Learn			
Project details				
Subscription *	Wireless-TME-Azure			
Resource group *	Create new	શ		
Instance details				
Region *	West US 2	2		
Name *		3		
Endpoint ①	IP address FQDN			
IP address * ①		4		
Address space ①				
Add additional address range	5			

- 1. Select the resource group for the deployment.
- 2. Select the current region of the deployment.
- 3. Give a name for the Local Network Gateway
- 4. Enter the public facing IP address from the On-Prem router
- 5. Add the address spaces from your On-Prem router.

Click on "Review + create" and then "Create"

4.3 Add Connection

Step1: Go to Virtual network gateways and click on the gateway that just deployed.

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	C9800-CL-Deployment	C9800-CL Vpn C9800-CL_Deployment	West US 2	Wireless-TME-Azure		

Step2: On the left side menu, select "Connections" and then "Add"

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${\mathscr B}$ Diagnose and solve problems	
Settings	
💼 Configuration	
⊗ Connections	
↔ Point-to-site configuration	
🔁 NAT Rules (Preview)	
Properties	

+ Add	🕐 Refresh			
${\cal P}$ Search connections				
Name	^↓		Status	

Step3:

Add connection	
Name *	J
Connection type ① Site-to-site (IPsec)	2
*Virtual network gateway ①	3
*Local network gateway ① > Choose a local network gateway	4
Shared key (PSK) * ①	5
Use Azure Private IP Address ①	
IKE Protocol ① IKEv1	6

- 1. Give a name for the connection
- 2. Select Site-to-Site (IPsec)
- 3. Keep it as the current Virtual network gateway
- 4. Choose the local network gateway that just created
- 5. Give a Shared key for the connection
- 6. Select IKEv2

Click on "OK" on the bottom

4.4 Download configuration and apply to router

After the connection is deployed, you can download the configuration in the connection page.

Step1: Click on "Download configuration"

\circlearrowright Refresh \rightarrow Move \smallsetminus		🗐 Delete		
∧ Essentials		-		
Resource group (move) : C9800-CL Deployment Data in : 178.7			: 178.76 Kil	

Step2: Download the configuration for the on-prem router.

Q Download configuration	×
Download customer VPN device configuration temp	late
Cisco	\sim
Device family * IOS (ISR, ASR)	>
Firmware version * 15.x (IKEv2)	\sim
Download configuration	

- 1. Select the Device Vendor
- 2. Select the device family
- 3. Select 15.x (IKEv2)
- 4. Click on Download Configuration

Step3: Write the downloaded configuration in the router configuration, there is also rollback script at the end of the file to delete all the configuration that applied.

It will take about 5 mins for the connection to be established, the status of the connection will change to connected.

\bigcirc Refresh \rightarrow Move \checkmark \checkmark Download configuration i Delete				
∧ Essentials				
Resource group (move	e) : <u>C9800-CL Deployment</u>	Data in	: 178.76 KiB	
Status	: Connected	Data out	: 8.07 MiB	
Location	: West US 2	Virtual network	: <u>C9800-CL</u>	
Subscription (move)	: Wireless-TME-Azure	Virtual network gateway	: C9800-CL-Deployment	
Subscription ID	: 7ac3f4bd-db33-4cd3-ba71-8f51af521cdd	Local network gateway	: <u>C9800-Local (107.203.252.201)</u>	
Tags (<u>edit</u>)	: <u>Click here to add tags</u>			

For more information regarding VPN connection, please check it here.

Section 5: Deploy the Catalyst 9800-CL Instance in Microsoft Azure

5.1 Deploy Catalyst 9800-CL Instance by Azure Virtual Machine

Step 1:

Click on Marketplace, Search for **"Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller".** Click on the box with **"Virtual Machine**"



Click on "Create"

Cisco S	co Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller 🛇 Add to Favorites			
Cre	Start with a pre-set configuration			
Want t	o deploy programmatically? Get started			
Overview Plans	+ Pricing Usage Information + Support Reviews			
The Bring Your Own License (BYOL) version of next generation wireless controller (C9800-CL-K9) combines the advantages and flexibility of Azure public cloud with the customization and features richness customers usually get with on-prem deployments. As part of Cisco's Cloud portfolio, the Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller delivers high-speed always-on and secure wireless services with differentiating features like Zero Touch AP provisioning, High Availability, Application Visibility & Control, and more. The C9800-CL-K9 runs a modern Operation System, open Cisco IOS XE Software, that support model-driven programmability, streaming telemetry, and patching. Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller supports the following deployment scenario in this release: the wireless controller is available in Azure as Virtual Machine and Azure Application. The deployment mode supported is Flex Central Authentication and Local Switching for IPv4 and IPv6 clients with fall back to Local Authentication. This product will help enterprise customers to optimise their network management and deployment across distributed geographies: • Enterprise-class wireless controller is simple, secure and can scale on demand, and is delivered as laaS from the Azure Cloud • Cost effective wireless deployment with rich features set like Zero touch AP provisioning, AVC, Modular QoS, Flexible Netflow, Open Programmable interface, and more • Scales up to 6000 Access Points and 64,000 Clients with all Enterprise and Service Provider grade wireless features at ZERO cost				

Step 2: Basics

Create a virtual machine				
Project details				
Select the subscription to manage deploy your resources.	yed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and manage all			
Subscription * ①	Azure subscription 1			
Resource group * 🛈	(New) Resource group			
Instance details	2			
Virtual machine name * ()				
Region * 🛈 🛛 🔒	[(US) West US 2			
Availability options ①	No infrastructure redundancy required			
Security type ①	Standard V			
Image * 🛈	Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller - Beta - Gen1 V See all images Configure VM generation			
Size * ①	Standard_F4s_v2 - 4 vcpus, 8 GiB memory (\$123.37/month)			
Administrator account 4				
Authentication type ③	SSH public key Password			
Username * 🕕	username 🗸			
Password * 💿	······································			
Confirm password *	······································			

- 1. Click on Resource Group drop down menu and choose the Resource group just created
- 2. Give a name to C9800-CL, this name will also be your hostname after it deployed.
- 3. Select the Region that the C9800-CL is going to be deployed. Region needs to be chosen as the same region of the VPN.
- 4. In Authentication type, there are 2 options. For SSH public key, Azure will generate an SSH key pair to for SSH connection and could be stored for future use, existing key pair could also be uploaded and stored. For Password, a pair of username/password need to be entered for remote access to the console terminal (SSH/Telnet).

Click on "Next : Disk".

Step 3: Disk

Leave this page on default and click on "Next : Networking"

Step 4: Networking

Home > Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller - Beta >					
Create a virtual machine					
Basics Disks Networking Management Advanced Tags Review + create					
Define network connectivity for your virtual machine by configuring network interface card (NIC) settings. You can control ports, inbound and outbound connectivity with security group rules, or place behind an existing load balancing solution. Learn more 🖻					
Network interface					
When creating a virtual machine, a network interface will be created for you.					
Public IP ()					
Advanced					
1 This VM image has preconfigured NSG rules					
Create new					
The selected image does not support accelerated networking.					
Load belonging					
Load balancing					
You can place this virtual machine in the backend pool of an existing Azure load balancing solution. Learn more 🖄					
Place this virtual machine behind an existing load balancing solution?					

- 1. Under the Virtual network drop-down menu, click on the virtual network that created in the Resource group.
- 2. The C9800-CL can be accessed via the public IP address, a new public IP address can be created here, or an existing public IP address can be selected from the drop-down menu.
- 3. Choose the network security group that was created previously in the drop-down menu.

Click on "Next: Management".

Step 5: Management

Home > Marketplace > Cisco Cata	lyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller >			
Create a virtual machine				
Basics Disks Networking	Management Advanced Tags Review + create			
Configure monitoring and manageme	ent options for your VM.			
Azure Security Center				
Azure Security Center provides unified Learn more 더	d security management and advanced threat protection across hybrid cloud workloads.			
 Your subscription is protected by 	y Azure Security Center basic plan.			
Monitoring				
Boot diagnostics ()	Enable with managed storage account (recommended)			
	Enable with custom storage account			
	Disable			
Enable OS guest diagnostics 🔅				
Diagnostics storage account * 🕕	c9800cldeploymentdiag			
	Create new			
Identity	2			
System assigned managed identity 🤇				
Azure AD				
Login with Azure AD ①				
Review + create < Previous Next : Advanced > 3				

(Optional) It is recommended to enable the custom storage account and create a new Diagnostics storage account, for console connection access from Azure serial console feature when you lose connection with the C9800-CL.

- 1. Select Enable with custom storage account
- 2. Create new or select the existing Diagnostics storage account
- 3. Click on "Next: Advanced"

Step 6: Advanced



The IOS bootstrap config can be input in Custom data box for configuring the VM while it is being provisioned.

Example format: username admin privilege 15 password 0 admin123

Click on "Review + Create" and then "Create"

Step 7: Day 0 Configuration

After the deployment is done, the C9800-CL can be accessed with WebUI via public IP address or Private IP address for Day 0 Configuration page, the Steps on Day 0 configurations and after are the same as deploying C9800-CL on AWS and GCP. SSH and serial console will be used for Day 1 configuration.

Con	figuration Setup Wizard	
	Host Name* Country Date Time / Timezone	C9800-CL US 28 Jun 2022 (2) 10:16.47 (3) / Pacific •
	NTP Servers	Enter NTP Server
	AAA Servers	Added MIP servers Enter Budus Server P Enter Key
	Wireless Management Settings	
	Port Number	GigabitEthemet1 👻
	IP Address	10.10.0.4
		Next

For more information on configuration, please click here.

5.2 Deploy Catalyst 9800-CL Instance by Azure Application

Deploying the C9800-CL from Azure Application requires an empty resource group, it is required to create a new resource group prior the deployment process or during the deployment process, for more detail on creating resource group prior the deployment process, please check the section "MS Azure Deployment-Create Resource Group".

Step1:

Click on Marketplace, Search for **"Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller".** Click on the box with **"Azure Application**"



Click on "Create"

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Overview	Create Plans Usage Information + Support Reviews
The Bring \ customizat high-speed The C9800 Catalyst 98 Application This produ • Enterprise	four Own License (BYOL) version of next generation wireless controller (C9800-CL-K9) combines the advantages and flexibility of Azure public cloud with the ion and features richness customers usually get with on-prem deployments. As part of Cisco's Cloud portfolio, the Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller delive always-on and secure wireless services with differentiating features like Zero Touch AP provisioning. High Availability, Application Visibility & Control, and -CL-K9 runs a modern Operation System, open Cisco IOS XE Software, that support model-driven programmability, streaming telemetry, and patching. Cisco 00-CL Wireless Controller supports the following deployment scenario in this release: the wireless controller is available in Azure as Virtual Machine and Azure. The deployment mode supported is Flex Central Authentication and Local Switching for IPv4 and IPv6 clients with fall back to Local Authentication. ct will help enterprise customers to optimise their network management and deployment across distributed geographies: e-class wireless controller is simple, secure and can scale on demand, and is delivered as laaS from the Azure Cloud

Step2: Basics

Home > Marketplace > Cisco Catal	yst 9800-CL Wireless Controller (preview) >
Create Cisco Catalyst	9800-CL Wireless Controller
Basics Cisco C9800-CL settings	Review + create
Project details	
Select the subscription to manage dep manage all your resources.	ployed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and
Subscription * 🕡	Wireless-TME-Azure
Resource group * ①	1
	Create new
Instance details	
	2
Region * ()	West US 2
Virtual Machine name * 🛈	3
Username * 🕕	4
Authentication type *	5 • Password
	SSH Public Key
Password *	6
Confirm password *	7
Cisco IOS XE Image Version ①	8 17.7 - EFT V

- 1. Select the newly created empty resource group, if there is no empty resource group, click on "**Create new**" under the drop-down menu.
- 2. Select your current region
- 3. Give a name to the C9800-CL, it will also be the host name of the device
- 4. Give a login username for the C9800-CL
- 5. In Authentication type, there are 2 options. For SSH public key, Azure will generate an SSH key pair to for SSH connection and could be stored for future use, existing key pair could also be uploaded and stored. For Password, a pair of username/password need to be entered for remote access to the console terminal (SSH/Telnet). In the username bar, give it an administrator username for C9800-CL
- 6. Give a login password for the C9800-CL
- 7. Confirm the password
- 8. Select an Image Version for the C9800-CL.

Click on "Next: Cisco C9800-CL settings"

Step3: Cisco	C9800-CL	settings
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- 1. Select true on Boot diagnostics
- 2. The default size of the VM is the smallest scale, the size can be changed by clicking on "**Change size**" and choose between the three different sizes as shown below:

Showing 3 VM sizes.	Subscription: Wireless- TME-Azure	Region: Curr Vest US 2 Star	rent size: Lear ndard_F4s_v2 VM	n more about Gui sizes reg	dance choosing a ion or VM size	Group by series \checkmark
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F4s_v2	Compute optimized	4	8	8	6400	32
F8s_v2	Compute optimized	8	16	16	12800	64
F16s_v2	Compute optimized	16	32	32	25600	128

- 3. If there is bootstrap configuration that would like to be uploaded, select **"Yes"**, otherwise click on **"No"**.
- 4. Diagnostics Storage account is recommended, it is for connecting and screening the serial console. A new Diagnostic account can be created here.
- 5. The C9800-CL can be accessed via the public IP address, a new public IP address can be created here.
- 6. Keep it as default.
- 7. Select the Virtual network that maps the VPN connection that configured.

8. Select the Subnet that maps the VPN connection that configured.

Click on **"Review + create"** and then Click on **"Create" Step 4: Day 0 Configuration**

After the deployment is done, the C9800-CL can be accessed with WebUI via public IP address or Private IP address for Day 0 Configuration page, the Steps on Day 0 configurations and after are the same as deploying C9800-CL on AWS and GCP. SSH and serial console will be used for Day 1 configuration.

cisco Co	onfiguration Setup Wizard	
	1. General Settings	
	Host Name*	C9800-CL-Application
	Country	us
	Date	28 Jan 2022
	Time / Timezone	11:34:32 💿 / Pacific 💌
	NTP Servers	Enter NTP Server
	AAA Servers	Added AAA servers
	Wireless Management Settings	
	Port Number	GigabiEthernet1 •
	IP Address	10.10.0.4
		Next

For more information on configuration, please click <u>here</u>.

Section 6: Enable Public IP for AP to onboard

From 17.8.1 release, onboarding through public IP for APs is supported on public cloud. Please upgrade the image to 17.8.1 before performing the following feature.

Step1: Enable public Discovery in AP join profile

WebUI Configuration:



In Main Menu, Select Configuration -> Tags & Profile -> AP join

Configuration - > Tags & Profiles - > AP Join								
+ Add X Delete								
AP Join Profile Name	Description	Ţ						
default-ap-profile	default ap profile							
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Click on the AP join Profile currently using.

Edit AP Join Profile	<u>_</u>					
General Client CAP	WAP AP	Management	Security	lCap	QoS	
High Availability Advance	ced 2					
Enable Data Encryption			Discov	ery		
Enable Jumbo MTU	~		Private		~	
Link Latency	Disable	•	Public		3	
Preferred Mode	Disable	•				
CAPWAP Window Size	20	i				

- 1. Click on **CAPWAP**
- 2. Click on **Advanced**
- 3. Make sure **Public** Discovery is enabled.

CLI Configuration:

- 1. configure terminal example: C9800-CL-VM#configure terminal
- 2. ap profile <AP Join Profile Name> example: C9800-CL-VM(config)# ap profile default-ap-profile
- **3. capwap-discovery public** example: C9800-CL-VM(config-ap-profile)# capwap-discovery public

Note:

If Public Discovery and Private Discovery are enabled **at the same time** in the AP join Profile. APs that with VPN connection will have a chance to join via public IP if it has the public IP access.

To avoid this, it is needed to create a separate **AP site tag** and **AP join profile** with only Private Discovery enabled for these APs that need to be private onboarded.

Step2: Add NAT-IP address on Wireless Management Interface

WebUI Configuration:



In the Main Menu, Select Configuration -> Interface -> Wireless

Co	nfiguration - > Interfa	ace •	> Wireless													
	+ Add 🛛 🛛 × Delete															
	Interface Name	T	Interface Type	Ţ	VLAN ID	Ŧ	IP Address	Ŧ	IP Netmask	T	MAC Address	T	NAT-IP Address	Ţ	Configured Trustpoint	
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Click on the current management wireless interface

Edit Management Interface								
A Changing the interface or trustpoint will cause APs to disconnect and disrupt clients.								
Interface	GigabitEthernet1 🔹 (i)							
Trustpoint	C9800-CL-VM* 🔻 🛛							
NAT IPv4/IPv6 Server Address								

Edit the Wireless Management Interface NAT IPv4/IPv6 Server Address to the public IP address of the WLC.

CLI Configuration:

- 1. configure terminal example: C9800-CL-VM#configure terminal
- 2. wireless management interface <Wireless Management Interface> example: C9800-CL-VM(config)# wireless management interface GigabitEthernet1
- 3. public-ip <Public IP address of the WLC> example: C9800-CL-VM(config-mgmt-interface)# public-ip xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

Step3: Configure Primary base on AP console

CLI configuration on AP console:

1. capwap ap primary-base <Host name of WLC> <Public IP address of WLC>

example: AP# capwap ap primary-base C9800-CL xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

2. capwap ap restart

example: AP# capwap ap restart

Now the AP will restart the CAPWAP process and join WLC via Public IP address