Cisco Spaces: Connector OVA

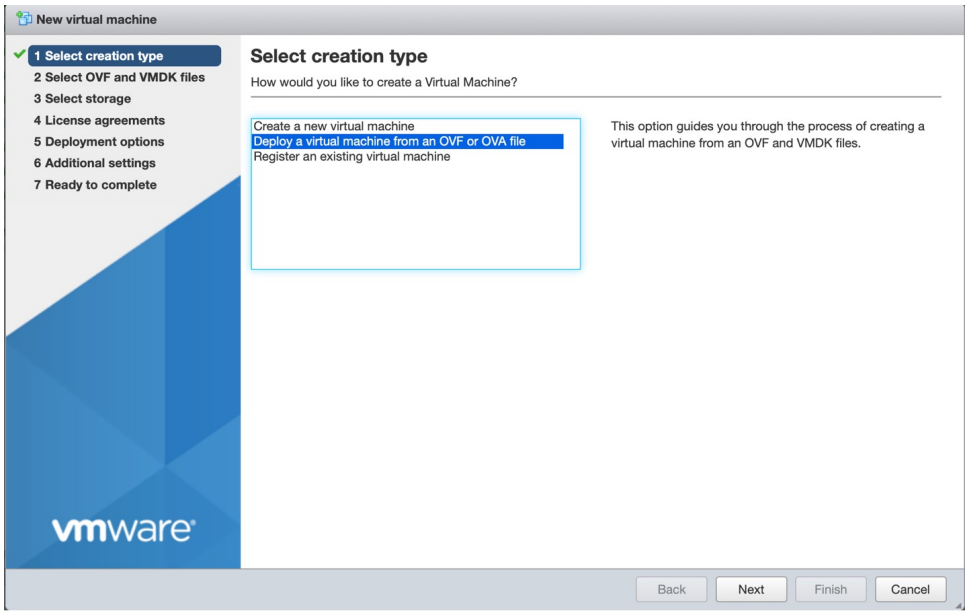
Downloading and Deploying the Cisco Spaces: Connector OVA (Single Interface)

This chapter provides information about how to download and deploy the Cisco Spaces: Connector and obtain the URL for the Connector GUI.

Step 1 Download Connector 2.3 from Cisco.com.

Step 2 Create a virtual machine in the ESXi server and deploy the downloaded Cisco Spaces: Connector OVA.

Step 3 In the **Select creation type** window, choose **Deploy a virtual machine from an OVF or OVA** file, and click **Next**.



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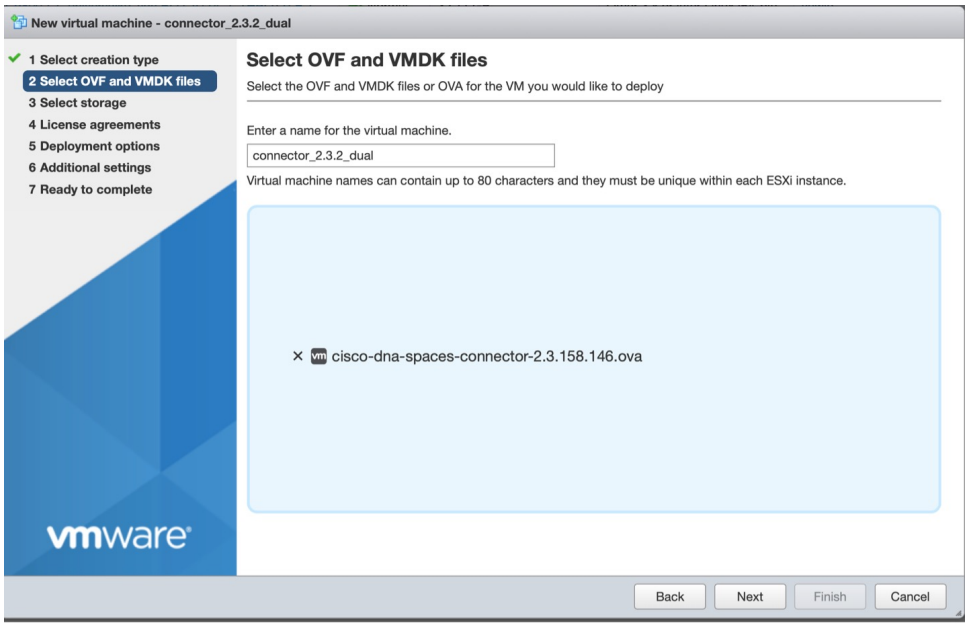

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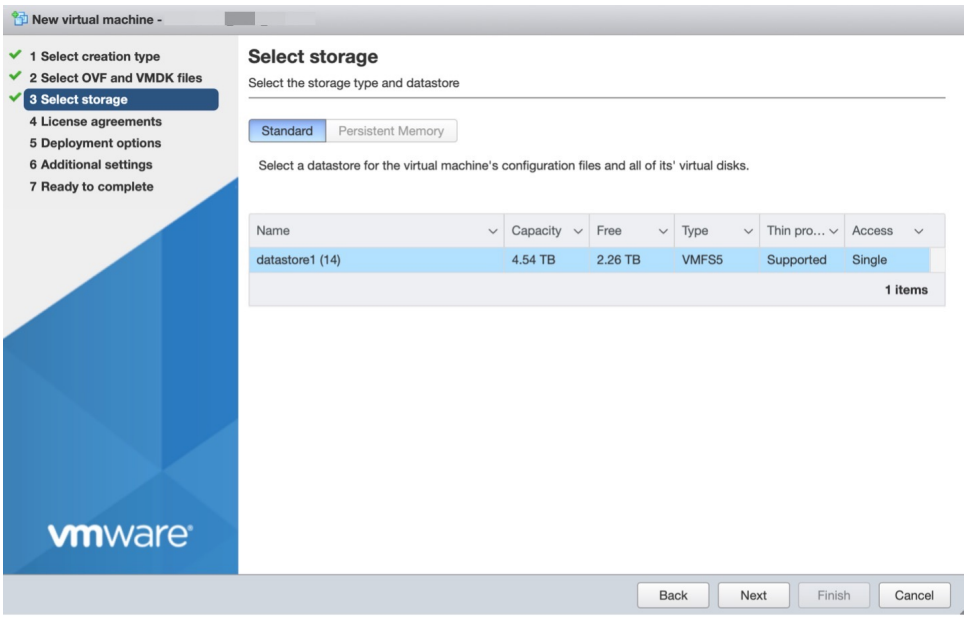

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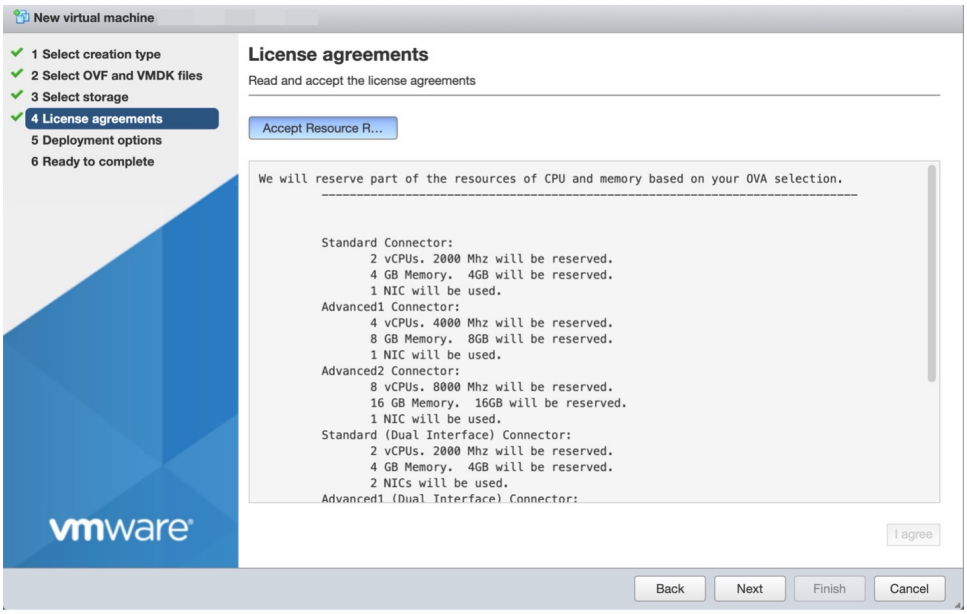


Step 7 In the **Deployment Options** window, do the following:

a) In the **Network-mapping** field, enter the name of the network.

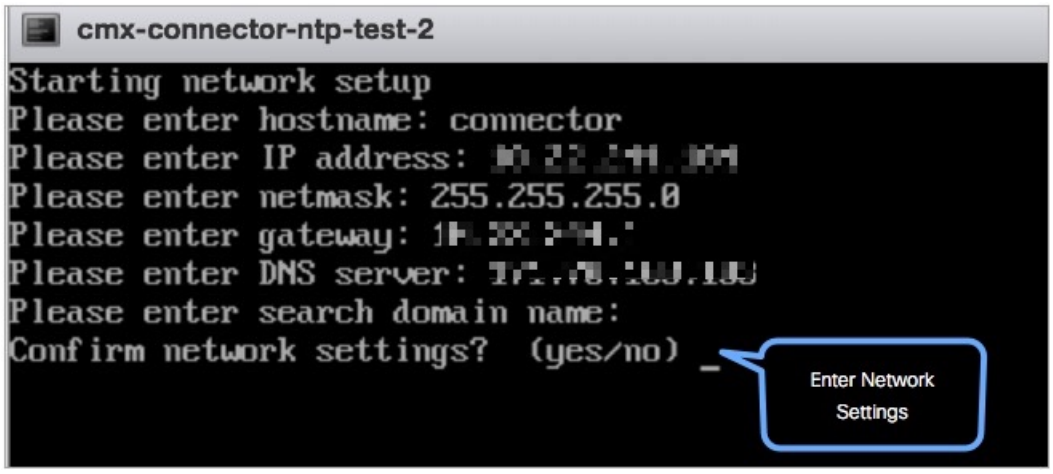
b) From the **Deployment type** drop-down list, choose one of the following, and click **Next**:

- **Standard**
- **Advanced1**
- **Advanced2**

Step 8 Review the configurations and click **Finish**.

Step 9 Log in to the terminal and enter the default username **root** and default password **cisco**.

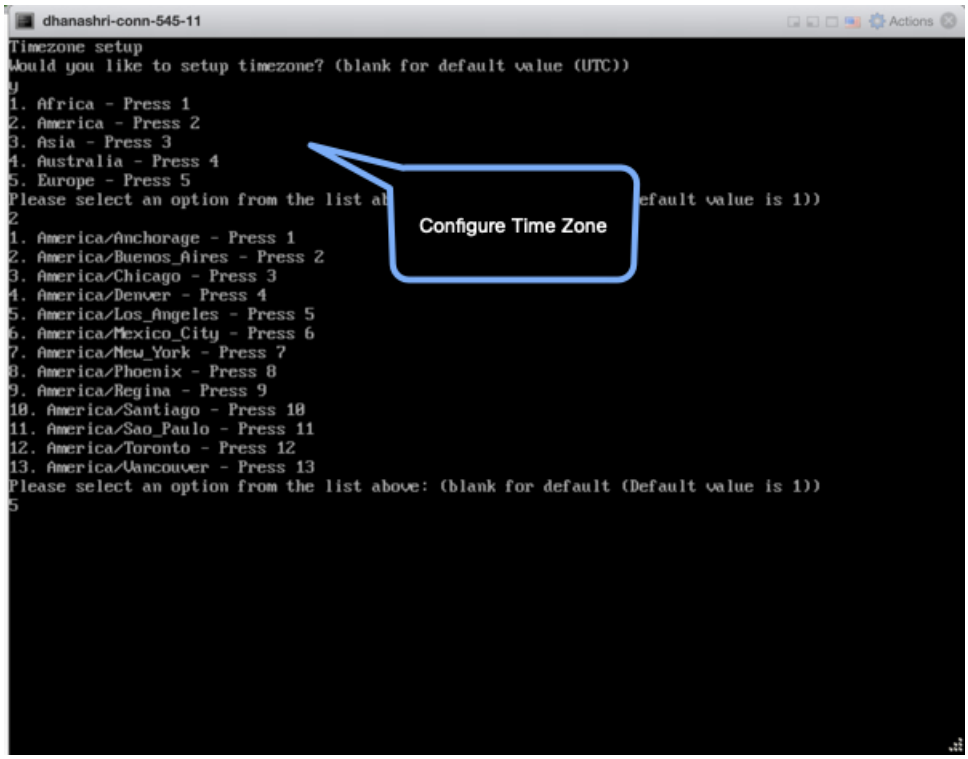
Step 10 Enter the network settings by specifying parameters such as IP address, hostname, and so on, that you want to configure on the Cisco Spaces: Connector.

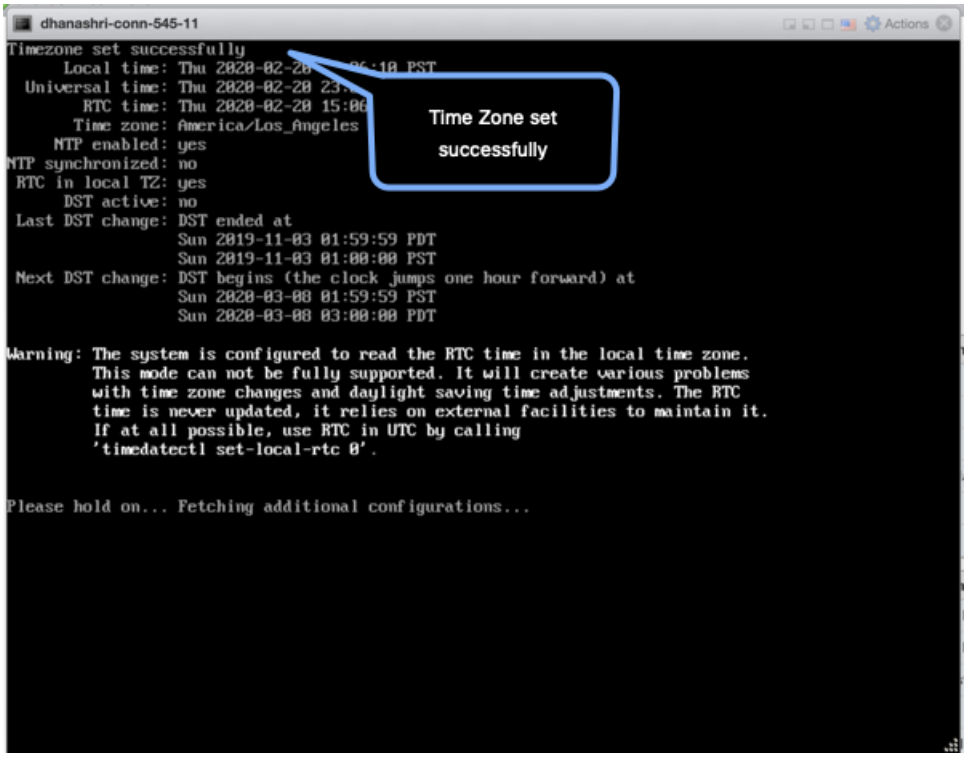


Note Because this configuration screen times out in 60 seconds, ensure that you provide the input on time to avoid reconfiguration.

You can add multiple DNS server as a comma separated list in this step. Once the task is complete and the Cisco Spaces: Connector is deployed, you can login to the Connector CLI, and run the **connectorctl networkconfig** command to add more DNS servers or edit the existing list.

Step 11 Enter the time zone.





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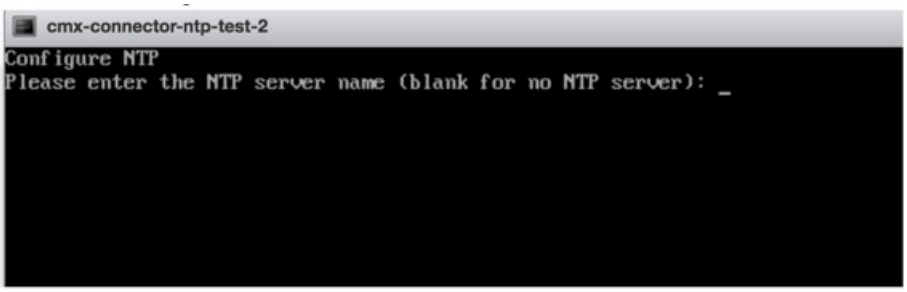

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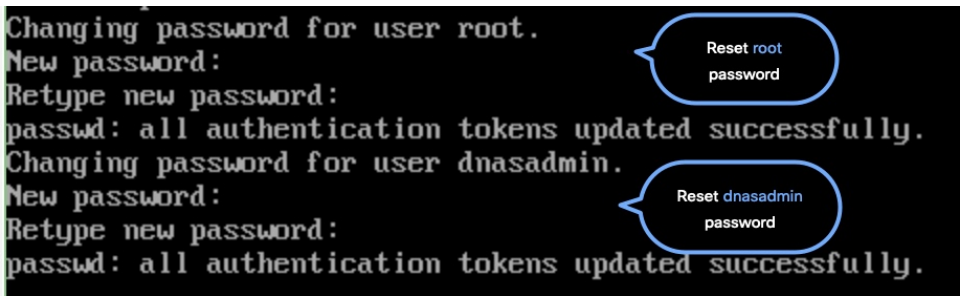

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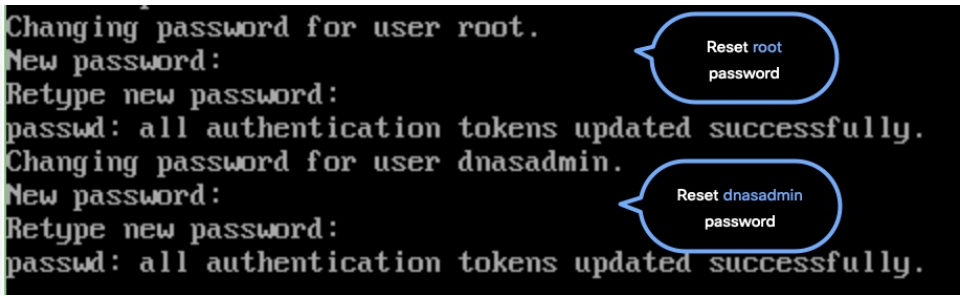

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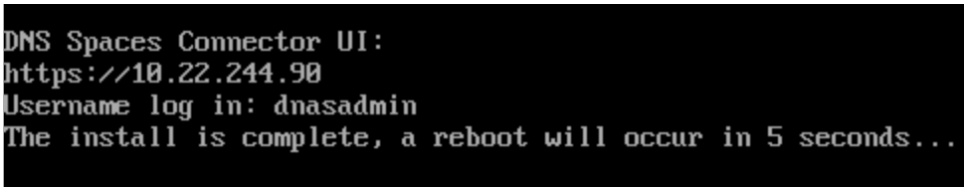

What to do next

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The root user is disabled and is used only for advanced troubleshooting by Cisco Support Team.

Downloading and Deploying the Cisco Spaces: Connector OVA (Dual Interface)

Starting with Connector 2.3.2, you can use the dual-interface deployment of the Connector in network deployments which require the Connector to connect to two separate networks.

One of these networks is usually a private network connecting most of your devices. The other network is external facing and hence can connect to the cloud-hosted Cisco Spaces.

This deployment is recommended when most of the devices that are managed by the Connector are on private or internal networks.

Note We recommend that you connect the controller to a private network because this configuration allows the Connector to connect to the controller using SSH connections.

Before you begin

Ensure that the Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) device where you install the Open Virtualization Appliance (OVA) is connected to two separate networks. In this network configuration, the Cisco UCS device is configured with two physical network interface cards (NICs). Each NIC is connected to a switch. In this way, the Cisco UCS device is connected to two networks.

Figure 2: Two Physical Interfaces

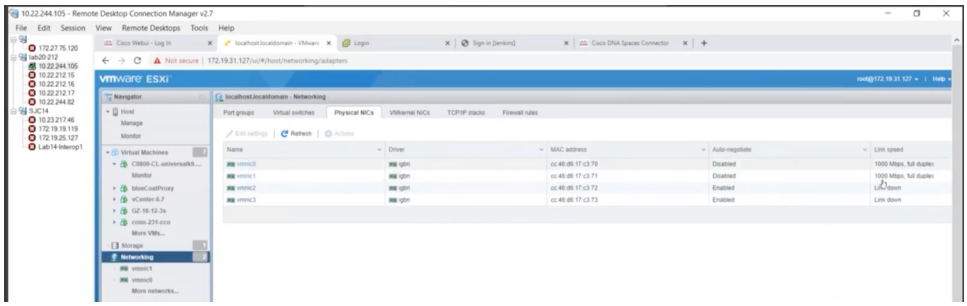
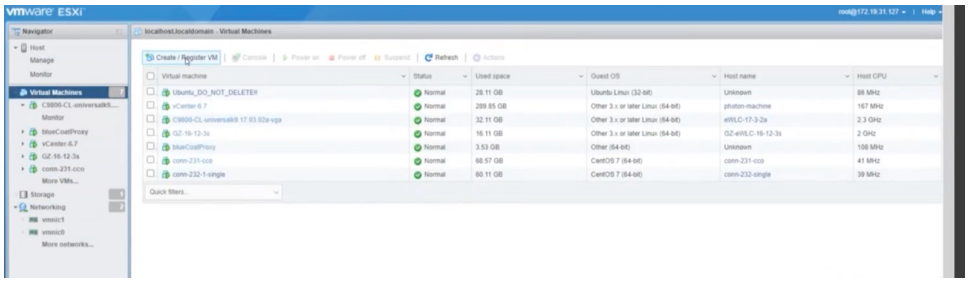


Figure 3: Two Separate Networks



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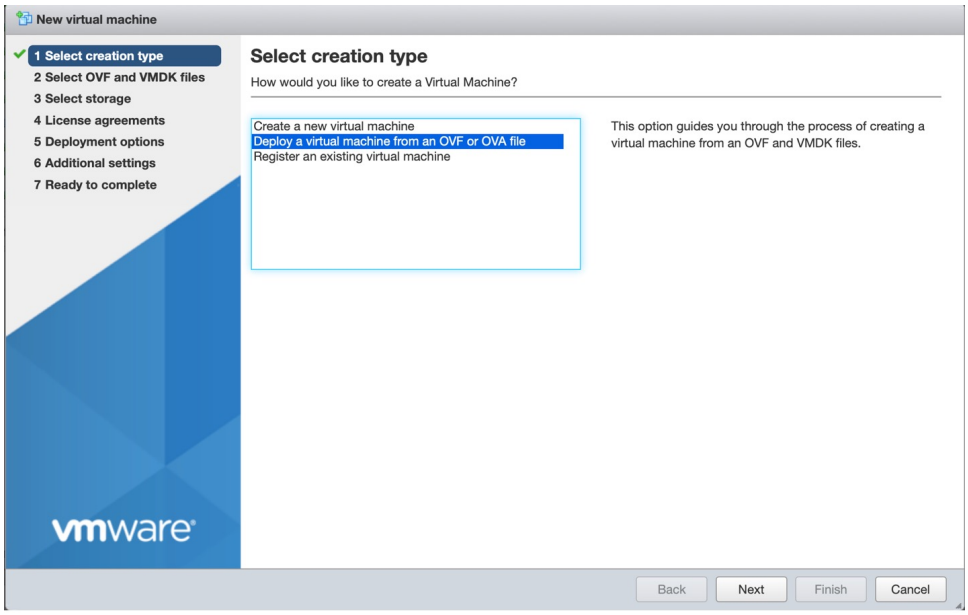

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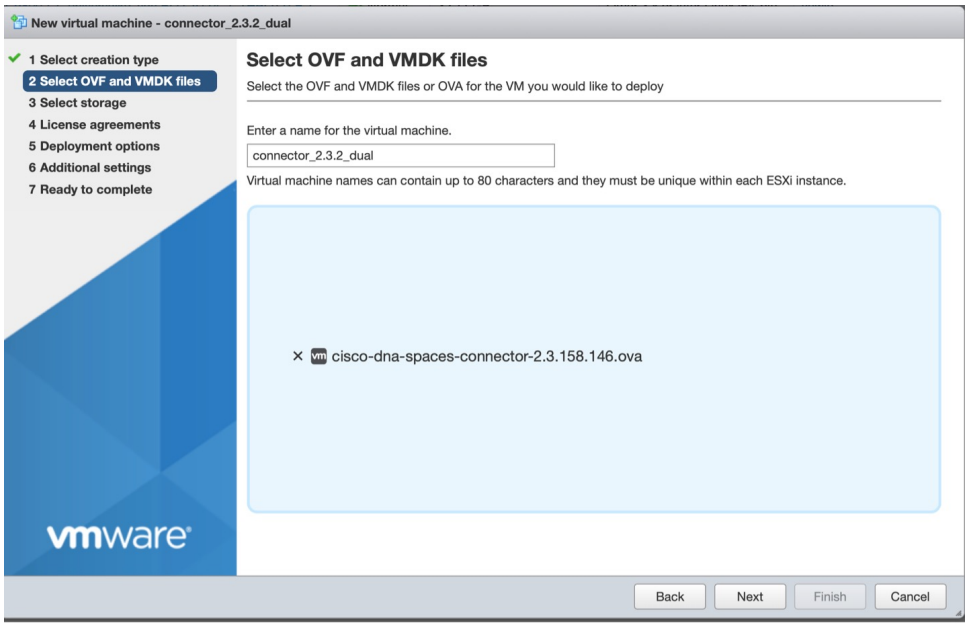

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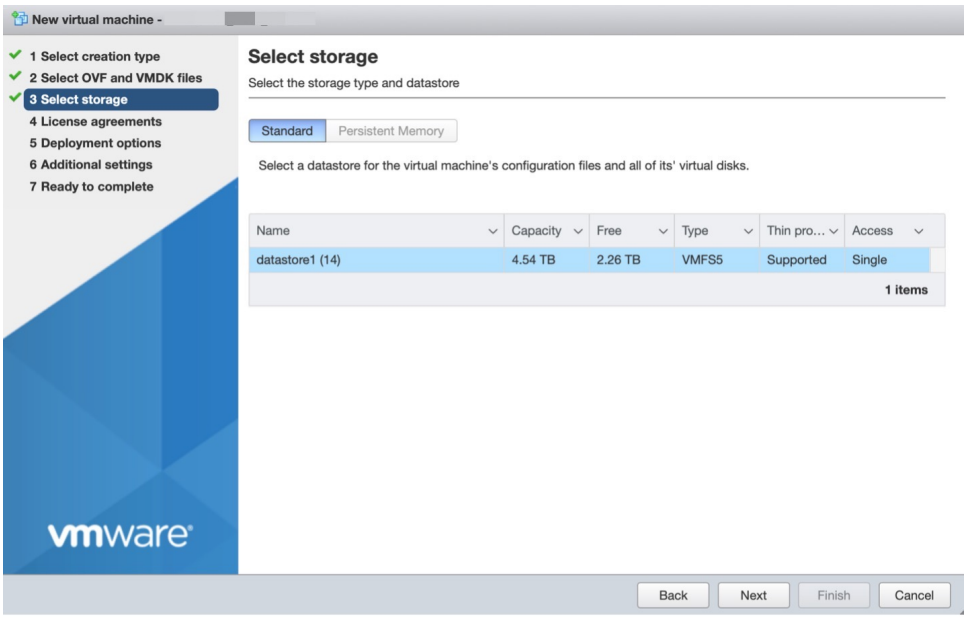

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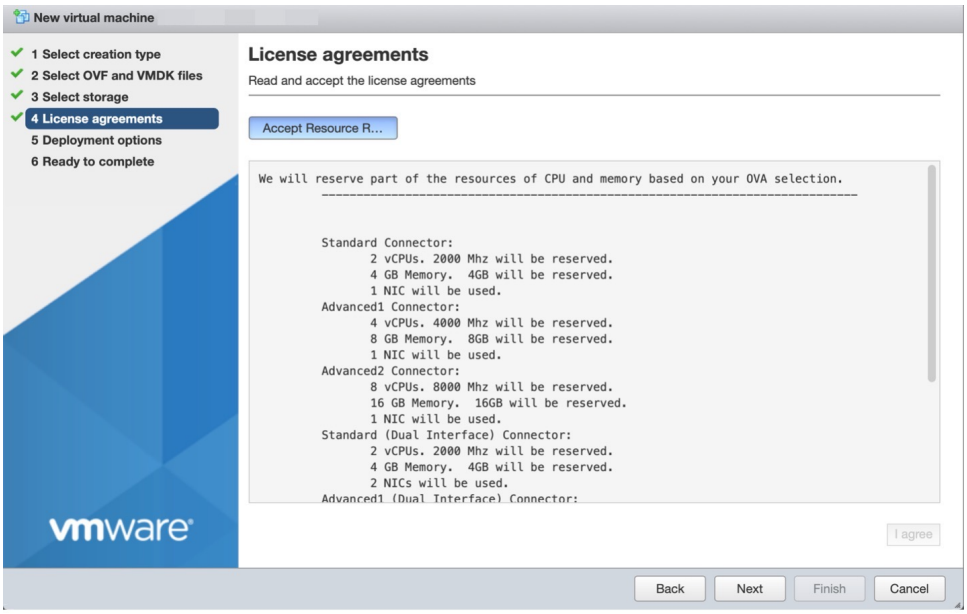


Step 7 In the **Deployment options** window, do the following:

a) In the **CloudInterface** field, enter the name of the external-facing network.
b) In the **DeviceInterface** field, enter the name of the private network.
c) From the **Deployment type** drop-down list, choose one of the following deployment types, and lick **Next**.

- **Standard (Dual Interface)**
- **Advanced1 (Dual Interface)**
- **Advanced2 (Dual Interface)**

Figure 4: Entering the External-Facing and Private Network's Names

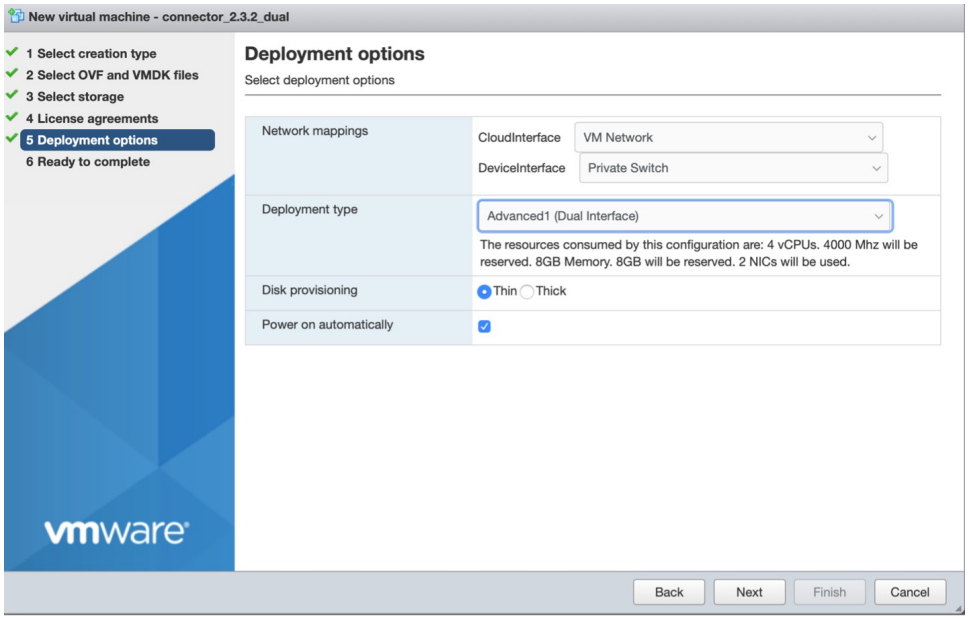
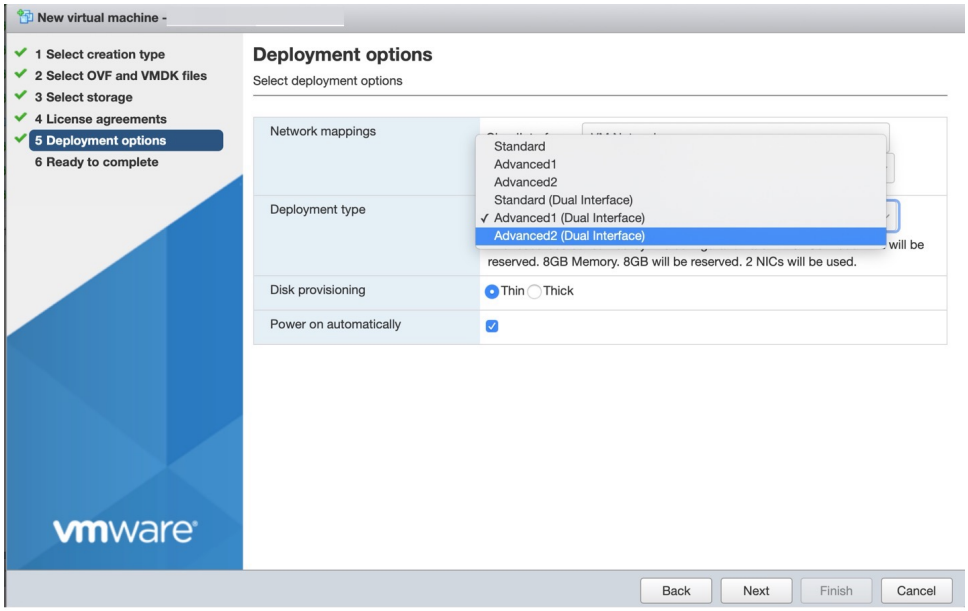


Figure 5: Choosing the Deployment Type



Step 8 Review the configurations and click **Finish**.

Step 9 Log in to the terminal and enter the default username **root** and default password **cisco**.

Step 10 Configure the network settings for the external-facing network first, by specifying the parameters such as IP address, hostname, and so on.

Figure 6: Enter the Network Settings of External-Facing Network

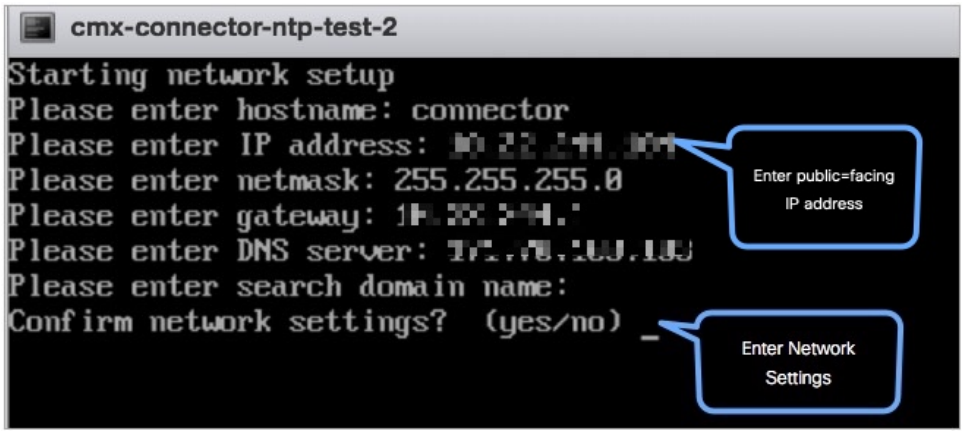


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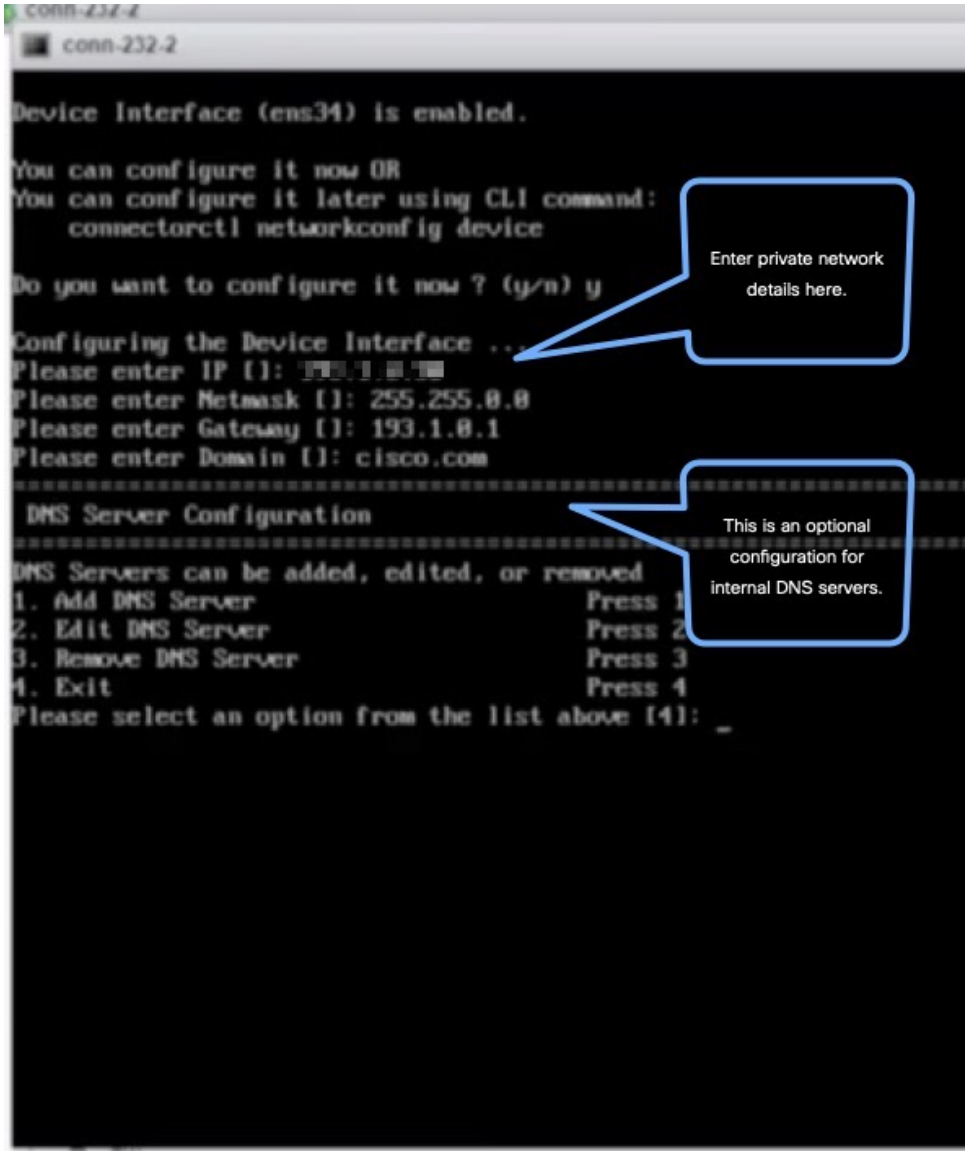
Figure 7: Enter the Network Settings of Private Network



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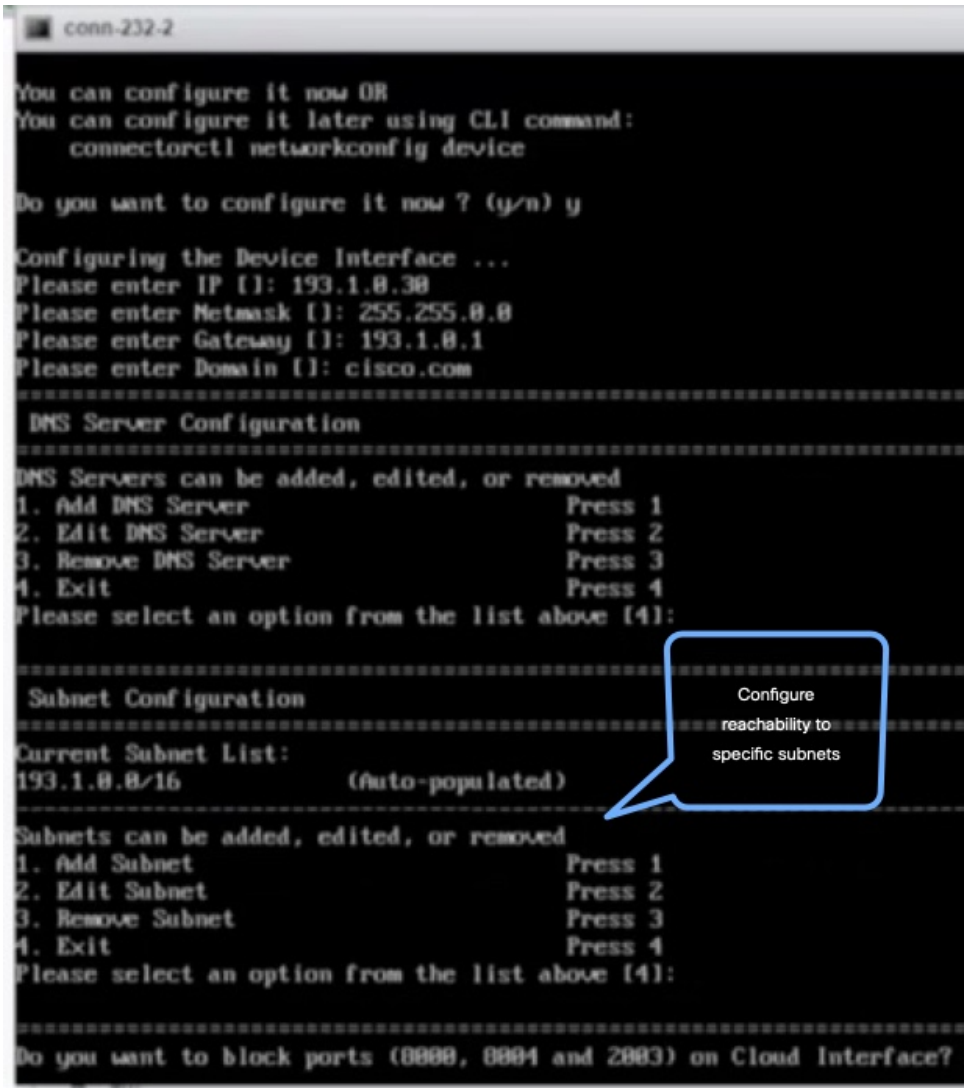

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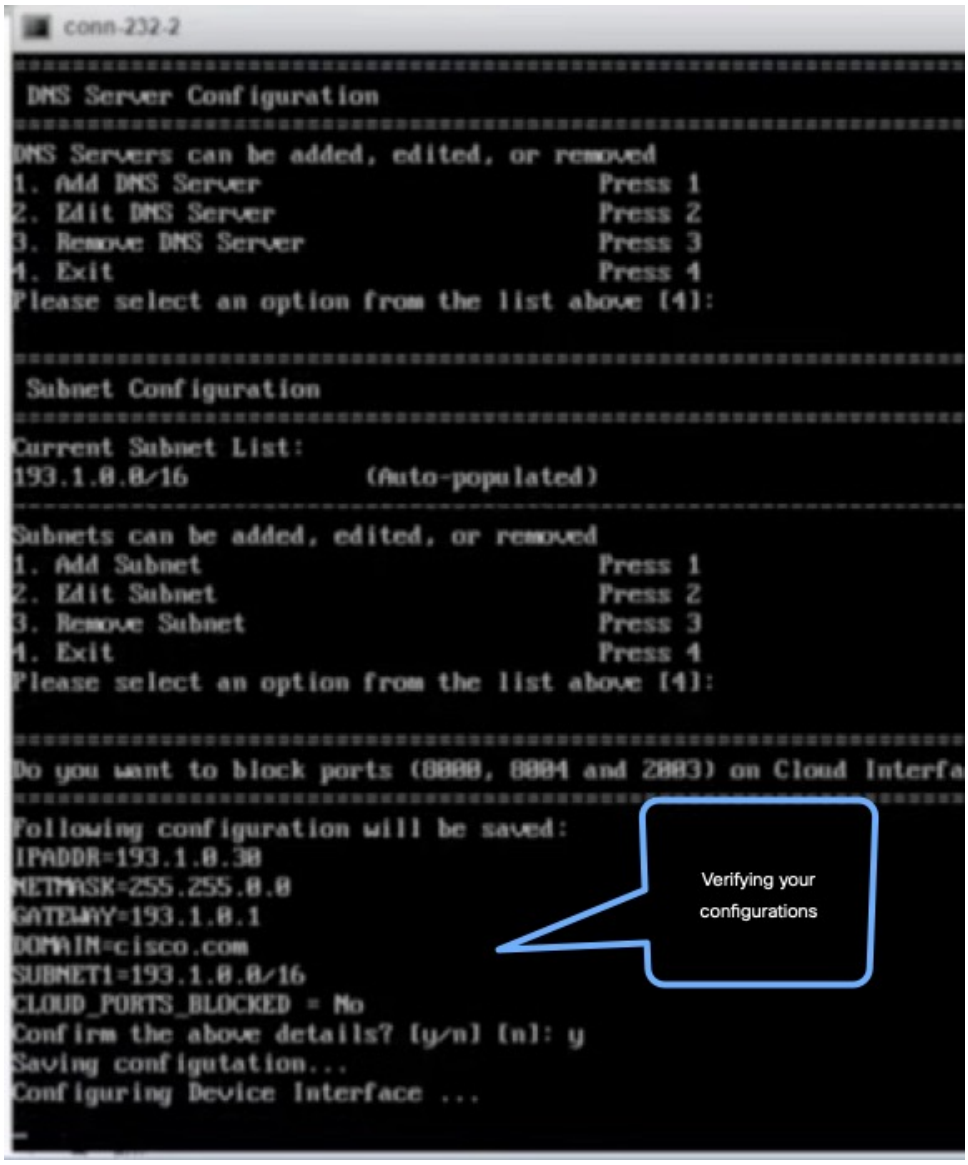

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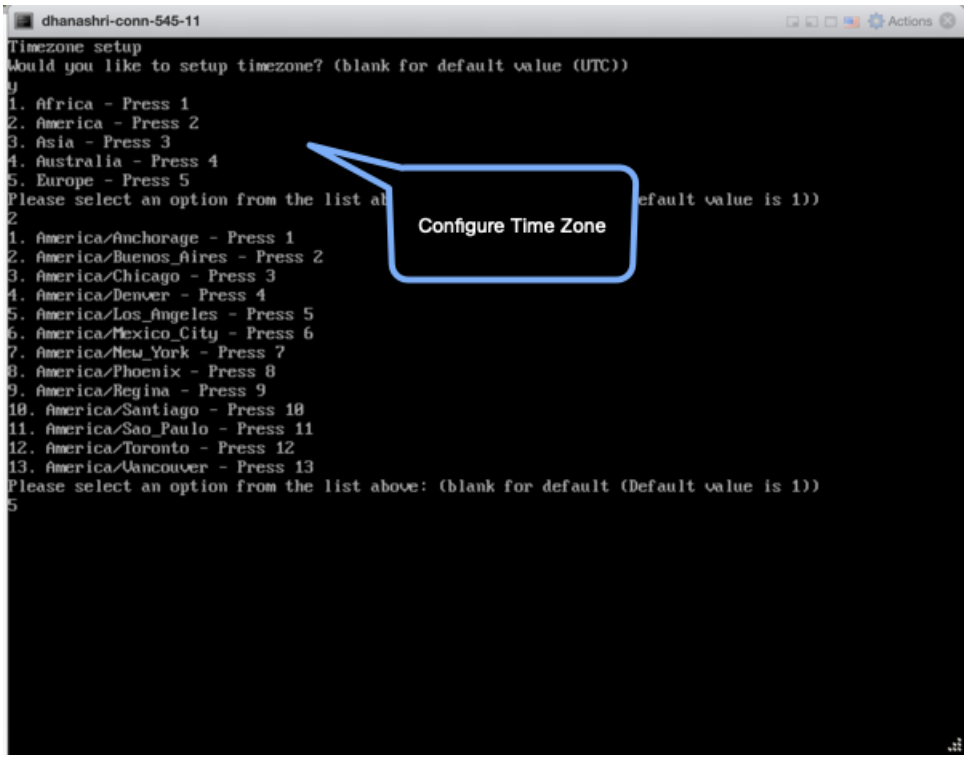

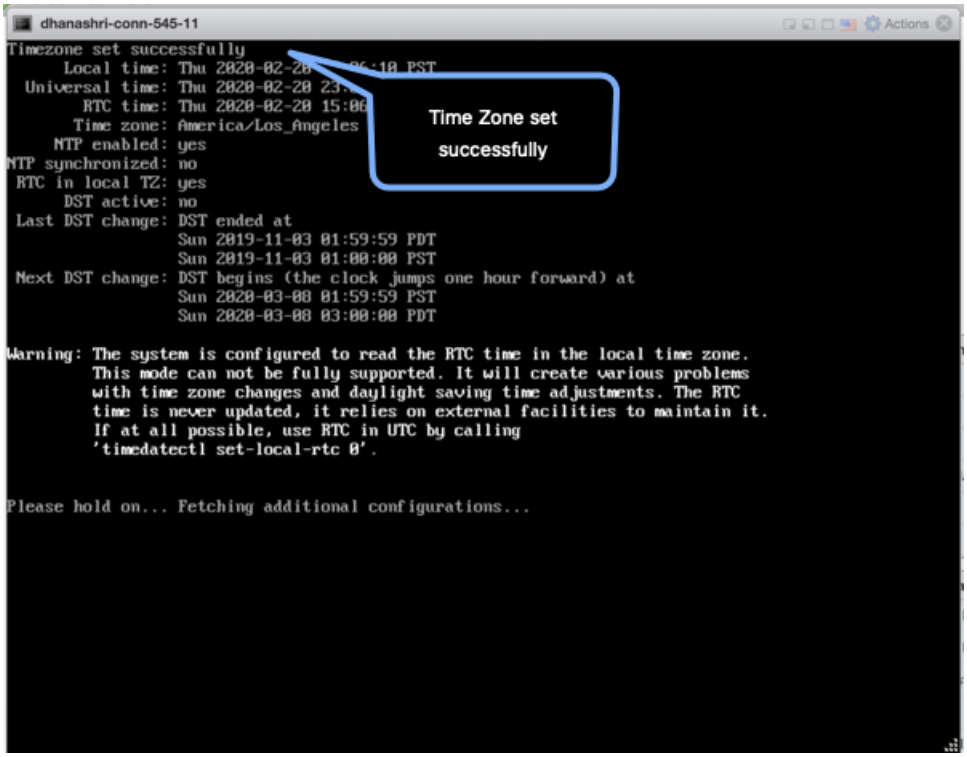

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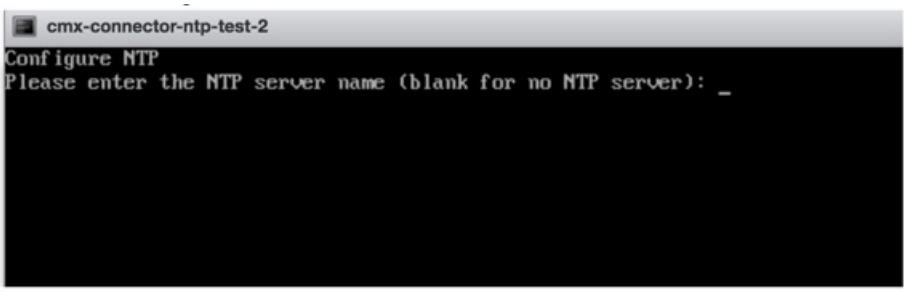

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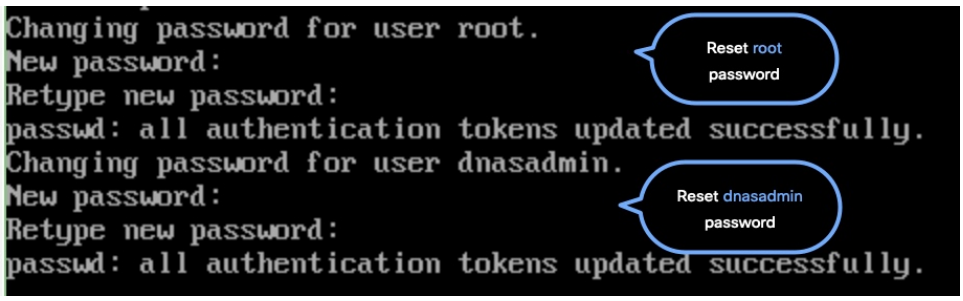

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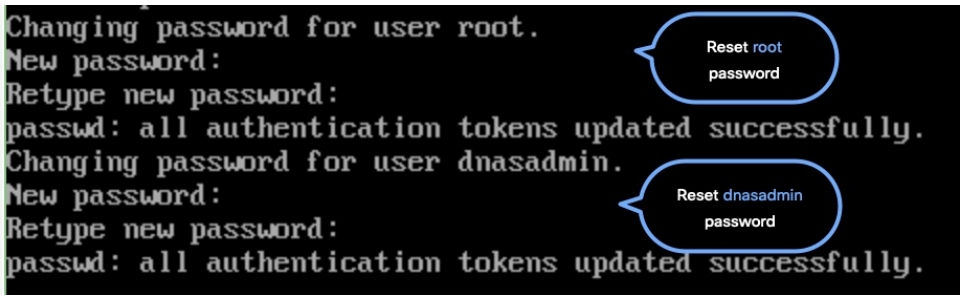

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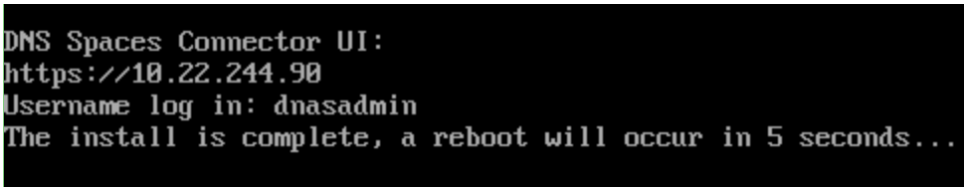

Step 18 Verify the network Settings of external-facing network using the **connectorctl networkconfig cloudstatus** command.

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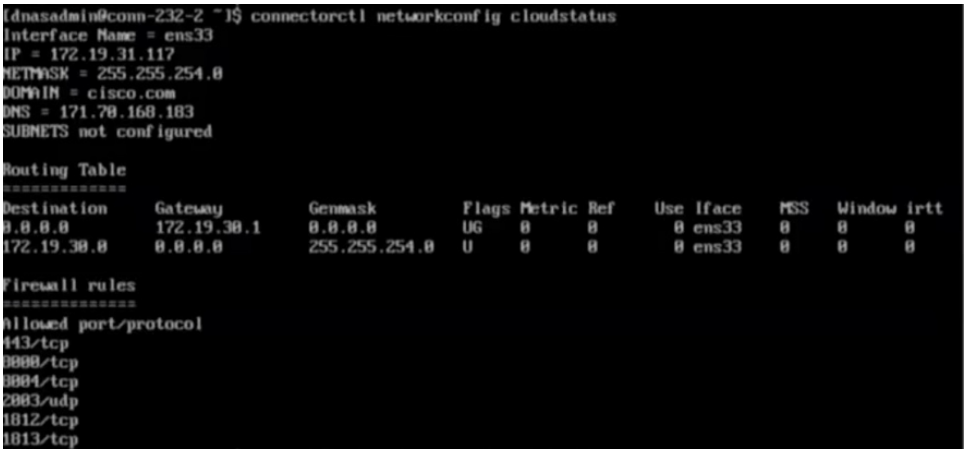

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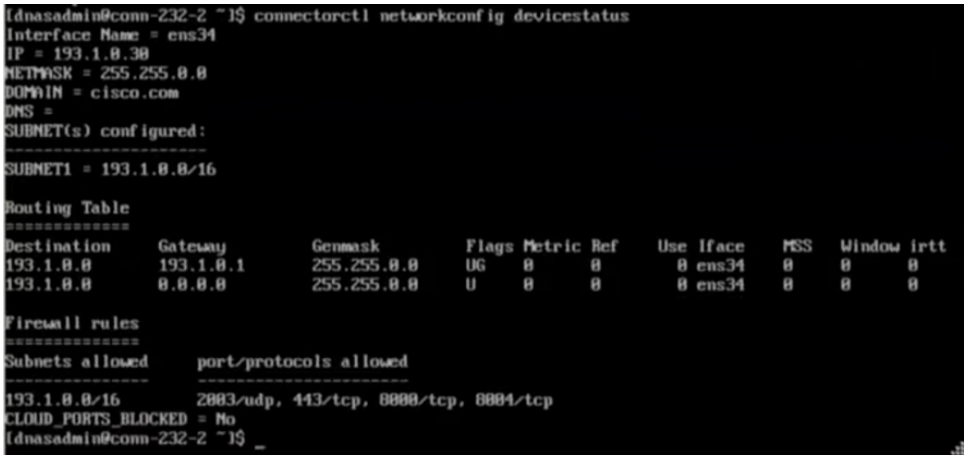
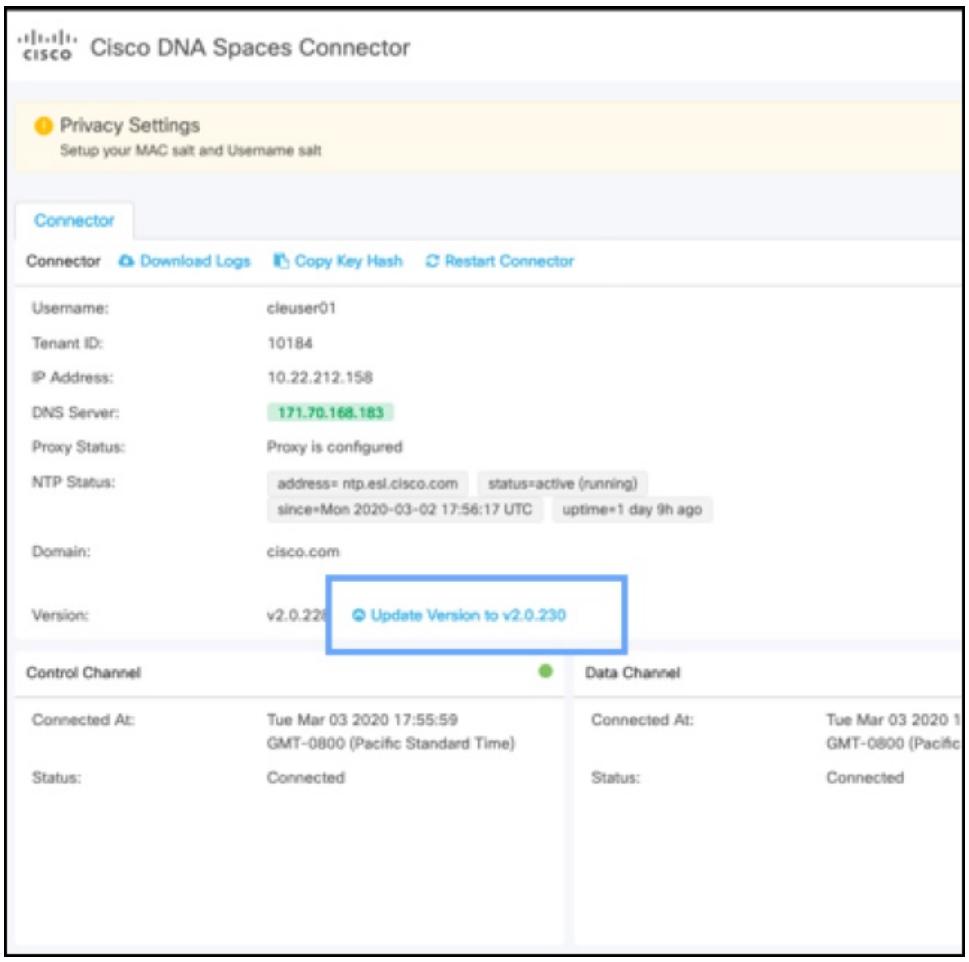


Upgrade the Cisco Spaces: Connector Docker

You can upgrade the Connector docker to the latest version from the Connector GUI. Note that the upgrade link appears only if a new upgrade image is available.

Note This procedure does not upgrade the Connector OVA.

Figure 11: Docker Upgrade Link on the Connector



You can also upgrade the Connector docker to the latest version from the Cisco Spaces dashboard. The upgrade link appears only if a new upgrade image is available.

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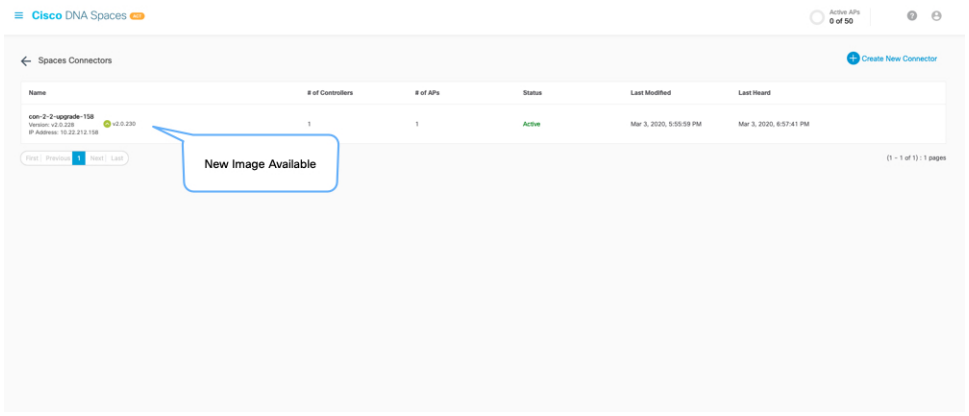

Upgrade Path

The following table is best viewed in the HTML format. Here is a description of the contents of the table.

- **Release Number**: Lists the identifying number of the release.
- **Platforms**: Lists the platforms (OVA, VHDX, AMI) on which this release can be installed or the corresponding installation file name.
- **Upgrade to This Release**: Lists the releases to which you can upgrade the release mentioned in the **Release Number** column.
- **Upgrade File**: Lists the *.connector* upgrade files you can use to upgrade to the release mentioned in the **Upgrade to This Release** column.

Table 1: Upgrade Path for Active Releases

Release Number	Platforms	Upgrade to This Release	Upgrade File
2.3.4	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.507.ova	N.A	N.A
	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.507.vhdx		
2.3.3	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.497.ova	2.3.4	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.507.connector
2.3.2	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.495.ova	2.3.3	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.497.connector
	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.496.vhdx		
2.3.1	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.478.ova	2.3.2	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.495.connector
	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.478.vhdx		
2.3	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.462.ova	2.3.1	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.478.connector
2.2	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.2.295.ova	2.3	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.462.connector

Note All release versions prior to 2.2 are deferred. We recommend that you deploy the latest OVA to get all the latest updates.

Table 2: Upgrade Path for AMI Releases

Release Number	Platforms	Upgrade to This Release	Upgrade File
2.3.4	AMI	N.A	N.A
2.3.3	AMI	2.3.4	cisco-dna-spaces-connector-ami-2.3.507.connector

Upgrading the Connector OVA

The following procedure shows you how to upgrade the Cisco Spaces: Connector OVA.

Step 1 Download Connector 2.3 from Cisco.com.

Step 2 Copy the downloaded file on to the machine hosting the Connector.

Step 3 Log in to the Connector command line.

Step 4 Use the **connectorctl upgrade** <<*upgrade_file_name*>> command to start the OVA upgrade process.

```
(cmxadminPcon-2-3-upg-87 -]S connectorctl upgrade cisco-dna-spaces-connector-2.3.494.connector
Machine will restart automatically after upgrade. Do you still want to continue? [yes / noj [yesj:
yes
Before upgrade, OVA version:2.2.295
New image exists.
Backing up current version of the image and db ...
Preparing for upgrade ...
umount: /mnt/cmx: not mounted
mount: /dev/loop0 is write-protected, mounting read-only
Starting pip repo
Starting upgrade ...
Warning: RPMDB altered outside of yum.
Error: No matching Packages to list
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We are changing username from 'cmxadmin' to 'dnasadmin*
We will be performing following tasks now.
1. Create new user 'dnasadmin'
2. You will need to set up password for 'dnasadmin'
3. We will move over all files/folders from /home/cmxadmin to /ho®e/dnasadmin
4. Delete 'cmxadnin* user.

After the reboot, REMEMBER to login using dnasadmin credentials.
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Please press ENTER to continue...
```

The **dnasadmin** user is now created.

Step 5 Set a password for the newly created **dnasadmin** user when prompted.

```
Please press ENTER to continue...
New user dnasadmin created.
Set password for user dnasadmin
Changing password for user dnasadmin.
New password:

Retype new password:

passwd: all authentication tokens updated successfully.
Start cleanup ...
Error response from daemon: No such container:
c9408eelb68f2acdel436622c4eeddf742dcd53a2619faa30c01aadcld8bd88e
```

Step 6 Wait a few seconds for the upgrade to complete.

```
Error response from daemon: No such container: c9408eelb68f2acdel436622c4eeddf742dcd53a2

Upgrade successful.
After upgrade, OVA version : 2.3.494

System will reboot in 5 seconds...
```

Step 7 Once the upgrade is completed, log in to the connector as the **dnasadmin** user.

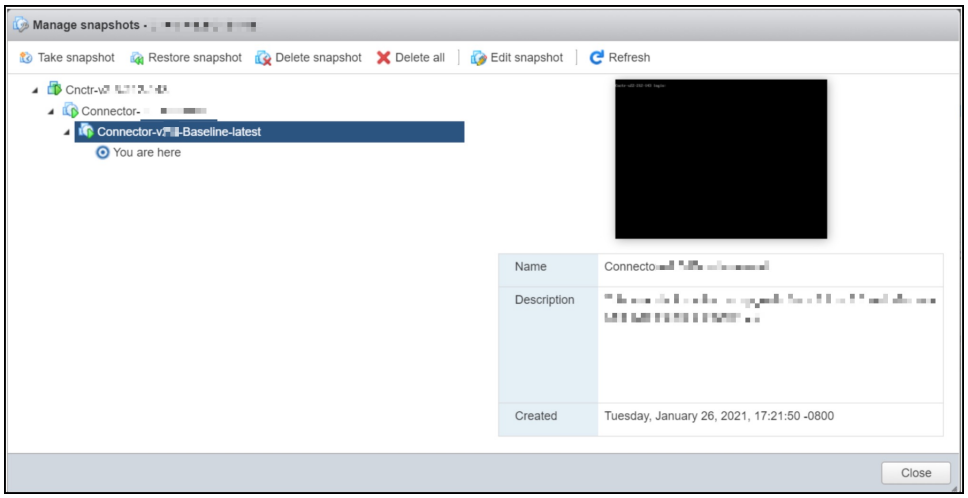
- Verify if the Connector is running in the same state as it was running before the upgrade.
- With CSCvr74830, you can ignore the two known errors that are displayed during upgrade.

Using Snapshots for Backup

You can use the snapshot of a deployed Connector OVA for backing up your Connector. Ensure that the following prerequisites in place:

- Connector is deployed.
- All the services are started.
- Connector is added to Cisco Spaces.

Figure 13: Backing Up Using a Snapshot



Note Proxies are not carried over during a snapshot restore. You have to reconfigure proxies.