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Configure software

Software install workflow for Cisco Nexus 3232C cluster switches

To install and configure the software for a Cisco Nexus 3232C switch and install or upgrade the Reference Configuration File (RCF), follow these steps:

1

Configure the switch

Configure the 3232C cluster switch.

2

Prepare to install the NX-OS software and RCF

The Cisco NX-OS software and reference configuration files (RCFs) must be installed on Cisco 3232C cluster switches.

3

Install or upgrade the NX-OS software

Download and install or upgrade the NX-OS software on the Cisco 3232C cluster switch.

4

Install the RCF

Install the RCF after setting up the Cisco 3232C switch for the first time.

5

Verify SSH configuration

Verify that SSH is enabled on the switches to use the Ethernet Switch Health Monitor (CSHM) and log collection features.

6

Reset the switch to factory defaults

Erase the 3232C cluster switch settings.

Configure the 3232C cluster switch

Follow this procedure to set up and configure the Cisco Nexus 3232C switch.

Before you begin

- Access to an HTTP, FTP or TFTP server at the installation site to download the applicable NX-OS and reference configuration file (RCF) releases.
- Applicable NX-OS version, downloaded from the [Cisco software download](#) page.
- Required cluster network and management network switch documentation.

See [Required documentation](#) for more information.

- Required controller documentation and ONTAP documentation.

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- Applicable licenses, network and configuration information, and cables.
- Completed cabling worksheets.
- Applicable NetApp cluster network and management network RCFs, downloaded from the NetApp Support Site at mysupport.netapp.com for the switches that you receive. All Cisco cluster network and management network switches arrive with the standard Cisco factory-default configuration. These switches also have the current version of the NX-OS software, but do not have the RCFs loaded.

Steps

1. Rack the cluster network and management network switches and controllers.

If you are installing your...	Then...
Cisco Nexus 3232C in a NetApp system cabinet	See the <i>Installing a Cisco Nexus 3232C cluster switch and pass-through panel in a NetApp cabinet</i> guide for instructions to install the switch in a NetApp cabinet.
Equipment in a Telco rack	See the procedures provided in the switch hardware installation guides and the NetApp installation and setup instructions.

2. Cable the cluster network and management network switches to the controllers using the completed cabling worksheets.
3. Power on the cluster network and management network switches and controllers.
4. Perform an initial configuration of the cluster network switches.

Provide applicable responses to the following initial setup questions when you first boot the switch. Your site's security policy defines the responses and services to enable.

Prompt	Response
Abort Auto Provisioning and continue with normal setup? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . The default is no.
Do you want to enforce secure password standard? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . The default is yes.
Enter the password for admin.	The default password is "admin"; you must create a new, strong password. A weak password can be rejected.
Would you like to enter the basic configuration dialog? (yes/no)	Respond with yes at the initial configuration of the switch.
Create another login account? (yes/no)	Your answer depends on your site's policies on alternate administrators. The default is no .

Prompt	Response
Configure read-only SNMP community string? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Configure read-write SNMP community string? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Enter the switch name.	The switch name is limited to 63 alphanumeric characters.
Continue with Out-of-band (mgmt0) management configuration? (yes/no)	Respond with yes (the default) at that prompt. At the mgmt0 IPv4 address: prompt, enter your IP address: ip_address.
Configure the default-gateway? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . At the IPv4 address of the default-gateway: prompt, enter your default_gateway.
Configure advanced IP options? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Enable the telnet service? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Enabled SSH service? (yes/no)	<p>Respond with yes. The default is yes.</p> <p> SSH is recommended when using Ethernet Switch Health Monitor (CSHM) for its log collection features. SSHv2 is also recommended for enhanced security.</p>
Enter the type of SSH key you want to generate (dsa/rsa/rsa1).	The default is rsa .
Enter the number of key bits (1024-2048).	Enter the number of key bits from 1024-2048.
Configure the NTP server? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Configure default interface layer (L3/L2):	Respond with L2 . The default is L2.
Configure default switch port interface state (shut/noshut):	Respond with noshut . The default is noshut.
Configure CoPP system profile (strict/moderate/lenient/dense):	Respond with strict . The default is strict.

Prompt	Response
Would you like to edit the configuration? (yes/no)	You should see the new configuration at this point. Review and make any necessary changes to the configuration you just entered. Respond with no at the prompt if you are satisfied with the configuration. Respond with yes if you want to edit your configuration settings.
Use this configuration and save it? (yes/no)	<p>Respond with yes to save the configuration. This automatically updates the kickstart and system images.</p> <p> If you do not save the configuration at this stage, none of the changes will be in effect the next time you reboot the switch.</p>

5. Verify the configuration choices you made in the display that appears at the end of the setup, and make sure that you save the configuration.
6. Check the version on the cluster network switches, and if necessary, download the NetApp-supported version of the software to the switches from the [Cisco software download](#) page.

What's next?

After you've configured your switches, you can [prepare to install the NX-OS and RCF](#).

Prepare to install NX-OS software and Reference Configuration File (RCF)

Before you install the NX-OS software and the Reference Configuration File (RCF), follow this procedure.

About the examples

The examples in this procedure use two nodes. These nodes use two 10GbE cluster interconnect ports `e0a` and `e0b`.

See the [Hardware Universe](#) to verify the correct cluster ports on your platforms. See [What additional information do I need to install my equipment that is not in HWU?](#) for more information about switch installation requirements.



The command outputs might vary depending on different releases of ONTAP.

Switch and node nomenclature

The examples in this procedure use the following switch and node nomenclature:

- The names of the two Cisco switches are `cs1` and `cs2`.
- The node names are `cluster1-01` and `cluster1-02`.
- The cluster LIF names are `cluster1-01_clus1` and `cluster1-01_clus2` for `cluster1-01` and `cluster1-02_clus1` and `cluster1-02_clus2` for `cluster1-02`.
- The `cluster1::*` prompt indicates the name of the cluster.

About this task

The procedure requires the use of both ONTAP commands and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches commands; ONTAP commands are used unless otherwise indicated.

Steps

1. If AutoSupport is enabled on this cluster, suppress automatic case creation by invoking an AutoSupport message: `system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=x h`

where x is the duration of the maintenance window in hours.



The AutoSupport message notifies technical support of this maintenance task so that automatic case creation is suppressed during the maintenance window.

2. Change the privilege level to advanced, entering **y** when prompted to continue:

```
set -privilege advanced
```

The advanced prompt (*>) appears.

3. Display how many cluster interconnect interfaces are configured in each node for each cluster interconnect switch:

```
network device-discovery show -protocol cdp
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network device-discovery show -protocol cdp

Node/      Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface
Platform

-----
-----
cluster1-02/cdp
      e0a    cs1                  Eth1/2      N3K-
C3232C
      e0b    cs2                  Eth1/2      N3K-
C3232C
cluster1-01/cdp
      e0a    cs1                  Eth1/1      N3K-
C3232C
      e0b    cs2                  Eth1/1      N3K-
C3232C

4 entries were displayed.
```

4. Check the administrative or operational status of each cluster interface.

a. Display the network port attributes:

```
network port show -ipspace Cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network port show -ipspace Cluster

Node: cluster1-02
                                                Speed (Mbps)
Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU  Admin/Oper
Status

-----
-----  

e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy
e0b      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy

Node: cluster1-01
                                                Speed (Mbps)
Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU  Admin/Oper
Status

-----
-----  

e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy
e0b      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy

4 entries were displayed.
```

b. Display information about the LIFs: `network interface show -vserver Cluster`

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -vserver Cluster

          Logical          Status      Network
Current    Current  Is
Vserver    Interface      Admin/Oper Address/Mask      Node
Port      Home
-----
-----
Cluster
        cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.209.69/16
cluster1-01  e0a      true
        cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.49.125/16
cluster1-01  e0b      true
        cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.47.194/16
cluster1-02  e0a      true
        cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.19.183/16
cluster1-02  e0b      true

4 entries were displayed.
```

5. Verify the connectivity of the remote cluster interfaces:

ONTAP 9.9.1 and later

You can use the `network interface check cluster-connectivity` command to start an accessibility check for cluster connectivity and then display the details:

```
network interface check cluster-connectivity start and network interface check cluster-connectivity show
```

```
cluster1::*> network interface check cluster-connectivity start
```

NOTE: Wait for a number of seconds before running the `show` command to display the details.

```
cluster1::*> network interface check cluster-connectivity show
                                         Source          Destination
Packet
Node    Date          LIF          LIF
Loss
-----
-----
cluster1-01
  3/5/2022 19:21:18 -06:00  cluster1-01_clus2  cluster1-02_clus1
none
  3/5/2022 19:21:20 -06:00  cluster1-01_clus2  cluster1-02_clus2
none
.
.
cluster1-02
  3/5/2022 19:21:18 -06:00  cluster1-02_clus2  cluster1-01_clus1
none
  3/5/2022 19:21:20 -06:00  cluster1-02_clus2  cluster1-01_clus2
none
```

All ONTAP releases

For all ONTAP releases, you can also use the `cluster ping-cluster -node <name>` command to check the connectivity:

```
cluster ping-cluster -node <name>
```

```

cluster1::*> cluster ping-cluster -node local
Host is cluster1-02
Getting addresses from network interface table...
Cluster cluster1-01_clus1 169.254.209.69 cluster1-01      e0a
Cluster cluster1-01_clus2 169.254.49.125 cluster1-01      e0b
Cluster cluster1-02_clus1 169.254.47.194 cluster1-02      e0a
Cluster cluster1-02_clus2 169.254.19.183 cluster1-02      e0b
Local = 169.254.47.194 169.254.19.183
Remote = 169.254.209.69 169.254.49.125
Cluster Vserver Id = 4294967293
Ping status:....
Basic connectivity succeeds on 4 path(s)
Basic connectivity fails on 0 path(s)
.....
Detected 9000 byte MTU on 4 path(s):
  Local 169.254.19.183 to Remote 169.254.209.69
  Local 169.254.19.183 to Remote 169.254.49.125
  Local 169.254.47.194 to Remote 169.254.209.69
  Local 169.254.47.194 to Remote 169.254.49.125
Larger than PMTU communication succeeds on 4 path(s)
RPC status:
2 paths up, 0 paths down (tcp check)
2 paths up, 0 paths down (udp check)

```

6. Verify that the auto-revert command is enabled on all cluster LIFs: `network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields auto-revert`

Show example

```

cluster1::*> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields auto-
revert

          Logical
Vserver   Interface          Auto-revert
-----  -----
Cluster
          cluster1-01_clus1    true
          cluster1-01_clus2    true
          cluster1-02_clus1    true
          cluster1-02_clus2    true
4 entries were displayed.

```

What's next?

After you've prepared to install the NX-OS software and RCF, you can [install the NX-OS software](#).

Install the NX-OS software

You can use this procedure to install the NX-OS software on the Nexus 3232C cluster switch.

Review requirements

Before you begin

- A current backup of the switch configuration.
- A fully functioning cluster (no errors in the logs or similar issues).
- [Cisco Ethernet switch page](#). Consult the switch compatibility table for the supported ONTAP and NX-OS versions.
- [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches](#). Refer to the appropriate software and upgrade guides available on the Cisco web site for complete documentation on the Cisco switch upgrade and downgrade procedures.

Install the software

The procedure requires the use of both ONTAP commands and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches commands; ONTAP commands are used unless otherwise indicated.

Be sure to complete the procedure in [Prepare to install NX-OS and RCF](#), and then follow the steps below.

Steps

1. Connect the cluster switch to the management network.
2. Use the `ping` command to verify connectivity to the server hosting the NX-OS software and the RCF.

Show example

This example verifies that the switch can reach the server at IP address 172.19.2.1:

```
cs2# ping 172.19.2.1
Pinging 172.19.2.1 with 0 bytes of data:

Reply From 172.19.2.1: icmp_seq = 0. time= 5910 usec.
```

3. Display the cluster ports on each node that are connected to the cluster switches:

```
network device-discovery show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network device-discovery show
Node/      Local  Discovered
Protocol   Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface
Platform

-----
-----
cluster1-01/cdp
    e0a    cs1
C3232C
    e0d    cs2
C3232C
cluster1-02/cdp
    e0a    cs1
C3232C
    e0d    cs2
C3232C
cluster1-03/cdp
    e0a    cs1
C3232C
    e0b    cs2
C3232C
cluster1-04/cdp
    e0a    cs1
C3232C
    e0b    cs2
C3232C
cluster1::*
```

4. Check the administrative and operational status of each cluster port.

- a. Verify that all the cluster ports are **up** with a healthy status:

```
network port show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network port show -role cluster

Node: cluster1-01

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- -----
e0a     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
e0d     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false

Node: cluster1-02

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- -----
e0a     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
e0d     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
8 entries were displayed.

Node: cluster1-03

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- -----
e0a     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/10000
healthy false
e0b     Cluster       Cluster           up    9000  auto/10000
healthy false
```

```

Node: cluster1-04

Ignore

Health      Health
Port        IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status      Status
-----  -----
-----  -----
e0a        Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy    false
e0b        Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy    false
cluster1::*>

```

b. Verify that all the cluster interfaces (LIFs) are on the home port:

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
      Logical          Status      Network
  Current      Current  Is
  Vserver      Interface
  Port        Home
  -----
  -----
  Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
  cluster1-01  e0a      true
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
  cluster1-01  e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
  cluster1-02  e0a      true
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
  cluster1-02  e0d      true
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
  cluster1-03  e0a      true
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
  cluster1-03  e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
  cluster1-04  e0a      true
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
  cluster1-04  e0b      true
  8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

c. Verify that the cluster displays information for both cluster switches:

```
system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled-operational true
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled
-operational true
Switch                  Type          Address
Model
-----
-----
cs1                   cluster-network 10.233.205.90
N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOCXXXXXXGD
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
Software, Version
    9.3(5)
    Version Source: CDP

cs2                   cluster-network 10.233.205.91
N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOCXXXXXXGS
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
Software, Version
    9.3(5)
    Version Source: CDP
cluster1::*>
```

5. Disable auto-revert on the cluster LIFs. The cluster LIFs fail over to the partner cluster switch and remain there as you perform the upgrade procedure on the targeted switch:

```
network interface modify -vserver Cluster -lif * -auto-revert false
```

6. Copy the NX-OS software and EPLD images to the Nexus 3232C switch.

Show example

```
cs2# copy sftp: bootflash: vrf management
Enter source filename: /code/nxos.9.3.4.bin
Enter hostname for the sftp server: 172.19.2.1
Enter username: user1

Outbound-ReKey for 172.19.2.1:22
Inbound-ReKey for 172.19.2.1:22
user1@172.19.2.1's password:
sftp> progress
Progress meter enabled
sftp> get /code/nxos.9.3.4.bin /bootflash/nxos.9.3.4.bin
/code/nxos.9.3.4.bin 100% 1261MB 9.3MB/s 02:15
sftp> exit
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
Copy complete.
```

```
cs2# copy sftp: bootflash: vrf management
Enter source filename: /code/n9000-ep1d.9.3.4.img
Enter hostname for the sftp server: 172.19.2.1
Enter username: user1

Outbound-ReKey for 172.19.2.1:22
Inbound-ReKey for 172.19.2.1:22
user1@172.19.2.1's password:
sftp> progress
Progress meter enabled
sftp> get /code/n9000-ep1d.9.3.4.img /bootflash/n9000-
ep1d.9.3.4.img
/code/n9000-ep1d.9.3.4.img 100% 161MB 9.5MB/s 00:16
sftp> exit
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
Copy complete.
```

7. Verify the running version of the NX-OS software:

```
show version
```

Show example

```
cs2# show version
Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS) Software
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```

Software

```
BIOS: version 08.37
NXOS: version 9.3(3)
BIOS compile time: 01/28/2020
NXOS image file is: bootflash:///nxos.9.3.3.bin
NXOS compile time: 12/22/2019 2:00:00 [12/22/2019 14:00:37]
```

Hardware

```
cisco Nexus3000 C3232C Chassis (Nexus 9000 Series)
Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2403 v2 @ 1.80GHz with 8154432 kB of
memory.
```

```
Processor Board ID FOCXXXXXXGD
```

```
Device name: cs2
bootflash: 53298520 kB
Kernel uptime is 0 day(s), 0 hour(s), 3 minute(s), 36 second(s)
```

```
Last reset at 74117 usecs after Tue Nov 24 06:24:23 2020
Reason: Reset Requested by CLI command reload
```

```
System version: 9.3(3)
Service:

plugin
  Core Plugin, Ethernet Plugin

Active Package(s):

cs2#
```

8. Install the NX-OS image.

Installing the image file causes it to be loaded every time the switch is rebooted.

Show example

```
cs2# install all nxos bootflash:nxos.9.3.4.bin
Installer will perform compatibility check first. Please wait.
Installer is forced disruptive

Verifying image bootflash:/nxos.9.3.4.bin for boot variable "nxos".
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Verifying image type.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Preparing "nxos" version info using image bootflash:/nxos.9.3.4.bin.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Preparing "bios" version info using image bootflash:/nxos.9.3.4.bin.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Performing module support checks.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Notifying services about system upgrade.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Compatibility check is done:
Module  bootable          Impact          Install-type  Reason
-----  -----
-----  -----
1      Yes            Disruptive      Reset          Default
upgrade is not hitless

Images will be upgraded according to following table:
Module      Image      Running-Version(pri:alt)
New-Version  Upg-Required
-----  -----
-----  -----
1          nxos      9.3(3)
9.3(4)          yes
1          bios      v08.37(01/28/2020):v08.32(10/18/2016)
v08.37(01/28/2020)  no

Switch will be reloaded for disruptive upgrade.
Do you want to continue with the installation (y/n)? [n] y
```

```
Install is in progress, please wait.

Performing runtime checks.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Setting boot variables.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Performing configuration copy.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Module 1: Refreshing compact flash and upgrading
bios/loader/bootrom.
Warning: please do not remove or power off the module at this time.
[] 100% -- SUCCESS

Finishing the upgrade, switch will reboot in 10 seconds.
cs2#
```

9. Verify the new version of NX-OS software after the switch has rebooted:

```
show version
```

Show example

```
cs2# show version
Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS) Software
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```

Software

```
BIOS: version 08.37
NXOS: version 9.3(4)
BIOS compile time: 01/28/2020
NXOS image file is: bootflash:///nxos.9.3.4.bin
NXOS compile time: 4/28/2020 21:00:00 [04/29/2020 06:28:31]
```

Hardware

```
cisco Nexus3000 C3232C Chassis (Nexus 9000 Series)
Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2403 v2 @ 1.80GHz with 8154432 kB of
memory.
```

```
Processor Board ID FOCXXXXXXGS
```

```
Device name: rtpnpi-mcc01-8200-ms-A1
bootflash: 53298520 kB
Kernel uptime is 0 day(s), 0 hour(s), 3 minute(s), 14 second(s)
```

```
Last reset at 196755 usecs after Tue Nov 24 06:37:36 2020
Reason: Reset due to upgrade
```

```
System version: 9.3(3)
Service:

plugin
Core Plugin, Ethernet Plugin

Active Package(s):

cs2#
```

10. Upgrade the EPLD image and reboot the switch.

Show example

```
cs2# show version module 1 epld

EPLD Device          Version
-----
MI    FPGA           0x12
IO    FPGA           0x11

cs2# install epld bootflash:n9000-epld.9.3.4.img module 1
Compatibility check:
Module      Type      Upgradable      Impact      Reason
-----  -----
-----  -----
1          SUP       Yes            Disruptive   Module
Upgradable

Retrieving EPLD versions.... Please wait.
Images will be upgraded according to following table:
Module  Type  EPLD          Running-Version  New-Version  Upg-
Required
-----  -----  -----          -----  -----
-----  -----
1      SUP   MI  FPGA        0x12          0x12        No
1      SUP   IO  FPGA        0x11          0x12        Yes
The above modules require upgrade.
The switch will be reloaded at the end of the upgrade
Do you want to continue (y/n) ?  [n] y

Proceeding to upgrade Modules.

Starting Module 1 EPLD Upgrade

Module 1 : IO FPGA [Programming] : 100.00% (      64 of      64
sectors)
Module 1 EPLD upgrade is successful.
Module      Type  Upgrade-Result
-----  -----
1          SUP   Success

Module 1 EPLD upgrade is successful.
cs2#
```

11. If you are upgrading to NX-OS version 9.3(11), you must upgrade the EPLD golden image and reboot the switch once again. Otherwise, skip to step 12.

See [EPLD Upgrade Release Notes, Release 9.3\(11\)](#) for further details.

Show example

```
cs2# install epld bootflash:n9000-epld.9.3.11.img module 1 golden
Digital signature verification is successful
Compatibility check:
Module          Type          Upgradable      Impact      Reason
-----          -----          -----          Disruptive  Module
-----          -----          -----          Upgradable

1             SUP           Yes

Retrieving EPLD versions.... Please wait.
The above modules require upgrade.
The switch will be reloaded at the end of the upgrade
Do you want to continue (y/n) ? [n] y

Proceeding to upgrade Modules.

Starting Module 1 EPLD Upgrade

Module 1 : MI FPGA [Programming] : 100.00% (      64 of      64 sect)
Module 1 : IO FPGA [Programming] : 100.00% (      64 of      64 sect)
Module 1 EPLD upgrade is successful.
Module          Type          Upgrade-Result
-----          -----          -----
1             SUP           Success

EPLDs upgraded.

Module 1 EPLD upgrade is successful.
cs2#
```

12. After the switch reboot, log in to verify that the new version of EPLD loaded successfully.

Show example

```
cs2# show version module 1 epld

EPLD Device          Version
-----
MI    FPGA           0x12
IO    FPGA           0x12
```

13. Verify the health of cluster ports on the cluster.

a. Verify that cluster ports are up and healthy across all nodes in the cluster:

```
network port show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network port show -role cluster

Node: cluster1-01

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
-----  -----
-----  -----
e0a     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
e0b     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false

Node: cluster1-02

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
-----  -----
-----  -----
e0a     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
e0b     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false

Node: cluster1-03

Ignore                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port     IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
-----  -----
-----  -----
e0a     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
e0d     Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
```

```
Node: cluster1-04
```

```
Ignore
```

Health	Health				Speed (Mbps)	
Port	IPspace	Broadcast	Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
Status	Status					
e0a	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/100000
healthy	false					
e0d	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/100000
healthy	false					

```
8 entries were displayed.
```

b. Verify the switch health from the cluster.

```
network device-discovery show -protocol cdp
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network device-discovery show -protocol cdp
Node/      Local  Discovered
Protocol   Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface
Platform

-----
-----
cluster1-01/cdp
    e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/7
N3K-C3232C
    e0d    cs2                      Ethernet1/7
N3K-C3232C
cluster01-2/cdp
    e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/8
N3K-C3232C
    e0d    cs2                      Ethernet1/8
N3K-C3232C
cluster01-3/cdp
    e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/1/1
N3K-C3232C
    e0b    cs2                      Ethernet1/1/1
N3K-C3232C
cluster1-04/cdp
    e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/1/2
N3K-C3232C
    e0b    cs2                      Ethernet1/1/2
N3K-C3232C

cluster1::*> system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled -operational true
Switch                  Type          Address
Model

-----
-----
cs1                    cluster-network  10.233.205.90
N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOCXXXXXXXGD
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
    Software, Version
        9.3(5)
    Version Source: CDP

cs2                    cluster-network  10.233.205.91
```

```

N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOCXXXXXXGS
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
    Software, Version
        9.3(5)
    Version Source: CDP

2 entries were displayed.

```

You might observe the following output on the cs1 switch console depending on the RCF version previously loaded on the switch:

```

2020 Nov 17 16:07:18 cs1 %$ VDC-1 %$ %STP-2-UNBLOCK_CONSIST_PORT:
Unblocking port port-channel1 on VLAN0092. Port consistency
restored.
2020 Nov 17 16:07:23 cs1 %$ VDC-1 %$ %STP-2-BLOCK_PVID_PEER:
Blocking port-channel1 on VLAN0001. Inconsistent peer vlan.
2020 Nov 17 16:07:23 cs1 %$ VDC-1 %$ %STP-2-BLOCK_PVID_LOCAL:
Blocking port-channel1 on VLAN0092. Inconsistent local vlan.

```

14. Verify that the cluster is healthy:

```
cluster show
```

Show example

```

cluster1::*> cluster show
Node          Health  Eligibility  Epsilon
-----
cluster1-01    true    true        false
cluster1-02    true    true        false
cluster1-03    true    true        true
cluster1-04    true    true        false
4 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>

```

15. Repeat steps 6 to 14 on switch cs1.

16. Enable auto-revert on the cluster LIFs.

```
network interface modify -vserver Cluster -lif * -auto-revert true
```

17. Verify that the cluster LIFs have reverted to their home port:

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
      Logical          Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface      Admin/Oper  Address/Mask      Node
Port        Home
-----
-----
Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*
```

If any cluster LIFs have not returned to their home ports, revert them manually from the local node:

```
network interface revert -vserver Cluster -lif <lif_name>
```

What's next?

After you've installed the NX-OS software, you can [Install or upgrade the Reference Configuration File \(RCF\)](#).

Install or upgrade the RCF

Install or upgrade the Reference Configuration File (RCF) overview

You install the Reference Configuration File (RCF) after setting up the Nexus 3232C

switches for the first time. You upgrade your RCF version when you have an existing version of the RCF file installed on your switch.

See the Knowledge Base article [How to clear configuration on a Cisco interconnect switch while retaining remote connectivity](#) for further information when installing or upgrading your RCF.

Available RCF configurations

The following table describes the RCFs available for different configurations. Choose the RCF applicable to your configuration.

For specific port and VLAN usage details, refer to the banner and important notes section in your RCF.

RCF name	Description
2-Cluster-HA-Breakout	Supports twoONTAP clusters with at least eight nodes, including nodes that use shared Cluster+HA ports.
4-Cluster-HA-Breakout	Supports fourONTAP clusters with at least four nodes, including nodes that use shared Cluster+HA ports.
1-Cluster-HA	All ports are configured for 40/100GbE. Supports shared cluster/HA traffic on ports. Required for AFF A320, AFF A250, and FAS500f systems. Additionally, all ports can be used as dedicated cluster ports.
1-Cluster-HA-Breakout	Ports are configured for 4x10GbE breakout, 4x25GbE breakout (RCF 1.6+ on 100GbE switches), and 40/100GbE. Supports shared cluster/HA traffic on ports for nodes that use shared cluster/HA ports: AFF A320, AFF A250, and FAS500f systems. Additionally, all ports can be used as dedicated cluster ports.
Cluster-HA-Storage	Ports are configured for 40/100GbE for Cluster+HA, 4x10GbE breakout for Cluster and 4x25GbE breakout for Cluster+HA, and 100GbE for each Storage HA Pair.
Cluster	Two flavors of RCF with different allocations of 4x10GbE ports (breakout) and 40/100GbE ports. All FAS/AFF nodes are supported, except for AFF A320, AFF A250, and FAS500f systems.
Storage	All ports are configured for 100GbE NVMe storage connections.

Available RCFs

The following table lists the available RCFs for 3232C switches. Choose the applicable RCF version for your configuration. See [Cisco Ethernet Switches](#) for more information.

RCF name
Cluster-HA-Breakout RCF v1.xx
Cluster-HA RCF v1.xx

RCF name
Storage RCF v1.xx
Cluster RCF 1.xx

Suggested documentation

- [Cisco Ethernet Switches \(NSS\)](#)

Consult the switch compatibility table for the supported ONTAP and RCF versions on the NetApp Support Site. Note that there can be command dependencies between the command syntax in the RCF and the syntax found in specific versions of NX-OS.

- [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches](#)

Refer to the appropriate software and upgrade guides available on the Cisco website for complete documentation on the Cisco switch upgrade and downgrade procedures.

About the examples

The examples in this procedure use the following switch and node nomenclature:

- The names of the two Cisco switches are **cs1** and **cs2**.
- The node names are **cluster1-01**, **cluster1-02**, **cluster1-03**, and **cluster1-04**.
- The cluster LIF names are **cluster1-01_clus1**, **cluster1-01_clus2**, **cluster1-02_clus1**, **cluster1-02_clus2**, **cluster1-03_clus1**, **cluster1-03_clus2**, **cluster1-04_clus1**, and **cluster1-04_clus2**.
- The **cluster1::*** prompt indicates the name of the cluster.

The examples in this procedure use four nodes. These nodes use two 10GbE cluster interconnect ports **e0a** and **e0b**. See the [Hardware Universe](#) to verify the correct cluster ports on your platforms.



The command outputs might vary depending on different releases of ONTAP.

For details of the available RCF configurations, see [Software install workflow](#).

Commands used

The procedure requires the use of both ONTAP commands and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches commands; ONTAP commands are used unless otherwise indicated.

What's next?

After you've reviewed the install RCF or upgrade RCF procedure overview, you can [install the RCF](#) or [upgrade your RCF](#) as required.

Install the Reference Configuration File (RCF)

You install the Reference Configuration File (RCF) after setting up the Nexus 3232C switches for the first time.

Before you begin

Verify the following installations and connections:

- A current backup of the switch configuration.
- A fully functioning cluster (no errors in the logs or similar issues).
- The current RCF.
- A console connection to the switch, required when installing the RCF.

About this task

The procedure requires the use of both ONTAP commands and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches commands; ONTAP commands are used unless otherwise indicated.

No operational inter-switch link (ISL) is needed during this procedure. This is by design because RCF version changes can affect ISL connectivity temporarily. To enable non-disruptive cluster operations, the following procedure migrates all of the cluster LIFs to the operational partner switch while performing the steps on the target switch.

Be sure to complete the procedure in [Prepare to install NX-OS and RCF](#), and then follow the steps below.

Step 1: Install the RCF on the switches

1. Login to switch cs2 using SSH or by using a serial console.
2. Copy the RCF to the bootflash of switch cs2 using one of the following transfer protocols: FTP, TFTP, SFTP, or SCP. For more information on Cisco commands, see the appropriate guide in the [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Command Reference](#).

Show example

This example shows TFTP being used to copy an RCF to the bootflash on switch cs2:

```
cs2# copy tftp: bootflash: vrf management
Enter source filename: Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt
Enter hostname for the tftp server: 172.22.201.50
Trying to connect to tftp server.....Connection to Server
Established.
TFTP get operation was successful
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
```

3. Apply the RCF previously downloaded to the bootflash.

For more information on Cisco commands, see the appropriate guide in the [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Command Reference](#).

Show example

This example shows the RCF file `Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt` being installed on switch cs2:

```
cs2# copy Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt running-
config echo-commands
```



Make sure to read thoroughly the **Installation notes**, **Important Notes**, and **banner** sections of your RCF. You must read and follow these instructions to ensure the proper configuration and operation of the switch.

4. Examine the banner output from the `show banner motd` command. You must read and follow the instructions under **Important Notes** to make sure the proper configuration and operation of the switch.
5. Verify that the RCF file is the correct newer version:

```
show running-config
```

When you check the output to verify you have the correct RCF, make sure that the following information is correct:

- The RCF banner
- The node and port settings
- Customizations

The output varies according to your site configuration. Check the port settings and refer to the release notes for any changes specific to the RCF that you have installed.

6. Reapply any previous customizations to the switch configuration. Refer to [Review cabling and configuration considerations](#) for details of any further changes required.
7. Save basic configuration details to the `write_erase.cfg` file on the bootflash.



Make sure to configure the following:
* Username and password
* Management IP address
* Default gateway
* Switch name

```
cs2# show run | section "switchname" > bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "hostname" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | i "username admin password" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "vrf context management" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "interface mgmt0" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

8. When installing RCF version 1.12 and later, run the following commands:

```
cs2# echo "hardware access-list tcam region racl-lite 512" >>
```

```
bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# echo "hardware access-list tcam region qos 256" >>
bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

See the Knowledge Base article [How to clear configuration on a Cisco interconnect switch while retaining remote connectivity](#) for further details.

9. Verify that the `write_erase.cfg` file is populated as expected:

```
show file bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

10. Issue the `write erase` command to erase the current saved configuration:

```
cs2# write erase
```

Warning: This command will erase the startup-configuration.

Do you wish to proceed anyway? (y/n) [n] **y**

11. Copy the previously saved basic configuration into the startup configuration.

```
cs2# copy bootflash:write_erase.cfg startup-config
```

12. Reboot switch cs2:

```
cs2# reload
```

This command will reboot the system. (y/n) ? [n] **y**

13. Repeat Steps 1 to 12 on switch cs1.

14. Connect the cluster ports of all nodes in the ONTAP cluster to switches cs1 and cs2.

Step: 2: Verify the switch connections

1. Verify that the switch ports connected to the cluster ports are **up**.

```
show interface brief | grep up
```

Show example

```
cs1# show interface brief | grep up
.
.
.
Eth1/1/1      1      eth  access  up      none
10G(D)  --
Eth1/1/2      1      eth  access  up      none
10G(D)  --
Eth1/7      1      eth  trunk   up      none
100G(D)  --
Eth1/8      1      eth  trunk   up      none
100G(D)  --
.
.
```

2. Verify that the ISL between cs1 and cs2 is functional:

```
show port-channel summary
```

Show example

```
cs1# 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
        b - BFD Session Wait
        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)
cs1#
```

3. Verify that the cluster LIFs have reverted to their home port:

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
      Logical          Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface      Admin/Oper  Address/Mask      Node
Port        Home
-----
-----
Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*
```

If any cluster LIFS have not returned to their home ports, revert them manually: `network interface revert -vserver <vserver_name> -lif <lif_name>`

4. Verify that the cluster is healthy:

```
cluster show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> cluster show
Node          Health  Eligibility  Epsilon
-----
cluster1-01    true    true        false
cluster1-02    true    true        false
cluster1-03    true    true        true
cluster1-04    true    true        false
4 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

Step 3: Setup your ONTAP cluster

NetApp recommends that you use System Manager to set up new clusters.

System Manager provides a simple and easy workflow for cluster set up and configuration including assigning a node management IP address, initializing the cluster, creating a local tier, configuring protocols, and provisioning initial storage.

Refer to [Configure ONTAP on a new cluster with System Manager](#) for setup instructions.

What's next?

After you've installed the RCF, you can [verify the SSH configuration](#).

Upgrade your Reference Configuration File (RCF)

You upgrade your RCF version when you have an existing version of the RCF file installed on your operational switches.

Before you begin

Make sure you have the following:

- A current backup of the switch configuration.
- A fully functioning cluster (no errors in the logs or similar issues).
- The current RCF.
- If you are updating your RCF version, you need a boot configuration in the RCF that reflects the desired boot images.

If you need to change the boot configuration to reflect the current boot images, you must do so before reapplying the RCF so that the correct version is instantiated on future reboots.

 No operational inter-switch link (ISL) is needed during this procedure. This is by design because RCF version changes can affect ISL connectivity temporarily. To ensure non-disruptive cluster operations, the following procedure migrates all of the cluster LIFs to the operational partner switch while performing the steps on the target switch.



Before installing a new switch software version and RCFs, you must erase the switch settings and perform basic configuration. You must be connected to the switch using the serial console or have preserved basic configuration information prior to erasing the switch settings.

Step 1: Prepare for the upgrade

1. Display the cluster ports on each node that are connected to the cluster switches:

```
network device-discovery show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network device-discovery show
Node/      Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface
Platform

-----
-----
cluster1-01/cdp
      e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/7      N3K-
C3232C
      e0d    cs2                      Ethernet1/7      N3K-
C3232C
cluster1-02/cdp
      e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/8      N3K-
C3232C
      e0d    cs2                      Ethernet1/8      N3K-
C3232C
cluster1-03/cdp
      e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/1/1    N3K-
C3232C
      e0b    cs2                      Ethernet1/1/1    N3K-
C3232C
cluster1-04/cdp
      e0a    cs1                      Ethernet1/1/2    N3K-
C3232C
      e0b    cs2                      Ethernet1/1/2    N3K-
C3232C
cluster1::*
```

2. Check the administrative and operational status of each cluster port.

- a. Verify that all the cluster ports are up with a healthy status:

```
network port show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network port show -role cluster
Node: cluster1-01

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy  false
e0d      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy  false
Node: cluster1-02

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy  false
e0d      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy  false
8 entries were displayed.
Node: cluster1-03
Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
e0b      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
Node: cluster1-04

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
```

Health	Health	Broadcast	Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
Port	IPspace					
Status	Status					
e0a	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/10000
healthy	false					
e0b	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/10000
healthy	false					

cluster1::*>

b. Verify that all the cluster interfaces (LIFs) are on the home port:

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

Logical		Status	Network
Current	Current Is		
Vserver	Interface	Admin/Oper	Address/Mask
Port	Home		Node

Cluster			
cluster1-01	cluster1-01_clus1	up/up	169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01	e0a	true	
cluster1-01	cluster1-01_clus2	up/up	169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01	e0d	true	
cluster1-02	cluster1-02_clus1	up/up	169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02	e0a	true	
cluster1-02	cluster1-02_clus2	up/up	169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02	e0d	true	
cluster1-03	cluster1-03_clus1	up/up	169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03	e0a	true	
cluster1-03	cluster1-03_clus2	up/up	169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-04	cluster1-04_clus1	up/up	169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04	e0a	true	
cluster1-04	cluster1-04_clus2	up/up	169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04	e0b	true	
8 entries were displayed.			

cluster1::*>

c. Verify that the cluster displays information for both cluster switches:

```
system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled-operational true
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled-operational true
Switch          Type          Address
Model
-----
-----
cs1            cluster-network 10.233.205.92
NX3232C
    Serial Number: FOXXXXXXXXGS
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
Software, Version
    9.3(4)
    Version Source: CDP
cs2            cluster-network 10.233.205.93
NX3232C
    Serial Number: FOXXXXXXXXGD
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
Software, Version
    9.3(4)
    Version Source: CDP
2 entries were displayed.
```

3. Disable auto-revert on the cluster LIFs.

```
cluster1::*> network interface modify -vserver Cluster -lif * -auto-revert false
```

Step 2: Configure ports

1. On cluster switch cs2, shut down the ports connected to the cluster ports of the nodes.

```
cs2> enable
cs2# configure
cs2(config)# interface eth1/1/1-2,eth1/7-8
cs2(config-if-range)# shutdown
cs2(config-if-range)# exit
cs2# exit
```



Make sure to shutdown **all** connected cluster ports to avoid any network connection issues. See the Knowledge Base article [Node out of quorum when migrating cluster LIF during switch OS upgrade](#) for further details.

2. Verify that the cluster ports have failed over to the ports hosted on cluster switch cs1. This might take a few seconds.

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
      Logical          Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface      Admin/Oper Address/Mask      Node
Port        Home
-----  -----  -----
-----  -----  -----
Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01  e0a      true
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01  e0a      false
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02  e0a      true
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02  e0a      false
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03  e0a      true
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-03  e0a      false
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04  e0a      true
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04  e0a      false
8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

3. Verify that the cluster is healthy:

```
cluster show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> cluster show
Node          Health  Eligibility  Epsilon
-----
cluster1-01    true    true        false
cluster1-02    true    true        false
cluster1-03    true    true        true
cluster1-04    true    true        false
4 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

4. If you have not already done so, save a copy of the current switch configuration by copying the output of the following command to a text file:

```
show running-config
```

5. Record any custom additions between the current running-config and the RCF file in use (such as an SNMP configuration for your organization).
6. Save basic configuration details to the `write_erase.cfg` file on the bootflash.



Make sure to configure the following:
* Username and password
* Management IP address
* Default gateway
* Switch name

```
cs2# show run | section "switchname" > bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "hostname" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | i "username admin password" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "vrf context management" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# show run | section "interface mgmt0" >> bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

7. When upgrading to RCF version 1.12 and later, run the following commands:

```
cs2# echo "hardware access-list tcam region racl-lite 512" >>
bootflash:write_erase.cfg

cs2# echo "hardware access-list tcam region qos 256" >>
bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

8. Verify that the `write_erase.cfg` file is populated as expected:

```
show file bootflash:write_erase.cfg
```

9. Issue the `write erase` command to erase the current saved configuration:

```
cs2# write erase
```

Warning: This command will erase the startup-configuration.

Do you wish to proceed anyway? (y/n) [n] **y**

10. Copy the previously saved basic configuration into the startup configuration.

```
cs2# copy bootflash:write_erase.cfg startup-config
```

11. Reboot the switch cs2:

```
cs2# reload
```

This command will reboot the system. (y/n)? [n] **y**

12. After the management IP address is reachable again, log in to the switch through SSH.

You may need to update host file entries related to the SSH keys.

13. Copy the RCF to the bootflash of switch cs2 using one of the following transfer protocols: FTP, TFTP, SFTP, or SCP. For more information on Cisco commands, see the appropriate guide in the [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Command Reference](#) guides.

Show example

This example shows TFTP being used to copy an RCF to the bootflash on switch cs2:

```
cs2# copy tftp: bootflash: vrf management
Enter source filename: Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt
Enter hostname for the tftp server: 172.22.201.50
Trying to connect to tftp server.....Connection to Server
Established.
TFTP get operation was successful
Copy complete, now saving to disk (please wait)...
```

14. Apply the RCF previously downloaded to the bootflash.

For more information on Cisco commands, see the appropriate guide in the [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Command Reference](#) guides.

Show example

This example shows the RCF file `Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt` being installed on switch cs2:

```
cs2# copy Nexus_3232C_RCF_v1.6-Cluster-HA-Breakout.txt running-
config echo-commands
```



Make sure to read thoroughly the **Installation notes**, **Important Notes**, and **banner** sections of your RCF. You must read and follow these instructions to ensure the proper configuration and operation of the switch.

15. Verify that the RCF file is the correct newer version:

```
show running-config
```

When you check the output to verify you have the correct RCF, make sure that the following information is correct:

- The RCF banner
- The node and port settings
- Customizations

The output varies according to your site configuration. Check the port settings and refer to the release notes for any changes specific to the RCF that you have installed.

16. Reapply any previous customizations to the switch configuration. Refer to [Review cabling and configuration considerations](#) for details of any further changes required.
17. After you verify the RCF versions and switch settings are correct, copy the running-config file to the startup-config file.

For more information on Cisco commands, see the appropriate guide in the [Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Command Reference](#) guides.

```
cs2# copy running-config startup-config
[#####] 100% Copy complete
```

18. Reboot switch cs2. You can ignore the "cluster ports down" events reported on the nodes while the switch reboots.

```
cs2# reload
This command will reboot the system. (y/n)? [n] y
```

19. Verify the health of cluster ports on the cluster.

- a. Verify that e0d ports are up and healthy across all nodes in the cluster:

```
network port show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network port show -role cluster
Node: cluster1-01

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
e0b      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
Node: cluster1-02

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
e0b      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/10000
healthy  false
Node: cluster1-03

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
Health   Health
Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU Admin/Oper
Status   Status
----- -----
----- 
e0a      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
e0d      Cluster      Cluster          up    9000  auto/100000
healthy false
Node: cluster1-04

Ignore
                                         Speed (Mbps)
```

Health	Health					
Port	IPspace	Broadcast	Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
Status	Status					
e0a	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/100000
healthy	false					
e0d	Cluster	Cluster		up	9000	auto/100000
healthy	false					
8 entries were displayed.						

b. Verify the switch health from the cluster (this might not show switch cs2, since LIFs are not homed on e0d).

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network device-discovery show -protocol cdp
Node/      Local  Discovered
Protocol   Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface
Platform

-----
-----
cluster1-01/cdp
    e0a    cs1                  Ethernet1/7
N3K-C3232C
    e0d    cs2                  Ethernet1/7
N3K-C3232C
cluster01-2/cdp
    e0a    cs1                  Ethernet1/8
N3K-C3232C
    e0d    cs2                  Ethernet1/8
N3K-C3232C
cluster01-3/cdp
    e0a    cs1                  Ethernet1/1/1
N3K-C3232C
    e0b    cs2                  Ethernet1/1/1
N3K-C3232C
cluster1-04/cdp
    e0a    cs1                  Ethernet1/1/2
N3K-C3232C
    e0b    cs2                  Ethernet1/1/2
N3K-C3232C
cluster1::*> system cluster-switch show -is-monitoring-enabled
-operational true
Switch                  Type          Address
Model

-----
-----
cs1                  cluster-network  10.233.205.90
N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOXXXXXXXGD
    Is Monitored: true
    Reason: None
    Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
Software, Version
    9.3(4)
    Version Source: CDP
cs2                  cluster-network  10.233.205.91
N3K-C3232C
    Serial Number: FOXXXXXXXGS
```

```
Is Monitored: true
  Reason: None
  Software Version: Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS)
  Software, Version
    9.3 (4)
  Version Source: CDP
2 entries were displayed.
```



You might observe the following output on the cs1 switch console depending on the RCF version previously loaded on the switch 2020 Nov 17 16:07:18 cs1 %\$ VDC-1 %\$ %STP-2-UNBLOCK_CONSIST_PORT: Unblocking port port-channel1 on VLAN0092. Port consistency restored. 2020 Nov 17 16:07:23 cs1 %\$ VDC-1 %\$ %STP-2-BLOCK_PVID_PEER: Blocking port-channel1 on VLAN0001. Inconsistent peer vlan. 2020 Nov 17 16:07:23 cs1 %\$ VDC-1 %\$ %STP-2-BLOCK_PVID_LOCAL: Blocking port-channel1 on VLAN0092. Inconsistent local vlan.



It can take up to 5 minutes for the cluster nodes to report as healthy.

20. On cluster switch cs1, shut down the ports connected to the cluster ports of the nodes.

Show example

The following example uses the interface example output from step 1:

```
cs1(config)# interface eth1/1/1-2,eth1/7-8
cs1(config-if-range)# shutdown
```

21. Verify that the cluster LIFs have migrated to the ports hosted on switch cs2. This might take a few seconds.

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
          Logical          Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface      Admin/Oper  Address/Mask      Node
Port        Home
-----
-----
Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01      e0d      false
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02      e0d      false
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03      e0b      false
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04      e0b      false
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

22. Verify that the cluster is healthy:

```
cluster show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> cluster show
Node          Health  Eligibility  Epsilon
-----
cluster1-01    true    true        false
cluster1-02    true    true        false
cluster1-03    true    true        true
cluster1-04    true    true        false
4 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*
```

23. Repeat Steps 4 to 19 on switch cs1.
24. Enable auto-revert on the cluster LIFs.

```
cluster1::*> network interface modify -vserver Cluster -lif * -auto
-revert true
```

Step 3: Verify the cluster network configuration and cluster health

1. Verify that the switch ports connected to the cluster ports are **up**.

```
show interface brief | grep up
```

Show example

```
cs1# show interface brief | grep up
.
.
Eth1/1/1      1      eth  access  up      none
10G(D)  --
Eth1/1/2      1      eth  access  up      none
10G(D)  --
Eth1/7       1      eth  trunk   up      none
100G(D)  --
Eth1/8       1      eth  trunk   up      none
100G(D)  --
.
.
```

2. Verify that the ISL between cs1 and cs2 is functional:

```
show port-channel summary
```

Show example

```
cs1# 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
        b - BFD Session Wait
        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)
cs1#
```

3. Verify that the cluster LIFs have reverted to their home port:

```
network interface show -role cluster
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> network interface show -role cluster
      Logical          Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface      Admin/Oper  Address/Mask      Node
Port        Home
-----
-----
Cluster
      cluster1-01_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.4/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-01_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.5/23
cluster1-01      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus1  up/up      169.254.3.8/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-02_clus2  up/up      169.254.3.9/23
cluster1-02      e0d      true
      cluster1-03_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.3/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-03_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.1/23
cluster1-03      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus1  up/up      169.254.1.6/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
      cluster1-04_clus2  up/up      169.254.1.7/23
cluster1-04      e0b      true
8 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*
```

If any cluster LIFS have not returned to their home ports, revert them manually: `network interface revert -vserver vserver_name -lif lif_name`

4. Verify that the cluster is healthy:

```
cluster show
```

Show example

```
cluster1::*> cluster show
Node          Health  Eligibility  Epsilon
-----
cluster1-01    true    true         false
cluster1-02    true    true         false
cluster1-03    true    true         true
cluster1-04    true    true         false
4 entries were displayed.
cluster1::*>
```

5. Verify the connectivity of the remote cluster interfaces:

ONTAP 9.9.1 and later

You can use the `network interface check cluster-connectivity` command to start an accessibility check for cluster connectivity and then display the details: `network interface check cluster-connectivity start` and `network interface check cluster-connectivity show`

```
cluster1::*> network interface check cluster-connectivity start
```

NOTE: Wait for a number of seconds before running the `show` command to display the details.

```
cluster1::*> network interface check cluster-connectivity show
                                         Source          Destination
Packet
Node    Date           LIF           LIF
Loss
-----
-----
cluster1-01
  3/5/2022 19:21:18 -06:00  cluster1-01_clus2  cluster1-02_clus1
none
  3/5/2022 19:21:20 -06:00  cluster1-01_clus2  cluster1-02_clus2
none
.
.
cluster1-02
  3/5/2022 19:21:18 -06:00  cluster1-02_clus2  cluster1-01_clus1
none
  3/5/2022 19:21:20 -06:00  cluster1-02_clus2  cluster1-01_clus2
none
.
.
cluster1-03
.
.
.
.
cluster1-04
.
.
.
.
```

All ONTAP releases

For all ONTAP releases, you can also use the `cluster ping-cluster -node <name>` command to

check the connectivity: `cluster ping-cluster -node <name>`

```
cluster1::*> cluster ping-cluster -node local
Host is cluster1-03
Getting addresses from network interface table...
Cluster cluster1-03_clus1 169.254.1.3 cluster1-03 e0a
Cluster cluster1-03_clus2 169.254.1.1 cluster1-03 e0b
Cluster cluster1-04_clus1 169.254.1.6 cluster1-04 e0a
Cluster cluster1-04_clus2 169.254.1.7 cluster1-04 e0b
Cluster cluster1-01_clus1 169.254.3.4 cluster1-01 e0a
Cluster cluster1-01_clus2 169.254.3.5 cluster1-01 e0d
Cluster cluster1-02_clus1 169.254.3.8 cluster1-02 e0a
Cluster cluster1-02_clus2 169.254.3.9 cluster1-02 e0d
Local = 169.254.1.3 169.254.1.1
Remote = 169.254.1.6 169.254.1.7 169.254.3.4 169.254.3.5 169.254.3.8
169.254.3.9
Cluster Vserver Id = 4294967293
Ping status:
.....
Basic connectivity succeeds on 12 path(s)
Basic connectivity fails on 0 path(s)
.....
Detected 9000 byte MTU on 12 path(s):
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.1.6
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.1.7
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.3.4
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.3.5
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.3.8
  Local 169.254.1.3 to Remote 169.254.3.9
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.1.6
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.1.7
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.3.4
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.3.5
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.3.8
  Local 169.254.1.1 to Remote 169.254.3.9
Larger than PMTU communication succeeds on 12 path(s)
RPC status:
6 paths up, 0 paths down (tcp check)
6 paths up, 0 paths down (udp check)
```

What's next?

After you've upgraded your RCF, you can [verify the SSH configuration](#).

Verify your SSH configuration

If you are using the Ethernet Switch Health Monitor (CSHM) and log collection features, verify that SSH and SSH keys are enabled on the cluster switches.

Steps

1. Verify that SSH is enabled:

```
(switch) show ssh server  
ssh version 2 is enabled
```

2. Verify that the SSH keys are enabled:

```
show ssh key
```

Show example

```
(switch) # show ssh key

rsa Keys generated:Fri Jun 28 02:16:00 2024

ssh-rsa
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAQABAAAAgQDiNrD52Q586wTGJjFAbjB1FaA23EpDrZ2sDCew
17nwlioC6HBejxluIObAH8hrW8kR+gj0ZAfPpNeLGTg3APj/yiPTBoIZZxbWRShywAM5
PqyxWwRb7kp9Zt1YHzVuHYpSO82KUDowKrL6lox/YtpKoZUDZjrZjAp8hTv3JZsPgQ==

bitcount:1024
fingerprint:
SHA256:aHwhpzo7+YCDsrp3isJv2uVGz+mjMMokqdMeXVVXfdo

could not retrieve dsa key information

ecdsa Keys generated:Fri Jun 28 02:30:56 2024

ecdsa-sha2-nistp521
AAAAE2VjZHNhLXNoYTItbmlzdHA1MjEAAAIBmlzdHA1MjEAAACFBABJ+ZX5SFKhS57e
vkE273e0VoqZi4/32dt+f14fBuKv80MjMsmLfjKtCWylwgVt1Zi+C5TIBbugpzez529z
kFSF0ADb8JaGCoaAYe2HvWR/f6QLbKbqVlewCdqWgxzrIY5BPP5GBdxQJMBiOwEdnHg1
u/9Pzh/Vz9cHDcCW9qGE780QHA==

bitcount:521
fingerprint:
SHA256:TFGe2hXn6QIpcs/vyHzftHJ7Dceg0vQaULYRALzeHwQ

(switch) # show feature | include scpServer
scpServer          1          enabled
(switch) # show feature | include ssh
sshServer          1          enabled
(switch) #
```



When enabling FIPS, you must change the bitcount to 256 on the switch using the command `ssh key ecdsa 256 force`. See [Configure network security using FIPS](#) for more details.

What's next?

After you've verified your SSH configuration, you can [configure switch health monitoring](#).

Reset the 3232C cluster switch to factory defaults

To reset the 3232C cluster switch to factory defaults, you must erase the 3232C switch

settings.

About this task

- You must be connected to the switch using the serial console.
- This task resets the configuration of the management network.

Steps

1. Erase the existing configuration:

```
write erase
```

```
(cs2) # write erase
```

Warning: This command will erase the startup-configuration.
Do you wish to proceed anyway? (y/n) [n] **y**

2. Reload the switch software:

```
reload
```

```
(cs2) # reload
```

This command will reboot the system. (y/n) ? [n] **y**

The system reboots and enters the configuration wizard. During the boot, if you receive the prompt “Abort Auto Provisioning and continue with normal setup? (yes/no)[n]”, you should respond **yes** to proceed.

What's next

After resetting the switch, you can [reconfigure](#) it according to your requirements.

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