Overview

Cluster and storage switches

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Overview

Overview of configuration process for NVIDIA SN2100 storage switches

The NVIDIA SN2100 is a storage switch that allows you to route data between servers and storage arrays in a Storage Area Network (SAN).

Initial configuration overview

To configure a NVIDIA SN2100 switch on systems running ONTAP, follow these steps:

1. Install the hardware for the NVIDIA SN2100 switch.

   Instructions are available in the *NVIDIA Switch Installation Guide*.

2. Configure the switch.

   Instructions are available in the NVIDIA documentation.

3. Review cabling and configuration considerations.

   Review requirements for optical connections, the QSA adapter, and the switchport speed.

4. Cable NS224 shelves as switch-attached storage.

   Follow these procedures if you have a system in which the NS224 drive shelves need to be cabled as switch-attached storage (not direct-attached storage).

5. Install Cumulus Linux in Cumulus mode or install Cumulus Linux in ONIE mode.

   You can install Cumulus Linux (CL) OS when the switch is running either Cumulus Linux or ONIE.

6. Install the Reference Configuration File script.

   There are two RCF scripts available for Clustering and Storage applications.

7. Configure SNMPv3 for switch log collection.

   This release includes support for SNMPv3 for switch log collection and for Switch Health Monitoring (SHM).

The procedures use Network Command Line Utility (NCLU), which is a command line interface that ensures Cumulus Linux is fully accessible to all. The net command is the wrapper utility you use to execute actions from a terminal.

Additional information

Before you begin installation or maintenance, be sure to review the following:

- Configuration requirements
- Components and part numbers

- Required documentation

Configuration requirements for NVIDIA SN2100 switches

For NVIDIA SN2100 switch installation and maintenance, be sure to review all requirements.

Installation requirements

If you want to build ONTAP clusters with more than two nodes, you need two supported cluster network switches. You can use additional management switches, which are optional.

You install the NVIDIA SN2100 switch (X190006/X190106) in the NVIDIA dual/single switch cabinet with the standard brackets that are included with the switch.

For cabling guidelines, see Cabling and configuration considerations.

ONTAP and Linux support

The NVIDIA SN2100 switch is a 10/25/40/100 Gb Ethernet switch running Cumulus Linux. The switch supports the following:

- ONTAP 9.10.1P3. The SN2100 switch serves Cluster and Storage applications in ONTAP 9.10.1P3 over different switch-pairs. From ONTAP 9.10.1P3, you can use NVIDIA SN2100 switches to combine storage and cluster functionality into a shared switch configuration.
- Cumulus Linux (CL) OS version 4.4.3. For current compatibility information, see the NVIDIA Ethernet Switches information page.
- You can install Cumulus Linux when the switch is running Cumulus Linux or ONIE.

Components and part numbers for NVIDIA SN2100 switches

For NVIDIA SN2100 switch installation and maintenance, be sure to review the list of components and part numbers for the cabinet and rail kit.

Cabinet details

You install the NVIDIA SN2100 switch (X190006/X190106) in the NVIDIA dual/single switch cabinet with the standard brackets that are included with the switch.

Rail kit details

The following table lists the part number and description for the MSN2100 switches and rail kits:

Part number	Description
X190006-PE	Cluster Switch, NVIDIA SN2100, 16PT 100G, PTSX
X190006-PI	Cluster Switch, NVIDIA SN2100, 16PT 100G, PSIN

Part number	Description
X190106-FE-PE	Switch, NVIDIA SN2100, 16PT 100G, PTSX, Front End
X190106-FE-PI	Switch, NVIDIA SN2100, 16PT 100G, PSIN, Front End
X-MTEF-KIT-D	Rail Kit, NVIDIA Dual switch side by side
X-MTEF-KIT-E	Rail Kit, NVIDIA Single switch short depth

See NVIDIA documentation for details on installing your SN2100 switch and rail kit.

Documentation requirements for NVIDIA SN2100 switches

For NVIDIA SN2100 switch installation and maintenance, be sure to review all the recommended documentation.

The following table lists the documentation available for the NVIDIA SN2100 switches.

Title	Description
Setup and configure your NVIDIA SN2100 switches	Describes how to setup and configure your NVIDIA SN2100 switches, including installing Cumulus Linux and applicable RCFs.
Migrate from a Cisco cluster switch to a NVIDIA SN2100 cluster switch	Describes how to migrate from environments that use Cisco cluster switches to environments that use NVIDIA SN2100 cluster switches.
Migrate from a Cisco storage switch to a NVIDIA storage switch	Describes how to migrate from environments that use Cisco storage switches to environments that use NVIDIA SN2100 storage switches.
Migrate to a two-node switched cluster with NVIDIA SN2100 cluster switches	Describes how to migrate to a two-node switched environment using NVIDIA SN2100 cluster switches.
Replace a NVIDIA SN2100 cluster switch	Describes the procedure to replace a defective NVIDIA SN2100 switch in a cluster and download Cumulus Linux and reference configuration file.
Replace a NVIDIA SN2100 storage switch	Describes the procedure to replace a defective NVIDIA SN2100 storage switch and download Cumulus Linux and reference configuration file.

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