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Configure network ports

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Modify network port attributes

You can modify the autonegotiation, duplex, flow control, speed, and health settings of a physical network port.

Before you begin

The port that you want to modify must not be hosting any LIFs.

About this task

 It is not recommended to modify the administrative settings of the 100 GbE, 40 GbE, 10 GbE or 1 GbE network interfaces.

The values that you set for duplex mode and port speed are referred to as administrative settings. Depending on network limitations, the administrative settings can differ from the operational settings (that is, the duplex mode and speed that the port actually uses).

• It is not recommended to modify the administrative settings of the underlying physical ports in an interface group.

The -up-admin parameter (available at the advanced privilege level) modifies the administrative settings of the port.

- It is not recommended to set the -up-admin administrative setting to false for all ports on a node, or for the port that hosts the last operational cluster LIF on a node.
- It is not recommended to modify the MTU size of the management port, e0M.
- The MTU size of a port in a broadcast domain cannot be changed from the MTU value that is set for the broadcast domain.
- The MTU size of a VLAN cannot exceed the value of the MTU size of its base port.

Steps

1. Modify the attributes of a network port:

```
network port modify
```

2. You can set the -ignore-health-status field to true for specifying that the system can ignore the network port health status of a specified port.

The network port health status is automatically changed from degraded to healthy, and this port can now be used for hosting LIFs. You should set the flow control of cluster ports to none. By default, the flow control is set to full.

The following command disables the flow control on port e0b by setting the flow control to none:

network port modify -node cluster-1-01 -port e0b -flowcontrol-admin none

Convert 40GbE NIC ports into multiple 10GbE ports for 10GbE connectivity

You can convert the X1144A-R6 and the X91440A-R6 40GbE Network Interface Cards (NICs) to support four 10GbE ports.

If you are connecting a hardware platform that supports one of these NICs to a cluster that supports 10GbE cluster interconnect and customer data connections, the NIC must be converted to provide the necessary 10GbE connections.

Before you begin

You must be using a supported breakout cable.

About this task

For a complete list of platforms that support NICs, see the Hardware Universe.



On the X1144A-R6 NIC, only port A can be converted to support the four 10GbE connections. Once port A is converted, port e is not available for use.

Steps

- 1. Enter maintenance mode.
- 2. Convert the NIC from 40GbE support to 10GbE support.

```
nicadmin convert -m [40G | 10G] [port-name]
```

- 3. After using the convert command, halt the node.
- 4. Install or change the cable.
- 5. Depending on the hardware model, use the SP (Service Processor) or BMC (Baseboard Management Controller) to power-cycle the node for the conversion to take effect.

Removing a NIC from the node (ONTAP 9.8 and later)

This topic applies to ONTAP 9.8 and later. You might have to remove a faulty NIC from its slot or move the NIC to another slot for maintenance purposes.

Steps

- 1. Power down the node.
- 2. Physically remove the NIC from its slot.
- 3. Power on the node.
- 4. Verify that the port has been deleted:

```
network port show
```



ONTAP automatically removes the port from any interface groups. If the port was the only member of an interface group, the interface group is deleted.

5. If the port had any VLANs configured on it, they are displaced. You can view displaced VLANs using the following command:

cluster controller-replacement network displaced-vlans show



The displaced-interface show, displaced-vlans show, and displaced-vlans restore commands are unique and do not require the fully qualified command name, which starts with cluster controller-replacement network.

6. These VLANs are deleted, but can be restored using the following command:

displaced-vlans restore

7. If the port had any LIFs configured on it, ONTAP automatically chooses new home ports for those LIFs on another port in the same broadcast domain. If no suitable home port is found on the same filer, those LIFs are considered displaced. You can view displaced LIFs using the following command:

displaced-interface show

8. When a new port is added to the broadcast domain on the same node, the home ports for the LIFs are automatically restored. Alternatively, you can either set the home port using network interface modify -home-port -home-node or use the displaced- interface restore command.

Removing a NIC from the node (ONTAP 9.7 or earlier)

This topic applies to ONTAP 9.7 or earlier. You might have to remove a faulty NIC from its slot or move the NIC to another slot for maintenance purposes.

Before you begin

- All LIFs hosted on the NIC ports must have been migrated or deleted.
- None of the NIC ports can be the home ports of any LIFs.
- You must have advanced privileges to delete the ports from a NIC.

Steps

1. Delete the ports from the NIC:

network port delete

2. Verify that the ports have been deleted:

network port show

3. Repeat step 1, if the output of the network port show command still shows the deleted port.

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