

Configuring Cisco Unified Fabric Automation

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Summary of Steps for Configuring Cisco Unified Fabric Automation

	Multi-Domain Managers, as shown in Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Organization Account, on page
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Step 2	Add a vCenter cloud account through Administration > Virtual Accounts > Add).
Step 3	If used, add the Cisco Nexus 1000V account (Administration >Physical Accounts > Managed Network Elements > Add Network Element).
Step 4	Check the vCenter cloud inventory under vCenter and verify that you can see the data. It may take a few minutes after the vCenter is added for the inventory to appear.
Step 5	Create several vDCs. You also have to create system, compute, storage, and network policies (refer to the base Cisco UCS Director, Release 4.1 documentation).
Step 6	Choose Physical > Network.
Step 7	In the left pane, hoose Multi-domain Managers > DCNM Accounts and click Fabric vDC Switch Association Policy . Enable vDC switches for a particular Fabric organization account. With the above steps completed, you can now perform the basic administrative Fabric organization tasks such as:
	• Create a group (tenant).
	• Create an organization for a group

Add the Cisco Unified Fabric Automation organization account through Administration > Physical Accounts >

- · Create a partition within an organization.
- Create a network.
- Create workflows using the Fabric organization orchestration tasks (**Physical Network Tasks > Cisco Tasks** folder). You can also import sample workflows which are included with the Cisco UCS Director Orchestrator.

Adding a Cloud Account

Cisco UCS Director automatically discovers all existing virtual machines (VMs) and images in the newly added cloud account. Typically, the discovery process takes about five minutes. You can add VMware clouds and PowerShell agents.

Step 1

Creating a Cloud

- **Step 1** Choose Administration > Virtual Accounts.
- Step 2 Click Virtual Accounts.
- Step 3 Click Add (+).
- Step 4

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Name	Description
Cloud Type drop-down list	Choose VMware . The following fields are displayed when VMware is chosen. Other cloud types display fields that are specific to that cloud type.
Cloud Name field	The cloud name.
	Note Each cloud requires a unique name in Cisco UCS Director. Once a cloud has been added, all reports refer to the cloud using the Cloud Name. Also, single quote characters are not allowed in Cloud Name field (for example, Ven's vCenter).
Server Address field	The vCenter server address.
Server User ID field	The vCenter server username.
Server Password field	The vCenter server password.
Server Access Port field	The server port number.
VMware Datacenter field	The pod name on the vCenter account. This name allows you to discover, monitor and manage the specified pod's resource. Leave the field blank if the entire vCenter account is managed by Cisco UCS Director.
Server Access URL	The URL for server access.
Description field	The description of the cloud.
Contact Email field	The contact email address for the cloud.
Location field	The location.
Pod drop-down list	Choose the converged infrastructure pod. By choosing a pod name, the VMware cloud account appears in the converged infrastructure stack.
Service Provider field	The service provider's name.

Step 5 Click Add.

Configuring a Cisco Nexus 1000V Switch

As part of the configuration process you must identify and configure a Cisco Nexus 1000 switch for use within your Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network.



This step is optional if you are using a Cisco Nexus 1000V.

Before You Begin

You must have a Cisco DCNM account and a vCenter account. You must have access to a Cisco Nexus 1000V switch.

Adding a Network Element

Step 1	Choose Administration > Physical Accounts.
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- Step 2 Click Managed Network Elements.
- Step 3
- 3 Click Add Network Element and complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Pod drop-down list	Choose the pod to which the network belongs.
Device Category drop-down list	Choose the device category for this network element.
Device IP field	The IP address of this device.
Protocol drop-down list	Choose the protocol to be used. This can be either telnet or ssh .
Port field	The port to use.
Login field	The login name.
Password field	The password associated with the login name.
Enable Password field	The enable password for this network element.

Step 4 Click Submit.

Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Organization Account

Make sure you specify a valid range of segments IDs to be used by Cisco UCS Director. To update the SegmentID Range, choose **DCNM Accounts>Fabric SegmentID Range Management** and highlight the desired DCNM account. The segment id range **Update** button is available when the DCNM account is highlighted.

The Segment ID Range Specified in the creation of the DCNM Account should be different from the ranges present in the L2 Segment ID Range for DCNM Version 7.1(x). Earlier DCNM versions can be given any valid range.



Cisco Fabric Organization networks are not tied to any specific pod.

Step 1 Choose Administration > Physical Account.

- Step 2 Click Multi-Domain Managers.
- Step 3 Click (+) Add.
- **Step 4** On the Add Account screen, choose DCNM from the drop-down list to create an account for use in Digital Fabric Automation networks.

PNSC is not used in UCSD unless required for specific items, such as VSG deployment.

Step 5 Click Submit

Step 6

On the Multi-Domain Manager Account screen, complete the following fields. All other field are information only.

Name	Description
Account Name field	The multi-domain account name.
Description field	The description of the multi-domain.
Server Address field	The IP address of the DCNM server.
User ID field	The administrator's or root user's user ID.
Password field	The administrator's user password.
Transport Type drop-down list	Choose a transport type:
	• HTTP — Standard protocol.
	• HTTPS — Standard and secure protocol. This is the default selection for DFA Organization networks.

Name	Description
Port field	The port number (based upon the transport type).
SegmentID Pool field	The selected segment ID pool. The selected range should not be used by any other Orchestrator.
VlanID Pool field	The selected Vlan ID pool. The range for Fabric Network Creation is 2 - 4093.
Contact Email field	The email address of the administrator or person responsible for this account.
Location field	The location of the device associated with the account.

Step 7	Click Submit .
Step 8	Choose the newly created account.
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Step 9 Click **Test Connection** to verify that the account is operational.

Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Organization



You can also use workflow tasks to create a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation organization, partition, or network.

- **Step 1** Choose **Physical** > **Network**.
- **Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry.
- Step 3 Double-click the DCNM Accounts entry. Along with the double-click, you can select the arrow button, double-click on the DCNM Account created, and see the Fabric Organization screen.
- Step 4 Click Fabric Organization.
- Step 5 Click Create Organization.
- **Step 6** On the Create Fabric Organization screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Organization Name field	The name of the organization.
Description field	The description of the organization.

Name	Description
Orchestration Source field	The name of the Cisco UCS Director server (used to input the source field in DCNM when an organization is created).
Select Group drop-down list	Choose a user group.
	Note A user group can have only one Fabric organization.

Step 7 Click Add.

Configuring the DFA Orchestrator ID

The DFA Orchestrator ID is one of the parameters that is used in the creation of a DFA organization by Cisco UCS Director. By default, this field holds the following value:

UCSD -<UCSD IP Address>

To change the DFA Orchestrator value, enter a new IP address.

- **Step 1** Choose Administration > System.
- Step 2 Click DFA Orchestrator ID.
- **Step 3** Enter the **DFA Orchestration Source Name** value.
- Step 4 Click Save.

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Associating vDCs

Before You Begin

Create a Fabric vDC, Fabric account and a Fabric switch.



You can also associate Fabric vDC switch association through an action task (**Physical > Network > DCNM Accounts > Fabric VDC Switch Association Policy > Add**).

- **Step 1** Choose **Policies > Orchestration**.
- **Step 2** In the **Orchestration** pane, click **Workflows**.
- **Step 3** On the left pane of the **WorkFlows** screen, choose the workflow folder and click the arrow next to the folder to show the workflows.
- Step 4 Double-click the Create VDC Fabric Switch Association workflow. Workflow Designer appears.
- Step 5 Click the Edit Workflow Properties button.
- **Step 6** In the **Edit Workflow Details** pane, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Workflow Name field	The name of the workflow.
Description field	The description of the workflow.
Workflow Context drop-down list	Choose a workflow context.
Save as Compound Task check box	If checked, saves workflow as a compound task.
Place in New Folder check box	If checked, place workflow in new folder.
Select Folder drop-down list	Choose a folder to store the workflow.

Step 7 In the **Modify User Inputs** pane, click on the (+) **Add** button to locate and add a Fabric Account, Fabric Switch, and a Fabric vDC.

- Step 8 Click Submit.
- **Step 9** Click the **Execute Now** button.
- **Step 10** Examine the **Submit Workflow** screen to confirm the proper inputs were selected.
- Step 11 Click Submit.

Creating a Fabric Partition

You can create multiple (Level 2 network) fabric partitions. Each network can have associated network pools.

Step 1 Choose **Physical** > **Network**.

Step 2 In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry.

Step 3 Double-click the DCNM Accounts entry.

Along with the double-click, you can select the arrow button, double-click on the DCNM Account created, and see the Fabric Partition screen.

- Step 4 Click Fabric Partition.
- **Step 5** Click Create Partition.
- **Step 6** On the Create Partition screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Organization Name drop-down list	Choose an organization.
Partition Name field	The name of the partition.
Description field	The description of the partition.
Fabric Account field	Fabric account name.
DCI ID	
Extend the Partition across the Fabric check box	Placing a check mark in this box will extend the partition across the fabric
Service Node IP Address field	IP address of service node.
DNS Server field	IP address of DNS server.
Secondary DNS Server field	IP address of the secondary DNS server.
Multicast Group Address field	
Profile Name drop-down list	Select the Profile Name from the drop-down list
Profile Parameters section	
Border LeafRt field	Only visible if there is a Profile Name selected

Step 7 Click Add.

Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Network

Each fabric network can have associated network pools.

- **Step 1** Choose **Physical** > **Network**.
- **Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry.
- **Step 3** Double-click the **DCNM Accounts** entry.

Along with the double-click, you can select the arrow button, double-click on the DCNM Account created, and see the Fabric Network screen.

- Step 4 Click Fabric Network.
- Step 5 Click Create Network.
- Step 6

On the Create Fabric Network screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Fabric Account drop-down list	Choose a Fabric Account from the drop-down list.
Organization Name drop-down list	Choose an organization from the drop-down list
Partition Name drop-down list	Choose a partition from the drop-down list.
Network Name field	Name of the new network.
Multicast Group Address field	
Network Role drop-down list	Choose a network role from the drop-down list.
Description field	Description of the network.
Gateway field	Network gateway address.
Subnet Mask field	Network subnet address.
Switch Type drop-down list	Choose the switch type.
Select Switches drop-down list	Choose a switch to enable association.
Profile Name drop-down list	Choose a profile name.
Profile Parameters section	
DHCP Server Address field	IP address of the DHCP server.
vrfDhcp field	
mtuValue field	

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Name	Description
dhcpServerv6Address field	
vrfv6Dhcp field	
Enable IPv6 check box	If checked, enables the use of IPv6 addresses.
Gateway IPv6 Address field	Visible if Enable IPv6 box is checked.
Prefix Length field	Visible if Enable IPv6 box is checked.
Network ID section	
Segment Id field	Segment Id of network. Not visible if the AutoSelect check box is selected.
AutoSelect (72000-78000) check box	If checked, allows for segment to be dynamically selected (from within a 72000 - 78000 range). This value is the value chosen when the administrator added the Fabric account to Cisco UCS Director.
Mobility Domain ID select button	Click the select button to choose the Mobility Domain ID. If the DCNM Version is 7.0(2), then a text box will be selected.
AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID check box	If checked, allows the Mobility Domain ID to be autoselected.
VLAN ID field	Enter a Vlan ID.
DHCP Scope section	
Enable DHCP check box	If checked, enables the use of a DHCP server.
IP Range field	Range of IP addresses for this network that the assigned DHCP server can lease.
Service Configuration Parameters	
Start IP field	Starting IP address of service.
End IP field	The range of static IP addresses that can be assigned to specific important service devices.
Secondary Gateway IP Address field	IP address of secondary gateway server (Cisco DCNM).

Step 7 Click Add.

Examining the Fabric SegmentID Range

Each network can have an associated segment ID range. Each network has an account ID. Cisco Unified Fabric Automation assigns a segment ID range to one Orchestrator. OpenStack can also talk to Cisco Data Center Network Manager (DCNM). When Cisco UCS Director Orchestrator creates a network, it uses the segments listed in these segment ID ranges.

- **Step 1** Choose **Physical** > **Network**.
- **Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry.
- Step 3Double-click the DCNM Accounts entry.
Along with the double-click, you can select the arrow button, double-click on the DCNM Account created, and see the
Fabric SegmentID Range Management screen.
- Step 4 Click Fabric SegmentID Range Management. The Account Name, Orchestrator Name, and SegmentID Range are displayed.

Examining a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Network's Segment Usage

This view allows you to see who is using which network ID, segment pool, segment ID, and so on.

- Step 1 Choose Physical > Network.
- **Step 2** Click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry in the left-hand column.
- Step 3Double-click the DCNM Accounts entry.Along with the double-click, you can select the arrow button, double-click on the DCNM Account created, and see the
Fabric Network Segment Usage screen.
- Step 4 Click Fabric Network Segment Usage. The details of segment usage are displayed.

Adding a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Network to a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Partition



Do not make the network available to all vCenters. You must enable the Cisco Cisco Unified Fabric Automation on a particular switch.

Before You Begin

Create a partition and ensure that you can access Cisco Prime DCNM and a vCenter account. You also need information about the Cisco Nexus 1000V switch to be used with this network. Whenever you create a network, you can create multiple profiles. See the **Profile Name** drop-down list to choose a profile and how it will be used (for example, the **defaultNetworkIpv4EfProfile** selection). The available profiles are available through Cisco DCNM.

Step 1 Choose	Physical >	Network.
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- **Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Manager** entry.
- **Step 3** Double-click the **DCNM Accounts** entry.
- Step 4 Click Fabric Partition.
- **Step 5** Double-click on a partition. The **Fabric Network** screen appears.
- Step 6 Click Create Network.
- **Step 7** On the Create Fabric Network screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Network Name field	The network name.
Multicast Group Address field	Multicast group address value.
Network Role drop-down list	Choose a Host Network from the drop-down list.
Description field	The description of the network.
Gateway field	The name of the gateway server.
Subnet Mask field	The network's subnet mask.
Switch Type drop-down list	Choose a switch type (dvSwitch or vSwitch). Anyone accessing this switch has access to the Cisco DFA.
Profile Name drop-down list	Choose a profile from the drop-down list.
Profile Parameters section	
DHCP Server Address field	IP address of the DHCP server.

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Name	Description
vrfDhcp field	
mtuValue field	specify an mtu value between 1500 and 9216.
dhcpServerv6Address field	
vrfv6Dhcp field	
Enable IPv6 check box	If checked, enables the use of IPv6 addresses.
Gateway IPv6 Address field	IPv6 address field used by the gateway.
	Note This field is visible only if the Enable IPv6 check box is selected.
Prefix Length field	Prefix length used by the IPv6 address.
	Note This field is visible only if the Enable IPv6 check box is selected.
Network Id section	
Segment ID field	Segment Id in use by server. This must be a unique value for each network.
AutoSelect (50000-70000) check box	If checked, allows for segment to be dynamically selected (from within a 50000 - 70000 range).
Mobility Domain ID field	
AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID check box	If checked, automatically chooses the Mobility Domain ID.
DHCP Scope section	
Enable DHCP check box	If checked, enables DHCP for the network.
IP Range field	The IP range of the DHCP server.
Service Configuration Parameters section	
Start IP field	The starting IP address value (static range only).
End IP field	The ending IP address value (static range only).
Secondary Gateway field	

Step 8 Click Add. Cisco UCS Director creates a port group on the vSwitch. Once the port group is available, you can create a VM. Any VM can use this port group. The Cisco Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network allows you to create network segments dynamically, which makes them visible to the dvSwitches and Cisco Nexus 1000V switches.

Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Network using vSwitches

Each Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network can have associated network pools. Creating a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network using vSwitches and dvSwitches are very similar. However, vSwitches can be mapped to one network adapter or to multiple network adapters. vSwitches that have no associated network adapters can also be implemented as well.

Step 1	Choose Physical > Network.
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- **Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Multi-domain Managers** entry.
- Step 3 Click the DCNM Accounts entry.
- Step 4 Click Fabric Network.
- Step 5 Click Create Network.
- Step 6
- 6 On the Create Fabric Network screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Partition Name field	Choose a partition from the drop-down list.
Network Name field	Name of the new network.
Description field	Description of the network.
Gateway field	Network gateway address.
Subnet mask field	Network subnet address.
Switch Type drop-down list	Choose the vSwitches option from the drop-down list. When prompted, check the check box of a corresponding switch.
Select Switches drop-down list	Choose a switch.
Profile Name drop-down list	Choose a profile name.
Profile Parameters section	
DHCP Server Address field	IP address of the DHCP server.
Enable IPv6 check box	If checked, enables the use of IPv6 addresses.

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Name	Description	
Gateway IPv6 Address field	Gateway IPv6 address for DHCP server. Only visible when the Enable IPv6 check box is checked.	
Prefix Length field	Prefix used for IPv6 addresses. Only visible when the Enable IPv6 check box is checked.	
Network ID section		
Segment ID field	Segment ID of network. Not visible if the AutoSelect check box is selected.	
	NoteThis field is not required when creating a network on a vSwitch or (VMWare) dvSwitch. The VDP protocol is not used and only a Vlan and mobility ID is required.	
Mobility Domain ID select button	Click to choose a Mobility Domain ID from a list.	
Mobility Domain ID check box	If checked, allows for the Mobility domain ID to be dynamically selected.	
DHCP Scope section		
Enable DHCP check box	If checked, enables the use of a DHCP server.	
IP Range field	IP range in use for the DHCP server.	
Service Configuration Parameters		
Start IP field	Starting IP address of service.	
End IP field	The range of static IP addresses that can be assigned to specific important service devices.	
Secondary Gateway field	Secondary network gateway address.	

Step 7 Click Add.

Creating a Fabric Network using dvSwitches

Each Fabric network can have associated network pools. Creating a Fabric network using vSwitches and dvSwitches are very similar. A dvSwitch acts like a global switch, enabling administrators to associate a single switch with all ESX or ESXi hosts in a datacenter, rather than configure a vSwitch for each individual host.

Choose Physical > Network.	
In the left pane, click the Multi-domain Mana	agers entry.
Click Fabric Network.	
Name	Description
Partition Name field	Choose a partition from the drop-down list.
Network Name field	Name of the new network.
Description field	Description of the network.
Gateway field	Network gateway address.
Subnet mask field	Network subnet address.
Switch Type drop-down list	Choose the dvSwitches option from the drop-down li When prompted, check the check box of a correspond switch.
Select Switches drop-down list	Choose a switch.
Profile Name drop-down list	Choose a profile name.
Profile Parameters section	
DHCP Server Address field	IP address of the DHCP server.
Enable IPv6 check box	If checked, enables the use of IPv6 addresses.
Gateway IPv6 Address field	Gateway IPv6 address for DHCP server. Only visible w the Enable IPv6 check box is checked.
Prefix Length field	Prefix used for IPv6 addresses. Only visible when the Enable IPv6 check box is checked.
Network ID section	

Name	Description
Segment ID field	Segment ID of network. Not visible if the AutoSelect check box is selected.
	Note This field is not required when creating a network on a vSwitch or (VMWare) dvSwitch. The VDP protocol is not used and only Vlan and Mobility Domain ID are required.
Mobility Domain ID select button	Click to choose a Mobility Domain ID from a list.
AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID check box	If checked, allows for the Mobility domain ID to be dynamically selected.
DHCP Scope section	
Enable DHCP check box	If checked, enables the use of a DHCP server.
IP Range field	IP range in use for the DHCP server.
Service Configuration Parameters	
Start IP field	Starting IP address of service.
End IP field	The range of static IP addresses that can be assigned to specific important service devices.
Secondary Gateway field	Secondary network gateway address.

Step 7 Click Add.

Attaching a Port Group to a VM

A Cisco DFA is in a network level infrastructure. It lets you create network segments dynamically and then you make the network visible to the vSwitch, dvSwitch and Cisco Nexus 1000 switches once the port group is available. Any VM that uses this port group becomes connected to the Cisco Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network. Attaching a port group to a VM is the last step in the configuration process.

Before You Begin

Create a VM.

Step 1 Choose Virtual > Network. Step 2 In the left-hand pane, choose a vCenter. Step 3 Click Port Groups. Step 4 Choose a port group. Step 5 Click Assign Group. Step 6 On the Select Group screen, complete the following fields: Name Description Group Name drop-down list Choose a group. Label field The label associated to the group.

Step 7 Click Submit.

Adding a Network Policy

- **Step 1** Choose Policies > Virtual/Hypervisor Policies > Network.
- Step 2 On the Network page, click VMware Network Policy.
- Step 3 Click Add.

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Step 4 On the Network Policy Information screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Policy Name field	The name of the network policy.
Policy Description field	The description of the network policy.
Cloud Name drop-down list	Choose the cloud account to which the policy applies.
Allow end user to select optional NICs check box	Check if you want to provide vNICs selection during the creation of a service request-deployment configuration.
VM Networks field	Expand the VM Networks table to add a new entry to the VM network.

- **Step 5** Click Add in the VM Networks section to add and configure multiple vNICs. These vNICs are applicable to the VM that is provisioned using this policy.
 - Note To add or replace vNICs for provisioned or discovered VMs using VM actions, you must configure the vNICs.

Step 6 On the Add Entry to VM Networks screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
NIC Alias field	The name for the new NIC
Mandatory check box	If Allow end user to select optional NICs is checked on the Network Policy Information screen, this box is pre-selected. If the Allow end user to select optional NICs box was not checked, and this check box is not selected, then the NIC Alias field is optional.
	Note At least one of the NICs should have the Mandatory option selected. The NICs that have the Mandatory option selected are used in VM provisioning and there will be no option for the user during VM service request creation.
Allow end user to choose portgroups check box	Check to allow the end user to choose port groups during provisioning.
Show policy level portgroups check box	Checking this check box along with the Allow end user to choose portgroups check box lists all the selected portgroups of NICs in the policy.
Copy Adapter from Template check box	Check if you do not need custom settings. Clear this check box for custom settings.
	The Adapter Type drop-down list is not visible when you check this check box.
Allow the end user to override IP Address check box	Check to allow users to override the IP address.
Adapter Type drop-down list	Choose the adapter type. Select this option if the user wants to have the same Adapter Type that is available in the template.
	NoteThis option is not visible if the Copy Adapter from Template option is chosen.

- **Step 7** Click Add (+) in the **Port Groups** section. The Add Entry to Port Groups screen appears.
- **Step 8** Click **Select** to choose the port group name.
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 - 9 From the Select IP Address Type drop-down field, choose DHCP (default) or Static.
 - a) If you choose Static, you must choose IP Pool Policy (default) or Inline IP Pool.
 If you choose IP Pool Policy, click Select to choose a static IP pool. On the Select screen, choose from the list of preconfigured static IP pool(s). If no preconfigured static IP pools exist, see Adding a Static IP Policy for more information.

b) If you choose **Inline IP Pool**, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Static IP Pool field	The static IP pool. For example: 10.5.0.1 - 10.5.0.50, 10.5.0.100, 10.5.1.20-10.5.1.70
Subnet Mask field	The subnetwork mask for the pool. For example: 255.255.255.0
Gateway IP Address field	The IP address of the default gateway for this network.
Allow IP Overlap drop-down list	Indicate whether IP overlap is allowed or not. By default, overlapping IP is not enabled.
	Enabling overlapping of IP implies the following:
	• You can create an IP pool and have IP addresses overlap within that pool.
	• You can create two static IP pools and have the IP addresses overlap between the pools
Scope drop-down list	The scope of the IP pool overlap. The options are:
	MSP Organization
	This option is visible only if you have enabled MSP.
	Group/Customer Organization
	• Container
	Note This option is visible only if you select Yes in the Allow IP Overlap drop-down list.
User Group ID field	Choose Select to check the user group. All the user groups created in the system are displayed.
Container ID field	Choose Select to check the container.

Step 10 Check **IPv6** to configure IPv6.

You must configure the identical fields that you specified for IPv4 configuration.

Step 11 Click Submit.

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- Step 12 Click Submit on the Add Entry to VM Networks screen.
- Step 13 Click Submit on the Network Policy Information screen.

Choosing a Fabric Port Selector

Before You Begin

Create a vDC, Fabric account and a Fabric switch.

- **Step 1** Choose **Policies** > **Orchestration**.
- **Step 2** In the **Orchestration** pane, click **Workflows**.
- **Step 3** On the left pane of the **WorkFlows** section, choose the workflow folder and click the arrow next to the folder to show the workflows.
- **Step 4** Double-click the **FabricPortGroupSelector** task.
 - **Note** This task will take Fabric Port Group or any port group as input and provide the output as well.
- Step 5 On the Edit Task (FabricPortGroupSelector) screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Task Name field	The name of the task.
Task Category drop-down list	The Cisco Fabric Tasks category is chosen.
Task Type drop-down list	The FabricPortGroupSelector type is chosen.
Comment field	Comments that pertain to this task.
Retry Execution check box	If checked, retries the workflow execution.

Step 6 Click Next.

Step 7 On the User Input Mapping screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Manage Workflow User Inputs field	The name of the task.
Port Group section	
Map to User Input check box	If checked, maps port group to user input.
User Input drop-down list	The Port Group user input type is chosen.
Fabric Port Group section	
Map to User Input check box	If checked, maps port group to user input.

Step 8 Click Next.

Step 9 On the **Task Inputs** screen, complete the following fields.

Name	Description
Revalidate button	Binds all the necessary parameters identified in this task to the environment.
Fabric Port Group button	Click the Select button to choose a DFA port group.

- Step 10 Click Submit.
- Step 11 Click Execute Now.
- **Step 12** Examine the **Submit Workflow** screen to confirm the proper inputs were selected.
- Step 13 Click Submit.

About Multiple Disk VM Provisioning in a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Network

Cisco UCS Director supports virtual machine (VM) provisioning of multiple disks from a template. You can configure VM disk provisioning on a preferred single datastore or multiple datastores in a Cisco Cisco Unified Fabric Automation network. You can also configure individual disk policies for each additional disk in a template.

Cisco UCS Director classifies the disks into the following categories:

- System
- Data
- Database
- Swap
- Log



The disk categories that are defined by Cisco UCS Director are for disk labeling only. For specific information on VM provisioning refer to the UCS Director Administration Guide.

Application Containers in a Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Environment

An application container is a collection of virtual machines (VMs) with an internal private network that is based on rules specified by an administrator. The application container can have one or more VMs that are (optionally) guarded by a fencing gateway (for example, a Cisco Virtual Secure Gateway) to the external/public cloud. In order to create an application container you must create a system, network, and computing policies. For complete information on creating application containers see the Cisco UCS Director Application Containers Guide.

About Application Container Templates

To create an application container template, you must provide information regarding the following elements. This information is used to create your containers:

- Virtual account (cloud)
- Network configuration
- VM configuration
- · Container security
- · Select Network, Storage, Compute, and Cost Model policies
- Select the gateway policy, if Gateway Required check box is enabled (optional)
- Options for service end users



For more information regarding the container templates and Virtual Secure Gateways (VSGs), see Creating an Application Template for a VSG, on page 32.

Creating Application Container Policies (Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Environment)

Step 1	Choose Policies > Application Containers.	
Step 2	Click Virtual Infrastructure Policies.	
Step 3	Click Add Policy.	
Step 4	In the Virtual Infrastructure Policy Specification pane, complete the following fields:	
	Name	Description
	Policy Name field	The name of the policy.

Name	Description
Policy Description field	The description of the policy.
Container Type drop-down list	Choose Fabric and click Next to confirm your selection and follow the wizard prompts.
	Note For Cisco Dynamic Fabric Automation environment, the creation of a gateway is optional.
Select Virtual Account drop-down list	The chosen virtual account (the cloud on which the gateway VM is created).

Step 5 Click Next.

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Step 6 In the Virtual Infrastructure Policy - Fabric Information pane, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
With VSG check box	Check this box for VSG support.
Fabric Name field	Choose a fabric account.
Switch Type drop-down list	Choose a switch type.
Switch Name drop-down list	Choose a switch name.
Alternate Switch Name drop-down list	Choose an alternate switch.
Mobility Domain ID field	Choose from drop-down list if AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID is not checked.
AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID check box	Check to AutoSelect Mobility Domain ID.
Partition Parameters section	
DCI ID field	
Extend the Partition across the Fabric check box	
Service Node IP Address field	Not applicable for ASA gateway.
DNS Server field	
Secondary DNS Server field	
Multi Cast Group Address field	
Profile Name drop-down	Choose a Profile Name from the drop-down.

Name	Description
Profile Parameters section	
Border LeafRT field	Visible if a Profile Name is chosen.

Step 7 Click Next.

Step 8 In the Virtual Infrastructure Policy - Fencing Gateway Information pane, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Gateway Type field	Choose a fabric account.
Select Device drop-down list	Choose a switch type.
Outside Interface drop-down list	Choose a switch name.
Outside Interface IP Address field	The outside IP address.
Outside Interface VLAN ID field	The outside VLAN ID.
Inside Interfaces drop-down list	Choose an inside interface to apply to the context.

Step 9 Click Submit.

Creating Application Container Templates (Cisco Unified Fabric Automation Environment)



For information on creating container templates for use with a VSG, see Creating an Application Template for a VSG, on page 32.



This procedure does not create an updating template. If you change templates, it is applied only to the newly created containers from that template. With this template you can create application containers for use in a variety of networks (including Fabric Networks).

Before You Begin

Creating an application container policy.

- **Step 1** Choose **Policies** > **Application Containers**.
- **Step 2** Click **Application Container Templates**.
- Step 3 Click Add Template. The Application Container Template screen appears. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Template Name field	The name of the new template.
Template Description field	The description of the template.

Step 4 Click Next.

Step 5 The Application Container Template - Select a Virtual infrastructure policy screen appears. Complete the following selection:

Name	Description
Select Virtual Infrastructure Policy drop-down list	Choose a policy (the policy created for use with your Fabric environment).

Step 6 Click Next.

- **Step 7** Click (+) to add a new Fabric Network entry.
- **Step 8** In the Add Entry to Fabric Networks screen, complete the following fields:
 - **Note** If an application container policy is created using the **No Gateway** option, a gateway VM is not provisioned (irrespective of the container type)

Name	Description
Network Name field	Name of the new network.
Network Role drop-down list	Choose a network role.
Description field	Description of the network.
Profile Name drop-down list	Choose a profile name.
Gateway IP address field	IP address of the gateway server.
Network Mask check box	The network mask.
DHCP Server Address field	IP address of the DHCP server.
Gateway IPv6 Address check box	IPv6 address field used by the gateway.
Prefix Length field	Prefix length used by the IPv6 address.

Name	Description
Start IP field	Starting IP address of service.
End IP field	The range of static IP addresses that can be assigned to specific important service devices.
Secondary Gateway field	IP address of secondary gateway server (Cisco DCNM).

Step 9 Click Next. The Application Container: Template - Internal Networks screen appears.

You can add and configure multiple networks for a container. These networks are applicable to the VM that is provisioned using this template.

Step 10 Click the (+) Add icon to add a network. The Add Entry to Networks screen appears. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
DCNM Networks check box	If checked, enables the application container for use in Digital Fabric Automation Networks.
Network Name field	The network name. The name should be unique within the container.
Fabric Account drop-down list	Choose a fabric account.
Network IP Address field	The network IP address for the container.
Network Mask	The network mask.
field	
Gateway IP Address field	The IP address of the default gateway for the network. A NIC with
field	this IP is created on the GW VM.

Step 11 Click Submit.

Next, you can add and configure the VM that will be provisioned in the application container.

Step 12 Click OK.

Step 13 Click the Add (+) icon to add a VM. The Add Entry to Virtual Machines screen appears. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
VM field	The VM name.
Description field	The description of the VM.
VM Image drop-down list	Choose the image to be deployed.

Name	Description
Number of Virtual CPUs drop-down list	Choose the network mask.
Memory drop-down list	Choose the IP address of the default gateway for the network.
CPU Reservation (MHz) field	The CPU reservation for the VM.
Memory Reservation (MB) field	The memory reservation for the VM.
Disk Size (GB) field	The custom disk size for the VM. To use the template disk size specify the value of 0. The specified disk size overrides the disk size of the selected image.
VM Password Sharing Option drop-down list	Choose an option on how to share the VM's username and password with the end users. If Share after password reset or Share template credentials is chosen, the end user needs to specify a username and password for the chosen templates.
VM Network Interface field	Choose the VM network interface information. If you are adding another network interface, go to Step 9.
Maximum Quality field	States the maximum number of instances that can be added in this container after it is created.
Initial Quality field	States the number of VM instances to provision when the container is created.

Step 14 (Optional) Click the Add (+) icon to add a new (multiple) VM network interface. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
VM Network Interface Name field	The name of the VM network interface.
Select the Network drop-down list	Choose a network.
IP Address field	The IP address of the network.

Step 15Click Next. The Application Container: Template - External Gateway Security Configuration screen appears. You
can specify the security configuration components such as port mapping and outbound access control lists (ACLs).

Step 16 Click the Add (+) icon to add a port mapping. Complete the following fields:

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Name	Description
Protocoldrop-down list	Choose a protocol.
Mapped Port drop-down list	Choose the mapped port for the selected protocol.
Remote IP Address field	The IP address of the internal system.

Name	Description
Remote Port field	The remote machine's port number.

Step 17 Click **Submit**. The **Add Entry to Outbound ACLs** screen appears. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Protocol drop-down list	Choose a protocol.
Select Network drop-down list	The network to which the rules need to apply.
Source Address field	The source classless inter domain routing (CIDR) IP address.
Destination Address field	The destination CIDR IP address.
Action field	The action that is applied on the network traffic.

Step 18 Click Next.

Step 19 Click Next. The Application Container Template - Deployment Policies screen appears.

You must select the compute, storage, network, system policy, and cost model required for VM provisioning. A policy is a group of rules that determine where and how a new VM is to be provisioned within an application container (based on the availability of system resources).

- The network policy is used only to deploy the outside interface of the virtual firewall (container gateway).
- The selected *Portgroup in Network Policy* should be on the host on which the Gateway VM is provisioned.
- The network policy can use either a *Static IP Pool or DHCP*. However, for container type VSG the network policy should use a Static IP Pool only. The VSG VM requires IP addresses as input. There is no current provision to specify DHCP for deploying a VSG VM.
- The network adapter settings for a provisioned VM (container gateway) should be similar to the settings in the template. You may or may not have to check the *Copy Adapter from Template* check box in the network policy used for this application container.

Name	Description
Compute Policy drop-down list	Choose a computer policy.
Storage Policy drop-down list	Choose a storage policy.
Network Policy drop-down list	Choose a network policy.
Systems Policy drop-down list	Choose a systems policy.
Cost Model drop-down list	Choose a cost model.

Complete the following fields:

Step 20 Click Next. The Application Container: Template - Options screen appears.

In this page, you can select options to enable or disable certain privileges to the self-service end user.

Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Enable Self-Service Power Management of VMs checkbox	If checked, enables self-service power management of VMs.
Enable Self-Service Resizing of VMs checkbox	If checked, enables self-service resizing of VMs.
Enable Self-Service VM Snapshot Management checkbox	If checked, enables self-service VM snapshot management.
Enable VNC Based Console Access checkbox	If checked, enables self-service VNC based console access.
Enable Self-Service Deletion of Containers checkbox	If checked, enables self-deletion of containers.
Technical Support Email Addresses field	The technical support email address. A detailed technical email is sent to one or more email addresses entered into this field after a container is deployed.

Step 21 Click Next. The Application Container: Template - Setup Workflows screen appears. Complete the following field:

Name	Description
Container Setup Workflow drop-down list	Choose a workflow to establish the application container.

Step 22 Click Next to complete the creation of the application container template and review the Summary pane.

Step 23 Click Submit.

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What to Do Next

See the Custom Workflow for Application Containers information on customizing certain aspects of a template.

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Creating a Custom Workflow for Application Containers

Note

For more information about using the orchestration to run workflows, see the Cisco UCS Director Orchestration Guide for this release.



You cannot create an APIC application container by running a workflow directly. For information on creating the APIC application containers, see APIC Application Container Creation Process.

If you use a workflow to create an application container template, you must perform some manual steps. There are two scenarios that you do encounter:

- Gateway Type: CISCO ASA—If the gateway type is CISCO ASA for the container, you must specifically choose Application Container with ASA Gateway from the list of available workflows. You can search for the workflow and check its check box in order to select it.
- **Distributed Virtual Portgroups**—If you choose the **Distributed Virtual Portgroup** in the network policy that is associated with the container, then you must perform the following steps manually:
- 1 Choose Virtual Network Type and enter its name as required in a workflow associated with the container.
- 2 Choose a specific workflow. This type of workflow depends on which gateway type was associated with the container. For a Linux gateway, choose Application Container Setup workflow. For a CISCO ASA gateway type, choose the Application Container with ASA Gateway.
- **3** Edit or clone the required workflow by going to the Cisco UCS Director Orchestrator application and editing the workflow on the **Workflow Designer** page.
- 4 In the workflow window, double-click the Allocate Container VM Resources task.
- 5 Choose the required virtual network type (either **Distributed Virtual Portgroup** or **Distributed Virtual Portgroup N1K**).
- 6 Specify the primary DVS witch and alternate DVS witch names.
- 7 Click **Save** to save the workflow.

Creating an Application Template for a VSG

 Step 1
 Choose Policies > Application Containers.

 Step 2
 On the Application Containers page, click Application Container Templates.

 Step 3
 Click Add Template. The Add Application Container Template page appears. Complete the following fields:

 Name
 Description

 Template Name field
 The name of the new template.

Name	Description
Template Description field	The description of the template.

Step 4 Click Next. The Application Container Template - Select a Virtual Infrastructure policy screen appears. In this screen, you choose the cloud on which the application container is deployed. Complete the following field:

Name	Description
Select Virtual Infrastructure Policy drop-down list	Choose a virtual infrastructure policy to deploy to the container.

Step 5 Click Next. The Application Container: Template - Internal Networks screen appears.

Note Only one network is allowed per VSG container.

Step 6

Click Add (+) icon to add a network. The A	Add Entry to Networks screen appears. Complete the following fields:
Name	Description
Network Name field	The network name. The name should be unique within the container. You can use a maximum of 128 characters.
Network Type drop-down list	Choose the network type.
Information Source drop-down list	Choose the information source from the list.
VLAN ID Range field	The VLAN ID range. This value controls the number of containers that can be cloned or created.
Network IP Address field	The network IP address for the container.
Network Mask field	The network mask.
Gateway IP Address field	The IP address of the default gateway for the network. A NIC with this IP address is created on the GW VM.
	Note The IP address is configured on the inside interface of the gateway.

Step 7 Click Submit.

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Next, you can add and configure the gateway VM that will be provisioned in the application container.

Step 8Click OK.Step 9Click Next.
The Application Conatiner Template - VMs screen appears.Step 10Click Add (+) to add a VM. Complete the following fields:

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Name	Description
VM field	The name of the VM. The full name contains the container name as well as this name.
Description field	The description of the VM.
Provision VM using Content Library Template check box	Check to view and choose a VM template from the content library VM templates. If unchecked, you have to choose VM template from VM image templates.
Content Library VM Template field	This field appears only when the Provision VM using Content Library VM Template check box is checked. Expand the list and choose a VM template from the content library.
VM Image drop-down list	This field appears only when the Provision VM using Content Library Template check box is unchecked. Choose an image to be deployed.
Number of Virtual CPUs drop-down list	Choose the number of virtual CPUs to be allocated to the VM.
Memory drop-down list	Choose the amount of memory (in MB) to be allocated to the VM.
CPU Reservation (MHz) field	The CPU reservation for the VM in Mhz.
Memory Reservation (MB) field	The memory reservation for the VM.
Disk Size (GB) field	The custom disk size for the VM. To use the template disk size specify the value of zero. The specified disk size overrides the disk size of the selected image.
	Note If this value is less than template size, this value is ignored.
VM Password Sharing Option drop-down list	Choose an option on how to share the VM's username and password with the end users. If Share after password reset or Share template credentials is chosen, the end user needs to specify a username and password for the chosen templates.
Use Network Configuration from Image check box	If checked, the network configuration from the image is applied to the provisioned VM.
VM Network Interfaces field	Expand VM Network Interafces and choose the VM network interface information. If you are adding another network interface, go to Step 11.
Maximum Quantity field	The maximum number of instances that can be added in this container after it is created.
Initial Quantity field	The number of VM instances to provision when the container is created. Note Each VM will have a unique name and IP address.

Step 11 (Optional) Click Add (+) to add a new (multiple) VM network interface. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
VM Network Interface Name field	The name of the VM network interface.
Select the Network drop-down list	Choose a network.
IP Address field	The IP address of the network.

Step 12 Click Next.

Step 13Click Ok.The Application Container Template - External Gateway Security Configuration screen appears. You can specify
the security configuration components, such as port mapping and outbound access control lists (ACLs).

Step 14 Click Add (+) to add a port mapping. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Protocol drop-down list	Choose a protocol for the port mapping.
Mapped Port drop-down list	Choose the mapped port for the selected protocol.
Remote IP Address field	The IP address of the remote machine.
Remote Port field	The remote machine port number.

- Step 15 Click Submit.
- Step 16 Click OK.

Step 17 Click Add (+) icon to add an Outbound ACL, in the Application Container Template - External Gateway Security Configuration screen. Complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Protocol drop-down list	Choose a protocol.
Select Network drop-down list	The network to which the rules need to apply.
Source Address field	The source classless inter domain routing (CIDR) IP address.
Destination Address field	The destination CIDR IP address.
Action field	The action that is applied on the matching network traffic.

- Step 18 Click Submit.
- Step 19 Click OK.
- Step 20 Click Next.

Step 21 On the **Application Container Template - Deployment Policies** screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Compute Policy drop-down list	Choose a policy to deploy all of the compute components of the virtual container.
Storage Policy drop-down list	Choose a policy to deploy all of the storage components of the virtual container.
Network Policy field	Choose a policy to deploy to the container gateway. Hosts considered to be part of the computing policy should be associated with the Cisco Nexus 1000 (used to deploy Cisco VSG).
	Note This field is only used for the outside interface of the container gateway. Also, resource allocation should be associated with a Cisco Nexus 1000 Series switch.
Systems Policy field	The value used for DNS and other OS license configurations.
Cost Model field	Choose a cost model.
Use common network policy check box	Check the check box to use the common network policy defined above for the VSG management network.
Management Network Policy drop-down list	If the Use common network policy is unchecked, choose a network policy for the VSG management network.

Step 22 Click Next.

Step 23 On the **Application Container Template - Options** screen, complete the following fields:

Name	Description
End User Self-Service Policy drop-down list	Choose an end user self-service policy applicable for the application container template.
Enable Self-Service Deletion of Containers check box	If checked, enables self-service deletion of containers.
Enable VNC Based Console Access check box	If checked, enables VNC-based console access to VM.
Technical Support Email Addresses field	Enter the comma-separated list of email addresses of individuals who should receive emails regarding the container provisioning.

Step 24	Click N	lext.
Step 25	Choose a workflow to setup the container.	
Step 26	Expand Note	the workflow list and select a workflow (for example, Workflow Id 431 Fenced Container Setup - VSG). A workflow should contain allocated resources. For example, if it is a VSG workflow it should contain a Cisco Nexus 1000 Series resource.
Step 27	Click S	elect.
Step 28	Click S	ubmit.

Managing Application Containers

As an administrator, you can perform the following management actions on application containers:

- Add VMs
- Open Console
- Clone Template
- Manage Container Power
- Delete Containers
- View Reports

Viewing Container Actions

Actions available to apply to a container are context-sensitive. You can use the action icons at the top of the **Application Containers** page or the **More Actions** drop-down list to perform these actions.

Step 1 Choose **Policies** > **Application Containers**.

Step 2 On the **Application Containers** page, click **Application Containers**.

Step 3 Choose a container to display all of the available actions.

Note To enable a self-service user to perform actions on a container, give self-service users permission by checking **Enable Self-Service** when creating the container template.

Adding VMs



Note You cannot add VMs to the container through the **Add VMs to Container** workflow. You can add VMs only by clicking **Add VMs** or by using the API.

- **Step 1** Choose **Policies** > **Application Containers**.
- **Step 2** On the **Application Containers** page, click **Application Containers**.
- **Step 3** Choose an application container.
- **Step 4** From the **More Actions** drop-down list, choose **Add VMs**.
- **Step 5** On the Add VMs screen, expand the virtual machines list and click Add. Define the virtual machine in one of the following ways:
 - Use a VM image and manually set the parameters. See Step 6.
 - Use a template defined in the application profile. See Step 7.

Step 6 On the Add Entry to Virtual Machines screen, leave the Use Predefined Template check box unchecked and complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Network drop-down list	Choose the network (tier) on which you want to add the VM.
VM Name field	Enter the name you want to assign to the VM.
	During application container deployment, you can update the prefix from what is defined in the application profile.
Provision new VM using Content Library VM Template check box	Check to view and choose a VM template from the content library VM templates. If unchecked, you have to choose VM template from VM image templates.
Content Library VM Template field	This field appears only when the Provision new VM using Content Library VM Template check box is checked. Expand the list and choose a VM template from the content library.
VM Image list	This field appears only when the Provision new VM using Content Library VM Template check box is unchecked. Expand the list and select a VM image to use. You define these VMs in the vCenter for your cluster.
Use Linked Clone check box	This check box is enabled only when you choose a VM template with a snapshot. Check this box to deploy new VMs using linked clone feature which enables them to be provisioned faster and storage efficient.

Name	Description	
Snapshot field	This field appears only when the Use Linked Clone check box is checked. Click Select to choose a snapshot that need to be used to provision a new VM using linked clone feature.	
Number of vCPUs drop-down list	Choose the number of virtual CPUs for the VM.	
Memory (MB) drop-down list	Choose the size of the VM memory.	
Disk Size (GB) field	Enter the size of the VM disk.	
	If you enter zero, the VM uses the disk size defined in the image.	
Select DRS Rule list	Expand the list and select a distributed resource scheduler (DRS) rule (also called an affinity rule).	
Select Storage DRS Rule list	Expand the list to choose a storage distributed resource scheduler (DRS) rule.	
	Note This field appears only if you chose a DRS rule from Select DRS Rule.	
VM Password Sharing Option drop-down	Choose the password sharing policy for this VM.	
list	Default is to not share the root password.	
Network Adapter Type drop-down list	Choose the network adapter for the VM.	
Initial Quantity drop-down list	Choose the number of VMs to create on application startup.	

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Step 7 On the Add Entry to Virtual Machines screen, check the Use Predefined Template check box and complete the following fields:

Name	Description
Network drop-down list	Choose the network (tier) on which you want to add the VM.
VM Name drop-down list	Choose the name of the VM as defined in the application profile.
Select DRS Rule list	Expand the list and select a DRS rule (also called an affinity rule).
No Of Instances drop-down list	Choose the number of VM instances to provision. The drop-down list limits your choices so as not to exceed the maximum number of VMs defined in the application profile.

Step 8	Click Submit .
Step 9	To add more VMs, repeat this procedure starting with Step 5.
Step 10	After you finish adding VMs, on the Add VMs screen, click Submit.

Accessing a VM Console

Before You Begin

You must enable proper console access rights on individual VMs that you want to access using VNC. See Enabling VNC Console Access.

- **Step 1** Choose **Policies** > **Application Containers**.
- **Step 2** On the **Application Containers** page, click **Application Containers**.
- **Step 3** Choose an application container.
- **Step 4** From the **More Actions** drop-down list, choose **Open Console**.
- **Step 5** On the Access VM Console screen, from the Select VM drop-down list, choose a VM.
- Step 6 Click Submit.
 - A console of the selected VM opens in a new browser window.
 - **Note** For automatic configuration of a VNC console on a container, you must provide permission by checking the **Enable VNC Based Console Access** check box when you create the application container template.