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Preface

This preface describes the audience, organization of, and conventions used in the Cisco MDS 9000 Series Configuration Guides. It also provides information on how to obtain related documentation, and contains the following chapters:

- [Audience, on page xiii](#)
- [Document Conventions, on page xiii](#)
- [Related Documentation, on page xiv](#)
- [Communications, Services, and Additional Information, on page xiv](#)

Audience

To use this installation guide, you need to be familiar with electronic circuitry and wiring practices, and preferably be an electronic or electromechanical technician.

Document Conventions

This document uses the following conventions:



Note

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not covered in the manual.



Caution

Means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

Warnings use the following conventions:



Warning

This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause bodily injury. Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with standard practices for preventing accidents. Use the statement number provided at the end of each warning to locate its translation in the translated safety warnings that accompanied this device. Statement 1071.

Related Documentation

The documentation set for the Cisco MDS 9000 Series Switches includes the following documents.

Release Notes

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/products-release-notes-list.html>

Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/switches/datacenter/mds9000/hw/regulatory/compliance/RCSI.html>

Compatibility Information

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/products-device-support-tables-list.html>

Installation and Upgrade

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/products-installation-guides-list.html>

Configuration

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>

CLI

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/products-command-reference-list.html>

Troubleshooting and Reference

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/storage-networking/mds-9000-nx-os-san-os-software/tsd-products-support-troubleshoot-and-alerts.html>

To find a document online, use the Cisco MDS NX-OS Documentation Locator at:

http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/storage/san_switches/mds9000/roadmaps/doclocator.html

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CHAPTER 1

New and Changed Information

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Change Summary, on page 1](#)

Change Summary

There are no new features in the Cisco MDS 9000 Series NX-OS Storage Media Encryption Configuration Guide for Cisco MDS NX-OS Release 8.x.



CHAPTER 2

Storage Media Encryption Overview

Encrypting storage media in the data center has become a critical issue. Numerous high profile incidents of lost or stolen tape and disk devices have underscored the risk and exposure companies face when sensitive information falls into the wrong hands. To satisfy the most demanding requirements, Cisco MDS 9000 Family Storage Media Encryption (SME) for the Cisco MDS 9000 family switches offers a highly scalable, reliable, and flexible solution that integrates encryption transparently as a fabric service for Fibre Channel SANs.

This chapter provides an overview of the SME and the hardware and software requirements for the product. It contains the following sections:

- [About SME, on page 3](#)
- [About MIBs, on page 11](#)
- [Software and Hardware Requirements, on page 11](#)
- [SME Prerequisites, on page 15](#)
- [SME Security Overview, on page 15](#)

About SME

The SME solution is a comprehensive network-integrated encryption service with enterprise-class key management that works transparently with existing and new SANs. The innovative Cisco network-integrated solution has numerous advantages over competitive solutions available today:

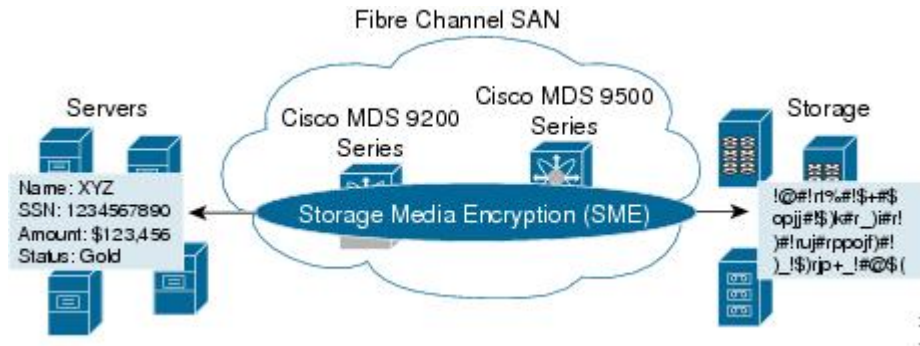
- SME installation and provisioning are both simple and nondisruptive. Unlike other solutions, SME does not require rewiring or SAN reconfiguration.
- Encryption engines are integrated on the Cisco MDS 9000 18/4-Port Multiservice Module (MSM-18/4), the Cisco MDS 9222i Multiservice Module Switch, and the 16-Port Gigabit Ethernet Storage Services Node (SSN-16), which eliminates the need to purchase and manage extra switch ports, cables, and appliances.
- Traffic from any virtual SAN (VSAN) can be encrypted using SME, enabling flexible, automated load balancing through network traffic management across multiple SANs.
- No additional software is required for provisioning, key, and user role management; SME is integrated into Cisco DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN), which reduces operating expenses.



Note When using SME, SSI images should not be loaded and installed on 18+4 cards and SSN-16. Also the bootvar should not be set to load these images

The following figure shows the integration of SME with SAN fabrics to offer seamless management of data encryption.

Figure 1: SME



This section covers the following topics:

SME Features

The Cisco MDS 9000 Family of intelligent directors and fabric switches provide an open, standards-based platform for hosting intelligent fabric applications and services. As a platform, the Cisco MDS 9000 family switches provide all essential features required to deliver secure, highly available, enterprise-class Fibre Channel storage area network (SAN) fabric services. Cisco has integrated encryption for data-at-rest as a transparent fabric service to take full advantage of this platform.

SME is a standards-based encryption solution for heterogeneous disks, tape libraries, and virtual tape libraries. SME is managed with Cisco DCNM-SAN and a command-line interface (CLI) for unified SAN management and security provisioning. SME includes the following comprehensive built-in key management features:

Transparent Fabric Service

Cisco employs a Fibre Channel redirect scheme that automatically redirects the traffic flow to an MSM-18/4 module, a MDS 9222i switch, or a SSN-16 module anywhere in the fabric. There are no appliances in-line in the data path and there is no SAN rewiring or reconfiguration.

Encryption

SME uses strong, IEEE-compliant AES 256 encryption algorithms to protect data at rest. Advanced Cisco MDS 9000 SAN-OS and NX-OS software security features, such as Secure Shell (SSH), Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), RADIUS, and Fibre Channel Security Protocol (FC-SP) provide the foundation for the secure architecture.

SME uses the NIST-approved random number standard to generate the keys for encryption.

Encryption and compression services are transparent to the hosts and storage devices.

Encryption Algorithms

The IEEE-approved standard for encryption of disk drives is IEEE 1619—Standard Architecture for Encrypted Shared Storage Media (1619.1 for tape drives). It specifies the XTS encryption mode commonly used for disk encryption. The IEEE Security in Storage Working Group (SISWG) was investigating the possibility of submitting the XTS mode to NIST for consideration as an Approved Mode of Operation for FIPS 140-2 certification. It uses a narrow-block encryption algorithm, and the standardization process for a wide-block algorithm is currently in progress as 1619.2. Other encryption algorithms for consideration are LRW-AES and AES-CBS. Draft versions of the IEEE 1619 standard had used LRW-AES, which was later replaced by XTS-AES.

SME Roles

SME services include the following four configuration and security roles:

- SME Administrator
- SME Storage Administrator
- SME Key Management Center (KMC) Administrator
- SME Recovery Officer

The SME Administrator configures and maintains SME. This role can be filled by multiple storage network administrators. The SME Storage Administrators are responsible for SME provisioning operations and the SME KMC Administrators are responsible for the SME KMC administration operations. The security officer may be assigned the SME KMC Administrator role in some scenarios.



Note SME Administrator role includes the SME Storage Administrator and the SME KMC Administrator roles.

The SME Recovery Officers are responsible for key recovery operations. During SME configuration, additional Recovery Officers can be added. SME Recovery Officers play a critical role in recovering the key database of a deactivated cluster and they are responsible for protecting the master key. The role of the SME Recovery Officer separates master key management from SME administrations and operations. In some organizations, a security officer may be assigned to this role.

At the advanced security level, a quorum of SME Recovery Officers is required to perform recovery procedures. The default is 2 out of 5. In this case 2 of the 5 recovery officers are required to unlock the master key.

For additional information on SME Administrator and SME Recovery Officer roles, see the [Creating and Assigning SME Roles and SME Users, on page 36](#).

Key Management

Cisco Key Management Center (KMC) provides essential features such as key archival, secure export and import, and key shredding.

Key management features include the following:

- Master key resides in password protected file or in smart cards.
 - If the cluster security mode is set to Basic, the master key resides in the password protected file.
 - If the cluster security mode is set to Standard, the master key resides in only one smart card. And the same smart card is required to recover the master key.

- If the cluster security mode is set to Advanced, the master key resides in multiple smart cards. Quorum (2 out of 3 or 2 out of 5 or 3 out of 5) of smart cards are required to recover the master key based on the user selection.
- Unique key per tape for an SME tape cluster.
- Unique key per LUN for an SME disk cluster.
- Keys reside in clear-text only inside a FIPS boundary.
- Tape keys and intermediate keys are wrapped by the master key and deactivated in the CKMC.
- Disk keys are wrapped by the cluster master key and deactivated in the CKMC.
- Option to store tape keys on tape media.

The centralized key lifecycle management includes the following:

- Archive, shred, recover, and distribute media keys.
 - Integrated into DCNM-SAN.
 - Secure transport of keys.
- End-to-end key management using HTTPS/SSL/SSH.
 - Access controls and accounting.
 - Use of existing AAA mechanisms.

The Cisco KMC provides dedicated key management for SME, with support for single and multisite deployments. The Cisco KMC performs key management operations.

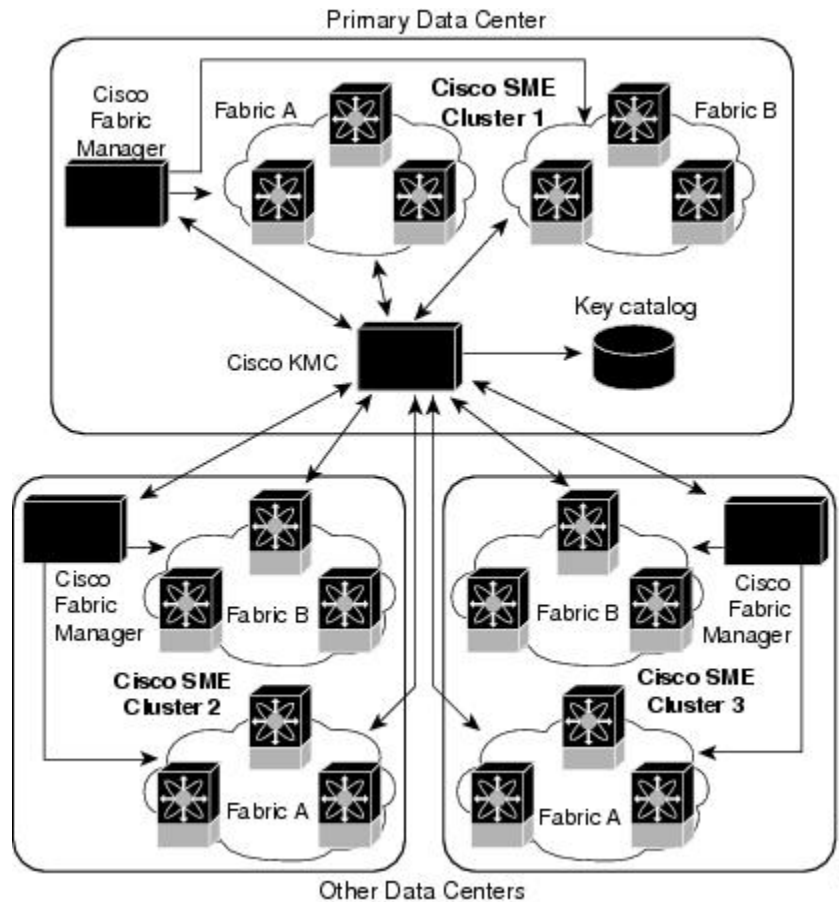
The Cisco KMC is either integrated or separated from DCNM-SAN depending on the deployment requirements.

Single site operations can be managed by the integration of the Cisco KMC in DCNM-SAN. In multisite deployments, the centralized Cisco KMC can be used together with the local DCNM-SAN servers that are used for fabric management. This separation provides robustness to the KMC and also supports the SME deployments in different locations sharing the same Cisco KMC.

[Figure 2: Multisite Setup in Cisco KMC, on page 7](#) shows how Cisco KMC is separated from DCNM-SAN for a multisite deployment.

A Cisco KMC is configured only in the primary data center and DCNM-SAN servers are installed in all the data centers to manage the local fabrics and provision SME. The SME provisioning is performed in each of the data centers and the tape devices and backup groups in each of the data centers are managed independently.

Figure 2: Multisite Setup in Cisco KMC



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In the case of multisite deployments when the Cisco KMC is separated from DCNM-SAN, fabric discovery is not required on the Cisco KMC installation. The clusters that have connection to the Cisco KMC will be online and the clusters that are not connected, but are not deactivated, appear as offline. The SME clusters that are deleted from the fabric appear as deactivated.

The high availability Cisco KMC server consists of a primary server and a secondary server. When the primary server is unavailable, the cluster connects to the secondary server and fails over to the primary server once the primary server is available. The high availability KMC will be available after you configure the high availability settings in DCNM-SAN Web Client.

Clustering

Cluster technology provides reliability and availability, automated load balancing, failover capabilities, and a single point of management.

FC-Redirect

SME performance can easily be scaled up by adding more Cisco MDS 9000 Family switches or modules. The innovative Fibre Channel redirect capabilities in Cisco MDS 9000 NX-OS enable traffic from any switch port to be encrypted without SAN reconfiguration or rewiring.

Server-Based Discovery for Provisioning Disks and Tapes

SME provides discovery of backend targets using the identity of the host during a session establishment.

Target-Based Load Balancing

The SME cluster consists of a set of switches (in a dual-fabric environment) running the SME application. Clustering offers target-based load balancing of SME application services. The cluster infrastructure allows the SME application to communicate and coordinate to maintain consistency and high availability.

Load balancing is achieved by distributing ownership of the various metadata objects throughout the cluster. SME assigns hosts to the available SME interfaces using the following algorithm:

- All hosts for a given target port are always assigned to the same SME interface.
- If a target port is connected to one of the SME switches, an interface is selected based on the load from the target-connected switch. That is, the target locality is considered when choosing a SME interface for a target.
- If a target is connected to a switch that has no SME interface, then the target is assigned to the least loaded available interface in the SME cluster.

In target-based load balancing, the load on an interface refers to the number of targets assigned to that interface.



Caution

SME provides a load balancing CLI that allows you to rebalance the targets assigned to the available SME interfaces in the cluster. However, the **load balancing** command is disruptive to the traffic. Ensure that you execute this command at a scheduled downtime, otherwise, the existing traffic will be affected.

SME Terminology

The following SME-related terms are used in this book:

- SME interface—The security engine in the MSM-18/4 module or fixed slot of a Cisco MDS 9222i fabric switch. Each MSM-18/4 module and MDS 9222i switch has one security engine.
- SME cluster—A network of MDS switches that are configured to provide the SME functionality; each switch includes one or more MSM-18/4 modules and each module includes a security engine. Includes one or more nodes or switches for high availability (HA) and load balancing.
- Fabric—A physical fabric topology in the SAN as seen by DCNM-SAN. There can be multiple VSANs (logical fabrics) within the physical fabric.
- Tape group—A backup environment in the SAN. This consists of all the tape backup servers and the tape libraries that they access.
- Tape device—A tape drive that is configured for encryption.
- Tape volumes—A physical tape cartridge identified by a barcode for a given use.
- Tape volume group—A logical set of tape volumes that are configured for a specific use, for example, a group of tape volumes used to backup a database.
- Disk group—The disks that are grouped functionally to form disk groups.

- Disk—Disk is a LUN. A LUN is a logical unit that is exported to the host by the storage controller.
- IT-NEXUS—Initiator or Target pWWNs that defines a host to target connection.
- SME node—Each switch in the cluster is called an SME node and plays a role in determining if the cluster has a quorum.
- Cisco Key Management Center (CKMC)—A component of DCNM-SAN that stores the encryption keys.
- Master key—An encryption key generated when an SME cluster is created. The master key encrypts the tape volume keys and tape keys and it is required to decrypt those keys in order to retrieve encrypted data.
- Media key—A key that is used for encrypting and authenticating the data on specific tapes.
- Disk key—A key that is used for encrypting and authenticating the data on specific disks.
- SmartCard—A card (approximately the size of a credit card) with a built-in microprocessor and memory used for authentication.
- SME Administrator—An administrator who configures SME. This role includes the Cisco Storage Administrator role where the administrator manages the SME operations and the SME KMC Administrator role where the administrator is responsible for the SME key management operations.
- Storage Administrator—An administrator who manages the SME operations.
- SME KMC Administrator—An administrator who is responsible for the SME key management operations.
- SME Recovery Officer—A data security officer entrusted with smart cards and the associated PINs. Each smart card stores a share of the cluster master key. Recovery officers must present their cards and PINs to recover the key database of a deactivated cluster. A quorum of recovery officers are required to execute this operation.

Supported Topologies

SME supports single-and dual-fabric topologies. The Cisco MSM-18/4 module, the MDS 9222i switch, and the SSN-16 provides the SME engines used by SME to encrypt and compress data-at-rest. Multiple modules can be deployed in a Fibre Channel fabric to easily scale-up performance, to enable simplified load balancing, and to increase availability. In a typical configuration, one MSM-18/4 module is required in each SME cluster.

SME clusters include designated backup servers, tape libraries, and one or more MDS switches running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or NX-OS 4.x or later. One cluster switch must include an MSM-18/4 module. With easy-to-use provisioning, traffic between any host and tape on the fabric can utilize the SME services.

Required SME engines are included in the following Cisco products:

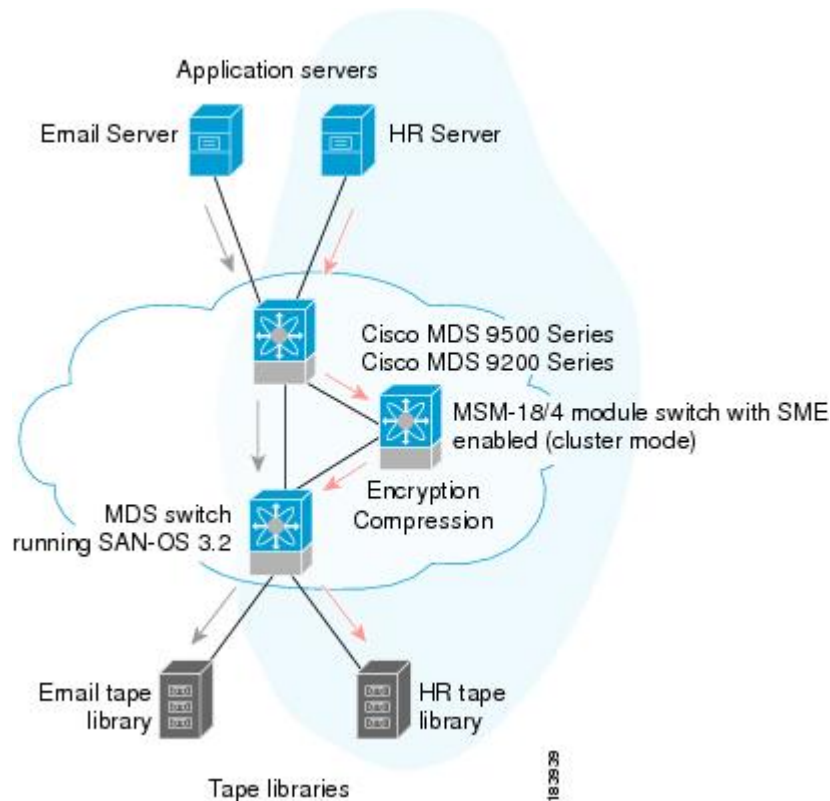
- Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice Module (MSM-18/4)
- Cisco MDS 9222i Multiservice Module Switch
- Cisco MDS 16-Port Storage Services Node (SSN-16)

Single-Fabric Topology for Tape

[Figure 3: SME: Single-Fabric Topology, on page 10](#) shows a single-fabric topology in which the data from the HR server is forwarded to the Cisco MSM-18/4 module. The Cisco MSM-18/4 module can be anywhere in the fabric. SME does a one-to-one mapping of the information from the host to the target and forwards the encrypted data to the dedicated HR tape. SME also tracks the barcodes on each encrypted tape and associates the barcodes with the host servers.

[Figure 3: SME: Single-Fabric Topology, on page 10](#) shows encrypted data from the HR server is compressed and stored in the HR tape library. Data from the email server is not encrypted when backed up to the dedicated email tape library.

Figure 3: SME: Single-Fabric Topology

**Note**

Tape devices should be connected to core switches such as an MDS 9500 Series switch or MDS 9222i switch running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later and also can/should be connected to MDS 9710 Series switch running with Cisco NX-OS 6.2(3) or later.

Encryption and compression services are transparent to the hosts and storage devices. These services are available for devices in any virtual SANs (VSANs) in a physical fabric and can be used without rezoning.

Single-Fabric Topology for Disk

A single-fabric topology in which the data from the HR server is forwarded to the Cisco MSM-18/4 module, Cisco MDS 9222i switch or SSN-16 module. The Cisco MSM-18/4 module, Cisco MDS 9222i switch or SSN-16 module can be anywhere in the fabric. SME does a one-to-one mapping of the information from the host to the target and forwards the encrypted data to the dedicated HR disk.

**Note**

SME disk also supports dual-fabric topology with which the data can be encrypted on all the paths. Disk devices should be connected to core switches, such as an MDS 9500 Series switch or an MDS 9222i switch, running on Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) or later.

Encryptions are transparent to the hosts and storage devices. These services are available for devices in any virtual SANs (VSANs) in a physical fabric and can be used without rezoning.

In-Service Software Upgrade in SME

In-Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) is a comprehensive, transparent software upgrade capability that allows you to add new features and services without any disruption to the traffic.

In a cluster, which has the MDS 9222i switch as nodes, if the nodes are not able to communicate, then the node having the lowest node identifier (node ID) remains in the cluster while the other node leaves the cluster. However, when an ISSU is performed on a node having the lowest node identifier, a complete loss of the cluster results since both the nodes leave the cluster.

This undesirable situation is addressed in a two-node cluster as follows:

- The upgrading node sends a message to the other node of the intent to leave the cluster. The upgrading node can either be a master node or a slave node.
- The remaining node remains in the cluster and performs the role of the master node if it was a slave node. This node continues to remain in the cluster with the quorum intact.
- After the ISSU is completed and the switches boots up, the upgraded node rejoins the cluster as a slave node.



Note This feature is tied to the internals of ISSU logic and no additional command needs to be executed for this purpose.

About MIBs

The MIB module manages SME service. SME is an encryption service provided by an encryption node residing on a line card in a storage device. It receives clear-text data from the host, encrypts and then sends it to be written to tape or disk. It does the reverse in the opposite direction so the service is completely transparent to the host. The purpose of this service is to enhance data security in case the tape or disk is lost or stolen.

As with any services important the user requires that provides some level of fault tolerance in a graceful manner. SME provides fault tolerance by allowing encryption nodes to be grouped into a cluster. Nodes in the same cluster immediately take over the work of a failed node so that the user does not experience service disruption.

Software and Hardware Requirements

This section includes the following topics:

Software Requirements

All MDS switches in the SME cluster must be running the current release of Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later, or Cisco NX-OS 4.x or later software for SME Tape. Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) or later software is required for SME Disk. The software requirements include the following:

- DCNM-SAN must be running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later for SME Tape.

- The Cisco MDS switches attached to tape devices must be running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later and also should be connected to MDS 9710 Series switch running with Cisco NX-OS 6.2(3) or later.
- All switches that include MSM-18/4 modules must be running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later software for SME Tape.
- DCNM-SAN must be running Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) for SME Disk.
- All Cisco MDS switches in the SME cluster enabled for disks must be running Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1).
- All switches that include MSM-18/4 modules, MDS 9222i switch or SSN-16 modules must be running Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) for SME Disk.

Hardware Requirements

SME requires at least one encryption service engine in each cluster. The SME engines on the required modules provide the transparent encryption and compression services to the hosts and storage devices. To take full advantage of the standard and advanced security levels, a smart card reader is required.

For detailed information on required hardware and installing required hardware, refer to the specific installation guides. For information about ordering hardware, refer to <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/buy.html>.

This section includes information about the following required hardware:

Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice Module

The Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice module (MSM-18/4) provides 18 autosensing 1-, 2-, and 4-Gbps Fibre Channel ports and four Gigabit Ethernet IP services ports. The MSM-18/4 module provides multiprotocol capabilities such as Fibre Channel, Fibre Channel over IP (FCIP), Small Computer System Interface over IP (iSCSI), IBM Fiber Connectivity (FICON), and FICON Control Unit Port (CUP) management.

The MSM-18/4 module provides 18 4-Gbps Fibre Channel interfaces for high-performance SAN and mainframe connectivity and four Gigabit Ethernet ports for FCIP and iSCSI storage services. Individual ports can be configured with hot-swappable shortwave, longwave, extended-reach, coarse wavelength-division multiplexing (CWDM) or dense wavelength-division multiplexing (DWDM) Small Form-Factor Pluggables (SFPs) for connectivity up to 125 miles (200 km).

The MSM-18/4 module can minimize latency for disk and tape through FCIP write acceleration and FCIP tape write and read acceleration. The MSM-18/4 module provides up to 16 virtual Inter-Switch Link (ISL) connections on the four 1-Gigabit Ethernet ports through tunneling, and provides up to 4095 buffer-to-buffer credits that can be assigned to a single Fibre Channel Port.

The MSM-18/4 provides intelligent diagnostics, protocol decoding, and network analysis tools with the integrated Call Home capability.



Note Cisco MDS 9000 Series switches running Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later support the MSM-18/4 module for SME tape. Cisco MDS 9000 Series switches running Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) support the MSM-18/4 and SSN-16 modules for SME disk.

For additional information, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9500 Series Hardware Installation Guide*.

Cisco MDS 9222i Multiservice Modular Switch

The Cisco MDS 9222i Multiservice Modular switch includes an integrated supervisor module (in slot 1) that provides the control and management functions of the Cisco MDS 9222i switch and it provides an 18-Port Fibre Channel switching and 4-Port Gigabit Ethernet IP services module. The Cisco MDS 9222i built-in supervisor module provides multiple communication and control paths to avoid a single point of failure. The Cisco MDS 9222i supervisor module has a PowerPC PowerQUICC III class processor, 1 GB of DRAM, and an internal CompactFlash card that provides 1 GB of storage for software images.

The Cisco MDS 9222i switch includes a modular expansion slot to host Cisco MDS 9000 Family switching and services modules. For additional information, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9200 Series Hardware Installation Guide*.



Note The Cisco MDS 9222i switch requires Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later for SME tape. The Cisco MDS 9222i switch requires Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) for SME disk.

Cisco MDS 16-Port Storage Services Node

The Cisco MDS 9000 Family 16-Port Storage Services Node (SSN-16) hosts four independent service engines which can be individually and incrementally enabled to scale as business requirements grow. The SSN-16 configuration is based on the single service engine of the Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice module and the four-to-one consolidation provides hardware savings and frees up slots in the MDS 9500 series chassis.

The SSN-16 seamlessly integrates into the Cisco MDS 9500 Series Multilayer directors and the Cisco MDS 9222i Multiservice Modular switch. Each of the four service engines supports four Gigabit Ethernet IP storage services ports for a total of 16 ports of Fibre Channel over IP (FCIP) connectivity. The traffic can be switched between an IP port and any Fibre Channel port on Cisco MDS 9000 Family switches.

The SSN-16 supports the full range of services available on other Cisco MDS 9000 Family modules including VSAN, security, and traffic management. Features such as I/O Accelerator (IOA), SME Disk and Tape, and FCIP can be configured in different octeons in a single SSN-16 module.

By running four separate, concurrent applications on one module, SSN-16 provides the following functions:

- Provides better disaster recovery and continuity solutions for mission critical applications.
- Minimizes the number of devices required, which improves the reliability.
- Consolidates the management with a single module, which provides end-to-end visibility.
- Facilitates solution-level performance optimization.

The SSN-16 module provides transparent services to any port in a fabric and does not require additional SAN reconfiguration and rewiring. The module does not require the host or target to be directly attached and is available with multimodule clustering and balancing.

The SSN-16 module supports up to four SME interfaces per module and provides higher scalability and improved performance of up to 20 percent on the MSM-18/4 module and 9222i switches.



Note Cisco MDS 9500 Series switches running Cisco NX-OS Release 4.2(1) or later support the SSN-16.

For additional information, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9500 Series Hardware Installation Guide*.

FC-Redirect-Capable Switches



Note In Cisco MDS NX-OS Release 5.2(x), you cannot install a FCoE module in a switch that is running DMM, SME, or IOA.

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SME requires that each target switch be FC-Redirect capable. FC-Redirect is not supported on the following switches:

- Cisco MDS 9120 switch
- Cisco MDS 9140 switch
- Cisco MDS 9124 switch
- Cisco MDS 9134 switch
- Cisco MDS 9020 switch



Note In Cisco MDS NX-OS Release 6.2(1), FC-Redirect is not supported on the Cisco MDS 9710 switch. Fibre Channel Redirect (FCR) support is introduced on to Cisco MDS 9710 series switch running with Cisco NX-OS 6.2(3) or later.



Note SME does not support any FCoE connected devices including devices connected through the MDS FCoE linecard (DS-X9708-K9).



Note Disk devices, tape devices, and tape libraries are not supported in these edge switches. Disks and tapes cannot be connected to these switches.

Smart Card Readers

To employ standard and advanced security levels, SME requires the following:

- Smart Card Reader for SME (DS-SCR-K9)
- Smart Card for SME (DS-SC-K9)

The smart card reader is a USB device that is connected to a management workstation. The management workstation is used to configure the SME cluster. The smart card reader requires the smart card drivers that are included on the installation CD. These must be installed on the management workstation where the reader is attached.



Note The smart card reader is supported on Windows-only platforms. This support includes only the Windows 4 64-bit and Windows XP 32-bit platforms. For the newly installed smart card drivers to work efficiently with the smart card readers, you must stop all Microsoft smart card services.

SME Prerequisites

This section describes the following requirements:

Java Cryptography Extension Requirement

SME requires Java Cryptography Extension (JCE) Unlimited Strength Jurisdiction Policy Files 5C0 (for JRE 1.5). You will need to extract and copy the `local_policy.jar` and the `US_export_policy.jar` files to the `<DCNM install path>\dcm\java\jre1.6\lib\security\`. You can obtain these files from the DCNM-SAN Installation CD.



Note User need to manually copy these JCE Policy files every time if DCNM upgrade is performed. DCNM Upgrade donot retain these files.

Zoning Requirement

Zoning requires internal virtual N ports that are created by SME in the default zone. The default zone must be set to deny and these virtual N ports must not be zoned with any other host or target.

For information on zoning, refer to the Fabric Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN and the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Fabric Configuration Guide.

FC-Redirect Requirements

FC-Redirect requirements include the following:

- The MDS switch with the MSM-18/4 module installed or the MDS 9222i switch needs to be running Cisco MDS SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later, or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later.
- The target must be connected to an MDS 95XX, 9216, or 9222i switch running Cisco MDS SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later, or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later and should be connected to MDS 9710 Series switch running with Cisco NX-OS 6.2(3) or later.
- 32 targets per MSM-18/4 module can be FC-redirected.
- Each FC-redirected target can be zoned to 16 hosts or less.
- CFS should be enabled on all required switches for FC-Redirect.
- SME servers, disk targets, and tape devices should not be part of an IVR zone set.
- Advanced zoning capabilities such as quality of service (QoS), logical unit number (LUN) zoning, and read-only LUNs must not be used for FC-Redirect hosts and targets.

SME Security Overview

SME transparently encrypts and decrypts data inside the storage environment without slowing or disrupting business critical applications.

In SME Tape, SME generates a master key, tape volume keys, and tape keys. The keys are encrypted in a hierarchical order: the master key encrypts the tape volume keys and the tape keys.

In SME Disk, SME generates a master key and disk keys. The keys are encrypted in a hierarchical order: the master key encrypts the disk keys.

The keys are also copied to the key catalog on the Cisco KMC server for backup and archival. Eventually inactive keys are removed from the fabric, but they are retained in the Cisco KMC catalog. The keys can be retrieved automatically from the Cisco KMC by the SME services in the fabric if needed again.

A single Cisco KMC can be used as a centralized key repository for multiple fabrics with SME services if desired. Key catalog import and export capabilities are also provided to accommodate moving tape media to different fabrics in environments with multiple Cisco KMC servers. Backup applications can be used to archive the key catalogs for additional protection.



Note SME cluster can be configured either for SME Disk or for SME Tape. Both Tape and Disk configurations cannot be configured under a same cluster. A cluster can be configured only for one of them.

Additional Security Capabilities

Additional security capabilities offered by Cisco NX-OS complete the SME solution. For example, RADIUS and TACACS+ servers can be used to authenticate, authorize, and provide accounting (AAA) for SME administrators. Management of SME can be limited to authorized administrators using role-based access controls (RBACs). When communication occurs from the DCNM-SAN to cluster nodes, the secure shell (SSHv2) protocol provides message integrity and privacy. PKI certificates can be configured in the CKMC and cluster nodes to enable trustpoint (SSL-protected transport).



CHAPTER 3

Configuring SME

This chapter includes information about configuring SME, SME installation, and the preliminary tasks that you must complete before configuring SME.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About SME Configuration, on page 17](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for SME Configuration, on page 18](#)
- [Prerequisites for SME Configuration, on page 19](#)
- [Installing DCNM-SAN Server, on page 22](#)
- [Configuring SME Tasks, on page 34](#)
- [Required Preconfiguration Tasks, on page 35](#)
- [Field Descriptions for SME Configuration, on page 41](#)
- [Feature History for SME Configuration, on page 42](#)

Information About SME Configuration

You can use one of these two configuration management tools to configure SME:

The Cisco DCNM-SAN Web Client can be used to configure and manage SME using a web browser.

Cisco DCNM-SAN

Cisco DCNM-SAN is a set of network management tools that supports Secure Simple Network Management Protocol version 3 (SNMPv3). Cisco DCNM-SAN includes the following applications:

- DCNM-SAN Web Client—Provides a graphical user interface (GUI) that displays real-time views of your network fabric, and lets you manage the configuration of Cisco MDS 9000 Family devices and third-party switches.



Note SME configuration is supported in DCNM-SAN Web Client only.

- DCNM-SAN —Installed on a server and must be started before running the DCNM-SAN client. It can be accessed by up to 16 DCNM-SAN Clients at a time.
- Device Manager—Provides two views of a switch.

- Device View displays a continuously updated physical representation of the switch configuration, and provides access to statistics and configuration information for a single switch.
- Summary View displays real-time performance statistics of all active interfaces and channels on the switch for Fibre Channel and IP connections.



Note During the DCNM-SAN installation, the `use_ip` flag in the `smeserver.properties` file is set to `FALSE` by default. If you choose to use IP addresses, the DNS server should not be configured on any switch in the fabric and the `use_ip` flag in the `smeserver.properties` file must be set to `TRUE`. The `smeserver.properties` file is located at the following location: `<fm install path>\dcm\fm\conf\` Once you make any modifications to the `smeserver.properties` file, you must restart DCNM-SAN.

The Cisco DCNM-SAN applications are an alternative to the CLI for most switch configuration commands.

For more information on configuring the Cisco MDS switch using DCNM-SAN, refer to the Cisco DCNM Fundamentals Guide.

Command Line Interface

With the CLI, you can type commands at the switch prompt, and the commands are executed when you press the **Enter** key. The CLI parser provides command help, command completion, and keyboard sequences that allow you to access previously executed commands from the buffer history.

Licensing Requirements for SME Configuration

To use the SME feature, you need the appropriate SME license. However, enabling SME without a license key starts a counter on the grace period. You then have 120 days to install the appropriate license keys or disable the use of SME. If at the end of the 120-day grace period the switch does not have a valid license key for SME, it will be automatically disabled.



Note Although you need to install DCNM-SAN, you do not need a DCNM-SAN license to use SME. Additional DCNM-SAN capabilities are not enabled by default with SME, so there is no free performance monitoring or other functionality.

To identify if the SME feature is active, use the **`show license usage license-name`** command.

The Cisco MDS 9000 SME package is licensed on a per-encryption-engine basis. The total number of licenses needed for a SAN fabric is equal to the number of Cisco MDS 9000 18/4-Port Multiservice Modules plus the number of fixed slots on Cisco MDS 9222i switches used for SME plus the number of encryption engines on Cisco MDS 9000 16-Port Storage Services Nodes (SSN-16).

Each interface in the SSN-16 module is licensed and priced individually.

The below table lists the SME licenses that are available.

Table 1: SME Licenses

Part Number	Description	Applicable Product
M9500SME1MK9	SME package for MSM-18/4 module	MDS 9500 Series with MSM-18/4 module
M9200SME1MK9	SME package for MSM-18/4 module	MDS 9200 Series with MSM-18/4 module
M9200SME1FK9	SME package for fixed slot	MDS 9222i Switch only
M95SMESSNK9	SME package for one service engine on SSN-16 module, spare	MDS 9500 Series with SSN-16 module
M92SMESSNK9	SME package for one service engine on SSN-16 module, spare	MDS 9200 Series with SSN-16 module

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

License	License Description
SME_FOR_IPS_184_PKG	Activates SME for MSM-18/4 module.
SME_FOR_SSN16_PKG	Activates SME for a SSN-16 engine.
SME_FOR_9222i_PKG	Activates SME for the Cisco MDS 9222i Switch.

To obtain and install SME licenses, refer to the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Licensing Guide.

Prerequisites for SME Configuration

This section includes the following topics:

SME Installation Requirements

SME configuration has the following installation requirements:

- Cisco MDS SAN-OS Release 3.2(2c) or later or Cisco NX-OS Release 4.x or later must be installed on the Cisco MDS 9222i switch or the Cisco MDS 9000 Family switch with an MSM-18/4 module for SME Tape.
- Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1) must be installed on the Cisco MDS 9222i switch or the Cisco MDS 9000 Family switch with an MSM-18/4 module or SSN-16 module for SME Disk.
- Cisco DCNM-SAN must be installed on a server that you use to provide centralized MDS management services and performance monitoring. The Cisco Key Management Center (Cisco KMC) is on this server.
- DCNM-SAN Web Client can be used to configure and manage SME using a web browser.

For DCNM-SAN server installation that is specific to SME.

For information about installing DCNM-SAN, see the Cisco DCNM Installation and Licensing Guide.



Caution

If the Cisco Key Management Center (CKMC) is part of, then the switches and must not be upgraded at the same time.

FCIP Write Acceleration and Tape Acceleration Topology Requirements

SME Disk and SME Tape with FCIP write acceleration or tape acceleration topology has the following requirements:

- If an initiator is on a non-FC-Redirect-capable switch, SME switches should be on the target side of the FCIP tunnel.
- If an initiator is on an FC-Redirect-capable switch, SME switches should be on the host side of the FCIP tunnel.

Guidelines and Limitations

To design CFS regions for FC-Redirect, follow these guidelines:

- Ensure the CFS region configuration for FC-Redirect can be applied to all FC-Redirect-based applications. The applications include SME, Cisco DMM, and any future applications.
- Ensure that all FC-Redirect-capable switches that are connected to the hosts, targets, and the application switches (switches with MSM-18/4 modules in a cluster) are configured in the same region.
- If there are multiple SME clusters in a region, a target can be part of the SME configuration in only one cluster. To change the target to a different cluster, the configuration in the first cluster must be deleted before creating the configuration in the second cluster.
- All switches in the region must have a common VSAN.
- For existing SME installations, refer to [Configuring CFS Regions For FC-Redirect, on page 181](#) for steps on migrating to CFS regions.
- Remove all instances of the previous configurations when a switch is moved to a region or moved out of a region.

To configure a CFS region, refer to the [Configuring CFS Regions For FC-Redirect, on page 181](#).

The below table lists the SME configurations and the corresponding limits.

Table 2: SME Tape Configuration Limits

Configuration	Limit
Number of clusters per switch	1
Switches in a cluster	4
Number of fc-redirect capable switches in a fabric	10
Fabrics in a cluster	2
Modules in a switch	11
Cisco MSM-18/4 modules in a cluster	32
Initiator-Target-LUNs (ITLs)	1024
LUNs behind a target	32

Configuration	Limit
Host and target ports in a cluster	128
Number of hosts per target	128
Tape backup groups per cluster	4
Volume groups in a tape backup group	32
Keys in a Tape volume group	8000
Number of disk groups	128
Number of SME disks (LUNs)	2000
Cisco Key Management Center (number of keys)	32,000
Targets per switch that can be FC-redirected	32
IT connections per SME interface (soft limit)	256 Note Beyond this limit, a syslog message will be displayed. It is recommended that you provision more SME interfaces in the cluster.
IT connections per SME interface (hard limit)	512 Note Beyond this limit, new IT connections will not be assigned to that particular SME interface and a critical syslog will be displayed.

Table 3: SME Disk Configuration Limits

Configuration	Per Cluster	Per Switch	Per Crypto Node
Number of clusters	NA	2	1
Number of physical fabrics	2	NA	NA
Number of switches	8	NA	NA
Number of modules (line cards—SSN 16 or MSM-18/4 modules)	NA	11	NA
Cisco SME interfaces (crypto nodes used for encryption)	32	32	NA
Initiator-Target-LUNs (ITLs)	2048	2048	512
LUNs behind a target	512	512	512
Number of initiator ports	128	NA	NA
Number of target ports	128	NA	NA
Maximum number of IT nexus	128	NA	NA

Configuration	Per Cluster	Per Switch	Per Crypto Node
Number of paths per LUN (physical paths per SME disk)	8	8	8
Number of disk groups	128	128	128
Number of SME disks (LUNs)	2048	2048	512
Cisco Key Management Center (KMC) number of keys	32,000	32,000	32,000
Maximum number of concurrent data preparations (offline data preparations)	NA	NA	64
Total number of Disk key replication relationships	2048		

NA—Not applicable

Installing DCNM-SAN Server

This section describes how to install Cisco DCNM-SAN for SME. The installation steps explained here are for Windows. The installation procedure is similar for all of the supported platforms.



Note Ensure you follow the Cisco DCNM upgrade procedure and the upgrade path if you have an existing Cisco DCNM or Fabric Manager installation. For more information on Cisco DCNM upgrade, see the Cisco DCNM Installation and Licensing Guide, Release 6.x.

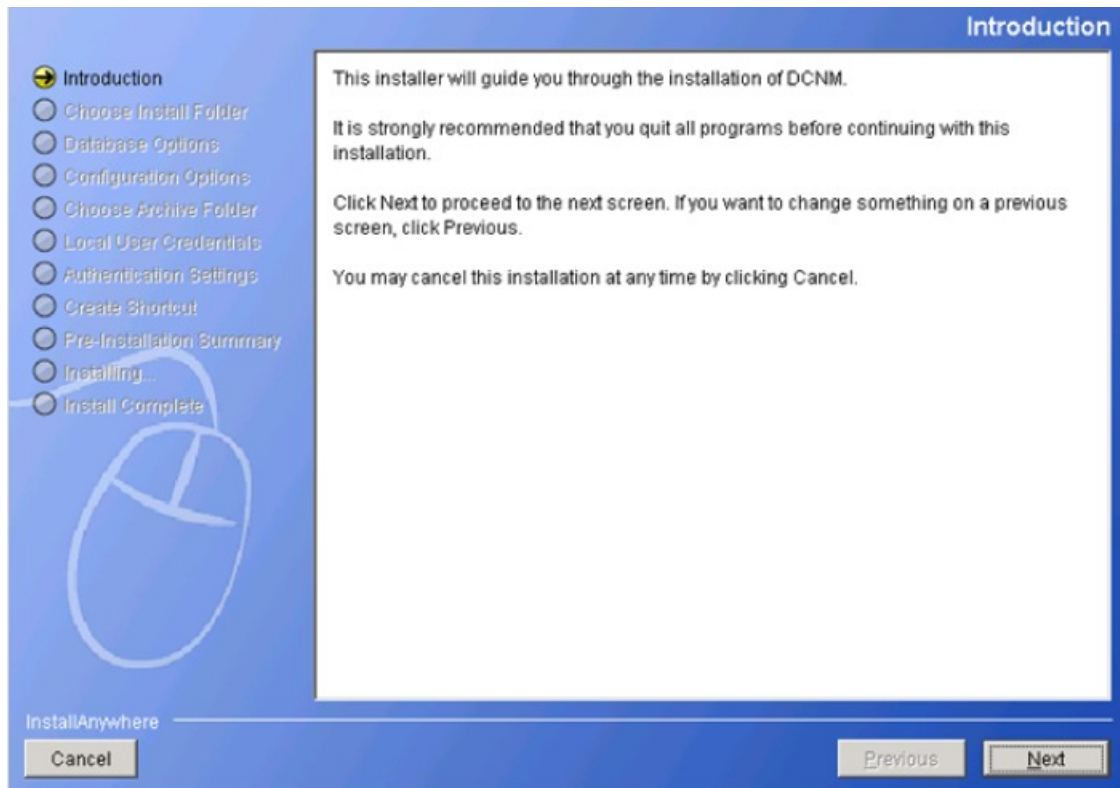
If you have an existing DCNM/FM installation for SME, you should follow the DCNM Upgrade guide, and follow the documented DCNM upgrade path. See the DCNM installation / configuration guide for more information.

Step 1 Double-click the installer.

The installer begins extracting the files. Once it is completed, the Data Center Network Manager screen is displayed showing the progress of the setup.

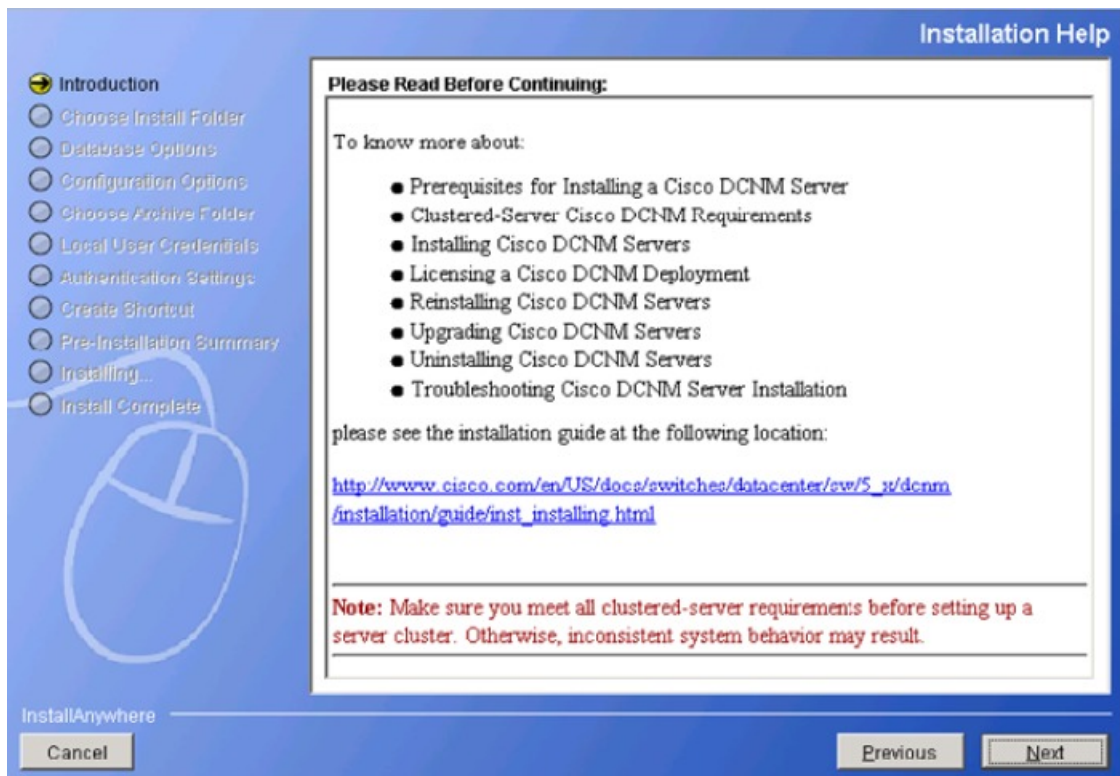


Once the DCNM setup process is completed, the DCNM installation wizard Introduction screen is displayed.



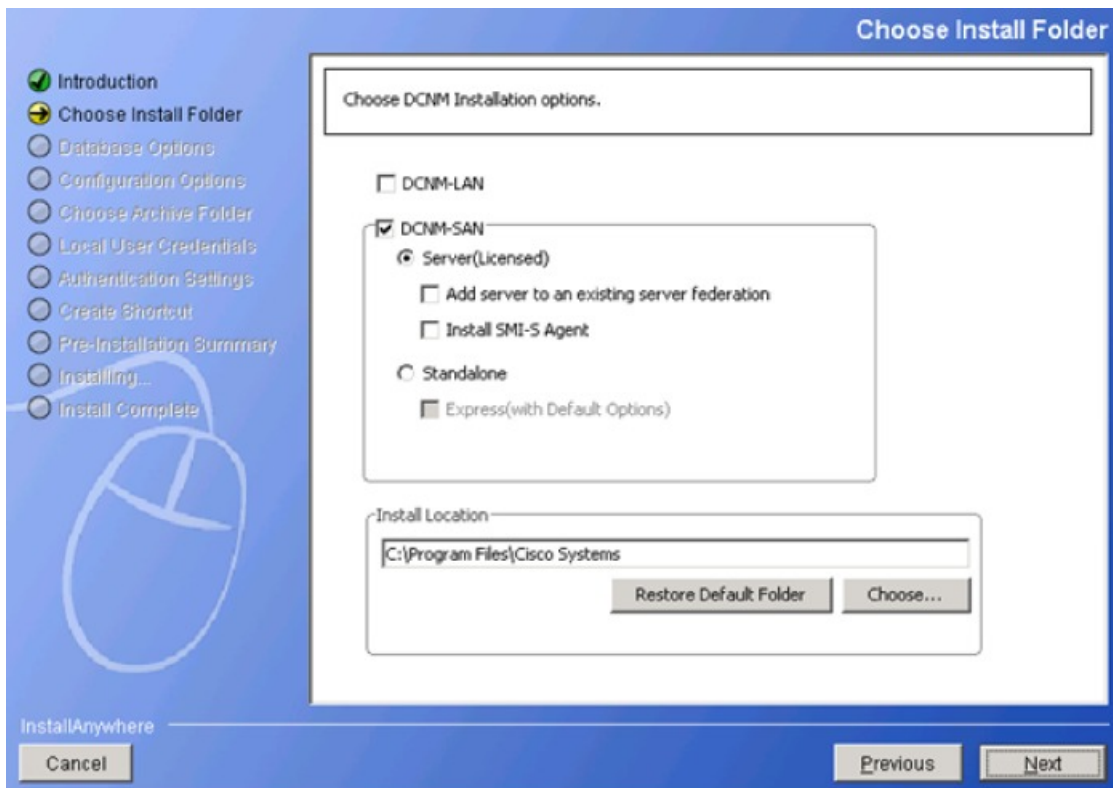
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Step 2 Click **Next**. The Installation Help screen is displayed.



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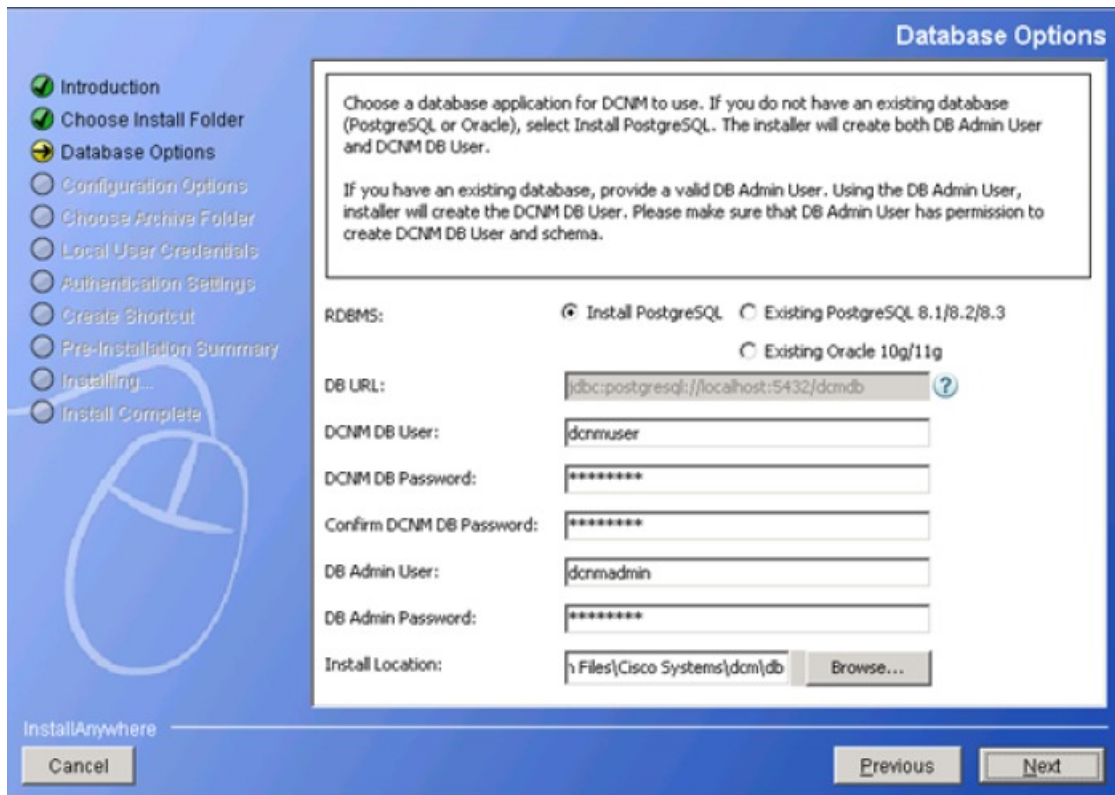
Step 3 Click **Next**. The Choose Install Folder screen is displayed.



Select DCNM-SAN and select Server (Licensed). You must select these specifically for SME.

Note You must select Add server to an existing server federation option if you are looking for high availability with respect to KMC. If you need to link two servers that act as primary and secondary, you must install DCNM on the first server without selecting this option. However, while installing on the secondary server, you must select the Add server to an existing server federation option to link to the primary server.

Step 4 Click **Next**. The Database Options screen is displayed.



You can choose the PostgreSQL database that comes up with DCNM package by choosing the Install PostgreSQL option. You can also choose an existing or installed database by choosing either the Existing PostgreSQL 8.1/8.2/8.3 or the Existing Oracle 10g/11g option.

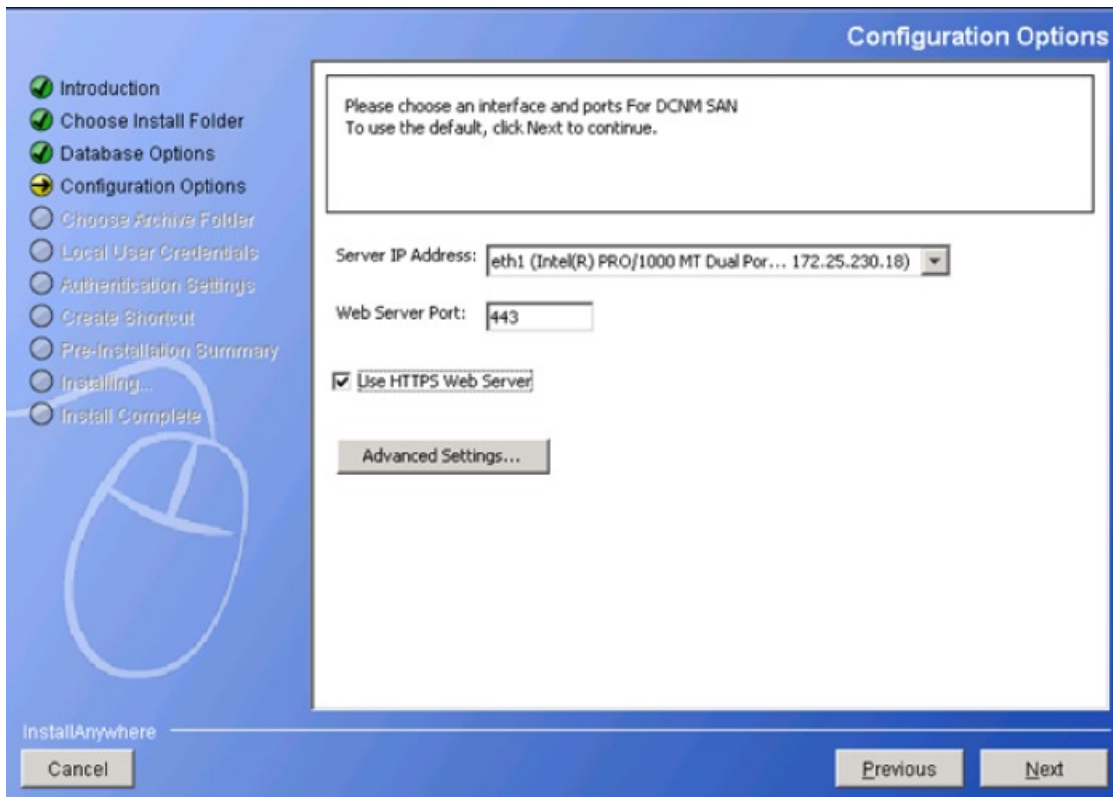
Note The DCNM package installation does not provide the Oracle database.

If you prefer to select the Add server to an existing server federation option on a secondary server, you must select the existing database option and point towards the primary server database through which the link is established. A configuration using Postgres provides KMC high availability and does not provide database high availability. Only the Cisco DCNM installation using the Oracle database with the dataguard option provides high availability.

You must provide the DCNM DB User and DB Admin user credentials with which the respective user can access the database. You also can browse the location where this installation can will reside.

Note The DCNM Database and the DCNM Admin user names must be different.

Step 5 Click **Next**. The Configuration Options screen is displayed.



Select the Use HTTPS Web Server option which is SME specific.

Step 6 Click **Next**. The Local User Credentials screen is displayed.

Local User Credentials

Please enter the local username and password. Your password should be difficult for others to figure out, but easy for you to remember.

Note: Local Admin User applies to both DCNM-LAN & DCNM-SAN.

Local Admin Username

Password

Confirm Password

Create SAN Admin User

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Cancel Previous Next

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Provide the Local Admin Username and password details that are required to log in to DCNM server.

Note You must ensure that the Local Admin Username and Password values are the same as the switch username and password that are a part of a cluster. If not, the cluster creation fails.

Step 7 Click **Next**. The Authentication Settings screen is displayed.

Authentication Settings

Please select the authentication mode

Mode: Local RADIUS TACACS+

Primary Server Address:

Primary Secret Key:

Secondary Server Address:

Secondary Server Key:

Tertiary Server Address:

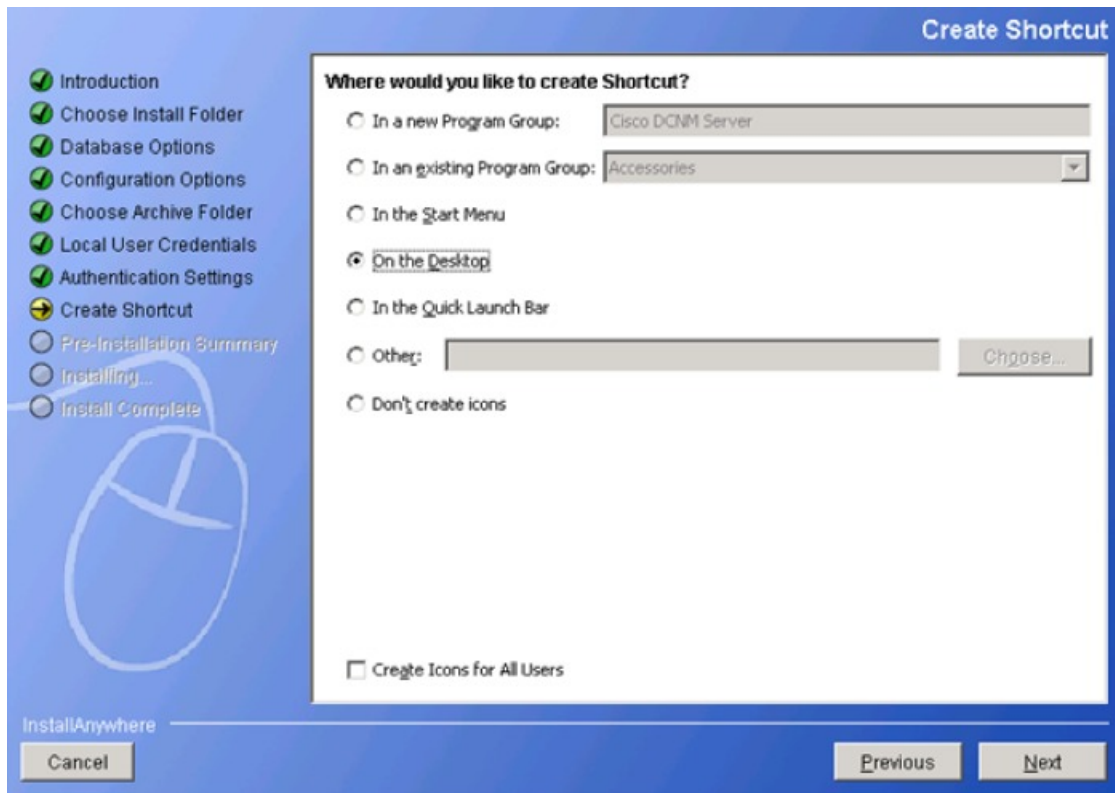
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Select one of the modes from the Local, RADIUS, or TACACS+ options. If you select either the RADIUS or the TACACS+ option, you must provide the server address and secret key (remote authentication).

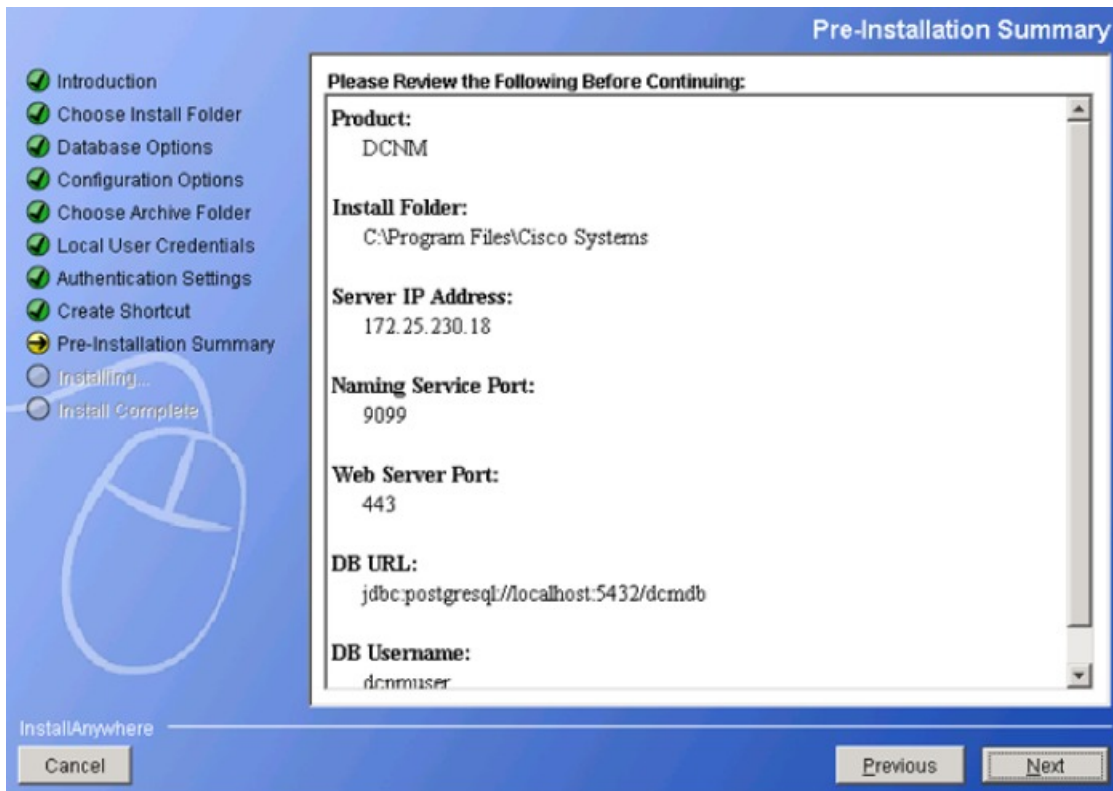
Step 8 Click **Next**. The Create Shortcut screen is displayed.



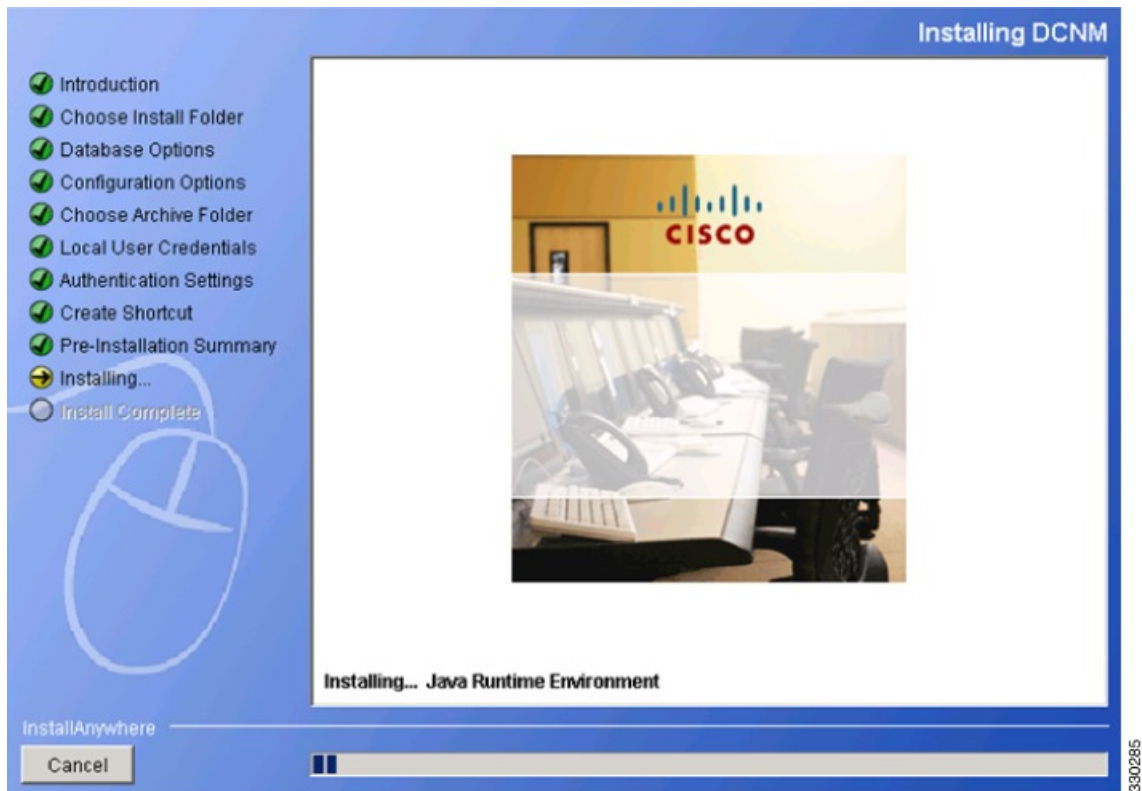
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You must select one of the options where you want the shortcut to be created.

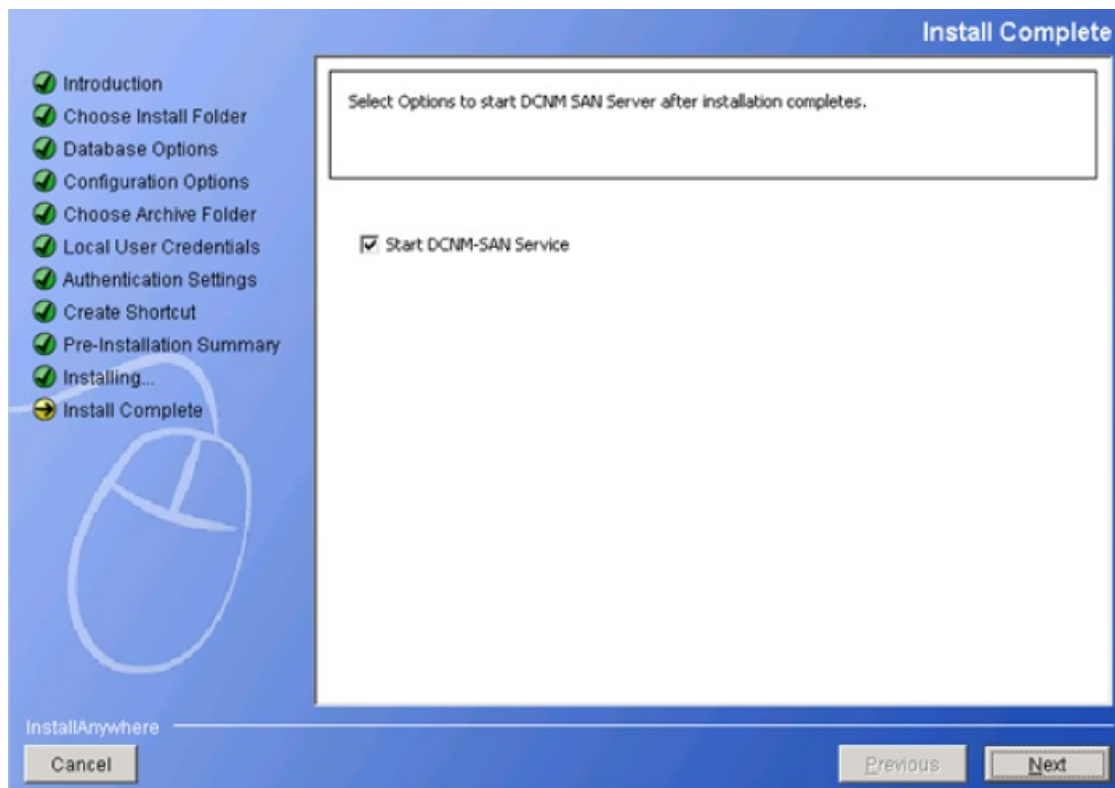
Step 9 Click **Next**. The Pre-Installation Summary screen is displayed.



Step 10 Review this information and click **Next**. The Installing DCNM screen is displayed that shows the progress of installation.

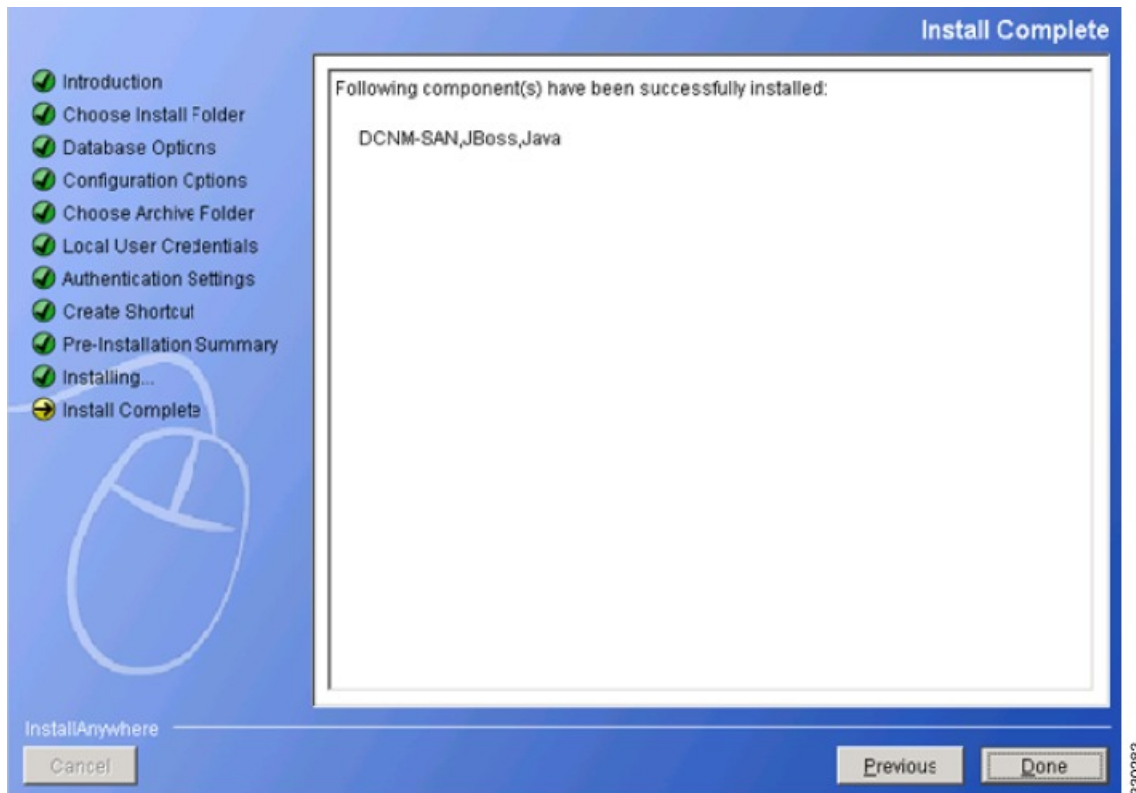


Step 11 After the installation process is completed, the Install Complete screen is displayed.



Select Start DCNM-SAN Service.

Step 12 Click **Next**. The Install Complete screen is displayed.



Step 13 Click **Done** to complete the installation. The DCNM installation includes JBOSS and JAVA.

Note After the installation process is complete, you must update the JCE policy files under the JAVA directory created by the DCNM package installation.

Configuring SME Tasks

The process of configuring SME on an MDS-18/4 module or Cisco MDS 9222i switch involves a number of configuration tasks that should be followed in chronological order.

This process includes the following configuration tasks:

1. Enable clustering on the Cisco MDS-18/4 module and Cisco MDS SSN-16 module or through the CLI.
2. Enable SME on the Cisco MDS-18/4 module, Cisco MDS SSN-16 module, or through the CLI.
3. Add the SME interface to the Cisco MDS-18/4 module or Cisco MDS SSN-16 module.
4. Add a fabric that includes the Cisco MDS-18/4 module or Cisco MDS SSN-16 module with the SME interface.
5. Create a cluster.



Note The cluster can either be defined for SME Disk or SME Tape. By default, the cluster is tape capable. However, the *cluster-capability disk* command under the cluster defines the cluster as disk capable. For more information, see the [Creating the SME Cluster, on page 56](#).

- a. Name the cluster.
- b. Select the fabrics that you want to create a cluster from.
- c. Select the SME interfaces from the fabrics that you are including in the cluster.
- d. Select the master key security level (Basic, Standard, or Advanced).
- e. Select the security key (shared or unique) and tape preferences (store the key on tape, automatic volume grouping, and compression).
- f. Specify the Key Management Center server and key certificate file.
- g. Specify the password to encrypt the master key and download the key file.

Required Preconfiguration Tasks

This section describes the required tasks that must be completed before you configure SME.

This section includes the following topics:

Before configuring SME, you must explicitly enable clustering, SME, SSH, and DNS on the MDS switch with an installed MSM-18/4 module or on the MDS 9222i switch. By default, these are disabled. The configuration and verification operations for SME are only available when these are enabled on a switch.

Enabling DNS

DNS offers services to map a host name to an IP address in the network through a DNS server. When you configure DNS on the switch, you can substitute the host name for the IP address with all IP commands, such as **ping**, **telnet**, **upload**, and **download**.

If you use DNS, the following requirements apply:

- All switches should be configured using DNS.
- The domain name (or the domain list), and the IP name server must be configured to reach remote switches.
- The DNS server should be configured on the same server where DCNM-SAN is installed.

If you use IP addresses, the DNS should not be configured on any switch in the fabric and the `use_ip` flag in the `smeserver.properties` must be set to TRUE.

For information on configuring DNS, refer to the IP Services Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN and the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS IP Services Configuration Guide.

sme.useIP for IP Address or Name Selection

If you do not have DNS configured on all switches in the cluster, you can use `sme.useIP`. The `smeserver.properties` file is located in the following location: `<fm install path>\dcm\fm\conf\`.

During the DCNM-SAN installation, the `use_ip` flag in the `smeserver.properties` file is set to `FALSE` by default. If you choose to use IP addresses, the DNS server should not be configured on any switch in the fabric and the `use_ip` flag in the `smeserver.properties` file must be set to `TRUE`. Once you make any modifications to the `smeserver.properties` file, you must restart DCNM-SAN.

Ensure you enable clustering first, and then enable SME.

You must decide to use DNS completely or to use IP addresses fully in your fabric. A combination of these will not work with the SME feature.

To verify that DNS is enabled everywhere in the cluster, ping between the DCNM-SAN server and the MDS switches and also between the MDS switches with DNS names.

IP Access Lists for the Management Interface

Cluster communication requires the use of the management interface. IP ACL configurations must allow UDP and TCP traffic on ports 9333, 9334, 9335, and 9336.

Creating and Assigning SME Roles and SME Users

The SME feature provides two primary roles: SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer. The SME Administrator role also includes the SME Storage Administrator and SME KMC Administrator roles. By default, SME assigns both the SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer to the same user. This assignment works well for small scale deployments of SME.



Note The DCNM-SAN user credentials must be the same as the switch user.

The following table shows a description of the SME roles and the number of users that should be considered for each role.



Note SME is configured from the DCNM-SAN Web Client. Internally, the actual switch operations are executed on behalf of the user that is logged into the Web Client and not the user monitoring the fabrics. Therefore, in a multifabric configuration the SME administrators must have the same username and password across all the fabrics to perform the SME operations.

Table 4: SME Roles and Responsibilities

SME Role	Master Key Security Mode	Required # of Users for This Role	What Operations is This Role Responsible For?
SME Administrator	Basic mode Standard mode	One user should hold the SME Administrator and the SME Recovery officer roles. One per VSAN is the minimum for day to day operations; must have access to all VSANs (if there are many VSANs and multiple VSAN administrators are assigned, then SME administrators, then there may be one SME Administrator per VSAN for key recovery operations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SME management • Tape management • Disk management • Export/import tape volume groups • Export/import disk keys
SME KMC Administrator	Basic mode Standard mode	The number of users is the same as for the SME Administrator role.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Management operations • Archive/purge volumes • Add/remove volume groups • Add/remove disk groups and disk devices • Import/export volume groups • Import/export disk keys • Rekey/replace smart cards
Cisco Storage Administrator	Basic mode Standard mode	The number of users is the same as for the SME Administrator role.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SME provisioning operations • Create/update/delete cluster • Create/update/delete tape backup groups • Create/update/delete disk groups • Add/remove tape devices • Add/remove disk devices • Create volume groups • View smart cards
SME Recovery Officer	Advanced mode	Five users (one for each smart card). Each smart card holder must be present during the cluster creation to provide the user login and password information and smart card pin.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master key recovery • Replace smart card



Note For Basic and Standard security modes, one user should hold both the SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer roles.

Configuring the AAA Roles

For information on configuring the AAA roles for the SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer, refer to the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Security Configuration Guide and the Security Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN.

Creating and Assigning SME Roles Using the CLI

For detailed information on creating and assigning roles, refer to the Security Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN and the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Security Configuration Guide.

To create a SME role or to modify the profile for an existing SME role, follow these steps:



Note

- Only users belonging to the network-admin role can create roles.
 - The four security roles required by SME can be implicitly created by using the setup sme command. For VSAN-based access control, you must create the custom roles.
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Before you begin

For Basic and Standard security modes, one user should hold both the SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer roles.

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **role name sme-admin**

Places you in the mode for the specified role (sme-admin).

Note The role submode prompt indicates that you are now in the role submode. This submode is now specific to SME

Step 3 switch(config)# **no role name sme-admin**

Deletes the role called sme-admin.

Step 4 switch(config-role)# **rule 1 permit read-write feature sme-stg-admin**

Allows you to add SME configuration commands.

Step 5 switch(config-role)# **rule 2 permit read feature sme-stg-admin**

Allows you to add SME show commands.

Step 6 switch(config-role)# **rule 3 permit debug feature sme**

Allows you to add SME debug commands to the sme-admin role.

Step 7 switch(config-role)# **description SME Admins**

Assigns a description to the new role. The description is limited to one line and can contain spaces.

Step 8 switch(config)# **username usam role sme-admin**

Adds the specified user (usam) to the sme-admin role.

Example



Caution If the Cisco KMC is part of DCNM-SAN, then the switches and DCNM-SAN must not be upgraded at the same time.



Note The fabric name is identified as Fabric_ and the switch name. If you reopen the fabric with a different seed switch, you need to manually change the fabric name to what it was called before so that the fabric name remains the same. If you reopen the fabric with a different seed switch and do not manually change the fabric name, the fabric might be renamed to show the new switch name. This will conflict with the configured SME fabric name in the MDS switches. Choose a unique name that is easily identifiable.

Using FC-Redirect with CFS Regions

The Fibre Channel redirect (FC-Redirect) feature uses Cisco Fabric Services (CFS) regions to distribute the FC-Redirect configuration.

By default, the configuration is propagated to all FC-Redirect-capable switches in the fabric. CFS regions can be used to restrict the distribution of the FC-Redirect configuration.



Note Using FC-Redirect with CFS regions is an optional procedure.

To learn more about CFS regions, refer to System Management Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN and the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide.

Installing Smart Card Drivers

The smart card reader must be connected to a management workstation that is used to configure SME. The smart card driver and the smart card drivers library file must be installed in the workstation.

You can download the latest drivers from the **Config > Install Smartcard Driver** link on the DCNM-SAN Web Client.

Restrictions

The smart card reader is only supported on Windows platforms. This includes only the Windows XP 32 bit, Windows server 2003 32 bit and Windows 7 64-bit platforms.



Note For Windows 7 64-bit smart card system, you must contact Gemalto for access to their Classic Client 6.1 for 64-bit systems. Smart cards are only tested on 6.10.020.001. Any other version of Classic Client for Windows 7 64-bit is at best effort only, and is not Cisco supported. Windows 7 32-bit is not supported.

Troubleshooting Tips

When connecting a new smart card reader after the installation of smart card drivers, you may be required to restart the computer. If the card reader is not recognized on your workstation, you may need to install the latest smart card drivers.

SME Configuration Process

Before configuring SME on your switch, it is important to become familiar with the SME configuration process. This section provides an overview of the SME configuration process

Initial SME Configuration



Note For information about what you need to do *before* you initially configure SME, see the [Required Preconfiguration Tasks, on page 35](#).

Complete the SME configuration tasks on the switch with an installed Cisco MSM-18/4 module or on a Cisco MDS 9222i switch.

These basic configuration tasks provide an overview of the basic SME configuration process:

- Create the SME interface ([Configuring SME Interfaces, on page 45](#))
- Create a cluster for SME ([Configuring SME Cluster Management, on page 51](#))
- Add the interfaces to the cluster ([Configuring SME Cluster Management, on page 51](#))
- Create a tape group (including selecting the backup server and discovering backup libraries) ([Configuring SME Tapes, on page 65](#))

Saving SME Cluster Configurations



Note Configuration changes must be saved on all switches in the cluster for correct cluster operation. This must be done after the initial cluster creation and after all subsequent changes are made to the cluster configuration.

You must save configuration changes whenever switches or interfaces are added or deleted from a cluster.

SME Configuration Restrictions

This section includes information on SME configuration restrictions and includes the following topics:

FICON Restriction

SME is not supported on FICON devices and SME cluster devices cannot be part of a FICON VSAN.

iSCSI Restriction

You cannot configure SME and iSCSI on the same Cisco MDS MSM-18/4 module because SME uses the iSCSI port indices.

Field Descriptions for SME Configuration

This section describes the following fields that are used in the SME configuration:

Members

Field	Description
Cluster	SME cluster name.
State	The operational state of the SME cluster.
Master	Identifies the SME cluster master's IP address.
Members	Identifies the IP address of the switch that is a member of the SME cluster.
IsLocal?	Identifies if the switch is a local or remote member of this cluster.

SME Interfaces

Field	Description
Cluster	Identifies the cluster to which this SME interface belongs.
Switch	Name of the switch.
Interface	Identifies the SME interface.
State	Operational state of this SME interface.
Cluster State	The operational state of the cluster.
Cluster Name	Name of the cluster.
Description	Description of the switch.
Speed Admin	Configured port speed.
Speed Oper	Operational speed.
Status Admin	The desired state of the interface.
Status Oper	The current operational state of the interface.
StatusFailureCause	The reason for the current operational state of the port.

Field	Description
StatusLastChange	The value of sysUpTime when the interface entered its current operational state. If the current state was prior to the last reinitialization of the local network management subsystem, then this object will have a zero value.

Related Topics

[Configuring SME Interfaces](#), on page 45

Hosts

Field	Description
Host	Fibre Channel port name (P_WWN) of the host Nx_Port.
Cluster	Identifies the cluster to which this host port belongs.

Feature History for SME Configuration

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 5: Feature History for SME Configuration

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Software change	5.2(1)	In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).
	4.1(1c)	In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained.
Enabling Clustering Using Fabric Manager	3.3(1c)	The enable feature allows the user to enable clustering using the Fabric Manager. In 3.3(1c), the command menu of the Control tab was changed to enable clustering using the Fabric Manager. The following commands are introduced or modified: enable command.
Enabling SME Using Fabric Manager	3.3(1c)	The SME enable feature allows the user to enable the SME using the Fabric Manager. In 3.3(1c), the command menu of the Control tab was changed to enable the SME using the Fabric Manager. The following commands are introduced or modified: enable command.
Enabling SSH Using Fabric Manager	3.3(1c)	An error message dialog box displays if the Fabric Manager GUI is used to enable SSH before using the Device Manager or the CLI to generate the SSH keys. In 3.3(1c), the Error dialog box in Fabric Manager was changed to display an error message dialog box.
Enabling SSH Using Device Manager	3.3(1c)	In 3.3(1c), the SSH Telnet windows were modified to support this feature. The users should first create and then enable SSH using the Device Manager.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
SME Roles	4.1(1c)	<p>The SME feature provides two primary roles: SME Administrator and the SME Recovery Officer. The SME Administrator role also includes the SME Storage Administrator and SME KMC Administrator roles.</p> <p>In 4.1(1c), the Cisco Storage Administrator and Cisco SME KMC Administrator roles were added.</p>
Key Management	4.1(1c)	In 4.1(1c), the Cisco KMC can be separated from Fabric Manager for multisite deployments.
Key Manager Settings	4.1(1c)	<p>A key manager needs to be selected before configuring Cisco SME. There are three options for key manager available now.</p> <p>In 4.1(1c), a new option 'None' is added to the Key Manager Settings page in the DCNM-SAN web client.</p>
FC-Redirect and CFS Regions	4.1(1c)	In 4.1(1c), the support for CFS Regions and SME are available.
16 port Storage Service Node (SSN-16) module	4.2(1)	The Cisco MDS 9000 Family 16-Port Storage Services Node is new hardware that provides a high-performance, unified platform for deploying enterprise-class disaster recovery and business continuance solutions with future support for intelligent fabric applications.
High Availability KMC server	4.1(3)	<p>High availability KMC can be configured by using a primary and secondary servers.</p> <p>In 4.1(3), HA settings are available on the Key Manager Settings page.</p> <p>The primary and secondary servers can be chosen during cluster creation.</p> <p>The primary and secondary server settings can be modified in the Cluster detail page.</p>



CHAPTER 4

Configuring SME Interfaces

This chapter describes how to configure and start SME interfaces using DCNM-SAN and Device Manager.

After completing the preliminary tasks, you need to configure the SME interface on a Cisco MDS switch with an installed MSM-18/4 module, SSN-16 module, or on a Cisco MDS 9222i switch.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Configuring the SME Interface, on page 45](#)
- [Verifying SME Interface Configuration, on page 49](#)
- [Feature History for SME Interface, on page 49](#)

Configuring the SME Interface

SME interfaces are configured either by using Device Manager or the CLI.

This section includes the following topics:

Adding an SME Interface from a Local Switch

To add an SME interface from a local switch, follow these steps:

Before you begin

- Before adding an SME interface, be sure to enable clustering, enable SME, start the SME interface on the switch, and add the interface to the cluster.



Note You can add an SME interface from a local switch or from a remote switch.

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername1*

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submenu.

- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# fabric fabricname1`
Specifies the fabric.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# node local`
Enters the SME cluster node submode and specifies the local switch.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# fabric-membership fabricname1`
Specifies the fabric membership for the cluster.
- Step 6** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# interface sme 4/1 force`
Adds the SME interface (4/1) from a local switch in fabric f1.

Adding an SME Interface from a Remote Switch

To add an SME interface from a remote switch, follow these steps:

Before you begin

- Before adding an SME interface, be sure to enable clustering, enable SME, start the SME interface on the switch, and add the interface to the cluster.



Note You can add an SME interface from a local switch or from a remote switch.

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# fabric fabricname`
Specifies the fabric.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# node A.B.C.D/X::X/X/DNS name`
Enters the SME cluster node submode and specifies a remote switch. The format is A.B.C.D | X:X::X | DNS name.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# fabric-membership fabricname1`
Specifies the fabric membership for the cluster.
- Step 6** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# interface sme 3/1 force`
Adds the SME interface (3/1) from a remote switch in fabric f2.

Creating the SME Interface

After enabling the cluster and enabling SME, configure the SME interface on the switch.

Configure the SME interface on the MSM-18/4 module slot and port 1.



Note You must enter the **copy running-config startup-config** CLI command after adding or deleting interfaces or switches from a cluster.

To configure the SME interface, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **interface sme x/y**

Configures the SME interface on slot x, port y where x is the MSM-18/4 or SSN16 module slot. For MDS 9222i, for slot 1, the port number is 1. The port y is 1 for MSM 18/4 and 1 to 4 for SSN-16. Enters the interface submenu.

Step 3 switch(config-if)# **no shutdown**

Enables the interface on slot x, port y.

Example

After configuring the SME interface, if you enter a **show int** command, the SME interface is displayed as down until the interface is added to a cluster.

After configuring the SME interface, a message similar to the following is displayed: 2007 Jun 6 21:34:14 switch %DAEMON-2-SYSTEM_MSG:
<<%SME-2-LOG_WARN_SME_LICENSE_GRACE>> No SME Licence. Feature will be shut down after a grace period of approximately 118 days.

Deleting the SME Interface

To delete the SME interface, follow these steps:

Before you begin

Before deleting the SME interface, you must remove the switch from the cluster.



Note Deleting an SME interface that is part of a cluster is not allowed. First remove the switch from the cluster by entering the **no sme cluster cluster name** command, and then delete the SME interface.

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **no interface sme x/y**

Removes the SME interface from slot x, port y where x is the MSM-18/4 or SSN-16 module slot. The port y is 1 for MSM 18/4 and 1 to 4 for SSN-16. For MDS 9222i, for slot 1, the port number is 1.

Viewing SME Interface Information Using the CLI

Use the **show interface sme** CLI command to obtain information about the SME interface configuration and statistics.

```
switch# show interface sme 3/1sme3/1 is upIn fabric Cisco_fabric1
SME                IOs          IO/s          Bytes          Rate
-----
Host Reads         0             0             0             0.00 B/s
Host Writes       270134566    0             35407048474624 0.00 B/s
Host Total        270134566    0             35407048474624 0.00 B/s
Tgt Reads         0             0             0             0.00 B/s
Tgt Writes        540268684    0             232408631520   0.00 B/s
Tgt Total         540268684    0             232408631520   0.00 B/s
Clear             IOs          IO/s          Bytes          Rate
-----
Host Reads         0             0             0             0.00 B/s
Host Writes       3512          0             460324864      0.00 B/s
Host Total        3512          0             460324864      0.00 B/s
Tgt Reads         0             0             0             0.00 B/s
Tgt Writes        3512          0             460324864      0.00 B/s
Tgt Total         3512          0             460324864      0.00 B/s
Compression Ratio  455.11 : 1
SME to Clear      100.00 %
Read to Write     0.00 %
Clear Luns 4, Encrypted Luns 1
Error Statistics
 0 CTH, 0 Authentication 3 Compression
 69 Key Generation, 0 Incorrect Read Size
 0 Overlap Commands, 0 Stale Key Accesses
 0 Overload Condition, 0 Incompressible
 210 XIPC Task Lookup, 0 Invalid CDB
 0 Ili, 88881729 Eom, 0 Filemark, 0 Other
 last error at Wed May 18 09:41:12 2011
```

The below table shows the error statistics of the show interface sme command.

Table 6: Error Statistics

Parameters	Description
Authentication	Errors generated during the verification of the tape block integrity. These errors occur when tapes are corrupted.
Bad Target Responses	Errors generated from the target. These errors occur most of the time and include FileMark, Incorrect Length Indicators (ILI) and so on.

Parameters	Description
CTH	Errors associated with the Cisco Tape Header (CTH). The CTH resides at logical block 0 and contains media and other vendor specific information.
Incorrect Read Size	Errors generated when the write size is different from the read size.
Invalid CDB	Errors generated when there are unknown or malformed SCSI commands. The Invalid CDB counter displays read or write commands from hosts that have improper transfer sizes.
Incompressible	Errors generated when there is incompressible data.
Key Generation	Errors associated with the generation of keys.
Overload	Errors that occur when there are overlapping read operations from the host. Simultaneous and multiple read operations to the SME are rejected with a BUSY check condition. These instances are displayed as Overload errors.
Overlap	Errors generated when there are multiple overlapping commands to the same Initiator-Target-LUN (ITL).
Stale Key Access	Errors generated when archived keys are accessed for tape write operations. If a volume group or a cluster is deleted or imported to a new cluster, the keys become archived. These keys should not be used for writing to the tape. The Stale Key Access counter displays the occurrences of such instances.
XIPC Task Lookup	Errors associated with eXtensible Inter-Process Communication (XIPC). These errors are generated when there are exchange lookup failures.

Verifying SME Interface Configuration

To display SME interface configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose
show interface sme	Displays the SME interface configuration and statistics.
show int	Displays if the SME interface is down until the interface is added to a cluster.

For detailed information about the fields in the output from these commands, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Command Reference*.

Feature History for SME Interface

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 7: Feature History for SME Interface

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Software change	5.2(1)	In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).
	4.1(1c)	In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained.
16-Port Storage Service Node (SSN-16) module	4.2(1)	The Cisco MDS 9000 Family 16-Port Storage Services Node is new hardware that provides a high-performance, unified platform for deploying enterprise-class disaster recovery and business continuance solutions with future support for intelligent fabric applications.
Configuring and starting SME interface	3.3(1c)	Users should create SME interfaces using Device Manager or the CLI, before using Fabric Manager to create the interfaces.



CHAPTER 5

Configuring SME Cluster Management

DCNM-SAN provides a web browser interface that displays real-time views of your network fabrics and lets you configure the SME with easy-to-use wizards.

This chapter contains information about the SME initial configuration and the tasks that are used to manage SME clusters using DCNM-SAN.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About SME Cluster Management, on page 51](#)
- [Configuring SME Cluster Management Using the CLI, on page 55](#)
- [Verifying SME Cluster Management Configuration, on page 60](#)
- [Monitoring SME Cluster Management, on page 61](#)
- [Feature History for SME Cluster Management, on page 63](#)

Information About SME Cluster Management

An SME cluster consists of a group of MDS switches running the SME application in a single fabric environment where each switch is a member or node. The cluster infrastructure enables the SME application to offer high availability and load balancing by providing the ability to communicate and coordinate with the other members to maintain a consistent and distributed view of the application's configuration and operational state.

The process of configuring SME on an MDS switch with an installed Cisco MSM-18/4 module, SSN-16 module, or on a Cisco MDS 9222i switch involves a number of configuration tasks that should be followed in chronological order. See the topics in the Before You Begin online help in DCNM-SAN Web Server. Configure SSH and refer to [cisco_sme_getting_started.ditamap#map_FD48D7B73A974D59BE491B1598E630AD](#) and [Configuring SME Interfaces, on page 45](#) for information about the tasks must be completed before creating an SME cluster.

Cluster Quorum and Master Switch Election

This section describes the SME cluster quorum and the process for electing the master switch in a cluster.

Node ID

Every switch in a cluster has a node ID. SME assigns a node ID to every new switch as it is added to the cluster. The switch where the cluster is created is assigned the node ID of 1. This is the master switch. When

a new switch is added to the cluster, it is assigned the next available higher node ID. For example, when a second switch is added to the cluster it gets the node ID of 2 and the third switch gets the node ID of 3, and so on.

Cluster View

The cluster view is the set of switches that are part of the operational cluster.

Cluster Quorum

For a cluster to be operational, it must include more than half the number of configured switches in the cluster view. In an N-switch cluster, $N/2 + 1$ switches form a cluster quorum.

If N is even, the cluster quorum requires $N/2$ switches and also, the presence of the switch with the lowest node ID.

The quorum logic ensures that in the event of cluster partitions, at most one partition can be operational. All other switches are nonoperational. This guarantees the consistency of the cluster.

Master Switch Election

When a cluster is created, the switch on which the cluster is created becomes the cluster master switch. When the master switch fails or is rebooted, another switch takes over as the master switch. The master election logic uses the node ID and the latest cluster configuration to determine which switch in the cluster will become the master switch. The master election logic is describe as follows:

- If the master switch fails in an operational cluster, the switch with the next lowest node ID takes over as the master switch. Note that in an operational cluster, all the switches run the same cluster configuration.
 - When the previous master switch comes back online and joins the cluster, it does not immediately become the master.
- When all the switches of a cluster are coming up, the switch that has the latest cluster configuration becomes the master switch. If there are multiple switches with the same configuration, the switch with the lowest node ID is chosen to be the master switch.
 - Once a master switch is chosen and the cluster is operational (there is a quorum), even if a switch with a lower node ID joins the cluster at a later time, the master switch does not change.

For example, there are three switches S1, S2, and S3 with node IDs 1, 2, and 3, respectively. If switches S2 and S3 form a quorum then switch S2 becomes the master switch. Even if switch S1 with the node ID of 1 comes up and joins the cluster at a later time, switch S2 continues to be the master. However, if switch S2 goes down for any reason, switch S1 will become the master switch.



Note Because there might be changes in the Master switch, all switches in the cluster need to be configured to handle SNMP configuration, SME roles, user credentials, and SSH. Switches in the cluster should directly communicate with KMC.

Two-Switch Cluster Scenarios

According to the cluster quorum logic [Cluster Quorum, on page 52](#), a cluster with two configured switches can be operational if both switches are operational or the switch with the lowest node ID is operational.

In the latter case, the switch with the lowest node ID is the master of the one-switch cluster. The other switch could have failed or simply lost connectivity to the operational switch. In either case, the switch with the higher node ID would become nonoperational. If the switch with the lower node ID failed, the other switch cannot form an operational cluster.

The examples that follow describe these scenarios. The first three examples consider single switch failures.

1. Assume that in a two-switch cluster with switches S1 (node ID 1) and S2 (node ID 2), S1 is the master (the master has the lower node ID).

When the switches lose connectivity between them, the master switch S1 continues to be operational since it has the lower node ID and can form an (N/2) switch cluster. Switch S2 becomes non-operational.

2. Assume that in a two-switch cluster with switches S1 (node ID 1) and S2 (node ID 2), S2 is the master (note that the master has the higher node ID because it has the latest configuration when both the switches came online).

When the switches lose connectivity between them, switch S2 becomes non-operational and S1 takes over as the master to form a 1-switch cluster. This is consistent with the quorum logic in a two-switch cluster (N/2 with lowest node ID).

3. Assume that in a two-switch cluster with switches S1 (node ID 1) and S2 (node ID 2). If S1 fails (regardless of which switch was the master), S2 will also become non-operational as long as S1 is down.

When S1 comes up, S1 and S2 will form a two-switch cluster.

The next set of examples describe reboots of both switches (S1 with node ID 1 and S2 with node ID 2).



Caution

If you perform any configuration change on a cluster, you must save the running configuration to the startup configuration by entering the **copy running-config startup-config** CLI command on all switches before rebooting them. Otherwise, the cluster may not form correctly after the reboot.

4. After a reboot, if both switches S1 and S2 come up about the same time, a two-switch cluster will be formed.
 - a. If the cluster configurations are the same, S1 (with the lower node ID) will become the master.
 - b. If the cluster configurations are different, the switch with the latest cluster configuration will become the master.
5. After a reboot, if switch S2 comes up first, it will not be able to form a cluster until S1 also comes up. After that, the algorithm explained in the previous case will be used.
6. After a reboot, if switch S1 comes up first, it will form a one-switch cluster (N/2 with lowest node ID). When S2 comes up, it will join the cluster to form a two-switch cluster.

When S2 comes up and if it happens to have the latest cluster configuration in the startup configuration (this can happen if you did not save the running configuration to the startup configuration on S1 but did so on S2), it will not be able to join the cluster formed by S1.



Caution

It is critical that you save the running configuration on all switches before a reboot.

Three-Switch Cluster Scenarios

In a three-switch cluster, the quorum requires two switches to be in the cluster view ($N/2 + 1$). The examples below explain three scenarios in a three-switch cluster with switches S1 (node ID 1), S2 (node ID 2) and S3 (node ID 3). S1 is the master switch.

1. In a three-switch operational cluster, if switch S3 fails or loses connectivity with the other two switches, then S3 becomes nonoperational. Switches S1 and S2 will form an operational cluster. When S3 comes up again, it will rejoin the cluster.
2. In a three-switch operational cluster, if the master switch S1 fails or loses connectivity with the other two switches, then S1 becomes nonoperational. Switches S2 and S3 will form an operational cluster and S2 will be the master. When S1 comes up again, it will rejoin the cluster. Note that S2 will continue to be the master.
3. If two switches fail, the cluster will become nonoperational.

The examples below describe reboots on all switches in the cluster.



Caution

If you perform any configuration change on a cluster, you must save the running configuration to the startup configuration by entering the **copy running-config startup-config** command on all switches before rebooting them. Otherwise, the cluster may not form correctly after the reboot.

4. After a reboot, if all switches come up at about the same time, first a 2-switch cluster will be formed and later the third switch will be added.
 - a. If the cluster configurations are the same, S1 (with the lower node ID) will become the master switch and form the 2-switch cluster first; and then add the third switch.
 - b. If the cluster configurations are different, the switch that is running the latest configuration will become the master switch and then form a 2-switch cluster; and then add the third switch.
5. After a reboot, if the switches come up one at a time, a 2-switch cluster will be formed after the first two switches are up. Later, when the third switch comes online, it will join the cluster.

If the third switch happens to be running the latest cluster configuration in the startup configuration (this can happen if you save the running configuration only on this switch but not on the other two), the third switch will not be able to join the cluster.



Caution

It is critical that you save the running configuration on all switches before a reboot.

Four-Switch Cluster Scenarios

The four-switch cluster scenario is very similar to the examples above. The cluster will be operational if the cluster view has at least three switches ($N/2 + 1$), or if the cluster view has two switches including the switch with the lowest node ID ($N/2$ with lowest node ID).

In-Service Software Upgrade in a Two-Node Cluster

In-Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) is a comprehensive, transparent software upgrade application that allows you to deploy bug fixes and add new features and services without any disruption to the traffic.

In a cluster consisting of the MDS 9222i switches as members, if the switches are not able to communicate, then the switch having the lowest node identifier (node ID) remains in the cluster while the other switch leaves the cluster. However, when an ISSU is performed on a switch having the lowest node identifier, a complete loss of the cluster results because both the switches leave the cluster.

This undesirable situation is addressed in a two-switch cluster as follows:

- The upgrading switch sends a message to the other switch of the intent to leave the cluster. The upgrading switch can either be a master switch or a slave switch.
- The remaining switch remains in the cluster and performs the role of the master switch if it was a slave switch. This switch continues to remain in the cluster with the quorum intact.
- After the ISSU is completed and the switches boot up, the upgraded switch rejoins the cluster as a slave switch.



Note This feature is tied to the internals of ISSU logic and no additional commands need to be executed.

Server Clusters

A cluster is group of servers linked together to perform a common task.

Clusters provide the following features:

- High availability—If one server in the cluster goes down, the work assigned to that server is migrated to another server in the cluster.
- Load balancing—Clusters allow work to be distributed across different servers.

Clusters can use the shared model or the nonshared model. The shared model requires distributed lock manager (DLM) to manage concurrent access to shared resources. The nonshared model does not require DLM and as a result, requires less overhead. For example, the MSCS (Microsoft clusters) use the nonshared model. This means that a node owns a resource and another node takes ownership of that resource when the owner node fails.

For more information on Cluster-Quorum, see the [Cluster Quorum, on page 52](#).

Configuring SME Cluster Management Using the CLI

You can configure SME Cluster Management using the CLI. This section includes the following topics:



Note SSH feature must be enabled in all the switches to be a part of a cluster.

Creating the SME Cluster

To create an SME tape cluster, identify the fabrics that you want to include in the cluster and configure the following:

- Automatic volume grouping
- Key Management Center (KMC)
- Target discovery
- Tape groups
- Key-on-tape mode
- Recovery
- Shared key mode
- Shutdown cluster for recovery
- Volume tape groups
- Tape compression

To create an SME disk cluster, identify the fabrics that you want to include in the cluster and you configure the following:

- CKMC
- Target discovery
- Disk groups
- Disk device
- Disk path
- Recovery
- Shutdown cluster for recovery

Creating an SME cluster for tape

You can create an SME cluster for either a tape or a disk.



Caution

By default, the cluster is capable for SME tapes. However, when you enter the cluster-capability disk command, this cluster can be used only for the disk devices.

To create an SME cluster for tape, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername1*

Specifies the cluster name and enters SME cluster configuration submode. A cluster name can include a maximum of 32 characters.

- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# fabric f1`
Adds fabric f1 to the cluster.

Example



Caution You must enable the cluster-capability disk command before adding the first SME interface.

Creating an SME cluster for disk

To create an SME cluster for disk, follow these steps:

Before you begin

Before creating disk clusters, ensure FC-Redirect version 2 is enabled on all switches that are part of the disk cluster. To verify the FC_Redirect version level, enter the following command. The expected output for configuration mode is Mode V2.

```
switch# show fc-redirect configs
Configuration Mode      = MODE_V2
```



Note All switches in the fabric, where SME disk clusters are configured, cannot have FC-Redirect version 1.

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`
Specifies the cluster name and enters SME cluster configuration submode. A cluster name can include a maximum of 32 characters.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# cluster-capability disk`
Defines the SME cluster capabilities for SME Disk.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# fabric f1`
Adds fabric f1 to the cluster.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl)# fabric f2`
Adds fabric f2 to the cluster.

Note For SME Disk, you can add up to two fabrics.

Example



Caution For the switches that are in the same fabric, the fabric membership configured in the CLI should be same.

Enabling and Disabling Clustering

The first step in the process of configuring SME is to enable clustering.

To enable or disable the cluster, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **feature cluster**
Enables clustering.
- Step 3** switch(config)# **no feature cluster**
Disables clustering.
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Enabling and Disabling SME Service

SME services must be enabled to take advantage of the SME encryption and security features. After enabling the SME cluster, the second step in the process of configuring SME is to enable the SME service.

To enable the SME service, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **feature sme**
Enables SME features.
- Step 3** switch(config)# **nofeature sme**
Disables SME features.
-

Setting the SME Cluster Security Level

There are three levels of security: Basic, Standard, and Advanced. Standard and Advanced security levels require smart cards.

Table 8: Master Key Security Levels

Security Level	Definition
Basic	The master key is stored in a file and encrypted with a password. To retrieve the master key, you need access to the file and the password.
Standard	Standard security requires one smart card. When you create a cluster and the master key is generated, you are asked for the smart card. The master key is then written to the smart card. To retrieve the master key, you need the smart card and the smart card pin.
Advanced	Advanced security requires five smart cards. When you create a cluster and select Advanced security mode, you designate the number of smart cards (two or three of five smart cards or two of three smart cards) that are required to recover the master key when data needs to be retrieved. For recovery, a quorum of cards is required: two of three, two of five, or three of five. For example, if you specify two of five smart cards, then you will need two of the five smart cards to recover the master key. Each smart card is owned by a SME Recovery Officer. Note The larger the number of required smart cards, the greater the security. However, if smart cards are lost or are damaged, the number of available smart cards are reduced that could be used to recover the master key.

To set the SME cluster security level, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# security-mode basic`
Sets the cluster security level to Basic.
-

Example



Note The CLI is not supported for enabling standard or advanced security mode. Basic mode is also supported through DCNM-SAN Web Client.

Setting Up the SME Administrator and Recovery Office Roles

To set up the SME Administrator, SME Storage Administrator, SME KMC Administrator, and SME Recovery Officer, follow this step:

Command	Purpose
switch# setup sme	Sets up the four security roles.

For more information, see [Creating and Assigning SME Roles Using the CLI, on page 38](#).



Note When you are accessing SME from Cisco DCNM for the first time, you will be asked to choose the Key Management role for the given DCNM. See the [Configuring Key Management Operations, on page 110](#) section for more information.

Select the Disk Signature Mode check box to create signature mode clusters.



Note You must download the Master Key file to activate the cluster. If you close the window before downloading the file, navigate to the cluster details page to download the Master Key file and finish the cluster setup.



Note When an error occurs while storing shares on the cards, the cluster should be deleted and recreated.



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Verifying SME Cluster Management Configuration

To display SME Cluster Management configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose
show sme	Displays a specific cluster configuration, internal information, and transport information.
show sme cluster	Displays additional cluster information.
show sme cluster key	Displays information about the cluster key database.
show sme cluster node	Displays information about a local or remote switch.
show sme cluster recovery officer	Displays information about a specific Recovery Officer or for all the Recovery Officers for a specific cluster.

For detailed information about the fields in the output from these commands, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Command Reference* .

Monitoring SME Cluster Management

This section covers the following topics:

Viewing SME Cluster Details Using the CLI

This section covers the following topics:

Viewing SME Cluster, Internal, and Transport Information

To verify SME cluster configurations, you can use the **show sme** command to view a specific cluster configuration, internal information, and transport information.

A sample output of the **show sme cluster** command follows:

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1
SME Cluster is clusternam1
Cluster ID is 2e:00:00:05:30:01:ad:f4
Cluster is Operational
Cluster is Not Shutdown
Cluster config version is 27
Security mode is basic
Cluster status is online
Total Nodes are 1
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Fabric[0] is f1
CKMC server has not been provisioned
Master Key GUID is 8c57a8d82d2098ee-3b27-6c2b116a950e, Version: 0
Shared Key Mode is Enabled
Auto Vol Group is Not Enabled
```

Viewing SME Cluster Details

Additional cluster information can be displayed with the **show sme cluster** command. Use this command to show the following:

- SME cluster details
- SME cluster interface information
- Hosts and targets in the cluster
- SME cluster key database
- Cluster node
- SME cluster Recovery Officer information
- Summary of the SME cluster information
- Tapes in a cluster
- Tape volume group information
- Disk group in a cluster
- Disks in a cluster
- SME role configuration

Sample outputs of the **show sme cluster** command follow:

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 ?
  detail      Show sme cluster detail
  interface   Show sme cluster interface
  it-nexus    Show it-nexuses in the cluster
  key         Show sme cluster key database
  node        Show sme cluster node
  recovery    Show sme cluster recovery officer information
  summary     Show sme cluster summary
  tape        Show tapes in the cluster
  tape-bkgrp  Show crypto tape backup group information
  |           Output modifiers.
  >          Output Redirection.
  <cr>       Carriage return.
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 interface
Interface sme4/1 belongs to local switch
Status is up
```

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 interface it-nexus
```

Host WWN	VSAN	Status	Switch	Interface
Target WWN				
10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed,	4093	online	switch	sme4/1
2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2				

Viewing Cluster Key Information

Use the **show sme cluster key** command to view information about the cluster key database.

A sample output of the **show sme cluster key** command for SME tape is as follows:

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 key database
Key Type is tape volumegroup shared key
  GUID is 3b6295e111de8a93-e3f9-e4ae372b1626
  Cluster is clusternam1, Tape backup group is HR1
  Tape volumegroup is Default
Key Type is tape volumegroup wrap key
  GUID is 3e9ef70e0185bb3c-ad12-c4e489069634
  Cluster is clusternam1, Tape backup group is HR1
  Tape volumegroup is Default
Key Type is master key
  GUID is 8c57a8d82d2098ee-3b27-6c2b116a950e
  Cluster is clusternam1, Master Key Version is 0
```

A sample output of the **show sme cluster key** command for SME disk is as follows:

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 key database
Key Type is disk key GUID is aa8c86a783c8a0d9-34ba9cf3af0a17af Cluster is C_SSL, Crypto
disk group is DG Crypto disk is Disk0
Key Type is master key GUID is fc66b503982e816d-a68eba9850f29450 Cluster is C_SSL, Master
Key Version is 0
```

Viewing Cluster Node Information

Use the **show sme cluster node** command to view information about a local or remote switch.

A sample output of the **show sme cluster node** command follows:

```
switch# show sme cluster clustername1 node
Node switch is local switch
Node ID is 1
Status is online
Node is the master switch
Fabric is f1
```

Viewing Recovery Officer Information

You can view information about a specific Recover Officer or for all Recovery Officers for a specific cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster clustername1 recovery officer
Recovery Officer 1 is set
  Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0
  Recovery Share Index is 1
  Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
  Recovery Officer Label is
  Recovery share protected by a password
Key Type is master key share
  Cluster is clustername1, Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0, Share Index is 1
```

```
switch# show sme cluster clustername1 summary
-----
Cluster ID Security Mode Status
-----
clustername1 2e:00:00:05:30:01:ad:f4 basic online
```

Feature History for SME Cluster Management

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 9: Feature History for SME Cluster Management

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Software change	5.2(1)	In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).
	4.1(1c)	In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained.
High availability KMC server	4.1(3)	High availability KMC can be configured by using a primary and secondary servers. In 4.1(3), HA settings are available on the Key Manager Settings page. The primary and secondary servers can be chosen during cluster creation. The primary and secondary server settings can be modified in the Cluster detail page.
Host names are accepted as server addresses	4.1(3)	You can enter IP addresses or host names for the servers.
Target-based load balancing	3.3(1c)	Clustering offers target-based load balancing of SME services.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Transport settings	3.3(1c)	Allows users to enable or disable transport settings for SME.



CHAPTER 6

Configuring SME Tapes

This chapter contains information about managing tapes that are encrypted using SME.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About SME Tape Management, on page 65](#)
- [Configuring SME Tape Management Using the CLI, on page 66](#)
- [Verifying SME Tape Management Configuration, on page 71](#)
- [Monitoring SME Tape Management, on page 71](#)
- [Feature History for SME Tape Management, on page 75](#)

Information About SME Tape Management

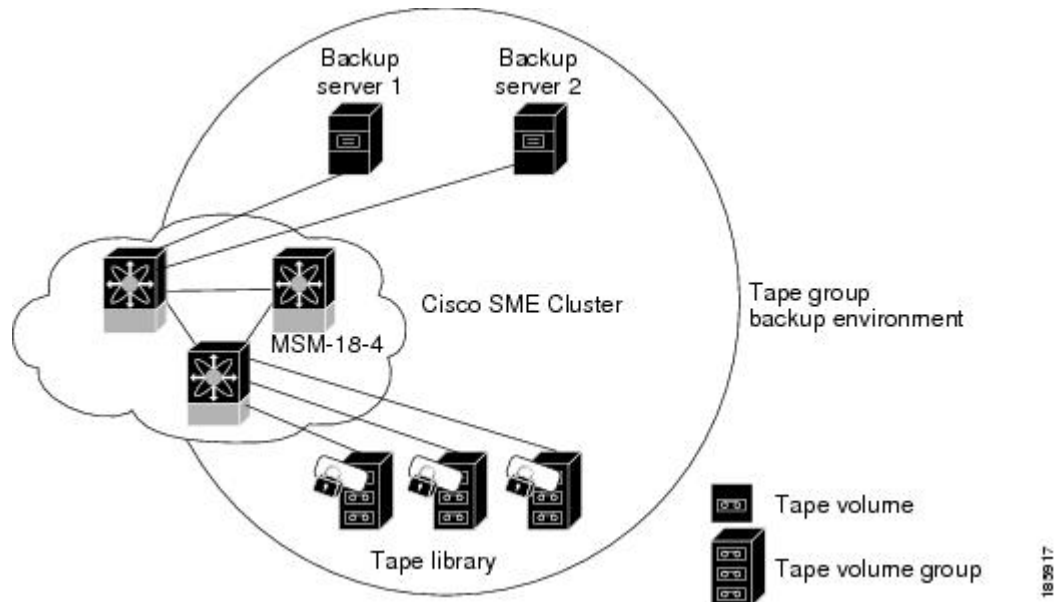
Once provisioned, SME provides transparency to hosts and targets. To manage the paths from a hosts to tape devices, SME uses the following:

- **Tape group** —A backup environment in the SAN. This consists of all the tape backup servers and the tape libraries that they access.
- **Tape device** —A tape drive that is configured for encryption.
- **Tape volume** —A physical tape cartridge identified by a barcode for a given use.
- **Tape volume group** —A logical set of tape volumes configured for a specific purpose. Using SME, a tape volume group can be configured using a barcode range or a specified regular expression. In an auto-volume group, a tape volume group can be the volume pool name configured at the backup application.

SME provides the capability to export a volume group with an encryption password. This file could later be imported to a volume group. Also, volume group filtering options provide mechanisms to specify what type of information will be included in a specific volume group. For example, you could filter information in a volume group by specifying a barcode range.

The following figure shows the SME tape backup environment.

Figure 4: SME Tape Backup Environment and Configuration



The following concepts are used in tape management procedures:

- Key management settings
- Auto-volume group
- Key-on-Tape
- Compression
- Configuring volume groups



Note If data is written to a partially non-SME encrypted tape, it is left in clear text. When a tape is recycled or relabeled, the tape will be encrypted by SME.

Configuring SME Tape Management Using the CLI

This section includes the following topics:

Enabling and Disabling Tape Compression

To enable tape compression, follow these steps:

Step 1 `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.

- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# tape-compression`
Enables tape compression.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# no tape-compression`
Disables tape compression.
-

Enabling and Disabling Key-on-Tape

SME provides the option to store the encrypted security keys on the backup tapes.

To enable the key-on-tape feature, follow these steps:

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# key-ontape`
Enables the key-on-tape feature.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# no key-ontape`
Disables key-on-tape feature.
-

Configuring a Tape Volume Group

A tape volume group is a group of tapes that are categorized usually by function. For example, HR1 could be the designated tape volume group for all Human Resource backup tapes; EM1 could be the designated tape volume group for all e-mail backup tapes.

Adding tape groups allows you to select the VSANs, hosts, storage devices, and paths that SME will use for encrypted data. For example, adding a tape group for HR data sets the mapping for SME to transfer data from the HR hosts to the dedicated HR backup tapes.

To configure a tape volume group, follow these steps:

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.

Step 3 switch(config-sme-cl)# **tape-bkgrp** *groupname1*

Specifies the tape volume group and enters the SME tape volume group submode.

Step 4 switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp)# **tape-device** *devicename1*

Specifies the tape device name and enters the SME tape device submode.

Step 5 switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **tape-device** *devicename1 D*

Specifies the tape cartridge identifier.

Step 6 switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **host** *10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed target 2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2 vsan 4093 lun 0 fabric f1*

Specifies the host and target, the VSAN, LUN and the fabric (f1) for the tape volume group.

Step 7 switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **enable**

Enables the tape device.

Enabling and Disabling Automatic Volume Groups

When SME recognizes that a tape barcode does not belong to an exiting volume group, then SME creates a new volume group when automatic volume grouping is enabled.

Automatic volume grouping is disabled by default.

To enable or disable automatic volume grouping, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername1*

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.

Step 3 switch(config-sme-cl)# **auto-volgrp**

Specifies automatic volume grouping.

Step 4 switch(config-sme-cl)# **no auto-volgrp**

Specifies no automatic volume grouping.

Adding a Tape Device to the Tape Group

A tape device is specified as part of a tape group and is identified using a name as an alias.

To add a tape device to the tape group, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername1*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **tape-bkgrp** *groupname1*
Specifies the tape volume group and enters the SME tape volume group submode.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp)# **tape-device** *devicename1*
Specifies the tape device name and enters the SME tape device submode.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **tape-device** *devicename1* **D**
Specifies the tape cartridge identifier.
-

Adding Paths to the Tape Device



Caution All IT-nexuses that host paths between the server and storage must be added to the configuration or else the data integrity is at risk.

A tape device is specified as part of a tape group and is identified using a name as an alias. All the paths to the tape device in the cluster must be specified using the host, target, LUN, VSAN, and fabric.

To add a path to a tape device in the cluster, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername1*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **tape-bkgrp** *groupname1*
Specifies the tape volume group and enters the SME tape volume group submode.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp)# **tape-device** *devicename1*
Specifies the tape device name and enters the SME tape device submode.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **tape-device** *devicename1* **D**
Specifies the tape cartridge identifier.
- Step 6** switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# **host** *10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed* **target** *2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2* **vsan** *4093*
lun *0* **fabric** *f1*

Specifies the host and target, the VSAN, LUN and the fabric (f1) for the tape volume group.

Step 7 `switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tapedevice)# no host 10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed target 2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2 vsan 4093 lun 0`

Removes the specified path from the tape device.

Example



Note If the IT-nexus specified in the path above is not configured in SME, SME will also trigger a discovery of the IT-nexus along with adding the configured path to the specified tape device. In a scripted environment, when adding paths, it is always advisable to give a delay of one minute to allow the IT-nexus discovery to complete.

Bypassing Tape Encryption

You can enable or disable the bypass feature once you create the tape device.



Note By default, bypass encryption is disabled. Writes fails when a clear text tape is loaded.

To enable or disable bypass tape encryption, follow these steps:

Step 1 `switch# configure terminal`

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername1`

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.

Step 3 `switch(config-sme-cl)# tape-bkgrp groupname1`

Specifies the tape volume group and enters the SME tape volume group submode.

Step 4 `switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp)# tape-device tapename1`

Specifies the tape that has clear text data.

Step 5 `switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tape device)# no by pass`

Specifies the bypass policy for the tape device, which rejects writes when a clear text tape is used.

Step 6 `switch(config-sme-cl-tape-bkgrp-tape device)# by pass`

Specifies the bypass policy for the tape device, which allows data to pass in clear text.

Example

Caution All IT-nexuses that host paths between the server and storage must be added to the configuration or else the data integrity is at risk.

Verifying SME Tape Management Configuration

To display SME Tape management configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose
show sme cluster tape	Displays summary or detailed information about tapes.
show sme cluster tape detail	Displays information about tape cartridges.
show sme cluster tape-bkgrp	Displays information about all tape volume groups or about a specific group.

For detailed information about the fields in the output from these commands, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Command Reference*.

Monitoring SME Tape Management

This section includes the following topics:

Viewing Host Details

You can view detailed information about hosts in a SME cluster. Information for a specific host includes the tape group membership, paths from the host to the target, VSAN, fabric, status, and the tape device.

Viewing Tape Device Details

You can view detailed information about tape devices in a SME cluster. Information for a specific tape device includes the tape group membership, device description, serial number, and the host and target PWWN.

Viewing SME Tape Information Using the CLI

Use the **show sme cluster tape** command to view summary or detailed information about tapes.

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 tape summary
```

```
-----
Host WWN                Description                Crypto-Tape                Status
                        Backup Group
```

```
-----
10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed HP Ultrium 2-SCSI HR1 online
```

Viewing Tape Cartridge Information

Use the **show sme cluster tape detail** to view information about tape cartridges.

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 tape detail
Tape 1 is online
Is a Tape Drive
HP Ultrium 2-SCSI
Serial Number is 2b10c2e22f
Is a member of HR1
Paths
Host 10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed Target 2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2 LUN 0x0000
```

Viewing Tape Volume Group Information

Use the **show sme cluster tape-bkgrp** command to view information about all tape volume groups or about a specific group.

```
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 tape-bkgrp
-----
Name          Tape Devices      Volume Groups
-----
HR1           1                  1
switch# show sme cluster clusternam1 tape-bkgrp HR1
Tape Backupgroup HR1
Compression is Disabled
Number of tape devices is 1
Number of volume groups is 1
Tape device tdl is online
Is a tape drive
Description is HP Ultrium 2-SCSI
Serial number is 2b10c2e22f
Paths
Host 10:00:00:00:c9:4e:19:ed Target 2f:ff:00:06:2b:10:c2:e2 Lun 0x0000 vsan 4093[f1]
```

Viewing the Status of the Tape Device

Use the **show sme internal info cluster <cname> tape-all** command to view tape information.

```
switch# show sme internal info cluster tie1 tape-all
Tape Backup Groups : 1
Last Seq Id : 1

Tape Backup Group : tb2
Memory Address : 0x10788854
Seq Id : 1
Compression : Enabled
Key on Tape : Disabled
Tape Key Recycle : Enabled
Shared Key Mode : Disabled
Auto Volume Group : Disabled
Tape Devices : 1
Last Device Seq Id : 4
Tape Volgrps : 1
Last Volgrp Seq Id : 1

Tape Devices : 1
```



```

Last Seq Id : 4

Tape Device : td0
Memory Address : 0x107ba054
Seq ID : 4
SME (Encryption) : Enabled
Compression : Enabled
Bypass-Policy : BYPASS DISABLED
Cached Lun Path : (nil)
FSM State : SME_CTAPE_DEVICE_G_ST_STABLE
ITL Count : 1
Tape Drive : 0x107d123c
LUN FSM State : SME_LUN_ST_STABLE

Lun Path :0x107d185c
IT :V 3 I 40:00:00:00:00:00:00:01 T 40:00:00:00:00:00:00:02
LUN :0x0000
Is Configured
Status :2
Error :0x0
Flags :0x1
    
```

Use the `sh sme internal info cluster tie1 tape-bkgrp tb2 tape-device td0` to view the information about a particular Tape Device in a particular Tape Backup Group.

```

switch# sh sme internal info cluster tie1 tape-bkgrp tb2 tape-device td0
Tape Device : td0
Memory Address : 0x107ba054
Seq ID : 4
SME (Encryption) : Enabled
Compression : Enabled
Bypass-Policy : BYPASS DISABLED
Cached Lun Path : (nil)
FSM State : SME_CTAPE_DEVICE_G_ST_STABLE
ITL Count : 1
Tape Drive : 0x107d123c
LUN FSM State : SME_LUN_ST_STABLE

Lun Path :0x107d185c
IT :V 3 I 40:00:00:00:00:00:00:01 T 40:00:00:00:00:00:00:02
LUN :0x0000
Is Configured
Status :2
Error :0x0
Flags :0x1
    
```

Use the `Show Interface smex/y` to view statistical information about the SME interface configured for Encryption.

```

Switch# sh int sme1/1
sme1/1 is up
  In fabric Fabric_sw119
  Member of cluster tie1
    SME          IOs          IO/s          Bytes          Rate
    -----
    Host Reads   0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    Host Writes  0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    Host Total   0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    Tgt Reads    0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    Tgt Writes   0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    Tgt Total    0             0             0             0.00 B/s
    
```

Clear	IOs	IO/s	Bytes	Rate
Host Reads	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Host Writes	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Host Total	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Tgt Reads	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Tgt Writes	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Tgt Total	0	0	0	0.00 B/s
Compression Ratio	0 : 0			
SME to Clear	0.00 %			
Read to Write	0.00 %			
Clear Luns 1, Encrypted Luns 0				
Error Statistics				
0 CTH, 0 Authentication 0 Compression				
0 Key Generation, 0 Incorrect Read Size				
0 Overlap Commands, 0 Stale Key Accesses				
0 Overload Condition, 0 Incompressible				
0 XIPC Task Lookup, 0 Invalid CDB				
0 Ili, 0 Eom, 0 Filemark, 0 Other				
2 FAILED WRITE Count - BYPASS DISABLED by USER =====> If write fails for clear text tape				
last error at Tue Jun 26 13:39:49 2012				

Use the module Commands to view LUN specific information.

```
show sme internal info crypto-node 1 lun all
module-1# sh sme internal info crypto-node 1 lun all
TAPE LUN TREE
LUN
---
cpp_lun_ndx          0x5
serial no.           0003-0000-00000000:0000000000000000
type                 sequential
sme_enabled          1
crypto_status        0
vendor_id            SONY
product_id           SDZ-130
asl_id
prod_rev_level       0201
vendor_specific
cluster_name         tie1
enable_pad           False
pad to               0x0
bkgrp_name           tb2
device_name          td0
flags                0
granularity          2
max_block_len_lim    1000
min_block_len_lim    4
block_length         512
compression          1
key_ontape           0
Bypass_Policy        BYPASS DISABLED
has tape             yes
position             200
has cth              no
bypass enc           no
wrap guid            0000000000000000-0000000000000000
media guid           0000000000000000-0000000000000000
total itl count      1
active itl count     1
cmd_send_err         0
Not locked
```

Feature History for SME Tape Management

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 10: Feature History for SME Tape Configuration

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Added a new SME tape command	5.2(6)	Added a new SME tape command.
Software change	5.2(1)	In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).
	4.1(1c)	In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained.



CHAPTER 7

Configuring SME Disks

This chapter contains information about managing disks using SME, referred to as SME Disk management.



Note Read all of the Cautions carefully while configuring SME Disks.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About SME Disk Management, on page 77](#)
- [Data Preparation, on page 82](#)
- [Recovering SME Disk when Data Preparation Fails, on page 82](#)
- [Rekeying, on page 84](#)
- [Replacing an SME Enabled MDS Switch , on page 85](#)
- [Turning Off Encryption, on page 85](#)
- [Snapshot Support , on page 85](#)
- [SME Disk Key Management, on page 85](#)
- [Cisco KMC, on page 87](#)
- [Data Replication, on page 88](#)
- [SME Disk Key Replication, on page 88](#)
- [ISSU with SME Disk, on page 91](#)
- [Managing Key Change Operations in Cisco DCNM for DKR, on page 92](#)
- [Read-Only Disks, on page 92](#)
- [Configuring SME Disk Management Using the CLI, on page 93](#)
- [Configuring Key Management Operations, on page 110](#)
- [Verifying the SME Disk Management Configuration, on page 111](#)
- [Monitoring SME Disk Management, on page 113](#)
- [Feature History for SME Disk Management, on page 131](#)

Information About SME Disk Management

SME Disk management includes the following topics:

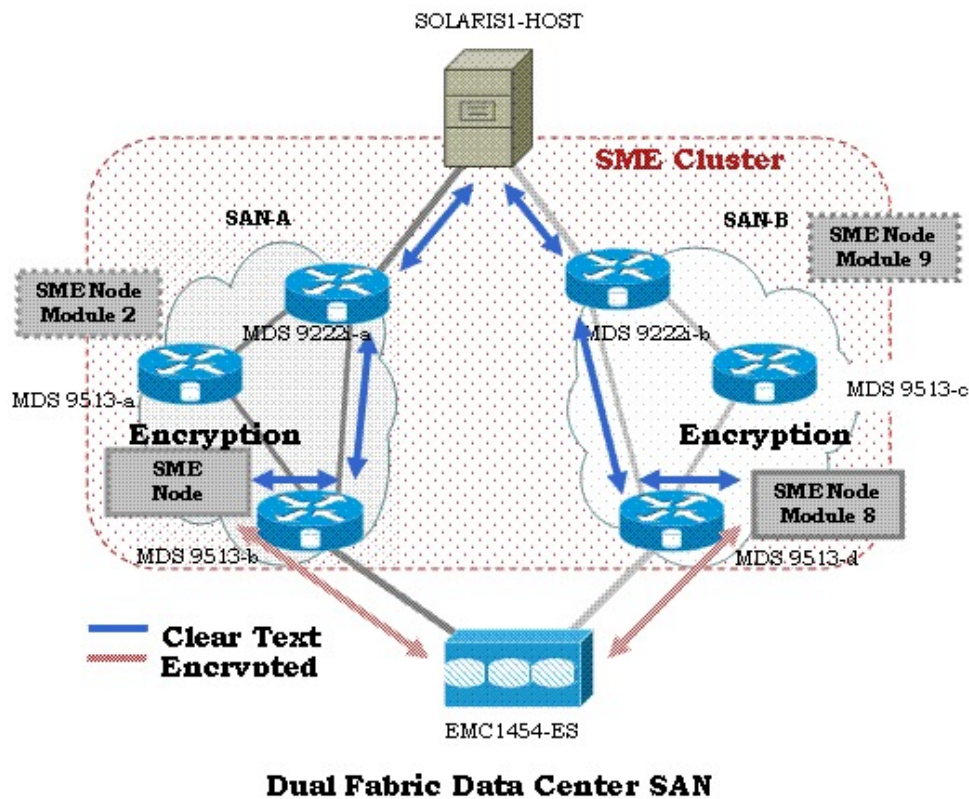
SME Disk Architecture

The SME Disk feature encrypts the data contained in a disk.

The software architecture for the SME Disk is similar to the existing SME infrastructure that supports the SME tape. Disk support has been added to the existing SME architecture from MDS NX-OS Release 5.2.1. [Figure 5: SME Disk Architecture, on page 78](#) depicts a typical dual-fabric production data center. The SME disk functionality is provided on the following Cisco MDS hardware:

- 16-Port Storage Services Node (SSN-16) Module
- 18/4 Multiservice Module (MSM-18/4)
- 9222i Switch

Figure 5: SME Disk Architecture



In the figure, a switch is termed as an SME node. A module has one or more interfaces that support SME. The SME nodes encrypt and decrypt the traffic flowing between the host and the storage. The Fibre Channel traffic to be encrypted or decrypted is directed to the SME node through the FC-Redirect feature of the SAN. For example, the SSN-16 can support 4 SME interfaces and the MSM-18/4 supports 1 SME interface.

SME Disk functionality works in the dual-fabric topology, where it performs encryption and decryption on all the paths present between the host and the storage.



Caution SME Disk does not support thin provisioning of disks.

SME Disk needs to manage all the paths to the disk in both the fabrics. An SME cluster provides this functionality. An SME cluster consists of a collection of SME nodes. Any SME node that fails in a cluster triggers another node in the same cluster to take control of the encryption and/or decryption activity.

The disk on which the SME Disk provides the encryption and/or decryption functionality can be the one without any existing data or the one with existing data. If the disk has existing data, the existing data needs to be encrypted. The process of converting the existing clear data to encrypted data is termed as data preparation.

Data preparation can be performed in offline mode. In the offline data preparation mode, the application on the host accessing the disk is quiesced and no I/Os are sent to the disk. SME Disk functionality also ensures that if any host tries to read or write the data from or into the disk, the particular I/O is failed back to the host.

In the Online Mode, the application on the host can continue to perform I/O on the disk while SME is converting the existing data on the disk from clear text to encrypted text.

The disk is uniquely identified in configuration by the cluster name, disk group name, and disk name.

For the purpose of encryption or decryption, the SME Disk requires encryption keys. For every encrypted disk, a key is generated. The SME's existing Key Management Center (KMC) infrastructure is used for SME disk key management. Keys for each disk are generated by the Storage Media Encryption coprocessor and are stored in the SME Key Management Center.



Caution

SME Disk does not allow dynamic resizing of LUN. For Release 5.2.1, the maximum supported disk size is one block less than two terabyte (TB). The maximum LBA is 0xFFFFFFFF. From Release 5.2.6, the supported disk size for signature and nonsignature mode clusters is greater than two TB. SME Disk only supports disk block size of 512 bytes. For Release 5.2.1, SME Disk does not support online conversion of existing clear data on the disk to encrypted data.

Replication

There are two kinds of replication:

- Mirrors or Clones—When the data for the source disk is duplicated by the disk array into another disk in the same storage system, the destination disk is called a mirror or clone of the source disk. This is called local replication.
- Remote Replication—When the data for the source disk is being duplicated by the disk array into another disk in a remote storage system, then the source disk and the remote disk are in a replication relationship. Based on the distance and bandwidth availability between local and the remote site, remote replication is categorised under the following types:
 - Synchronous—The local disk array does not respond to the write command on the local LUN until the data is also written to the remote LUN.
 - Asynchronous—The local disk array does not immediately write the data to the remote LUN. The changes to the local LUN are batched into a delta dataset and periodically sent to the remote LUN.

Snapshot

Snapshots are point-in-time copies that can be created instantly for a source disk. Once a snapshot is created any writes to the source disk will result in the previous data to be saved elsewhere before modification. This allows the disk array to present a specific point-in-time copy of the data of the source disk.

Managing Replication with SME

SME supports replication through Disk key replication (DKR). DKR simplifies the key management of the source and destination disk by automating the propagation of the source disk key to destination disk. SME Disk Clusters are of two modes:

- Non-signature cluster
- Signature cluster

Replication management is the same for both the cluster modes. Replication management consists of following steps:

- Extraction of replication relationship using array vendor specific technology. The output of this step results in identifying the source and destination disk relationship based on the SCSI properties of the vendor, product, and device identifiers.
- Importing the replication relationship information into SME through DKR using DCNM.



Note Ensure you manage all SME configuration operations on the disks in a DKR relationship through DCNM only.

Manage Key Change Operations in DCNM for DKR

Key change operations involve the following:

- No data preparation—Any local key changes will result in DKR suspending host access to the remote disk. Once the local key change is verified for data integrity and the data replication to the remote end is synchronized, the admin can select the corresponding relationship and perform the sync operation in DKR. This operation will synchronize the source and destination keys and resume the host access to the remote disk.
- Data preparation—Ensure you disable DKR relationship and the replication between the source and destination disk before you start data preparation on the source disk. This is a disk array vendor specific operation. Once you complete data preparation and have verified for data integrity, follow the procedure below:
 - Enable the data replication between the source and destination using disk array vendor specific operation.
 - Once data is synchronized between the source and destination disk, enable the DKR relationship. This operation will synchronize the source and destination keys.



Note Host access on the destination disk should be quiesced until the above two steps are completed.

Managing Snapshots of Crypto Disks

This section describes how to manage snapshots of crypto disks. Snapshot management is different for signature and non-signature clusters.

To manage crypto snapshots that are discovered by a same host through the same SME cluster as the source disk, then follow the below procedure:

-
- Step 1** Start a discovery in SME for configuring the snapshot disks.
 - Step 2** If SME finds a valid SME metadata on the disk media with no corresponding active key in the Key management center (KMC) then the disk is put in a failed state by SME.
 - Step 3** The administrator has the option to recover the disk using recovery from- metadata option.
 - Step 4** Once the above recovery is performed, the snapshot comes up as a crypto disk and it can be accessed by the host.
-

Managing Snapshots using DKR

To manage snapshots that are being discovered by a different host through a different SME cluster from the source, use DKR and follow the below procedure:

-
- Step 1** Start a discovery in SME for configuring the snapshot disks.
 - Step 2** Once the snapshot disks are configured into SME, create a DKR relationship between the source and snapshot disk.
 - Step 3** Enable the DKR relationship to synchronize the source and snapshot key.
 - Step 4** Destroy the DKR relationship between the source and snapshot.
 - Step 5** Host can now have access to the snapshot disk.
- Note** Ensure you destroy the DKR relationship between the source and snapshot after key synchronization. If the source key is rekeyed, it may result in data integrity issues on the snapshot.
-

Cluster Support

For Release 5.2.1, the switch can support up to two SME clusters. The following prerequisites must be met for supporting multiple clusters. If these prerequisites are not met data loss can occur.

- For SME disks, the SME cluster must be set as disk capable.
- SME Tape and SME Disk cannot co-exist in the same SME cluster. Use different clusters for SME Disk and SME Tape.
- Multiple SME clusters can be supported on the same MDS chassis with the following requirements :
 - SME tape cluster node is on one Cisco MSM18/4 switching module.
 - SME disk cluster node is on another Cisco MSM 18/4 switching module.
 - For the SSN-16, SME Tape and Disk belong to different crypto nodes and belong to different clusters.
- Do not use the same target ports in different clusters.
- The same disk cannot be part of more than one SME cluster otherwise data loss occurs.
- Do not add the same SME interfaces in two different clusters.

From MDS Release 5.2(6), SME Disk can write a signature to the media to identify the disk as a crypto disk. These SME clusters are called signature clusters. Nonsignature clusters are SME Disks that do not write a signature on the media to identify crypto on the disk.

Data Preparation

Data preparation is a process that converts the clear data on the disk to encrypted data and vice versa. When the SME Disk feature is enabled on an existing disk containing clear data, the existing clear data needs to be converted to encrypted data. The process can be done in two ways:

- With the host accessing the data. This is called as the online data preparation mode.
- With the disk that is inaccessible to the host. This is called as the offline data preparation mode.



Note Only offline data preparation mode is supported.

When the SME Disk feature is enabled on a new disk that does not contain prior data, the host I/Os read/write is decrypted or encrypted using a key. This encryption process is transparent to the application. For these disks, the data preparation process is not required.



Note Ensure you do not change the cluster configuration while data preparation is under progress and do not remove node or add a new node while data preparation is in progress.

For disks requiring data preparation, the user must have backed up data before starting conversion of clear data to encrypted data.

In an SME cluster, there can be multiple SME nodes handling the ITLs associated with a particular crypto disk. The multiple SME nodes encrypt or decrypt data written to or read from the crypto disk. However, the responsibility of the data preparation or rekeying for a crypto disk is assigned to one SME node which is the data preparation node. The cluster master handles the data preparation node based on the following:

- LUN visibility (report LUN, INQ, and so on) or accessibility (reservations)
- Target port affinity
- Load factor of the SME nodes

For signature mode, when converting a clear disk to crypto disk, the administrator must ensure that the reserved space of 64 MB at the end of the disk is available on the SME disk.



Note Disk Key Replication (DKR) must be disabled when performing data preparation on the source disk.

Recovering SME Disk when Data Preparation Fails

When data preparation fails, SME Disk puts the disk in a failed state. The disk is not accessible to hosts and all paths of the disk are put in I/O reject state (reject all host I/Os state). To recover the disk from the failed state, follow these steps:

Step 1 Because the disk is not accessible from the host, restore the contents of the failed disk on the backend storage.

- Step 2** Enter the recover command with appropriate arguments to recover the disk to the proper crypto state based on the backup data. For more information on the recover command syntax using CLI, see [Recovering the SME Disk, on page 105](#).

Example

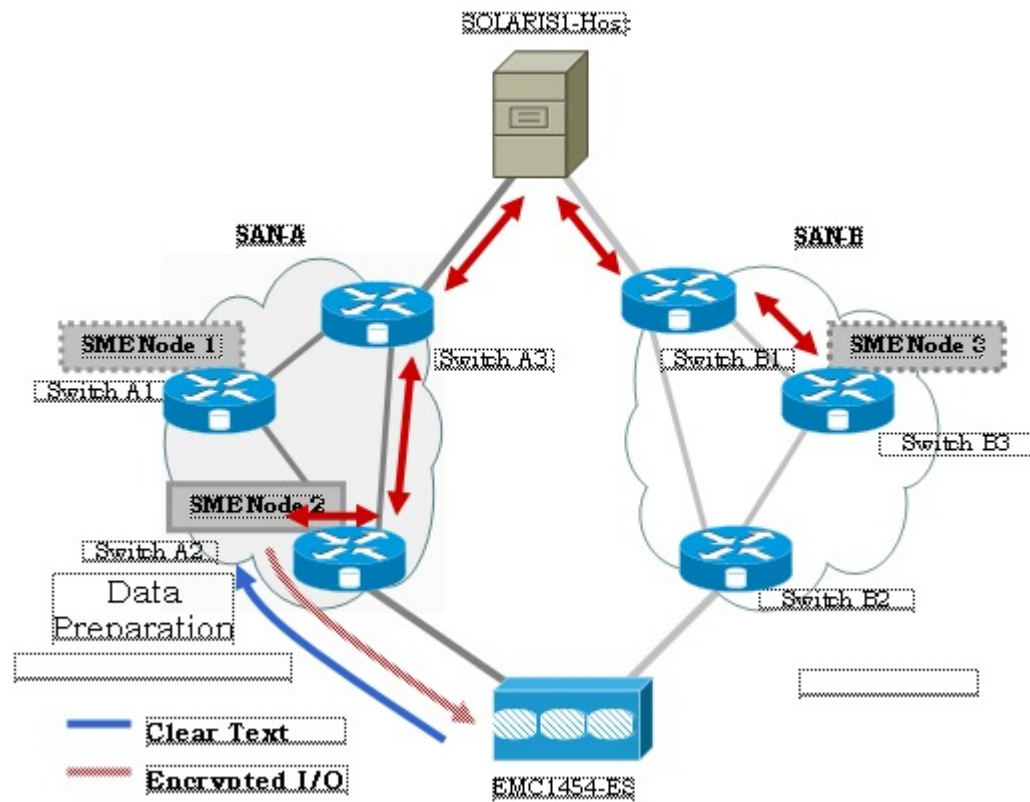
In the Signature mode, the disk can be recovered by using the signature information on the media.

Offline Data Preparation

Offline data preparation is performed when the applications running on the host is not accessing data from the disk that is undergoing data preparation.

The following figure shows the SME Disk offline data preparation architecture.

Figure 6: SME Disk Offline Data Preparation Architecture



The offline data preparation involves the following actions:

- Quiescing the host applications by stopping the host I/O traffic.
- Backing up the clear data in the targeted disk. The backup can be to another disk or to an external tape. This backup is used to recover from errors.
- Server I/Os during the duration of the offline data preparation are rejected by the SME node.

**Caution**

While host I/Os are blocked the host paths must be online during offline data preparation since the identity of the host port is used by the crypto engine. All DKR relationships that involves disk must be in disable state. Disk Key Replication (DKR) is used to manage remote replication relationships.

**Caution**

Disable all replication links of that disk before starting data preparation on the disk.

**Caution**

Destroy older snapshots once the rekey is successful. The old snapshot can be kept as a backup to recover in case data preparation or rekey fails. Once successful, SME Disk does not support reading from older snapshots using previous keys.

- The offline data preparation is done by one SME node that uses the host identity of the selected path on which data preparation related I/Os are issued to the disk. During this process, I/Os to the targeted disk are failed back to the host with a SCSI check condition not ready. Server I/Os during the duration of the offline data preparation are sent back to the host as an SCSI check condition.
- Unquiescing the host applications. After the data preparation is completed, the applications running on the host are brought online to start access data from the encrypted crypto disk.

Online Data Preparation

Online data preparation is performed when the applications on the host are accessing the data on the crypto disk. The server read or write I/Os are decrypted or encrypted by the SME nodes while the data preparation process is going on.

**Note**

For this release, only offline data preparation mode is supported.

Rekeying

Once the data on the disk is encrypted, the key associated with the encrypted data has to be changed for security reasons. The change policy is organization specific. The process of changing the key associated with the encrypted data for a disk from an old key to a new key is referred to as the rekey process.

Rekeying is a special function of the data preparation operation where the currently encrypted contents of the disk is read, decrypted using the current (old) key, encrypted with a new key, and written back to the disk.

**Note**

You cannot change the quorum or the master node during a Master key rekey.

Replacing an SME Enabled MDS Switch

The steps to replace an MDS Switch acting as a node in one or more SME clusters depends on your current topology and configuration.

Multi-node Cluster

If the MDS switch you want to replace is the master node in one or more SME Clusters, you must first fail the master node and then remove the failed master node.

If the MDS switch you want to replace is a non-master node in a multi-node SME cluster, you must remove the SME interfaces (if any) and the node from the clusters using the DCNM SME management UI.

Single-node Cluster

If the MDS switch you want to replace is the only node in an SME Cluster, the operation is completely destructive to the SME Cluster. Follow the procedure under Appendix B [Disaster Recovery in SME, on page 169](#) to build a new SME Cluster on the new switch.

Turning Off Encryption

If you disable encryption in the signature mode, the host can view the exact size of the disk. The exact size of the disk is 64 MB more than the size of the disk seen during encryption.

Snapshot Support

There are two types of snapshot supported:

- Nonsignature mode—In the nonsignature mode, when a snapshot is first discovered, SME does not detect it as a snapshot of a crypto LUN. The administrator must use the key of the source LUN and enable encryption without data preparation on the new LUN.
- Signature mode—In the signature mode, the SME disk detects snapshots during discovery. The SME disk discovers the signature of the media and moves these disks to a failed state with the explanation that they may be possible crypto snapshots. To enable encryption on crypto snapshots, you can use the `recover-from-metadata` option.

SME Disk Key Management

SME disk uses a two-level key hierarchy. An SME cluster consists of various disks that are grouped functionally into disk groups. The following is the key hierarchy:

- Master Key—Generated when a SME cluster is created. A master key is used to wrap the disk keys in the cluster. A master key is always wrapped with a password. The three security modes to store the master key are Basic, Standard, and Advanced. For more information on SME key details and the security modes, see [Information About SME Key Management, on page 133](#)

- **Disk Key**—Generated only when the encryption is enabled. Only when it is enabled, the disk status is Crypto. Disk keys are always wrapped with the master key.

Keys are identified using a Globally Unique Identifier (GUID) and disk keys are stored in the Cisco Key Management Center (KMC). These disk keys are encrypted using the master key.

Key Generation

The secure keys are generated for each SME disk in the cluster in the SME node in a cryptographic way. Random key numbers are generated with the FIPS random-number generation. The key size used is 256 bits.

A new key can be generated for each SME disk that is enabled. Keys also can be imported from a key file. Keys can also be replicated using the disk key replication feature.

Disk States

These types of disk states are available:

- **Clear**—The disk is online and encryption is disabled.
- **Crypto**—The disk is online and encryption is enabled.
- **Suspend**—The disk has been suspended and the host I/O access is suspended.
- **Data-preparing**—The data on the disk is currently being converted by SME Disk.
- **Failed**—The disk data needs to be restored due to the failed data preparation.
- **Failed**—Fails due to a mismatch between the signature and KMC.
- **Pending enable no-dataprepare (Wait SME enable)**—When there is a disk state mismatch between switch persistent data and CKMC. This state occurs when a customer does not copy the running configuration to saved configuration before rebooting the switch.

MKR fails when the disks are in the following states:

- **Failure**—MKR fails when there is a mismatch between the metadata and KMC.
- **Failure**—MKR fails when the metadata exists but there is no key in the KMC.
- **Failure**—MKR fails when the metadata write fails.
- **Preparing (progress 2%, remainin.....)**—MKR displays the status preparing and fails.
- **Configured path status**
- **Offline**—MKR fails if the disk itl discovery is pending.
- **Is online**—MKR fails when the disk itl is in a fault I/O state and is configured.
- **Crypto**—MKR fails when the KMC verification is still pending.
- **MKR fails if the metadata update is pending.**
- **Crypto**—MKR fails if the FSM update is pending.



Note Ensure all paths to the disk are discovered and are online.

Cisco KMC

The Cisco KMC is the centralized key management system that stores the key database for active and archived keys required for the encryption and decryption in the SME disk.

Each SME disk can have zero or one active key and zero or more archived keys.

Each key entry consists of the following:

- Cluster name, disk group name and disk name needed to identify the configured disk in sme configuration
- Vendor ID, Product ID, and Device Identifier needed to identify the corresponding physical disk in SAN
- Active or archived state
- Creation and archived timestamp

SME cluster will contact and verify and update the CKMC during configuration changes.

CKMC provides the following features:

- Centralized key management to archive, purge, recover, and distribute disk keys.
- Integration into the DCNM-SAN Server depending on the deployment requirements.
- Integrated access controls using AAA mechanisms.

For more information on the security modes and key management settings, see the [sme_key_management.ditamap#map_2E28C45DA463438AB9C78C77739358C9](#).

Cisco KMC supports SME disk-related operations. KMC operations include the following topics:

Archiving Clusters

Archiving deletes the cluster from the switch and it retains the keys in the Cisco KMC.

Purging Disks or Disk Groups

When storage arrays are decommissioned either due to lease expiration or upgrade, the keys associated with the disks can be purged. Purging keys can be done either at the disk level or at the disk group level. By deleting an active disk group, all the keys are archived. By deleting an archived disk group, all the keys are purged.



Caution

Purging the key is an unrecoverable operation. Unless there are exported backups of the key database, the key that is purged cannot be retrieved forever.

Rekeying

Data in the disk and disk group can be rekeyed either periodically for better security or on-demand when the key security has been compromised.



Note From Release 5.2.6, master key rekey is supported.

The rekey operation at an individual disk level generates a new key for the disk and archives the old key. A data preparation operation is triggered to decrypt the data using old key, encrypt the data with the new key, and write it back to the disk.

The rekey operation performed at a disk group level on all the disks or a subset of disks in the disk group. KMC maintains a history of keys for all of the disks.

Accounting

Cisco KMC maintains an accounting log to record all the key-related operations, their results, and other related information. The view provides support to filter the log records based on the patterns. For more information, see [Cisco KMC, on page 87](#).

Quorum Disk

A quorum has to be present for a cluster to be functional as a cluster is a group of servers. A quorum is defined as $N/2 + 1$ servers in the cluster are up and running. N is the total number of servers in the cluster. To avoid a split-brain scenario for a cluster with an even number of servers, in the case where half of the members of the cluster lose communication with the other half of the members of the cluster, a quorum disk is used to determine which partition has the quorum for remaining in the cluster.

Because a server cluster has to be functional even when an SME cluster fails, it is important that the quorum disk not be configured as a crypto disk.

Data Replication

Replication is a disk array based technology where the disk array automatically duplicates data from one LUN to another.

Data replication relationship is of two types:

- Synchronous mode
- Asynchronous mode

Remote replication involves in moving of data on primary storage arrays over WAN links to secondary storage arrays on secondary sites. Remote replication protects data loss in case of primary site failure or a geographical disaster.

SME does not perform data replication. SME is designed to support other third-party data replication solutions.

SME Disk Key Replication

The SME Disk Key Replication (DKR) feature manages key replication in support of third-party data mirroring solutions. The DKR feature supports the following:

- Mirrors or clones—A copy of the data in the source disk is duplicated by the disk array into another disk (mirror or clone) in the same storage system.
- Replication—The data in the source disk is duplicated by the disk array into another disk in a remote storage system. Two types of replication are available: Synchronous and Asynchronous.



Note Disk Key Replication only takes care of key replication. The user needs to ensure data replication.



Note DKR relationships are only allowed between the same SME Disk Clusters of the same type. For example, a Signature SME Disk cluster cannot be used in DKR with a nonsignature SME Disk cluster.

The source and the destination disk can be in three stable states: clear, crypto, and failed. When a disk key replication relationship is synchronized, both the state and the active crypto key of the source disk are replicated to the destination disk.

The DKR feature is maintained by DCNM-SAN and all SME key modification operations for disks using DKR must be done through DCNM-SAN.



Caution The key replication must be disabled when a disk is undergoing data preparation or rekey. The combination is not supported.



Note To ensure appropriate key associations, you must ensure that the same KMC (database) manages all the disks that are involved in a replication or snapshot relationship.



Note DKR must be disabled when converting a nonsignature SME disk cluster to a signature SME disk cluster.

Prerequisites for DKR

DKR has the following prerequisites:

- The CKMC must be the same for the DKR feature to connect and transfer data. The same KMC should be used for source and destination disks that are managed for disk replication.
- Disk replication takes care of key replication only and not the data replication as it is done by the storage vendor. Proper steps should be followed while syncing the keys.



Caution Once a disk is added to an DKR relationship all SME operations on that disk must be done only through DCNM-SAN. SME Disk configuration must not be done through CLI for disks involved in DKR relationship. Using the CLI results in unpredictable results and can put data on the disk at risk.

Guidelines and Limitations for DKR

The following are the guidelines and limitations for disk replication support:

- The Recover Point I/O journal snapshots are not supported across key change operations.
- Any type of snapshot is not supported when encryption is enabled, encryption is disabled, or on a rekey operation.



Caution

For non-signature clusters, we recommend that the snapshots be destroyed once the above operation is successfully completed. For signature clusters, snapshots can be supported across rekey operations.FR

Replication or Mirroring Requirements

The following are the requirements for replication or mirroring:

- A key update on the source disk must result in a key update on the destination disk that is in a current replication relationship with the source disk.
- A source disk can be the source disk for multiple destination disks.
- A destination disk in a replication relationship can be the destination of only one replication relationship.

DKR Features

DKR provides the following key features:

- DKR map file—Contains the XML-formatted information that allows you to input information about the replication relationships into DCNM-SAN.
- DKR database—DCNM-SAN processes the DKR map file and stores the relationships in a database in the source disk:destination disk:type of relationship:state of relationship format.
- Management of SME disk key change operations—All of the key change operations on the source disk need to be replicated on the destination disk.

DKR Relationships

DKR relationships are created through the DKR map file. Specify the source and destination disks that are in a DKR relationship, which allows you to input a large number of entries in a single operation. DKR relationships can be set up in two ways:

- Remote Replication relationship—The destination disk might be exported to the host and can be visible to the SME disk through device discovery.

DKR Mapping File

You can populate the DKR database by giving DCNM-SAN a map file that contains the replication and snapshot relationships. Each DKR relationship consists of a source and destination disk.

The disk can be identified in the following format:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SME_DKR xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="DKR.xsd">
```

```

<Version>Version</Version>
<Options>SME_DKR_NONE</Options>
<Relations>
<Type>SME_DKR_MIRROR</Type>
<Source>
<Label>grp-1</Label>
<Cluster_Name>source-1</Cluster_Name>
<Disk_Group_Name>primary-cx400</Disk_Group_Name>
<Disk_Name>pry0</Disk_Name>
<Identifier>
<VPW>
<Vendor>DGC      </Vendor>
<Product>VRAID   </Product>
<WWN>600601609bc12a008ca7298a9c44e011</WWN>
</VPW>
</Identifier>
</Source>
<Destination>
<Label>grp-2emote</Label>
<Cluster_Name>destination-1</Cluster_Name>
<Disk_Group_Name>secondary-cx400</Disk_Group_Name>
<Disk_Name>sec0</Disk_Name>
<Identifier>
<VPW>
<Vendor>DGC      </Vendor>
<Product>VRAID   </Product>
<WWN>600601600e602a00b461b7289b44e011</WWN>
</VPW>
</Identifier>
</Destination>
</Relations>
</SME_DKR>

```



Note The administrator has to configure and discover the destination disk explicitly because DCNM-SAN does not configure the destination disk in the destination cluster.

ISSU with SME Disk

In-Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) has the following requirements:

- No SME configuration changes must be in progress or initiated while an ISSU is in progress.
- Ensure that no data preparation operations are underway before you schedule ISSU.
- ISSU causes the crypto nodes (DPP) to become offline during the firmware upgrade causing host I/O traffic to be disrupted.
- The IT-nexus that are bound to that crypto node can end up migrating to a different crypto which can cause an imbalanced load distribution.



Note For SME disk, the ISSU from Cisco NX-OS Release prior to 5.2(1) is not supported and the SME Disk configuration will be rejected.

When upgrading from Release 5.2.1 to Release 5.2.6, the clusters have to be in the nonsignature mode and when downgrading from Release 5.2.6 to Release 5.2.1, signature clusters have to be deleted.

Managing Key Change Operations in Cisco DCNM for DKR

The following are the two key change operations:

- No data preparation—Any local key changes result in DKR suspending host access to the remote disk. Once the local key change is verified for data integrity and the data replication to the remote end is synchronized, the administrator can select the required relationship and perform the synchronization operation in DKR. This operation synchronizes the source and destination keys and resumes the host access to the remote disk.
- Data preparation—Ensure that you complete the following before starting the data preparation on the source disk:
 - Disable DKR relationship.
 - Disable the replication between source and destination disk. This is a disk array vendor-specific operation.

Once data preparation is complete and verified for data integrity, perform the following:

- Enable the data replication between the source and destination using the disk array vendor-specific operation.
- Once data is synchronized between the source and destination disk, enable the DKR relationship. This operation synchronizes the source and destination keys.



Caution

Stop accessing the host on the destination disk until the data preparation is complete. Accessing the host during data preparation results in data loss.

Read-Only Disks

Read-only disks allows the host to read the contents of a disk in a failed state by specifying an encryption key. This is a solution to recover the contents of a disk. When there is an situation where the possible set of keys to a disk is known, this mode can be used to try each of the possible keys to find the correct key to read the contents of the disk. This mode is not expected to be used in the normal configuration or normal recovery procedures that have been discussed in this document.

To recover the data using the read-only mode, perform the following steps:

In the Manage Disk Encryption:Settings page, select Make Read-Only.

Once you get the correct key, you can recover the disk using the recovery wizard.

Write Signature

You can use this feature on the signature cluster mode. When a disk has not been converted to signature mode, you can write the signature to the disk manually. You can do this through the disk details page or in batch mode through the cluster details page.



Note Use this command for converting a non-signature disk cluster to a signature disk cluster.

Configuring SME Disk Management Using the CLI



Caution Cisco KMC must be online at all times during configuration changes.



Note In order to create or configure an SME Disk-capable cluster, you need to define the cluster as disk capable. For more information on how to configure this definition, refer to the [Creating the SME Cluster, on page 56](#).

SME Disk cluster is not compatible with the following FCIP configurations:

- FCIP with IP compression enabled
- FCIP with IPsec and WA

This section includes the following topics:

Discovering IT-Nexus



Caution All IT-nexuses that host paths between the server and storage must be added to the configuration or else the data integrity is at risk.

To discover the IT-nexus disk, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **[no] discover host** *wwn1 target wwn2 vsan vsanid fabric fabricname*

Specifies the IT-nexus that needs to be discovered.

Example

The discovery of Initiator-Target-LUN nexus (ITL) will involve querying the CKMC to determine the crypto state and if appropriate the active key of the disk. For more information on crypto disk states, see [Disk States, on page 86](#).



Note Disks and multiple paths to each disk are identified through SCSI Inquiry data of Vendor ID, Product ID, and Device Identifier (VPD).



Note In a scripted environment where multiple IT-nexuses discovery is issued simultaneously, the resulting situation can cause too many queries to CKMC. This can sometimes result in some queries timing out. The workaround is to rediscover the IT-nexus. To prevent this scenario in a scripted environment, its always good to give a delay of one minute between each discovery command.

Displaying IT-Nexus

To display all IT-nexuses that are added to a cluster, enter this command:

```
switch(config-sme-cl)# show sme cluster c52 it-nexus
-----
Host WWN,          VSAN   Status   Switch   Interface
Target WWN
-----
21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a,
20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6   5      online  172.23.146.52 sme10/1
```

The switch and the crypto node where the IT-nexus is bound to is also shown. In the above example, the IT-nexus is being hosted by the following:

- Switch with IP address 172.23.146.52
- On the control path processor (CPP) in the line card on module 10
- I/O traffic is being hosted by the data path processor (DPP) 1 on line card in module 10

Adding SME Nodes to the Cluster

To add an SME node to the cluster, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# node local`
Specifies the local node that will be added to the cluster.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl)# node remote node ID`
Specifies the IP address or name of the remote node that will be added to the cluster.
-

Adding SME Encryption Engine to the Cluster

To add an SME encryption engine to the cluster when the encryption engine is local to the master node, follow these steps:

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# node local`
Specifies the local node that will be added to the cluster.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# fabric-membership fabricname`
Specifies the local switch fabric name.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-node)# interface sme 1/1 force`
Specifies adding encryption engine to the cluster.
-

Adding an Encryption Engine that Resides on the Non-Master Node

To add an encryption engine that resides on the non-master node, go to the master node and create an SME interface and follow these steps:

- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster enable`
Enables the cluster feature.
- Step 3** `switch(config)# sme enable`

Enables the SME feature.

- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-node)# **interface sme 1/1 force**
Specifies adding encryption engine to the cluster.
-

Adding the Remote Crypto Engine to the Cluster on the Master Node

On the master node, add the remote crypto engine to the cluster as follows:

- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 3** switch(config)# **node** <node alias> ip-address <ip address of remote switch>
Adds remote node to the cluster.
- Step 4** switch(config)# **fabric-membership** <name of fabric>
Specifies the remote switch fabric name.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-node)# **interface sme 1/1 force**
Specifies adding encryption engine to the cluster.
-

Configuring a Disk Group

The disks in an SME cluster can be grouped functionally into disk groups.

To configure a disk group, follow these steps:

- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# [**no**] **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# [**no**] **disk-group** *dg-name*
Configures a disk group.
-

Adding a Disk to the Disk Group

A disk is specified as part of a disk group and is identified using a name as an alias.

To add a disk to the disk group, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# [no] sme cluster clustername`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# [no] disk-group dg-name`
Configures a disk group.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# [no] disk disk-name`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
-

Adding Paths to the Disk



Caution All paths (ITLs) of a host to the target LUN must be in the same disk to prevent data corruption.

A disk is specified as part of a disk group and is identified using a name as an alias. All the paths to the disk in the cluster must be specified using the host, target, LUN, VSAN, and fabric.

To add a disk, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# [no] sme cluster clustername`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# [no] disk-group dg-name`
Configures a disk group.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# [no] disk disk-name`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# [no] host wwn1 target wwn2 lun l1 vsan v1 fabric f1`
Specifies the path to the disk in the cluster.
-

Example



Note If the IT-nexus specified in the path above is not configured in SME, SME will also trigger a discovery of the IT-nexus along with adding the configured path to the specified disk. In a scripted environment, when adding paths, it is always advisable to give a delay of one minute to allow the IT-nexus discovery to complete.

Displaying ITL-Nexus

To see the list of paths discovered on SUP, enter this command:

```
switch(config-sme-cl)# show sme cluster c52 disk detail
Disk 1 is crypto
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0b80001f4ac4000032454a3a69ce
  ASL ID is 581688B7
  Is configured as disk device d1 in disk group dg1
  Paths
    Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
```

To see the list of paths discovered on CPP where IT-nexus is bound, enter this command:

```
switch# attach module 10
Attaching to module 10 ...
To exit type 'exit', to abort type '$.'
module-10# show sme internal info crypto-node 1 itl brief
-----
      if-ndx          host          tgt          vsan lun  type
sme  locking event    state
-----
      0x12480000  21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a  20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6  5 0x0000
1    1          Unlocked  SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CRYPT0
```

Managing Disks

This section includes the following topics:

Enabling Encryption on the SME Disk with Data Preparation

When SME encryption is enabled on a set of disks that have existing data, the existing data on the disks must be converted from clear to crypto. This process is called data preparation.

This operation involves reading data from the disk, encrypting the data, and writing back to the disk. The crypto engine takes on the host port identifier to perform the above operation.

The action to perform data prepare is **enable offline**.



Caution The Initiator-Target-LUN(ITL) path that is undergoing data preparation must be online until the data preparation is complete. Any host port or target port flap results in the failure of data preparation.



Note Currently, offline data preparation is supported.



Caution During the data preparation process, we do not recommend that you manually enter the GUID of the key. The SME should generate the key automatically.

To perform data preparation on a disk, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
switch(config-sme-cl)#
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **disk-group** *dg-name*
switch(config-sme-cl)#
Creates a disk group.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# **disk** *disk-name*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **enable offline**
Performs offline data preparation on an SME disk to convert clear data to encrypted data.
- Step 6** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **no enable offline**
(Optional)Performs offline data preparation on an SME disk to convert encrypted data to clear data.
-

Example



Caution When an enable or a disable encryption operation is performed on a disk, you must execute the copy running-config startup-config command on all the switches. Failure to do so results in Persistent Storage Service (PSS) on the switch which is inconsistent with the state of the disk as recorded in the CKMC.



Caution When an enable operation is performed on a signature mode cluster for the first time, ensure that there is sufficient LUN size for a 64 MB SME disk reserved space at the end of the disk. Failure to do so can result in data loss.

Rekeying the SME Disk

Data in the disk under a disk group can be rekeyed on demand. For example, when the key security has been compromised.

The rekey operation at an individual disk level generates a new key for the disk and archives the old key. A data preparation operation is triggered to decrypt the data using old key, encrypt the data with the new key, and write it back to the disk.

The rekey operation can be performed on all subsets of disks in the disk group. KMC maintains a history of keys for all of the disks.

To rekey the SME disk, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **disk-group** *dg-name*
Creates a disk group.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# **disk** *disk-name*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **rekey offline**
Performs offline rekey on the SME disk.
-

Monitoring Data Preparation

To monitor progress of the data preparation, enter the following command:

```
switch# show sme cluster c52 disk-group dg1 disk d1
Disk d1 is data-preparing (progress 0%, remaining time d:0 h:0 m:0 s:26)
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0b80001f4ac4000032454a3a69ce
Encryption is Enabled
Key guid is 5b2a0bb9c3ea2428-961579da480ed56f
Paths
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5
```

```
[f52]
Is online (disk it1 in IO reject state), configured, data prepare
```

Enabling Encryption on the SME Disk without Data Preparation

When SME encryption is enabled on a set of new disks that have no existing data, SME can be enabled without data preparation.

SME can be enabled only for a specified disk. Once SME is enabled, any host I/Os to the disks in the disk group are encrypted or decrypted.



Note Enabling SME at disk group level is not supported.



Note For signature mode clusters, enabling encryption is possible only if there is at least one I/O capable path available to the disk.



Note For asymmetric devices, an I/O capable path implies an Active Optimized (AO) path.



Caution All paths to the disk must be added to the SME prior to enabling encryption or else the data integrity is at risk.

Use the optional keyword **no-dataprep** to enable encryption on the disk.



Caution Enabling encryption on a disk that has paths that are discovered but not configured results in host I/Os issued on these paths to fail. To allow host I/Os, these paths must be configured on the disk.



Caution Enabling encryption without data preparation operation must only be done on disks with no existing data or data loss can occur.

To perform encryption on a disk, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*

switch(config-sme-cl)#

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.

- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# disk-group dg-name`
`switch(config-sme-cl)#`
 Creates a disk group.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# disk disk-name`
 Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# enable no-dataprep`
 Enables encryption on a disk.
- Step 6** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# no enable no-dataprep`
 (Optional) Disables encryption on a disk.

Displaying the Configured Disk

To display the configured disk, enter this command:

```
switch# show sme cluster c52 disk-group dg1 disk d1
Disk d1 is crypto

Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI

Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0b80001f4ac4000032454a3a69ce
Encryption is Enabled
Key guid is 1f09c7425d706a2e-6e00de45a53aa68
Paths
  Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
```

Path States

The types of path states that are available as follows:

- Online—Path is discovered and is online.
- Path that is configured, discovered, and available for host I/O access.

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is online (success), configured
```



Note The above output is the expected state of a path that is configured correctly and successfully discovered.

- Path that is configured, discovered, but not available for host I/O access.

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is online (disk itl in IO reject state), configured
```



Note If the I/O reject state continues to persist even after a successful configuration and discovery, try to rediscover IT-nexus.

- Path that is not configured is discovered, and is also available for host I/O access (encryption is not enabled on the disk).

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is online (success), NOT configured
```

- Path that is not configured, discovered, and not available for host I/O access (encryption is enabled on the disk or disk is suspended)

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is online (disk itl in IO reject state), NOT configured
```



Caution All paths are expected to be online and available for host I/O access when a disk is completely and correctly configured.

- Offline—Configured path is not yet discovered.

```
Host 21:01:00:1b:32:a4:ca:4a Target 20:05:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is offline (disk itl discovery pending), configured
```

- Failed—Path has been taken down to prevent host I/Os because the disk is in a failed state.

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is failed (disk itl dp fail), configured
```

- Misconfigured path—Path being added to this disk belongs to another disk.
 - Misconfigured paths are marked as authentication failed and host I/Os are not allowed.
 - To recover, these paths must be deleted first followed by rediscovery and proper reconfiguration.

```
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:05:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is failed (disk itl auth fail vpd mismatch), configured
```

- Unconfigured path—Path is discovered but not yet added to this disk by the user. Shown as “Not configured” in output.
 - If configured disk does not have encryption enabled, these paths allow host I/Os.
 - If configured disk has encryption enabled, these paths do not allow host I/Os.

Modifying the SME Disk Key

This procedure allows the user to modify the crypto key of a disk manually.



Note Manual modification of the crypto key of a disk is only allowed when the disk is in suspended state. In the suspended state, the host I/O access to a disk is not allowed.

To modify the SME disk key, follow these steps:

- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **disk-group** *dg-name*
Specifies a disk group.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# **disk** *disk-name*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **suspend**
Suspends the SME disk.
- Step 6** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **modify-key** *guid*
Modifies the SME disk key. Provides the key GUID as input that needs to be the new active key of the disk.
- Step 7** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **no suspend**
Resumes the SME disk.
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Example



Caution This configuration is not expected to be provided directly by the administrator through the CLI. The DNCM-SAN Replication Key Context (DKR) takes advantage of the modify key feature to manage disk key replication relationships.

Displaying Suspended Disk

To display information on a suspended disk, enter this command:

```
switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# show sme cluster c52 disk-group dg1 disk d1
Disk d1 is suspend
  Description is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0b80001f4ac4000032454a3a69ce
```



```
Encryption is Enabled
Key guid is 1f09c7425d706a2e-6e00de45a53aa68c
Paths
Host 21:00:00:1b:32:84:ca:4a Target 20:04:00:a0:b8:1f:4a:c6 Lun 0x0000 vsan 5 [f52]
Is online (disk itl in IO reject state), configured
```

Recovering the SME Disk

In order to perform the recovery on a failed disk, the administrator needs to first restore the contents of the disk from the backup, which is a storage operation. The administrator then needs to update the state of the failed disk in SME configuration with the **recover** command.



Caution The SME recover CLI command is used only for recovery of encryption key and not for data.

Recovery can be done in two ways:

Recovering SME Disk to Clear State

If the disk was recovered from a backup that contains clear data then the administrator need to recover the SME Disk to clear state.



Note For signature mode clusters, there must be at least one I/O-capable path for recovery to succeed. As part of the recovery, SME disk clears the signature from the signature portion of the disk.

To recover the SME disk to clear state, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername`
`switch(config-sme-cl)#`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# disk-group dg-name`
`switch(config-sme-cl)#`
Specifies a disk group.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# disk disk-name`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# recover`
Resets the crypto state of the disk to a clear state. That is, no encryption is performed on the host I/Os issued on the disk.
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Recovering SME Disk to Crypto State

If the disk was recovered from a backup that contains encrypted data then the administrator should recover the SME disk to crypto state.



Note For signature mode clusters, there must be atleast one I/O- capable path for recover to succeed. As part of the recovery, SME disk writes the signature to the signature portion of the disk.

To recover the SME Disk to crypto state, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
switch(config-sme-cl)#
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **disk-group** *dg-name*
switch(config-sme-cl)#
Specifies a disk group.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# **disk** *disk-name*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **recover guid** *guid*
Sets the encryption status of the disk to be a crypto disk and use the key specified by the GUI as encryption key for the disk.
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Example



Caution The Recover command does not recover the contents of the disk. Its recovers the crypto-state of the disk based on the data recovered into the disk. The data on the disk must first be restored before using the recover command.

Recovering SME Disk from KMC



Note This is applicable only for signature mode clusters.

To recover SME Disk from KMC, SME Disk looks for an active key in KMC. After the active key is found, the active key is used to generate the signature written on the disk as the disk recovers to a crypto state.



Note The encryption key is the active key recorded in KMC.



Note If the KMC does not have an active key for the disk, then the disk recovers to a clear state and the signature in the reserved area is cleared.

To recover the SME Disk from KMC, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** `switch# configure terminal`
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** `switch(config)# sme cluster clustername`
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** `switch(config-sme-cl)# disk-group dg-name`
Specifies a disk group.
- Step 4** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# disk disk-name`
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** `switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# recover from -kmc`
Sets the encryption status of the disk to be a crypto disk.
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Recovering SME Disk from Signature on Disk



Note This option is available only for signature mode clusters.

SME Disk gets the signature from the reserved area of the disk. If the signature is valid, SME Disk searches in the KMC using the GUID from the signature. If the KMC search succeeds, the disk recovers to a crypto state.



Note When the KMC search fails, the recover operation fails and the disk remains in failed state.



Note When there are no signatures found on the disk, the disk recovers to a clear state.

To recover SME Disk from the signature mode cluster, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**
Enters configuration mode.
- Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** *clustername*
Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.
- Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **disk-group** *dg-name*
Specifies a disk group.
- Step 4** switch(config-sme-cl-dg)# **disk** *disk-name*
Specifies the disk name to be created.
- Step 5** switch(config-sme-cl-dg-disk)# **recover from -metadata**
Sets the encryption status of the disk to be a crypto disk.
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Example

The disks in an SME cluster can be grouped functionally into disk groups.



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- Note** When you add disks to a signature mode cluster and if the volume contains data, you have to resize the disk to reserve at least 64MB of space for Cisco SME signature information at the end of the volume.
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Configuring Signature Mode



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- Note** Converting a SME Disk cluster from a non-signature mode to signature mode will result in writing signatures to all the configured crypto disks. Once the conversion is complete, verify if all the crypto disks and their paths are in online state and verify the signature of the disks.
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To convert a cluster to signature mode, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** The Cluster Details screen is displayed.
- Step 2** Click Convert to Signature Mode.

Note You will not see this option for disks that are already in signature mode.

The Signature Mode Conversion screen is displayed.

Step 3 Click Next.

The Convert Cluster screen is displayed.

Once the conversion is complete, ensure there are no failed disks and verify the signature for crypto disks to ensure the signature is correct.

Converting Disks to Signature Mode

To convert a cluster to signature mode, follow these steps:

- Step 1** The Cluster Details screen is displayed.
 - Step 2** Click Convert Disks to Signature Mode.
 - Step 3** The Signature Mode Conversion screen is displayed.
 - Step 4** Click Next.
 - Step 5** The Convert Cluster screen is displayed.
-

Verifying Signatures for Disks

To verify signatures on disks, follow these steps:

- Step 1** In the DCNM-SAN web client, click the SME tab.
 - Step 2** Under Disk Groups, select the disk for signature verification.
The Disk Details screen is displayed.
 - Step 3** Under Disk Signature, click Verify Signature.
The signature is verified and the signature verification is successful message is displayed.
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Example

In signature mode, SME verifies the signature on the disk by comparing the disk information in the KMC. Any mismatch between the information in KMC and the signature results in disk failure.

Recovering a Disk Using Metadata Signature



Note You can only recover signature disks.

To recover the failed disk using the metadata, follow these steps:

Recovering a Disk from Key Manager

Configuring Key Management Operations

This section includes the following topics:

Replacing Smart Cards

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- Step 1** To replace a smart card (Advanced security mode), follow these steps: Under Data Center Network Manager, click SME. The cluster list is displayed.
- Step 2** Click Smartcards. The Recovery shares details along with the associated list of smart cards is displayed.
- Step 3** Select the smart card that you would want to replace and click Replace Smartcard and Rekey Master Key.
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Configuring Master Key Rekey

You can initiate the master key rekey operation using one of the following methods:

- Under Data Center Network Manager, click SME. The cluster list is displayed. Click on the required cluster. Under Cluster Details > Security Mode, click Rekey Master Key.
- Under Data Center Network Manager, click SME. The cluster list is displayed. Click Smartcards. The Recovery shares details along with the associated list of smart cards is displayed. Under Recovery Shares, click Rekey Master Key.

Before you begin

- Ensure you install the smartcard drivers on the web client where MKR is initiated.
- Ensure there is IP communication between the Cisco DCNM server, primary server, secondary server, CKMC, and switches.
- Ensure Cisco DCNM-SAN services are running.
- Ensure the clusters are online throughout the MKR process.
- Ensure you export the keys before starting MKR.
- Ensure there is free space for new shares on the smart cards.
- Always start MKR on a fresh browser and ensure there are no instances of DCNM client running.
- Ensure you do not start MKR if the disk is in one of the following states:
 - DP error
 - DP in-progress
 - Pending KMC update
 - ITL Offline
 - Crypto state with no paths (VPD not known)
 - Suspend state with no paths (VPD not known)
 - Data Prepare (discovery pending)
 - Wait enabled

Step 1 Once you initiate the rekey master key operation, you will receive a confirmation dialog box. Click OK

The Get Keyshares dialog box is displayed.

Note All nodes that are part of the cluster should remain online until the rekey master key operation is complete.

Step 2 Insert the Smart Card.

The Rekey Master Key configuration is successful.

Resume Sync

When you have all the shares stored in the smart card and when there are discrepancies in the fabric and when MKR fails, click Resume Sync to resume the MKR operation.

Verifying the SME Disk Management Configuration

To display the SME disk management configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose
show sme cluster	Displays detailed information about the clusters.
show sme cluster detail	Displays detailed information about the clusters.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i>	Displays detailed information about a particular cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> detail	Displays detailed information about a particular cluster.
show sme cluster summary	Displays summary information about the clusters.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> summary	Displays detailed information about a particular cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> it-nexus	Displays detailed information about the IT-nexuses in a particular cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-group	Displays the summary and total number of disks in a disk group.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-group <i>diskgroup-name</i>	Displays the detailed information about the disks in a particular disk group.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-group <i>diskgroup-name</i> disk	Displays the detailed information about the disks in a particular disk group.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-group <i>diskgroup-name</i> disk <i>diskname</i>	Displays the detailed information about the disks in a particular disk group and shows the status of ITLs.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk detail	Displays the detailed information about the disk in a cluster.

Command	Purpose
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk summary	Displays the summary information about the disk in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-data prepare detail	Displays the detailed information about the disks that are undergoing data preparation in a cluster. Note This is currently not supported.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> disk-data prepare summary	Displays the summary information about the disks that are undergoing data preparation in a cluster. Note This is currently not supported.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> interface detail	Displays the detailed information about the SME interfaces in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> interface summary	Displays the summary information about the SME interfaces in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> interface sme <i>sme-interface</i>	Displays the information about a particular SME interface in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> interface node <i>remote-switch</i>	Displays the information about the SME interfaces for a remote node in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> key database	Displays the information about the keys in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> key database detail	Displays the detailed information about the keys in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> key database summary	Displays the summary information about the keys in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> key database guid <i>guid</i>	Displays the key information in a cluster for the particular GUID.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> load-balancing	Displays the load-balancing status for the cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> lun crypto-status	Displays the crypto status for the LUNs in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> node	Displays information about the nodes in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> node summary	Displays summary information about the nodes in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> node <i>remote-switch</i>	Displays information about a particular remote node in a cluster.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> recovery officer	Displays information about SME cluster recovery officer.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> recovery officer <i>recovery-index</i>	Displays information about a particular SME cluster recovery officer.
show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> recovery officer detail	Displays detail information about SME cluster recovery officer.

Command	Purpose
<code>show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> recovery officer summary</code>	Displays summary information about SME cluster recovery officer.
<code>show sme cluster <i>clustername</i> recovery officer summary <i>recovery-index</i></code>	Displays summary information about a particular SME cluster recovery officer.

For detailed information about the fields in the output from these commands, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Command Reference*.

Monitoring SME Disk Management

This section includes the following topics:

Viewing Host Details

You can view detailed information about hosts in a SME cluster. Information for a specific host includes the disk group membership, paths from the host to the target, VSAN, fabric, status, and the disk device.

Viewing Disk Group Details

You can view detailed information about disk groups in a SME cluster. Information for a specific disk includes the disk group membership, device description, serial number, and the host and target PWWN.

Viewing Disk Details

You can view details and information about the disks in a disk group in an SME cluster. Information for a specific disk includes the path information and the disk status.

Viewing Disk Path Details

You can view the disk path details of a disk in a disk group in an SME cluster. Information for a specific disk includes the path information and the disk status.

Viewing Signature Mode Clusters

You can view the detailed information of SME clusters that are in signature mode. To view the cluster details, click clusters from the navigation pane.

Viewing SME Disk Information Using the CLI

Use the `show sme cluster` command to view information about a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster
SME Cluster is dest1
Cluster ID is 0x29ab000dec3f1402
```

```

Cluster status is online
Security mode is basic
Total Nodes are 2
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Fabric[0] is Fabric_jlwu9216i-19
Fabric[1] is Fabric_jlwu9222i-15
Primary KMC server 172.25.230.33:8800 is provisioned, connection state is none
Secondary KMC server has not been provisioned
Master Key GUID is b020829d0f009fa2-4d496531313d981e, Version: 0
Shared Key Mode is Not Enabled
Auto Vol Group is Not Enabled
Tape Compression is Enabled
Tape Key Recycle Policy is Enabled
Key On Tape is Not Enabled
Cluster Infra Status : Operational
Cluster is Administratively Up
Cluster Config Version : 2445
SSL for KMC : Not Configured
SSL for ICN : Not Configured
Cluster is Disk capable
Cluster Metadata On Disk is Set: 64 megabytes <!---64 megabytes indicates a signature
mode cluster>

```



Note The cluster config version specifies the version of the saved configuration on the switch. In scenarios when a cluster information must be retrieved or a cluster must be revived the switch with the highest configuration version must be used.

Use the **show sme cluster detail** command to view detail information about a cluster.

```

switch# show sme cluster detail
SME Cluster is dest1
Cluster ID is 0x29ab000dec3f1402
Cluster status is online
Security mode is basic
Total Nodes are 2
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Fabric[0] is Fabric_jlwu9216i-19
Fabric[1] is Fabric_jlwu9222i-15
Primary KMC server 172.25.230.33:8800 is provisioned, connection state is none
Secondary KMC server has not been provisioned
Master Key GUID is b020829d0f009fa2-4d496531313d981e, Version: 0
Shared Key Mode is Not Enabled
Auto Vol Group is Not Enabled
Tape Compression is Enabled
Tape Key Recycle Policy is Enabled
Key On Tape is Not Enabled
Cluster Infra Status : Operational
Cluster is Administratively Up
Cluster Config Version : 2445
SSL for KMC : Not Configured
SSL for ICN : Not Configured
Cluster is Disk capable
Cluster Metadata On Disk is Set: 64 Megabytes

```

Use the **show sme cluster summary** command to view summary information about the cluster.

```

switch# show sme cluster summary
-----

```

Cluster	ID	Security Mode	Status
C	0x20eb000dec3f45c2	basic	online

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername*** command to view information about a particular cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c
SME Cluster is C
Cluster ID is 0x29ab000dec3f1402
Cluster status is online
Security mode is basic
Total Nodes are 2
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Fabric[0] is Fabric_jlwu9216i-19
Fabric[1] is Fabric_jlwu9222i-15
Primary KMC server 172.25.230.33:8800 is provisioned, connection state is none
Secondary KMC server has not been provisioned
Master Key GUID is b020829d0f009fa2-4d496531313d981e, Version: 0
Shared Key Mode is Not Enabled
Auto Vol Group is Not Enabled
Tape Compression is Enabled
Tape Key Recycle Policy is Enabled
Key On Tape is Not Enabled
Cluster Infra Status : Operational
Cluster is Administratively Up
Cluster Config Version : 2445
SSL for KMC : Not Configured
SSL for ICN : Not Configured
Cluster is Disk capable
Cluster Metadata On Disk is Set: 64 Megabytes
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* detail** command to view detail information about a particular cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c detail
SME Cluster is C
Cluster ID is 0x29ab000dec3f1402
Cluster status is online
Security mode is basic
Total Nodes are 2
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Fabric[0] is Fabric_jlwu9216i-19
Fabric[1] is Fabric_jlwu9222i-15
Primary KMC server 172.25.230.33:8800 is provisioned, connection state is none
Secondary KMC server has not been provisioned
Master Key GUID is b020829d0f009fa2-4d496531313d981e, Version: 0
Shared Key Mode is Not Enabled
Auto Vol Group is Not Enabled
Tape Compression is Enabled
Tape Key Recycle Policy is Enabled
Key On Tape is Not Enabled
Cluster Infra Status : Operational
Cluster is Administratively Up
Cluster Config Version : 2445
SSL for KMC : Not Configured
SSL for ICN : Not Configured
Cluster is Disk capable
Cluster Metadata On Disk is Set: 64 Megabytes
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* summary** command to view summary information about a particular cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c summary
-----
Cluster          ID          Security Mode    Status
-----
C                0x20eb000dec3f45c2    basic    online
-----
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk group** command to view the disk group information in particular cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c disk-group
-----
Disk Group Name    Total Disks
-----
DG                 8
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk-group DG** command to view information about a disk group in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster scluster20 disk-group dg1
Disk group dg1
  Number of disks is 16
Disk group dg1
  Number of disks is 16
  Disk Disk0 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb0000000005006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk1 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb00000000015006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk10 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000a5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk11 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000b5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk12 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000c5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk13 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
```

```
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000d5006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk14 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000e5006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk15 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000f5006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk2 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000025006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk3 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000035006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk4 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000045006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk5 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000055006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk6 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000065006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk7 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000075006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk8 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000085006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk9 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000095006218003813000
```

Encryption is Not Enabled

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk-group *disk-group name* DG disk** command to view information about a disk in the disk group.

```
switch# show sme cluster scluster20 disk-group dg1 disk
Disk group dg1
  Number of disks is 16
Disk group dg1
  Number of disks is 16
  Disk Disk0 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb0000000005006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk1 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb00000000015006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk10 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000a5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk11 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000b5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk12 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000c5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk13 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000d5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk14 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000e5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk15 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
    Device ID is 600a0bb000000000f5006218003813000
    Encryption is Not Enabled
  Disk Disk2 is clear
    Description is LSI INF-01-00
    Vendor ID is LSI
    Product ID is INF-01-00
```

```

Device ID is 600a0bb0000000025006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk3 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000035006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk4 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000045006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk5 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000055006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk6 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000065006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk7 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000075006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk8 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000085006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Disk Disk9 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000095006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk-group *disk-group name* disk *disk name*** command to view information about a disk in the disk group.

```

switch# show sme cluster scluster20 disk-group dg1 disk Disk 0
Disk Disk0 is clear
Description is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb000000005006218003813000
Encryption is Not Enabled
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0000 vsan 100
[Fabric_sw-A-9222i-95]
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk detail** command to view detail information about a disk in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster scluster20 disk detail
Disk 1 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb0000000095006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk9 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0009 vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 2 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb0000000005006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk0 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0000 vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 3 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb000000000f5006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk15 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000f vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 4 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb0000000025006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk2 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0002 vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 5 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb0000000085006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk8 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0008 vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 6 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb000000000b5006218003813000
  Is configured as disk device Disk11 in disk group dgl
  Paths
    Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000b vsan 100
    Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 7 is clear
  Model is LSI INF-01-00
  Vendor ID is LSI
  Product ID is INF-01-00
  Device ID is 600a0bb0000000065006218003813000
```



```
Is configured as disk device Disk6 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0006 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 8 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000055006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk5 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0005 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 9 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000075006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk7 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0007 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 10 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000035006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk3 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0003 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 11 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000045006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk4 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0004 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 12 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb0000000015006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk1 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x0001 vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 13 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000d5006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk13 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000d vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 14 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000c5006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk12 in disk group dg1
```

```

Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000c vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 15 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000a5006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk10 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000a vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured
Disk 16 is clear
Model is LSI INF-01-00
Vendor ID is LSI
Product ID is INF-01-00
Device ID is 600a0bb00000000e5006218003813000
Is configured as disk device Disk14 in disk group dg1
Paths
  Host 10:00:0e:91:c3:76:5c:00 Target 50:06:21:80:03:81:30:00 Lun 0x000e vsan 100
  Is online (SUCCESS), configured

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* disk summary** command to view summary information about a particular disk in a cluster.

```

switch# show sme cluster c disk summary
-----
Target WWN          Lun   Description          Crypto-Disk          Status
-----
50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 0x0002 DGC DISK             Disk7                clear
50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 0x0000 DGC DISK             Disk5                clear
50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 0x0001 DGC DISK             Disk6                clear
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 0x0003 DGC RAID 5          Disk3                clear
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 0x0004 DGC RAID 5          Disk4                clear
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 0x0001 DGC RAID 5          Disk1                clear
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 0x0002 DGC RAID 5          Disk2                clear
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 0x0000 DGC RAID 5          Disk0                clear

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* it-nexus** command to view detail information about the IT-nexuses in a particular cluster.

```

switch# show sme cluster c it-nexus
-----
Host WWN,          VSAN   Status   Switch          Interface
Target WWN
-----
21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c,
50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 2      online  172.28.234.68 sme1/1
21:01:00:1b:32:aa:49:4c,
50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 2      online  172.28.234.68 sme1/1
21:02:00:1b:32:ca:49:4c,
50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 2      online  172.28.234.68 sme1/1

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* interface detail** command to view detail information about the SME interfaces in a cluster.

```

Interface sme1/1 belongs to local switch
Status is up
  RSA Certificate is (len 247 fingerprint SHA1::

```

```
87:2f:16:6d:91:ec:8f:cb:95:3a:df:6b:c6:49:c3:67:c4:a9:39:6f:)
-----BEGIN RSA PUBLIC KEY-----
MIGHA0GBAMJGt4JoIhfV3KU6eJPdfmzIjYLqbZ2mA3VdJ7T86btzyMhpZZI4x76O
uCvLxEIuKW+p/XRqhpV4AN7YQDVCw0OB3dacXfRQjM8EdoC6lMXDGsKCzYzti51H
ZqQvAKCMydz/P3CSbVx3MsoOeDuvv/Hj6wvIngtdGfvHkWms9b1lAgED
-----END RSA PUBLIC KEY-----
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* interface summary** command to view summary information about the SME interfaces in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c interface summary
```

```
-----
Switch                Interface          Status
-----
local switch          smel/1            up
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* interface sme *sme-interface*** command to view information about a particular SME interface in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c interface sme 1/1
Interface smel/1 belongs to local switch
Status is up
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* lun crypto-status** command to view crypto status of the LUNs in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c lun crypto-status
```

```
LUN (Serial Number)                                Encryption
-----
LUN
---
  cpp_lun_ndx                0x29
  sme_enabled                0
  vendor_id                  DGC
  product_id                  DISK
  device_id                  10493CF4
  prod_rev_level              0216
  vendor_specific              860000AB71CL
  cluster_name                C
  dg_name                     DG
  device_name                 Disk7
  max_lba                     0x27fffff
  blk_sz                       0x200
  disk_state                  0x1
  current disk fsm state      SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
  cur_key_guid                0000000000000000-0000000000000000
  new_key_guid                0000000000000000-0000000000000000
  cur_key_obj                  (nil)
  new_key_obj                  (nil)
  dp                          (nil)
  total itl count             2
  active itl count            2
  lun hold count              0
  Not locked
  I 21:01:00:1b:32:aa:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0002
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
  I 21:02:00:1b:32:ca:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0002
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx          0x27
sme_enabled          0
vendor_id            DGC
product_id           DISK
device_id            93B1508B
prod_rev_level      0216
vendor_specific      8000009529CL
cluster_name        C
dg_name              DG
device_name          Disk5
max_lba              0x27ffff
blk_sz               0x200
disk_state           0x1
current disk fsm state SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid         0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid         0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj          (nil)
new_key_obj          (nil)
dp                  (nil)
total itl count      2
active itl count     2
lun hold count       0
Not locked
  I 21:01:00:1b:32:aa:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0000
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
  I 21:02:00:1b:32:ca:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0000
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx          0x28
sme_enabled          0
vendor_id            DGC
product_id           DISK
device_id            F074E188
prod_rev_level      0216
vendor_specific      850000AA73CL
cluster_name        C
dg_name              DG
device_name          Disk6
max_lba              0x27ffff
blk_sz               0x200
disk_state           0x1
current disk fsm state SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid         0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid         0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj          (nil)
new_key_obj          (nil)
dp                  (nil)
total itl count      2
active itl count     2
lun hold count       0
Not locked
  I 21:01:00:1b:32:aa:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0001
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
  I 21:02:00:1b:32:ca:49:4c T 50:06:01:6b:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0001
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx          0x25
sme_enabled          0
vendor_id            DGC
product_id           RAID 5
device_id            3C2590FB
prod_rev_level      0216
```

```

vendor_specific          39000061BDCL
cluster_name             C
dg_name                  DG
device_name              Disk3
device_name              Disk3
max_lba                  0x9fffff
blk_sz                   0x200
disk_state               0x1
current disk fsm state   SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj              (nil)
new_key_obj              (nil)
dp                       (nil)
total itl count          1
active itl count         1
lun hold count           0
Not locked
  I 21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c T 50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0003
  (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx              0x26
sme_enabled              0
vendor_id                DGC
product_id               RAID 5
device_id                8B09E6E9
prod_rev_level           0216
vendor_specific          3A000061D3CL
cluster_name             C
dg_name                  DG
device_name              Disk4
device_name              Disk4
max_lba                  0x9fffff
blk_sz                   0x200
disk_state               0x1
current disk fsm state   SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj              (nil)
new_key_obj              (nil)
dp                       (nil)
total itl count          1
active itl count         1
lun hold count           0
Not locked
  I 21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c T 50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0004
  (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx              0x23
sme_enabled              0
vendor_id                DGC
product_id               RAID 5
device_id                90D80D94
prod_rev_level           0216
vendor_specific          3700006182CL
cluster_name             C
dg_name                  DG
device_name              Disk1
device_name              Disk1
max_lba                  0x9fffff
blk_sz                   0x200
disk_state               0x1
current disk fsm state   SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid             0000000000000000-0000000000000000

```

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```

cur_key_obj          (nil)
new_key_obj          (nil)
dp                  (nil)
total itl count      1
active itl count     1
lun hold count       0
Not locked
  I 21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c T 50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0001
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx          0x24
sme_enabled          0
vendor_id            DGC
product_id           RAID 5
device_id            930ED44F
prod_rev_level       0216
vendor_specific      38000061A5CL
cluster_name         C
dg_name              DG
device_name           Disk2
max_lba              0x9fffff
blk_sz               0x200
disk_state           0x1
current disk fsm state SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid          0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid          0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj          (nil)
new_key_obj          (nil)
dp                  (nil)
total itl count      1
active itl count     1
lun hold count       0
Not locked
  I 21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c T 50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0002
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])
LUN
---
```

```

cpp_lun_ndx          0x22
sme_enabled          0
vendor_id            DGC
product_id           RAID 5
device_id            CC1BCB3A
prod_rev_level       0216
vendor_specific      360000616BCL
cluster_name         C
dg_name              DG
device_name           Disk0
max_lba              0x9fffff
blk_sz               0x200
disk_state           0x1
current disk fsm state SMED_CPP_DISK_ST_CLEAR_DISK
cur_key_guid          0000000000000000-0000000000000000
new_key_guid          0000000000000000-0000000000000000
cur_key_obj          (nil)
new_key_obj          (nil)
dp                  (nil)
total itl count      1
active itl count     1
lun hold count       0
Not locked
  I 21:00:00:1b:32:8a:1d:4c T 50:06:01:63:30:60:06:d6 L 0x0000
    (SMED_ISAPI_ITL_ST_UP_CLEAR [lock event=NONE])

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* load-balancing** command to view the load-balancing status of the cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c load-balancing
Load balancing status is enabled for cluster C
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* node** command to view information about the nodes in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c node
Node 172.28.234.54 is remote switch
  Node ID is 2
  Status is online
  Node is not master switch
  Fabric is Fabric_sw-sme-9513-54
Node 172.28.234.68 is local switch
  Node ID is 1
  Status is online
  Node is the master switch
  Fabric is Fabric_sw-sme-9513-54
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* node remote-switch** command to view information about a particular remote node in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c node 172.28.234.54
Node 172.28.234.54 is remote switch
  Node ID is 2
  Status is online
  Node is not master switch
  Fabric is Fabric_sw-sme-9513-54
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* node summary** command to view summary information about the nodes in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c node summary
-----
Switch                Status           Master           Node ID
-----
172.28.234.54         online           no                2
local switch          online           yes               1
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database** command to view information about the keys in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c key database
Key Type is master key
  GUID is 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
Key Type is disk key
  GUID is 5a8adb8aca98106f-dd61016f5fb8b543
  Cluster is C, Crypto disk group is DG
  Crypto disk is Disk1
Key Type is disk key
  GUID is dc203fa33cd267ad-dd2e7513e307521f
  Cluster is C, Crypto disk group is DG
  Crypto disk is Disk0
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database detail** command to view detail information about the keys in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c key database detail
Key Type is master key
  GUID is 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
  Key status is active
  Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:38:41 UTC 2010
  Key length is 32
Key Type is disk key
  GUID is 5a8adb8aca98106f-dd61016f5fb8b543
  Cluster is C, Crypto disk group is DG
  Crypto disk is Disk1
  Key status is active
  Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:58:23 UTC 2010
  Key length is 32
  Key data type is symmetric key wrap
  Symmetric key wrapping version is 0
  Symmetric crypto algorithm is aes-cbc
  Authentication algorithm used is sha-256 and value
  G5UvNvtQC67CGfbJBWV1xs+zUKF4CIOIrk+tfG+dPQY=
  IV length is 16 and value
  jAMWrbqbtDou2DmSmlldmQAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA=
  Key Object is wrapped by 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Key data length is 80
  Encrypted data is
  qLOtC/pr9NvMcRTgwePgzwpJaBoDxzLevYXhlgw9c+fbZ1p4
  kabTYUM7QGTTrZKfkkJPOPO/XPSn9VVKVYvNSCguQV0teq6Vo
  vdUqeDyht9g=
Key Type is disk key
  GUID is dc203fa33cd267ad-dd2e7513e307521f
  Cluster is C, Crypto disk group is DG
  Crypto disk is Disk0
  Key status is active
  Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:57:56 UTC 2010
  Key length is 32
  Key data type is symmetric key wrap
  Symmetric key wrapping version is 0
  Symmetric crypto algorithm is aes-cbc
  Authentication algorithm used is sha-256 and value
  8isr/LRaHdqQmlGPagCq9reDOYLQiFdImmQfmIRsu9s=
  IV length is 16 and value
  gJfKQqKtsU8iJ5HrGQR3GwAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA=
  Key Object is wrapped by 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Key data length is 80
  Encrypted data is
  zL+syhPqSQfXy8zAwLfrntbIcjIux+dIjPQWQ0Jk/zpVTmRD
  KT6RlzfMkn3ibXaqzba6yrFCXUGMmWX/KK7CdEQtkWk1ecUz
  k+zvbYtdq50=
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database summary** command to view summary information about the keys in a cluster.

```
switch# show sme cluster c key database summary
-----
Key Type                                GUID
-----
master key                               2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
disk key                                 5a8adb8aca98106f-dd61016f5fb8b543
```



```
disk key                               dc203fa33cd267ad-dd2e7513e307521f
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database guid *GUID*** command to view key information in a cluster for a particular GUID.

```
switch# show sme cluster c key database guid 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
Key Type is master key
  GUID is 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database guid *GUID* summary** command to view summary information about the key in a cluster for GUID.

```
switch# show sme cluster C key database guid 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0 summary
-----
Key Type                               GUID
-----
master key                             2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* key database guid *GUID* detail** command to view detail information about the key in a cluster for a particular GUID.

```
switch# show sme cluster c key database guid 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0 detail
Key Type is master key
  GUID is 2ebddb1dbf180660-c0e4add77be8e8a0
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
  Key status is active
  Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:38:41 UTC 2010
  Key length is 32
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* recovery officer** command to view information about the SME cluster recovery officer.

```
switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer
Recovery Officer 1 is set
  Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0
  Recovery Share Index is 1
  Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
  Recovery Officer Label is
  Recovery share protected by a password
Key Type is master key share
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0, Share Index is 1
```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* recovery officer detail** command to view detail information about the SME cluster recovery officer.

```
switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer detail
Recovery Officer 1 is set
  Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0
  Recovery Share Index is 1
  Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
  Recovery Officer Label is
```

```

Recovery share protected by a password
Key Type is master key share
Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
Recovery Share Version is 0, Share Index is 1
Key status is active
Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:44:45 UTC 2010
Key length is 81
Key data type is password key wrap
Password key wrapping version is 0
Password scheme used is pkcs5_2
Password scheme digest algorithm used by password scheme is sha-1
Authentication algorithm used is sha-256, key length is 32 and value
 58 63 71 59 69 6a 6d 44 50 74 2f 6e 63 77 46 30 38 41 59 31 74 55 54 6e 72 58 37 4d
50 4b 41 6b 55 56 7a 53 6b 6e
52 44 6a 50 45 3d 00 00 00 00
Salt length is 8 and value
 54 65 79 45 32 65 39 46 33 64 77 3d 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
IV length is 16
Iteration count is 2048
Key data length is 96
Encrypted data is
 69 76 77 4d 52 66 37 44 7a 79 45 30 4f 38 58 34 77 77 69 32 43 34 79 6a 68 54 74 6a
50 77 50 6e 62 71 4e 69 48 77
39 62 57 37 4a 4b 45 37 47 30
 4c 41 46 33 54 6d 6f 31 69 78 4a 39 62 47 65 55 36 4c 67 43 74 5a 49 61 30 49 6a 49
41 66 6c 74 2f 6c 46 57 37 41
38 77 44 75 64 63 32 50 77 45
 4d 68 63 54 54 45 33 4f 4f 48 4f 41 74 4f 66 6a 59 47 32 6d 5a 49 35 34 45 6c 30 30
37 37 77 76 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* recovery officer summary** command to view summary information about the SME cluster recovery officer.

```
switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer summary
```

```

-----
Share      Status   Label           Smartcard      Serial No
-----
1          Set                      No

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* recovery officer *recovery-index*** command to view information about a particular SME cluster recovery officer.

```

switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer 1
Recovery Officer 1 is set
Master Key Version is 0
Recovery Share Version is 0
Recovery Share Index is 1
Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
Recovery Officer Label is
Recovery share protected by a password
Key Type is master key share
Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
Recovery Share Version is 0, Share Index is 1

```

Use the **show sme cluster *clustername* recovery officer detail *recovery-index*** command to view detail information about a particular SME cluster recovery officer.

```

switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer detail 1
Recovery Officer 1 is set
  Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0
  Recovery Share Index is 1
  Recovery Scheme is 1 out of 1
  Recovery Officer Label is
Recovery share protected by a password
Key Type is master key share
  Cluster is C, Master Key Version is 0
  Recovery Share Version is 0, Share Index is 1
Key status is active
Key was created at Mon Oct 04 13:44:45 UTC 2010
Key length is 81
Key data type is password key wrap
Password key wrapping version is 0
Password scheme used is pkcs5_2
Password scheme digest algorithm used by password scheme is sha-1
Authentication algorithm used is sha-256, key length is 32 and value
  58 63 71 59 69 6a 6d 44 50 74 2f 6e 63 77 46 30 38 41 59 31 74 55 54 6e 72 58 37 4d
50 4b 41 6b 55 56 7a 53 6b 6e
52 44 6a 50 45 3d 00 00 00 00
  Salt length is 8 and value
  54 65 79 45 32 65 39 46 33 64 77 3d 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  IV length is 16
  Iteration count is 2048
  Key data length is 96
  Encrypted data is
  69 76 77 4d 52 66 37 44 7a 79 45 30 4f 38 58 34 77 77 69 32 43 34 79 6a 68 54 74 6a
50 77 50 6e 62 71 4e 69 48 77
39 62 57 37 4a 4b 45 37 47 30
  4c 41 46 33 54 6d 6f 31 69 78 4a 39 62 47 65 55 36 4c 67 43 74 5a 49 61 30 49 6a 49
41 66 6c 74 2f 6c 46 57 37 41
38 77 44 75 64 63 32 50 77 45
  4d 68 63 54 54 45 33 4f 4f 48 4f 41 74 4f 66 6a 59 47 32 6d 5a 49 35 34 45 6c 30 30
37 37 77 76 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

```

Use the `show sme cluster clustername recovery officer summary recovery-index` command to view summary information about a particular SME cluster recovery officer.

```

switch# show sme cluster c recovery officer summary 1
-----
Share   Status   Label           Smartcard   Serial No
-----
1       Set      1                No

```

Feature History for SME Disk Management

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 11: Feature History for SME Disk Configuration

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Master Key Rekeying	5.2(6)	A master key is used to wrap the disk keys in the cluster.
Signature and Non-signature Mode Clusters	5.2(6)	Two modes to configure clusters.
SME disk configuration	5.2(1)	SME disk is a new feature that is introduced in Release 5.2(1).



CHAPTER 8

Configuring SME Key Management

This chapter contains information about SME comprehensive key management.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About SME Key Management, on page 133](#)
- [Configuring SME Key Management Using the CLI, on page 138](#)
- [Monitoring SME Key Management, on page 139](#)
- [Feature History for SME Key Management, on page 142](#)

Information About SME Key Management

SME Key Management includes the following topics:

About Key Hierarchy

SME includes a comprehensive and secure system for protecting encrypted data using a hierarchy of security keys. The highest level key is the master key, which is generated when a cluster is created. Every cluster has a unique master key. In SME tape, the master key encrypts the tape volume group keys which in turn encrypts the tape volume keys using key wrapping. In SME disk, the master key encrypts the disk keys using key wrapping.

For recovery purposes, the master key can be stored in a password-protected file, or in one or more smart cards. When a cluster state is Archived (the key database has been archived) and you want to recover the keys, you will need the master key file or the smart cards. The master key cannot be improperly extracted by either tampering with the MSM-18/4 module or by tampering with a smart card.

Keys are essential to safeguarding your encrypted data and should not be compromised. Keys should be stored in the Cisco Key Management Center. In addition, unique tape keys can be stored directly on the tape cartridge. The keys are identified across the system by a globally unique identifier (GUID).

The SME key management system includes the following types of keys for SME tape:

- Master key
- Tape volume group keys
- Tape volume keys

Every backup tape has an associated tape volume key, tape volume group key, and a master key.

The SME key management system includes the following types of keys for SME disk:

- Master key
- Disk keys

Master Key

When a SME cluster is created, a security engine generates the master key. Considering that a single fabric can host more than one cluster, for example, to support the needs of multiple business groups within the same organization, there will be as many master keys as there are clusters. Each master key is unique and it is shared across all cluster members. The master key is used to wrap the tape volume group keys.

Tape Volume Group Key

The tape volume group key is used to encrypt and authenticate the tape volume keys, which are the keys that encrypt all tapes belonging to the same tape volume group. A tape volume group can be created on the basis of a bar code range for a set of backup tapes or it can be associated with a specific backup application. Tape volume group keys are occasionally rekeyed for increased security or when the security of the key has been compromised.

Tape Volume Key

The tape volume key is used to encrypt and authenticate the data on the tapes.

In unique key mode, the tape volume keys are unique for each physical tape and they can be stored in the Cisco KMC or stored on the tape. The Cisco KMC database does not need to store a tape volume key if the key is stored on the tape itself. The option to store the key on the tape may dramatically reduce the number of keys stored on the Cisco KMC.

In shared key mode, there is one tape volume key which is used to encrypt all volumes in a volume group.

Disk Key

The disk key is used to encrypt and decrypt the data on the disks.

About Cisco Key Management Center

The Cisco Key Management Center (Cisco KMC) is the centralized management system that stores the key database for active and archived keys. The keys stored in the Cisco KMC are not usable without the master key. To manage the potential increase in tape volume keys, SME provides the option to store the tape volume key on the tape itself. In this case, the Cisco KMC stores the tape volume group keys.

This option exponentially increases the number of managed tapes by reducing the number of keys stored on the Cisco KMC. However, this option also restricts the capability of purging keys at a later time.

The Cisco KMC provides the following advantages:

- Centralized key management to archive, purge, recover, and distribute tape keys.
- Integrated into DCNM-SAN Server depending on the deployment requirements.
- Integrated access controls using AAA mechanisms.



Note The Cisco KMC listens for key updates and retrieves requests from switches on a TCP port. The default port is 8800; however, the port number can be modified in the smeserver.properties file.

About Master Key Security Modes

To recover encrypted data-at-rest from a specific tape, you need access to the keys that are created for the specific tape cartridge. Because the master key is used to protect all other keys, SME provides three master key security modes to protect the master key: Basic, Standard, and Advanced. During cluster configuration, you designate the level of security for the master key. Basic security writes the encrypted master key to a disk. To unlock the master key, you need access to the file. The file is encrypted and requires a password to retrieve the master key. The Standard and Advanced security modes require the use of smart cards to access the master key. If you select Standard security, you will need one smart card to unlock the master key. If you select Advanced security during cluster configuration, you are prompted to set the minimum number of required smart cards that would unlock the master key.

The below table describes the master key security modes.

Table 12: Master Key Security Levels

Security Level	Definition
Basic	The master key is stored in a file and encrypted with a password. To retrieve the master key, you need access to the file and the password.
Standard	Standard security requires one smart card. When you create a cluster and the master key is generated, you are asked for the smart card. The master key is then written to the smart card. To retrieve the master key, you need the smart card and the smart card pin.
Advanced	Advanced security requires five smart cards. When you create a cluster and select Advanced security mode, you designate the number of smart cards (two or three of five smart cards or two of three smart cards) that are required to recover the master key when data needs to be retrieved. For example, if you specify two of five smart cards, then you will need two of the five smart cards to recover the master key. Each smart card is owned by a SME Recovery Officer. Note The greater the number of required smart cards to recover the master key, the greater the security. However, if smart cards are lost or if they are damaged, this reduces the number of available smart cards that could be used to recover the master key.

About Key Management Settings

When creating a tape volume group, you need to determine whether to enable or disable the key management settings.

The below table provides a description of the key settings, considerations, and the type of keys that can be purged if a particular setting is chosen. All key settings are configured at the cluster level.



Note The Key Management Settings table shown below is applicable only for SME tapes.

Table 13: Key Management Settings

	Description	Considerations
Shared	In shared key mode, only tape volume group keys are generated. All tape volumes that are part of a tape volume group share the same key.	<p>Cisco KMC key database—Is smaller storing only the tape volume group keys.</p> <p>Security—Medium. A compromise to one tape volume group key will compromise the data in all tapes that are part of that tape volume group.</p> <p>Purging—Available only at the volume group level.</p>
Unique Key	In unique key mode, each individual tape has its own unique key. The default value is enabled.	<p>Cisco KMC key database—Is larger storing the tape volume group keys and every unique tape volume key.</p> <p>Security—High. A compromise to a tape volume key will not compromise the integrity of data on other tape volumes.</p> <p>Purging—Available at the volume group and volume level.</p>
Unique Key with Key-On-Tape	In the key-on-tape mode, each unique tape volume key is stored on the individual tape. You can select key-on-tape (when you select unique key mode) to configure the most secure and scalable key management system. The default value is disabled. Note When key-on-tape mode is enabled, the keys stored on the tape media are encrypted by the tape volume group wrap key.	<p>Cisco KMC key database—Increases scalability to support a large number of tape volumes by reducing the size of the Cisco KMC key database. Only the tape volume group keys are stored on the Cisco KMC.</p> <p>Security—High. A compromise to a tape volume key will not compromise the integrity of data on other tape volumes.</p> <p>Purging—Available at the volume group level.</p>

Tape Recycling

If Tape Recycling is enabled, old keys for the tape volume are purged from Cisco KMC when the tape is relabeled, and a new key is created and synchronized to the Cisco KMC. This setting should be selected when you do not need the old keys for previously backed-up data that will be rewritten.

The default setting is Yes. Setting this option to No is required only if tape cloning is done outside of the SME tape group.

About High Availability Key Management Center

The Cisco KMC server consists of a pair of KMC servers (KMS) that provides high availability and reliability. These high availability servers help to avoid both downtime and loss of data through synchronization and redundancy. The KMS consists of a primary and a secondary KMC server which point to the same database.

Both the KMS should use the same Oracle 11g Enterprise installation to achieve high availability. The Oracle 11g Enterprise installation should be installed on the two servers and synchronized using Oracle Active Data Guard.

Each SME cluster is configured with primary and secondary KMC servers. The primary server is preferred over the secondary server.

The cluster is connected to the primary server and, at any indication of failure, connects to the secondary server. The cluster periodically checks for the availability of the primary server and resumes connection to the primary server when it becomes available.

All the switches in a cluster use the same KMC server. When a switch connects to a secondary server, an automatic cluster-wide failover occurs to the secondary server. The switches in the cluster fail over to the primary server once it is available.



Note Configure the primary and secondary servers during the cluster creation or update the Key Manager Settings for a created cluster.

About Auto Key Replication of Keys Across Data Centers



Note Auto key replication of keys across data centers is applicable only for SME tape.

The auto replication of media keys enables the moving of tapes from one data center to another. The replication of keys allows the same tape media to be accessed by more than one SME cluster. In most cases, the SME clusters are located in different locations, such as a primary data center and a disaster recovery site. SME allows you to automatically replicate the media keys from one SME cluster to one or more clusters. The automated process of replicating keys eliminates the need for the manual key export and import procedures. The media key auto-replication is configured on per tape volume group basis.

One KMC manages all the data centers and the replicated keys are stored on the KMC.

Translating Media Keys

Each cluster is associated with a translation context. The translation context contains the public key for the key pair generated by the crypto-module of one of the clusters.

A replication relationship is set between the volume groups in the different clusters and the replication context for the destination clusters need to be acquired. Once the relationship is set up between the clusters, whenever a key is generated in the source cluster, the key is automatically translated to the destination cluster.

The translation of the keys is a scheduled process and based on the preset frequency all the key pairs generated in that time period are translated to the destination cluster. Every key that is generated and scheduled for replication, since last job start time, are translated using the replication context, which is the public key of the destination cluster.

The key replication across data centers requires the translation of key hierarchy. The key from the source cluster is translated using the public key of the destination cluster and then sent to the destination cluster. In the destination cluster, the key is unwrapped with the private key of the destination cluster and then wrapped with the key hierarchy of the destination cluster.

About Accounting Log Information

This section describes the KMC accounting log messages.

The accounting.log file in the DCNM-SAN log directory displays the KMC accounting log messages. The accounting log records key-related operations, their resulting status, and any related information.

The log files are stored in a relational database and are searchable, archivable, and portable.

A log entry consists of the following information:

- hostname—The name of the host machine where the operation occurred.
- timestamp—The time at which an event was recorded to the accounting log system.
- username—The username associated with the operation.
- clusterName—The name of the cluster the operation was performed on.
- clusterId—The ID of the cluster the operation was performed on.
- operation—The type of operation.
- status—The status of the operation when the event was logged.
- details—Additional data, depending on the type of operation.

Configuring SME Key Management Using the CLI

This section describes configuring unique or shared key mode.

Configuring Unique or Shared Key Mode



Note Unique or shared key mode applies only to SME tapes.

Shared key mode is used to generate a single key that is used for a group of backup tapes.

Unique key mode is used to generate unique or specific keys for each tape cartridge.



Note Configure the Cisco KMC before configuring the key mode. See the [About Cisco Key Management Center, on page 134](#).

To configure the shared key or unique key mode, follow these steps:

Step 1 switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

Step 2 switch(config)# **sme cluster clustername1**

switch(config-sme-cl)#

Specifies the cluster and enters SME cluster configuration submode.

Step 3 switch(config-sme-cl)# **shared-key mode**

switch(config-sme-cl)#

Specifies shared key mode.

Step 4 switch(config-sme-cl)# **no shared-key mode**

```
switch(config-sme-cl)#
```

Specifies shared unique key mode.

Monitoring SME Key Management

Viewing KMC Accounting Log Messages Output

The output of the log entry is displayed in the following format:

```
"<timestamp> User: <username> Host: <host> Cluster: <cluster name> Id:
<cluster id> Operation: <operation> Status: <status> Details: <details>"
The following is a complete listing of logged SME operations and
expected status values. The logged details for an operation depends
upon the resulting status of the operation and/or other criteria
documented below.
-----
Operation: STORE_KEY          Logged as: "Store key"
Description: A new key is being written to the keystore. The details
for the accounting log of a STORE_KEY operation depends upon the
KEY_TYPE and the STATUS for the operation.
Details:
KEY_TYPE: MasterKey
SUCCESS:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> error: <description>"
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeGroupSharedKey
SUCCESS:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name>"
FAILURE:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name> error: <description>"
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeGroupWrapKey
SUCCESS:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name>"
FAILURE:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name> error: <description>"
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeKey
SUCCESS:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name> barcode: <barcode>"
FAILURE:  "key type: <key type> GUID: <guid> tape group: <tape group
name> tape volume group: <tape volume group name> barcode: <barcode>
error: <description>"
-----
Operation: GET_KEY           Logged as: "Retrieve key"
Description: A key is being requested from keystore. The details for
the accounting log of a GET_KEY operation depend upon the query
parameter and STATUS for the operation.
Details:
QUERY PARAMETER: Guid
SUCCESS:  "GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE:  "GUID: <guid>"
QUERY PARAMETER: Cloned from Guid
SUCCESS:  "Cloned from GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE:  "Cloned from GUID: <guid>"
-----
Operation: ARCHIVE_KEY       Logged as: "Archive key"
Description: A key is removed from "active" state and moved to
```

```

"archived" state.
Details:
SUCCESS: "GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE: "GUID: <guid> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: ARCHIVE_ALL_KEYS          Logged as: "Archive all keys"
Description: All keys are archived for an instance of a KEY_TYPE.
The details for the accounting log of a ARCHIVE_ALL_KEYS operation
depends upon the KEY_TYPE and the STATUS for the operation.
Details:
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeGroupSharedKey
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name>"
FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> error: <description>"
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeGroupWrapKey
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name>"
FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> error: <description>"
KEY_TYPE: TapeVolumeKey
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> barcode: <barcode>"
FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> barcode: <barcode> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: PURGE_KEY                Logged as: "Purge key"
Description: A key and references to it are removed from the keystore.
Details:
SUCCESS: "GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE: "GUID: <guid> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: DELETE_ALL_TAPE_VOLUME_KEYS      Logged as: "Delete Tape
Volume Keys"
Description: All tape volume keys for the given tape volume are
removed from the keystore.
Details:
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name>"
-----
Operation: DELETE_ALL_TAPE_VOLUME_SHARED_KEYS  Logged as:
"Delete Tape Volume Group Shared Keys for cluster"
Description: All shared keys for the given tape volume are removed
from the keystore.
Details:
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name>"
-----
Operation: DELETE_ALL_TAPE_VOLUME_WRAP_KEYS  Logged as: "Delete
Tape Volume Group Wrap Keys for cluster"
Description: All wrap keys for the given tape volume are removed from
the keystore.
Details:
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name>"
-----
Operation: EXPORT_ARCHIVED            Logged as: "Export archived cluster"
Description: An archived cluster is being exported. The operation is
being logged per tape volume group exported for the requested cluster.
Details:
INITIATED: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: null"
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: <count>"

```

```

FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: <count> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: EXPORT          Logged as: "Export cluster"
Description: A cluster is being exported. The operation is being
logged per tape volume group exported from the requested cluster.
Details:
INITIATED: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: null"
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: <count>"
FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys exported: <count> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: IMPORT          Logged as: "Import keys"
Description: Keys are imported into a cluster. The operation is being
logged per tape volume group.
Details:
INITIATED: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys imported: null"
SUCCESS: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys imported: <count>"
FAILURE: "tape group: <tape group name> tape volume group: <tape
volume group name> keys imported: <count> of <total count> total.
Skipped : <count> error: <description>"
-----
Operation: REKEY_MASTER_KEY      Logged as: "Master key rekey"
Description: A master key is being "re-keyed" or replaced with a new
master key. All keys wrapped w/ the old master key are unwrapped and
re-wrapped with the new master key.
Details:
INITIATED: ""
SUCCESS: ""
FAILURE: "error: <description>"
-----
Operation: ABORT_REKEY_MASTER_KEY      Logged as: "Abort master key
rekey"
Description: A re-key operation has been aborted. If the operation
cannot be aborted, the failure is logged.
Details:
SUCCESS: ""
FAILURE: "error: <description>"
-----
Operation: GET_MASTER_KEY_SHARE      Logged as: "Master key share
retrieved"
Description: When storing master key shares on smartcards, the share
is verified as being written correctly by reading the share and
comparing. This logs the result of that GET operation.
Details:
SUCCESS: "share index: <share index> smartcard label: <smartcard
label> smartcard serial number: <serial number> GUID: <guid>"
FAILURE: "share index: <share index> smartcard label: <smartcard
label> smartcard serial number: <serial number> GUID: <guid> error:
<description>"
-----
Operation: REKEY_CLONE_WRAP_KEYS      Logged as: "Clone tape volume-
group wrap keys"
Description: Part of Master Key re-key involves cloning wrap keys and
re-wrapping them with the new master key. This logs the result of
that cloning and re-wrap operation.
Details:
SUCCESS: "<count> keys of <total count> cloned successfully"
FAILURE: "<count> keys of <total count> cloned successfully"

```

The SME accounting log is configurable as of 4.2.x. Accounting entries are made in the database, and then flushed to a file on a defined schedule. By default, this happens weekly. The logs are written to a uniquely named file for example: **sme_accounting_log.2011-01-30-12-00-01.log**. This file is available in the host where the DCNM application is running, for example in the **<Install Path>/dcm/fm/logs** directory.

Step 1 Edit the **<Install Path>/dcm/fm/conf/smeserver.properties** file.

Step 2 Add **sme.kmc.archive.accounting.log.frequency=**

The valid values are:

- hourly
- daily
- weekly
- monthly
- test (if you want to validate, which does it every 5 minutes). This should NOT be left enabled. It will flood your machine with files.

Note Due to the nature of the files, SME will not delete or overwrite these files. Test or even hourly settings will generate a significant number of files over time. The accounting log entries not yet flushed from the database are visible in the Accounting Log Tab.

Viewing Keys for SME Tape

You can view information about unique tape volume keys, tape volume group keys, and shared tape volume group keys. Using DCNM-SAN Web Client, you can view keys that are stored in the Cisco KMC. When keys are generated, they are marked as active; keys that are imported are marked as deactivated. The keys are never displayed in clear text.

Viewing Keys for SME Disk

You can view information about disk keys. Using DCNM-SAN Web Client, you can view keys that are stored in the Cisco KMC. When keys are generated, they are marked as active; keys that are imported are marked as deactivated. The keys are never displayed in clear text.

Feature History for SME Key Management

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 14: Feature History for SME Key Management

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Software change	5.2(1)	In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).
	4.1(1c)	In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained.
Migrating KMC server	4.1(1c)	In 4.1(1c), the KMC server can be migrated.
Accounting log	4.1(1c)	In 4.1(1c) and later, users can view the rekey operations and their status in the SME tab of the Fabric Manager Web Client.
High availability KMC server	4.1(3)	High availability KMC can be configured by using a primary and secondary servers. In 4.1(3), HA settings are available on the Key Manager Settings page. The primary and secondary servers can be chosen during cluster creation. The primary and secondary server settings can be modified in the Cluster detail page.
Auto replication of media keys	4.1(3)	In 4.1(3) Tape Key replication was known as Remote Replication. A remote replication relationship can be set between volume groups. SME allows you to automatically replicate the media keys from one SME cluster to one or more clusters. In 4.1(3), remote replication relationship settings are available.
Host names are accepted as server addresses	4.1(3)	You can enter IP addresses or host names for the servers.
Volume key rekey	3.3(1c)	Volume keys are rekeyed to ensure better security or when key security is compromised.
Master key rekey	3.3(1c)	In the advanced mode, the smart card replacement triggers a master key rekey and a new version of the master key is generated for the cluster. The new set of master keyshares are stored in the smart cards. All the volume group keys are also synchronized with the new master key.



CHAPTER 9

Provisioning Certificates

The Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol secures the network communication and allows data to be encrypted before transmission and provides security. Many application servers and web servers support the use of keystores for SSL configuration. The use of SSL between the switches and KMC requires provisioning of Public Key Infrastructure.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Information About Public Key Infrastructure Certificates, on page 145](#)
- [Prerequisites for SSL, on page 145](#)
- [Configuring SSL Using CLI, on page 146](#)
- [Feature History for SSL, on page 150](#)

Information About Public Key Infrastructure Certificates

A certificate is an electronic document that you use to identify a server, a company, or some other entity and to associate that identity with a public key.

Certificate authority (CA) are entities that validate identities and issue certificates. The certificate that the CA issues binds a particular public key to the name of the entity that the certificate identifies (such as the name of a server or device). Only the public key that the certificate certifies works with the corresponding private key that is possessed by the entity that the certificate identifies. Certificates help prevent the use of fake public keys for impersonation.

Prerequisites for SSL

Before configuring SSL, consider the following:

- You must install a third-party tool such as the freely available OpenSSL application to generate keys, certificates, and certificate signing requests. Download OpenSSL for Windows from the following link:
<http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/openssl.ht>

After installing in Windows, by default, openssl.exe is located at c:\openssl\bin.

- Ensure that the time in all the switches, DCNM-SAN and the system running the OpenSSL commands, are all synchronized.
- Provide different identities for the CA certificate and KMC certificate.

- Only JRE1.6 JAVA keytool is supported for importing PKCS12 certificates to Java Keystores (JKS) files.

Configuring SSL Using CLI

This section describes the following SSL configuration topics:

Creating the CA Certificate

Your organization might already have a CA certificate. If you are requesting the CA from a security administrator, indicate that you need the CA certificate in PEM format, and you will need them to sign certificates as part of configuring SME. If you do not have or want to use an existing CA, you can create a new one by using an OpenSSL command.

This command is used to create the Certificate Authority (CA). This command creates a certificate (identify plus public key) and a private key. The private key must always be protected. In a typical enterprise organization, the private key should already exist.

Create a CA certificate using the OpenSSL application. Enter the following command for the 365-day certificate:

```
OpenSSL> req -x509 -days 365 -newkey rsa:2048 -out cacert.pem -outform PEM
```

This command creates two files: a cacert.pem file and a privkey.pem file in the directory with OpenSSL.exe. The cacert.pem file is the certificate. The privkey.pem file must be stored in a safe location.

Configuring Trust points

This sequence of steps must be done for all of the switches managed by a DCNM-SAN server. Ensure that the same trustpoint name is used for all the switches.

To configure trustpoints, follow these steps:

-
- Step 1** Enter the configuration mode.
- ```
switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
```
- Step 2** Create a trust point named my\_ca.
- ```
switch(config)# crypto ca trustpoint my_ca
```
- Step 3** Create an RSA key pair for the switch in the trustpoint submode.
- ```
switch(config-trustpoint)# rsa keypair my_ca_key 2048
```
- Step 4** Exit the trustpoint submode.
- ```
switch(config-trustpoint)# exit
```
- Step 5** Authenticate the cacert.pem file for the trustpoint by cutting and pasting the contents of the cacert.pem created in Step 1.
- ```
switch(config)# crypto ca authenticate my_ca
input (cut & paste) CA certificate (chain) in PEM format;
end the input with a line containing only END OF INPUT :
```

```

----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----
MIIDnJCCAwegAwIBAgIBADANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQQFADCB1zELMAkGA1UEBhMCVVMx
EzARBgNVBAgTCkNhbG1mb3JuaWEwETAPBgNVBACTCFNhb3N1MR0wGAYDVQK
ExFDaXNjbyBTeXN0ZW1zIEluYzEOMAwGA1UECzMFRGV2ZWwxEtAPBgNVBAMTCG1h
bWVzc2V5MSEwHwYJKoZIhvcNAQkBFhJtYW1hc3NleUBjaXNjby5jb20wHhcNMDcx
MTIyMDgzNDM1WhcNMDgzNDM1WjCB1zELMAkGA1UEBhMCVVMxEzARBgNV
BAgTCkNhbG1mb3JuaWEwETAPBgNVBACTCFNhb3N1MR0wGAYDVQKExFDaXNj
byBTeXN0ZW1zIEluYzEOMAwGA1UECzMFRGV2ZWwxEtAPBgNVBAMTCG1hbWVzc2V5
MSEwHwYJKoZIhvcNAQkBFhJtYW1hc3NleUBjaXNjby5jb20wGZ8wDQYJKoZIhvcN
AQEBBQADgY0AMIGJAoGBAMbZAv0+Ka/FS3/jwdaqItc8Ow3alpW9gyqEzA3uFLjN
tXSfHRu9OsrP5tliHHLJP+fezeAUUvfmMTPrOIxURcF2c7Yq1Ux5s4Ua3cMGf9BG
YBRbh08Filt2mGDqY5uOmJY+eViR69MZk8Ouj+gRxQq83fB8MqJG39f1BedRcZLB
AgMBAAGjgfcwgfQwHQYDVR0OBBYEFGXsBg7f7FJcL/741j+M2dgI7rIyMIHEBgNV
HSMEgbwgbmAFGXsBg7f7FJcL/741j+M2dgI7rIyoYGdpIGaMIGXMQswCQYDVQK
EwJVUzETMBEGA1UECBMkQ2FsaWZvcmlpYTERMA8GA1UEBxMIU2FuIEpvc2UxGjAY
BgNVBAoTEUNpc2NvIFN5c3RlbXMgSW5jMQ4wDAYDVQQLEwVEZXZ1bDERMA8GA1UE
AxMIbWVtYXNjZXkxITAFBgkqhkiG9w0BCQEWEm1hbWVzc2V5QGNpc2NvLmNvbYIB
ADAMBgNVHRMERTADAQH/MA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBAUAA4GBAFmDucZ1BZFJk09IihEm
5wd4oouxHsKPQroyG/CYShvlXXAyEGytXuCAITDzmq2IjiFbZt0kiIyup9YRQLNR
z47G4IRJGp5J2HnOc2cdF8Mc0DDApdgndUiIX/lv7vuQfyxqX45oSncwQct3y38/
FPEbcRgZgnOgwcrqBzKV0Y3+
----END CERTIFICATE----
END OF INPUT
Fingerprint(s): MD5 Fingerprint=1E:18:10:69:7B:C1:CC:EA:82:08:67:FB:90:7D:58:EB
Do you accept this certificate? [yes/no]:yes

```

- Step 6** Generate a certificate request for enrolling with the trustpoint created in Step 2. This request will be used by the CA sign the switch's certificate.

```

switch(config)# crypto ca enroll my_ca
Create a challenge password. You will need to verbally provide this
password to the CA Administrator in order to revoke your certificate.
For security reasons your password will not be saved in the configuration.
Please make a note of it.
Password:nbv123
The subject name in the certificate will be: ips-vegas8.cisco.com
Include the switch serial number in the subject name? [yes/no]:no
Include an IP address in the subject name [yes/no]:no
The certificate request will be displayed...
----BEGIN CERTIFICATE REQUEST----
MIIBJTCB0AIBADAfMR0wGwYDVQQDEXRpcHMTdmVnYXN0ZW1zIEluYzEOMAwGA1UECzMFRGV2ZWwxEtAPBgNVBAMTCG1h
bWVzc2V5MSEwHwYJKoZIhvcNAQkBFhJtYW1hc3NleUBjaXNjby5jb20wHhcNMDcxMTIyMDgzNDM1WhcNMDgzNDM1WjCB1zELMAkGA1UEBhMCVVMx
EzARBgNVBAgTCkNhbG1mb3JuaWEwETAPBgNVBACTCFNhb3N1MR0wGAYDVQKExFDaXNjbyBTeXN0ZW1zIEluYzEOMAwGA1UECzMFRGV2ZWwxEtAPBgNVBAMTCG1h
bWVzc2V5MSEwHwYJKoZIhvcNAQkBFhJtYW1hc3NleUBjaXNjby5jb20wDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEBBQADQSBzPcKE3Eje
TjODnPXNkz1Wsu3oUdsuxOT/m1OSBZvhBfHICQZzpfS2ILqaQP16LiZCYdHWViN
Q+9LmHUZ4BDG
----END CERTIFICATE REQUEST----
switch(config)#

```

- Step 7** Create a file named switch.csr in the OpenSSL.exe directory. Cut and paste the certificate request created in Step 6. Ensure that you include the BEGIN CERTIFICATE REQUEST and END CERTIFICATE REQUEST lines in the file content.
- Step 8** Generate a certificate using the switch certificate request in the OpenSSL application by entering the following command:  
 OpenSSL> x509 -req -days 365 -in switch.csr -CA cacert.pem -CAkey privkey.pem -set\_serial 01 -out switch.pem  
 This is the switch's public certificate, now signed by the CA.

**Note** If your security administrator controls the CA, you will need to send them the switch.csr file and request that they complete this step and respond with the switch.pem file.

**Step 9** Import the signed certificate on the switch by cutting and pasting the contents of the switch.pem file that was created in Step 8.

```
switch(config)# crypto ca import my_ca certificate
input (cut & paste) certificate in PEM format:
----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----
MIIB4jCCAUsCAQEwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEEBQAwwZcxZcZAJBgNVBAYTA1VTMRMwEQYD
VQIEwPDYXpZm9ybm1hMREwDwYDVQQHEWhTYW4gSm9zZTEaMBGGA1UEChMRQ21z
Y28gU31zdGVtcyBjbMxMjMjMBGNVBAsTBURlcmVSMREwDwYDVQQDEWhTYW1hc3Nl
eTEhMB8GCSqGSIb3DQEJARYSbWFTYXNzZX1AY21zY28uY29tMB4XDTA3MTIxNDAY
MzIzOVVhZDQ3MTIxMzAyMzIzOVVhZEdMBsGA1UEAxMUaXBzLXZlZ2FzOC5jaXNj
by5jb20wXDANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQEFAANLADBIARKEAngM7+cPXd9mKT32HTWKBYz1t
MkVW2BHvpjR4vG91Tz1WelDhXYSEtSJtP179QaXLSuE0ZLbu8ITcsr77t541XQID
AQABMA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBAUAA4GBAKR3WAAF/9zMb2u9A42I2cB2G5lucSzndc4P
+O4sYZF5pBt7UpyAs1GKAqiVGVXvq2FJ2JetX78Fqy7jYCzanWm0tck0/G1dSfr/X
lCFXUuVed9de02yqxARSEx8mX4ifqzYHErHdbi+vDaAmzkUEvHWthOuUZ7fvpoNH
+XhRAuBo
----END CERTIFICATE----
```

You now have a fully configured trustpoint on the switch: A defined trustpoint, a recognized CA, a public/private key pair, and a CA signed certificate identifying the switch. The signed certificate can be used for PKI communications with all entities that recognize the CA. Repeat steps 1 through 9 for every switch in the fabric.

## Removing Trustpoints

This sequence of steps must be done for all of the switches to remove the crypto CA signed trustpoints.

To remove the trustpoints, follow these steps:

**Step 1** Enter the configuration mode.

**Example:**

```
switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
```

**Step 2** Enter into the trustpoint mode.

**Example:**

```
switch(config)# crypto ca trustpoint my_ca
```

**Step 3** Remove the certificate corresponding to the trustpoint.

**Example:**

```
switch(config-trustpoint)# delete certificate force
```

**Step 4** Remove an RSA keypair for the switch in the trustpoint submode.

**Example:**

```
switch(config-trustpoint)# no rsakeypair my_ca_key
```

**Step 5** Remove the CA certificate corresponding to the trustpoint.

**Example:**

```
switch(config-trustpoint)# delete ca-certificate
```

**Step 6** Exit the trustpoint submode.

**Example:**

```
switch(config-trustpoint)# exit
```

**Step 7** Removing the trustpoint that is configured.

**Example:**

```
switch(config)# no crypto ca trustpoint my_ca
```

## Generating KMC Certificate

To generate the KMC certificate, follow these steps. Generate KMC certificate by entering the following commands in the OpenSSL application:

**Step 1** Create the KCM Server's private key.

```
OpenSSL> genrsa -out sme_kmc_server.key 2048
```

**Step 2** Create a certificate signing request using the private key from Step 1.

```
OpenSSL> req -new -key sme_kmc_server.key -out sme_kmc_server.csr -config openssl.conf
```

**Step 3** Using the certificate and private key, create a signed certificate for the KMC Server.

```
OpenSSL> x509 -req -days 365 -in sme_kmc_server.csr -CA cacert.pem -CAkey privkey.pem -CAcreateserial -out sme_kmc_server.cert
```

**Note** If your security administrator controls the CA, you will need to send them the sme\_kmc\_server.csr and request that they complete this step and respond with the sme\_kmc\_server.cert.

**Step 4** Export the signed KMC certificate to pkcs12 format.

```
OpenSSL> pkcs12 -export -in sme_kmc_server.cert -inkey sme_kmc_server.key -out sme_kmc_server.p12
```

**Step 5** Import this PKCS12 keystore to Java Keystores using JAVA keytool (JRE 1.6).

```
"<JAVA_HOME>\bin\keytool" -importkeystore -srckeystore sme_kmc_server.p12 -srcstoretype PKCS12 -destkeystore sme_kmc_server.jks -deststoretype JKS
```

**Note** Remember the password because it needs to be updated in the properties file.

**Step 6** Import the CA certificate to Java Keystores using JAVA keytool (JRE 1.6).

```
"<JAVA_HOME>\bin\keytool" -importcert -file cacert.pem -keystore sme_kmc_trust.jks -storetype JKS
```

**Step 7** Place these keystore files in the <install path>dcm\fm\conf\cert directory.

**Step 8** Modify the KMC SSL settings in the Key Manager Settings in DCNM-SAN Web Client.

**Step 9** Restart the DCNM-SAN server.

**Note** You can also use sme\_kmc\_server.p12 as KMC certificate and cacert.pem as KMC trust certificate instead of using Java keystores created in Step 5 and 6.

**Note** User need to place the keystore files for every DCNM upgrade if a cluster is up and running with SSL ON Option. DCNM Upgrade donot retain keystore files.

## Feature History for SSL

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 15: Feature History for SSL**

| Feature Name                                       | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Software change                                    | 5.2(1)   | In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).                                                                                    |
|                                                    | 4.1(1c)  | In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained. |
| Generating and installing self-signed certificates | 4.1(1c)  | In Release 4.1(1c) and later, the SSL configuration when KMC is separated from Fabric Manager Server.                                                       |
| Introduction to Secure Socket Layer (SSL)          | 3.3(1c)  | Describes how to configure SSL for SME and edit SSL settings in the SME wizard.                                                                             |



## CHAPTER 10

# RSA Key Manager and SME

This chapter describes the procedures to be followed to set up the RSA Key Manager (RKM) to work with SME.

This chapter includes the following topics:



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**Note** RSA Key Manager is not supported for SME Disk. It is only applicable for SME Tape.

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- [Prerequisites for RKM, on page 151](#)
- [Configuring RKM, on page 151](#)
- [Feature History for RKM, on page 155](#)

## Prerequisites for RKM

In order to implement a complete working security solution between Cisco KMC and RKM, you need to install and set up the RKM application.

The following applications are required:

- Windows WK2, XP, or W2K3 host
- DCNM-SAN Server, Release, 3.2(3)
- OpenSSL
- JAVA JDK or JRE

## Configuring RKM

The process of setting up the RKM to work with SME, involves the following tasks:

After completing these tasks, you will be able to select RSA as the key manager for SME, and create a cluster.

## Installing the RKM Application

To install the RKM application, follow the instructions provided in the RSA Install Guide.

## Generating CA Certificates

The files that are created during this process are stored in the /bin directory of the OpenSSL program.

To generate CA certificates, follow these steps:

### Before you begin

- Generating CA certificates requires access to an OpenSSL system. You can obtain a Windows version at <http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/openssl.htm>.

**Step 1** Double-click openssl.exe in the directory.

**Step 2** Create the key using the OpenSSL application. Enter the following command:

#### Example:

```
OpenSSL> genrsa -out rt.key 1024
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Generating RSA private key, 1024 bit long modulus
.+++++
.....+++++
e is 65537 (0x10001)
```

**Step 3** Set how long the certificate will be valid. Keep track of this date.

**Note** Use a different common name for the client and server certificates.

#### Example:

```
OpenSSL> req -new -key rt.key -x509 -days 365 -out rt.cert
You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.

Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:
Locality Name (eg, city) []:
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:
Common Name (eg, YOUR name) []:home
Email Address []:
```

**Step 4** Create the proper pkcs12 certificate. The export password is the password needed by the SME RSA installation.

#### Example:

```
OpenSSL> pkcs12 -export -in rt.cert -inkey rt.key -out rt.p12
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Enter Export Password:
Verifying - Enter Export Password:
```

**Step 5** Generate a new key for the client.

#### Example:



```
OpenSSL> genrsa -out client.key 1024
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Generating RSA private key, 1024 bit long modulus
.....+++++
....+++++
e is 65537 (0x10001)
```

**Step 6** Create the **client.csr** file. This is the owner. The common name must be different from the issuer home.

**Example:**

```
OpenSSL> req -new -key client.key -out client.csr
You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated into your certificate
request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.

Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:
Locality Name (eg, city) []:
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:cae
Common Name (eg, YOUR name) []:
Email Address []:
Please enter the following 'extra' attributes
to be sent with your certificate request
A challenge password []:
An optional company name []:
```

**Step 7** Set the duration the certificate will be valid. Keep track of this date.

**Example:**

```
OpenSSL> x509 -req -days 365 -in client.csr -CA rt.cert -CAkey rt.key -CAcreateserial -out client.cert
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Signature ok
subject=/C=AU/ST=wi/L=HUDSON/O=CISCO/OU=cae/CN=mikef/emailAddress=mikef@cisco.com
Getting CA Private Key
```

**Step 8** Create the pkcs12 certificate.

**Example:**

```
OpenSSL> pkcs12 -export -in client.cert -inkey client.key -out client.p12
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Enter Export Password:
Verifying - Enter Export Password:
OpenSSL> genrsa -out server.key 1024
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Generating RSA private key, 1024 bit long modulus
..+++++
.....+++++
e is 65537 (0x10001)
```

**Step 9** Create the new server key. This is the owner. The common name must be different from the issuer home.

**Example:**

```
OpenSSL> req -new -key server.key -out server.csr
```

```

You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated
into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN.
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
If you enter '.', the field will be left blank.
--
Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:
Locality Name (eg, city) []:
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:
Common Name (eg, YOUR name) []:
Email Address []:
Please enter the following 'extra' attributes
to be sent with your certificate request
A challenge password []:
An optional company name []:

```

**Step 10** Set the duration the certificate will be valid. Keep track of this date.

**Example:**

```

OpenSSL> x509 -req -days 365 -in server.csr -CA rt.cert -CAkey rt.key -CAcreateserial -out server.cert
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Signature ok
subject=/C=AU/ST=wi/L=town/O=cisco/OU=tac/CN=bill/emailAddress=bill@cisco.com
Getting CA Private Key

```

**Step 11** Create the pkcs12 certificate for serverpub.

**Example:**

```

OpenSSL> pkcs12 -export -in server.cert -inkey server.key -nokeys -out serverpub.p12
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Enter Export Password:
Verifying - Enter Export Password:

```

**Step 12** Create the pkcs12 certificate again for the server.

**Example:**

```

OpenSSL> pkcs12 -export -in server.cert -inkey server.key -out server.p12
Loading 'screen' into random state - done
Enter Export Password:
Verifying - Enter Export Password:
OpenSSL>

```

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## Creating JKS Files Using the Java Keytool

To create the JKS files needed by the DCNM-SAN using the JAVA Keytool, do the following:

- 
- Step 1** Copy **client.p12** and **serverpub.p12** that are found in the OpenSSL **/bin** directory to the DCNM-SAN Java directory tool directory **C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.5.0\_11\bin**.
  - Step 2** From a DOS window in the Java **/bin** directory, create the JKS files needed by the SME KMC.

**Example:**

```

Import client PKCS12 keystore to JKS
keytool -importkeystore -srckeystore client.p12 -srcstoretype PKCS12 -destkeystore sme_rkm_client.jks
 -deststoretype JKS
Import server PKCS12 keystore to JKS
keytool -importkeystore -srckeystore serverpub.p12 -srcstoretype PKCS12 -destkeystore sme_rkm_trust.jks
 -deststoretype JKS

```

Place these keystore files in the mds9000/conf/cert directory and restart DCNM-SAN.

## Placing Certificates in RKM

To place certificates in the RKM, follow these steps:

- Step 1** After generating all certificates, copy the **rt.p12** file to the **C:\rkm-2.1.2-trial\certs\rt** directory.
- Step 2** Copy the **server.p12** file to the **C:\rkm-2.1.2-trial\certs\server** directory.
- Step 3** Restart the RKM.

## Migrating From Cisco KMC to RKM

You can use RKM at the time of SME installation, or you can choose to deploy SME with the integrated Cisco KMC later. If RKM is deployed after Cisco KMC has been used alone, you need to perform an explicit key migration procedure before using RKM with SME.

This section describes the procedure for migrating encryption keys, wrap keys, and encryption policy information from Cisco KMC to RKM.



**Note** The migration procedure will differ when Cisco KMC uses the PostgreSQL database or the Oracle Express database for the key catalog. These differences are documented wherever applicable.



**Note** In Cisco MDS 9000 NX-OS Software Release 4.1(1c) and later, the keys are restored in the same state (active or deactivated) as before the migration.

## Feature History for RKM

The below table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 16: Feature History for RKM

| Feature Name            | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Software change         | 5.2(1)   | In Release 5.2(1), Fabric Manager is changed to DCNM for SAN (DCNM-SAN).                                                                                    |
|                         | 4.1(1c)  | In Release 4.1(1b) and later, the MDS SAN-OS software is changed to MDS NX-OS software. The earlier releases are unchanged and all references are retained. |
| RKM migration procedure | 4.1(1c)  | Procedure to migrate from Cisco KMC to RKM is explained.                                                                                                    |



# CHAPTER 11

## SME Best Practices

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This chapter describes SME best practices. You can avoid problems when configuring SME if you observe the best practices described in this chapter.

- [Overview of Best Practices, on page 157](#)

### Overview of Best Practices

Best practices are the recommended steps you should take to ensure the proper operation of SME. We recommend the following best practices for SME configurations:

#### General Practices

- Maintain a consistent Cisco NX-OS release across all your Cisco MDS switches.
- Refer to the [Planning For SME Installation, on page 177](#) appendix for preconfiguration information and procedures.
- Enable system message logging. For information on system messages, refer to the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family Troubleshooting Guide*.
- Refer to the release notes for your Cisco SAN-OS or NX-OS release for the latest features, limitations, and caveats.

#### SME Configuration Practices

- Troubleshoot any new configuration changes after implementing the change.
- Save all configuration changes on all switches in the cluster for correct cluster operation.
- When designing your backup environment, consider that Cisco SAN-OS or NX-OS supports one cluster per switch.
- All IT-nexuses that host paths between the server and storage must be added to the configuration or else the data integrity is at risk.
- For configuration changes to SME tape groups, it is recommended that the backup application is quiesced during the configuration change.
- Refer to the [Cisco Storage Media Encryption Design Guide](#) for guidelines on sizing and placements of SME interfaces.

## SME Disk and VAAI or Thin Provisioning Support

For the SME configuration, VAAI commands and thin provisioning are not supported.

The following VAAI commands are not supported by SME:

- Extended Copy
- Compare and Swap
- Compare and Write
- Write Same
- Unmap

## KMC Practices

- As your data storage grows, the number of tape keys will also grow over time. This is especially the case when you select the unique key mode. It is a good practice to store only active keys in the Cisco KMC database.
- To ensure redundancy and availability, it is important to back up your Cisco KMC database regularly.
- The Cisco KMC listens for key updates and retrieves requests from switches on a TCP port. The default port is 8800; however, the port number can be modified in the `smeserver.properties` file.



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**Note** For more information, refer to the [Storage Media Encryption Key Management](#) White Paper.

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## Fabric Management Practices

Use DCNM-SAN and Device Manager to proactively manage your fabric and detect possible problems before they become critical.



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**Note** For details on SME sizing and topology guidelines and case studies, refer to the [Cisco Storage Media Encryption Design Guide](#).

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# CHAPTER 12

## SME Troubleshooting

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This chapter describes basic troubleshooting methods used to resolve issues with Cisco Storage Media Encryption.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Troubleshooting Resources, on page 159](#)
- [Cluster Recovery Scenarios, on page 159](#)
- [Troubleshooting General Issues, on page 164](#)
- [Troubleshooting Scenarios, on page 164](#)

### Troubleshooting Resources

For additional information on troubleshooting, the *Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Troubleshooting Guide* provides guidance for troubleshooting issues that may appear when deploying a storage area network (SAN) using the Cisco MDS 9000 Family of switches. The *Cisco MDS 9000 NX-OS Family Troubleshooting Guide* introduces tools and methodologies that are used to recognize a problem, determine its cause, and find possible solutions.

### Cluster Recovery Scenarios

This section includes information on recovery procedures used when one or more switches in a SME cluster are offline or when you want to change the master switch assignment from one switch to another switch. It includes the following procedures:



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**Note** The procedures in this section describe troubleshooting solutions that use the CLI.

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**Note** The SME cluster configuration for an offline switch must be done using the CLI. SME cluster configuration for an online switch can be done using DCNM-SAN or the CLI.

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## Deleting an Offline Switch from a SME Cluster

To delete an offline switch when one or more switches are offline and the master switch is online, use the following procedure.

On the offline switch (for example, switch2), shut down the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster ABC**

switch(config-sme-cl)#**shutdown**

Shuts down the ABC cluster on the offline switch.

**Note** Repeat the procedure for every offline switch.

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On the cluster master switch, delete the offline switch (for example, switch2) by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster ABC**

switch(config-sme-cl)# **no node switch2**

Deletes switch2 from the ABC cluster configuration.

**Note** Repeat this step for every offline switch that was shut down in Step 1.

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On the offline switch (switch2), delete the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **no sme cluster ABC**

Deletes the ABC cluster configuration.

**Note** Delete the cluster on every offline switch that was shut down in the first procedure.

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## Deleting a SME Cluster with One or More Offline Switches while the Master Switch is Online

To delete a SME cluster that includes one or more offline switches and online master switch, use these procedures.



**Caution** Do not remove a cluster master switch from a cluster and then try to revive the cluster on an offline switch. Since the offline switch was not part of the operational cluster, the cluster master may have progressed beyond what is in the offline switch's state. Deleting the cluster master and reviving the cluster on an offline switch can lead to data corruption.

On the offline switch (switch2), shut down the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)#**sme cluster ABC**  
switch(config-sme-cl)#**shutdown**

Shuts down the ABC cluster on the offline switch

**Note** Repeat the procedure for every offline switch.

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On the cluster master switch, delete the offline switch (switch2) and then delete the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch#**configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)#**sme cluster ABC**  
switch(config-sme-cl)#**no node switch2**

Deletes switch2 from the ABC cluster configuration.

**Note** Repeat this step for every offline switch that was shut down in the first procedure.

**Step 3** switch(config)#**no sme cluster ABC**

Deletes the ABC cluster configuration.

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On the offline switch (switch2), delete the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **no sme cluster** ABC

Deletes the ABC cluster configuration.

**Note** Delete the cluster on every offline switch that was shut down in the first procedure.

## Deleting a SME Cluster when All Switches are Offline

To delete a SME cluster when the master switch and all other switches are offline, use these procedures.



**Note** When all switches are offline, the cluster is offline.

On the offline switch (for example, switch2), shut down the cluster by performing this task:

**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** ABC

switch(config-sme-cl)# **shutdown**

Shuts down the ABC cluster on the offline switch.

**Note** Repeat this procedure for every offline switch.

On the cluster master switch, shut down the cluster and then delete the cluster by performing this task:

**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster** ABC

switch(config-sme-cl)# **shutdown**

Shuts down the ABC cluster.

**Step 3** switch(config)# **no sme cluster** ABC

Deletes the ABC cluster configuration.

On the offline switch (switch2), delete the cluster by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **no sme cluster ABC**

Deletes the ABC cluster configuration.

**Note** Delete the cluster on every offline switch that was shut down in the first procedure.

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## Reviving an SME Cluster

To revive a cluster on the switch that has the latest SME configuration version, use these procedures.

Perform the following steps sequentially to revive a cluster when one or more switches are offline and the cluster is nonoperational (for example, due to a quorum loss). This recovery procedure includes deleting one or more offline switches and then reviving the cluster on the remaining switches.



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**Caution** A SME cluster must only be revived on the switch with the latest SME configuration version as displayed by the **show sme cluster detail** command. Reviving the cluster on a switch that does not have the highest configuration version can lead to data corruption.

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Shut down the cluster configuration on all the switches by following this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2** switch(config)# **sme cluster ABC**

Creates a SME cluster named ABC.

**Step 3** switch(config-sme-cl)# **shutdown**

**Example:**

This change can be disruptive. Please ensure you have read the "SME Cluster Recovery Procedure" in the configuration guide. -- Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) [n] y

Shuts down the ABC cluster on the switch.

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Delete the cluster configuration on the offline switches, that were shut down in the preceding section, by performing this task:

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**Step 1** switch# **configure terminal**

Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2**    `switch(config)# nosme cluster ABC`  
Shuts down the ABC cluster on the offline switch.

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On the cluster master switch, delete all the switches by performing this task:

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**Step 1**    `switch# configure terminal`  
Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2**    `switch(config)# sme cluster ABC`  
Creates an SME cluster named ABC.

**Step 3**    `switch(config-sme-cl)# no node switchname`  
Deletes a switch from the configuration.

**Note**     Repeat for every switch that needs to be deleted.

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Restart the cluster configuration on the remaining switches by performing this task:

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**Step 1**    `switch# configure terminal`  
Enters configuration mode.

**Step 2**    `switch(config)# sme cluster ABC`  
Creates a SME cluster named ABC.

**Step 3**    `switch(config-sme-cl)# no shutdown`

**Example:**

```
This change can be disruptive. Please ensure you have read the "SME Cluster Recovery Procedure" in
the configuration guide. -- Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) [n] y
switch(config-sme-cl)#
```

Starts the ABC cluster on a switch.

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## Troubleshooting General Issues

The SME naming convention includes alphanumeric, dash, and underscore characters. Other types of characters will cause problems in the cluster configuration.

## Troubleshooting Scenarios

The following scenarios are described in this section:

### If DNS is not configured on all switches in a cluster

You can use `sme.useIP` for IP address or name selection when DNS is not configured on all switches in a cluster.

`sme.useIP` can be used in `smeserver.properties` to enable the use of IP addresses instead of switch names. By default `sme.useIP` is set to `false` and DNS names will be used. When DNS is not configured, DCNM-SAN cannot resolve the switch names.

When `sme.useIP` is set to `true`, DCNM-SAN uses an IP address to communicate with switch in the cluster using SSH. All switches are added to the cluster with an IP address. When you add a local switch, the switch name is used if the name server is configured on the switch, otherwise, the IP address is used.

When `sme.useIP` is `false`, DCNM-SAN will use the switch name to select interfaces. All the switches added to the clusters will be identified with names. A name server is required for this type of configuration. Otherwise, switches will not be able to communicate with other switches to form the cluster and DCNM-SAN will not be able to resolve the switch name.

### If you need to replace an MSM-18/4 module with another MSM-18/4 module

In the existing MDS 9000 Family platform, a module can be replaced with another module and there is no change in configuration. In SME, due to security reasons, when an MSM-18/4 module is configured as part of a cluster it cannot be replaced with another MSM-18/4 module, otherwise, the SME interface will come up in an inactive state. The correct procedure is to remove the SME interface from the cluster and re-add the interface back into the cluster.

### If an SME cluster is not successfully created

There are three main reasons that a SME cluster may not be successfully created:

- SSH must be enabled on every switch that is part of a SME cluster.



**Note** Only SSH/dsa or SSH/rsa are supported for SME cluster configurations using DCNM-SAN Web Client. SSH/rsa1 is not supported for SME cluster config via DCNM-SAN web client in 3.2.2 (release with SME feature). It may (or may not) be supported in future releases.

- If the SME switches are managed using their IP addresses (instead of host names or FQDN), the entry “`sme.useIP=true`” must be set in the `smeserver.properties` file. Be sure to restart the DCNM-SAN after modifying the `smeserver.properties` file.
- The DNS server must be configured.
- Sometimes improperly configured personal firewall software (running on Cisco DCNM-SAN) may also cause a created SME cluster to stay in the “pending” state. Be sure to create proper firewall rules to allow necessary traffic between DCNM-SAN and the DCNM-SAN Web Client and switches.

### SME Interface creation error

If there are any errors while SME interface creation, ensure the following:

- Ensure that the service module status is online.
- Ensure that the Storage Service Interface (SSI) boot variable is not configured for the service module. If the SSI boot variable is configured for the service module, then the SME interface creation fails.

### An SME interface does not come up in a cluster

If an SME interface does not come up, this can be due to the following:

- An SME license is not installed or the license has expired.
- An MSM-18/4 module has been replaced after the SME interface has been configured.
- The **copy running-config startup-config** command was not entered after adding or deleting an SME interface from a cluster or before rebooting the switch.

For the second and third scenarios, you must first remove and re-add the interface to the cluster and then enter the **copy running-config startup-config** command.

### When selecting paths, a “no paths found” message is displayed

A tape library controller or robot can be shown as a target in the **Select Tape Drives** wizard. If you select the controller or robot as a target, a “no paths found” message is displayed. You will need to verify whether or not the selected target is a controller or robot.

When the “no paths found” message is displayed, enter the **show tech** and **show tech-support sme** command.

### Newly added tape drives are not showing in a cluster

If you add new tape drives as LUNs to a tape library after SME has already discovered available tape drives, a rescan is required from the host to discover the new LUNs.

### If you need to contact your customer support representative or Cisco TAC

At some point, you may need to contact your customer support representative or Cisco TAC for some additional assistance. Before doing so, enter the **show tech details** and the **show tech sme** commands and collect all logs from the **C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\MDS 9000\logs** directory before contacting your support organization.

### A syslog message is displayed when a Cisco MDS switch configured with SME in the startup configuration boots up

When you reboot a Cisco MDS switch that has the cluster configuration stored in the startup-config file, the following syslog message may be displayed:

```
<timestamp> <switch name> %CLUSTER-2-CLUSTER_DB_SYNC_FAIL: Cluster <cluster-id> application
3 dataset 1 database synchronization failed, reason="Invalid cluster API registration"
```

This error message is expected and can be ignored.

### Importing a volume group file causes a 'wrap key object not found' error message

A tape volume group was created and the volume group was exported to a file. The tape volume group was deleted and a new tape volume group was created. When the same volume group was imported, the import operation fails and the error message “wrap key object not found” is displayed.

This error occurs because there is another volume group key active in the Key Management Center with the same index (but different versions) as the current volume group into which the import operation is performed.

**Accounting log file shows the replication of keys failed**

The replication of a key for a cluster fails when the transaction context is invalid or is expired. The key entry will be moved to Sme\_repl\_error\_key table. You should manually remove this record from the Sme\_repl\_error\_key table to the Sme\_repl\_pending\_key table and retry the replication process.

**Issues with smart card(s) or card reader**

If you have issues with smartcard operations, the following will help ensure success:

- After a reboot, use only one instance of a supported browser.
- Ensure that there is no smart card in the reader while the applet/wizard starts loads.
- When you insert a card and the wizard does not recognize the change, take out the card and reseal it in the reader. Sometimes this triggers correct recognition.
- As a last resort, clearing the java classloader cache will help. Open the java console, and press x to clear the classloader cache. Then restart the browser and try again.







# CHAPTER 13

## Disaster Recovery in SME

This appendix includes the following sections:

- [Disaster Recovery Sequence for SME Tape, on page 169](#)
- [Disaster Recovery Sequence for SME Disk, on page 170](#)

### Disaster Recovery Sequence for SME Tape



**Caution** Use this procedure only if the SME cluster cannot be recovered to an online / active state. A new SME Cluster must be created and existing keys imported into the new SME Cluster.

To recover SME tape, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** Ensure that all backup operations are stopped.
  - Step 2** If the ASCII configuration of the SME Cluster exists on the switches, you must removed it. Save the show SME tech support and show running config commands off the switches before any changes are done. These files are useful when configuring the new SME Cluster.
  - Step 3** Log in to the Key Manager (DCNM Web Client) with credentials that allow you to do key operations (admin, sme-kmc-admin, network-operator).
  - Step 4** Export all volume groups from the original cluster. If you already have an up to date exported backup, you can skip this step. The Master Key of the old SME Cluster is required to complete this step. If the Cluster's security mode is Basic, you must have the Master Key file. If the Cluster's security mode is Standard or Advanced, you must supply the required number of smart cards to reconstitute the Master Key.
    - View the tape group, select each volume group and click export. The web client will guide you through an offline export requiring the input of the master key for each export.
    - The keys are exported to a passwor- protected file.
    - If there is more than one tape group, this procedure must be done for each tape group, including every volume group. The files should be clearly labelled so that you know which tape group the export belongs to.
  - Step 5** Using the DCNM UI, create a new cluster with a new name, with the same cluster settings.
  - Step 6** Create a new tape group to match each old tape group.

- Create a new volume group to match each volume group from the original Cluster.
- Add the tape devices.

**Step 7** If you want to continue writing to existing tapes, modify **smeserver.properties** in the FMS conf directory. If you skip this step, the existing tapes will be read only.

- Edit **smeserver.properties** and add **sme.retain.imported.key.state=true**
- Restart the DCNM Server.
- Wait for FMS to restart and log in again.

**Step 8** Import the volume groups from step 3 into the new cluster in their respective tape groups volume groups.

**Step 9** If you did not skip step 7, complete these steps:

- Edit **smeserver.properties** and remove **sme.retain.imported.key.state=true**
- Restart Fabric Manager Server.
- Wait for FMS to restart and log in again.

The new SME Cluster should now be online, with a stable connection to the KMC. The keys from the old SME Cluster have now been imported into the new SME Cluster. Backup operations can be resumed.

## Disaster Recovery Sequence for SME Disk

To recover SME disk, follow these steps:

**Step 1** Ensure that all backup operations are stopped.

**Step 2** If the ASCII configuration of the SME Cluster exists on the switches, you must remove it. save the show sme tech support and show running config commands of the switches before any changes are done. These files will be useful when configuring the new SME Cluster.

**Step 3** Log in to the Key Manager (DCNM Web Client) with credentials that allow you to do key operations (admin, sme-kmc-admin, network-operator).

**Step 4** Export all of the disk keys from the original cluster. If you already have an up-to-date exported backup, you can skip this step. The Master Key of the old SME cluster is required to complete this step. If the cluster's security mode is Basic, you must have the Master Key file. If the cluster's security mode is Standard or Advanced, you must supply the required number of smart cards to reconstitute the Master Key.

- View the Disk Group, select all Disks, and click export. The web client guides you through an offline export requiring the input of the master key for each export.
- The keys are exported to a password-protected file.
- If there is more than one disk group, this procedure must be done for each disk group. The files should be clearly labelled so that you know which disk group the export belongs to.

**Step 5** Using the DCNM GUI, create a new cluster with a new name with the same cluster settings.

**Step 6** Create a new disk group to match each old disk group.

- Create a new disk to match each disk from the original cluster.

**Step 7** If you want to continue writing to existing disks, modify **smeserver.properties** in the FMS conf directory. If you skip this step, the existing Disks will be read only.

- a) Edit **smeserver.properties** and add **sme.retain.imported.key.state=true**
- b) Restart Fabric Manager Server.
- c) Wait for FMS to restart and log in again.

**Step 8** Import the keys from step 3 into the new cluster in their respective disk groups. Match each disk name as appropriate.

**Step 9** If you did not skip step 7, complete these steps:

- a) Edit **smeserver.properties** and remove **sme.retain.imported.key.state=true**
- b) Restart Fabric Manager Server.
- c) Wait for FMS to restart and log in again.

The new SME Cluster should now be online with a stable connection to the KMC. The keys from the old SME Cluster have now been imported into the new SME Cluster. Backup operations can be resumed.

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# CHAPTER 14

## Offline Data Recovery in SME

The SME solution provides seamless encryption service through a hardware-based encryption engine. When the MSM-18/4 module or the Cisco MDS 9222i fabric switch is not available, you can use the Offline Data Restore Tool (ODRT).



**Note** The offline data recovery in SME is only applicable for SME Tape.

This appendix describes the basic functionalities and operations of this software application and covers the following sections:

- [Information About Offline Data Restore Tool, on page 173](#)
- [ODRT Requirements, on page 174](#)

## Information About Offline Data Restore Tool

The Offline Data Restore Tool (ODRT) is a standalone Linux application and is a comprehensive solution for recovering encrypted data on tape volume groups when the MSM-18/4 module or the Cisco MDS 9222i switch is unavailable. The ODRT reads the tape volumes, encrypted by SME, and decrypts and decompresses the data and then writes clear-text data back to the tape volumes.

The following figure shows the topology supported by the ODRT.

**Figure 7: Offline Data Restore Tool (ODRT) Topology**



The encryption and decryption of data works in the following two steps:

- **Tape-to-disk**– The ODRT reads the encrypted data from the tape and stores it as intermediate files on the disk.
- **Disk-to-tape**– The ODRT reads intermediate files on the disk, decrypts and decompresses (if applicable) the data and writes the clear-text data to the tape.

The decryption key is obtained from the volume group file which you need to export from the Cisco Key Management Center (KMC). For information on exporting volume groups, see [Information About SME Key Management, on page 133](#)

The ODRT feature is invoked by entering the `odrt.bin` command from the Linux shell.

## ODRT Requirements

The prerequisites for running the ODRT tool are as follows:

- Platform—The ODRT is currently supported in Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5.
- CPU— The little-endian CPU design is supported, such as the x86 family of microprocessors. It is recommended that you use a fast CPU.
- Memory— There is no specific limit and a memory of 1 GB to 2 GB would be sufficient.
- Disk Sizing— The disk should hold 1 terabytes of data.
- Fibre Channel (FC) connectivity to the tape drive should be present.



## CHAPTER 15

# Database Backup and Restore

Databases need to have a well-defined and thoroughly tested backup and restore plan so that access to data is not at risk. The backup and recovery of databases involve the process of making a copy of a database in case of an equipment failure or disaster, then retrieving the copied database if needed.

This appendix explains how to back up and restore DCNM-SAN databases.

DCNM-SAN uses the PostgreSQL database management system as the default database. PostgreSQL databases are backed up with the **pg\_dump** command. The **pg\_dump** utility dumps the PostgreSQL database content to an ASCII dump file. The backup dump file represents a snapshot of the database at the time of backup.

The database is restored with the **pg\_restore** utility. The **pg\_restore** utility uses psql to rebuild the PostgreSQL database from the dump file created by **pg\_dump**.



**Note** Oracle Database Servers are supported for Cisco DCNM and SME. The management, backup, and restoring of Oracle Databases is outside the scope of this document. For more information, contact your local Oracle DBA for a backup and restore plan of your Oracle Database.

For more information about **pg\_dump**, go to this URL:

<http://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/interactive/app-pgdump.html>

This appendix includes the following sections:

- [Backing Up the DCNM-SAN Database, on page 175](#)
- [Restoring the DCNM-SAN Database, on page 176](#)
- [Database Backup and Restore Operations, on page 176](#)

## Backing Up the DCNM-SAN Database

To back up the DCNM-SAN database, use the PostgreSQL **pg\_dump** command as follows:

```
cd $INSTALLDIR/bin
./pgbackup.sh 02252008.data (on Linux and Solaris operation systems)
pgbackup.bat 02252008.data (on Windows operating system)
```

The `INSTALLDIR` is the top directory of DCNM-SAN Installation, and a backup file (02252008.data) is created in the `$INSTALLDIR/bin` directory.

Specify the full path name of the dump file to create the backup file in a standard backup directory.



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**Note** In all operating systems, the scripts run the **pg\_dump** command to back up the database.

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## Restoring the DCNM-SAN Database

To restore the DCNM-SAN database, use the **pg\_restore** command.

```
cd $ INSTALLDIR/bin
./pgrestore.sh 02252008.data (on Linux and Solaris operating systems)
pgrestore.bat 02252008.data (on Windows operating system)
```

The backup restore process requires the server to be stopped.



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**Note** In all operating systems, the scripts run **pg\_restore** command to restore the database.

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## Database Backup and Restore Operations

When implementing the DCNM-SAN backup and restore operations, note the following guidelines:

- The new media keys created after the backup of the database are lost after the restore operation since the backup copy does not have the latest media keys.
- If there are new tape backup groups and tape volume groups created after the database backup, the property should be set to true in `smeserver.properties` before starting the DCNM-SAN. This will synchronize the new volume group keys to the KMC.

```
sme.kmc.sync.model.at.startup=true
```

This property is also applicable for any tape volume group rekey operation.

- If a master key is rekeyed after the database backup, then restoring the data of the previous database makes the cluster unusable. After the master key rekey operation, make a backup of the database and discard the copies of the previous database backup.





## CHAPTER 16

# Planning For SME Installation

This appendix outlines the steps and guidelines that you need to be follow to ensure a successful SME installation. Before installing the application, read the requirements and prerequisites for the following services and features:

- [SAN Considerations](#) , on page 177
- [Interoperability Matrix](#), on page 178
- [MSM-18/4 Modules](#), on page 178
- [Key Management Center and DCNM-SAN Server](#), on page 178
- [Security](#), on page 179
- [Communication](#), on page 180
- [Preinstallation Requirements](#), on page 180
- [Preconfiguration Tasks](#), on page 180
- [Provisioning SME](#), on page 182
- [Migrating SME Database Table](#), on page 183

## SAN Considerations

Collect the following information about the SAN before installing SME:

- Version of the SAN or NX-OS operating system.



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**Note** We suggest that you use version Cisco SAN-OS Release 3.1(1a) or later or NX-OS Release 4.x or later.

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- SAN switch vendors.



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**Note** SME is supported on Cisco-only SANs. However, SANs that have switches from other vendors may also be supported on a case-by-case basis.

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- SAN topology, including the placement of hosts and targets and number of fabrics.
- Backup host operating system.

- Backup application type and version.
- HBA type and firmware version.
- Tape library and drive types.
- Number of hosts and tape drives.
- SAN topology diagram.
- Types of modules used for ISL connectivity (Generation 1 or Generation 2).



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**Note** This information is required for large SME setups.

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- Zoning of the hosts and tape drives and if all the drives are accessible to all the hosts. It is preferred that there is selective accessibility between the hosts and drives.

## Interoperability Matrix

Verify the interoperability matrix to be used. If needed, submit an RPQ for new types and versions of SAN components such as tape libraries and drives, or new backup application software versions.

Refer to the [Cisco MDS 9000 Family Interoperability Support Matrix](#).

## MSM-18/4 Modules

Collect the following information about MSM-18/4 modules:

- Determine the total throughput requirement and the required number of MSM-18/4 modules. The throughput requirement can be based on either meeting the backup window or based on achieving the line rate throughput for each drive. Refer to the [Cisco Storage Media Encryption Design Guide](#) for details.
- Determine the placement of the MSM-18/4 modules. Consult the design guide for sample topology and recommendations.
- For large SME setups, determine if the line cards used for ISLs can scale for the FC Redirect configuration. Refer to the [Cisco Storage Media Encryption Design Guide](#) for details.



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**Note** Generation 2 modules are recommended for ISL connectivity.

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- Order the appropriate number of SME licenses.

## Key Management Center and DCNM-SAN Server

Determine which of the following key management strategies and policies are appropriate for you:

- Use Cisco KMC or KMC with RSA Key Manager for the data center.
- Use PostgreSQL database or Oracle Express as the database.

We recommend that you use PostgreSQL as the database.

- Use shared key mode or unique key per tape.
- Configure key-on-tape mode.
- Use tape recycling.



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**Note** For more information about key policies, refer to the [Storage Media Encryption Key Management White Paper](#) and [Chapter 7, “Configuring SME Key Management.”](#)

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- Use basic or standard or advanced key security mode.

To learn more about master key security modes, refer to [Chapter 4, “Configuring SME Cluster Management.”](#)

If you are using smart cards in the standard or advanced security mode, ensure that you do the following:

- Install the GemPlus smart card reader drivers on the host used for SME provisioning. These card reader drivers are included in the Cisco MDS 9000 Management Software and Documentation CD-ROM.
- Order the required number of smart cards and readers.
- Identify a host in the customer environment for setting up the DCNM-SAN and KMC.

Refer to [Chapter 1, “Storage Media Encryption Overview”](#) to learn about the requirements.

## Security

Determine whether you will use SSL for switch-to-KMC communication. If you are using SSL, then do the following tasks:

- Identify whether a self-signed certificate is required or whether the customer will use their own certificate as the root certificate.
- List the names and IP addresses of the switches where the certificates will be installed.
- Install OpenSSL. This application could be installed on the server used for DCNM-SAN and KMC.
  - For the server running Windows operating system, download and install OpenSSL from the following locations:

<http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/openssl.htm>

<http://www.slproweb.com/products/Win32OpenSSL.html>

The SSL installed should be used to generate keys.

- Use the OpenSSL application installed at the following location:

C:\Program Files\GnuWin32\bin\openssl.exe



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**Note** For a server running on Linux, the OpenSSL application should already be available on the server.

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- Identify the authentication modes used in the SAN, that is local database, TACACS+, or RADIUS.

## Communication

Verify that you do the following tasks:

- Allow the following ports on the firewall server:
  - Ports 9333 to 9339 for TCP and UDP for SME cluster communication
  - Ports 8800 and 8900 for Cisco KMC communication
  - Ports HTTP (80) and HTTPS (443) for SME web-client communication
- Use either DNS or IP address (not a mix) for the SAN and KMC communication



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**Note** If you are using IP addresses, refer to the [“sme.useIP for IP Address or Name Selection”](#) section on page 2-32 to learn about sme.useIP.

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## Preinstallation Requirements

Before installing SME, ensure that you do the following tasks:

- Install Java 1.5 or 1.6 on the DCNM-SAN.
- If you are using SSL, install OpenSSL on the server to be used for SSL certificate generation.
- Ensure that essential ports are allowed through the firewall and on the management interface.
- If you are using DNS, ensure that all switches and the KMC server, are mutually reachable (through the ping command) using their DNS names.
- Synchronize the time between all the switches, the KMC and the server used for generating SSL certificates. Configure NTP if required.
- Ensure that the hosts and the tape drives are appropriately zoned.
- Ensure that there is CLI access to the switches.
- Install smart card reader drivers.
- Ensure that the required number of smart cards and readers are available.
- Install the MSM-18/4 modules and SME licenses on the required set of switches.

## Preconfiguration Tasks

Before configuring SME, you need to install DCNM-SAN, enable the services, assign roles and users, create fabrics, install SSL certificates, and then provision SME. The following sections describe the steps that you need to follow:

### Installing DCNM-SAN

While installing DCNM-SAN, do the following tasks:

- Ensure that the Cisco DCNM-SAN login name and password is the same as the switch login name and password.
- Select the appropriate database.
- Select the appropriate authentication mode.
- Select HTTPS during the installation.



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**Note** To know more about installing DCNM-SAN, refer to the Cisco DCNM-SAN Fundamentals Guide.

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## Configuring CFS Regions For FC-Redirect

To configure the CFS regions for FC-Redirect, do the following tasks:

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**Step 1** Configure a switch in the CFS region as shown in the following example:

**Example:**

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switch# configure terminal
switch# cfs region 2
switch# fc-redirect
switch# end
```

Repeat this step for all the switches that are included in the specified region.

**Step 2** Confirm all the required switches are available in the CFS region by entering the **show fc-redirect peer-switches** command.

**Step 3** To migrate existing SME installations to CFS regions for FC-Redirect, delete all the existing FC-Redirect configurations created by the switches in other regions from each switch. To remove the configurations, perform the following steps:

- a) Obtain a list of all FC-Redirect configurations by entering the **show fc-redirect configs**.
  - b) Remove all configurations created by the switches in other regions by using the **clear fc-redirect configs** command. The configurations are removed from the switches but the switches remain active in the region in which they are created.
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## Enabling SME Services

To enable SME services, do the following tasks:

- Set the FC-Redirect version to 2 (if you are using SAN-OS Release 3.1(1a) or later or NX-OS Release 4.x).



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**Note** To learn about enabling these services, refer to [cisco\\_sme\\_getting\\_started.ditamap#map\\_FD48D7B73A974D59BE491B1598E630AD](https://www.cisco.com/c/enr/techdocs/cisco_sme_getting_started.ditamap#map_FD48D7B73A974D59BE491B1598E630AD)

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## Assigning SME Roles and Users

The SME feature provides two primary roles: SME Administrator (sme-admin) and the SME Recovery Officer (sme-recovery). The SME Administrator role also includes the SME Storage Administrator (sme-stg-admin) and SME KMC Administrator (sme-kmc-admin) roles.

To set up the roles and users, note the following guidelines:

- Create the appropriate SME roles, that is, sme-admin and/or sme-stg-admin and sme-kmc-admin, and sme-recovery in the Advanced Master Key Security mode.
- Choose separate users for the sme-kmc-admin role and the sme-stg-admin role to split the responsibilities of key management and SME provisioning. To combine these responsibilities into one role, choose the stg-admin role.
- Use DCNM-SAN to create users for sme-admin, sme-stg-admin, and sme-kmc-admin roles as appropriate.
- In the Advanced mode for the master key, create three or five users under the sme-recovery role.
- Create users on the switches for all of these roles.

To learn more about the roles and their responsibilities refer to the [Creating and Assigning SME Roles Using the CLI, on page 38](#). For detailed information on creating and assigning roles, refer to the *Security Configuration Guide, Cisco DCNM for SAN and the Cisco MDS 9000 Family NX-OS Security Configuration Guide*.

## Creating SME Fabrics

When creating SME fabrics, note the following guidelines:

- Add the SME fabrics using the DCNM-SAN Web Client. Modify the names to exclude switch names from the fabric name.
- The fabric name must remain constant. You cannot change the fabric name after you have configured SME.

## Installing SSL Certificates

To create SSL certificates, do the following tasks:

- Follow the procedure specified in [Chapter 8 Provisioning Certificates, on page 145](#) to install SSL certificates on the switches and the KMC.
- Use the same password at every step of the installation procedure to simplify the process.
- Restart the DCNM-SAN and KMC after installing the SSL certificates.

## Provisioning SME

When provisioning and configuring SME, do the following tasks:

- Create a SME interface for each of the MSM-18/4 modules that will be used for storage media encryption. For more information, refer to [Chapter 3 Configuring SME Interfaces, on page 45](#)
- Follow the steps outlined in [Chapter 4 Configuring SME Cluster Management, on page 51](#) including cluster creation and tape backup group configuration procedures.
- Save the running configuration to startup configuration.

For more information, see the solution guide to SME which contains additional details and requirements for installing SME Disk in specific configurations.

## Migrating SME Database Table



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**Note** Data migration is currently supported only for SME Tapes. It is not yet supported for SME Disks.

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This appendix describes a database migration utility and also outlines the steps you need to follow to migrate SME tables from one database to another database.

The database migration utility transfers contents of database tables in Oracle Express installation or in PostgreSQL to an Oracle Enterprise installation.

This utility is packaged in the Cisco DCNM for SAN CD starting from NX-OS Software Release 4.1(3) and is available at /software/SMEdbmigrate.zip.



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**Note** The DCNM-SAN application should be installed before the migration process by using the destination database so that DCNM-SAN tables gets created in the destination database.

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To migrate database files from the source database to the destination database, follow these steps:

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- Step 1** Extract the contents of the SMEdbmigrate.zip file to your directory folder. The contents of the file will be as follows:
- SMEdbmigrate.jar
  - ojdbc14.jar
  - postgresql-8.1.jar
  - smedbmigrate.bat
  - smedbmigrate.sh
  - smedbmigration.properties
- Step 2** Right-click the smedbmigration.properties file to open in a text editor. Modify the existing database URL, type, and user name and the destination database URL, type, and user name.
- Step 3** To migrate the data files, run the following shell script or batch file:
- sh smedbmigrate.sh (for Unix)
  - smedbmigrate.bat (for Windows)
- The shell script or the batch file can be executed from any server that has to access to both the source database and the destination database.
- Step 4** Enter passwords for the source and destination database when prompted.
- The sample output would be as follows:

**Example:**

```
[root@test-vm-236 SMEdbmigrate]#./smedbmigrate.sh
[INFO] File /root/download/SMEdbmigrate/smedbmigration.properties found
Please enter the password for user admin on source database jdbc:postgresql://172.28.233.186:5432/dcmdb

Please enter the password for user admin on destination database
jdbc:postgresql://172.28.255.110:5432/dcmdb *****
*[INFO] Migrating database from jdbc:postgresql://172.28.233.186:5432/dcmdb to
jdbc:postgresql://172.28.255.110:5432/dcmdb
[INFO] Migration Start for SME_SETTINGS
...
...
...
[INFO] Migration complete
[root@test-vm-236 SMEdbmigrate]#
```

**Note** Run a key retrieval operation to confirm that the migration has been successful.

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