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# **Preface**

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### **Audience**

This guide is intended primarily for data center administrators with responsibilities and expertise in one or more of the following:

- Server administration
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- Network administration
- Network security

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For a complete list of all C-Series documentation, see the *Cisco UCS C-Series Servers Documentation Roadmap* available at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/go/unifiedcomputing/c-series-doc.

#### **Microsoft Hyper-V Documentation**

For more information about virtualization using Microsoft Hyper-V, see the following URL: http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/server-cloud/windows-server/hyper-v.aspx.

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### Introduction

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Overview of Virtualization, page 1
- Overview of Cisco Virtual Machine Fabric Extender, page 1
- Virtualization with a Virtual Interface Card Adapter, page 2
- VM-FEX for Hyper-V, page 2

### **Overview of Virtualization**

Virtualization allows you to create multiple Virtual Machines (VMs) to run in isolation, side by side on the same physical machine.

Each virtual machine has its own set of virtual hardware (RAM, CPU, NIC) upon which an operating system and fully configured applications are loaded. The operating system sees a consistent, normalized set of hardware regardless of the actual physical hardware components.

In a virtual machine, both hardware and software are encapsulated in a single file for rapid provisioning and moving between physical servers. You can move a virtual machine, within seconds, from one physical server to another for zero-downtime maintenance and continuous workload consolidation.

The virtual hardware makes it possible for many servers, each running in an independent virtual machine, to run on a single physical server. The advantages of virtualization include better use of computing resources, greater server density, and seamless server migration.

### **Overview of Cisco Virtual Machine Fabric Extender**

A virtualized server implementation consists of one or more VMs that run as guests on a single physical server. The guest VMs are hosted and managed by a software layer called the hypervisor or virtual machine manager (VMM). Typically, the hypervisor presents a virtual network interface to each VM and performs Layer 2 switching of traffic from a VM to other local VMs or to another interface to the external network.

Working with a Cisco virtual interface card (VIC) adapter, the Cisco Virtual Machine Fabric Extender (VM-FEX) bypasses software-based switching of VM traffic by the hypervisor for external hardware-based

switching in the fabric interconnect. This method reduces the load on the server CPU, provides faster switching, and enables you to apply a rich set of network management features to local and remote traffic.

VM-FEX extends the IEEE 802.1Qbh port extender architecture to the VMs by providing each VM interface with a virtual Peripheral Component Interconnect Express (PCIe) device and a virtual port on a switch. This solution allows precise rate limiting and quality of service (QoS) guarantees on the VM interface.

### **Virtualization with a Virtual Interface Card Adapter**

A Cisco VIC adapter, such as the Cisco UCS M81KR Virtual Interface Card, is a converged network adapter (CNA) that is designed for both single-OS and VM-based deployments. The VIC adapter supports static or dynamic virtualized interfaces, which includes up to 128 virtual network interface cards (vNICs).

VIC adapters support VM-FEX to provide hardware-based switching of traffic to and from virtual machine interfaces.

# VM-FEX for Hyper-V

### **Overview of VM-FEX for Hyper-V**

Microsoft Hyper-V is a virtualization package for Windows Server 2012 and later releases on an x86-64 hardware platform. Hyper-V uses x86 hardware virtualization extensions (for example, Intel VT-x) to implement a hypervisor that hosts VMs as userspace processes.

With VM-FEX for Hyper-V, the hypervisor performs no switching of VM traffic. Working with an installed VIC adapter, the hypervisor acts as an interface virtualizer, performing the following functions:

- For traffic going from a VM to the VIC, the interface virtualizer identifies the source vNIC so that the VIC can explicitly tag each of the packets generated by that vNIC.
- For traffic received from the VIC, the interface virtualizer directs the packet to the specified vNIC.

All switching is performed by the external fabric interconnect, which can switch not only between physical ports, but also between virtual interfaces (VIFs) that correspond to the vNICs on the VMs.

### **Cisco UCS Manager Components**

#### Cluster

The Cisco UCS cluster is a grouping of hypervisors that can be distributed across multiple hosts. In a Hyper-V system, the cluster is analogous to the distributed virtual switch (DVS) in a VMware ESX system.

In the current Cisco UCS Hyper-V implementation, the cluster defines the scope of the port profile and is the boundary of the migration domain. When multiple Hyper-V hosts are associated to a cluster, you can migrate a VM from one host to another within the cluster.

#### **Port Profiles**

Port profiles contain the properties and settings that are used to configure virtual interfaces in Cisco UCS. The port profiles are created and administered in Cisco UCS Manager. After a port profile is created, assigned

to, and actively used by a cluster, any changes made to the networking properties of the port profile in Cisco UCS Manager are immediately applied to the cluster with no need for a host reboot.

#### **Port Profile Client**

The port profile client is a cluster to which a port profile is applied.

### Single Root I/O Virtualization

Single Root I/O Virtualization (SR-IOV) allows multiple VMs running a variety of guest operating systems to share a single PCIe network adapter within a host server. SR-IOV allows a VM to move data directly to and from the network adapter, bypassing the hypervisor for increased network throughput and lower server CPU burden. Recent x86 server processors include chipset enhancements, such as Intel VT-x technology, that facilitate direct memory transfers and other operations required by SR-IOV.

The SR-IOV specification defines two device types:

- Physical Function (PF)—Essentially a static vNIC, a PF is a full PCIe device that includes SR-IOV capabilities. PFs are discovered, managed, and configured as normal PCIe devices. A single PF can provide management and configuration for a set of virtual functions (VFs).
- Virtual Function (VF)—Similar to a dynamic vNIC, a VF is a full or lightweight virtual PCIe device that provides at least the necessary resources for data movements. A VF is not managed directly but is derived from and managed through a PF. One or more VFs can be assigned to a VM.

SR-IOV is defined and maintained by the Peripheral Component Interconnect Special Interest Group (PCI-SIG), an industry organization that is chartered to develop and manage the PCI standard. For more information about SR-IOV, see the following URL:

http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/pci-express/pci-sig-sr-iov-primer-sr-iov-technology-paper.html

Hypervisors that support SR-IOV include Linux KVM and Microsoft Hyper-V.

The following Cisco Virtual Interface Cards support SR-IOV with VM-FEX:

- Cisco UCS M81KR Virtual Interface Card
- Cisco UCS P81E Virtual Interface Card
- Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card 1280
- Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card 1240
- Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card 1225

Single Root I/O Virtualization

# Configuring VM-FEX for Hyper-V

This chapter includes the following sections:

- Guidelines and Prerequisites for VM-FEX on Hyper-V, page 5
- Procedure for Configuring VM-FEX for Hyper-V, page 6

# **Guidelines and Prerequisites for VM-FEX on Hyper-V**

Consider the following guidelines and prerequisites for Cisco UCS Manager when configuring VM-FEX on Hyper-V:

- The host must be managed by Cisco UCS Manager Release 2.1 or later.
- The host adapters must be Cisco VIC adapters.

For more information about installing a Cisco VIC adapter, see the *Cisco UCS 5108 Server Chassis Hardware Installation Guide*.

- The predefined "SRIOV" BIOS policy enables Virtualization Technology (VT), Direct Cache Access, VT For Directed I/O, and Interrupt Remap. Do not change these settings.
- The predefined "SRIOV" adapter policy supports a host with up to 32 CPU threads. For a host with more than 32 threads, you must create a new adapter policy in which the number of interrupts is equal to the number of CPU threads.
- Do not configure more than one dynamic vNIC connection policy on a static vNIC.
- An SR-IOV PF cannot be used as an iSCSI vNIC.

Consider the following guidelines and prerequisites for Microsoft Windows 2012 when configuring VM-FEX on Hyper-V:

- The host operating system must be an edition of Windows Server 2012 or later that includes Hyper-V support.
- For more information about installing Microsoft Hyper-V, see the Microsoft Windows Server documentation.
- Microsoft Windows 2008 and 2008 R2 are supported, but VMs running Windows 2012 will benefit from an accelerated I/O path.

# **Procedure for Configuring VM-FEX for Hyper-V**

#### **Before You Begin**

Verify that the prerequisites listed in Guidelines and Prerequisites for VM-FEX on Hyper-V, on page 5 are met, including software, host operating system, and BIOS settings.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	In the UCS CLI, configure the dynamic vNIC connection policy, service profile, cluster, and port profile.	For more information, see Configuring UCS Components for VM-FEX, on page 7.
Step 2	Prepare the host server and VMs and install the Cisco drivers and utilities.	For more information, see Configuring the Hyper-V Host Server, on page 17.
Step 3	On the Hyper-V host, configure the virtual switch, create the VMs, and attach a port profile.	For more information, see Configuring the Hyper-V Virtual Machines, on page 21.



# **Configuring UCS Components for VM-FEX**

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- Configuring a Service Profile for VM-FEX for Hyper-V, page 9
- Creating a Port Profile for VM-FEX for Hyper-V, page 12
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# Creating a Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy for VM-FEX for Hyper-V

The vNICs created by this procedure become VFs when they are associated with an SR-IOV PF in a service profile. The maximum number of VFs that you can create depends on the number of adapters and the number of configured PFs and vHBAs, according to the following formula:

Number of dynamic vNICs = (116 \* number of adapters) - number of PFs - number of vHBAs

#### **Before You Begin**

For more information on dynamic vNIC connection policies, see Configuring Policies, on page 29.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, enter / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # create dynamic-vnic-conn-policy policy-name	Creates the specified vNIC connection policy and enters organization vNIC connection policy mode.  The <i>policy-name</i> can be between 1 and 32 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than -

	Command or Action	Purpose
		(hyphen) or _ (underscore), and you cannot change this name after the object has been saved.
		Note Do not specify "default" as the value for the dynamic vNIC connection policy name. Cisco UCS Manager automatically resolves any empty policy references to "default". Any service profiles or service profile templates with only static vNICS defined will automatically reference the policy "default" when it is present. If you specify "default" for the dynamic vNIC connection policy name, then unexpected dynamic vNICs might be created on those service profiles or service profile templates.
Step 3	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy	(Optional) Provides a description for the policy.
	# set desc description	Enter up to 256 characters. You can use any characters or spaces except ` (accent mark), \ (backslash), ^ (carat), " (double quote), = (equal sign), > (greater than), < (less than), or ' (single quote).
		If your description includes spaces or nonalphanumeric characters, you must begin and end your description with double quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any <b>show</b> command output.
Step 4	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy	Specifies the Ethernet adapter policy to use for this policy. The adapter policy must already exist.
	# set adapter-policy policy-name	For Hyper-V, specify the predefined <b>Windows</b> adapter policy.
Step 5	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # set dynamic-eth {dynamic-eth-num   off}	Specifies the number of dynamic vNICs to use for this policy.
		Enter an integer between 0 and the maximum number as determined by the following formula:
	(ayname cin nam   011)	Number of dynamic vNICs = $(116 * number of adapters)$ - number of PFs - number of vHBAs
Step 6	# set protection {protected   protected-pref-a	(Optional)  Dynamic vNICs are always protected in Cisco UCS, but this command allows you to select a preferred fabric, if any. You can choose one of the following options:
	protected-pref-b}	• protected—Cisco UCS uses whichever fabric is available.
		• protected-pref-a—Cisco UCS attempts to use fabric A, but fails over to fabric B if necessary.
		• protected-pref-b—Cisco UCS attempts to use fabric B, but fails over to fabric A if necessary.
Step 7	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create a dynamic vNIC connection policy named MyDynVnicConnPolicy that uses the predefined Windows adapter policy for 21 dynamic vNICs and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # create dynamic-vnic-conn-policy MyDynVnicConnPolicy
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set adapter-policy Windows
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set desc "Dynamic vNIC for Eth policy"
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set dynamic-eth 21
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy #
```

# Configuring a Service Profile for VM-FEX for Hyper-V

### Creating a Service Profile for VM-FEX for Hyper-V

The service profile created by this procedure configures the BIOS settings required for Hyper-V.

#### **Before You Begin**

For more information on configuring service profiles, see the Cisco UCS Manager CLI Configuration Guide.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, type / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # create service-profile profile-name instance	Creates the specified service profile instance and enters organization service profile mode.
		Enter a unique <i>profile-name</i> to identify this service profile.
		This name can be between 2 and 32 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen), _ (underscore), : (colon), and . (period), and this name must be unique across all service profiles and service profile templates within the same organization.
Step 3	UCS-A /org/service-profile # set bios-policy SRIOV	The predefined <b>SRIOV</b> BIOS policy configures the required BIOS settings for Hyper-V.
Step 4	Configure other desired profile settings, but do not configure a dynamic vNIC connection policy.	

The following example shows how to create a service profile instance and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # create service-profile SPHyperV instance
UCS-A /org/service-profile* # set bios-policy SRIOV
UCS-A /org/service-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/service-profile #
```

#### What to Do Next

- Create PF vNIC for the service profile.
- Associate the service profile with a server.

### **Creating the PF Interface**

This procedure creates the SR-IOV PF interface.

#### **Before You Begin**

For more information on configuring service profiles, see the Cisco UCS Manager CLI Configuration Guide.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, type / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # scope service-profile profile-name	Enters organization service profile mode for the specified service.
Step 3	UCS-A /org/service-profile # create vnic vnic-name fabric a	Creates a vNIC for the service profile and enters organization service profile vNIC mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic # set adapter-policy SRIOV	Specifies the <b>SRIOV</b> adapter policy to use for the vNIC. <b>Note</b> The predefined <b>SRIOV</b> adapter policy supports up to 32 CPU threads. If the server has more than 32 CPU threads, you must create and specify a custom adapter policy that supports a number of interrupts equal to the number of CPU threads. Follow the instructions in Creating a Custom Adapter Policy for SR-IOV, on page 33.
Step 5	UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic # create dynamic-conn-policy-ref dynamic-conn-policy-name	Specify the dynamic vNIC connection policy that you created using the predefined <b>Windows</b> adapter policy.
Step 6	Configure other desired profile settings.	
Step 7	UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic # exit	Returns to service-profile mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	UCS-A /org/service-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction to the system configuration.

The following example shows how to create a PF interface and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # scope service-profile SPHyperV
UCS-A /org/service-profile # create vnic vnicPFO fabric a
UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic* # set adapter-policy SRIOV
UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic* # create dynamic-conn-policy-ref MyDynVnicConnPolicy
UCS-A /org/service-profile/vnic* # exit
UCS-A /org/service-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/service-profile #
```

## **Associating the Service Profile with a Server**

#### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, type / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # scope service-profile profile-name	Enters organization service profile mode for the service profile.
Step 3	UCS-A /org/service-profile # associate {server chassis-id / slot-id}	Associates the service profile with a server.
Step 4	UCS-A /org/service-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction to the system configuration.

The following example associates the service profile named SPHyperV with the server in slot 4 of chassis 1 and commits the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org* # scope service-profile SPHyperV
UCS-A /org/service-profile* # associate server 1/4
UCS-A /org/service-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/service-profile #
```

# **Creating a Port Profile for VM-FEX for Hyper-V**



**Note** In a VM-FEX for Hyper-V system, the following conditions apply:

- The **set max-ports** command applies to the cluster; there is no distributed virtual switch (DVS).
- The **set host-nwio-perf** command has no effect.

#### **Before You Begin**

For general information about port profiles and profile clients, see Configuring Port Profiles, on page 35.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system# scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A/system/vm-mgmt# scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set# create port-profile profile-name	Creates the specified port profile and enters system VM management profile set port profile mode.
		This name can be between 1 and 16 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen) and _ (underscore), and you cannot change this name after the object has been saved.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set descr description	(Optional) Provides a description for the port profile.  Note If your description includes spaces, special characters, or punctuation, you must begin and end your description with quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any show command output.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # create vlan vlan-name	Specifies a VLAN to use for the port profile.
Step 7	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan # set default-net yes	Sets the VLAN as the default network.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan # exit	Returns to port profile mode.
Step 9	Configure any other desired settings.	Detailed information about port profile configuration can be found in Configuring Port Profiles, on page 35. In many cases, the default settings are sufficient.
Step 10	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create and configure a port profile named MyProfile and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system

UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # create port-profile MyProfile

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set descr "This is my port profile"

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # create vlan vlan701

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan* # set default-net yes

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan* # exit

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # commit-buffer

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile #
```

#### What to Do Next

Create a cluster and a profile client.

### **Creating a Cluster**

We recommend that you create one or more dedicated clusters for Hyper-V instead of using the default cluster automatically created by Cisco UCS Manager.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope cluster-set	Enters system VM management cluster set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set # create cluster cluster-name	Creates the specified port cluster and enters cluster mode.  The cluster name can be between 1 and 16 alphanumeric characters.  You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen)

	Command or Action	Purpose
		and _ (underscore), and you cannot change the name after the cluster has been saved.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set/cluster # set id cluster-id	Creates a unique identifier for the cluster.  The <i>cluster-id</i> must contain exactly 34 hexadecimal (0-9 and a-f) characters and 4 dashes (-) in the following format:  XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set/cluster # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create a cluster and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope cluster-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set # create cluster MyCluster
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set/cluster* # set cluster-id
87654321-0123-4567-abcd-0123456789abcdef
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set/cluster* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/cluster-set/cluster #
```

# Creating a Profile Client for VM-FEX for Hyper-V

In a Hyper-V system, the profile client determines the cluster to which the port profile is applied.

For more information about profile clients, see Port Profile Clients, on page 39.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile profile-name	Enters system VM management profile set port profile mode for the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # create client client-name	Creates the specified port profile client and enters system VM management profile set port profile client mode.
		This name can be between 1 and 16 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen) and _

	Command or Action	Purpose
		(underscore), and you cannot change this name after the object has been saved.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set descr description	(Optional) Provides a description for the port profile client.  Note If your description includes spaces, special characters, or punctuation, you must begin and end your description with quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any show command output.
Step 7	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set cluster cluster-name	Specifies the cluster to which the port profile is applied.
Step 8	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create a port profile client named MyClient that applies the port profile to the cluster named MyCluster and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # create client MyClient
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # set descr "This is the client for my port profile"
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # set cluster MyCluster
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # commit-buffer
```

Creating a Profile Client for VM-FEX for Hyper-V



# **Configuring the Hyper-V Host Server**

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# **Installing the Host Server Operating System**

#### **Before You Begin**

For detailed information about installing Windows 2012 Server with Hyper-V, see the Microsoft Windows 2012 Server documentation.

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Install Windows 2012 Server with Hyper-V on the host server.
- **Step 2** Open the Windows Server Manager.
- **Step 3** In the Windows Server Manager, add the Hyper-V role.

#### What to Do Next

Install the Cisco drivers and utilities.

# Obtaining the Cisco Drivers and Utilities for VM-FEX for Hyper-V

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** From the Cisco support site, download the Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle ISO file. The Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle contains drivers and installation utilities for VM-FEX for Hyper-V.
- **Step 2** In the Cisco UCS Manager KVM settings, mount the software bundle ISO file as virtual media for access from your servers.
- **Step 3** From the host server, open the CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_version directory in the ISO file. Insert the release version number for version in the directory name. For example, the directory name is CSCO VIO INSTALLER 2.0.24 for release 2.0.24.
- **Step 4** Open and read the readme.txt file for the latest information about installing and configuring VM-FEX for Hyper-V.
- Step 5 On the Cisco Developer Network, access the Cisco UCS VM-FEX Resources page at this URL: http://developer.cisco.com/web/unifiedcomputing/vmfex/resources.
  You will need to enter your credentials for the Cisco Developer Network.
- **Step 6** Click **VM-FEX Tools for Development** and follow the instructions to download the archive file.
- Step 7 Unpack the downloaded archive file.
  The VM-FEX tools installation file VMFEX\_TOOLS\_64\_version.msi is contained in the VM-FEX Tools for Development/VMFEX\_TOOLS-version directory of the unpacked archive content.

## Installing the PF Driver and VM-FEX Switch Driver

Perform this task on the host server to install the Cisco VIO drivers and utilities.

#### **Before You Begin**

The Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle ISO file must be mounted on the server.

- **Step 1** In Powershell on the host server, open the CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_*version* directory in the contents of the mounted ISO file.
- **Step 2** Run CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_64\_*version*.msi as administrator.

  Insert the release version number for *version* in the command name. For example, the command name is CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_64\_2.0.24.MSI for release 2.0.24.
- **Step 3** Select **Custom** installation.
- **Step 4** If necessary, expand **VIO drivers** to display the driver list.
- Step 5 Click VIC iSCSI dump and select Entire feature will be unavailable.

**Caution** The installation may fail if the iSCSI driver are not

deselected.

- **Step 6** Click **VIC Teaming** and select **Entire feature will be unavailable**.
- Step 7 Click VICManagement and select Entire feature will be unavailable.
- **Step 8** Click **Next** and follow the instructions to install the drivers.

## Installing the Port Profile Utility and Management Snap-in

This task installs the Port Profile Utility and, optionally, the Port Profile Management Snap-in on a server. You must install the Port Profile Utility on the Hyper-V host server. For port profile management, you can use either the Port Profile Management Snap-in or Microsoft PowerShell with custom Cisco scripts.

If you choose to use the Port Profile Management Snap-in, you can install it on the host server, a VM, or a remote computer. From a remote computer, you can use the Port Profile Management Snap-in to manage multiple Hyper-V hosts.



Note

If you install the Port Profile Management Snap-in on a remote computer, be sure that the computer has connectivity to both the Cisco UCS Manager and the Hyper-V host server.

#### **Before You Begin**

The Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle ISO file must be mounted on the server.

- **Step 1** In Powershell on the server, open the VMFEX\_TOOLS-*version* directory in the contents of the mounted ISO file.
- **Step 2** Run VMFEX\_TOOLS\_64\_*version*.msi as administrator.
- **Step 3** If you do not intend to run the Port Profile Management Snap-in from this server, select the **Typical** installation and skip to Step 8. In this case, only the Port Profile Utility is installed. If you intend to run the Port Profile Management Snap-in from this server, proceed to the next step.
- **Step 4** Select the **Custom** installation.
- **Step 5** If necessary, expand the **Vmfex utilities** to display the feature list.
- Step 6 Click Vmfex Port Profile Manager and select Entire feature will be installed on local hard drive. This option installs the Port Profile Management Snap-in.
- Step 7 Click Vmfex Port Profile Utilities and select Entire feature will be installed on local hard drive.
- **Step 8** Click **Next** and follow the instructions to install the software.

# Creating the Virtual Switch in Microsoft Hyper-V Manager

#### **Procedure**

- Step 1 On the Hyper-V host server, open the Microsoft Hyper-V Manager and navigate to the Virtual Switch Manager.
- **Step 2** In the navigation frame, click **New virtual network switch**.
- **Step 3** In the Virtual Switch Properties pane, enter a Name for the virtual switch.
- **Step 4** Select External network and choose the Cisco VIC Ethernet interface from the drop-down list.
- Step 5 Check the check box for Allow management operating system to share this network adapter.
- Step 6 Check the check box for Enable single-root I/O virtualization (SR-IOV).
- Step 7 Click Apply.

  If a confirmation is requested, click OK.
- Step 8 Click OK.
- **Step 9** In the navigation frame, under the newly-created virtual switch, click **Extensions**. The **Virtual Switch Extensions** pane appears.
- **Step 10** In the **Virtual Switch Extensions** pane, under **Switch extensions**, select **Cisco Vmfex Switch** and leave the other check boxes unselected.
- **Step 11** Click **Apply**. If a confirmation is requested, click **OK**.
- Step 12 Click OK.

#### What to Do Next

Create the VMs in Microsoft Hyper-V Manager.



# **Configuring the Hyper-V Virtual Machines**

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- Installing the VF Driver, page 22
- Managing the Port Profile, page 23

# Creating the VMs in Microsoft Hyper-V Manager

This procedure creates a VM using the **New Virtual Machine Wizard** in the Microsoft Hyper-V Manager. For more information on creating and configuring a new VM, see the Microsoft Windows documentation. Perform this task for each VM in the Hyper-V cluster.

#### **Before You Begin**

In Microsoft Hyper-V Manager, create a virtual switch.

- **Step 1** In the **Actions** frame of Microsoft Hyper-V Manager, click **New**.
- Step 2 From the drop-down list, select Virtual Machine to launch the New Virtual Machine Wizard.
- Step 3 In the New Virtual Machine Wizard, click Next to create a VM with a custom configuration.
- **Step 4** Complete the **Specify Name and Location** menu and click **Next**.
- **Step 5** Complete the **Assign Memory** menu and click **Next**.
- Step 6 In the Configure Networking menu, select the virtual switch from the Connection drop-down list. and click Next.
- Step 7 Click Next.
- **Step 8** Complete the Connect Virtual Hard Disk menu and click Next.
- **Step 9** View the **Summary** and click **Finish**.

  Microsoft Hyper-V Manager displays a list of the VMs.

- **Step 10** In the list of VMs, right-click the new VM and select **Settings**.
- **Step 11** In the **Navigation** pane, click the **Processor** object and specify 4 virtual processors.
- **Step 12** In the **Navigation** pane, expand the **Network Adapter** object and click **Hardware Acceleration**. The **Hardware Acceleration** pane appears.
- **Step 13** Scroll to the bottom of the pane and check the check box for **Enable SR-IOV**.
- Step 14 Click Apply.
- Step 15 Click OK.
- **Step 16** Open Powershell on the server and enter the following command: **Set-VMNetworkAdapter -Name** *adapter-name* **-VMName** *vm-name*  **IovQueuePairsRequested** *rq-num*

#### **Example:**

PS C:\> Set-VMNetworkAdapter -Name vmnic1 -VMName vm1 -IovQueuePairsRequested 4 This command increases performance. The parameters of the command are as follows:

- adapter-name—The name of the VM network adapter.
- *vm-name*—The name of the VM.
- rq-num—The number of queue pairs requested, which should be equal to or less than the number of receive queues in the Ethernet adapter policy and equal to or less than the number of virtual CPUs assigned to the VM.
- **Step 17** Return to the Microsoft Hyper-V Manager session.
- **Step 18** In the list of VMs, right-click the new VM and select Connect. A console session to the VM appears.
- **Step 19** Click the green Start icon to start the VM.

#### What to Do Next

Attach a port profile to the VM NIC.

### **Installing the VF Driver**

Perform this task on each VM to install the VF driver.

#### **Before You Begin**

The Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle ISO file must be mounted on the server.

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** In Powershell on the VM, locate the CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_*version* directory in the contents of the mounted ISO file.
- **Step 2** Run CSCO\_VIO\_INSTALLER\_64\_version.msi as administrator.
- **Step 3** Select **Typical** installation.
- **Step 4** Click **Next** and follow the instructions to install the drivers.

## **Managing the Port Profile**

Two methods are available for attaching the port profile to the VM network adapters:

- You can use Cisco scripts with Microsoft Powershell.
- You can use the Cisco Port Profile Management Snap-in that is installed with the Cisco VM-FEX Utilities

You can choose either method.

### **Using Microsoft PowerShell**

### Attaching the Port Profile with PowerShell

Perform this task on the Hyper-V host server.

After installing the Cisco VM-FEX Port Profile Utilities from the Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Server Software Bundle, you can find scripts for administering VM network adapters using Microsoft Windows PowerShell in the following directory:

C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex
Utilities\Scripts

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	powershell	Launch PowerShell on the server.
	Example: C:\> powershell	
Step 2	cd "C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex Utilities\Scripts"	Changes the current directory to the directory that contains the PowerShell scripts.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	PS C:\> cd "C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex Utilities\Scripts"	
Step 3	<pre>Example: PS C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex Utilities\Scripts&gt;\Backend.ps1</pre>	Makes the scripts available in the current scope.
Step 4	<pre>Example: PS C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex Utilities\Scripts&gt;\Util.ps1</pre>	Makes the scripts available in the current scope.
Step 5	<pre>cd \ Example: PS C:\Program Files\Cisco Systems\VIO Software\Utilities\Ethernet Utilities\Vmfex Utilities\Scripts&gt; cd \</pre>	Changes the current directory to the top level directory.
Step 6	Add-CiscoVmfexSwitchToCluster "switch-name" "cluster-id" "cluster-name"  Example: PS C:\> Add-CiscoVmfexSwitchToCluster "VSwitch_1" "87654321-0123-4567-abcd-0123456789abcdef" "Cluster_1"	Attaches the virtual switch to the cluster. The parameters are as follows:  • switch-name—The virtual switch name you configured in the Virtual Switch Manager.  • cluster-id—The cluster ID that you configured when you created a cluster in Cisco UCS Manager.  • cluster-name—The cluster name that you configured inCisco UCS Manager.
Step 7	Get-VM  Example:  PS C:\> Get-VM	Displays a table of VMs. Note the VM Name in the first column.
Step 8	Get-VMNetworkAdapter -VMName vm-name  fl  Example: PS C:\> Get-VMNetworkAdapter -VMName vm1  fl	Displays a list of network adapter properties for the VM. For the <i>vm-name</i> parameter, enter the VM name as it appears in the <b>Name</b> column of the VM table.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		In the network adapter properties list, note the <b>Id</b> and <b>VMId</b> properties.
Step 9	<pre>\$ProfileId =   "{"+[System.Guid]::NewGuid().tostring()+"}"  Example:   PS C:\&gt; \$ProfileId =   "{"+[System.Guid]::NewGuid().tostring()+"}"</pre>	Creates a globally unique identifier (Guid) string and assigns it to a variable named <b>\$ProfileId</b> to be used as an identifier for the port profile. The variable name is arbitrary, but will be used in the next step.
Step 10	Add-CiscoVmfexPortProfile "vmid" \$ProfileId "profile-name" "adapter-id"  Example: PS C: > Add-CiscoVmfexPortProfile "8be79ffd-0bf2-4a93-b9ee-81878755b469" \$ProfileId "MyPortProfile_1" "Microsoft: 0D8E0F40-C010-45C2-91E7-C3E21043FE83\ 17F85D37-2ACD-42AD-981C-AC4BDAC0B8BD"	Attaches the VM network adapter to the port profile. The parameters are as follows:  • vmid—The VMId property from the network adapter properties list.  • profile-name—The profile name that you configured inCisco UCS Manager.  • adapter-id—The Id property from the network adapter properties list.
Step 11	Perform steps 8 through 10 for each VM.	

#### What to Do Next

Reboot the Hyper-V host and test the IP connectivity of the host.

### **Detaching the Port Profile with PowerShell**

(Optional) To detach the port profile using PowerShell, perform this task on the Hyper-V host server.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	powershell	Launch PowerShell on the server.
	Example: C: \> powershell	
Step 2	Delete-CiscoVmfexPortProfile "vmid" "adapter-id"  Example:	Deletes the VM network adapter from the port profile. The parameters are as follows:
	PS C:\> Delete-CiscoVmfexPortProfile "8be79ffd-0bf2-4a93-b9ee-81878755b469"	• <i>vmid</i> —The <b>VMId</b> property from the network adapter properties list.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	"Microsoft:0D8E0F40-C010-45C2-91E7-C3E21043FE83\ 17F85D37-2ACD-42AD-981C-AC4BDAC0B8BD"	• adapter-id—The <b>Id</b> property from the network adapter properties list.
Step 3	Remove-CiscoVmfexSwitchFromCluster "switch-name"  Example:  PS C:\> Remove-CiscoVmfexSwitchFromCluster  "VSwitch 1"	Removes the virtual switch from the cluster. The <i>switch-name</i> is the virtual switch name configured in the Virtual Switch Manager.

### **Using the Cisco Port Profile Management Snap-in**

#### Attaching the Port Profile with the Port Profile Management Snap-in

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** On the server with the Port Profile Management Snap-in installed, double-click the desktop shortcut to launch the Cisco Vmfex Port-Profile Manager.
- Step 2 In the Actions pane, click Add UCSM.
  The UCSM Login dialog box appears.
- Step 3 In the UCSM Login dialog box, enter the IP Address, User Name, and Password for the Cisco UCS Manager (UCSM) system and click OK.

  The clusters and port profiles display in the center pane.
- Step 4 In the Actions pane, click Add Host.
  The Connect to Hyper-V Server dialog box appears.
- Step 5 In the Connect to Hyper-V Server dialog box, select Local Computer to add the current host or Another Computer to add a remote host.
- Step 6 If you selected Another Computer, enter the Host Name/IP, User Name, and Password for the remote host.

The **Host Name** must be in the same domain as the Hyper-V host. If you enter an IP address instead of a host name, you must execute the following command in Powershell on the Hyper-V host:

Set-Item WSMan:\localhost\Client\TrustedHosts <remote host ip>

#### For example

Set-Item WSMan:\localhost\Client\TrustedHosts '192.0.20.1' -concatenate

#### Step 7 Click OK.

The center pane displays the host verification results. Any virtual switches attached to the host are listed under the host name in the **Navigation** pane.

**Step 8** To attach a virtual switch to a cluster, select **Attach to Cluster** under the switch name in the **Actions** pane.

The **Select Cluster** dialog box appears.

- Step 9 In the Select Cluster dialog box, select a cluster and click OK.

  The cluster name appears with the virtual switch name in the Navigation and Actions panes. If no cluster name appears, the switch belongs to the default cluster.
- **Step 10** To attach the VM network adapters to a port profile, select one or more VM network adapters in the center pane and click **Attach/Modify Port Profile** under the selected items in the **Actions** pane.

  The **Select Port Profile** dialog box appears, displaying all port profiles in the virtual switch.
- **Step 11** In the **Select Port Profile** dialog box, select a port profile and click **OK**. The port profile name appears with each VM network adapter in the **Navigation** pane.

#### What to Do Next

Reboot the Hyper-V host and test the IP connectivity of the host.

### **Detaching the Port Profile with the Port Profile Management Snap-in**

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** On the server with the Port Profile Management Snap-in installed, double-click the desktop shortcut to launch the Cisco Vmfex Port-Profile Manager.
- **Step 2** To detach the VM network adapters from a port profile, select one or more VM network adapters in the center pane and click **Detach Port Profile** under the selected items in the **Actions** pane.
- **Step 3** To detach the virtual switch from a cluster, select **Detach from Cluster** under the switch name in the **Actions** pane.

The virtual switch cannot be detached from the cluster unless all VM network adapters under the switch are detached from their port profiles.

Using the Cisco Port Profile Management Snap-in



# **Configuring Policies**

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- Creating a Custom Adapter Policy for SR-IOV, page 33

## **Configuring Dynamic vNIC Connection Policies**

### **Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy**



Note

In an SR-IOV topology, such as a Hyper-V or KVM cluster, a Virtual Function (VF) takes the place of the dynamic vNIC. The VF is essentially a restricted version of the dynamic vNIC, in which all system communication and configuration of the VF is performed through the associated physical function (PF).

The dynamic vNIC connection policy determines how the connectivity between VMs and dynamic vNICs is configured. This policy is required for Cisco UCS domains that include servers with VIC adapters on which you have installed VMs and configured dynamic vNICs.

#### **Ethernet Adapter Policy**

Each dynamic vNIC connection policy includes an Ethernet adapter policy and designates the number of vNICs that can be configured for any server associated with a service profile that includes the policy.

For Hyper-V, use the predefined Ethernet adapter policy named Windows.

#### Static vNICs



Note

In a VM-FEX deployment, a VM will attach to a dynamic vNIC only if the VIC adapter has two static vNICs, one for each fabric. If a server contains more than one VIC adapter, each adapter must have two static vNICs configured.

### **Server Migration**



If you migrate a server that is configured with dynamic vNICs, the dynamic interface used by the vNICs fails and notifies you of that failure.

When the server comes back up, assigns new dynamic vNICs to the server. If you are monitoring traffic on the dynamic vNIC, you must reconfigure the monitoring source.

### **Creating a Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy**

	<b>Command or Action</b>	Purpose	
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, enter / as the <i>org-name</i> .	
Step 2	UCS-A /org # create dynamic-vnic-conn-policy policy-name	Creates the specified vNIC connection policy and enters organization vNIC connection policy mode.	
		This name can be between 1 and 32 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen), _ (underscore), : (colon), and . (period), and you cannot change this name after the object has been saved.	
		Note  Do not specify "default" as the value for the dynamic vNIC connection policy name. Cisco UCS Manager automatically resolves any empty policy references to "default". Any service profiles or service profile templates with only static vNICS defined will automatically reference the policy "default" when it is present. If you specify "default" for the dynamic vNIC connection policy name, then unexpected dynamic vNICs might be created on those service profiles or service profile templates.	
Step 3	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy	(Optional) Provides a description for the policy.	
	# set desc description	Enter up to 256 characters. You can use any characters or spaces except `(accent mark), \( (backslash), ^ (carat), " (double quote), = (equal sign), > (greater than), < (less than), or ' (single quote).	
		If your description includes spaces or nonalphanumeric characters, you must begin and end your description with double quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any <b>show</b> command output.	
Step 4	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # set adapter-policy policy-name	Specifies the Ethernet adapter policy to use for this policy. The adapter policy must already exist.	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # set dynamic-eth {dynamic-eth-num   off}	Specifies the number of dynamic vNICs to use for this policy.
Step 6	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # set protection {protected   protected-pref-a   protected-pref-b}	Dynamic vNICs are always protected in Cisco UCS, but this command allows you to select a preferred fabric, if any. You can choose one of the following options:  • protected—Cisco UCS uses whichever fabric is available.  • protected-pref-a—Cisco UCS attempts to use fabric A, but fails over to fabric B if necessary.  • protected-pref-b—Cisco UCS attempts to use fabric B, but fails over to fabric A if necessary.
Step 7	UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create a dynamic vNIC connection policy named MyDynVnicConnPolicy that uses the system-provided Ethernet adapter policy for 12 dynamic vNICs and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # create dynamic-vnic-conn-policy MyDynVnicConnPolicy
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set adapter-policy
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set desc "Dynamic vNIC for Eth policy"
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # set dynamic-eth 12
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy #
UCS-A /org/dynamic-vnic-conn-policy #
```

### **Deleting a Dynamic vNIC Connection Policy**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, tenter / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # delete dynamic-vnic-conn-policy policy-name	Deletes the specified vNIC connection policy.
Step 3	UCS-A /org # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to delete the dynamic vNIC connection policy named MyDynVnicConnPolicy and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # delete dynamic-vnic-conn-policy MyDynVnicConnPolicy
UCS-A /org* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org #
```

### Viewing Dynamic vNIC Properties in a VM

### **Before You Begin**

The VM must be running.

#### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # show virtual-machine	(Optional) Displays the running virtual machines.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope virtual-machine uuid	Enters command mode for the virtual machine that contains the dynamic vNIC.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/virtual-machine # show vnic [detail]	Displays the vNIC properties.

The following example shows how to display the properties of a dynamic vNIC in a VM:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # show virtual-machine
Virtual Machine:
   UUID: 420a00c8-934b-4ae3-6af5-2ce9b8bd0f44
    Service Profile: org-root/ls-PTS-ch6-7
    Server: sys/chassis-6/blade-7
   Status: Online
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope virtual-machine 420a08b0-cda7-9e0a-424f-01ec8653eea0
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/virtual-machine # show vnic detail
   Name: 4479
    Status: Online
   MAC Address: 00:50:56:8A:07:B5
   Profile Name: VM-mgmt
    Virtual Adapter: sys/chassis-1/blade-1/adapter-1/host-eth-9
   Vnic Dn: org-root/ls-PTS-ch1-1/ether-dynamic-prot-009
   Current Task:
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/virtual-machine #
```

# **Creating a Custom Adapter Policy for SR-IOV**

The predefined **SRIOV** Ethernet adapter policy supports up to 32 CPU threads. If the server has more than 32 CPU threads, you must follow this procedure to create and specify a custom adapter policy that supports a number of interrupts equal to the number of CPU threads.

For more information about creating an adapter policy, see "Configuring Ethernet Adapter Policies" in the *Cisco UCS Manager CLI Configuration Guide*.

### **Before You Begin**

Determine the number of CPU threads used by your server using the **show server cpu** *chassis/blade* **detail** command.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope org org-name	Enters organization mode for the specified organization. To enter the root organization mode, type / as the <i>org-name</i> .
Step 2	UCS-A /org # create eth-policy name	Creates an Ethernet adapter policy and enters organization Ethernet policy mode.  This name can be between 1 and 16 alphanumeric characters. You cannot use spaces or any special characters other than - (hyphen) and _ (underscore), and you cannot change this name after the object has been saved.
Step 3	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set descr description	(Optional) Provides a description for the policy.
		Note If your description includes spaces, special characters, or punctuation, you must begin and end your description with quotation marks. The quotation marks will not appear in the description field of any show command output.
Step 4	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set trans-queue count 1	Configures the Ethernet transmit queue.
Step 5	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set trans-queue ring-size 256	
Step 6	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set recv-queue count 4	Configures the Ethernet receive queue.
Step 7	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set recv-queue ring-size 512	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set comp-queue count 5	Configures the Ethernet completion queue.
Step 9	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set interrupt coalescing-time 125	
Step 10	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set interrupt coalescing-type min	
Step 11	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set interrupt count interrupt-count	Set <i>interrupt-count</i> equal to the number of CPU threads used by the server.
Step 12	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set interrupt mode msi-x	
Step 13	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set offload large-receive enabled	
Step 14	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set offload tcp-rx-checksum enabled	
Step 15	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set offload tcp-segment enabled	
Step 16	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set offload tcp-tx-checksum enabled	
Step 17	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # set rss receivesidescaling enabled	
Step 18	UCS-A /org/eth-policy # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction to the system configuration.

The following example configures a custom Ethernet adapter policy for SR-IOV with 40 threads and commits the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope org /
UCS-A /org # create eth-policy SRIOV
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set descr "This is an Ethernet adapter policy for SR-IOV."
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set trans-queue count 1
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set trans-queue ring-size 256
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set recv-queue count 4
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set recv-queue ring-size 512
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set comp-queue count 5
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set interrupt coalescing-time 125
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set interrupt coalescing-type min
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set interrupt count 40
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set interrupt mode msi-x
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set offload large-receive enabled
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set offload tcp-rx-checksum enabled
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set offload tcp-segment enabled
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set offload tcp-tx-checksum enabled
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # set rss receivesidescaling enabled
UCS-A /org/eth-policy* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /org/eth-policy #
```



# **Configuring Port Profiles**

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### **Port Profiles**

Port profiles contain the properties and settings that you can use to configure virtual interfaces in Cisco UCS for VM-FEX. The port profiles are created and administered in Cisco UCS Manager. After a port profile is created, assigned to, and actively used by one or more clusters, any changes made to the networking properties of the port profile in Cisco UCS Manager are immediately applied to those clusters.

# **Creating a Port Profile**



Note

In a VM-FEX for Hyper-V system, the following conditions apply:

- The **set max-ports** command applies to the cluster; there is no distributed virtual switch (DVS).
- The **set host-nwio-perf** command has no effect.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # create port-profile profile-name	Creates the specified port profile and enters system VM management profile set port profile mode.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set descr description	(Optional) Provides a description for the port profile.  Note If your description includes spaces, special characters, or punctuation, you must begin and end your description with quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any show command output.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set host-nwio-perf {high-performance   none}	You can choose one of the following options:  • high-performance  • none
Step 7	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set max-ports max-num	Specifies the maximum number of ports that the port profile can use.  The maximum number of ports that can be associated with a single distributed virtual switch (DVS) is 4096. If the DVS has only one associated port profile, that port profile can be configured with up to 4096 ports. However, if the DVS has more than one associated port profile, the total number of ports associated with all of those port profiles combined cannot exceed 4096.
Step 8	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set nw-control-policy policy-name	Specifies the network control policy to use for the port profile.
Step 9	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set pin-group group-name	Specifies the LAN pin group to use for the port profile.
Step 10	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # set qos-policy policy-name	Specifies the QoS policy to use for the port profile.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 11	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create and configure a port profile named MyProfile and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # create port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set descr "This is my port profile"
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set max-ports 24
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set nw-control-policy ncp5
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set pin-group PinGroup54
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # set qos-policy QosPolicy34
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile #
```

#### What to Do Next

Add a port profile client to the port profile.

### **Deleting a Port Profile**

You cannot delete a port profile if a VM is actively using that port profile.

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # delete port-profile profile-name	Deletes the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.  Cisco UCS Manager deletes the port profile and all associated port profile clients.

The following example shows how to delete the port profile named MyProfile and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set
```

```
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # delete port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set #
```

# Adding a Named VLAN to a Port Profile

#### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system# scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt# scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile profile-name	Enters system VM management profile set port profile mode for the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # create vlan vlan-name	Specifies a named VLAN to use for the port profile.  Note You can create multiple VLANs for guest VLAN trunking.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan # set default-net no	(Optional)
Step 7	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to add the VLAN named accounting to the port profile named MyProfile, set the VLAN as non-native, and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt# scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # create vlan accounting
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan* # set default-net no
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/vlan* # commit-buffer
```

## **Deleting a Named VLAN from a Port Profile**

#### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system# scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile profile-name	Enters system VM management profile set port profile mode for the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # delete vlan vlan-name	Deletes the specified named VLAN from the port profile.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to delete the VLAN named accounting from the port profile named MyProfile and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt# scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # delete vlan accounting
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile #
```

### **Port Profile Clients**

The port profile client determines the cluster or clusters to which a port profile is applied.

## **Adding a Port Profile Client to a Port Profile**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile profile-name	Enters system VM management profile set port profile mode for the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # create client client-name	Creates the specified port profile client and enters system VM management profile set port profile client mode.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set descr description	(Optional) Provides a description for the port profile client.
		Note If your description includes spaces, special characters, or punctuation, you must begin and end your description with quotation marks. The quotation marks do not appear in the description field of any show command output.
Step 7	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set data-center data-center-name	(Optional) Specifies the datacenter to which the port profile is applied.
Step 8	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set folder folder-name	(Optional) Specifies the datacenter folder to which the port profile is applied.
Step 9	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # set cluster name	(Optional) Specifies the cluster to which the port profile is applied.
Step 10	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to create a port profile client named MyClient that applies the port profile to the default cluster and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # create client MyClient
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # set descr "This is the client for my port profile"
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # set cluster default
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile/client #
```

# **Deleting a Port Profile Client from a Port Profile**

You cannot delete a port profile client if a VM is actively using the port profile with which the client is associated.

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	UCS-A# scope system	Enters system mode.
Step 2	UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt	Enters system VM management mode.
Step 3	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt # scope profile-set	Enters system VM management profile set mode.
Step 4	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile profile-name	Enters system VM management profile set port profile mode for the specified port profile.
Step 5	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # delete client client-name	Deletes the specified port profile client.
Step 6	UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # commit-buffer	Commits the transaction.

The following example shows how to delete the port profile client named OtherClient from the port profile named MyProfile and commit the transaction:

```
UCS-A# scope system
UCS-A /system # scope vm-mgmt

UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt# scope profile-set
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set # scope port-profile MyProfile
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile # delete client OtherClient
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile* # commit-buffer
UCS-A /system/vm-mgmt/profile-set/port-profile #
```

**Deleting a Port Profile Client from a Port Profile** 



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