

## Reference Architecture-Based Design for 5000 Seat Virtual Desktop Infrastructure

Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Feature Pack 1 Built on Cisco Unified Computing System and EMC VNX Cisco Unified Computing System, Nexus 5500, Nexus 1000V, EMC VNX7500, and VMware ESXi 5

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# **1 Overview**

Industry trends indicate a vast data center transformation toward shared infrastructures. Enterprise customers are moving away from silos of information and toward shared infrastructures, to virtualized environments, and eventually to the cloud to increase agility and reduce costs.

This document reports the results of a study evaluating the scalability of Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 environment, utilizing Citrix Provisioning Server 6.1, on Cisco UCS B-Series B230 M2 Blade Servers running VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1 hypervisor software connected to an EMC VNX7500 Storage Array. We utilize second generation Unified Computing System hardware and software. We provide best practice recommendations and sizing guidelines for large scale customer deployments of XenDesktop 5.6 on the Cisco Unified Computing System.

## **1.1 Solution Component Benefits**

Each of the components of the overall solution materially contributes to the value of functional design contained in this document.

## 1.1.1 Benefits of Cisco Unified Computing System

Cisco Unified Computing System<sup>™</sup> is the first converged data center platform that combines industry-standard, x86-architecture servers with networking and storage access into a single converged system. The system is entirely programmable using unified, model-based management to simplify and speed deployment of enterprise-class applications and services running in bare-metal, virtualized, and cloud computing environments.

### Benefits of the Cisco Unified Computing System

### **Architectural Flexibility**

- Cisco UCS B-Series blade servers for infrastructure and virtual workload hosting
- Cisco UCS C-Series rack-mount servers for infrastructure and virtual workload Hosting
- Cisco UCS 6200 Series second generation fabric interconnects provide unified blade, network and storage connectivity
- Cisco UCS 5108 Blade Chassis provide the perfect environment for multi-server type, multi-purpose workloads in a single containment

### Infrastructure Simplicity

- · Converged, simplified architecture drives increased IT productivity
- Cisco UCS management results in flexible, agile, high performance, self-integrating information technology with faster ROI
- Fabric Extender technology reduces the number of system components to purchase, configure and maintain
- Standards-based, high bandwidth, low latency virtualization-aware unified fabric delivers high density, excellent virtual desktop user-experience

### **Business Agility**

• Model-based management means faster deployment of new capacity for rapid and accurate scalability

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- Scale up to 16 Chassis and up to 128 blades in a single Cisco UCS management domain
- Leverage Cisco UCS Management Packs for System Center 2012 for integrated management

## 1.1.2 Benefits of Nexus 5548UP

The Cisco Nexus 5548UP Switch delivers innovative architectural flexibility, infrastructure simplicity, and business agility, with support for networking standards. For traditional, virtualized, unified, and high-performance computing (HPC) environments, it offers a long list of IT and business advantages, including:

### **Architectural Flexibility**

- Unified ports that support traditional Ethernet, Fibre Channel (FC), and Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE)
- Synchronizes system clocks with accuracy of less than one microsecond, based on IEEE 1588
- Offers converged Fabric extensibility, based on emerging standard IEEE 802.1BR, with Fabric Extender (FEX) Technology portfolio, including:
- Nexus 1000V Virtual Distributed Switch
- Cisco Nexus 2000 FEX
- Adapter FEX
- VM-FEX

### Infrastructure Simplicity

- Common high-density, high-performance, data-center-class, fixed-form-factor platform
- Consolidates LAN and storage
- Supports any transport over an Ethernet-based fabric, including Layer 2 and Layer 3 traffic
- Supports storage traffic, including iSCSI, NAS, FC, RoE, and IBoE
- Reduces management points with FEX Technology

### **Business Agility**

- Meets diverse data center deployments on one platform
- Provides rapid migration and transition for traditional and evolving technologies
- Offers performance and scalability to meet growing business needs

### **Specifications At-a-Glance**

- A 1 -rack-unit, 1/10 Gigabit Ethernet switch
- 32 fixed Unified Ports on base chassis and one expansion slot totaling 48 ports
- The slot can support any of the three modules: Unified Ports, 1/2/4/8 native Fibre Channel, and Ethernet or FCoE
- Throughput of up to 960 Gbps

## 1.1.3 Benefits of Nexus 1000v Distributed Virtual Switch

The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series provides a common management model for both physical and virtual network infrastructures that includes policy-based virtual machine connectivity, mobility of virtual machine security and network properties, and a non-disruptive operational model.

#### **Policy-Based Virtual Machine Connectivity**

To complement the ease of creating and provisioning virtual machines, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series includes the Port profile feature to address the dynamic nature of server virtualization from the network's perspective (Figure 2). Port profiles enable you to define virtual machine network policies for different types or classes of virtual machines from the VSM and then apply the profiles to individual virtual machine virtual NICs (vNICs) through the VMware vCenter GUI for transparent provisioning of network resources. Port profiles are a scalable mechanism for configuring networks with large numbers of virtual machines.

### Mobility of Virtual Machine Security and Network Properties

Network and security policies defined in the port profile follow the virtual machine throughout its lifecycle, whether it is being migrated from one server to another (Figure 3), suspended, hibernated, or restarted. In addition to migrating the policy, the VSM also moves the virtual machine's network state, such as the port counters and flow statistics. Virtual machines participating in traffic monitoring activities, such as Cisco NetFlow or ERSPAN, can continue these activities uninterrupted by VMware vMotion operations. When a specific port profile is updated, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series automatically provides live updates to all of the virtual ports using that same port profile. With the ability to migrate network and security policies through VMware vMotion, regulatory compliance is much easier to enforce with the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series, because the security policy is defined in the same way as physical servers and constantly enforced by the switch.

#### **Non-disruptive Operational Model**

Because of its close integration with VMware vCenter Server, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series allows virtualization administrators to continue using VMware tools to provision virtual machines. At the same time, network administrators can provision and operate the virtual machine network the same way they do the physical network using Cisco CLI and SNMP along with tools such as ERSPAN and NetFlow (Figure 4). While both teams work independently, using familiar tools, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series enforces consistent configuration and policy throughout the server virtualization environment. This level of integration lowers the cost of ownership while supporting various organizational boundaries among server, network, security, and storage teams.

#### **Differentiated Quality of Service**

Today, network interfaces are often dedicated to a particular type of traffic, such as VMware Console or vMotion. With the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series, all the network interface cards (NICs) on the server can be treated as a single logical channel with QoS attached to each type of traffic. With VMware vSphere Version 4.1, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series can even provide different service-level agreements (SLAs) for production virtual machines. Consequently, the bandwidth to the server can be more efficiently utilized with virtualization of network-intensive applications.

## 1.1.4 Benefits of EMC VNX Family of Storage Controllers

The EMC VNX Family delivers industry leading innovation and enterprise capabilities for file, block, and object storage in a scalable, easy-to-use solution. This next-generation storage platform combines powerful and flexible hardware with advanced efficiency, management, and protection software to meet the demanding needs of today's enterprises.

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All of this is available in a choice of systems ranging from affordable entry-level solutions to high performance, petabyte-capacity configurations servicing the most demanding application requirements. The VNX family includes the VNXe Series, purpose-built for the IT generalist in smaller environments, and the VNX Series, designed to meet the high-performance, high scalability, requirements of midsize and large enterprises.

#### VNXe Series—Simple, Efficient, Affordable

The VNXe Series was designed with the IT generalist in mind and provides an integrated storage system for small-to-medium businesses as well as remote offices, and departments in larger enterprise businesses. Starting at less than \$8,000, the VNXe series provides true storage consolidation with a unique application–driven approach that eliminates the boundaries between applications and their storage.

This simple application-driven approach to managing shared storage makes the VNXe series ideal for IT generalists/managers and application administrators who may have limited storage expertise. EMC Unisphere for the VNXe series enables easy, wizard-based provisioning of storage for Microsoft, Exchange, file shares, iSCSI volumes, VMware, and Hyper-V. VNXe supports tight integration with VMware to further facilitate efficient management of virtualized environments. Complemented by Unisphere Remote, the VNXe is also ideal for remote office-branch office (ROBO) deployments. Built-in efficiency capabilities, such as file de-duplication with compression and thin provisioning result in streamlined operations and can save up to 50 percent in upfront storage costs. Software packs aimed at facilitating backup, remote data protection, and disaster recovery include features such as easy-to-configure application snapshots.

The VNXe series supports high availability by using redundant components – power supplies, fans, and storage processors – as well as dynamic failover and failback. Additionally, the VNXe series supports the ability to upgrade system software or hardware while the VNXe system is running. It also delivers single click access to a world of resources such as comprehensive online documentation, training, and how-to-videos to expand your knowledge and answer questions.

#### VNX Series—Simple, Efficient, Powerful

A robust platform for consolidation of legacy block storage, file-servers, and direct-attached application storage, the VNX series enables organizations to dynamically grow, share, and cost-effectively manage multi-protocol file systems and multi-protocol block storage access. The VNX Operating environment enables Microsoft Windows and Linux/UNIX clients to share files in multi-protocol (NFS and CIFS) environments. At the same time it supports iSCSI, Fiber Channel, and FCoE access for high bandwidth and latency-sensitive block applications. The combination of EMC Atmos Virtual Edition software and VNX storage supports object-based storage and enables customers to manage web applications from EMC Unisphere. The VNX series next generation storage platform is powered by Intel quad-core Xeon 5600 series with a 6 –Gb/s SAS drive back-end and delivers demonstrable performance improvements over the previous generation mid-tier storage:

- Run Microsoft SQL and Oracle 3x to 10x faster
- Enable 2x system performance in less than 2 minutes -non-disruptively
- Provide up to 10 GB/s bandwidth for data warehouse applications

## 1.1.5 Benefits of VMware ESXi 5.0

As virtualization is now a critical component to an overall IT strategy, it is important to choose the right vendor. VMware is the leading business virtualization infrastructure provider, offering the most trusted and reliable platform for building private clouds and federating to public clouds.

Find out how only VMware delivers on the core requirements for a business virtualization infrastructure solution.

- Is built on a robust, reliable foundation
- Delivers a complete virtualization platform from desktop through the datacenter out to the public cloud Provides the most comprehensive virtualization and cloud management
- Integrates with your overall IT infrastructure
- Is proven over 350,000 customers

And best of all, VMware delivers while providing

• Low total-cost-of-ownership (TCO)

### 1.1.6 Benefits of Citrix XenDesktop and Provisioning Server

Citrix XenDesktop is a comprehensive desktop virtualization solution that includes all the capabilities required to deliver desktops, apps and data securely to every user in an enterprise. Trusted by the world's largest organizations, XenDesktop has won numerous awards for its leading-edge technology and strategic approach to desktop virtualization.

Citrix XenDesktop helps businesses:

- · Enable virtual workstyles to increase workforce productivity from anywhere
- · Leverage the latest mobile devices to drive innovation throughout the business
- Rapidly adapt to change with fast, flexible desktop and app delivery for off-shoring, M&A, branch expansion and other initiatives
- Transform desktop computing with centralized delivery, management and security

A complete line of XenDesktop editions lets you choose the ideal solution for your business needs and IT strategy. XenDesktop VDI edition, a scalable solution for delivering virtual desktops in a VDI scenario, includes Citrix HDX technology, provisioning services, and profile management. XenDesktop Enterprise edition is an enterprise-class desktop virtualization solution with FlexCast delivery technology that delivers the right type of virtual desktop with on-demand applications to any user, anywhere. The comprehensive Platinum edition includes advanced management, monitoring and security capabilities.

## **1.2 Audience**

This document describes the architecture and deployment procedures of an infrastructure comprised of Cisco, EMC, VMware and Citrix virtualization. The intended audience of this document includes, but is not limited to, sales engineers, field consultants, professional services, IT managers, partner engineering, and customers who want to deploy the solution described in this document.

## **2** Summary of Main Findings

The combination of technologies from Cisco Systems, Inc, Citrix Systems, Inc, VMware and EMC produced a highly efficient, robust and scalable Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) for a hosted virtual desktop deployment. Key components of the solution included:

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- The combined power of the Unified Computing System, Nexus switching and EMC storage hardware with VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1, Citrix Provisioning Server 6.1, and Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 software produces a high density per blade and per chassis Virtual Desktop delivery system.
- B230 M2 half-width blade with dual 10-core processors and 256GB of memory supports 22.7% more virtual desktop workloads than the previously studied full width blade using a new medium workload with flash.
- The study design based on five Unified Computing System chassis, four each with 8 B230 M2 blades and one with 7-B230 M2 blades, each with dual 10-core processors and 256GB of memory and a M81KR (Palo) converged network adapter supports 5000 virtual desktop workloads running the new medium workload with flash, more than 2.25 times the density of previously studied chassis with full width blades.
- The 39 B230 M2 Servers were organized in three VMware ESXi Clusters, each with N+1 Server fault tolerance. This highly available configuration is a first for our Cisco Validated Design series.
- We were able to ramp (log in and start workloads) up to steady state in 30 minutes without pegging the processor, exhausting memory or storage subsystems.
- Compared to previous studies with full width blades, the rack space required to support 5000 users was reduced from 72 Rack Units to 30 Rack units.
- Pure Virtualization: We continue to present a validated design that is 100% virtualized on ESXi 5.0 Update 1. All of the Windows 7 SP1 virtual desktops and supporting infrastructure components, including Active Directory, Profile Servers, Provisioning Servers, SQL Servers, and XenDesktop delivery controllers were hosted as virtual servers.
- We maintain our industry leadership with our new Cisco UCS Manager 2.0(4a) software that makes scaling simple, consistency guaranteed and maintenance simple.
- Our 10G unified fabric story gets additional validation on second generation 6200 Series Fabric Interconnects and second generation Nexus 5500 Series access switches as we run more challenging workload testing, maintaining unsurpassed user response times.
- For the first time in a Cisco VDI Cisco Validated Design, we incorporate our Nexus 1000V virtual distributed switch. A redundant pair of Nexus 1000V Virtual Supervisor Module appliances were deployed for each ESXi cluster to extend our Cisco end-to-end Quality of Service leadership, guaranteeing high priority virtual desktop related traffic to produce industry leading end user experience
- EMC's VNX 7500 system provides storage consolidation and outstanding efficiency. Both block and NFS storage resources were provided by a single system, utilizing EMC Fast Cache technology.
- Citrix HDX technology, extended in XenDesktop 5.6 Feature Pack 1 software, provides excellent performance with host-rendered flash video and other demanding applications.

# **3** Architecture

## 3.1 Hardware Deployed

The architecture deployed is highly modular. While each customer's environment might vary in its exact configuration, when the reference architecture contained in this document is built, it can easily be scaled as requirements and demands change. This includes scaling both up (adding additional resources within a Cisco UCS Domain) and out (adding additional Cisco UCS Domains and VNX Storage arrays).

The 5000 User XenDesktop 5.6 solution includes Cisco networking, Cisco Unified Computing System and EMC storage which the computing and storage that fit in two data center racks, including the networking residing in the Cisco Unified Computing System rack.

This document details the deployment of Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 with Provisioning Server 6.1 on VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1. Cisco Nexus 1000V distributed switch manages the three VMware Clusters hosting the virtual desktops, insuring end to end Quality of Service and ease of management by the network team.



Figure 1 Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 5000 User Hardware Components

The reference configuration includes:

- Two Cisco Nexus 5548UP switches with 16-universal port Expansion Modules
- Two Cisco UCS 6248UP Series Fabric Interconnects with Cisco UCS 6200 16-universal port Expansion Modules
- Six Cisco UCS 5108 Blade Server Chassis with two 2204XP IO Modules per chassis
- Five Cisco UCS B200 M3 Blade servers with Intel E5-2650 processors, 96 GB RAM, and VIC1240 mezzanine cards for infrastructure services

- Thirty nine Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade servers with Intel E7-2780 processors, 256 GB RAM, and M81KR mezzanine cards for VDI workloads
- One EMC VNX7500 dual controller storage system for HA

The EMC VNX7500 disk shelf, disk and Fast Cache configurations are detailed in Section 5.4 Storage Architecture Design later in this document.

## 3.2 Software Revisions

### Table 1Software Used in this Deployment

Layer	Compute	Version or Release	Details
Compute	Cisco UCS Fabric	2.0(4a)	Embedded Management
	Interconnect		
	Cisco UCS B200 M2	2.0(4a)	Hardware BIOS
	Cisco UCS B230 M2	2.0(4a)	Hardware BIOS
Network	Nexus Fabric Switch	5.2(1)N1(1)	Operating System Version
Storage	EMC VNX7500	File: 7.1.47-5	Operating System Version
		Block:	
		05.32.000.5.006	
Software	Cisco UCS Blade Hosts	B200: VMware ESXi	Operating System Version
		5.0 Update 1	
		B230: VMware ESXi	
		5.0 Update 1	
			Virtual Switch appliance
	Cisco Nexus 1000V	4.2(1)SV1(5.2)	version

## **3.3 Configuration Guidelines**

The 5000 User XenDesktop 5.6 solution described in this document provides details for configuring a fully redundant, highly-available configuration. Configuration guidelines are provided that refer to which redundant component is being configured with each step, whether that be A or B. For example, SP A and SP B are used to identify the two EMC VNX storage controllers that are provisioned with this document while Nexus A and Nexus B identify the pair of Cisco Nexus switches that are configured. The Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnects are configured similarly.

This document is intended to allow the reader to configure the Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 with Provisioning Server 6.1 customer environment as stand-alone solution.

## 3.3.1 VLANs

For the 5000 User XenDesktop 5.6 solution, we utilized VLANs to isolate and apply access strategies to various types of network traffic. Table 2 details the VLANs used in this study.

Table 2VLANs
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VLAN Name	VLAN ID	Purpose	Native
ML-VDA	800	Virtual Desktops	No
ML_DC-VM-MGMT	801	ESXi, N1KV	Yes
		Management	
ML_DC-VMMOTION	802	vMotion	No
ML_DC-INF	803	Infrastructure VMs	No
ML_DC-STRG	804	NFS Storage	No
ML_Launcher-Inf	851	Login VSI Launchers	No
ML-N1KV_CTRL	900	N1KV Control	No
ML-N1KV_PK	901	N1KV Packet	No

## 3.3.2 VMware Clusters

We utilized five VMware Clusters to support the solution and testing environment:

- Infrastructure (Active Directory, DNS, DHCP, SQL Clusters, Citrix User Profile Manager clustered shares, PVS 6.1 virtual machines, XenDesktop controllers, Nexus 1000V Virtual Switch Manager appliances, etc.)
- VDA Clusters (3) (Windows 7 SP1 32-bit pooled virtual desktops; approximately 1700 per cluster per Nexus 1000V best practices recommended VSM density.)
- Launcher Cluster (The Login Consultants Login VSI launcher infrastructure was hosted on a completely separate Cisco UCS Domain using dedicated switching and storage. It was connected to the solution Cisco UCS Domain through the Nexus 5000 switches in each domain.)

# **4 Infrastructure Components**

This section describes all of the infrastructure components used in the solution outlined in this study.

## 4.1 Cisco Unified Computing System (UCS)

Cisco Unified Computing System is a set of pre-integrated data center components that comprises blade servers, adapters, fabric interconnects, and extenders that are integrated under a common embedded management system. This approach results in far fewer system components and much better manageability, operational efficiencies, and flexibility than comparable data center platforms.

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## 4.1.1 Cisco Unified Computing System Components

Cisco UCS components are shown in Cisco Unified Computing System Components.



Figure 2 Cisco Unified Computing System Components

The Cisco Unified Computing System is designed from the ground up to be programmable and self-integrating. A server's entire hardware stack, ranging from server firmware and settings to network profiles, is configured through model-based management. With Cisco virtual interface cards, even the number and type of I/O interfaces is programmed dynamically, making every server ready to power any workload at any time.

With model-based management, administrators manipulate a model of a desired system configuration, associate a model's service profile with hardware resources and the system configures itself to match the model. This automation speeds provisioning and workload migration with accurate and rapid scalability. The result is increased IT staff productivity, improved compliance, and reduced risk of failures due to inconsistent configurations.

Cisco Fabric Extender technology reduces the number of system components to purchase, configure, manage, and maintain by condensing three network layers into one. It eliminates both blade server and hypervisor-based switches by connecting fabric interconnect ports directly to individual blade servers and virtual machines. Virtual networks are now managed exactly as physical networks are, but with massive scalability. This represents a radical simplification over traditional systems, reducing capital and operating costs while increasing business agility, simplifying and speeding deployment, and improving performance.

## 4.1.2 Fabric Interconnect

Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnects create a unified network fabric throughout the Cisco UCS. They provide uniform access to both networks and storage, eliminating the barriers to deploying a fully virtualized environment based on a flexible, programmable pool of resources.

Cisco Fabric Interconnects comprise a family of line-rate, low-latency, lossless 10-GE, Cisco Data Center Ethernet, and FCoE interconnect switches. Based on the same switching technology as the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series, Cisco UCS 6000 Series Fabric Interconnects provide the additional features and management capabilities that make them the central nervous system of Cisco UCS.

The Cisco UCS Manager software runs inside the Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnects. The Cisco UCS 6000 Series Fabric Interconnects expand the UCS networking portfolio and offer higher capacity, higher port density, and lower power consumption. These interconnects provide the management and communication backbone for the Cisco UCS B-Series Blades and Cisco UCS Blade Server Chassis.

All chassis and all blades that are attached to the Fabric Interconnects are part of a single, highly available management domain. By supporting unified fabric, the Cisco UCS 6200 Series provides the flexibility to support LAN and SAN connectivity for all blades within its domain right at configuration time. Typically deployed in redundant pairs, the Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect provides uniform access to both networks and storage, facilitating a fully virtualized environment.

The Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect family is currently comprised of the Cisco 6100 Series and Cisco 6200 Series of Fabric Interconnects.

Cisco UCS 6248UP 48-Port Fabric Interconnect

The Cisco UCS 6248UP 48-Port Fabric Interconnect is a 1 RU, 10-GE, Cisco Data Center Ethernet, FCoE interconnect providing more than 1Tbps throughput with low latency. It has 32 fixed ports of Fibre Channel, 10-GE, Cisco Data Center Ethernet, and FCoE SFP+ ports.

One expansion module slot can be up to sixteen additional ports of Fibre Channel, 10-GE, Cisco Data Center Ethernet, and FCoE SFP+.

## 4.1.3 Cisco UCS 2200 Series IO Module

The Cisco UCS 2100/2200 Series FEX multiplexes and forwards all traffic from blade servers in a chassis to a parent Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect over from 10-Gbps unified fabric links. All traffic, even traffic between blades on the same chassis, or VMs on the same blade, is forwarded to the parent interconnect, where network profiles are managed efficiently and effectively by the Fabric Interconnect. At the core of the Cisco UCS Fabric Extender are ASIC processors developed by Cisco that multiplex all traffic.



Up to two fabric extenders can be placed in a blade chassis.

Cisco UCS 2104 has eight 10GBASE-KR connections to the blade chassis mid-plane, with one connection per fabric extender for each of the chassis' eight half slots. This gives each half-slot blade server access to each of two 10-Gbps unified fabric-based networks through SFP+ sockets for both throughput and redundancy. It has 4 ports connecting up the fabric interconnect.

Cisco UCS 2208 has thirty-two 10GBASE-KR connections to the blade chassis mid-plane, with one connection per fabric extender for each of the chassis' eight half slots. This gives each half-slot blade server access to each of two 4x10-Gbps unified fabric-based networks through SFP+ sockets for both throughput and redundancy. It has 8 ports connecting up the fabric interconnect.

## 4.1.4 Cisco UCS Chassis

The Cisco UCS 5108 Series Blade Server Chassis is a 6 RU blade chassis that will accept up to eight half-width Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers or up to four full-width Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers, or a combination of the two. The UCS 5108 Series Blade Server Chassis can accept four redundant power supplies with automatic load-sharing and failover and two Cisco UCS (either 2100 or 2200 series) Fabric Extenders. The chassis is managed by Cisco UCS Chassis Management Controllers, which are mounted in the Cisco UCS Fabric Extenders and work in conjunction with the Cisco UCS Manager to control the chassis and its components.

A single Cisco Unified Computing System managed domain can theoretically scale to up to 40 individual chassis and 320 blade servers. At this time Cisco supports up to 20 individual chassis and 160 blade servers.

Basing the I/O infrastructure on a 10-Gbps unified network fabric allows the Cisco Unified Computing System to have a streamlined chassis with a simple yet comprehensive set of I/O options. The result is a chassis that has only five basic components:

- The physical chassis with passive midplane and active environmental monitoring circuitry
- Four power supply bays with power entry in the rear, and hot-swappable power supply units accessible from the front panel
- Eight hot-swappable fan trays, each with two fans
- Two fabric extender slots accessible from the back panel
- Eight blade server slots accessible from the front panel
- 4.1.5 Cisco UCS B200 M3 Blade Server

Cisco UCS B200 M3 is a third generation half-slot, two-socket Blade Server. The Cisco UCS B200 M3 harnesses the power of the latest Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 product family, with up to 384 GB of RAM (using 16-GB DIMMs), two optional SAS/SATA/SSD disk drives, and up to dual 4x 10 Gigabit Ethernet throughput, utilizing our VIC 1240 LAN on motherboard (LOM) design. The Cisco UCS B200 M3 further extends the capabilities of Cisco Unified Computing System by delivering new levels of manageability, performance, energy efficiency, reliability, security, and I/O bandwidth for enterprise-class virtualization and other mainstream data center workloads.

### 4.1.5 Cisco UCS B200 M3 Blade Server

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### 4.1.6 Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server

The UCS B230 M2 Blade Server is a full-slot, two-socket blade server featuring the performance and reliability of Intel Xeon Processor E7-2800 product family and up to 32 DIMM slots which support up to 512 GB of memory. The Cisco UCS B230 M2 supports two SSD drives and one CNA mezzanine slots for up to 20 Gbps of I/O throughput. The Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server platform delivers outstanding performance, memory and I/O capacity to meet the diverse needs of a virtualized environment with advanced reliability and exceptional scalability for the most demanding applications.

### 4.1.7 Cisco UCS Converged Network Adapter (CNA)

### Cisco UCS M81KR Virtual Interface Card

A Cisco<sup>®</sup> innovation, the Cisco UCS M81KR (Palo) Virtual Interface Card (VIC) is a virtualization-optimized Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) mezzanine card designed for use with Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers (Figure 1). The VIC is a dual-port 10 Gigabit Ethernet mezzanine card that supports up to 128 Peripheral Component Interconnect Express (PCIe) standards-compliant

virtual interfaces that can be dynamically configured so that both their interface type (network interface card [NIC] or host bus adapter [HBA]) and identity (MAC address and worldwide name [WWN]) are established using just-in-time provisioning. In addition, the Cisco UCS M81KR supports Cisco VN-Link technology, which adds server-virtualization intelligence to the network.



#### Figure 3 Cisco UCS VIC M81KR Converged Network Adapter

Note

The Cisco UCS M81KR virtual interface cards are deployed in the Cisco UCS B-Series B230 M2 Blade Servers.

### Cisco UCS VIC1240 Converged Network Adapter

A Cisco® innovation, the Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1240 (Figure 1) is a 4-port 10 Gigabit Ethernet, Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE)-capable modular LAN on motherboard (mLOM) designed exclusively for the M3 generation of Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers. When used in combination with an optional Port Expander, the Cisco UCS VIC 1240 capabilities can be expanded to eight ports of 10 Gigabit Ethernet.



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The Cisco UCS VIC 1240 enables a policy-based, stateless, agile server infrastructure that can present up to 256 PCIe standards-compliant interfaces to the host that can be dynamically configured as either network interface cards (NICs) or host bus adapters (HBAs). In addition, the Cisco UCS VIC 1240 supports Cisco Data Center Virtual Machine Fabric Extender (VM-FEX) technology, which extends the Cisco UCS fabric interconnect ports to virtual machines, simplifying server virtualization deployment.



The Cisco UCS VIC1240 virtual interface cards are deployed in the Cisco UCS B-Series B200 M3 Blade Servers.

## 4.2 Citrix XenDesktop

Citrix XenDesktop is a desktop virtualization solution that delivers Windows desktops as an on-demand service to any user, anywhere. With FlexCast<sup>™</sup> delivery technology, XenDesktop can quickly and securely deliver individual applications or complete desktops to the entire enterprise, whether users are task workers, knowledge workers or mobile workers. Users now have the flexibility to access their desktop on any device, anytime, with a high definition user experience. With XenDesktop, IT can manage single instances of each OS, application, and user profile and dynamically assemble them to increase business agility and greatly simplify desktop management. XenDesktop's open architecture enables customers to easily adopt desktop virtualization using any hypervisor, storage, or management infrastructure.

## 4.2.1 Enhancements in Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Feature Pack 1

Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Feature Pack 1, builds on the themes of the last release which are about reducing cost and making it easier to do desktop virtualization. Below, is an overview of new or updated technologies and capabilities contained in Feature Pack 1:

- **Remote PC**—Extends the FlexCast physical delivery model to include secure remote connections to office-based PCs with a high-definition user experience leveraging Receiver and HDX technologies. Simple auto-assignment setup is included so Remote PC can be easily provisioned to thousands of users. With this new FlexCast delivery feature, Citrix is simplifying desktop transformation by creating an easy on-ramp for desktop virtualization. View the Remote PC video
- Universal Print Server—Combined with the previously available Universal Print Driver, administrators may now install a single driver in the virtual desktop image or application server to permit local or network printing from any device, including thin clients and tablets.
- Optimized Unified Communications—A new connector from Citrix enables Microsoft Lync 2010 clients to create peer-to-peer connections for the ultimate user experience, while taking the load off datacenter processing and bandwidth resources. The Cisco Virtualization Experience Client (VXC), announced October 2011, was the first in the industry to provide peer-to-peer connection capability to deliver uncompromised user experience benefits to Citrix customers. Download Cisco VXC . Webcam Video Compression adds support for WebEx (in addition to Office Communicator, GoToMeeting HDFaces, Skype and Adobe Connect).
- **Mobility Pack for VDI**—With the new Mobility Pack, XenDesktop dynamically transforms the user interfaces of Windows desktops and applications to look and feel like the native user interface of smartphones and tablets. Now, your existing Windows applications adapt to the way users interact with applications on smaller devices without any source code changes. Previously, this technology was available only for XenApp.
- HDX 3D Pro—This HDX update provides breakthrough visual performance of high-end graphics intensive applications obtained by producing much faster frame rates using NVIDIAs latest API and leveraging a new, ultra-efficient, deep compression codec.
- XenClient Enterprise—XenClient 4.1 now supports 9x more PCs, has wider graphics support with NVIDIA graphics & has broader server hypervisor support. Its backend management can now run on XenServer, vSphere & Hyper-V. The release brings robust policy controls to the platform & role based administration. XenClient 4.1 delivers enterprise level scalability with support of up to 10,000 endpoints.
- Simple License Service—This new license service automatically allocates and installs your XenDesktop and/or XenApp licenses directly from your license server, eliminating the need to go to My Citrix to fully allocate your licenses. For more details, reference Citrix edocs. Version 11.6.1 or higher of the License Server is required.

### 4.2.2 FlexCast Technology

Citrix XenDesktop with FlexCast is an intelligent delivery technology that recognizes the user, device, and network, and delivers the correct virtual desktop and applications specifically tailored to meet the performance, security, and flexibility requirements of the user scenario. FlexCast technology delivers any type of virtual desktop to any device and can change this mix at any time. FlexCast also includes on-demand applications to deliver any type of virtual applications to any desktop, physical or virtual.

The FlexCast delivery technologies can be broken down into the following categories:

• Hosted Shared Desktops provide a locked down, streamlined and standardized environment with a core set of applications, ideally suited for task workers running a few lower-intensity applications with light personalization requirements

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• **Hosted VM Desktops** offer a personalized Windows desktop experience, typically needed by knowledge workers with higher application performance needs and high personalization requirements

- Streamed Virtual Hard Disk (VHD) Desktops use the local processing power of rich clients while providing centralized single image management of the desktop. These types of desktops are often used in computer labs and training facilities and when users require local processing for certain applications or peripherals.
- Local VM Desktops utilize XenClient to extend the benefits of centralized, single-instance management to mobile workers that need to use their laptops offline. When they are able to connect to a suitable network, changes to the OS, applications, and user data are automatically synchronized with the data center.
- **Physical Desktops** utilize the Remote PC feature in XenDesktop to create secure remote connections to physical PCs on a LAN without having to build out a large scale XenDesktop infrastructure in the data center.
- **On-demand Applications** allows any Windows® application to be centralized and managed in the data center, hosted either on multi-user terminal servers or VMs and instantly delivered as a service to physical and virtual desktops. Optimized for each user device, network, and location, applications are delivered through a high speed protocol for use while connected or streamed through Citrix application virtualization or Microsoft App-V directly to the endpoint for use when offline.

## 4.2.3 High-Definition User Experience Technology

Citrix High-Definition User Experience (HDX) technology is a set of capabilities that delivers a high definition desktop virtualization user experience to end users for any application, device, or network. These user experience enhancements balance performance with low bandwidth, whether it be plugging in a USB device, printing from a network printer or rendering real time video and audio. Citrix HDX technology provides network and application performance optimizations for a "like local PC" experience over LANs and a very usable experience over low bandwidth and high latency WAN connections.

### 4.2.4 Citrix XenDesktop Hosted VM Overview

Hosted VM uses a hypervisor to host all the desktops in the data center. Hosted VM desktops can either be pooled or assigned. Pooled virtual desktops use Citrix Provisioning Services to stream a standard desktop image to each desktop instance on boot-up. Therefore, the desktop is always returned to its clean, original state. Citrix Provisioning Services enables the streaming of a single desktop image to create multiple virtual desktops on one or more hypervisors in a data center. This feature greatly reduces the amount of storage required compared to other methods of creating virtual desktops. The high-level components of a Citrix XenDesktop architecture utilizing the Hosted VM model for desktop delivery are shown in Figure4.



#### Figure 4 Citrix XenDesktop on VMware vSphere

Components of a Citrix XenDesktop architecture using Hosted VM include:

- Virtual Desktop Agent: The Virtual Desktop Agent (VDA) is installed on the virtual desktops and enables direct Independent Computing Architecture (ICA) connections between the virtual desktop and user devices with the Citrix online plug-in.
- **Desktop Delivery Controller**: The XenDesktop controllers are responsible for maintaining the proper level of idle desktops to allow for instantaneous connections, monitoring the state of online and connected virtual desktops and shutting down virtual desktops as needed. The primary XD controller is configured as the farm master server. The farm master is able to focus on its role of managing the farm when an additional XenDesktop Controller acts as a dedicated XML server. The XML server is responsible for user authentication, resource enumeration, and desktop launching process. A failure in the XML broker service will result in users being unable to start their desktops. This is why multiple controllers per farm are recommended.
- Citrix Receiver: Installed on user devices, Citrix Receiver enables direct HDX connections from user devices to virtual desktops. Receiver is a mobile workspace available on a range of platforms so users can connect to their Windows applications and desktops from devices of their choice. Receiver for Web is also available for devices that don't support a native Receiver. Receiver incorporates the Citrix® HDX client engine and other technologies needed to communicate directly with backend resources, such as StoreFront.
- **Citrix XenApp**: Citrix XenApp is an on-demand application delivery solution that enables any Windows application to be virtualized, centralized, managed in the data center, and instantly delivered as a service to users anywhere on any device. XenApp can be used to deliver both virtualized applications and virtualized desktops. In the Hosted VM model, XenApp is typically used for on-demand access to streamed and hosted applications.

- **Provisioning Services**: PVS creates and provisions virtual desktops from a single desktop image (vDisk) on demand, optimizing storage utilization and providing a pristine virtual desktop to each user every time they log on. Desktop provisioning also simplifies desktop images, provides the best flexibility, and offers fewer points of desktop management for both applications and desktops. The Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP) and Pre-boot eXecution Environment (PXE) services are required for the virtual desktop to boot off the network and download the bootstrap file which instructs the virtual desktop to connect to the PVS server for registration and vDisk access instructions.
- **Personal vDisk**: Personal vDisk technology is a powerful new tool that provides the persistence and customization users want with the management flexibility IT needs in pooled VDI deployments. Personal vDisk technology gives these users the ability to have a personalized experience of their virtual desktop. Personal apps, data and settings are easily accessible each time they log on. This enables broader enterprise-wide deployments of pooled virtual desktops by storing a single copy of Windows centrally, and combining it with a personal vDisk for each employee, enhancing user personalization and reducing storage costs.
- **Hypervisor**: XenDesktop has an open architecture that supports the use of XenServer, Microsoft Hyper-V, or VMware vSphere. For the purposes of the testing documented in this paper, VMware vSphere was the hypervisor of choice.
- Storefront: Storefront is the next-generation of Web Interface and provides the user interface to the XenDesktop environment. Storefront broker user authentication, enumerates the available desktops and, on launch, delivers an.ica file to Citrix Receiver on the user's local device to initiate a connection. Because StoreFront is a critical component, redundant servers must be available to provide fault tolerance.
- License Server: The Citrix License Server is responsible for managing the licenses for all of the components of XenDesktop. XenDesktop has a 90 day grace period which allows the system to function normally for 90 days if the license server becomes unavailable. This grace period offsets the complexity involved with building redundancy into the license server.
- **Data Store**: Each XenDesktop farm requires a database called the data store. Citrix XenDesktops use the data store to centralize configuration information for a farm in one location. The data store maintains all the static information about the XenDesktop environment.
- **Domain Controller**: The Domain Controller hosts Active Directory, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), and Domain Name System (DNS). Active Directory provides a common namespace and secure method of communication between all the servers and desktops in the environment. DNS provides IP Host name resolution for the core XenDesktop infrastructure components. DHCP is used by the virtual desktop to request and obtain an IP address from the DHCP service. DHCP uses Option 66 and 67 to specify the bootstrap file location and file name to a virtual desktop. The DHCP service receives requests on UDP port 67 and sends data to UDP port 68 on a virtual desktop. The virtual desktops then have the operating system streamed over the network utilizing Citrix Provisioning Services (PVS).
- All of the aforementioned components interact to provide a virtual desktop to an end user based on the FlexCast Hosted VM desktop delivery model leveraging the Provisioning Services feature of XenDesktop. This architecture provides the end user with a pristine desktop at each logon based on a centralized desktop image that is owned and managed by IT.

### 4.2.5 Citrix XenDesktop Hosted Shared Desktop Overview

In a typical large enterprise environment, IT will implement a mixture of Flexcast technologies to meet various workstyle needs. Like the test in this document, hosted shared desktops can be deployed alongside hosted VM desktops.

Host shared desktops has been a proven Citrix offering over many years and is deployed in some of the largest enterprises today due to its ease of deployment, reliability and scalability. Hosted shared desktops are appropriate for environments that have a standardized set of applications that do not deviate from one user to another. All users share the same desktop interface hosted on a Windows server in the backend datacenter. Hence, the level of desktop customization is limited compared to a Hosted VM desktop model.

If VM isolation is required and the ability to allocate resources to one user over another is important, the Hosted VM desktop should be the model of choice.

## 4.2.6 Citrix Provisioning Services

Citrix Provisioning Server provides images to physical and virtual desktops. Desktops utilize network booting to obtain the image and only portions of the desktop images are streamed across the network as needed. Provisioning Server does require additional server resources but these can be either physical or virtual servers depending on the capacity requirements and hardware configuration. Also, Provisioning Server does not require the desktop to be virtualized as Provisioning Server can deliver desktop images to physical desktops.

## 4.3 EMC VNX Series

The VNX series delivers uncompromising scalability and flexibility for the mid-tier while providing market-leading simplicity and efficiency to minimize total cost of ownership. Customers can benefit from VNX features such as:

- Next-generation unified storage, optimized for virtualized applications.
- Extended cache by using Flash drives with Fully Automated Storage Tiering for Virtual Pools (FAST VP) and FAST Cache that can be optimized for the highest system performance and lowest storage cost simultaneously on both block and file.
- Multiprotocol supports for file, block, and object with object access through EMC Atmos<sup>™</sup> Virtual Edition (Atmos VE).
- Simplified management with EMC Unisphere<sup>™</sup> for a single management framework for all NAS, SAN, and replication needs.
- Up to three times improvement in performance with the latest Intel Xeon multicore processor technology, optimized for Flash.
- 6 Gb/s SAS back end with the latest drive technologies supported:
  - 3.5" 100 GB and 200 GB Flash, 3.5" 300 GB, and 600 GB 15k or 10k rpm SAS, and 3.5" 1 TB, 2 TB and 3 TB 7.2k rpm NL-SAS
  - 2.5" 100 GB and 200 GB Flash, 300 GB, 600 GB and 900 GB 10k rpm SAS
- Expanded EMC UltraFlex<sup>™</sup> I/O connectivity—Fibre Channel (FC), Internet Small Computer System Interface (iSCSI), Common Internet File System (CIFS), network file system (NFS) including parallel NFS (pNFS), Multi-Path File System (MPFS), and Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) connectivity for converged networking over Ethernet.

The VNX series includes five software suites and three software packs that make it easier and simpler to attain the maximum overall benefits.

Software suites available:

• VNX FAST Suite—Automatically optimizes for the highest system performance and the lowest storage cost simultaneously (FAST VP is not part of the FAST Suite for VNX5100<sup>™</sup>).

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- VNX Local Protection Suite—Practices safe data protection and repurposing.
- VNX Remote Protection Suite—Protects data against localized failures, outages, and disasters.
- VNX Application Protection Suite—Automates application copies and proves compliance.
- VNX Security and Compliance Suite—Keeps data safe from changes, deletions, and malicious activity.

Software packs available:

- VNX Total Efficiency Pack—Includes all five software suites (not available for VNX5100).
- VNX Total Protection Pack—Includes local, remote, and application protection suites.
- VNX Total Value Pack—Includes all three protection software suites and the Security and Compliance Suite (VNX5100 exclusively supports this package).

### 4.3.1 EMC on VNX 7500 Used in Testing

EMC VNX 7500 unified storage platform is at the top of the line of the VNX series. It is powered by Intel quad-core Xeon 5600 series processors and delivers five 9's availability. It is designed to deliver maximum performance and scalability for enterprises, enabling them to dramatically grow, share, and cost-effectively manage multi-protocol file and block systems. It supports up to 1000 drives and eight X-Blades (also known as Data Movers) for file protocol support. This solution was validated using NFS for data storage of virtual desktops, and Fibre Channel for hypervisor SAN boot, SQL database, and infrastructure virtual machines such as Citrix XenDesktop controllers, VMware vCenter Servers, and other supporting services.

## 4.4 VMware ESXi 5.0

VMware, Inc. provides virtualization software. VMware's enterprise software hypervisors for servers—VMware ESX, VMware ESXi, and VSphere—are bare-metal embedded hypervisors that run directly on server hardware without requiring an additional underlying operating system.

### 4.4.1 VMware on ESXi 5.0 Hypervisor

ESXi 5.0 is a "bare-metal" hypervisor, so it installs directly on top of the physical server and partitions it into multiple virtual machines that can run simultaneously, sharing the physical resources of the underlying server. VMware introduced ESXi in 2007 to deliver industry-leading performance and scalability while setting a new bar for reliability, security and hypervisor management efficiency.

Due to its ultra-thin architecture with less than 100MB of code-base disk footprint, ESXi delivers industry-leading performance and scalability plus:

- Improved Reliability and Security with fewer lines of code and independence from general purpose OS, ESXi drastically reduces the risk of bugs or security vulnerabilities and makes it easier to secure your hypervisor layer.
- Streamlined Deployment and Configuration ESXi has far fewer configuration items than ESX, greatly simplifying deployment and configuration and making it easier to maintain consistency.
- **Higher Management Efficiency** The API-based, partner integration model of ESXi eliminates the need to install and manage third party management agents. You can automate routine tasks by leveraging remote command line scripting environments such as vCLI or PowerCLI.

• Simplified Hypervisor Patching and Updating — Due to its smaller size and fewer components, ESXi requires far fewer patches than ESX, shortening service windows and reducing security vulnerabilities.

## 4.5 Modular Virtual Desktop Infrastructure Technical Overview

### 4.5.1 Modular Architecture

Today's IT departments are facing a rapidly-evolving workplace environment. The workforce is becoming increasingly diverse and geographically distributed and includes offshore contractors, distributed call center operations, knowledge and task workers, partners, consultants, and executives connecting from locations around the globe at all times.

An increasingly mobile workforce wants to use a growing array of client computing and mobile devices that they can choose based on personal preference. These trends are increasing pressure on IT to make sure protection of corporate data and to prevent data leakage or loss through any combination of user, endpoint device, and desktop access scenarios (Figure 10). These challenges are compounded by desktop refresh cycles to accommodate aging PCs and bounded local storage and migration to new operating systems, specifically Microsoft Windows 7.

### Figure 5 The Evolving Workplace Landscape



### **Trends and Expectations**

Some of the key drivers for desktop virtualization are increased data security and reduced TCO through increased control and reduced management costs.

### 4.5.1.1 Cisco Data Center Infrastructure for Desktop Virtualization

Cisco focuses on three key elements to deliver the best desktop virtualization data center infrastructure: simplification, security, and scalability. The software combined with platform modularity provides a simplified, secure, and scalable desktop virtualization platform (Figure 11).

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### 4.5.1.2 Simplified

Cisco UCS provides a radical new approach to industry standard computing and provides the heart of the data center infrastructure for desktop virtualization and the Cisco Virtualization Experience (VXI). Among the many features and benefits of Cisco UCS are the drastic reductions in the number of servers needed and number of cables per server and the ability to very quickly deploy or re-provision servers through Cisco UCS Service Profiles. With fewer servers and cables to manage and with streamlined server and virtual desktop provisioning, operations are significantly simplified. Thousands of desktops can be provisioned in minutes with Cisco Service Profiles and Cisco storage partners' storage-based cloning. This speeds time to productivity for end users, improves business agility, and allows IT resources to be allocated to other tasks.

IT tasks are further simplified through reduced management complexity, provided by the highly integrated Cisco UCS Manager, along with fewer servers, interfaces, and cables to manage and maintain. This is possible due to the industry-leading, highest virtual desktop density per blade of Cisco UCS along with the reduced cabling and port count due to the unified fabric and unified ports of Cisco UCS and desktop virtualization data center infrastructure.

Simplification also leads to improved and more rapid success of a desktop virtualization implementation. Cisco and its partners –Citrix (XenDesktop and Provisioning Server) and EMC – have developed integrated, validated architectures, including available pre-defined, validated infrastructure packages, known as VSPEX.

### 4.5.1.3 Secure

While virtual desktops are inherently more secure than their physical world predecessors, they introduce new security considerations. Desktop virtualization significantly increases the need for virtual machine-level awareness of policy and security, especially given the dynamic and fluid nature of virtual machine mobility across an extended computing infrastructure. The ease with which new virtual desktops can proliferate magnifies the importance of a virtualization-aware network and security infrastructure. Cisco UCS and Nexus data center infrastructure for desktop virtualization provides stronger data center, network, and desktop security with comprehensive security from the desktop to the hypervisor. Security is enhanced with segmentation of virtual desktops, virtual machine-aware policies and administration, and network security across the LAN and WAN infrastructure.

### 4.5.1.4 Scalable

Growth of a desktop virtualization solution is all but inevitable and it is critical to have a solution that can scale predictably with that growth. The Cisco solution supports more virtual desktops per server and additional servers scale with near linear performance. Cisco data center infrastructure provides a flexible platform for growth and improves business agility. Cisco UCS Service Profiles allow for on-demand desktop provisioning, making it easy to deploy dozens or thousands of additional desktops.

Each additional Cisco UCS blade server provides near linear performance and utilizes Cisco's dense memory servers and unified fabric to avoid desktop virtualization bottlenecks. The high performance, low latency network supports high volumes of virtual desktop traffic, including high resolution video and communications.

Cisco Unified Computing System and Nexus data center infrastructure is an ideal platform for growth, with transparent scaling of server, network, and storage resources to support desktop virtualization.

#### 4.5.1.5 Savings and Success

As demonstrated above, the simplified, secure, scalable Cisco data center infrastructure solution for desktop virtualization will save time and cost. There will be faster payback, better ROI, and lower TCO with the industry's highest virtual desktop density per server, meaning there will be fewer servers needed, reducing both capital expenditures (CapEx) and operating expenditures (OpEx). There will also be much lower network infrastructure costs, with fewer cables per server and fewer ports required, through the Cisco UCS architecture and unified fabric.

The simplified deployment of Cisco Unified Computing System for desktop virtualization speeds up time to productivity and enhances business agility. IT staff and end users are more productive more quickly and the business can react to new opportunities by simply deploying virtual desktops whenever and wherever they are needed. The high performance Cisco systems and network deliver a near-native end-user experience, allowing users to be productive anytime, anywhere.

## 4.5.2 Understanding Desktop User Groups

There must be a considerable effort within the enterprise to identify desktop user groups and their memberships. The most broadly recognized, high level user groups are:

- **Task Workers**—Groups of users working in highly specialized environments where the number of tasks performed by each worker is essentially identical. These users are typically located at a corporate facility (e.g., call center employees).
- **Knowledge/Office Workers**—Groups of users who use a relatively diverse set of applications that are Web-based and installed and whose data is regularly accessed. They typically have several applications running simultaneously throughout their workday and a requirement to utilize Flash video for business purposes. This is not a singular group within an organization. These workers are typically located at a corporate office (e.g., workers in accounting groups).
- **Power Users**—Groups of users who run high-end, memory, processor, disk IO, and/or graphic-intensive applications, often simultaneously. These users have high requirements for reliability, speed, and real-time data access (e.g., design engineers).

- **Mobile Workers**—Groups of users who may share common traits with Knowledge/Office Workers, with the added complexity of needing to access applications and data from wherever they are—whether at a remote corporate facility, customer location, at the airport, at a coffee shop, or at home—all in the same day (e.g., a company's outbound sales force).
- **Remote Workers**—Groups of users who could fall into the Task Worker or Knowledge/Office Worker groups but whose experience is from a remote site that is not corporate owned, most often from the user's home. This scenario introduces several challenges in terms of type, available bandwidth, and latency and reliability of the user's connectivity to the data center (for example, a work-from-home accounts payable representative).
- **Guest/Contract Workers**—Groups of users who need access to a limited number of carefully controlled enterprise applications and data and resources for short periods of time. These workers may need access from the corporate LAN or remote access (for example, a medical data transcriptionist).

There is good reason to search for and identify multiple sub-groups of the major groups listed above in the enterprise. Typically, each sub-group has different application and data requirements.

### 4.5.3 Understanding Applications and Data

When the desktop user groups and sub-groups have been identified, the next task is to catalog group application and data requirements. This can be one of the most time-consuming processes in the VDI planning exercise, but is essential for the VDI project's success. If the applications and data are not identified and co-located, performance will be negatively affected.

The process of analyzing the variety of application and data pairs for an organization will likely be complicated by the inclusion cloud applications, like SalesForce.com. This application and data analysis is beyond the scope of this Cisco Validated Design, but should not be omitted from the planning process. There are a variety of third party tools available to assist organizations with this crucial exercise.

### 4.5.4 Project Planning and Solution Sizing Sample Questions

Now that user groups, their applications and their data requirements are understood, some key project and solution sizing questions may be considered.

General project questions should be addressed at the outset, including:

- Has a VDI pilot plan been created based on the business analysis of the desktop groups, applications and data?
- Is there infrastructure and budget in place to run the pilot program?
- Are the required skill sets to execute the VDI project available? Can we hire or contract for them?
- Do we have end user experience performance metrics identified for each desktop sub-group?
- How will we measure success or failure?
- What is the future implication of success or failure?

Provided below is a short, non-exhaustive list of sizing questions that should be addressed for each user sub-group:

- What is the desktop OS planned? Windows 7 or Windows XP?
- 32 bit or 64 bit desktop OS?
- How many virtual desktops will be deployed in the pilot? In production? All Windows 7?
- How much memory per target desktop group desktop?

- Are there any rich media, Flash, or graphics-intensive workloads?
- What is the end point graphics processing capability?
- Will XenApp be used for Hosted Shared Server Desktops or exclusively XenDesktop?
- Are there XenApp hosted applications planned? Are they packaged or installed?
- Will Provisioning Server or Machine Creation Services be used for virtual desktop deployment?
- What is the hypervisor for the solution?
- What is the storage configuration in the existing environment?
- Are there sufficient IOPS available for the write-intensive VDI workload?
- Will there be storage dedicated and tuned for VDI service?
- Is there a voice component to the desktop?
- Is anti-virus a part of the image?
- Is user profile management (e.g., non-roaming profile based) part of the solution?
- What is the fault tolerance, failover, disaster recovery plan?
- Are there additional desktop sub-group specific questions?

## 4.5.5 Cisco Services

Cisco offers assistance for customers in the analysis, planning, implementation, and support phases of the VDI lifecycle. These services are provided by the Cisco Advanced Services group. Some examples of Cisco services include:

- Cisco VXI Unified Solution Support
- Cisco VXI Desktop Virtualization Strategy Service
- Cisco VXI Desktop Virtualization Planning and Design Service

## 4.5.8 The Solution: A Unified, Pre-Tested and Validated Infrastructure

To meet the challenges of designing and implementing a modular desktop infrastructure, Cisco, Citrix, EMC and VMware have collaborated to create the data center solution for virtual desktops outlined in this document.

Key elements of the solution include:

- A shared infrastructure that can scale easily
- · A shared infrastructure that can accommodate a variety of virtual desktop workloads

## 4.6 Cisco Networking Infrastructure

This section describes the Cisco networking infrastructure components used in the configuration.

## 4.6.1 Cisco Nexus 5548 Switch

The Cisco Nexus 5548 Switch is a 1RU, 10 Gigabit Ethernet, FCoE access-layer switch built to provide more than 500 Gbps throughput with very low latency. It has 20 fixed 10 Gigabit Ethernet and FCoE ports that accept modules and cables meeting the Small Form-Factor Pluggable Plus (SFP+) form factor.

One expansion module slot can be configured to support up to six additional 10 Gigabit Ethernet and FCoE ports, up to eight FC ports, or a combination of both. The switch has a single serial console port and a single out-of-band 10/100/1000-Mbps Ethernet management port. Two N+1 redundant, hot-pluggable power supplies and five N+1 redundant, hot-pluggable fan modules provide highly reliable front-to-back cooling.

### 4.6.2 Cisco Nexus 5500 Series Feature Highlights

The switch family's rich feature set makes the series ideal for rack-level, access-layer applications. It protects investments in data center racks with standards-based Ethernet and FCoE features that allow IT departments to consolidate networks based on their own requirements and timing.

- The combination of high port density, wire-speed performance, and extremely low latency makes the switch an ideal product to meet the growing demand for 10 Gigabit Ethernet at the rack level. The switch family has sufficient port density to support single or multiple racks fully populated with blade and rack-mount servers.
- Built for today's data centers, the switches are designed just like the servers they support. Ports and power connections are at the rear, closer to server ports, helping keep cable lengths as short and efficient as possible. Hot-swappable power and cooling modules can be accessed from the front panel, where status lights offer an at-a-glance view of switch operation. Front-to-back cooling is consistent with server designs, supporting efficient data center hot-aisle and cold-aisle designs. Serviceability is enhanced with all customer replaceable units accessible from the front panel. The use of SFP+ ports offers increased flexibility to use a range of interconnect solutions, including copper for short runs and fibre for long runs.
- FCoE and IEEE data center bridging features support I/O consolidation, ease management of multiple traffic flows, and optimize performance. Although implementing SAN consolidation requires only the lossless fabric provided by the Ethernet pause mechanism, the Cisco Nexus 5500 Series switches provide additional features that create an even more easily managed, high-performance, unified network fabric.

### 4.6.2.1 Features and Benefits

The following sections detail the specific features and benefits provided by the Cisco Nexus 5500 Series.

### 4.6.2.2 10GB Ethernet, FCoE, and Unified Fabric Features

The Cisco Nexus 5500 Series is first and foremost a family of outstanding access switches for 10 Gigabit Ethernet connectivity. Most of the features on the switches are designed for high performance with 10 Gigabit Ethernet. The Cisco Nexus 5500 Series also supports FCoE on each 10 Gigabit Ethernet port that can be used to implement a unified data center fabric, consolidating LAN, SAN, and server clustering traffic.

### 4.6.2.3 Low Latency

The cut-through switching technology used in the Cisco Nexus 5500 Series ASICs enables the product to offer a low latency of 3.2 microseconds, which remains constant regardless of the size of the packet being switched. This latency was measured on fully configured interfaces, with access control lists (ACLs), QoS, and all other data path features turned on. The low latency on the Cisco Nexus 5500 Series enables application-to-application latency on the order of 10 microseconds (depending on the NIC). These numbers, together with the congestion management features described in the next section, make the Cisco Nexus 5500 Series a great choice for latency-sensitive environments.

Other features include: Nonblocking Line-Rate Performance, Single-Stage Fabric, Congestion Management, Virtual Output Queues, Lossless Ethernet (Priority Flow Control), Delayed Drop FC over Ethernet, Hardware-Level I/O Consolidation, and End-Port Virtualization.

## 4.6.3 Nexus 1000V Virtual Distributed Switch

### 4.6.3.1 Product Overview

Cisco Nexus® 1000V Series Switches provide a comprehensive and extensible architectural platform for virtual machine (VM) and cloud networking. The switches are designed to accelerate server virtualization and multitenant cloud deployments in a secure and operationally transparent manner. Integrated into the VMware vSphere hypervisor and fully compatible with VMware vCloud Director, the Cisco® Nexus 1000V Series provides:

- Advanced virtual machine networking based on Cisco NX-OS operating system and IEEE 802.1Q switching technology
- Cisco vPath technology for efficient and optimized integration of virtual network services
- Virtual Extensible Local Area Network (VXLAN), supporting cloud networking

These capabilities help ensure that the virtual machine is a basic building block of the data center, with full switching capabilities and a variety of Layer 4 through 7 services in both dedicated and multitenant cloud environments. With the introduction of VXLAN on the Nexus 1000V Series, network isolation among virtual machines can scale beyond traditional VLANs for cloud-scale networking.

### 4.6.3.2 Advanced Virtual Machine Networking using Cisco Nexus 1000V Series

The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series Switches are virtual machine access switches for the VMware vSphere environments running the Cisco NX-OS operating system. Operating inside the VMware ESX or ESXi hypervisors, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series provides:

- · Policy-based virtual machine connectivity
- Mobile virtual machine security and network policy
- Nondisruptive operational model for your server virtualization and networking teams

When server virtualization is deployed in the data center, virtual servers typically are not managed the same way as physical servers. Server virtualization is treated as a special deployment, leading to longer deployment time, with a greater degree of coordination among server, network, storage, and security administrators. With the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series, you can have a consistent networking feature set and provisioning process all the way from the virtual machine access layer to the core of the data center network infrastructure. Virtual servers can now use the same network configuration, security policy, diagnostic tools, and operational models as their physical server counterparts attached to dedicated physical network ports. Virtualization administrators can access predefined network policies that follow mobile virtual machines to make sure proper connectivity saving valuable time to focus on virtual machine administration. This comprehensive set of capabilities helps you to deploy server virtualization faster and realize its benefits sooner.

Developed in close collaboration with VMware, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series is certified by VMware to be compatible with VMware vSphere, vCenter, vCloud Director, ESX, and ESXi, and many other VMware vSphere features. You can use the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series to manage your virtual machine connectivity with confidence in the integrity of the server virtualization and cloud infrastructure.

### 4.6.3.3 Product Architecture

The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series Switch has two major components: the Virtual Ethernet Module (VEM), which runs inside the hypervisor, and the external Virtual Supervisor Module (VSM), which manages the VEMs.



Figure 7 Cisco Nexus 1000V Series Architecture

### **Virtual Ethernet Module**

The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series VEM runs as part of the VMware ESX or ESXi kernel and replaces the VMware Virtual Switch functionality. The VEM uses the VMware vNetwork Distributed Switch (vDS) API, which was developed jointly by Cisco and VMware, to provide advanced networking capability to virtual machines. This level of integration helps ensure that the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series is fully aware of all server virtualization events, such as VMware VMotion and Distributed Resource Scheduler (DRS). The VEM takes configuration information from the VSM and performs Layer 2 switching and advanced networking functions:

- Port Channels
- Quality of service (QoS)
- Security: Private VLAN, access control lists (ACLs), and port security
- Monitoring: NetFlow, Switch Port Analyzer (SPAN), and Encapsulated Remote SPAN (ERSPAN)

In the event of loss of communication with the VSM, the VEM has Nonstop Forwarding (NSF) capability to continue to switch traffic based on the last known configuration. Thus, the VEM provides advanced switching with data center reliability for the server virtualization environment.

#### Virtual Supervisor Module

The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series VSM controls multiple VEMs as one logical modular switch. Instead of physical line-card modules, the VSM supports multiple VEMs running in software inside the physical servers. Configuration is performed through the VSM and is automatically propagated to the VEMs.

Instead of configuring soft switches inside the hypervisor on a host-by-host basis, administrators can define configurations for immediate use on all VEMs being managed by the VSM, from a single interface.

#### By using the capabilities of Cisco NX-OS, the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series provides:

- Flexibility and scalability: port profiles, a new Cisco NX-OS feature, provides configuration of ports by category, enabling the solution to scale to a large number of ports. Common software can run all areas of the data center network, including the LAN and SAN.
- High availability: Synchronized, redundant VSMs enable rapid, stateful failover and help ensure an always available virtual machine network.
- Manageability: The Cisco Nexus 1000V Series can be accessed through the Cisco command-line interface (CLI), Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), XML API, and Cisco Works LAN Management Solution (LMS).

The VSM is also integrated with VMware vCenter Server so that the virtualization administrator can take advantage of the network configuration in the Cisco Nexus 1000V Series.

# 5 Architecture and Design of Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 on Cisco Unified Computing System and EMC VNX Storage

## 5.1 Design Fundamentals

There are many reasons to consider a virtual desktop solution such as an ever growing and diverse base of user devices, complexity in management of traditional desktops, security, and even Bring Your Own Computer (BYOC) to work programs. The first step in designing a virtual desktop solution is to understand the user community and the type of tasks that are required to successfully execute their role. The following user classifications are provided:

- Knowledge Workers today do not just work in their offices all day they attend meetings, visit branch offices, work from home, and even coffee shops. These anywhere workers expect access to all of their same applications and data wherever they are.
- External Contractors are increasingly part of your everyday business. They need access to certain portions of your applications and data, yet administrators still have little control over the devices they use and the locations they work from. Consequently, IT is stuck making trade-offs on the cost of providing these workers a device vs. the security risk of allowing them access from their own devices.
- **Task Workers** perform a set of well-defined tasks. These workers access a small set of applications and have limited requirements from their PCs. However, since these workers are interacting with your customers, partners, and employees, they have access to your most critical data.
- Mobile Workers need access to their virtual desktop from everywhere, regardless of their ability to connect to a network. In addition, these workers expect the ability to personalize their PCs, by installing their own applications and storing their own data, such as photos and music, on these devices.
- Shared Workstation users are often found in state-of-the-art university and business computer labs, conference rooms or training centers. Shared workstation environments have the constant requirement to re-provision desktops with the latest operating systems and applications as the needs of the organization change, tops the list.

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After the user classifications have been identified and the business requirements for each user classification have been defined, it becomes essential to evaluate the types of virtual desktops that are needed based on user requirements. There are essentially five potential desktops environments for each user:

- **Traditional PC:** A traditional PC is what —typically constituted a desktop environment: physical device with a locally installed operating system.
- Hosted Shared Desktop: A hosted, server-based desktop is a desktop where the user interacts through a delivery protocol. With hosted, server-based desktops, a single installed instance of a server operating system, such as Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2, is shared by multiple users simultaneously. Each user receives a desktop "session" and works in an isolated memory space. Changes made by one user could impact the other users.
- Hosted Virtual Desktop: A hosted virtual desktop is a virtual desktop running either on virtualization layer (XenServer, Hyper-V or ESX) or on bare metal hardware. The user does not work with and sit in front of the desktop, but instead the user interacts through a delivery protocol.
- **Streamed Applications:** Streamed desktops and applications run entirely on the user's local client device and are sent from a server on demand. The user interacts with the application or desktop directly but the resources may only available while they are connected to the network.
- Local Virtual Desktop: A local virtual desktop is a desktop running entirely on the user's local device and continues to operate when disconnected from the network. In this case, the user's local device is used as a type 1 hypervisor and is synced with the data center when the device is connected to the network.

For the purposes of the validation represented in this document only hosted virtual desktops were validated. Each of the sections provides some fundamental design decisions for this environment.

## **5.2 Hosted VDI Design Fundamentals**

Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 can be used to deliver a variety of virtual desktop configurations. When evaluating a Hosted VDI deployment, consider the following:

## 5.2.1 Hypervisor Selection

Citrix XenDesktop is hypervisor agnostic, so any of the following three hypervisors can be used to hosted VDI-based desktops:

- Hyper-V: Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 Hyper-V builds on the architecture and functions of Windows Server 2008 Hyper-V by adding multiple new features that enhance product flexibility. Hyper-V is available in a Standard, Server Core and free Hyper-V Server 2008 R2 versions. More information on Hyper-V can be obtained at the company web site.
- vSphere: VMware vSphere consists of the management infrastructure or virtual center server software and the hypervisor software that virtualizes the hardware resources on the servers. It offers features like Distributed resource scheduler, vMotion, HA, Storage vMotion, VMFS, and a multipathing storage layer. More information on vSphere can be obtained at the company website.
- XenServer: Citrix® XenServer® is a complete, managed server virtualization platform built on the powerful Xen® hypervisor. Xen technology is widely acknowledged as the fastest and most secure virtualization software in the industry. XenServer is designed for efficient management of Windows® and Linux® virtual servers and delivers cost-effective server consolidation and business continuity. More information on Hyper-V can be obtained at the company website.

For this study, we utilized VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1 and vCenter 5.0 Update 1.

## **5.2.2 Provisioning Services**

Hosted-VDI desktops can be deployed with or without Citrix Provisioning Services (PVS.) However, PVS enables you to stream a single desktop image to create multiple virtual desktops on one or more servers in a data center. This facility greatly reduces the amount of storage required compared to other methods of creating virtual desktops. Virtual desktops streamed through Citrix Provisioning Services can be deployed as XenDesktop Pooled or Dedicated using the following types of virtual disks (vDisks:)

- PVS Private Mode vDisk: A dedicate desktop is a desktop assigned to one distinct user. It uses a PVS vDisk that is set to private mode, enabling all changes to be captured when the virtual machine is restarted.
- PVS Standard vDisk: A pooled virtual desktop uses Citrix Provisioning Services to stream a standard or shared desktop image to multiple desktop instances on boot-up. Changes made to this type of PVS virtual disk is not preserved when the virtual desktop is restarted.

When considering a Provisioning Services deployment, there are some design decisions that need to be made regarding the write-cache for the virtual desktop device leveraging provisioning. The write-cache is a cache of all data that the target device has written. If data is written to the Provisioning Server vDisk in a caching mode, the data is not written back to the base vDisk. Instead it is written to a write-cache file in one of the locations specified below. The following options exist for the Provisioning Services write cache:

- Cache on device HD: Cache on device HD is stored in a file on a secondary local hard drive of the virtual device. It gets created as an invisible file in the root folder of the local HD. The Cache file size grows as needed, but never gets larger than the original vDisk, and frequently not larger than the free space on the original vDisk.
- Cache in device RAM: Cache is stored in client RAM (Memory), The Cache maximum size is fixed by a setting in vDisk properties. All written data can be read from local RAM instead of going back to server. RAM Cache is faster than server cache and works in a high availability environment.
- Cache on server: Device Cache is stored in a file on the PVS server, or on a share, SAN, or other. The file size grows as needed, but never gets larger than the original vDisk, and frequently not larger than the free space on the original vDisk. It is slower than RAM cache because all reads/writes have to go to the server and be read from a file. Cache gets deleted when the device reboots, in other words, on every boot the device reverts to the base image. Changes remain only during a single boot session.
- Cache on device hard drive persisted: (Experimental Phase) The same as Cache on device hard drive, except cache persists. At this time, this write cache method is an experimental feature only, and is only supported for NT6.1 or later (Windows 7 and Windows 2008 R2 and later). This method also requires a different bootstrap.
- Cache on server persisted: This cache option allows for the saving of changes between reboots. Using this option, after rebooting, a target device is able to retrieve changes made from previous sessions that differ from the read only vDisk image. If a vDisk is set to Cache on server persistent, each target device that accesses the vDisk automatically has a device-specific, writable disk file created. Any changes made to the vDisk image are written to that file, which is not automatically deleted on shutdown.

The alternative to Citrix Provisioning Services for pooled desktop deployments is Citrix Machine Creation Services, which is integrated directly with the XenDesktop Studio console.

For this study Provisioning Server 6.1 standard mode vDisks were used to stream 5000 XenDesktop Pooled Desktops with Cache on device HD. Provisioning Server 6.1 was used for Active Directory machine account creation and management as well as for streaming the shared disk to the hypervisor hosts.
## 5.3 Designing a Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Deployment

To implement our pooled desktop delivery model for this study, known as Hosted VDI Pooled Desktops, we followed the Citrix Reference Architecture for local desktop delivery.



Figure 8 Pooled Desktop Infrastructure

We used Provisioning Services 6.1 in place of Machine Creation Services shown in the figure above for this study.

To read about Citrix's XenDesktop Reference Architecture – Pooled Desktops (Local and Remote) go to the following link:

http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX131049

To learn more about XenDesktop 5.6 Planning and Design go to the following link:

http://support.citrix.com/product/xd/v5.5/consulting/

## 5.4 Storage Architecture Design

In a large scale PVS deployment, the option typically chosen for the PVS write cache destination is "Cache on device hard drive" (see 5.2.2 for other destination options) to achieve higher scalability, allow ease of manageability and agility when the write cache area resides in the EMC VNX unified storage system. In a virtualized environment, this cache area resides in the virtual hard disks that are attached to the virtual machines, and it accounts for the majority of IOPS requirements as the PVS servers absorb most of the read IOPS for the virtual desktops while all writes are redirected to the write cache area. Since the write Cache area is write intensive by nature, it is recommended to designate RAID 10 storage pools on the VNX for PVS write cache to minimize RAID penalty that are likely incurred by RAID 5 or similar RAID types. Because EMC VNX supports RAID 10 pools with multiples of eight drives, it is recommended to use that drive count unit as the building block while the number of deployed desktops continues to scale. In this solution, each building block storage pool is made up of 16 SAS drives.

# **6** Solution Validation

This section details the configuration and tuning that was performed on the individual components to produce a complete, validated solution.

# 6.1 Configuration Topology for Scalable Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Virtual Desktop Infrastructure on Cisco Unified Computing System and EMC Storage



Architecture Block Diagramabove captures the architectural diagram for the purpose of this study. The architecture is divided into four distinct layers:

- Cisco UCS Compute Platform
- The Virtual Desktop Infrastructure that runs on UCS blade hypervisor hosts
- Network Access layer and LAN
- Storage Access Network (SAN) and EMC VNX Storage array

The following figure details the physical configuration of the 5000 seat XenDesktop 5.6 environment.

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### Figure 10 Detailed Architecture of the Configuration

# 6.2 Cisco Unified Computing System Configuration

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This section talks about the UCS configuration that was done as part of the infrastructure build out. The racking, power and installation of the chassis are described in the install guide (see http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/unified\_computing/ucs/hw/chassis/install/ucs5108\_install.html) and it is beyond the scope of this document. More details on each step can be found in the following documents:

- Cisco UCS CLI Configuration guide http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/unified\_computing/ucs/sw/cli/config/guide/2.1/b\_UCSM\_CLI\_ Configuration\_Guide\_2\_1.pdf
- Cisco UCS-M GUI Configuration guide http://www.cisco.com/en/US/partner/docs/unified\_computing/ucs/sw/gui/config/guide/2.1/b\_UCS M\_GUI\_Configuration\_Guide\_2\_1.html

## 6.2.1 Base Cisco UCS System Configuration

To configure the Cisco Unified Computing System, perform the following steps:

- 1. Bring up the Fabric interconnect and from a Serial Console connection set the IP address, gateway, and the hostname of the primary fabric interconnect. Now bring up the second fabric interconnect after connecting the dual cables between them. The second fabric interconnect automatically recognizes the primary and ask if you want to be part of the cluster, answer yes and set the IP address, gateway and the hostname. Once this is done all access to the FI can be done remotely. You will also configure the virtual IP address to connect to the FI, you need a total of three IP address to bring it online. You can also wire up the chassis to the FI, using either 1, 2 or 4 links per IO Module, depending on your application bandwidth requirement. We connected all the four links to each module.
- 2. Now connect using your favorite browser to the Virtual IP and launch the Cisco UCS-Manager. The Java based Cisco UCSM will let you do everything that you could do from the CLI. We will highlight the GUI methodology here.
- 3. First check the firmware on the system and see if it is current. Visit http://software.cisco.com/download/release.html?mdfid=283612660&softwareid=283655658&rel ease=2.0(4d)&relind=AVAILABLE&rellifecycle=&reltype=latest to download the most current UCS Infrastructure and UCS Manager software. Use the Cisco UCS Manager Equipment tab in the left pane, then the Firmware Management tab in the right pane and Packages sub-tab to view the packages on the system. Use the Download Tasks tab to download needed software to the FI. The firmware release used in this paper is 2.0(4a).

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If the firmware is not current, follow the installation and upgrade guide to upgrade the Cisco UCS Manager firmware. We will use Cisco UCS Policy in Service Profiles later in this document to update all Cisco UCS components in the solution.



The Bios and Board Controller version numbers do not track the IO Module, Adapter, nor CIMC controller version numbers in the packages.

**4.** Configure and enable the server ports on the FI. These are the ports that will connect the chassis to the FIs.



5. Configure and enable uplink Ethernet ports and FC uplink ports.

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Use the Configure Unified Ports, Configure Expansion Module Ports to configure FC uplinks. Note: In this example, we configured six FC ports, two of which are in use.

**a.** On the LAN tab in the Navigator pane, configure the required Port Channels and Uplink Interfaces on both Fabric Interconnects.



**6.** Expand the Chassis node in the left pane, the click on each chassis in the left pane, then click Acknowledge Chassis in the right pane to bring the chassis online and enable blade discovery.

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7. Use the Admin tab in the left pane, to configure logging, users and authentication, key management, communications, statistics, time zone and NTP services, and Licensing. Configuring your Management IP Pool (which provides IP based access to the KVM of each Cisco UCS Blade Server,) Time zone Management (including NTP time source(s)) and uploading your license files are critical steps in the process.



8. Create all the pools: MAC pool, WWPN pool, WWNN pool, UUID pool, Server pool.

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**a.** From the LAN tab in the navigator, under the Pools node, we created a MAC address pool of sufficient size for the environment. In this project, we created a single pool with two address ranges for expandability.



**b.** For Fiber Channel connectivity, WWNN and WWPN pools must be created from the SAN tab in the navigator pane, in the Pools node:

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c. For this project, we used a single VSAN, the default VSAN with ID 1:

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**d.** The next pool we created is the Server UUID pool. On the Servers tab in the Navigator page under the Pools node we created a single UUID Pool for the test environment. Each Cisco UCS Blade Server requires a unique UUID to be assigned by its Service profile.



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**e.** We created two Server Pools for use in our Service Profile Templates as selection criteria for automated profile association. Server Pools were created on the Servers tab in the navigation page under the Pools node. Only the pool name was created, no servers were added:



**f.** We created two Server Pool Policy Qualifications to identify the blade server model for placement into the correct pool using the Service Profile Template. In this case we used Chassis ids to select the servers. (We could have used slots or server models to make the selection.)



**g.** The next step in automating the server selection process is to create corresponding Server Pool Policies for each Cisco UCS Blade Server model, utilizing the Server Pool and Server Pool Policy Qualifications created earlier.



**9.** Virtual Host Bus Adapter templates were created for FC SAN connectivity from the SAN tab under the Polices node, one template for each fabric.

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VHBA Template VDA-HBA-B		

Create at least one HBA template for each Fabric Interconnect if block storage will be used. We used the WWPN pool created earlier and the QoS Policy created in section 5.2.4.

10. On the LAN tab in the navigator pane, configure the VLANs for the environment.

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<ul> <li>Fabric</li> </ul>				VLAN ML-DC-VMMOTION (802)	802	1	Lan	Ether	no	None		
E E Fabric	: B lystem Class			VLAN ML-NIKV_CTR (900)	900	1	Lan	Ether	no	None		
LANP				VLAN ML-VDA (800)	800		Lan	Ether	no	None		
1 SThrest				VLAN VLAN0901 (901)	901		Lan	Ether	no	None		
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In this project we utilized seven VLANs to accommodate our four ethernet system classes, a separate VLAN for infrastructure services, and two VLANs for Nexus 1000V packet and control functions. (N1KV management and VMware Management shared VLAN 801).

**11.** On the LAN tab in the navigator pane, under the policies node configure the vNIC templates that will be used in the Service Profiles. In this project, we utilize eight virtual NICs per host, four pairs, with each pair connected to both Fabric Interconnects for resiliency.

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🖯 🤇 LAN Cloud			ML-NIKV_CTR	с					
🕀 💷 Fabric A			VLAN0901	c					
Gos System Class		Im vNIC Template Management-8							
LAN Pin Groups		- Network ML-DC-VM-MGMT	ML-DC-VM-MGMT	c					
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E I VLANS		-I Network VLAN0901	VLAN0901	C					
Appliances		VNIC Template NFS-A							
Internal LAN		Network ML-DC-STRG	ML-DC-STRG	C					
🖯 🌃 Policies		P A VNDC Template NFS-B							
E O Applances		Network ML-DC-STRG	ML-DC-STRG	C					
E CLAN Cloud		C Template VDA-A							
S     Threshold Policies		Network ML-DC-INF	ML-DC-INF	C					
B-A root		- Network ML-VDA	ML-VDA	Ċ					
Flow Control Policies		C Template VDA-B		~					
Metwork Control Policies		Network ML-DC-INF	ML-DC-INF	C					
🖲 🎬 QoS Policies		Network ML-VDA	ML-VDA	c					
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VNIC Template VDA-A									
VNDC Template VMotion-A									
VNDC Template VMotion-B									

**a.** Create vNIC templates for both fabrics, check Enable Failover, select VLANs supported on adapter (optional,) set the MTU size, select the MAC Pool and QoS Policy, then click OK.

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12. Create boot from SAN policy that was used for both B230 M2 and B200 M3 blades, using the WWNs from the VNX7500 storage system as SAN targets.



13. Create performance BIOS Policies for each blade type to insure optimal performance. The following screen captures show the settings for the Cisco UCS B230 M2 blades used in this study.

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The Advanced tab, Intel Directed IO tab settings:



The Advanced tab, RAS Memory settings:

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The remaining Advanced tab settings are at platform default or not configured. Similarly, the Boot Options and Server Management tabs stings are at defaults.

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Be sure to Save Changes at the bottom of the page to preserve this setting. Be sure to add this policy to your blade service profile template.

**a.** The following screen captures show the settings for the B200 M3 blades used in this study:







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The remaining Advanced tab settings are at platform default or not configured. Similarly, the Boot Options and Server Management tab settings are at defaults.



- **Note** Be sure to **Save Changes** at the bottom of the page to preserve this setting. Be sure to add this policy to your blade service profile template.
- **14.** Cisco UCS B200 M3 and Cisco UCS B230 M2 Host Firmware Package polices were set for Adapter and BIOS.

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5 Boot Policy LocalDisk.	Г	Cisco Systems Inc	Cisco UCS P81E	N200-ACPCI01	N/A	<not set=""></not>
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	Г	Intel Corp.	Intel 10GbE Adapter	N200-AJPC101	N/A	<not set=""></not>
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#### B200 M3 Adapter Firmware

#### B200 M3 BIOS Firmware

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	S Eth Adapter Policy W			A Filter - Export	Drive					
	Eth Adapter Policy de EFC Adapter Policy Lin				-					
	5 FC Adapter Policy VP			Select	Vendor	Model	PID	Presence	Version	0
	FC Adapter Policy W				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS B230 M2	8230-BASE-M2	N/A	<not set=""></not>	
	SFC Adapter Policy de				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8440 M2	B440-BASE-M2	N/A	<not set=""></not>	
	Si ISCSI Adapter Policy	def ault,			Cisco Systems, Inc.	Gisco UCS B200 M1	N20-B6620-1	N/A	<not set=""></not>	*
	8005 Defaults				Intel Corp.	Cisco UCS B200 M1	N20-B6620-1	N/A	<not set=""></not>	
	8005 Policies				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8250 M1	N20-86620-2	N/A	<not set=""></not>	
	B200M3PerfBios B230PerfBi05				Intel Corp.	Cisco UCS 8250 M1	N20-B6620-2	N/A	<not set=""></not>	•
	30 B230PerFB205 Boot Policies				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS B200 M2	N20-86625-1	N/A	<not set=""></not>	•
	Soot Policy Boot-From	n-SAN			Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8250 M2	N20-B6625-2	NA	<not set=""></not>	
	Boot Policy LocalDisk				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8230 M1	N20-86730-1	NA	<not set=""></not>	
	S Boot Policy default				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8440 M1	N20-86740-2	NA	<not set=""></not>	•
	5 Boot Policy diag				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS C200 MI	R200-1120402	NA	<not set=""></not>	•
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	S Boot Policy utility				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Gisco UCS C210 MI	R210-2121605		<not set=""></not>	
8-20	Host Firmware Packages	-			Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS C210 M2	R210-2121605W R250-2480805	N/A N/A	<not set=""></not>	
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- 55	IPMI Access Profiles				Cisco Systems, Inc. Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8200 M3 Cisco UCS 822 M3	UCS8-8200-M3 UCS8-822-M3	M/A	<pre>E200M3.2.0.4a.0.080</pre> <pre>cnot set&gt;</pre>	<u> </u>
	Local Disk. Config Policies				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS 8420 M3	UC58-8420-M3	NA	<pre>cnot set&gt;</pre>	
	Maintenance Policies Management Firmware P				Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco UCS C200 M2	UCSC-85E-5FF-C200	N/A	(not set)	-11

The process was repeated for the Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Servers, choosing the appropriate model and versions.

**15.** Create Management Firmware Packages for each Blade Type in the environment, assigning the latest Cisco UCS Infrastructure and Management software downloaded earlier.



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16. Create a service profile template using the pools, templates, and policies configured above.

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	Name: root	
Service Profiles  Service Profiles  Service Profile Templates  Service Template 8200M3-8F5-Template  Service Template 8200M3-8F5-Template  Service Template 8200M2-8F5-Template  Servic	O O 7 3 Description:     Level: Root	

In this project, we created two templates, one for each of the Cisco UCS Blade Server models used. Follow through each section, utilizing the policies and objects you created earlier, then click Finish.

Note

On the Operational Policies screen, select the appropriate performance BIOS policy you created earlier to insure maximum LV DIMM performance.

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For automatic deployment of service profiles from your template(s), you must associate a server pool that contains blades with the template.

**a.** On the Create Service Profile Template wizard, we entered a unique name, selected the type as updating, and selected the VDA-UUID-Suffix\_Pool created earlier, then clicked Next.



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**b.** On the Storage page, we selected the Expert mode, we selected the WWNN Pool we created earlier from the drop down list and then click Add.

Unified (	Computing System Manager
Create Service Profile Template  1. √ Identify Service Profile Template  2. √ Storage,  3. Uistworking,  4. UrKIC/VHSR/Placement,  5. Server Boot Order  6. Maintenance Policy,  7. Server Assignment,  8. Operational Policies	Storage Optionally specify disk policies and SAN configuration information.
	Select a local disk configuration policy. Local Storage: Select Local Storage Policy to use If nothing is selected, the default Local Storage configuration policy will be assigned to this service profile. It create Local Disk Configuration Policy
	How would you like to configure SAN connectivity? C Sinple Expert No vHEAs A server is identified on a SAN by its World Wide Node Name (WWNN). Specify how the system should assign a WWNN to the server associated with this world Wide Node Name WWNN Assignment: VDA-WWNN-Pool(137/200) Select the VDA-WWNN-Pool created earlier from the drop down. The WWNN will be assigned from the selected pool. The wollable/total WWNN's are displayed after the pool name.
	Name WWPN ID
	<b>↓</b>
	👕 Delete 🖬 Add 🔚 Modify

We used the default Local Storage configuration in this project. Local drives on the blades were not used.

**c.** On the Create HBA page, we entered a name (FCO) and checked Use SAN Connectivity Template, which changed the display to the following:

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- **17.** Select the vHBA template for Fabric Interconnect A and the VMware Adapter Policy from the drop down lists, then click OK.
- **18.** Repeat the process for FC1, choosing VDA-HBA-B for Fabric Interconnect B. The result is the Storage page that appears as follows:

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**19.** Click Next to continue.

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**20.** We selected the Expert configuration option and clicked Add in the adapters window:

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D. <u>Maintenance Policy</u> D. <u>Server Assignment</u> B. <u>Operational Policies</u>		would you like to configure LAN co		C No vNICs	
		MAC Address	Fabric ID	Native VLAN	17
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	Name		+ Add Modify		*

**21.** In the Create vNIC window, we entered a unique Name, checked the Use LAN Connectivity Template checkbox, selected the vNIC Template from the drop down, and the Adapter Policy the same way.



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**22.** We repeated the process for the remaining seven vNICs, resulting in the following: (Eth5, 6, and 7 not shown)

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	nnection Policy
tenance Policy         How would you like to configure LAN connectivity? C Simple C Expert C No vNICs           atomal Policies         Click Add to specify one or more vNICs that the server should use to connect to the LAN.	
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VNIC Eth2 Derived derived	
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**23.** Click Next to continue.

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**24.** We accepted the default placement and clicked Next.

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Policies. System will perform automatic ; Name	placement of vNICs and vHBAs bas	ed on PCI order. Order	m	
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**25.** We selected the Boot from SAN policy created in Section 6.4.5 from the drop down, then proceeded.

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We did not create a Maintenance Policy for the project, so we clicked Next to continue.



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26. We made the following selections from the drop down lists as shown, then clicked Next to continue:

e Profile Template dentify Service Profile	Server Assignment Optionally specify a server pool for this service profile template.		•
denicy Jervice Protection (data) Rorada Rorada Rorada Rorver Book Order, daintenance Policy Server Assignment Operational Policies	You can select a server pool you want to associate with this service profile template.  Pool Assignment: 8200M3-Pool  Create Server Pool  Select the power state to be applied when th  CUP Down	is profile is associated with the server	
	The service profile template will be associated with one of the servers in the selected pool. If desired, you can specify an additional server pool policy qualification that the selected server must meet. Server Pool Qualification: R200M3Qual  Restrict Migration:	. To do so, select the qualification from	n the list.
	If desired, you can specify an additional server pool policy qualification that the selected server must meet. Server Pool Qualification: B200M3Qual		8

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**27.** On the Operational Policies page, we expanded the BIOS Configuration section and selected the BIOS Policy for the Cisco UCS B200 M3 blade servers created earlier, then clicked Finish to complete the Service Profile Template.



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The result is a Service Profile Template for the Cisco UCS Blade Server B200 M. We repeated the procedure to create a Service Profile Template for the Cisco UCS Blade Server B230 M2 used in the study.



28. Now that we had created the Service Profile Templates for each Cisco UCS Blade Server model used in the project, we used them to create the appropriate number of Service Profiles. To do so, in the Servers tab in the navigation page, in the Service Profile Templates node, we expanded the root and selected Service Template B200 M3, then clicked on Create Service Profiles from Template in the right pane, Actions area.



29. We provided the naming prefix and the number of Service Profiles to create and clicked OK.

	Create Service Profiles From Template Create Service Profiles From Template		× 0
Naming Prefix:			
Number:	22		
		c	ancel

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**30.** Cisco UCS Manager created the requisite number of profiles and because of the Associated Server Pool and Server Pool Qualification policy, the B200 M3 blades in the test environment began automatically associating with the proper Service Profile.

The process was repeated for the Cisco UCS B230 M2-BFS-Template and the same result was achieved.



31. We verified that each server had a profile and that it received the correct profile.

B230 M2 Sample:



At this point, the Cisco UCS Blade Servers are ready for hypervisor installation.

## 6.2.2 QoS and CoS in Cisco Unified Computing System

Cisco Unified Computing System provides different system class of service to implement quality of service including:

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- System classes that specify the global configuration for certain types of traffic across the entire system
- QoS policies that assign system classes for individual vNICs
- Flow control policies that determine how uplink Ethernet ports handle pause frames.

Applications like the Cisco Unified Computing System and other time sensitive applications have to adhere to a strict QOS for optimal performance.

### 6.2.3 System Class Configuration

Systems Class is the global operation where entire system interfaces are with defined QoS rules.

- By default system has Best Effort Class and FCoE Class.
- Best effort is equivalent in MQC terminology as "match any"
  - FCoE is special Class define for FCoE traffic. In MQC terminology "match cos 3"
- System class allowed with 4 more users define class with following configurable rules.
  - CoS to Class Map
  - Weight: Bandwidth
  - Per class MTU
  - Property of Class (Drop v/s no drop)
- Max MTU per Class allowed is 9216.
- Through Cisco Unified Computing System we can map one CoS value to particular class.
- Apart from FcoE class there can be only one more class can be configured as no-drop property.
- Weight can be configured based on 0 to 10 numbers. Internally system will calculate the bandwidth based on following equation (there will be rounding off the number).

(Weight of the given priority \* 100) % b/w shared of given Class =

Sum of weights of all priority

## 6.2.4 Cisco UCS System Class Configuration

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Cisco Unified Computing System defines user class names as follows.

- Platinum
- Gold
- Silver
- Bronze

Table 3	Name Table Map between Cisco Unified Computing System and the NXOS

Cisco UCS Names	NXOS Names
Best effort	Class-default
FC	Class-fc
Platinum	Class-Platinum
Gold	Class-Gold

Silver	Class-Silver
Bronze	Class-Bronze

### Table 4 Class to CoS Map by default in Cisco Unified Computing System

Cisco UCS Class Names	Cisco UCS Default Class Value
Best effort	Match any
Fc	3
Platinum	5
Gold	4
Silver	2
Bronze	1

 Table 5
 Default Weight in Cisco Unified Computing System

Cisco UCS Class Names	Weight
Best effort	5
Fc	5

## 6.2.5 Steps to Enable QOS on the Cisco Unified Computing System

For this study, we utilized four Cisco UCS QoS System Classes to priorities four types of traffic in the infrastructure:

### Table 6QoS Priority to vNIC and VLAN Mapping

Cisco UCS Qos Priority	vNIC Assignment	VLAN Supported
Platinum	eth2, eth3	804 (Storage)
Gold	eth4, eth5	800 (VDA)
Silver	eth0, eth1	801 (Management)
Bronze	eth6, eth7	802 (vMotion)

Configure Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze policies by checking the enabled box. For the Platinum Policy, used for NFS storage, was configured for Jumbo Frames in the MTU column. Notice the option to set no packet drop policy during this configuration.

Figure 11 Cisco UCS QoS System Class Configuration

🚡 Cisco Unified Computing System Manager - FI-6248A 📃 🗖												
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	in Groups	-		11	Best Effort	R	Any	R	5	11	normal	
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Next, in the LAN tab under Policies, Root, QoS Polices, verify QoS Policies Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze exist, with each QoS policy mapped to its corresponding Priority.



Figure 12 Cisco UCS QoS Policy Configuration

Finally, include the corresponding QoS Policy into each vNIC template using the QoS policy drop down, using the QoS Priority to vNIC and VLAN Mapping table above.

Figure 13 Utilize QoS Policy in vNIC Template

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Filter: Al 💌	Actions Properties						
± =	Modify VLANs Name: Management-A						
e = Lan	Delete     Description: Management vMIC FAB A						
CAN Coud	Fabric ID: <ul> <li>Pabric B</li> <li>Enable Falover</li> <li>Farget</li> <li>Malageter</li> <li>VH</li> <li>Initial Template</li> <li>Updating Template</li> <li>MUI:</li> <li>1500</li> <li>Warning</li> <li>Mala sure that the MU has the same value in the Qof System Class corresponding to the Earses priority of the selected Qof Paloy.</li> <li>Initial Template</li> <li>VH</li> <li>Vertical Class</li> <li>Vertical C</li></ul>						
Flow-Control Packies     Sono Control Pac	Policies MAC Pool: DC-MAC-Pool QoS Policy: Shirer-InframMo = Network Control Policy: Groot set> = Pin Group: Groot set> = Stats Threshold Policy: default =						

This is a unique value proposition for Cisco UCS with respect to end-to-end QOS. For example, we have a VLAN for the EMC storage, configure Platinum policy with Jumbo frames and get an end-to-end QOS and performance guarantees from the Blade Servers to the Nexus 1000V virtual distributed switches running in vCenter through the Nexus 5548UP access layer switches.

# **6.3 LAN Configuration**

The access layer LAN configuration consists of a pair of Cisco Nexus 5548s (N5Ks,) a family member of our low-latency, line-rate, 10 Gigabit Ethernet and FCoE switches for our VDI deployment.

### 6.3.1 Cisco UCS Connectivity





## 6.3.2 EMC VNX7500 LAN Connectivity

The Cisco Nexus 5548 is used to connect to the EMC VNX7500 storage system for Fiber Channel and file-based access.

The VNX7500 is equipped with dual-port 8GB FC modules on each controller. These are connected to the pair of Nexus 5548s to provide block storage access to the environment. (See Section 6.4 SAN configuration below.)

The VNX7500 supports four dual-port 10G Data Movers which are connected to the pair of N5Ks downstream. Three of the Data Movers were set to Active, with the fourth providing failover capability. This allows end-to-end 10G access for file-based storage traffic. We have implemented jumbo frames on the ports and have priority flow control on, with Platinum CoS and QoS assigned to the vNICs carrying the storage data access on the Fabric Interconnects.

The EMC ethernet connectivity diagram is shown below. Here again, we have a total of 40G bandwidth available for the servers.


#### Figure 15 EMC VNX Ethernet Connectivity

For information on configuring ethernet connectivity on a EMC VNX7500 Storage System, refer to the EMC website.

## 6.3.3 Nexus 1000V Configuration in L3 Mode

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- To download the Nexus1000 V 4.2(1) SV1 (5.2), Click the link below. http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/release.html?mdfid=282646785&flowid=3090&softwareid= 282088129&release=4.2(1)SV1(5.2)&relind=AVAILABLE&rellifecycle=&reltype=latest
- 2. Extract the downloaded N1000V.zip file on the Windows host.
- **3.** To start the N1000V installation, run the command below from the command prompt. (Make sure the Windows host has the latest Java version installed).



**4.** After running the installation command, you will see the "Nexus 1000V Installation Management Center".

Performance Perfo	<pre>:20 PM com.cisco.nikv.installer.wizard.USMInstallWizard loadPro ht: default :20 PM com.cisco.nikv.installer.wizard.USMInstallWizard loadPro ht: -1 :20 PM com.cisco.nikv.installer.wizard.USMInstallWizard loadPro es: null</pre>
Nexus 1000¥ Installation Managemer	at Center
Steps  1. Enter vCenter Credentials  2. Select the VSM's host  3. Select OVA File to create VSM  4. Configure VSM  5. Configure VSM  6. Review Configuration  7. Configure Migration  8. DVS Migration	vCenter IP Port (https only) 443 vCenter User ID vCenter Password
CISCO Nexus 1000V	

5. Type the vCenter IP and the logon credentials.

🛃 Nexus 1000¥ Installation Manageme	ent Center					
Steps	Enter vCenter (	redentials				
I. Enter vCenter Credentials     2. Select the VSM's host     3. Select OVA File to create VSM     4. Configure Networking     5. Configure VSM     6. Review Configuration     7. Configure Migration     8. DV5 Migration	vCenter IP Port (https only) vCenter User ID vCenter Passwor	10.29.165.41 443 administrator •******				
CISCO Nexus 1000V						
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6. Select the ESX host on which to install N1KV Virtual Switch Manager.

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Nexus 1000V Installation Manage teps  I cher vCenter Credentials Select the VSM's host Configure Networking Configure VSM Review Configuration Configure Migration OV5 Migration	Select the VSM's host         Image: VCenter Inventory         Image: VCent

7. Select the OVA file from the extracted N1KV location to create the VSM.



**8.** Select the System Redundancy type as "HA" and type the virtual machine name for the N1KV VSM and choose the Datastore for the VSM.

Area 10009 Installation Management C	enter					
Steps	Select OVA File to	create VSM				
I. Enter vCenter Credentials     Select the VSM's host     Select <b>OVA File to create VSM</b> 4. Configure Networkling     S. Configure VSM     6. Review Configuration     7. Configure Migration     8. DVS Migration	OVA Image System Redundancy Virtual Machine Name VSM Datastore	1	SV1.5.1.ova		Browse OVA	<b>v</b>
CISCO Nexus 1000V						
			< Prev	Next >	Finish	Cancel

- 9. To configure L3 mode of installation, choose the "L3: Configure port groups for L3".
  - a. Create Port-group as Control and specify the VLAN ID and select the corresponding vSwitch.

- **b.** Select the existing port group "VM Network" for N1K Mgmt and choose mgmt0 with the VLAN ID for the SVS connection between vCenter and VSM.
- **c.** In the option for L3 mgmt0 interface port-profile enter the vlan that was pre-defined for ESXi mgmt and accordingly it will create a port-group which will have L3 capability. In this case it is n1kv-L3 port-group as shown in the screenshot below.

VDI-N1KV-DVS# sh run port-profile n1kv-L3
!Command: show running-config port-profile n1kv-L3 !Time: Fri Oct 26 16:53:34 2012
version 4.2(1)SV1(5.2) port-profile type vethernet n1kv-L3 capability l3control
vмware port-group switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 164 no shutdown system vlan 164
state enabled

Steps	Configure Networking		
I. Enter VCenter Credentials 2. Select the VSM's host 3. Select CVM file to create VSM <b>6. Configure Networking</b> 5. Configure VSM 5. Review Configuration 7. Configure Migration 8. DVS Migration	Please choose a configuration option: C L2: Configure port groups for L2. C L3: Configure port groups for L3. Control Port Group: C Choose Existing C Creater Port Group: VCenter Management, VLAN: O V VSwitch: VSwitchO, PMICs: vmricO	: New Port Group Name: VLAN ID: vfwitch:	Control 167 VSwitch0, PMICs: vmric0
CISCO Nexus 1000V	Management Port Group: C Choose Existing C C Port Group: VM Network, VLAN: 165 v VSwitch: VSwitch0, PNICs: vmac0 Choose an interface for L3 Connectivity: C mon40 Enter L3 mgmt0 Interface Port Profile VLAN 1	Port Group Name: VLAN ID: vSwitch: C control0	vSwitch0, PNICs: vmnic0

**10.** To Configure VSM, Type the Switch Name and Enter the admin password for the VSM. Type the IP address, subnet mask, Gateway, Domain ID.

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If there are multiple instance of N1KV VSM need to be install, make sure they each configured with different Domain ID and select the SVS datacenter Name and Type the vSwitch0 Native vlan ID. Make sure the Native VLAN ID specified should match the Native VLAN ID of Cisco UCS and the Nexus 5k.



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**11.** Review the configuration and Click Next to proceed with the installation.

Sexus 1000¥ Installation Management C	enter	
Steps	Review Configuration	
-	Review Configuration Primary Host IP Address Secondary Host IP Address Primary VSM VM Name Deatastore Control Port Group L3 Interface L3 Interface L3 Mgmt0 Host Vlan VSM Switch Name Management IP Address Subnet Mask IP Address System Redundancy Role Domain ID Datacenter (SVS) Enable SSH Enable Telnet	10.29.164.120
		< Prev Next > Finish Cancel

12. Wait for the Completion of Nexus 1000V VSM installation.



**13.** Click Finish to complete the VSM installation.

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Steps	Summary
1. Enter vCenter Credentials 2. Select the VSM's host 3. Select OVA File to create VSM 4. Configure VSM 5. Configure VSM 5. Review Configuration 7. Configure Migration 3. DVS Migration 3. Summary	Initial VSM Installation Completed Successfully connection vcenter ip address: 10.29.165.41 remote port: 80 protocol: vmware-vim https certificate: default datacenter name: VDI-VIEW/VDI DVS uuid: cc 0d 23 50 14 73 c9 eb=e9 a1 ce 25 3f 8e 50 e7 config status: Enabled operational status: Connected
CISCO Nexus 1000V	
	< Prev Next > Finish Close

 Logon (ssh or telnet) to the N1KV VSM with the IP address and configure VLAN for ESX Mgmt, Control, N1K Mgmt and also for Storage and vMotion purposes as mentioned below (VLAN ID differs based on your Network).

VDI-N1KV# conf t

```
Enter the following configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 800
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-VDA
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 801
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-DC-VM-MGMT
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 802
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-DC-VMOTION
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 804
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-DC-STRG
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 900
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-N1KV CTR
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config) # vlan 901
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # name ML-N1KV PK
VDI-N1KV(config-vlan) # no sh
VDI-N1KV (config) #<CNTRL/Z>
```

```
vrf context management
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 192.168.1.1
vlan 1,800-804,900-901
vlan 1
vlan 800
 name ML VDA
vlan 801
 name ML DC-VM-MGMT
vlan 802
 name ML DC-VMMOTION
vlan 803
 name ML DC-INF
vlan 804
  name ML DC-STRG
vlan 900
 name ML-N1KV CTRL
vlan 901
 name ML-N1KV PK
```

15. Run following configuration command to configure jumbo mtu and qos polices.

```
VDI-N1KV# conf t
VDI-N1KV(config)# policy-map type qos jumbo-mtu
VDI-N1KV(config-pmap-qos)# policy-map type qos platinum_Cos_5
VDI-N1KV(config-pmap-qos)# class class-default
VDI-N1KV(config-pmap-c-qos)# set cos 5
VDI-N1KV(config-pmap-c-qos)# end
VDI-N1KV# copy running-config startup-config
```

```
policy-map type qos jumbo-mtu
policy-map type qos platinum_Cos_5
class class-default
set cos 5
```

**16.** To Migrate and Manage all the ESXi host network using Nexus 1000V VSM, Configure Port Profiles and port groups as mentioned below.

```
port-profile type ethernet Unused_Or_Quarantine_Uplink
    vmware port-group
    shutdown
    description Port-group created for Nexus1000V internal usage.
    Do not use.
    state enabled
port-profile type vethernet Unused_Or_Quarantine_Veth
    vmware port-group
    shutdown
    description Port-group created for Nexus1000V internal usage.
Do not use.
    state enabled
```

```
<u>Note</u>
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These port-profiles are created by default and do not make any changes.

#### 17. Create the DC System Uplink for ESXi and Nexus 1000V Management:

```
VDI-N1KV(config)# port-profile type ethernet DC_System_Uplink
VDI-N1KV(config)# vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport mode trunk
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 801,900-901
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# no shutdown
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 801,900
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 801,900
```

```
port-profile type ethernet DC_System_Uplink
vmware port-group
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk allowed vlan 801,900-901
channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
no shutdown
system vlan 801,900
```

#### 18. Create the DC Storage Uplink port profile for NFS traffic:

```
VDI-N1KV(config) # port-profile type ethernet DC_Storage_Uplink
VDI-N1KV(config) # vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport access vlan 804
```

```
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # mtu 9000
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # no shutdown
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # system vlan 804
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #state enabled
```

```
port-profile type ethernet DC_Storage_Uplink

vmware port-group

switchport mode trunk

switchport trunk allowed vlan 804

mtu 9000

channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning

no shutdown

system vlan 804

state enabled
```

#### **19.** Create the Storage virtual ethernet communications port profile:

```
VDI-N1KV(config) # port-profile type vethernet Storage
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport access vlan 804
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # service -policy type qos input platinum_Cos_5
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # no sh
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # system vlan 804
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # system vlan 804
```

```
port-profile type vethernet Storage
vmware port-group
switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 804
service-policy type qos input platinum_Cos_5
no shutdown
system vlan 804
state enabled
```

#### **20**. Create the DC vMotion Uplink port profile:

```
VDI-N1KV(config)# port-profile type ethernet DC_vMotion_Uplink
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 802
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# no sh
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 802
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 802
```

```
port-profile type ethernet DC_vMotion_Uplink
vmware port-group
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk allowed vlan 802
channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
no shutdown
system vlan 802
state enabled
```

**21.** Create the virtual ethernet port profile for vMotion:

```
VDI-N1KV(config)# port-profile type vethernet vMotion
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 802
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# no sh
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 802
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 802
```

```
port-profile type vethernet vMotion
vmware port-group
switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 802
no shutdown
system vlan 802
state enabled
```

### **22**. Create the DC VDA Uplink port profile:

```
VDI-N1KV(config) # port-profile type ethernet DC_VDA_Uplink
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #switchport access vlan 800,803
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #no shutdown
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) #state enabled
```

```
port-profile type ethernet DC-VDA-Uplink
vmware port-group
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk allowed vlan 800,803
channel-group auto mode on mac-pinning
no shutdown
state enabled
```

#### 23. Create the virtual ethernet port profile for VDA traffic.

```
VDI-N1KV(config) # port-profile type vethernet VDA
VDI-N1KV(config) # vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # max-ports 1024
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof) # switchport access vlan 800
```

```
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# no sh
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 800
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)#state enabled
port-profile type vethernet VDA
```



#### 24. Create the virtual ethernet port profile for VDA1 traffic:

```
VDI-N1KV(config)# port-profile type vethernet VDA1
VDI-N1KV (config-port-prof)# vmware port-group
VDI-N1KV (config-port-prof)# max-ports 1024
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport mode access
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# switchport access vlan 800
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# no sh
VDI-N1KV (config-port-prof)# system vlan 800
VDI-N1KV(config-port-prof)# system vlan 800
```

```
port-profile type vethernet VDA1
vmware port-group
switchport mode access
switchport access vlan 800
no shutdown
system vlan 800
max-ports 1024
state enabled
```

- **25.** After creating port profiles, make sure vCenter shows all the port profiles and port groups under the respective N1KV VSM. Then, Add the ESXi host to the VSM.
- 26. Go to Inventory>networking>select DVS for N1KV>click on tab for hosts.

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27. Right-click and select add host to vSphere Distributed Switch.

It will bring up ESXi hosts which are not part of existing configuration.

28. Select ESXi hosts to add in N1KV.

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**29.** Click Select an uplink port-group and from the drop down menu select appropriate Uplink that is allowed for corresponding vmnic as per the configuration on Cisco UCSM vNICS.

For example, consider vmnic0 and vmnic1 for use as the System-Uplink. As per the best practices here we have 8 vmnics (4 pairs) and each pair of vmnics will be associated with one uplink; system/mgmt uplink, storage uplink, VM/VDI traffic uplink, vMotion Uplink.

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Image: Second	vmnic4		View Details	VDI-Uplink
<b>I</b>	vmnic5		View Details	VDI-Uplink
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**30**. After selecting appropriate uplinks click Next.

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**31.** Network Connectivity tab select Destination port group for vmk0.

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**32.** From the drop down menu select a port group which was configured for L3 capability and for ESXi host management communication. In this case it is n1kv-l3 and Click Next.

Network Connectivity Select port group to provide net	work connectivity for the adapters on the vSphere distributed switch.	
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**33.** On the tab for virtual machine networking, select VMs and assign them to a destination port-group if there is any. Otherwise click Next to Ready to complete.

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<b>Virtual Machine Networking</b> Ready to Complete	Host/Virtual machine/Network adapter	NIC count	Source port group	Destination port group			
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34. Verify the Settings and Click Finish to add the ESXi host part of N1KV DVS.

Add Host to vSphere Distributed Switch Ready to Complete Verify the settings for the new vSphere distributed switch.				
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**Note** This will invoke VMware update manger (VUM) to automatically push the VEM installation for the selected ESXi hosts. After successful staging, install and remediation process, now the ESXi host will be added to N1KV VSM. From the vCenter task manager, quickly check the process of VEM installation.

In the absence of Update manager:

**35.** Upload vib file cross\_cisco-vem-v144-4.2.1.1.5.2.0-3.0.1.vib for VEM installation to local or remote datastore which can be obtained by browsing to the management IP address for N1KV VSM.

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	Cisco Nexus 1000V	
	Following files are available for download :	
	Cisco Nexus 1000V Installer Application	
	<ul> <li>Launch Installer Application (deprecated)</li> </ul>	
	Cisco Nexus 1000V Extension	
	o cisco_nexus_1000v_extension.xml	
	VEM Software	
	Description File	
	ESXi 5.0 or later cisco-vem-v144-4.2.1.1.5.2.0-3.0.1.zip	
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	ESX/ESXi 4.1.0 or later cross_cisco-vem-v144-4.2.1.1.5.2.0-2.0.1.vib	
	ESXi 5.0 or later cross_cisco-vem-v144-4.2.1.1.5.2.0-3.0.1.vib	

**36.** Login to ESXi host using ESXi shell or SSH session.

**37.** Run following command:

esxcli software vib install -v /vmfs/volumes/ datastore/ cross\_cisco-vem-v144-4.2.1.1.5.2.0-3.0.1.vib

**38.** To verify the successful installation of ESXi VEM and the status of ESXi host.

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**39.** To verify putty into N1KV VSM. Run sh module command which will show all the ESXi hosts attached to that VSM.

VDI-N1KV(config)# sh module

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19			thernet Module		NA		ok
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2	4.2(1)\$	5V1(5.2)	0.0				
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18					Releasebuild-79973		
19					Releasebuild-79973		
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2	10.29.	165.47	NA			NA	
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17	10.29.	164.91	9476f312-1321	-e111-00	00-1b000000005f	10.2	9.164.91
18	10.29.	164.94	9476f312-1321	-e111-00	00-1b000000007e	10.2	9.164.94
19	10.29.	164.92	9476f312-1321	-e111-00	00-1b000000001f	10.2	9.164.92
20	10.29.	164.95	9476f312-1321	-e111-0C	00-1b000000004e	ESXi	5-BFS-Srv5

40. Repeat the procedure to configure additional VSM pairs for each ESX cluster.

## **6.4 SAN Configuration**

The same pair of Nexus 5548UP switches were used in the configuration to connect between the FC ports on the EMC VNX7500 and the FC ports of the Cisco UCS 6248 Fabric Interconnects' expansion module.

## 6.4.1 Boot from SAN Benefits

Booting from SAN is another key feature which helps in moving towards stateless computing in which there is no static binding between a physical server and the OS / applications it is tasked to run. The OS is installed on a SAN LUN and boot from SAN policy is applied to the service profile template or the service profile. If the service profile were to be moved to another server, the pwwn of the HBAs and the Boot from SAN (BFS) policy also moves along with it. The new server now takes the same exact character of the old server, providing the true unique stateless nature of the Cisco UCS Blade Server.

The key benefits of booting from the network:

• Reduce Server Footprints: Boot from SAN alleviates the necessity for each server to have its own direct-attached disk, eliminating internal disks as a potential point of failure. Thin diskless servers also take up less facility space, require less power, and are generally less expensive because they have fewer hardware components.

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- Disaster and Server Failure Recovery: All the boot information and production data stored on a local SAN can be replicated to a SAN at a remote disaster recovery site. If a disaster destroys functionality of the servers at the primary site, the remote site can take over with minimal downtime.
- Recovery from server failures is simplified in a SAN environment. With the help of snapshots, mirrors of a failed server can be recovered quickly by booting from the original copy of its image. As a result, boot from SAN can greatly reduce the time required for server recovery.
- High Availability: A typical data center is highly redundant in nature redundant paths, redundant disks and redundant storage controllers. When operating system images are stored on disks in the SAN, it supports high availability and eliminates the potential for mechanical failure of a local disk.
- Rapid Redeployment: Businesses that experience temporary high production workloads can take advantage of SAN technologies to clone the boot image and distribute the image to multiple servers for rapid deployment. Such servers may only need to be in production for hours or days and can be readily removed when the production need has been met. Highly efficient deployment of boot images makes temporary server usage a cost effective endeavor.
- Centralized Image Management: When operating system images are stored on networked disks, all upgrades and fixes can be managed at a centralized location. Changes made to disks in a storage array are readily accessible by each server.

With Boot from SAN, the image resides on a SAN LUN and the server communicates with the SAN through a host bus adapter (HBA). The HBAs BIOS contain the instructions that enable the server to find the boot disk. All FC-capable Converged Network Adapter (CNA) cards supported on Cisco UCS B-series blade servers support Boot from SAN.

After power on self-test (POST), the server hardware component fetches the boot device that is designated as the boot device in the hardware BOIS settings. Once the hardware detects the boot device, it follows the regular boot process.

## 6.4.2 Configuring Boot from SAN Overview

There are three distinct phases during the configuration of Boot from SAN. The high level procedures are:

1. SAN zone configuration on the Nexus 5548UPs.

2. Storage array host initiator configuration.

3. Cisco UCS configuration of Boot from SAN policy in the service profile.

In each of the following sections, each high level phase will be discussed.

## 6.4.3 SAN Configuration on Nexus 5548UP

The FCoE and NPIV feature has to be turned on in the Nexus 5500 series switch. Make sure you have 8 GB SPF+ modules connected to the Cisco UCS 6200UP series Fabric Interconnect expansion ports. The port mode is set to AUTO as well as the speed is set to AUTO. Rate mode is "dedicated" and when everything is configured correctly you should see something like the output below on a Nexus 5500 series switch for a given port (eg. Fc1/17).



A Nexus 5500 series switch supports multiple VSAN configurations. A single VSAN was deployed in this study.

Cisco Fabric Manager can also be used to get a overall picture of the SAN configuration and zoning information. As discussed earlier, the SAN zoning is done upfront for all the pwwns of the initiators with the EMC VNX7500 target pwwns.

VDI-N5548-A# show feature | grep npiv

npiv 1 enabled

VDI-N5548-A# show interface brief

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e Vsa	in Admin	Admin	Status	1	SFP (	Oper (	Oper	Port	
	Mode	Trunk				Mod	e Spe	ed Channel	1
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The FC connection was used for configuring boot from SAN for all of server blades. In addition, a general purpose 1TB infrastructure LUN for infrastructure virtual machine storage and 14 write-cache LUNs for each VDI host were provisioned.

Single vSAN zoning was set up on the Nexus 5548's to make those FAS3240 LUNs visible to the infrastructure and test servers.

An example SAN zone configuration is shown below on the Fabric A side:

VDI-N5548-A# sh zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1

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zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
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member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:af

! [B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc0]

member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a

! [VNX7500-A0]

member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a

```
! [VNX7500-B1]
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```
VDI-N5548-A# sh zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9f
```

! [B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc0]

member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a

! [VNX7500-A0]

member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a

#### ! [VNX7500-B1]

Where 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:af /20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9f are blade servers pwwn's of their respective Converged Network Adapters (CNAs) that are part of the Fabric A side.

The EMC FC target ports are 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a /50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a and belong to one port on the FC modules on SP-A and SP-B.

Similar zoning is done on the second Nexus 5548 in the pair to take care of the Fabric B side as shown below.

VDI-N5548-B# sh zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1

zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1

member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bf

[B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc1]

member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a

[VNX7500-A1]

member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a

[VNX7500-B0]

VDI-N5548-B# sh zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1

zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1

member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8f

[B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc1]

member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a

[VNX7500-A1]

member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a

[VNX7500-B0]

Where 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bf /20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8f are blade servers pwwn's of their respective Converged Network Adapters (CNAs) that are part of the Fabric B side.

The EMC FC target ports are 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a /50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a and belong to the other port on the FC modules on SP-A and SP-B. They were spread across the two controllers for redundancy as shown in the figure below.



Figure 16 VNX7500 FC Target Ports

For detailed Nexus 5500 series switch configuration, refer to Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS SAN Switching Configuration Guide. (See the Reference Section of this document for a link.)

## 6.4.4 Configuring Boot from SAN on EMC VNX

The steps required to configure boot from SAN LUNs on EMC VNX are as follow:

 Create a storage pool from which LUNs will be provisioned. RAID type, drive number and type are specified in the dialogue box below. Five 600GB SAS drives are used in this example to create a RAID 5 pool. Uncheck "Schedule Auto-Tiering" to disable automatic tiering.

	e Pool			
General Advanced				
-Storage Pool Para	meters			
Storage Pool Type:	Pool      RAID Grou			
Storage Poor Type.	Scheduled Auto-T			
Storage Pool ID:	11			~
Storage Pool Name:	VDA-POOL			
Extreme Performa RAID Configuration RAIDS (4+1) Performance RAID Configuration RAID5 (4+1) Distribution Performance : 268	Number of Flash  Number of SAS I  S (Recommende	Disks		
	4.038 GB (100.00%)			
Disks		Dieke		
Disks	Power Saving Eligible (	Disks Select	Total Raw Capac	ity: 2684.0
Disks Automatic Use	Power Saving Eligible (		Total Raw Capac	ity: 2684.0 State
Disks Automatic Use Manual Disk Bus 4 Enclosure 0 Bus 4 Enclosure 1 Bus 0 Enclosure 1 Bus 0 Enclosure 1	Power Saving Eligible ( Capacity ) Disk 6 536.808 GB	Select Drive Type SAS SAS SAS SAS SAS		State Unbound Unbound Unbound
Disks Automatic Use Manual Disk Bus 4 Enclosure 0 Bus 4 Enclosure 1 Bus 0 Enclosure 1 Bus 0 Enclosure 1	Power Saving Eligible ( Capacity ) Disk 6 536.808 GB ) Disk 5 536.808 GB . Disk 14 536.808 GB . Disk 13 536.808 GB	Select Drive Type SAS SAS SAS SAS SAS SAS	Model HUS15606 C STE60005 C STE60005 C STE60005 C	State . Unbound . Unbound . Unbound . Unbound . Unbound

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**2.** Provision LUNs from the storage pool created in step 1. Each LUN is 12GB in size to store the ESXi hypervisor OS.

VNX7500 - Create LUN	3
General Advanced	_
Storage Pool Properties	
Storage Pool Type: <ul> <li><u>P</u>ool <u>R</u>AID Group</li> </ul>	
RAID Type: RAID5: Distributed Parity (High Throughput)	
Storage Pool for new LUN: ESX-Boot.from.SAN-luns-vda 🔽 New	
Capacity	
Available Capacity: 950.854 GB Consumed Capacity: 1192.324 GB	
Oversubscribed By:	
LUN Properties	
Thin	
User Capacity: 12 GB	
LUN ID: 0 Number of LUNs to create: 1	
LUN Name	
O Name	
Automatically assign LUN IDs as LUN Names	
<u>Apply</u> <u>Cancel</u> <u>H</u> elp	

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3. Create a storage group, the container used for host to LUN mapping, for each of the ESXi hosts.



**4.** Register host initiators with the storage array to associate a set of initiators with a given host. The registered host will be mapped to a specific boot LUN in the following step.

Initiator Type:       CLARiiON/VNX       Image: Failover Mode:       /e-Active mode(ALUA)-failovermode 4         Host Agent Information       Image: Selected Host       Image: Selected Host         Image: New Host Host Name:       B200-CH3-BL-01       Image: Selected Host         IP Address:       192.168.1.63       Image: Selected Host	SP - port:	20:00:00:25:B5:F1:00:0B:20:00:00:25:B5:C1	:00:96	
<u>New Host</u> Host Name: B200-CH3-BL-01 <u>B200-CH3-BL-01</u> <u></u>			ver Mode: ve-Active mode(	ALUA)-failovermode 4
	• New Host			O Selected Host
	IP Address:	192.168.1.63		

5. Assign each registered host to a separate storage group as shown below.

	4-B200-M3-22-grp: Storag Hosts	je Group Proj	perties		
Show Hosts: Not					
Filter For:					
Available Hosts			Hosts to be Connected	d	
Name	IP Address OS Type		Name 🔜 B200-CH3-BL-01	IP Address O	
		+			
Refresh	:		٠		>
			<u>O</u> K <u>Apply</u>	<u>C</u> ancel	<u>H</u> elp

**6.** Assign a boot LUN to each of the storage groups. A host LUN ID is chosen to make visible to the host. It does not need to match the array LUN ID. All boot LUNs created for the testing are assigned host LUN ID 0.

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Seneral LUI		grp: Storage Group Prope		
Available L		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
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Name	ID	Capacity	Drive Type	Host LUN ID
LUN 68	68	12.000 GB	SAS	0
				Remove
		an 255 may result in app	lication outages if n	ot supported by the
Warning: HLU host failover :	software.			

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When the Cisco UCS Blade Server boots up, its vHBAs will connect to the provisioned EMC Boot LUNs and the hypervisor operating system can be installed.

## 6.4.5 SAN Configuration on Cisco UCS Manager

To enable Boot from SAN on the Cisco UCS Manager 2.0 (UCS-M) series, do the following:

**1.** Add SAN Boot for primary to the new policy. The vHBA name is optional, it could be left blank and we don't have to enforce the vHBA name. Click OK.

reate Boot Policy		Add SAN Boot	
Name: VNXSS Description: Boot f Reboot on Boot Order Change: Inforce vNIC/vHBA/ISCSI Name: MARINICS: MARINICS: The type (primary/secondary) does not in the effective order of boot devices within f Inforce vNIC/vHBA/ISCSI Name: Is f it is not selected, the vNICs/vHBA/ISCSI Add Local Disk Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add CP-ROM Add SAN Boot Add SAN Boot Add SAN Boot Add SAN Boot Add SAN Boot Contents	rom SAN Policy for VNXS500 ndicate a boot order presence. I the same device class (LAN/Sto selected and the vVIIC/VHRA/St	SI does not arwise the Vi	OK Cancel
		🔺 Move Up 🔍 Move Down 👕 Delete	

**2.** Add SAN Boot for primary to the new policy. The vHBA name is optional, it could be left blank and we don't have to enforce the vHBA name. Click OK.

Create Boot Policy	X
Create Boot Policy	Add SAN Boot
Name: VNXS500BF5 Description: Boot from SAN Policy for YNXS500 Reboot on Boot Order Change: Enforce vNIC/vHBA/ISCSI Name: WARNINGS The effective order of boots not indicate a boot order presence. The effective order of boots within the same device class (LAN/Storage/ISCS) IF Enforce vNIC/vHBA/ISCSI Name is selected and the vNIC/vHBA/ISCSI does no If it is not selected, the vNICs/vHBA/ISCSI are selected if they exist, otherwise the <b>Cocol Devices</b> Add Local Disk Add Local Disk Add CO-ROM Add Floppy <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNICs</b> <b>VNIC</b>	Add SAN Boot
	OK Cancel

3. Add SAN boot for SAN Secondary, Click OK. Again, we left the optional vHBA name blank.

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Create Boot Policy		23
Create Boot Policy	Add SAN Boot	0
Name: VNX5500BF5	Add SAN Boot	
Description: Boot from SAN Policy for VNX5500		
Reboot on Boot Order Change: 🔽	vHBA:	
Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name:	Type: Primary O Secondary	
WARNINGS:		
The type (primary/secondary) does not indicate a boot order presence. The effective order of boot devices within the same device class (LAN/Storage		
If Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name is selected and the vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI of	do	
If it is not selected, the vNICs/vHBAs/iSCSI are selected if they exist, otherwi	se	
Local Devices		
Local Devices × + -	OK Cancel	
Add Local Disk		m
Add CD-ROM     Name     Add Floppy     Grage	Order VNIC/VHBA/ISCSI VNIC Type Lun ID WWN	
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SAN secondary	Secondary	
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YHBAs		
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**4.** Now add Boot target WWPN to the SAN Primary, make sure this is exactly matches the EMC VNX pwwn. To avoid any typos, copy and paste from Nexus 5500 Series command as follows from each switch:

### VDI-N5548-A# show fcns database vsan 1

Ν	50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion)	scsi-fcp:both
Ν	50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion)	scsi-fcp:both
- <b>B</b> #	show fcns database vsan 1	
Ν	50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion)	scsi-fcp
Ν	50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion)	scsi-fcp
	<b>-B</b> # N	N       50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion) <b>B# show fcns database vsan 1</b> N       50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a (Clariion)

A Create Boot Policy	2
Create Boot Policy	0
	Add SAN Boot Target
Name: VNX5500BFS	Add SAN Boot Target
Description: Boot from SAN Policy for YNX5500	_
Reboot on Boot Order Change:	
Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name:	Boot Target LUN: 0
WARNINGS:	Boot Target WWPN: 50:06:01:61:3E:A0:30:99
The type (primary/secondary) does not indicate a boot order presence. The effective order of boot devices within the same device class (LAN/Storage/iSCSI)	Type: O Primary Secondary
If Enforce vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI Name is selected and the vNIC/vHBA/iSCSI does not If it is not selected, the vNICs/vHBAs/iSCSI are selected if they exist, otherwise the v	
Local Devices	
Add Local Disk	OK Cancel
Add CD-ROM Name	
Add Floppy	Primary
= Ser Target primary	Primary 0 50:06:01:61:3E:A0:30:99
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Add SAN Boot	
iSCSI vNICs 🛛	
	🔺 Move Up 🔻 Move Down 📋 Delete
	OK Cancel

- 5. Repeat step 4 for SAN primary's SAN Target Secondary.
- 6. Repeat step 4 for SAN Secondary's SAN Target Primary.
- 7. Repeat step 4 for SAN Secondary's SAN Target Secondary.
- 8. At the end your Boot from SAN policy should look like:

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Add Local Disk Add CD-ROM		Name	Order	WIC/WHEA/ISCSI WIC	Type	Lun ID	WWN	
Add Floppy		CD-ROM	1					
	8	Storage	2					
		E SAN primary		FC0	Primary			٦
NICs 8		SAN Target primary			Primary	0	50:06:01:60:46:E0:5E:0A	1
		SAN Target secondary			Secondary	0	50:06:01:69:46:E0:5E:0A	
Add LAN Boot		E SAN secondary		FC1	Secondary			٦
		SAN Target primary			Primary	0	\$0:06:01:61:46:E0:5E:0A	
HBAs G	5	SAN Target secondary			Secondary	0	50:01:06:68:46:E0:5E:0A	
9	ė	LAN	3					-
Add SAN Boot		LAN Eth0		Eth0	Primary			
Add SAN Boot Target								
ICST VNICS	2							
Add ISCSI Boot								

**9.** The last step is to make the association of the service profile template to the Boot from SAN policy during the service profile template configuration which we covered earlier in this document.

## 6.5 EMC VNX7500 Storage Configuration

The figure below shows the physical storage layout of the disks in the reference architecture. This configuration accommodates 5000 virtual desktops, hypervisor boot LUNs, SQL database, and infrastructure virtual machines.



The above storage layout is used for the following configurations:

- Four SAS disks (0\_0\_0 to 0\_0\_3) are used for the VNX OE.
- Five disks (0\_0\_8 to 0\_0\_9, 2\_0\_3 to 2\_0\_4, 1\_1\_0) are hot spares for SAS disks. Disk 2\_0\_2 is hot spare for SSD drives. These disks are marked as hot spare in the storage layout diagram.
- Ten 200GB Flash drives (on the even number buses) are used for EMC VNX FAST Cache. See the "EMC FAST Cache in Practice" section below to follow the FAST Cache configuration best practices.
- 96 SAS disks (spread across enclosures 0\_0 through 7\_0) on the RAID 10 storage pools 1-6 are used to store PVS write cache allocated for the virtual desktops. Each of the six storage pools consists of 16 drives (8+8). FAST Cache is enabled on these pools.

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- Five SAS disks (7\_0\_10 to 7\_0\_14) on the RAID 5 storage pool 7 are used to store the PVS vDisks. FAST Cache is enabled on this pool.
- Ten SAS disks (0\_1\_0 to 0\_1\_9) on the RAID 5 storage pool 8 are used to store the infrastructure virtual machines.
- Five SAS disks (0\_1\_10 to 0\_1\_14) on the RAID 5 storage pool 9 are used to store the ESXi boot LUNs.
- Four SAS disks (1\_1\_1 to 1\_1\_4) on the RAID 10 storage pool 10 are used to store the SQL databases and quorum disk.
- Disks 1\_1\_5 to 1\_1\_14 are unbound. They are not used for testing this solution.
- All SAS disks used for this solution are 600GB.

## 6.5.1 Example EMC Volume Configuration for PVS Write Cache

The figure below shows the layout of the NFS file systems used to store the PVS write cache for the virtual desktops:



Ten LUNs of 411GB each are carved out of a RAID 10 storage pool configured with 16 SAS drives. The LUNs are presented to VNX File as dvols that belong to a system defined NAS pool. Two 2.1TB file systems are then carved out of the NAS pool and are presented to the ESXi servers as two NFS datastores. Because there are six storage pools to support PVS write cache, a total of twelve 2.1TB NFS file systems are used.

## 6.5.2 EMC Storage Configuration for PVS vDisks

Similar to the PVS write cache storage, ten LUNs of 205GB each are carved out of the RAID 5 storage pool configured with 5 SAS drives to support a 500GB NFS file system that is designated to store PVS vDisks for the desktops.

## 6.5.3 EMC Storage Configuration for VMware ESXi 5.0 Infrastructure and VDA Clusters

Two LUNs of 2.08TB are carved out of the RAID 5 storage pool configured with 10 SAS drives. The LUNs are used to store infrastructure virtual machines such as XenDesktop controllers, PVS servers, and VMware vCenter server.

## 6.5.4 Example EMC Boot LUN Configuration

Each ESXi server requires a boot LUN from SAN for the hypervisor OS. A total of 43 LUNs are carved out of the 5-disk RAID 5 pool. Each LUN is 12GB in size.

## 6.5.5 Example EMC FC LUN Configuration for SQL Clustering

Three LUNs are provisioned from the 4-disk RAID 10 storage pool to support SQL Server clustering. The LUN configurations are as follow:

- 1. Data 100GB
- **2.** Logs 25GB
- 3. Quorum 2GB

The SQL server cluster is used to provide the required database services for XenDesktop controllers, Provisioning services, and VMware vCenter server.

## 6.5.6 EMC FAST Cache in Practice

EMC FAST Cache uses Flash drives to add an extra layer of cache between the dynamic random access memory (DRAM) cache and rotating disk drives, thereby creating a faster medium for storing frequently accessed data. FAST Cache is an extendable Read/Write cache. It boosts application performance by ensuring that the most active data is served from high-performing Flash drives and can reside on this faster medium for as long as is needed.

FAST Cache tracks data activity at a granularity of 64KB and promotes hot data in to FAST Cache by copying from the hard disk drives (HDDs) to the Flash drives assigned to FAST Cache. Subsequent IO access to that data is handled by the Flash drives and is serviced at Flash drive response times-this helps ensure very low latency for the data. As data ages and becomes less active, it is flushed from FAST Cache to be replaced by more active data.

Only a small number of Flash drives are needed enabling FAST Cache to provide greater performance increases than implementing a large number of short-stroked HDDs. This results in cost savings in data center space, power, and cooling requirements that lowers overall TCO for the business.

FAST Cache is particularly suited to applications that randomly access storage with high frequency, such as Oracle and SQL OLTP databases. OLTP databases have inherent locality of reference with varied IO patterns. Applications with these characteristics benefit most from deploying FAST Cache. The optimal use of FAST Cache is achieved when the working data set can fit within the FAST Cache.

FAST Cache is enabled as an array-wide feature in the system properties of the array in EMC Unisphere. Click the **FAST Cache** tab, then click **Create** and select the Flash drives to create the FAST Cache. RAID 1 is the only RAID type allowed. There are no user-configurable parameters for FAST Cache. However, it is important to select the drives in the right order such that each RAID 1 pairs are not mirrored across buses/enclosures. For example, if disks 1, 2, 3, and 4 are selected in that order to create a 4-disk FAST Cache, disks 1 and 2 will belong to one RAID-1 group, and disks 3 and 4 will belong to another group. You have to make sure disks 1 and 2 reside in the same enclosure (likewise for disks 3 and 4) to avoid drive mirroring across enclosures.

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In this solution, ten 200GB SSD drives were used for FAST Cache. The ten drives were spread across the even number buses. Figure 16 shows the FAST Cache settings for VNX7500 array used in this solution.

General		S	P Cac	:he	
FAST Cache SP 1	Memory	Software		Environr	ment
FAST Cache					
State: Enabled					
Size: 916 GB	R4	AID Type: 1			
Disks					
Disk	O	Model		State	
DISK	Capacity	Model		State	
🔗 Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.			CL		1
♦ Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di. ♦ Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.	183.444 183.444	SS160520 SS160520	CL	Enabled Enabled	
<ul> <li>Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.</li> </ul>	183.444 183.444 183.444	SS160520 SS160520 SS160520	CL CL	Enabled Enabled Enabled	- L.
♦ Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di. ♦ Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.	183.444 183.444 183.444	SS160520 SS160520 SS160520	CL CL	Enabled Enabled Enabled	
<ul> <li>Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.</li> </ul>	183.444 183.444 183.444	SS160520 SS160520 SS160520	CL CL	Enabled Enabled Enabled	- L.
<ul> <li>Bus 0 Enclosure 0 Di.</li> <li>Bus 4 Enclosure 0 Di.</li> </ul>	183.444 183.444 183.444 183.444	SS160520 SS160520 SS160520	CL CL CL	Enabled Enabled Enabled	- L.
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Figure 17 VNX7500–FAST Cache tab

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To enable FAST Cache for any LUN in a pool, navigate to the **Storage Pool Properties** page in Unisphere, and then click the **Advanced** tab. Select **Enabled** to enable FAST Cache as shown in Figure 17.

WNX7500 - NFS_VDA_WC_1 : Storage Pool Properties	- • <b>×</b>
General Disks Advanced Tiering	
Storage Pool Alerts	
Percent Full Threshold: 70 %	
FAST Cache	
Enabled	
_ Snapshots	
Automatically delete oldest snapshots	
V When total pool space reaches 95 % full, stop at 85 %	
When total snapshot space reaches 25 % %, stop at 20 % %	
-Auto-Delete in Progress-	
Auto-Delete State: Idle	
Resume Auto-Delete	
Compression Compression Savings: N/A	
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#### Figure 18 VNX7500–Enable FAST Cache

## **6.5.7 EMC Additional Configuration Information**

The following tuning configurations optimize the NFS performance on the VNX 7500 Data Movers:

## 6.5.7.1 NFS Active Threads Per Data Mover

The default number of threads dedicated to serve NFS requests is 384 per Data Mover on the VNX. Some use cases such as the scanning of desktops might require more number of NFS active threads. It is recommended to increase the number of active NFS threads to the maximum of 2048 on each Data Mover. The **nthreads** parameter can be set by using the following command:

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#### # server\_param server\_2 -facility nfs -modify nthreads -value 2048

Reboot the Data Mover for the change to take effect.

Type the following command to confirm the value of the parameter:

<pre># server_param server_2</pre>	-facility nfs -info nthreads
server_2 :	
name	= nthreads
facility_name	= nfs
default_value	= 384
current_value	= 2048
configured_value	= 2048
user_action	= reboot DataMover
change_effective	= reboot DataMover
range	= (32,2048)

description = Number of threads dedicated to serve nfs requests This param represents number of threads dedicated to serve nfs requests. Any changes made to this param will be applicable after reboot only.

The NFS active threads value can also be configured by editing the properties of the **nthreads** Data Mover parameter in **Settings–Data Mover Parameters** menu in Unisphere, as shown in VNX7500–nThreads properties. Highlight the **nthreads** value you want to edit and select **Properties** to open the nthreads properties window. Update the **Value** field with the new value and click **OK** as shown in VNX7500–nThreads properties. Perform this procedure for each of the **nthreads** Data Mover parameters listed menu. Reboot the Data Movers for the change to take effect.

#### Figure 19 VNX7500–nThreads properties

EMC Unisphere

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DURSOL > Settings > Da				
Data Mover Parameters	🗄 https://10.11	0.75.243/action/par: 😵 Certificate Error 🛛 🖄		
<b>Filter for</b>	Mover is reboo	e will not take effect until the Data 🛁 Ited. <u>details</u>		
Name	Name:	nthreads		
	Data Mover:	server_2		
🛱 cs_external_ip	Facility:	nfs		
📓 cs_external_ip	Value:	2048		
📓 cs_external_ip	Default	510		
🛱 cs_external_ip	Value: Description:	512 Number of threads dedicated to		
🔓 nthreads		serve nfs requestsThis param represents number of threads		
👸 nthreads		dedicated to serve nfs requests. Any changes made to this param		
🛅 nthreads		will be applicable after reboot only		
🛱 nthreads	OK Apply Cancel Help			
		OK Apply Cancel Help		
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#### 6.5.7.2 NFS Performance Fix

VNX file software contains a performance fix that significantly reduces NFS write latency. The minimum software patch required for the fix is 7.0.13.0. In addition to the patch upgrade, the performance fix only takes effect when the NFS file system is mounted by using the **uncached** option as shown below:

#### # server\_mount server\_2 -option uncached fs1 /fs1

The **uncached** option can be verified by using the following command:

```
# server_mount server_2
server_2 :
root_fs_2 on / uxfs,perm,rw
root_fs_common on /.etc_common uxfs,perm,ro
fs1 on /fs1 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs2 on /fs2 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs3 on /fs3 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs4 on /fs4 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
```

fs5 on /fs5 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs6 on /fs6 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs7 on /fs7 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached
fs8 on /fs8 uxfs,perm,rw,uncached

The uncached option can also be configured by editing the properties of the file system mount in **Storage-Storage Configuration-File Systems-Mounts** menu in Unisphere. Highlight the file system mount you want to edit and select **Properties** to open the **Mount Properties** window as shown in **VNX7500-File System Mount Properties**. Select the **Set Advanced Options** checkbox to display the advanced menu options, and then select the **Direct Writes Enabled** checkbox and click **OK**. The uncached option is now enabled for the selected file system.

#### Figure 20 VNX7500–File System Mount Properties

Path:	/FS1		
DataMover:	server 5		
File System Name:	ES1		
Read Only:	@ Read/Write C Read Only		
Access-Checking Policy:	C NT - CIPS client rights checked against ACLs; NFS client rights checked against ACLs and permission bits		
	C UNEX - NFS client rights checked against permission bits; CIFS client rights checked against permission bits AND ACLs		
	C SECURE - both NFS and CIFS client rights checked against both permission bits AND ACLs		
	NATIVE - NFS client rights checked against permission bits; CIFS client rights checked against ACLs		
	MIXED - Both NFS and CIFS client rights checked against ACL; Only a single set of security attributes maintained		
	MIXED_COMPAT - Both NFS and CIFS client rights checked against either permission bits or ACL depending on which protocol was last used to set permissions		
Virus Checking Enabled:	C		
Cifs Oplocks Enabled:	E		
Set Advanced Options:	2		
Use NT Credential:	I.		
Direct Writes Enabled:	<b>v</b>		
Prefetch Enabled:	<b>P</b>		
Multi-Protocol Locking Policy:	cking @ nolack		
	C writelock		
	C rwlock		
CIFS Sync Writes Enabled:	<b>F</b>		
CIFS Notify Enabled:	Г		
	CIFS Notify Trigger Level:	1	
		\$12	
	CIFS Notify On Access Enabled:	E	

## 6.6 Cisco UCS Manager Configuration for VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1

This section addresses creation of the service profiles and VLANs to support the project.

## **6.6.1 Service Profile Templates**

Two types of service profiles were required to support two different blade server types:

#### Table 7 Role/Server/OS Deployement

Role	Blade Server Used	<b>Operating System Deployed</b>
Infrastructure	Cisco UCS B200 M3	ESXi 5.0 Update 1
VDI Hosts Cisco UCS B230 M2 ESXi 5.0 Update 1

To support those different hardware platforms, service profile templates were created, utilizing various policies created earlier.

The service profile templates were then used to quickly deploy service profiles for each blade server in the Cisco Unified Computing System. When each blade server booted for the first time, the service profile was deployed automatically, providing the perfect configuration for the VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1 installation.

## 6.6.2 VLAN Configuration

In addition, to control network traffic in the infrastructure and assure priority to high value traffic, virtual LANs (VLANs) were created on the Nexus 5548s, on the Cisco UCS Manager (Fabric Interconnects,) and on the Nexus 1000V Virtual Switch Modules in each vCenter Cluster. The virtual machines in the environment used the VLANs depending on their role in the system.

A total of seven Virtual LANs, VLANs, were utilized for the project. The following table identifies them and describes their use:

#### Table 8VLAN Naming and Use

VLAN Name	VLAN ID	Use
ML-VDA	800	VDI Virtual Machine Traffic
ML-DC-VM-MGMT	801	VMware Management and Nexus 1000V Management Traffic
ML-DC-VMOTION	802	VMware vMotion Traffic
ML_DC-INF	803	VDI Infrastructure
ML-DC-STRG	804	VNX7500 NFS Traffic
ML-N1KV_CTR	900	Nexus 1000V Control Traffic
VLAN0901	901	Nexus 1000V Packet Traffic

VLANs are configured in UCS Manager on the LAN tab, LAN\VLANs node in the left pane of Cisco UCS Manager. They were set up earlier in section 6.2.1 Base Cisco UCS System Configuration.

# 6.7Installing and Configuring ESXi 5.0 Update 1

In this study, we used Fibre Channel storage to boot the hosts from LUNs on the VNX7500 storage system. Prior to installing the operating system, storage groups are created, assigning specific boot LUNs to individual hosts. (See Section 6.4.4 Configuring Boot from SAN on EMC VNX for details.)

VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1 can be installed in boot-from-SAN mode using standard hypervisor deployment techniques including:

- 1. Mounting a Cisco Customized ESXi 5.0 Update 1 ISO image from the KVM of the blade
- 2. Using automated deployment tools from third party sources (Optional)

### 6.7.1 Install VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1

ESXi was installed using Symantec Altiris Deployment Solution 7.1.

ESXi installation script that performs a standard installation to the first detected disk, and enables SSH and ESXi Shell was used to automate installation process

(http://pubs.vmware.com/vsphere-50/topic/com.vmware.vsphere.install.doc\_50/GUID-C3F32E0F-297 B-4B75-8B3E-C28BD08680C8.html).

Example of ks.cfg file used in install:

```
accepteula
install --firstdisk --overwritevmfs
rootpw Password
network --bootproto=dhcp --device=vmnic0 --addvmportgroup=0
reboot
%firstboot --interpreter=busybox
# enable & start remote ESXi Shell (SSH)
vim-cmd hostsvc/enable_ssh
vim-cmd hostsvc/enable_ssh
# enable & start ESXi Shell (TSM)
vim-cmd hostsvc/enable_esx_shell
vim-cmd hostsvc/start_esx_shell
reboot
```

The IP address, hostname, and NTP server were configured using Direct Console ESXi Interface accessed from Cisco UCS Manager KVM console (http://pubs.vmware.com/vsphere-50/topic/com.vmware.vsphere.install.doc\_50/GUID-26F3BC88-DA D8-43E7-9EA0-160054954506.html).

## 6.7.2 Install and Configure vCenter

To manage hypervisors and virtual machines a dedicated vCenter server instance was installed on Windows 2008R2 virtual machine.

Vmware vCenter Server						
		Service				
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	Pack:				
CPU:	4vCPUs	RAM:	16GB			
Disk:	40GB	Network:	1x10Gbps			

To support vCenter instance two node Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 cluster was created to host vCenter database. Refer to Microsoft documentation on configuring SQL Server clusters. (http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms189134(v=sql.105).aspx and http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms189134(v=sql.105).aspx)

To install and configure vCenter, do the following:

- Install the Microsoft® SQL Server® 2008 R2 Native Client for ODBC connections (http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=16978 look for Native Client for your architecture)
- 2. Create a System DSN (control panel, administrative tools, Data Sources ODBC) and connect to your vCenter-SQL server. Note: Make sure to use FQDN's for everything.

- Create Active Directory user account and call it vcenter. (This user account will be used for XD to connect to vCenter, you will have to follow a Citrix specific procedure and assign specific permissions on vCenter for XD to connect to vCenter http://support.citrix.com/proddocs/topic/xendesktop-rho/cds-vmware-rho.html).
- 4. Install vCenter server package, connect to the database.
- 5. Connect your vSphere client to vCenter and create a datacenter.
- 6. Create self-signed certificate (http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&exte rnalId=1021514).

## 6.7.3 Install Licenses

- 1. Connect to vCenter using vSphere client.
- **2.** Go to Home  $\rightarrow$  Administration  $\rightarrow$  Licensing.
- 3. Click Manage vSphereLicenses.
- 4. Add License keys for vCenter and Hosts.

Manage vSphere Licer Add License Keys If you have recent	sees 2
Add License Keys Assign Licenses Remove License Keys Confirm Changes	Enter new vSphere license keys (one per line):
Help	< Back Next > Cancel

## 6.7.4 ESXi 5.0 Update 1 Cluster Configuration

To accommodate maximum recommendations for ESXi 5 clustering and to support the Nexus 1000V virtual switching best practices, we created five ESXi 5 clusters described below. For each of the three VDA clusters, 13 Cisco B230 M2 blade servers and approximately 1700 virtual machines were hosted.

The 5 B200 M3s, 39 B230 M2s, and 20 B250 M2 ESX hosts were configured into 5 Clusters:

- DC-INF
- DC-VDA1
- DC-VDA2
- DC-VDA3

Launchers



#### 6.7.4.1 DC-INF Infrastructure Cluster

The **DC-INF** cluster was used to host all of the virtualized servers within the VDA Infrastructure, including three pairs of Nexus 1000V Virtual Switch Manager (VSM) appliances, one for each virtual desktop cluster.

Five physical Cisco UCS B200-M3 hosts were used in this cluster.

Four standard switches to manage VMware Management, VDA, vMotion, and Storage traffic were configured on DC-INF cluster hosts. Three pairs of fault tolerant VSMs introduced the N1KV Management, Control and Packet VLANs to the environment.

#### 1. Management



#### **2**. VDA

s	tan	dard Switch: vSwitch1			Remove.	Pro	pertie	s
	ç	Virtual Machine Port Group ML_VDA VLAN ID: 800		-	Adapters vmnic4 vmnic5			С С
	<b>₽</b>	Virtual Machine Port Group ML_DC-INF S virtual machine(s)   VLAN ID: 803						1
3.	v	Motion	_					

Stand	dard Switch: vSwitch:	2	Remove	Propertie	s
	VMkernel Port ML_DC-VMOTION		oysical Adapters		
	vmk1 :	VLAN ID: 802	• 🔛 vmnic6	10000 Full	5

#### 4. Storage

Standard Switch: vSwitch3		Remove.	Propertie	s
VMkernel Port storage vmk2 :	VLAN ID: 804	ical Adapters vmnic3 vmnic2	10000 Full 10000 Full	р С

#### 6.7.4.2 Virtual Desktop Clusters

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The following clusters were used to host 5004 desktops:

- DC-VDA1
- DC-VDA2
- DC-VDA3

Each of these desktop clusters were configured identically with a Nexus 1000V high availability distributed virtual switch providing the required network connectivity.

The Nexus 1000V switches were configured to manage networking for all three ESX Clusters hosting virtual desktops, working in concert with the UCS Fabric Interconnects and Nexus 5548UP access layer switches to provide end to end Quality of Service for network communications, insuring the highest quality virtual desktop end user experience.

The Nexus 1000V configuration is described in detail in Section 6.3.3 Nexus 1000V Configuration earlier in this document.



#### 6.7.4.3 Login VSI Launcher Cluster

The separate Launchers cluster was used to host Login Consultants' LoginVSI launchers, Launcher PVS, and a LoginVSI console.

It was hosted on a separate Cisco UCS Domain with dedicated storage.

The Launcher cluster was connected to the Data Center clusters through a Nexus 5000 layer 2 switch. Standard ESXi 5 vSwitches were used on the Launchers cluster.

# 6.8 Installing and configuring Citrix Provisioning Server 6.1

## 6.8.1 Pre-requisites

In most implementations, there is a single vDisk providing the standard image for multiple target devices. The more target devices using the same vDisk image, the less vDisks need to be created; making vDisk management easier. In order to have a single vDisk, all target devices must have certain similarities to make sure that the OS has all of the drivers it requires to run properly. The three key components that should be consistent are the motherboard, network card, or video card.

Disk storage management is very important because a Provisioning Server can have many vDisks stored on it, and each disk can be several gigabytes in size. Your streaming performance can be improved using a RAID array, SAN, or NAS.

Software and hardware requirements are available at http://support.citrix.com/proddocs/topic/provisioning-61/pvs-install-task1-plan-6-0.html.

Provisioning Server to Provisioning Server Communication

Each Provisioning Server must be configured to use the same ports (UDP) in order to communicate with each other (uses the Messaging Manager). At least five ports must exist in the port range selected. The port range is configured on the Stream Services dialog when the Configuration Wizard is run.

Note

If configuring for a high availability (HA), all Provisioning Servers selected as failover servers must reside within the same site. HA is not intended to cross between sites.

The first port in the default range is UDP 6890 and the last port is 6909.

Provisioning Servers to Target Device Communication

Each Provisioning Server must be configured to use the same ports (UDP) in order to communicate with target devices (uses the StreamProcess). The port range is configured using the Console's Network tab on the Server Properties dialog.

The default ports include:

UDP 6910 6930

Target Device to Provisioning Services Communication

Target devices communicate with Provisioning Services using the following ports:

UDP 6901, 6902, 6905



Unlike Provisioning Servers to target device ports numbers, target device to Provisioning Services cannot be configured.

Login Server Communication

Each Provisioning Server that will be used as a login server must be configured on the Stream Servers Boot List dialog when the Configuration Wizard is run.

The default port for login servers to use is UDP 6910.

**Console Communication** 

The Soap Server is used when accessing the Console. The ports (TCP) are configured on the Stream Services dialog when the Configuration Wizard is run.

The default ports are TCP 54321 and 54322 (Provisioning Services automatically sets a second port by incrementing the port number entered by 1; 54321 + 1).

If this value is modified, the following command must be run.

For PowerShell: MCLI-Run SetupConnection

For MCLI: MCLI Run SetupConnection



Refer to the Provisioning Server Programmers Guides for details.

TFTP Communication The TFTP port value is stored in the registry: HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\BNTFTP\Parameters Port The TFTP port defaults to UDP 69. TSB Communication The TSB port value is stored in the registry: HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\PVSTSB\Parameters Port The TSB port defaults to UDP 6969. Port Fast Port Fast Port Fast must be enabled. Network Card PXE 0.99j, PXE 2.1 or later. Network Addressing

6.8.2 Create a Highly Available CIFS Share for PVS vDisks

The following steps outline the process taken to create Highly Available CIFS share for vDisk hosting.

Note

DHCP

A two-node Microsoft cluster was setup prior to this process. Procedure to set up the cluster described in detail in section "Setting Up a Two Node Citrix User Profile Server Cluster".

- 1. Open Failover Cluster Manager.
- 2. Click Services and Applications node.
- 3. Select your File Server and click "Add a shared folder" in the Actions pane.
- 4. Click Browse and set the folder intended for the vDisk store, then click "Next".
- 5. Leave the NTFS permission and click "Next".
- 6. Validate SMB is checked and input Share name and then click "Next".
- 7. Accept defaults and click "Next".
- 8. Check Users and groups have custom share permission.
- 9. Click Permissions and set permissions to Everyone at Full Control; then click "OK".
- 10. Click "Next".
- 11. Accept Defaults then click "Next".
- 12. Review summary and click "Create".

## 6.8.3 Install Citrix Licensing and Licenses

The steps that are outlined below describe the process of installing the Citrix License Server. Additionally, there are steps provided for configuring the license server as well as installing licenses.

# 6.8.3.1 Pre-requisites (Web Server)

- **1.** Open Computer Management.
- **2.** Click on Add Role.
- **3.** Select Web Server (IIS).
- 4. Click Next.
- 5. Click Next.
- 6. Under Application Development select ASP.NET.
- 7. Click Add Required Role Services.
- 8. Click Next.
- 9. Click Install.
- **10.** Click Close to complete the installation process.

#### 6.8.3.2 Install License Server

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- 1. Locate and launch CTX\_Licensing.msi.
- 2. Select "I accept the terms in the License Agreement".

cense Agreement	
Please read the Citrix Licensing Li	icense Agreement
CITRIX(R) LICENSE AGREEM	ENT
	ect to the Citrix license covering the Citrix product g this component. This component is only license t(s).
CTX_code: EP_R_A32490	
	se Agreement
CTX_code: EP_R_A32490	se Agreement

- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Accept the default destination folder.

Destination Folder				
المكالية وأعراب والملاحظ المعاد أحاد المعاد والمتارك				
Click Install to install to the default fo	lder or c <mark>l</mark> ick C	hange to c	hoose another	CİTRİX
Select a <u>d</u> estination folder for Citrix Lid	censing:			
C:\Program Files (x86)\Citrix\				
Change				
	Ba	ack	Install	Cancel

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- 5. Click Install.
- 6. Click Finish to complete the installation process.



#### 6.8.3.3 Configuring the License Server

- **1**. Open the License Server Configuration Tool.
- 2. Accept the Default ports and provide the password for the Admin account.

🖄 License Server Configuration Tool	
	<b>CİTR</b> IX <sup>®</sup>
License Server Configuration	
Specify the numbers for the following ports:	
License Server Port (default 27000):	26994 🕂
Vendor Daemon Port (default 7279):	7279
Management Console Web Port (default 8082):	8082
Set a password for the License Administration Console:	
Username:	admin
Password:	*****
Confirm Password:	******
<u> </u>	Cancel

### 3. Click OK.

**4.** Go to Start | All Programs | Citrix | Management Consoles and click on License Administration Console.



**5.** Click on the Administration button.

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6. Enter the Admin credentials.

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	Log On
L	User Name: admin
L	Password:
L	Display Language: English
	Submit Cancel

- 7. Click Submit.
- 8. Click on the Vendor Daemon Configuration tab on the left part of the screen.

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License Admi	inistration Console		U	er Name: admin	<u>Help Log Out</u>	<b>CİTR</b> İX'
					Dashbo	ard Administration
System Information	Vendor Daemon	Configuration				
User	Import License	Status	Version	Port		×
Configuration Aire Configuration Server Configuration Funder Damage Under Damage	CTREX	RUNNING	11.10	7279	Administer	Delete
						¥.

- 9. Click on Import License.
- **10.** Click Browse to locate the license file you are applying to the server.



- **11.** Select the file and Click Open.
- **12**. Click on Import License.
- **13**. Validate that the import was successful.

License Administration Console	User N.	lame: admin <u>Help</u>	Log Out	citrix.
<image/> <image/>	C:\Program Files (x86)\Citrix\Licensing\Myfiles\ th for CITRIX. Vendor daemon must be restarted for ion for CITRIX.	r change to take effect.	Dashboard	
14. Click OK.				

**15.** Click on the Dashboard button.

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**16.** Validate that the necessary licenses have been installed.

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	(Dahkard) (Administratica)
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0 Critical	► Citrite EdgeSight for Endpoints)Concurrent User
	Cibiti Provisioning Server for Desktops/Concurrent System
	Citrix Start up Licenze Server
	Citric StorageUrik Enterprise)Concurrent System
	Cibic Keniqup (Presentation Server) Enterprise)Consument User
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# 6.8.4 Install Provisioning Services 6.1

#### 6.8.4.1 Base Install

The following steps outline the process taken to install Provisioning Services 6.1

- **1.** Locate the PVS\_Server\_x64.exe and run the executable.
- 2. If prompted to installed required software click Install.

Citrix Provi	isioning Services x64 - InstallShield Wizard
	trix Provisioning Services x64 requires the following items to be installed on your omputer. Click Install to begin installing these requirements.
Status	Requirement
Pending	Host PowerShell SnapIn x64
Pending	Broker Snapin x64
Pending	Configuration_PowerShellSnapInx64
	Install Cancel

3. Select "I accept the terms in the License Agreement" and click Install.



4. Click Finish.



5. Click Next.

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6. Select "I accept the terms in the license agreement".



- 7. Enter the User name and Organization specific for your environment.
- 8. Select Anyone who uses this computer (all users).

Citrix Provisioning Services x64			×
Customer Information			
Please enter your information.			CITRİX
User Name:			
RDP			
Organization:			
RDP			
Install this application for:			
Anyone who uses this compute	er (all users)		
C Only for me (RDP)			
stallShield			
	< Back	Next >	Cancel

9. Click Next.

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**10.** Leave the Destination Folder as the default location.



- 11. Click Next.
- 12. Select Complete.

ietup Type		
Choose the set	up type that best suits your needs.	CITRIX
Please select a	setup type.	
• Complete	All program features will be installed. (Requires the most space, )	t disk
C Custom	Choose which program features you want installed and will be installed. Recommended for advanced users.	where they
allShield		

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- 13. Click Next.
- 14. Click Install to begin the PVS installation process.



**15.** Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



16. Click Finish.

## 6.8.4.2 Configure PVS Using the Provisioning Services Configuration Wizard

The steps that are identified below provide the steps taken to configure PVS using the Provisioning Services Configuration Wizard.

1. Start the PVS Configuration wizard.



2. Click Next.

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3. In the DHCP services window, select "The service that runs on another computer".



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- 4. Click "Next".
- 5. PXE services select "the service that runs on this computer".

Provisioning Services Configuration Wizard	×
PXE Services Specify which service will deliver this information to target devices.	
During the PXE boot process the bootstrap file name and FQDN/IP address of the TFTP server hosting the bootstrap are delivered via a PXE service or DHCP options 66/67.	
• The service that runs on this computer	
Provisioning Services PXE service	
$\mathbb C$ The service that runs on another computer	
< Back Next > Cancel	

- 6. Click "Next".
- 7. Select Create Farm.

🕐 Provisioning Services Configuration Wizard			×
Farm Configuration Create a new Farm or join an existing Farm. C configured.	Ian be skipped	d if already	
Create farm			
🔘 Join existing farm			
	< Back	Next >	Cancel

- **8.** Collection Name. Additionally, choose the appropriate Active Directory group that will be identified as the Farm Administrators.
- 9. Click Next.

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Enter the Server and Instance na	and a second second second second second second second second second second second second second second second
Server name:	Browse
Instance name:	browse
Optional TCP port:	-
Specify database mirror failo	ver parbner
Server name:	Deniera
Server name:	Browse

- **10.** Configure Boot strap Boot list.
- **11.** List the first four PVS servers in your farm.

Provisioning Services 0 New Farm Enter the new Databa		1		×
Database name:	ProvisioningServices			•
<u>F</u> arm name:	Farm			
<u>S</u> ite name:	Site			
<u>C</u> ollection name:	Collection			
Use <u>Active Directo</u>	ry groups for security			
${f C}$ Use $\underline{{\sf W}}$ indows grou	ips for security			
Farm Administrator gr	oup:			
mlq3.net/Users/Dom	ain Admins			•
	[	< <u>B</u> ack	<u>N</u> ext >	Cancel

- 12. Click Next.
- **13.** Configure PVS streaming service NIC. Select your corresponding 10Gbps NIC.

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14. Click Next.

work Communications Specify networks settings.	
Available network cards for stream services:	
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	e used for network communications. A total of 20 ports elect a port for console communications.
	elect a port for console communications.
are required. You must also s	elect a port for console communications.
are required. You must also s Note: All servers must have t	elect a port for console communications.

- **15.** Select "Use the Provisioning Services TFTP service".
- 16. Click Next.
- **17.** Configure Boot strap Boot list.
- **18**. List the first four PVS servers in your farm.
- 19. Click Next.

ot process.		arget devices ma	y contact to c	omplete the
IP Address	Subnet Mask	Gateway	Port	-
	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	6910	
	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	6910	
	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	6910	_
	0.0.0.0	R.0.0.0	6910	-
Add	Edit	Remove	Move up	
			Move down	

20. Click Finish.

# 6.8.5 Install Required PVS Hotfixes

There are several recommended Hotfixes available for Provisioning Services 6.1. The Hotfixes that are listed below are specific to either the PVS server or the PVS target devices. The hotfixes applied to this environment were as follows:

- CPVS61E001
- CPVS61E002
- CPVS61E003
- CPVS61E004
- CPVS61E005
- CPVS61E006
- CPVS61E007
- CPVS61E008
- CPVS61E009
- CPVS61E010
- CPVS61E011
- CPVS61E014
- CPVS61E015

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Each of the listed hotfixes has unique installation steps. Please refer to the Reference section of this document to view the specific installation steps for each hotfix.

# 6.8.6 Adding PVS Servers to the Farm

After installing the PVS 6.1 software on additional servers, launch the Provisioning Services Configuration Wizard.

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1. Select Join existing Farm.



- 2. Click Next.
- 3. Enter Database information.

abase Server Enter the Server and Instance nam	es.
Server name:	
Instance name:	Browse
Optional TCP port:	
Specify database mirror failove	
	r partner Browse
Server name:	

- 4. Click Next.
- 5. Select the existing PVS Farm from the drop down box.

<b>Provisioning Servi</b> Existing Farm Select the Farm.	ces Configuration Wiza	nd		×
Farm name:	xdpvsdb:Farm			
		< Back	Next >	Cancel

- 6. Click Next.
- 7. Select Existing site Name.
- 8. Click Next.
- 9. Select Existing Store.
- 10. Click Next.
- 11. Select Network Service Account.
- 12. Click Next.
- 13. Select your corresponding NIC that is configured for the farm PVS streaming service NIC.
- 14. Click Next.
- 15. Select "Use the Provisioning Services TFTP service".



This is only selected if the server is going to be a Login server.

- 16. Click Next.
  - Configure Boot strap Boot list.
    - List the first four PVS servers in your farm. Click Next.
- 17. Click Finish.

# 6.9 Installing and Configuring Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 FP1

Four XenDesktop 5.6 Delivery Controllers were virtualized on VMware ESXi 5.0 hosted on Cisco B200 M3 infrastructure blades.

Beginning with XenDesktop 5, Citrix replaced the proprietary IMA protocol encrypted data store in favor of Microsoft SQL Server databases. Concurrently the concept of XenDesktop Farms (used in XenDesktop 4 and earlier) was eliminated in favor of the concept of Sites.

From a management standpoint, Citrix introduced two new management consoles beginning with XenDesktop 5.

- Desktop Studio
- Desktop Director

The Desktop Studio is the main administration console where hosts, machine catalogs, desktop groups and applications are created and managed. The Desktop Studio is where HDX policy is configured and applied to the site. The Desktop Studio is a Microsoft Management Console snap in and fully supports PowerShell.

#### 6.9.1 Pre-Requisites

The following is a list of pre-requisites that are required with installing XenDesktop 5.6. They are as follows:

- One of the following operating systems:
  - Windows Server 2008, Standard or Enterprise Edition (32- or 64-bit), with Service Pack 2
  - Windows Server 2008 R2, Standard or Enterprise Edition (64-bit only)

Note that you can mix operating systems within a site.

- Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 with Service Pack 1.
  - If you do not have this on your server, it is installed automatically for you. The XenDesktop installation media also contain this installer in the Support\DotNet35SP1 folder.
- Internet Information Services (IIS) and ASP.NET 2.0. IIS is required only if you are installing the Web Interface or Desktop Director:
  - For Windows Server 2008, IIS Version 7.0
  - For Windows Server 2008 R2, IIS Version 7.5
  - If you do not have these on your server, you may be prompted for the Windows Server installation media, and they are installed for you.
- Visual J# 2.0 Redistributable Package, Second Edition.
- This is required only if the Web Interface is installed on the server. If you do not have this on your server, it is installed automatically for you. The XenDesktop installation media also contain this installer in the Support/JSharp20SE folder.
- Visual C++ 2008 with Service Pack 1 Redistributable Package.
  - If you do not have this on your server, it is installed automatically for you. The XenDesktop installation media also contain this installer in the Support/vcredist/2008\_SP1 folder.
- Windows PowerShell version 2.0.
  - If you are using Windows Server 2008 (not Windows Server 2008 R2), Windows Management Framework is installed automatically if it is not already present on the server; it includes Windows PowerShell 2.0.



Windows Management Framework must be downloaded, so either make sure an Internet connection is available or pre-install Windows Management Framework.

- One of the following browsers if you are running the License Administration Console on the controller:
  - Internet Explorer 8 or 9
  - Firefox 3 to 8.x
  - Google Chrome
- Disk space requirements:
  - 100 MB for the Controller and SDKs
  - 50 MB for Desktop Studio
  - 50 MB for Desktop Director
  - 40 MB for Citrix Licensing
  - 100 MB for the Web Interface (and client software included in the installation)

## 6.9.2 Install XenDesktop, XenDesktop Studio, and Optional Components

The steps identified below show the process used when installing XenDesktop, XenDesktop Studio and optional components

- 1. Start the XenDesktop installation wizard.
- 2. Click Install XenDesktop.

	Install XenDesktop
-	Install XenDesktop server components and prerequisites
53	Install Virtual Desktop Agent
	Cannot be installed on this operating system
22	Extras
20	Optional extras including Wyse Xenith Manager

**3.** Select Components to install.

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4. Verify that XenDesktop Controller, Desktop Studio and Desktop Directory are selected (License Server and Web Access components were not installed).



Desktop Director was installed on only the first XenDesktop Controller.

5. Verify that "Install SQL Server Express" is NOT selected.



- 6. Click Next.
- 7. Click Install in the Summary page to continue installation.
- 8. Click Finish to finalize your installation.

# 6.9.3 Create SQL Database for XenDesktop

1. After successfully installing XenDesktop, select the checkbox "Configure XenDesktop after Closing".

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2. Click Close on the Installation Successful dialogue.



- 3. Open Desktop Studio: Start > All Programs > Citrix > Desktop Studio.
- 4. Click XenDesktop deployment in the XenDesktop Wizard.
- 5. Name the Site.
- 6. Database Configuration:
  - Enter the name of the SQL server installed earlier.
  - In the Database name field, enter the name of the database.
  - In this scenario, leave the prepopulated default Database name as it is, so that the wizard can create the database.



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To validate connectivity to the SQL Server, use the **Test Connection** button. If the database does not exist then an exception will be shown. However, connectivity to the SQL database validates successfully.

7. Click "Next".



When your first XenDesktop server is installed and configured, you can repeat the procedure in Section 6.9.2 Install XenDesktop above to create load balancing and a fault tolerant XenDesktop environment.

# 6.9.4 Configure the XenDesktop Site Hosts and Storage

- 1. Enter licensing server name and select a license. Click Next.
- 2. Select VMware Virtualization from the Host Type dropdown.
- 3. Enter VCenter URL information.



Your vCenter server or appliance must have a trusted 3<sup>rd</sup> Party SSL certificate to use https.

- 4. Enter the vCenter administrator user name and password.
- 5. Click Next.

Steps	Host type:	VMware virtualization -
Site	Address:	https://dc-vc-01.miq3.net/sdk
Licensing	Username:	
Connection	Username:	vcenter
Host	Password:	
Storage		
	connection relates. Connection name	e: vcenter
	Virtual machines:	
		op to create virtual machines
	<ul> <li>Use XenDesktø</li> </ul>	

6. Configure the hostname and select cluster and Network (port profile on VMware).

Steps	Host name
Site	FS1_VD4
<ul> <li>Licensing</li> <li>Connection</li> <li>Host</li> </ul>	Cluster Select a cluster for the new virtual machines.
Storage	DC-VDA1 Browse
	Select a network for the virtual machines to use.          N1Ki3ctrl         Storage         UnusedOr_Quarantine_Veth         VDA         VDA1         VVM Network
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7. Click Next.

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8. Select storage - this correlates to your vCenter's Datastore.



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- 9. Click Next.
- **10.** Click **Finish**.Create additional hosts per datastore & network.
  - Right click your existing VCenter Storage "Host" connection
  - Select Add Storage
  - Select Use an Existing Host connection

Steps	(	Use an existing Host Connect	tion	
		dc-vc-01	*	
Host	(	Connect to a new Host		
Storage			tors to identify the host typ	Studio. Consider using a name e and address of the deploymer
	$\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$	Connection name:	e.g. MyCompanyHyperviso	or.
		Host type:	Citrix XenServer	*
		Address:	e.g. http://xenserver.exam	ple.com
		Username:		
		Password:		
		HA Servers:	None selected	Select
		Virtual machines:		
		Use XenDesktop to	o create desktops	
		Manually create vi	rtual machines	
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# 6.9.5 Configure XenDesktop HDX Policies

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When testing with VSI a XenDesktop policy should be created to disable client printer mapping which is enabled by default. HDX policies configured and applied in Citrix Desktop Studio.

- 1. Open Desktop Studio.
- **2.** Proceed to HDX Policy | Users.



3. Click New to start the policy creation process.



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4. Enter a name for your policy and click Next.

New Policy	×
Enter basic policy information	
Name:	
Description:	
Remaining Steps	
Settings - what will be applied by this policy	
Filters - when to apply this policy	
Enable - whether to immediately enable this policy	
< Back Next > Create Cancel	

**5.** Select from Categories ICA | Printing.

	Settings to s
Categories:	
ICA	*
Adobe Flash Delivery	
Flash Redirection	
Audio	
Bandwidth	
Desktop UI	
File Redirection	
Multi-Stream Connections	
Port Redirection	
Printing	
Client Printers	
Drivers	
Universal Printing	
Session Limits	
Time Zone Control	
TWAIN Devices	
USB Devices	
Visual Display	
Moving Images	
Still Images	-

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6. Select Client printer redirection and click Add.

Client printer redirection ICA\Printing	Add
Default printer ICA\Printing	Add
Printer auto-creation event log preference ICA\Printing	Add
Session printers ICA\Printing	Add
Wait for printers to be created (desktop) ICA\Printing	Add

7. Click **Prohibited** and then click **OK**.



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8. Select from Categories ICA | Printing | Client Printers.

Cat	egories:
IC.	
	Adobe Flash Delivery
	Flash Redirection
	Audio
	Bandwidth
	Desktop UI
	File Redirection
	Multi-Stream Connections
	Port Redirection
$\succ$	Printing
	Client Printers
	Drivers
	Universal Printing
	Session Limits
	Time Zone Control
	TWAIN Devices
	USB Devices
	Visual Display
	Moving Images
	Still Images

9. Select "Auto-create client printers" and click Add.
| Settings:  |     |
|--|-----|
| Auto-create client printers<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers              | Add |
| Auto-create generic universal printer<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers    | Add |
| Client printer names<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers                     | Add |
| Direct connections to print servers<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers      | Add |
| Printer driver mapping and compatibility<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers | Add |
| Printer properties retention<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers             | Add |
| Retained and restored client printers<br>ICA\Printing\Client Printers    | Add |

**10.** From the drop-down list, select **"Do not auto-create client printers"** and click **OK**.

add Setting	×
Auto-create client printers	
Value: Do not auto-create client printers 🔹	
Use default value	
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Applies to XenApp 6.0 or later and XenDesktop 5.0 or later	•
Specifies which client printers are auto-created. This setting overrides default client printer auto-creation settings. By default, all client printers are auto-created.	•
OK	Cancel

11. Click Next.

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	Settings to show: XenDesktop (All Versions)	Ģ
Categories:	Settings:	
ICA Adobe Flash Delivery Flash Redirection Audio	Do not auto-create client printers	Remove Add
Bandwidth Desktop UI	ICA\Printing\Client Printers Client printer names ICA\Printing\Client Printers	Add
File Redirection Multi-Stream Connections Port Redirection	Direct connections to print servers ICA\Printing\Client Printers	Add
Printing	Printer driver mapping and compatibility ICA\Printing\Client Printers	Add
Client Printers Drivers	Printer properties retention ICA\Printing\Client Printers	Add
Universal Printing Session Limits Time Zone Control TWAIN Devices	Retained and restored client printers ICA\Printing\Client Printers	<u>Add</u>
USB Devices Visual Display Moving Images Still Images	Applies to XenApp 6.0 or later and XenDesktop 5.0 or later Specifies which client printers are auto-created. This setting overrides default client printer a creation settings. By default, all client printers are auto-created.	uto-

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12. Select All Filters, "User or Group" and click Add Create policy filter.

	Filters to show: XenDesktop (All Versions)	P
ategories:	Filters:	
Active Filters	Access Control	Add
All Filters	Branch Repeater	Add
	Client IP Address	Add
		Auu
	Client Name	Add
	Pesktop Group	<u>Add</u>
	Pesktop Type	<u>Add</u>
	rganizational Unit	Add
	🕎 Tag	Add
	Vser or Group (	Add
	Applies to XenApp 6.0 or later and XenDesktop 5.0 or later	•
	The Access Control filter allows you to apply policies based on the access control conditions through which a client is connecting.	-

13. Click Add.

🐺 New Filter		_ 🗆 ×
New User or Group Filter		
Filter elements:		
Add Edit Remove		Enable
	ок	Cancel

**14.** Pick the User Group you will be applying this policy.

🧱 New Filter Element
New User or Group Filter Element
Mode: Allow The Enable this filter element
User or group name Browse
Comment:
OK Cancel

**15.** Click **OK**.

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16. Click Next.

	Filters to show: XenDesktop (All Versions)  Search All Filters	,p
ategories:	Filters:	
Active Filters	The second secon	Add
All Filters	Branch Repeater	Add
	Client IP Address	Add
	Client Name	Add
	Pesktop Group	Add
	Pesktop Type	Add
	organizational Unit	Add
	💎 Tag	Add
	Vser or Group Allow - MLQ3\Domain Users	Edit Remove
	Applies to XenApp 6.0 or later and XenDesktop 5.0 or later	<b>^</b>
	The User filter allows you to apply policies based on the user or group memb connecting to the session.	ership of the user

17. Click Create.



### 6.9.6 Configure the XenDesktop Desktop Group and Options

- 1. PVS XenDesktop Wizard is used for Catalog and VM creation.
- 2. From the XenDesktop Studio, click the Assignments node.
- 3. Click "Create Desktop Group".



- 4. Select a catalog with available machines.
- 5. Add machines from the Catalog.

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Create Desktop Group	
Steps	Select machines for Assignment:
<ul> <li>Catalog</li> <li>Users</li> <li>Delegation</li> <li>Summary</li> </ul>	CatalogDescriptionAvailableDC-VDA14Datastores-2Portgroups6DC-VDA2cluster20DC-VDA30
CİTRIX	Unassigned machines Total available: 6 Add machines: ( Specify the source and number of machines to be assigned
•	Back Next Cancel

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- 6. Click Next.
- 7. Click Add and select a user or user group to use the Desktop Group.

Select users:			
			Add
			Remove
Select Users or Groups		? ×	
Select this object type:			
Users or Groups		Object Types	
From this location:			
Entre Directory		Locations	
Enter the object names to select (examples)			
maaueral	1	Check Names	
Advanced	ОК	Cancel	
Select users/groups that are permit	ted to use the mach	ines.	
Desktops per user: 1 \$			
	Istern	Back Next	Cance
	Select Users or Groups Select this object type: Users or Groups From this location: [Enter Directory Enter the object names to select [examples] [mts2aset:a] Advanced Select users/groups that are permit	Select Users or Groups         Select this object type.         Users or Groups         From this location:         Enter the object names to select (examples):         mid2ustral         Advanced         Desktops per user:         1	Select Users or Groups     ? X       Select this object type:     Users or Groups       Users or Groups     Object Types.       From this location:     Entire Directory       Entire Directory     Locations       Entire Directory     Direct Names       Advanced     OK       Select users/groups that are permitted to use the machines.       Desktops per user:     1

**8.** Select 1 Desktop Per user.

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	face Net Cancel

9. Click Next.

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**10.** Select Administrators delegated to manage the Desktop Group.

Steps	Delegate to:
Catalog Users Delegation	I MLQ3/Domain Adminis (Full) I MLQ3/wadmi (Full)
CITRIX	Select the help desk administrators that are permitted to manage this Desktop Group

- 11. Click Next.
- **12.** Enter a Desktop Group Display Name and Description.



13. Click Finish.

### 6.9.7 Installing and Configuring Citrix Web Interface for XenDesktop

In XenDesktop Implementations, a key component is Web Interface.

#### 6.9.7.1 Pre-requisites

- Windows Server 2008 R2.
- IIS 7
- Microsoft Visual J# .NET 2.0.
- Processor
  - Intel or AMD x86 or x64 compatible; 2 GHz minimum; 3 GHz preferred
- Memory
  - Minimum of 2 GB RAM; 4 GB preferred
- Hard Disk and Storage
  - Windows 2003 and 2003 x64; minimum of 250 MB on the application drive.
- Launch Server Manager from the Start Menu. The path to Server Manager is Start > Administrative Tools > Server Manager.

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- 2. Select the Roles node in the left hand navigation pane.
- 3. Click Add Roles.

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🖁 🔤 Server Manager		_ <b>_</b> ×
Ele Action View Help		
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Server Manager (FLLABCWIN04)	Roles	
Poles     Features     Japanostics     Configuration     Storage	View the health of the roles installed	on your server and add or remove roles and features.
	Roles Summary	Roles Summary Help
	Roles: 0 of 17 installed	Add Roles
	Last Refresh: Today at 11:28 AM Configure n	effesh

- 4. Agree to the Introductory Screen for the Add Roles Wizard by clicking Next.
- 5. Select Web Server role from the checkboxes available.



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6. Agree to the screen that introduces IIS by selecting Next.

Add Roles Wizard	×
Web Server (IIS)	
Before You Begin Server Roles Web Server (TIS) Role Services Confirmation Progress Results	Instruction to Web Server (IIS)         Starvers are computers that have specific forftware that allows them to accept requests from itermeric, or dompitures and return responses to those requests. Web servers the vus share information over the Internet, or dompitures and return responses to those requests. Web servers the vus share information over the Internet, or dompitures and return responses to those requests. Web servers the vus share information over the Internet, or dompitures and returnets and extrants. The Web Server (IIS) vus services (IIS) vus of a status extrants. The Web Server (IIS) vus of the internet information Services (IIS) vus of a status extrants. <b>Demotion to the Server</b> (IIS)       • dompiture start web Server (IIS) vus of the internet information Services that enable internet information and the internet enable internet information and the server is all content, male minor castorizations (such as default documents and HTP errors), monitor and log server activity, and configure static content compression. <b>Addition Tomothem Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices /b> (IIS) <b>Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices</b> (IIS) <b>Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices</b> (IIS) <b>Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices</b> (IIS) <b>Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices</b> (IIS) <b>Merices of Web Server</b> (IIS) <b>Merices</b> (IIS)

**7.** Make sure that all appropriate checkboxes are selected. Many of these are selected by default. Checkboxes include:

Web Server | Common HTTP Features:

- > Static Content
- > Default Document
- > Directory Browsing
- > HTTP Errors

Web Server | Application Development:

- > ASP.NET
- > .NET Extensibility
- > ISAPI Extensions

> ISAPI Filters

Web Server | Health and Diagnostics:

- > HTTP Logging
- > .Request Monitor
- Web Server | Management Tools:
  - > IIS Management Console

Web Server | Management Tools | IIS Management Compatibility | IIS 6 Metabase Compatibility

Add Role Services		×
Select Role Servi	ices	
Rele Services Confirmation Progress Results	Select the role services to install for Web Server (IIS): Role services: Select Certificate Mopping Authentication Bit Authoritation ParaDomain Restrictions PardDomain Restrictions PardDomain Restrictions PardDomain Restrictions PardDomain Restrictions State Content Compression PardDomain Restrictions PardDomain scription: ▲ Web Sarveg provides support for HTML Web Sites andoptional support for ASP.ACT, ASP, and Web server Green to host an internal or external Web site or to provide an environment for developerato create Web-based applications.	
	< Previous <u>N</u>	ext > Enstal Cancel

8. Confirm the installation selections by selecting Install at the prompt.

Confirm Ins	tallation Selections
Before You Begin Server Roles Web Server (IIS)	To install the following roles, role services, or features, dick Install.  ① 2 informational messages below
Role Services	(i) This server might need to be restarted after the installation completes.
Confirmation	🔿 Web Server (IIS)
Progress	(i) Find out more about Windows System Resource Manager (WSRM) and how it can help optimize CPU usage
Results	Web server       Common HTTP Features       Static Content       Default Document       Directory Browing       HTTP Errors       Application Development       ASP Net       NET Extensibility       ISAPI Filters       Health and Diagnostics       HTTP Logging       Request Monitor       Sen rity
	Print, e-mail, or save this information
	< Previous Next > Instal Cancel

9. Allow the installation to proceed to completion.

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Add Roles Wizard	ngress
Before You Begin Server Roles Web Server (IIS) Role Services Confirmation <b>Progres</b> Results	The following roles, role services, or features are being installed: Web Server (IIS)
	Instaling

**10.** Validate that the installation completed. If successful, click **Close** to complete the installation the IIS Server Role. Close out Server Manager and return to the system. It is now possible to proceed with the installation of secondary components required for Web Interface.

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Add Roles Wizard Installation	Results		X
Before You Begin Server Roles Web Server (IIS) Role Services	The following roles, role services, or fe	vatures were installed successfully:	
Confirmation Progress	<ul> <li>Web Server (IIS)</li> </ul>	Installation succeeded	
Results	The following role services were inc Web Server Common HTTP Features Static Content Default Document Directory Browsing HTTP Errors Application Development ASP NET .NET Extensibility ISAPI Extensioni ISAPI Fitters Health and Diagnostics HTTP Logging Request Monitor	staled:	
	Print, e-mail, or save the installation re	<pre>cent </pre>	Cancel

- **11.** Navigate to the directory containing Microsoft Visual J# .NET 2.0. The installer is available in the Support folder of the XenDesktop 5 media.
- **12.** Double-click the installer file. For 64-bit systems, the installer is vjredist64.exe.

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🚖 Favorites	Name 11	Date modified	Type Size	
E Desktop	Configuration	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
鷆 Downloads	DotNet35SP1	5/5/2011 1:07 PM	File folder	
Recent Places	Installer4.5	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
🥽 Libraries	JSharp20SE	5/5/2011 1:07 PM	File folder	
Documents	SharedManagementObjects	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
Music	SQLExpress2008R2	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
Pictures	📔 Tools	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
📑 Videos	📕 vcredist	5/5/2011 1:07 PM	File folder	
Computer	📔 Wyse	5/5/2011 1:08 PM	File folder	
Vetwork				
Network				

**13.** Read the overview and click **Next** to continue.

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👫 Microsoft Visual J# 2.0 Redistributable Package - SE (x64) Setup
Welcome to Microsoft Visual J# 2.0 Redistributable Package - SE (x64) Setup
This wizard will guide you through the installation process.
Microsoft Visual J# is a tool that developers, particularly those familiar with the Java- language syntax, can use to build applications and services on the .NET Framework. Visual J# does not allow you to develop applications that run on a Java Virtual Machine; applications and services built using Visual J# will run only on the .NET Framework.
<u>N</u> ext > <u>Cancel</u>

- **14.** Read the entire End-User License Agreement.
- **15.** Check the box marked I accept the terms of the License Agreement.
- 16. Click Install to proceed.

Microsoft Visual J# 2.0 Redistributable Package - SE (x64) Setup
ind-User License Agreement
End-User License Agreement
MICROSOFT SOFTWARE LICENSE TERMS MICROSOFT VISUAL J# 2.0 REDISTRIBUTABLE PACKAGE - SECOND EDITION, for x86, x64 and IA64 Versions
These license terms are an agreement between Microsoft Corporation (or based on where you live, one of its affiliates) and you. Please read them. They apply to the software named above, which includes the media on which you received it, if any. The terms also apply to any Microsoft • updates,
Print
By clicking "I accept the terms of the License Agreement" and proceeding to use the product, I indicate that I have read, understood, and agreed to the terms of the End-User License Agreement.
▼ I accept the terms of the License Agreement
< <u>Back</u> Install > Cancel

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**17.** Allow the wizard to install files related to the software.

j⊯ Microsoft Visual J# 2.0 Redistributable Package - SE (x64) Setup	_ 🗆 🗙
Installing components	
The items you selected are being installed.	
Installation Progress:	
Writing system registry values Key: \Software\Classes\Interface\(770C832F-60EF-3231-8787-6A6087F60BBi Name: , Value: {E710FA11-6607-328A-8C1A-20150E01B858}	F}\TypeLib,
	Cancel

- **18.** When the installer is completed, a Setup Complete summary screen appears.
- **19.** Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



#### 6.9.7.2 Installing Web Interface

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1. Double-click the installer package to begin the setup process.



If using a service account to install Citrix Web Interface, make sure that the user account has elevated privileges. Consult with Active Directory Administrators to make sure compliance with specific enterprise account standards.



2. Select the language for the Web Interface installation. For the purposes of this scenario, select **English** and click **OK**.

🗊 Select Language	×
Which language would you like to use installation?	e during
English	▼
ОК	Cancel

**3.** The installer presents a welcome screen. Read the entire welcome screen text and click **Next** to continue.



4. Read the entire Citrix License Agreement. Select the button marked I accept the license agreement and click Next.

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Web Interface Setup	
	CITRIX.
License Agreement	
You must accept the terms of the license ag	reement to continue.
CITRIX(R) LICENSE AGREEMENT	
Use of this component is subject to the C with which you will be using this compon use with such Citrix product(s). CTX_code: EP_R_A32490	itrix license covering the Citrix product(s) ent. This component is only licensed for
• <u>faccept the license agreement</u> • I <u>do</u> not accept the license agreement	
S 100 not accept the memor agreement	
	< Back Next > Cancel

5. Choose the default system path to install Citrix Web Interface and click Next to continue.

Web Interface Setup	
	CITRIX.
Installation Location	
Specify the folder in which you would like the Web In	terface to be installed.
The Web Interface Management Console will be instal	lled in the same location.
Folder: C:\Program Files (x86)\Citrix\Web Interface\	B <u>r</u> owse
< <u>B</u> ac	ck <u>N</u> ext > Cancel

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6. Select the button marked Skip this step and click Next to continue the installation.

🕞 Web Interface Setup	
	<b>CITRIX</b>
Location of Clients	
C Copy the clients to this computer	
Specify the path to the clients folder on the product media; for exampl D:\Citrix Receiver and Plug-ins.	e,
The contents of this folder will be copied to C:\Program Files (x86)\Citri Interface\5.4.0\Clients.	x∖Web
Clients folder: D:\Citrix Receiver and Plug-ins\	Browse
< <u>B</u> ack Next >	Cancel

7. Read the summary screen and click **Next** to begin the setup file installation.



8. On successful installation of Web Interface components, review the Summary page.

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- 9. Ensure that the checkbox marked Start creating sites is checked.
- 10. Click Finish to complete the installation of Web Interface.

记 Web Interface Setup				
	Web Interface Was Successfully Installed			
	You must create and configure one or more sites using the Web Interface Management Console before your users can access their resources.			
	You can run the Web Interface Management Console at any time by clicking Start > All Programs > Citrix > Management Consoles > Citrix Web Interface Management.			
	✓ start creating sites now			
CITRIX				
	< <u>B</u> ack <b>Finish</b> Cancel			

#### 6.9.7.3 Configuring Web Interface

1. In the Web Interface Management Snap-In, right-click XenApp Web Site and select Create Site.



**Note** Web Interface Management can be found by navigating to:

Start > All Programs > Citrix > Citrix Web Interface Management.

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Citrix Web Interface			XenApp W	eb Sites	a an an an an an an an an an an	Actions XenApp Web Sites	_
XenApp Services	Create Si	te	name	Site URL			-
	View					Create Site	
	Refresh					View	+
	Help					Q Refresh	
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			No Select	ion			
		Sele	ect a single site	from the site list to view details of its conf	figuration.		

- 2. In the Create Site dialog, specify information to label the site.
- **3.** Click **Next** to continue.

eate Site		
		CITRIX
Speci	fy IIS Location	
	e IIS location in which the site is hosted. This determines the URL for users to ac	cess the site.
[IS site:	Default Web Site	
Path:	/Citrix/XenDesktop/	
Na <u>m</u> e:	XenDesktop	
	Set as the default page for the IIS site	
	Next	> Cancel

4. Select the Point of Authentication.



5. Click Next to continue.

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6. Click Next to begin configuration of this XenApp Web Site.



- 7. Allow the setup wizard to complete installation of the Web Interface Web Site.
- 8. When the setup wizard has completed, a site summary box appears.
- 9. Make sure that the checkbox marked Configure the site now is checked and click Next to continue.

Create Site		
	CİTR	<b>X</b> .
Creating Site		
Site successfully created	_	
You can configure the site now. If you continue without configuring the site, the default configuration will be applied.	-	
Configure this site now		
< <u>Back</u>	Next > Cancel	

- **10.** The Farm Setup dialog box launches. Specify a Farm Name.
- **11.** In the **Servers** area, click **Add**.

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- **12.** Specify the XenDesktop Controller address in the field marked server name. Specify either the fully qualified domain name (FQDN) or the IP address of the controller.
- **13.** Cick **OK** to add the server to the Farm.
- 14. Repeat this step for all of XenDesktop Controllers in the enterprise configuration.

pecify Initial Configuration - XenDesktop	×
	CITRIX.
Specify Server Farm	
Specify details of the server farm providing the resources. Settings can be updated after configuration using the Server Farms task.	initial
Fam name: ABCFILFARM01 Servers (in failover orde Add Server X	
Server name:	
OK Cancel	
Add Edit Remove	
XML Service port: 80	
Transport type: HTTP	
SSL Relay port: 443	
Next >	Cancel

15. When all servers in the XenDesktop Site have been added, click Next to continue.

	CİTRİX
Specify Server Farm	
specify details of the server farm providing the r	esources. Settings can be updated after initial
onfiguration using the Server Farms task.	
am_name: ABCFLLFARM01	
Servers (in failover order):	Move Up
	Move Down
Add Edit Remove	
ML Service port: 80	
Transport type: HTTP	
SSL Relay port: 443	
,,	
	<u>N</u> ext > Cancel

- **16.** Configure the Authentication Method appropriate for the enterprise.
- 17. Click Next to continue.

Specify Initial Configuration - XenDesktop	×
	CITRIX
Configure Authentication Methods	
Specify how users authenticate when logging on to access their resources. Note that sor authentication methods may require additional configuration of your system before they v correctly, More	
Authentication methods (select one or more):	
Pass-through	
Pass-through with smart card	
□ S <u>m</u> art card	
Anonymous*	
* Not supported by XenDesktop.	
< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext >	Cancel

**18.** Configure the Domain Restrictions.



Domain Restriction settings depend on enterprise security needs. Consult with Security Administrators to choose the model most appropriate. For the purposes of this scenario, Allow any domains will be chosen.

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**19.** Click **Next** to continue.

	y Initial Configuration - XenDesktop	
		CITRIX
Do	omain Restriction	
	can restrict access to users in selected domains. Settings can be updated after in g the Authentication Methods task.	itial configuration
8	- Allow any domains	
	Restrict domains to the following:	
	Domain list	
	Add Edit Remove	
	Note: Users will be required to enter a domain name in the Domain box on the	
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1	Vote: Users will be required to enter a domain name in the Domain box on the cogon screen. Both domain user name and UPN format logons will be	
1	Vote: Users will be required to enter a domain name in the Domain box on the cogon screen. Both domain user name and UPN format logons will be	

**20.** Choose the most appropriate Logon Screen appearance. For the purposes of this scenario, choose **Minimal**.



21. Click Next to continue.



- **22.** Specify the Published Resource type.
- 23. Click Next to continue.

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- 24. Review the Initial Configuration summary for accuracy.
- 25. Click Finish to complete the installation of XenDesktop Web Interface site.

Specify Initial Configuration - XenDesktop		×
		CITRIX.
Confirm Sottingo		
Confirm Settings		
Check the summary information below. To make any changes, click Back		
Farm name		<u>^</u>
ABCFLLFARM01		
Servers 172.19.0.185		
XML Service port 80		
XML Service transport type HTTP		
Authentication methods Explicit		
Domain restriction Allow any domains		
Logon screen		•
< Back	Finish	Cancel

- 26. On successful configuration, exit from Web Interface management Snap-In.
- **27.** Disable client detection at login:
  - Right-click on your site name.
  - Select Client Deployment.
  - Select Native Client.
  - Click Properties.
  - Click Client Detection.
  - Un-check Perform Client Detection at login.
  - Select Never Do not Display a message under any circumstances.

- Exit with **OK**.



# 7 Desktop Delivery Infrastructure and Golden Image Creation

Many components are required to support the Virtual Desktop Infrastructure used in this project. This section details the key servers and their roles in the solution. Ultimately, Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 FP1in combination with Provisioning Services 6.1 managed the VDI environment in this project.

This section includes:

- An overview of the component servers in the solution
- Citrix User Profile Management
- Citrix Provisioning Services 6.1
- Creating the Windows 7 SP1 Golden Image and converting it to a Provisioning Services vDisk

## 7.1 Overview of Solution Components

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The image below provides a logical overview of the solution components in the environment.



#### Figure 21 Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 and Provisioning Server 6.1 Logical Diagram

Summary of the Environment:

- 5 ESXi-5.0.0-on B200 M3(build 469512-custom-Cisco-2.0.1d)
- 39 ESXi-5.0.0 Update 1-on B230 M2 (build 623860-custom-Cisco-2.0.1.6)
- 20 ESXi-5.0.0-on B250 (build 469512-custom-Cisco-2.0.1d)
- 4 XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Delivery Controllers
- 10 Provisioning Server 6.1 Server for Virtual Desktops
- 1 ESX vCenter 5.0.0 Update 1b Build 804277
- 210 VSI Launchers
- 5004 Virtual Desktops equally distributed on 3 Clusters
- 1 Citrix Licensing Server
- 1 Web Interface Server
- 2 node File Server Failover Cluster for vDisk and User Profiles
- 2 node Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 cluster for Provisioning Services, XenDesktop.

• 2 node Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 cluster for vCenter

Storage on EMC VNX 7500.

- 64 12 GB Fibre Channel Boot LUNs
- 2 2 TB Shared XenDesktop infrastructure Fibre Channel LUNs

- 2 1 TB Shared Login VSI Infrastructure Fibre Channel LUNs
- 1 200 GB vCenter SQL Fibre Channel LUN
- 12 2TB NFS mounts for Virtual Desktop Write Cache

The following tables provide details on the configuration of the solution components.

### Table 9 Solution Component Configurations

Vmware ESXi 5.0U1 Hosts						
Hardware	Cisco B-Series Blade					
:	Servers	Model:	B230 - M2			
OS:	VMware ESXi 5.0U1	RAM:	256GB			
			UCS M81KR			
			(Palo)			
			Converged			
CPU:	2X Deca-Core CPUs	Network:	Network Adapter			
Disk:	(Boot LUNs)					

Enterprise Infrastructure Hosts						
Hardware	Cisco B-Series Blade					
:	Servers	Model:	B200 - M3			
OS:	VMware ESXi 5.0	RAM:	256GB			
			UCS VIC1240			
			Converged			
CPU:	2X Octa-Core CPUs	Network:	Network Adapter			
Disk:	(Boot LUNs)					

Citrix Provi	sioning Server 6.1		
Hardware			
:	Virtual Machine	Model:	
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	RAM:	16GB
			1x1Gbps;1x10Gbp
CPU:	4vCPUs	Network:	S
Disk:	40GB		

Citrix XenD	Desktop 5.6 Delivery		
Controllers			
Hardware			
:	Virtual Machine	Model:	
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	RAM:	4GB
CPU:	1vCPU	Network:	1x1Gbps
Disk:	40GB		

Vmware vCenter Server

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Hardware			
:	Virtual Machine	Model:	
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	RAM:	16GB
CPU:	4vCPUs	Network:	1x10Gbps
Disk:	40GB		

Microsoft S XenDesktop	QL Server 2008 R2 for		
Hardware			
:	Virtual Machine	Model:	
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	RAM:	4GB
CPU:	2vCPU	Network:	1x10Gbps
Disk:	40GB		

Microsoft S	QL Server 2008 R2 for		
vCenter			
Hardware			
:	Virtual Machine	Model:	
OS:	Windows 2008 R2	RAM:	80GB
CPU:	8vCPU	Network:	1x10Gbps
Disk:	40GB		

The other dedicated Infrastructure Virtual Machines, all running Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1:

• Two Active Directory Servers (Directory Services, DNS, and DHCP)

# 7.2 Citrix User Profile Management Servers

We used Microsoft Server 2008 R2 SP1 File Servers, clustered to provide File Share for Citrix UPM.

### 7.2.1 Setting Up a Highly Available Profile Share

This section explains the installation and configuration of the profile cluster required to support Citrix User Profile Manager. The installation did the following:

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- Clustered the two virtual machines
- Create a highly available file share

### 7.2.1.1 Installing File Services

To set up a highly available profile share, do the following:

- 1. Open the Server Manager.
- **2.** Browse to the Role node.
- 3. Click Add Roles.
- 4. Check File Services.

- 5. Click Next.
- 6. Check File Server.
- 7. Click Next to install.

#### 7.2.1.2 Clustering File Server Application

When that is completed on both Nodes, proceed to Failover Cluster Manager.

- 1. Right-click Services and applications node and click "Configure a Service or Application..."
- 2. Select File Server and click "Next".
- 3. Input a File Server name and IP address; then click "Next".
- 4. Select the cluster disk to be used then click "Next".
- 5. When that is complete, click "Add a shared folder" in the Actions pane.
- 6. Click Browse and set the profile folder intended for the profiles, then click "Next".
- 7. Leave the NTFS permission and click "Next".
- 8. Validate SMB is checked and input Share name and then click "Next".
- 9. Accept defaults and click "Next".
- 10. Check Users and groups have custom share permission.
- 11. Click Permissions and set permissions to Everyone at Full Control; then click "OK".
- 12. Click "Next".
- 13. Accept Defaults then click "Next".
- 14. Review summary and click "Create".

### 7.2.2 Setting Up a Two-Node Citrix User Profile Server Cluster

The two LUNs created in the section above, will be used for Quorum and file server clustered disk. Follow the steps below to complete the clustering setup.

- 1. Install Failover Cluster feature with both servers:
  - **a.** Open the Server manager.
  - **b.** Browse to the feature node.
  - c. Click Add Feature.
  - d. Check Failover Clustering.
  - e. Click Install.
- 2. When this is completed, proceed to the Start Menu>Administrative Tools>Failover Cluster Manager.
- **3.** Click **Validate a Configuration** and follow the on screen instructions to validate the two nodes: Profile01 and Profile02. When that succeeds, proceed to the next step.
- 4. Click Create a Cluster and follow the on screen instructions to create a two node cluster.

### 7.2.3 Install User Profile Manager

The following steps outline the steps taken to install and configure User Profile Manager In the Virtual Desktop Master Image.

1. Start the UPM installer.



2. Use default installation paths.

Citrix Profile management Setup	
Destination Folder Click Next to install to the default folder or click Change to choose another	CITRIX
Install Citrix Profile management to:	
C:\Program Files\Citrix\User Profile Manager\ Change	
Back Next	Cancel

- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Click Finish after installation is complete.
- 5. Create a GPO linked to users OU (organizational Unit).

- 6. Add Citrix UPM administrative template.
- 7. Edit the new GPO, browse to User Configuration > Policies > Administrative Template.
- 8. Right-click Administrative Template and select Add/Remove Template.
- 9. Click Add.
- **10.** Browse to the location of the template file provided with UPM installation files. (ctxprofile4.1.1.adm)



- 11. Configure the following settings under Administrative templates > Citrix>Profile Management:
- 12. Enable Active write back.
- 13. Enable Profile Management.
- 14. Enter the absolute path for the location where the profiles will be stored. (An example of the syntax would be \\upmshare\profiles\%username%).
- 15. Select Enable for Process logins of local administrators
- 16. Select Enable for the File system |Exclusion list directories and enter the following information:
  - AppData\LocalLow
  - AppData\Roaming
  - \$Recycle.Bin
  - AppData\Local

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- 17. Click Log Settings > Enable Logging and select Enable.
- 18. Click Profile handling>Delete locally cached profiles on logoff and select Disabled.

- 19. Click Local profile conflict handling.
- 20. Select If both local windows profile and Citrix Profile exist.
- 21. Select Delete local profile.
- 22. Click Streamed User Profiles.
- 23. Enable Profile Streaming.



These settings were used based on Citrix documentation. Refer to the Reference section of this document for more information.

# 7.3 Microsoft Windows 7 Golden Image Creation

### 7.3.1 Create Base Windows 7 SP1 32bit Virtual Machine

The Microsoft Windows 7 SP1 master or golden image with additional software was initially installed and prepared as a standard virtual machine on VMware ESXi prior to being converted into a separate Citrix Provisioning Server vDisk file. The vDisk is used in conjunction with Provisioning Server 6.1 and the XenDesktop 5.6 controller to provision 5000 new desktop virtual machines on the ESXi hosts.

With XenDesktop 5.6 and Provisioning Server 6.1, the XenDesktop Setup Wizard was utilized.

Each virtual desktop virtual machine was created with a 3.0 GB write cache disk.

The following section describes the process used to create the master or golden image and centralized Windows 7 vDisk used by Provisioning Services.

Virtual Machine Base Software

- Install Win7 32-bit SP1 Enterprise
- Install Office 2010 Professional with Run All From My Computer
- Install Office 2010 Service Pack (most recent)
- Windows Updates (Be sure not to install IE9. Use IE8)

### 7.3.2 Add Provisioning Services Target Device Software



Latest version of Target Device Software can be installed directly by installing Hotfix CPVS61E015

- 1. Launch the PVS Device executable.
- 2. Click Next.
- 3. Accept the license agreement.
- 4. Click Next.
- 5. Enter in the customer information.
- 6. Click Next.
- 7. Choose the default installation location.
- 8. Click Next.

- 9. Click Install to begin the PVS Client installation process.
- **10.** Uncheck Launch Imaging Wizard (This process will take place at a later point in the conversion process).
- 11. Click Finish.
- 12. Click on Yes to restart the virtual machine.

### 7.3.3 Add XenDesktop 5.6 Virtual Desktop Agent

- **1.** Copy the VDA executable to the local machine.
- **2.** Launch executable.
- 3. Select Advanced Install.
- 4. Use default installation paths.
- 5. Enter XenDesktop Delivery Controller's FQDN's.
- 6. Click "Next".
- 7. Do not install HDX or Citrix Receiver.
- 8. Click "Finish".
- 9. Remove VDA Welcome Screen program from the Windows Startup folder.
- 10. Restart VM.
- **11.** Log in and check the event log to make sure that the DDC registration has successfully completed.

### 7.3.4 Add Login VSI Target Software

- 1. Launch setup wizard using run as Administrator.
- 2. Enter VSI share path.
- **3.** Use default installation paths.
- 4. Reboot after installation completes.

### 7.3.5 Perform additional PVS and XenDesktop Optimizations

- 1. Increased the ARP cache lifespan to 600 seconds for stream service bound NICs (article is located in Provisioning Services Reference documentation at the end of the document).
- 2. Delete XPS Printer.
- 3. Ensure that Bullzip PDF is the default printer.
- 4. Optimize:
- Configure SWAP file to 1536 MB (Cisco requirement)
- Disable Windows Restore and service
  - Delete the restore points
- Perform a disk cleanup
- Disable Windows Firewall Service
- Disable Windows Backup scheduled jobs

- Open Computer Management > System Tools > Task Scheduler > Task Scheduler Library >Microsoft > Windows and disable the following:
  - Defrag
  - Offline files
  - Windows Backup
- Windows Performance Settings
  - Smooth Edges
  - Use Visual Styles
  - Show Translucent
  - Show Window contents when dragging
- 5. Modify Action Center settings (uncheck all warnings).
- 6. Ensure that the Shadow Copy service is running and set to auto.

### 7.3.6 Convert Golden Image Virtual Machine to PVS vDisk

The following is a list of steps taken to convert a virtual machine to a vDisk that will be used to stream desktops through PVS:

- 1. Reboot the source virtual machine.
- 2. Log in to the virtual machine using an account that has administrative privileges.
- **3.** Go to Start > All Programs > Citrix > Provisioning Services.
- 4. Launch the PVS Imaging Wizard.
- 5. Click Next at the Welcome Screen.
- 6. Enter the Server Name or IP address of the PVS server you will be connecting to in order to create the new vDisk.
- 7. Select Create A New vDisk.
- 8. Click "Next".
- 9. Enter the vDisk Name.
- 10. Select the PVS Store where the new vDisk will reside.
- 11. Select VHD type "Fixed".
- 12. Click "Next".
- 13. Select "KMS" for Licensing Management.
- 14. Click "Next".
- **15.** Use default size image volumes.
- 16. Click "Next".
- 17. Click Finish to begin the vDisk creation.
- **18.** You will be prompted to reboot the source virtual machine. Prior to rebooting, go to the properties of the source virtual machine and change the boot options so that it performs a Network boot.

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- **19.** Click Yes to reboot the source virtual machine.
- **20.** Logon as the same user account that was used at the beginning of this process.

- **21.** Once logged in the Imaging wizard will start the data conversion process. The time needed to complete this process is dependent on the size of the vDisk
- 22. Shutdown the source virtual machine.
- **23**. Ensure that the VM to boot to Network.
- 24. In PVS, switch the collection account to boot to vDisk.

### 7.3.7 Add Write-Cache Drives To Virtual Machine Templates In vCenter

1. Add a new 3GB VMDK disk to VM.

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dvanced Options eady to Complete	Disk Provisioning
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	C Thick Provision Eager Zeroed
	(* Thin Provision
	Location
	C Store with the virtual machine
	Specify a datastore or datastore cluster:
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	Browse

- 2. In the VM's OS, Initiate the disk, and create a simple Volume.
- 3. Do not assign a Drive Letter.
- **4.** Format as NTFS.

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Format Partition To store data on this partition, yo	u must format it first.		
Choose whether you want to form	nat this volume, and it	f so, what settings you	want to use.
Do not format this volume			
Format this volume with the	e following settings:		
File system:	NTFS	•	
Allocation unit size:	Default	•	
Volume label:			
📝 Perform a quick form	at	D	
Enable file and folde	r compression	N	

# 7.4 Citrix Provisioning Server (PVS) 6.1 Services

Citrix Provisioning Server (PVS) is part of the XenDesktop Enterprise and Platinum and was used in all tested scenarios. Provisioning provides the ability to create and manage 1000's of virtual machines hosted on hypervisor servers streamed from a single virtual machine vDisk Image.

### 7.4.1 Storage Configuration for PVS

The test environment utilized a single EMC VNX 7500 SAN system to provide storage for PVS 6.1 virtual machines and vDisks. EMC hosted LUNs and volumes were used for:

- PVS 6.1 virtual machines hard drives Two common Infrastructure LUNs
- Write-cache drives provisioned with each Windows 7 SP1 virtual machine Twelve NFS datastores
- Windows 7 SP1 vDisks storage accessed by the Provisioning Servers (NFS Share) through Windows File Server Share

The Launcher vDisks were stored on Fibre Channel LUNs on a separate storage pool.

### 7.4.2 PVS for Use With Standard Mode Desktops

The Windows 7 SP1 desktop image is converted into a vDisk (.vhd) image. The vDisk is then configured in a Shared (Read-only) mode and hosted within a shared file location.

- PVS was used to create the desired number of virtual machines and machine accounts in Active Directory based on parameters specified using the built-in XenDesktop setup wizard (referenced in the next section).
- PVS streams the vDisk image on start-up of the Virtual Machine to the Hypervisor and is loaded into RAM.
- PVS injects a Security Identifier (SID) and host name associated with the virtual machine as each desktop boots to maintain uniqueness in AD. These object mappings are maintained and managed within the PVS server and are visible in the PVS Console under "Collections" view.
- Each virtual desktop is assigned a "Write Cache" (temporary file) where any delta changes (writes) to the default image are recorded and is used by the virtual windows operating system throughout its working life cycle. The Write Cache is written to a dedicated 3GB hard drive.

Ten PVS servers were configured in a farm with a single site to provide streaming services for 5000 Virtual Desktop Virtual Machines with high availability and resilience. Streaming connections are automatically failed over to a working server/s within the farm in the event of a failure without interruption to the desktop.

The vDisk was hosted on a file server cluster and was accessible by all servers in the farm for ease of management and to support high availability. The drive assigned by the hypervisor to the file server cluster for vDisk storage was on a datastore created on a dedicated NFS mount.

Three Device collections were created, one for each ESX cluster, to contain target device records for ease of management.

We assigned PVS servers with 4 vCPUs and 16GB RAM.
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Figure 22 Provisioning Services Farm Layout

A separate PVS server with local storage was used to provision Login VSI Launcher machines for test workload. We used two FC LUNs on the VNX 7500 to create and store each virtual machine's Write-Cache drive.

It is important to consider where the Write Cache is placed when scaling virtual desktops using PVS server. There are several options as to where the Write Cache can be placed:

- PVS Server
- Hypervisor RAM
- Device Local Disk (an additional Virtual Disk for XenDesktop Virtual Machine)

For this project's optimal performance and scalability the Cache on device HD option is used. A 3GB virtual disk is assigned to the virtual machine templates used in the clone creation process.

The PVS Target device agent installed in the Windows 7 gold image automatically places the Windows swap file on the same drive used by the PVS Write Cache when this mode is enabled.

### 7.4.3 Process to Create Virtual Desktops Using XenDesktop Wizard in PVS

1. Start XenDesktop Setup Wizard.

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3. Connect to XenDesktop Controller.

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4. Configure VM template.



The connection to the type of host you are using with the credentials to use when accessing it have to be defined on Desktop Delivery Controller prior to this step.

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NFS10VDA3	VM template required	
NFS11VDA2	VM template required	
NFS11VDA3	VM template required	
NFS12VDA2	VM template required	
NFS12VDA3	VM template required	
NFS1VDA	VM template required	
NFS1VDA1	VM template required	
NFS2VDA	VM template required	
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5. Input Password to connect to vCenter and Select VM template you are going to use.



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Prior to this step, the VM templates need to be configured on each VMware datastore that will contain drives for the streamed desktops.

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6. Click Next.

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NFS11VDA3	VM template required	
NFS12VDA2	VM template required	
NFS12VDA3	VM template required	
NFS1VDA	VM template required	
NFS1VDA1	VM template required	
NFS2VDA	VM template required	

7. Select PVS device Collection.

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**9.** 9.Select Virtual Machine preferences.

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**10.** Create machine accounts in Active Directory.

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- **11.** Click Finish to complete the following:
  - Create virtual machines on selected hypervisor hosts.
  - Create Provisioning Services target devices in the selected collection.
  - Create Active Directory computer accounts.
- 12. Create XenDesktop machines in the assigned existing catalog or a new XenDesktop catalog.

# **8** Test Setup and Configurations

In this project, we tested a single Cisco UCS B230 M2 blade in a single chassis and thirty nine B230 M2 blades in five chassis to illustrate linear scalability.

# 8.1 Cisco UCS Test Configuration for Single Blade Scalability



#### **Hardware Components**

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- 1 X Cisco UCS B230-M2 (E7-2870 @ 2.4 GHz) blade server with 256GB of memory (8 GB X 32 DIMMS @ 1333 MHz) Windows 7 SP1 Virtual Desktop hosts
- 5 X Cisco UCS B200-M3 (E5-2650) blade servers with 96 GB of memory (8 GB X 12 DIMMS @ 1600 MHz) Infrastructure Servers
- 4 X Cisco UCS B250-M2 (5680 @ 3.333 GHz) blade servers with 192 GB of memory (4 GB X 48 DIMMS @ 1333 MHz) Load Generators
- 1 X M81KR (Palo) Converged Network Adapter/Blade (B250 M2 and B230 M2)
- 1X VIC1240 Converged Network Adapter/Blade (B200 M3)
- 2 X Cisco Fabric Interconnect 6248UPs
- 2 X Cisco Nexus 5548UP Access Switches
- 1 X EMC VNX System storage array, two controllers, four Datamovers, 2 x dual port 8GB FC cards, 4 x dual port 10 GbE cards, 10 x 200GB Flash Drives for EMC Fast Cache, 96 x 600GB SAS drives for PVS Write Cache, 24 x 600GB SAS Drives for Infrastructure and Boot LUNs and 5 x 600GB SAS drives for hot spares

#### **Software Components**

- Cisco UCS firmware 2.0(4a)
- Cisco Nexus 1000V virtual distributed switch
- VMware ESXi 5.0 Update 1 for VDI Hosts
- XenDesktop 5.6 Feature Pack 1
- Provisioning Server 6.1
- Citrix User Profile Manager
- Windows 7 SP1 32 bit, 1vCPU, 1.5 GB of memory, 17 GB/VM

## 8.2 Cisco UCS Configuration for Six Chassis Thirty-Nine Blade Test

Figure 24 Six Chassis Test Configuration-39 x B250 Blade Server

#### Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Servers Six Chassis 39-Blades - 5000 Users Management Management Windows 7 SP1 Desktops Services Services **6 6 6 6** AC/CHIS/CHIC 000 PVS VM VM VM VIV 301 Test Blade. 1xB200/Chassis Run Infrastructure Services Test Blade\_ Test Blade Test Blade Test Blade Workload Generators t Blade Test Blade all set of 100 ...... Test Blade Test Blade\_ Test Blade st Blade Test Blade Load Generator t Blade Test Blade Workload-Login VSI Pro 3.6 Legend Profile Mgmt: Citrix UPM System Under Test AD: Active Directory, DNS, DHCP 39 Blade Servers for Desktop—8230 M2. DDC: XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 256 GB Memory (32 xB GB @ 1333 MHz), PVS: Provisioning Server 6.1 Intel E7-2870 @2.466 GHz SQL: MS SQL Server 2008 R2 One Palo Adapter LIC: Licensing Server

#### **Hardware Components**

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- Windows 7 SP1 32 bit, 1vCPU, 1.5 GB of memory, 17 GB/VM

## 8.3 Testing Methodology and Success Criteria

All validation testing was conducted on-site within the Citrix Solution Labs with joint support from both Cisco and EMC resources.

The testing results focused on the entire process of the virtual desktop lifecycle by capturing metrics during the desktop boot-up, user logon and virtual desktop acquisition (also referred to as ramp-up,) user workload execution (also referred to as steady state), and user logoff for the Hosted VDI model under test.

Test metrics were gathered from the hypervisor, virtual desktop, storage, and load generation software to assess the overall success of an individual test cycle. Each test cycle was not considered passing unless all of the planned test users completed the ramp-up and steady state phases (described below) and unless all metrics were within the permissible thresholds as noted as success criteria.

Three successfully completed test cycles were conducted for each hardware configuration and results were found to be relatively consistent from one test to the next.

## 8.3.1 Load Generation

Within each test environment, load generators were utilized to put demand on the system to simulate multiple users accessing the XenDesktop 5.6 environment and executing a typical end-user workflow. To generate load within the environment, an auxiliary software application was required to generate the end user connection to the XenDesktop environment, to provide unique user credentials, to initiate the workload, and to evaluate the end user experience.

In the Hosted VDI test environment, sessions launchers were used simulate multiple users making a direct connection to XenDesktop 5.6 through a Citrix HDX protocol connection.

## 8.3.2 User Workload Simulation-LoginVSI From Login Consultants

One of the most critical factors of validating a XenDesktop deployment is identifying a real-world user workload that is easy for customers to replicate and standardized across platforms to allow customers to realistically test the impact of a variety of worker tasks. To accurately represent a real-world user workload, a third-party tool from Login Consultants was used throughout the Hosted VDI testing.

The tool has the benefit of taking measurements of the in-session response time, providing an objective way to measure the expected user experience for individual desktop throughout large scale testing, including login storms.

The Virtual Session Indexer methodology, designed for benchmarking Server Based Computing (SBC) and Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) environments is completely platform and protocol independent and hence allows customers to easily replicate the testing results in their environment.

Note

#### In this testing, we utilized the tool to benchmark our VDI environment only.

Login VSI calculates an index based on the amount of simultaneous sessions that can be run on a single machine.

Login VSI simulates a medium workload user (also known as knowledge worker) running generic applications such as: Microsoft Office 2007 or 2010, Internet Explorer 8 including a Flash video applet and Adobe Acrobat Reader (Note: For the purposes of this test, applications were installed locally, not streamed nor hosted on XenApp).

Like real users, the scripted Login VSI session will leave multiple applications open at the same time. The medium workload is the default workload in Login VSI and was used for this testing. This workload emulated a medium knowledge working using Office, IE, printing and PDF viewing.

- When a session has been started the medium workload will repeat every 12 minutes.
- During each loop the response time is measured every 2 minutes.
- The medium workload opens up to 5 apps simultaneously.
- The type rate is 160ms for each character.
- Approximately 2 minutes of idle time is included to simulate real-world users.

Each loop will open and use:

- Outlook 2007/2010, browse 10 messages.
- Internet Explorer, one instance is left open (BBC.co.uk), one instance is browsed to Wired.com, Lonelyplanet.com and heavy
- 480 p Flash application gettheglass.com.
- Word 2007/2010, one instance to measure response time, one instance to review and edit document.
- Bullzip PDF Printer & Acrobat Reader, the word document is printed and reviewed to PDF.
- Excel 2007/2010, a very large randomized sheet is opened.
- PowerPoint 2007/2010, a presentation is reviewed and edited.
- 7-zip: using the command line version the output of the session is zipped.

A graphical representation of the medium workload is shown below.



#### Figure 25 Graphical Overview

You can obtain additional information on Login VSI from http://www.loginvsi.com.

## **8.3.3 Testing Procedure**

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The following protocol was used for each test cycle in this study to insure consistent results.

#### 8.3.3.1 Pre-Test Setup for Single and Multi-Blade Testing

All virtual machines were shut down utilizing the Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Desktop Studio.

All Launchers for the test were shut down. They were then restarted in groups of 10 each minute until the required number of launchers was running with the Login VSI Agent at a "waiting for test to start" state.

All Hyper-V Server 2008 R2 SP1 VDI host blades to be tested were restarted prior to each test cycle.

#### 8.3.3.2 Test Run Protocol

To simulate severe, real-world environments, Cisco requires the log-on and start-work sequence, known as Ramp Up, to complete in 30 minutes. Additionally, we require all sessions started, whether 175 single server users of 5000 full scale test users to become active within 2 minutes after the session is launched.

For each of the three consecutive runs on single blade (175 User) and 39-blade (5000 User) tests, the same process was followed:

- 1. Time 0:00:00 Started ESXtop Logging on the following systems:
  - VDI Host Blades used in test run
  - PVS Server(s) used in test run
  - DDCs used in test run
  - Profile Servers used in test run
  - SQL Servers used in test run
  - 3 Launcher VMs
- 2. Time 0:00:10 Started EMC Basic Performance Logging on SPs
- 3. Time 0:00:15 Started EMC NFS Performance Logging on Datamovers
- 4. Time 0:05 Take 175 or 5000 desktops out of maintenance mode on XenDesktop Studio
- 5. Time 0:06 First machines boot
- 6. Time 0:46 175 or 5000 desktops booted on 1 or 39 blades
- 7. Time 0:48 175 or 5000 desktops available on 1 or 39 blades
- 8. Time 1:50 Start Login VSI 3.6 Test with 175 or 5000 desktops utilizing 4 or 200 Launchers
- 9. Time 2:20 145 or 5000 desktops launched
- 10. Time 2:22 145 or 5000 desktops active
- 11. Time 12:37 Login VSI Test Ends
- 12. Time 2:52 145 or 5000 desktops logged off
- **13.** Time 2:55 All logging terminated.

## 8.3.4 Success Criteria

There were multiple metrics that were captured during each test run, but the success criteria for considering a single test run as pass or fail was based on the key metric, VSI Max. The Login VSI Max evaluates the user response time during increasing user load and assesses the successful start-to-finish execution of all the initiated virtual desktop sessions.

#### 8.3.4.1 Login VSI Max

VSI Max represents the maximum number of users the environment can handle before serious performance degradation occurs. VSI Max is calculated based on the response times of individual users as indicated during the workload execution. The user response time has a threshold of 4000ms and all users response times are expected to be less than 4000ms in order to assume that the user interaction with the virtual desktop is at a functional level. VSI Max is reached when the response times reaches or exceeds 4000ms for 6 consecutive occurrences. If VSI Max is reached, that indicates the point at which

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the user experience has significantly degraded. The response time is generally an indicator of the host CPU resources, but this specific method of analyzing the user experience provides an objective method of comparison that can be aligned to host CPU performance.

Note

In the prior version of Login VSI, the threshold for response time was 2000ms. The workloads and the analysis have been upgraded in Login VSI 3 to make the testing more aligned to real-world use. In the medium workload in Login VSI 3.0, a CPU intensive 480p flash movie is incorporated in each test loop. In general, the redesigned workload would result in an approximate 20 percent decrease in the number of users passing the test versus Login VSI 2.0 on the same server and storage hardware.

#### 8.3.4.2 Calculating VSIMax

Typically the desktop workload is scripted in a 12-14 minute loop when a simulated Login VSI user is logged on. After the loop is finished it will restart automatically. Within each loop the response times of seven specific operations is measured in a regular interval: six times in within each loop. The response times if these seven operations are used to establish *VSImax*. The seven operations from which the response times are measured are:

- Copy new document from the document pool in the home drive
  - This operation will refresh a new document to be used for measuring the response time. This activity is mostly a file-system operation.
- Starting Microsoft Word with a document
  - This operation will measure the responsiveness of the Operating System and the file system. Microsoft Word is started and loaded into memory, also the new document is automatically loaded into Microsoft Word. When the disk I/O is extensive or even saturated, this will impact the file open dialogue considerably.
- Starting the "File Open" dialogue
  - This operation is handled for small part by Word and a large part by the operating system. The file open dialogue uses generic subsystems and interface components of the OS. The OS provides the contents of this dialogue.
- Starting "Notepad"
  - This operation is handled by the OS (loading and initiating notepad.exe) and by the Notepad.exe itself through execution. This operation seems instant from an end-user's point of view.
- Starting the "Print" dialogue
  - This operation is handled for a large part by the OS subsystems, as the print dialogue is provided by the OS. This dialogue loads the print-subsystem and the drivers of the selected printer. As a result, this dialogue is also dependent on disk performance.
- Starting the "Search and Replace" dialogue \
  - This operation is handled within the application completely; the presentation of the dialogue is almost instant. Serious bottlenecks on application level will impact the speed of this dialogue.
- Compress the document into a zip file with 7-zip command line
  - This operation is handled by the command line version of 7-zip. The compression will very briefly spike CPU and disk I/O.

These measured operations with Login VSI do hit considerably different subsystems such as CPU (user and kernel), Memory, Disk, the OS in general, the application itself, print, GDI, etc. These operations are specifically short by nature. When such operations are consistently long: the system is saturated

because of excessive queuing on any kind of resource. As a result, the average response times will then escalate. This effect is clearly visible to end-users. When such operations consistently consume multiple seconds the user will regard the system as slow and unresponsive.

With Login VSI 3.0 and later it is now possible to choose between 'VSImax Classic' and 'VSImax Dynamic' results analysis. For these tests, we utilized VSImax Dynamic analysis.

#### 8.3.4.3 VSIMax Dynamic

VSImax Dynamic is calculated when the response times are consistently above a certain threshold. However, this threshold is now dynamically calculated on the baseline response time of the test.

The following individual measurements are weighted to better support this approach:

- Copy new doc from the document pool in the home drive: 100%
- Microsoft Word with a document: 33.3%
- Starting the "File Open" dialogue: 100%
- Starting "Notepad": 300%
- Starting the "Print" dialogue: 200%
- Starting the "Search and Replace" dialogue: 400%
- Compress the document into a zip file with 7-zip command line 200%

A sample of the VSImax Dynamic response time calculation is displayed below:

Activity (RowName)	Result (ms)	Weight (%)	Weighted Result (ms)
Refresh document (RFS)	160	100%	160
Start Word with new doc (LOAD)	1400	33.3%	467
File Open Dialogue (OPEN)	350	100%	350
Start Notepad (NOTEPAD)	50	300%	150
Print Dialogue (PRINT)	220	200%	440
Replace Dialogue (FIND)	10	400%	40
Zip documents (ZIP)	130	200%	230
	VSImax Dynamic	1837	

Then the average VSImax response time is calculated based on the amount of active Login VSI users logged on to the system. For this the average VSImax response times need to consistently higher than a dynamically calculated threshold.

To determine this dynamic threshold, first the average baseline response time is calculated. This is done by averaging the baseline response time of the first 15 Login VSI users on the system.

The formula for the dynamic threshold is: Avg. Baseline Response Time x 125% + 3000. As a result, when the baseline response time is 1800, the VSImax threshold will now be  $1800 \times 125\% + 3000 = 5250$ ms.

Especially when application virtualization is used, the baseline response time can wildly vary per vendor and streaming strategy. Therefore it is recommend to use VSImax Dynamic when comparisons are made with application virtualization or anti-virus agents. The resulting VSImax Dynamic scores are aligned again with saturation on a CPU, Memory or Disk level, also when the baseline response time are relatively high.

#### 8.3.4.5 Determining VSIMax

The Login VSI analyzer will automatically identify the "VSImax". In the example below the VSImax is 98. The analyzer will automatically determine "stuck sessions" and correct the final VSImax score.

- Vertical axis: Response Time in milliseconds
- Horizontal axis: Total Active Sessions

Figure 26 Sample Login VSI Analyzer Graphic Output



- Red line: Maximum Response (worst response time of an individual measurement within a single session)
- Orange line: Average Response Time within for each level of active sessions
- Blue line: the VSImax average.
- Green line: Minimum Response (best response time of an individual measurement within a single session)

In our tests, the total number of users in the test run had to login, become active and run at least one test loop and log out automatically without reaching the VSI Max to be considered a success.



We discovered a technical issue with the VSIMax dynamic calculation in our testing on Cisco B230 M2 blades where the VSIMax Dynamic was not reached during extreme conditions. Working with Login Consultants, we devised a methodology to validate the testing without reaching VSIMax Dynamic until such time as a new calculation is available.

Our Login VSI "pass" criteria, accepted by Login Consultants for this testing follows:

- Cisco will run tests at a session count level that effectively utilizes the blade capacity measured by CPU utilization, Memory utilization, Storage utilization and Network utilization.
- We will use Login VSI to launch version 3.6 medium workloads, including flash.
- Number of Launched Sessions must equal Active Sessions within two minutes of the last session launched in a test.
- The Citrix Desktop Studio will be monitored throughout the steady state to insure that:
  - All running sessions report In Use throughout the steady state
  - No sessions move to Unregistered or Available state at any time during Steady State

- Within 20 minutes of the end of the test, all sessions on all Launchers must have logged out automatically and the Login VSI Agent must have shut down.
- We will publish our CVD with our recommendation following the process above and will note that we did not reach a VSIMax dynamic in our testing due to a technical issue with the analyzer formula that calculates VSIMax.

# **9 VDI Test Results**

The purpose of this testing is to provide the data needed to validate Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Hosted VDI FlexCast model and Citrix Provisioning Services 6.1 using ESXi 5.0 Update 1 and vCenter 5.0 Update 1B to virtualize Microsoft Windows 7 SP1 desktops on Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Servers using a EMC VNX 7500 storage system.

The information contained in this section provides data points that a customer may reference in designing their own implementations. These validation results are an example of what is possible under the specific environment conditions outlined here, and do not represent the full characterization of XenDesktop with VMware vSphere.

Two test sequences, each containing three consecutive test runs generating the same result, were performed to establish single blade performance and multi-blade, linear scalability.

One series of stress tests on a single blade server was conducted to establish the official Login VSI Max Score. To reach the Login VSI Max, we ran 175 Medium with flash Windows 7 SP1 sessions on a single blade. The Login VSI score was achieved on three consecutive runs and is shown below.



#### Figure 27 Login VSIMax Reached: 149 Users

# **9.1 Cisco UCS Test Configuration for Single-Server Scalability Test Results**

This section details the results from the XenDesktop Hosted VDI single blade server validation testing. The primary success criteria used to validate the overall success of the test cycle is an output chart from Login Consultants' VSI Analyzer Professional Edition, VSIMax Dynamic for the Medium workload (with Flash.)

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We did not reach a VSIMax Dynamic in our testing due to a technical issue with the analyzer formula that calculates VSIMax. See Section 8.3.4.5 Determining VSIMax for a discussion of this issue.

We ran the single server test at approximately 9% lower user density than indicated by the Login VSIMax to achieve a successful pass of the test with server hardware performance in a realistic range.

Given adequate storage capability, the CPU utilization determined the maximum recommended VM density per blade for the single server scalability testing.

Additionally, graphs detailing the CPU, Memory utilization and network throughput during peak session load are also presented. Given adequate storage capability, the CPU utilization determined the maximum VM density per blade.

We also present performance information on key infrastructure virtual machines with the tested blade data.



#### Figure 28 139 Desktop Sessions on VMware ESXi 5.0U1 below 4000 ms

The following graphs detail CPU, Memory, Disk and Network performance on the Single Cisco UCS B230-M2 Blades.



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#### Figure 29 139 User Single B230 M2 CPU Utilization Boot Phase







Figure 31 139 User Single B230 M2 Cisco M81KR VIC Mbps Receive/Transmit

The following graphs detail performance of the EMC VNX 7500 during the single blade, 139 user test. VNX Graphs (EMC).

The following charts detail infrastructure server performance during the single blade, 139 User test:



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Figure 32 139 User Provisioning Services 6.1 XD-PVS-01 CPU Utilization



#### Figure 33 139 User Provisioning Services 6.1 XD-PVS-01 Available Memory

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Figure 34 139 User Provisioning Server XD-PVS-01 Bytes Received /Second





#### Figure 35 139 User Provisioning Server XD-PVS-01 Bytes Sent/Second





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Figure 37 139 User XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Controller XD-DDC01 Available Memory

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Figure 38 139 User XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Controller XD-DDC01 Bytes Received





#### Figure 39 139 User XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Controller XD-DDC01 Bytes Sent

# 9.2 Cisco UCS Test Configuration for 5000 Desktop Scalability Test Results

This section details the results from the XenDesktop Hosted VDI thirty-nine blade server 5000 user validation testing. It demonstrates linear scalability for the system. The primary success criteria used to validate the overall success of the test cycle is an output chart from Login Consultants' VSI Analyzer Professional Edition, VSIMax Dynamic for the Medium workload (with Flash.)

Note

We did not reach a VSIMax Dynamic in our testing due to a technical issue with the analyzer formula that calculates VSIMax. See Section 8.3.4.5 Determining VSIMax for a discussion of this issue.

We ran the multi-server test at an average user density slightly higher than 128 users per blade across the system. Three ESX Clusters, each containing 13 B230 M2s ran the entire workload. In fact thirty-six of the thirty-nine blades, twelve in each cluster, ran at 130 users and three blades, one in each cluster ran at 108 users, providing N+1 fault tolerance on a cluster basis to achieve a successful pass of the test with server hardware performance in a realistic range.

Additionally, graphs detailing the CPU, Memory utilization and network throughput during peak session load are also presented for a representative blade running 130 user sessions. The single server graphs for blades running 130 user sessions are essentially the same. We have provided one cluster's 13-blade performance charts in Appendix D to illustrate this point.

Given adequate storage capability, the CPU utilization determined the maximum recommended VM density per blade for the 5000 user environment.

We also present performance information on key infrastructure virtual machines with the tested blade data.

For the large scale test, we are including the EMC VNX7500 performance metrics as well.



#### Figure 40 5004 Desktop Sessions on VMware ESXi 5.0U1 below 4000 ms

The following graphs detail CPU, Memory, Disk and Network performance on a representative Cisco UCS B230-M2 Blade during the thirty-nine blade, 5000 User test. (Representative results for all thirteen blades in one of the vCenter clusters can be found in Appendix C.)

#### Figure 41 5000 User Single B230 M2 CPU Utilization Boot Phase





#### Figure 42 5000 User Single B230 M2 CPU Utilization Boot Phase





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#### Figure 44 5000 User Single B230 M2 CPU Utilization Test Phase







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5000 User Single B230 M2 Cisco M81KR VIC Mbps Receive/Transmit Test Phase



The following charts detail infrastructure server performance during the thirty-nine blade, 5004 User test:









Figure 49 5000 User Provisioning Server XD-PVS-01 Bytes Received/Second Test Phase



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#### Figure 50 5000 User Provisioning Server XD-PVS-01 Bytes Sent/Second Test Phase





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#### Figure 52 VNX7500 NFS Read Operations/Second





#### Figure 54 VNX7500 Disk IOPS

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#### Figure 55 5000 User XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Controller XD-DDC-01 Available Memory Test Phase







Figure 57 5000 User XenDesktop 5.6 FP1 Controller XD-DDC-01 Bytes Sent/Second Test Phase



# **10 Scalability Considerations and Guidelines**

There are many factors to consider when you begin to scale beyond 5000 users, six chassis, 39 VDI host server configuration, which this reference architecture has successfully tested. In this section we give guidance to scale beyond the 5000 user system.

## **10.1 Cisco Unified Computing System Configuration**

As our results indicate, we have proven linear scalability in the Cisco UCS Reference Architecture as tested.

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- Cisco UCS 2.0 management software supports up to 20 chassis within a single Cisco UCS domain on our second generation Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect 6248 and 6296 models. Our single UCS domain can grow to 160 blades.
- With Cisco UCS 2.1 management software, released late in November 2012, each UCS 2.1 Management domain is extensibly manageable by UCS Central, our new manager of managers, vastly increasing the reach of the UCS system.
- As scale grows, the value of the combined UCS fabric, Nexus physical switches and Nexus virtual switches increases dramatically to define the Quality of Services required to deliver excellent end user experience 100% of the time.
- To accommodate the Cisco Nexus 5500 upstream connectivity in the way we describe in the LAN and SAN Configuration section, we need four Ethernet uplinks and two Fibre Channel uplinks to be configured on the Cisco UCS Fabric interconnect. And based on the number of uplinks from each chassis, we can calculate number of desktops can be hosted in a single UCS domain. Assuming eight links per chassis, four to each 6248, scaling beyond 10 chassis would require a pair of Cisco UCS 6296 fabric interconnects. A 20,000 virtual desktop building block, with its support infrastructure services can be built out of the RA described in this study with eight links per chassis and 20 Cisco UCS chassis comprised of seven B230 M2 and one B200 M3 blades servers in each chassis.

Of course, the backend storage has to be scaled accordingly, based on the IOP considerations as described in the EMC scaling section. Please refer the EMC section that follows this one for scalability guidelines.

# 10.2 Citrix XenDesktop 5.6 Hosted VDI

XenDesktop environments can scale to large numbers. When implementing Citrix XenDesktop hosted VDI considerations include but not limited to:

- Types of Storage in your environment
- Types of desktops that will be deployed
- Data protection requirements
- For Citrix Provisioning Server pooled desktops write cache size and placement

These and other various aspects of scalability considerations described in greater detail in "XenDesktop - Modular Reference Architecture" document and should be a part of any VDI design.

Designing and deploying our test environment we followed best practices whenever possible.

The following are worth mentioning:

- Citrix always recommends using N+1 schema for VDI servers, to accommodate resiliency. In our test environment, this was applied to all infrastructure servers.
- All Provisioning Server Network Adapters were configured to have a static IP and management and streaming traffic was separated between different Network adapters.
- All the PVS services to start as: Automatic (Delayed Start).
- We used the XenDesktop Setup Wizard in PVS. Wizard does an excellent job of creating the desktops automatically and it's possible to run multiple instances of the wizard provided the deployed desktops are placed in different catalogs and have different naming conventions.
- To run wizard at a minimum you need to install the Provisioning Server, the XenDesktop Controller, and configure hosts, as well as create VM templates on all datastores were desktops will be deployed.

 At the 5000 desktop scale, we utilized 3 VMware Clusters, each with a dedicated Nexus 1000V VSM pair. Twelve NFS datastores were used to host the desktop write cache drives, four per ESX cluster. We had to deploy 2 templates per NFS datastore. Each of the two VM templates were attached to a different virtual ethernet port group, each of which was connected to the single VDA uplink port group. This was done due to a 1024 port limitation per virtual ethernet port profile in the Nexus 1000V.

# **10.3 EMC VNX Storage Guidelines for XenDesktop Provisioned Virtual Machines**

Sizing VNX storage system to meet virtual desktop IOPS requirement is a complicated process. When an I/O reaches the VNX storage, it is served by several components such as Data Mover (NFS), backend dynamic random access memory (DRAM) cache, FAST Cache, and disks. To reduce the complexity, EMC recommends using a building block approach to scale to thousands of virtual desktops.

For more information on storage sizing guidelines to implement virtual desktop infrastructure in VNX unified storage systems, refer to the EMC white paper "Sizing EMC VNX Series for VDI workload – An Architectural Guideline."

# 10.4 VMware ESXi 5 Guidelines for Virtual Desktop Infrastructure

In our test environment two adjustments were performed to support our scale:

- The amount of memory configured for the Tomcat Maximum memory pool was increased to 3072.
- The cost threshold for parallelism was increased to 15.

For further explanations on a basis for these adjustments and details on how to perform them refer to the VMware documentation sited in References section of this document.

# **11 References**

This section provides links to additional information for each partner's solution component of this document.

## **11.1 Cisco Reference Documents**

Third-Generation Fabric Computing: The Power of Unification webcast replay

http://tools.cisco.com/gems/cust/customerSite.do?METHOD=W&LANGUAGE\_ID=E&PRIORITY\_C ODE=215011\_15&SEMINAR\_CODE=S15897&CAMPAIGN=UCS+Momentum&COUNTRY\_SITE= us&POSITION=banner&REFERRING\_SITE=go+unified+computing&CREATIVE=carousel+banner+ event+replay

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Cisco Unified Computing System Manager Home Page

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10281/index.html

Cisco UCS B230 M2 Blade Server Resources

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11583/index.html

Cisco UCS B200 M3 Blade Server Resources

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps12288/index.html

Cisco Nexus 1000V Series Switches Resources

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9902/index.html

Cisco Nexus 5500 Series Switches Resources

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/index.html

Download Cisco UCS Manager and Blade Software Version 2.0(4d)

http://software.cisco.com/download/release.html?mdfid=283612660&flowid=22121&softwareid=283655658&release=2.0%284d%29&relind=AVAILABLE&rellifecycle=&reltype=latest

Download Cisco UCS Central Software Version 1.0(1a)

http://software.cisco.com/download/cart.html?imageGuId=8CAAAD77B3A1DB35B157BE84ED109 A4703849F53&i=rs

## **11.2 Citrix Reference Documents**

### XenDesktop 5.6

Modular Reference Architecture - http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133162

#### **Provisioning Services 6.1**

- Hotfixes
  - CPVS61E001: http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133149
  - CPVS61E002 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133500
  - CPVS61E003 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133349
  - CPVS61E004 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133516
  - CPVS61E005 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133518
  - CPVS61E006 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133707
  - CPVS61E007 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133811
  - CPVS61E008 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX135769
  - CPVS61E009 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX133998
  - CPVS61E010 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX134071
  - CPVS61E011 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX134519
  - CPVS61E014 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX134611
  - CPVS61E015 http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX134721
- Description of Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) caching behavior in Windows Vista TCP/IP implementations: http://support.microsoft.com/kb/949589

## Virtual Desktop

- Windows 7 Optimization Guide: http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX127050
- Web Interface Best Practices for Avoiding Major Production Outages: http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX125715

## **Citrix User Profile Manager**

• UPM settings for XenDesktop: http://support.citrix.com/proddocs/topic/user-profile-manager-sou/upm-plan-decide-wrapper.html

# **11.3 EMC Reference Documents**

- Sizing EMC VNX Series for VDI Workload An Architectural Guideline
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.6, EMC VNX Series (NFS), VMware vSphere 5.0, Citrix XenDesktop 5.6, and Citrix Profile Manager 4.1—Reference Architecture
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.6, EMC VNX Series (NFS), VMware vSphere 5.0, Citrix XenDesktop 5.6, and Citrix Profile Manager 4.1—Proven Solutions Guide
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.5 (PVS), EMC VNX Series (NFS), Cisco UCS, Citrix XenDesktop 5.5 (PVS), Citrix XenApp 6.5, and XenServer 6—Reference Architecture
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.5 (PVS), EMC VNX Series (NFS), Cisco UCS, Citrix XenDesktop 5.5 (PVS), Citrix XenApp 6.5, and XenServer 6—Proven Solution Guide
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.5, EMC VNX Series (NFS), Cisco UCS, Citrix XenDesktop 5.5, Citrix XenApp 6.5, and XenServer 6—Reference Architecture
- EMC Infrastructure for Citrix XenDesktop 5.5, EMC VNX Series (NFS), Cisco UCS, Citrix XenDesktop 5.5, Citrix XenApp 6.5, and XenServer 6—Proven Solution Guide

# **11.4 VMware Reference Documents**

- Accessing a vCenter Server using Web access or vSphere Client fails with an SSL certificate error: http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&exter nalId=1021514
- VMware vSphere ESXi and vCenter Server 5 Documentation: http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&exter nalId=1021514
- VMware vCenter Management Webservices features do not function properly: http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&exter nalId=1039180
- VMware® vCenter Server<sup>TM</sup> 5.1 Database Performance Improvements and Best Practices for Large-Scale Environments: http://www.vmware.com/files/pdf/techpaper/VMware-vCenter-DBPerfBestPractices.pdf
- Performance Best Practices for VMware vSphere<sup>™</sup> 5.0: http://www.vmware.com/pdf/Perf\_Best\_Practices\_vSphere5.0.pdf
# Appendix A—Nexus 5548UP Configurations

### A.1 N5548UP-A Configuration

```
version 5.2(1)N1(1)
feature fcoe
logging level feature-mgr 0
hostname N5548UP-A
feature npiv
feature telnet
cfs eth distribute
feature interface-vlan
feature hsrp
feature lacp
feature vpc
feature lldp
username admin password 5 $1$puGfnNws$kvJHTyKpPn6bkDRDhA1Yy. role
network-adminno password strength-check
banner motd #Nexus 5000 Switch
ip domain-lookup
logging event link-status default
ip access-list acl-vnx
  10 permit ip any any
class-map type qos class-fcoe
class-map type qos match-all cm-qos-vnx
  match access-group name acl-vnx
class-map type qos match-all cm-qos-cos5
  match cos 5
class-map type queuing class-fcoe
  match qos-group 1
class-map type queuing cm-que-qosgrp5
  match qos-group 5
class-map type queuing class-all-flood
  match qos-group 2
class-map type queuing class-ip-multicast
  match qos-group 2
policy-map type qos pm-qos-vnx
  class cm-qos-vnx
    set qos-group 5
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class class-default
policy-map type qos pm-qos-global
  class cm-qos-cos5
    set qos-group 5
  class class-default
class-map type network-qos class-fcoe
  match qos-group 1
class-map type network-qos cm-nq-grp5
  match qos-group 5
class-map type network-qos class-all-flood
 match qos-group 2
class-map type network-qos class-ip-multicast
  match qos-group 2
policy-map type network-qos pm-nq-global
  class type network-qos cm-nq-grp5
   mtu 9216
    set cos 5
  class type network-qos class-default
   multicast-optimize
system qos
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-global
  service-policy type network-qos pm-nq-global
slot 1
slot 2
 provision model N55-M8P8FP
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5
0xe9ffdef984e3778fa0237fc8b0a8faa1 priv
0xe9ffdef984e3778fa0237fc8b0a8faa1 localizedkey
vrf context management
  ip route 0.0.0/0 10.218.160.1
vlan 1
vlan 329
  name uplink2 R2E04-3750-Sw1EDGE
vlan 800
  name ML-VDA
vlan 801
  name ML-DC-VM-MGMT
vlan 802
  name ML-DC-VMMOTION
vlan 803
  name ML-DC-INF
vlan 804
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name ML-DC-STRG
vlan 850
  name ML_BR-MGMT
vlan 851
  name ML Launcher-Inf
vlan 852
  name ML LauncherA
vlan 853
  name ML LauncherB
vlan 854
  name ML LauncherC
vlan 900
  name ML-N1KV CTRL
vlan 901
vpc domain 10
  role priority 1000
  peer-keepalive destination 10.218.164.121
port-profile default max-ports 512
device-alias database
  device-alias name VNX7500-A0 pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
  device-alias name VNX7500-B1 pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
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  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc0 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:57
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  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc0 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:49
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  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc0 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:37
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				20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7f
			-	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3c
			-	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1d
			-	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ad
				20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9e
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device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc0	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1e
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc0	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ae
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc0	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:06
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device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc0	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1f
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device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc0	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9d
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device-alias commit

fcdomain fcid database

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            [VNX7500-B1]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:4a:54:7f:ee:76:d9:00 fcid 0xa30020 dynamic
 vsan 1 wwn 20:4d:54:7f:ee:76:d9:00 fcid 0xa30001 dynamic
 vsan 1 wwn 20:4e:54:7f:ee:76:d9:00 fcid 0xa30021 dynamic
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             [B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5a fcid 0xa30004 dynamic
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7d fcid 0xa30007 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3e fcid 0xa30026 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3f fcid 0xa30009 dynamic
             [B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9c fcid 0xa30028 dynamic
             [B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ad fcid 0xa30029 dynamic
             [B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5d fcid 0xa3000a dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1e fcid 0xa3000b dynamic
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!
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5c fcid 0xa3000c dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3d fcid 0xa3002a dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7b fcid 0xa3000d dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3c fcid 0xa3002b dynamic
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            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7a fcid 0xa3002c dynamic
            [B200M3-CH5-SERVER1-fc0]
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            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ae fcid 0xa3000e dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc0]
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 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ab fcid 0xa3002e dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1b fcid 0xa3000f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9a fcid 0xa30010 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1c fcid 0xa3002f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ac fcid 0xa30030 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9d fcid 0xa30031 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5b fcid 0xa30011 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7e fcid 0xa30012 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5f fcid 0xa30032 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5e fcid 0xa30013 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1a fcid 0xa30033 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a9 fcid 0xa30034 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:17 fcid 0xa30014 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:49 fcid 0xa30015 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc0]
1
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vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:69 fcid 0xa30035 dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c6 fcid 0xa30016 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc0]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:68 fcid 0xa30036 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:37 fcid 0xa30017 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc0]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a6 fcid 0xa30037 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:77 fcid 0xa30018 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:89 fcid 0xa30038 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:88 fcid 0xa30019 dynamic
1
             [B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:09 fcid 0xa30039 dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:86 fcid 0xa3001a dynamic
             [B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:08 fcid 0xa3003a dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:28 fcid 0xa3001b dynamic
             [B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:29 fcid 0xa3001c dynamic
             [B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:97 fcid 0xa3003b dynamic
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b7 fcid 0xa3003c dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a8 fcid 0xa3003d dynamic
             [B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:57 fcid 0xa3001d dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:48 fcid 0xa3001e dynamic
             [B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:66 fcid 0xa3001f dynamic
             [B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-fc0]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:46 fcid 0xa3003e dynamic
             [B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:26 fcid 0xa3003f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:06 fcid 0xa30040 dynamic
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!
             [B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc0]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:95 fcid 0xa30060 dynamic
  vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b5 fcid 0xa30041 dynamic
interface Vlan1
interface port-channel5
  description PC-TO-6248-A
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 5
interface port-channel7
  description PC-TO-6248-B
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 7
interface port-channel10
  description VPC-PEER-2-PORT-CHANNEL
  switchport mode trunk
  spanning-tree port type network
  vpc peer-link
interface port-channel17
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 17
interface port-channel18
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 18
interface port-channel19
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 19
interface port-channel20
  switchport mode trunk
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switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 20
interface fc2/1
  no shutdown
interface fc2/2
  no shutdown
interface fc2/3
 no shutdown
interface fc2/4
  no shutdown
interface fc2/5
  no shutdown
interface fc2/6
  no shutdown
interface fc2/7
  no shutdown
interface fc2/8
  no shutdown
interface Ethernet1/1
  description uplink2 R1E05U42-5820x-SW1 P1
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 800-804,850-854
interface Ethernet1/2
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 329
interface Ethernet1/3
interface Ethernet1/4
interface Ethernet1/5
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interface Ethernet1/6
interface Ethernet1/7
interface Ethernet1/8
interface Ethernet1/9
interface Ethernet1/10
interface Ethernet1/11
interface Ethernet1/12
interface Ethernet1/13
interface Ethernet1/14
interface Ethernet1/15
  description VPC-LINK-TO-N5548UP-A
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 10 mode active
interface Ethernet1/16
  description VPC-LINK-TO-N5548UP-A
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 10 mode active
interface Ethernet1/17
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 17 mode active
interface Ethernet1/18
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 18 mode active
interface Ethernet1/19
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
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spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 19 mode active
interface Ethernet1/20
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 20 mode active
interface Ethernet1/21
interface Ethernet1/22
interface Ethernet1/23
interface Ethernet1/24
interface Ethernet1/25
interface Ethernet1/26
interface Ethernet1/27
interface Ethernet1/28
interface Ethernet1/29
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 5 mode active
interface Ethernet1/30
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 5 mode active
interface Ethernet1/31
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 7 mode active
interface Ethernet1/32
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 7 mode active
interface Ethernet2/1
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interface Ethernet2/2

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interface Ethernet2/3
interface Ethernet2/4
interface Ethernet2/5
interface Ethernet2/6
interface Ethernet2/7
interface Ethernet2/8
interface mgmt0
  ip address 10.218.164.120/21
line console
line vty
boot kickstart bootflash:/n5000-uk9-kickstart.5.2.1.N1.1.bin
boot system bootflash:/n5000-uk9.5.2.1.N1.1.bin
ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.218.255.73
interface fc2/1
interface fc2/2
interface fc2/3
interface fc2/4
interface fc2/5
interface fc2/6
interface fc2/7
interface fc2/8
!Full Zone Database Section for vsan 1
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:af
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9f
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
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member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7f
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-fc0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3c
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-fc0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1d
               [B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-fc0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ad
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-fc0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9e
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-fc0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
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zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1a
!
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-fc0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c6
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:57
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b7
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:48
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-fc0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b5
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member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a

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!
                [VNX7500-A0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
T
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:49
!
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:86
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-fc0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:17
!
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-fc0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:77
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-fc0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:08
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-fc0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
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zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:68
1
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-fc0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:09
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:69
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a9
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-fc0]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a6
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-fc0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
T
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
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member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:37

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!
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:97
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-fc0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:28
               [B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:88
!
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-fc0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
               [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:29
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-fc0]
Т
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:89
               [B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
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member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7a
                [B200M3-CH5-SERVER1-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3b
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ab
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9c
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B1]
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7d
!
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-fc0]
```

```
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5e
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3f
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
T
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3a
!
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-fc0]
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:aa
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7b
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
               [VNX7500-A0]
!
```

```
member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5c
1
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-fc0]
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3d
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
T
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1e
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ae
!
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5a
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
T
                [VNX7500-A0]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1b
```

```
!
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-fc0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9b
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-fc0]
1
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7c
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5d
!
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-fc0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:3e
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1f
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc0]
1
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zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-FC0 vsan 1

```
member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9a
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5b
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:1c
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
T
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ac
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:9d
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
```

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!
                [VNX7500-B1]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:7e
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-fc0]
T
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:5f
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-fc0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:46
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-fc0]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
1
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:66
!
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-fc0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:06
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:26
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-fc0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A0]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
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```
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c6
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER8-FC0 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:95
    member pwwn 50:06:01:60:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A0]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:69:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B1]
!
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```
zoneset name DC-UCS-POD-A vsan 1
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-FC0
   member B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER2-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-FC0
   member B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-FC0
   member B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-FC0
   member B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-FC0
   member B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-FC0
   member B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-FC0
   member B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-FC0
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member	B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-FC0
member	B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-FC0
member	B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-FC0
member	B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-FC0
member	B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-FC0
member	B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-FC0
member	B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-FC0
member	B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-FC0
member	B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-FC0
member	B200M3-CH4-SERVER8-FC0

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zoneset name CD-UCS-POD-A vsan 1

zoneset activate name DC-UCS-POD-A vsan 1

## A.2 N5548UP-B Configuration

```
version 5.2(1)N1(1)
feature fcoe
logging level feature-mgr 0
hostname N5548UP-B
feature npiv
feature telnet
cfs eth distribute
feature interface-vlan
feature hsrp
feature lacp
feature vpc
feature lldp
username admin password 5 $1$Nj5oquWP$n4UckqZNp6GYRe8OQTaTP1 role
network-adminno password strength-check
banner motd #Nexus 5000 Switch
ip domain-lookup
logging event link-status default
ip access-list acl-vnx
  10 permit ip any any
class-map type qos class-fcoe
class-map type qos match-all cm-qos-vnx
  match access-group name acl-vnx
class-map type qos match-all cm-qos-cos5
  match cos 5
class-map type queuing class-fcoe
 match qos-group 1
class-map type queuing cm-que-qosgrp5
  match qos-group 5
class-map type queuing class-all-flood
 match qos-group 2
class-map type queuing class-ip-multicast
  match qos-group 2
policy-map type qos pm-qos-vnx
  class cm-qos-vnx
    set qos-group 5
  class class-default
policy-map type qos pm-qos-global
  class cm-qos-cos5
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```
set qos-group 5
  class class-default
class-map type network-qos class-fcoe
  match qos-group 1
class-map type network-qos cm-nq-grp5
  match qos-group 5
class-map type network-qos class-all-flood
  match qos-group 2
class-map type network-qos class-ip-multicast
  match qos-group 2
policy-map type network-qos pm-nq-global
  class type network-qos cm-nq-grp5
    mtu 9216
    set cos 5
  class type network-qos class-default
    multicast-optimize
system qos
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-global
  service-policy type network-qos pm-nq-global
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5
0x7e352b106a1735fa03b1e8d75e42c608 priv
0x7e352b106a1735fa03b1e8d75e42c608 localizedkey
vrf context management
  ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.218.160.1
vlan 1
vlan 800
  name ML-VDA
vlan 801
  name ML-DC-VM-MGMT
vlan 802
  name ML-DC-VMMOTION
vlan 803
  name ML-DC-INF
vlan 804
  name ML-DC-STRG
vlan 850
  name ML BR-MGMT
vlan 851
  name ML Launcher-Inf
vlan 852
  name ML LauncherA
vlan 853
```

```
name ML LauncherB
vlan 854
  name ML LauncherC
vlan 900
  name ML-N1KV CTRL
vlan 901
vpc domain 10
  role priority 1000
  peer-keepalive destination 10.218.164.120
port-profile default max-ports 512
device-alias database
  device-alias name VNX7500-A1 pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
  device-alias name VNX7500-B0 pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0a
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:67
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c7
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:58
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b8
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:59
  device-alias name B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:07
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:96
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:27
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:87
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:18
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:78
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:19
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:79
  device-alias name B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b9
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b6
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:47
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a7
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:38
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:98
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:39
  device-alias name B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:99
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bf
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8f
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6f
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2c
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0d
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bd
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8e
  device-alias name B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-fc1 pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:76
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device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6a
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2b
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bb
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8c
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6d
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4e
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2f
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2a
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ba
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6b
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4c
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2d
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0e
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:be
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:16
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4a
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0b
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8b
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6c
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4d
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2e
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0f
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:36
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8a
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4b
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0c
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bc
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8d
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6e
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4f
device-alias	name	B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-fc1	pwwn	20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:56

### device-alias commit

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### fcdomain fcid database

	vsan	1	wwn	50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a	fcid	0xad00ef	dynamic
!				[VNX7500-A1]			
	vsan	1	wwn	50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a	fcid	0xad01ef	dynamic
!				[VNX7500-B0]			
	vsan	1	wwn	20:49:54:7f:ee:76:ce:40	fcid	0xad0000	dynamic
	vsan	1	wwn	20:4a:54:7f:ee:76:ce:40	fcid	0xad0020	dynamic
	vsan	1	wwn	20:4d:54:7f:ee:76:ce:40	fcid	0xad0001	dynamic
	vsan	1	wwn	20:4e:54:7f:ee:76:ce:40	fcid	0xad0021	dynamic

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vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bf fcid 0xad0002 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8f fcid 0xad0022 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6f fcid 0xad0003 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4a fcid 0xad0004 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6c fcid 0xad0005 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8b fcid 0xad0023 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2a fcid 0xad0024 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8e fcid 0xad0025 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ba fcid 0xad0026 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6d fcid 0xad0027 dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2e fcid 0xad0006 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0d fcid 0xad0007 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2b fcid 0xad0008 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2f fcid 0xad0028 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8c fcid 0xad0009 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bd fcid 0xad0029 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4d fcid 0xad002a dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0e fcid 0xad002b dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4c fcid 0xad000a dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2d fcid 0xad000b dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6b fcid 0xad002c dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2c fcid 0xad000c dynamic
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[B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6a fcid 0xad000d dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0f fcid 0xad002d dynamic
             [B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:be fcid 0xad002e dynamic
             [B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bb fcid 0xad000e dynamic
             [B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0b fcid 0xad000f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4e fcid 0xad002f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0a fcid 0xad0010 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8a fcid 0xad0030 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bc fcid 0xad0011 dynamic
             [B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0c fcid 0xad0031 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4b fcid 0xad0012 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4f fcid 0xad0032 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8d fcid 0xad0013 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6e fcid 0xad0033 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b9 fcid 0xad0034 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:27 fcid 0xad0035 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:59 fcid 0xad0014 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:79 fcid 0xad0015 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:07 fcid 0xad0016 dynamic
             [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:78 fcid 0xad0036 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:47 fcid 0xad0017 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc1]
!
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vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b6 fcid 0xad0037 dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:87 fcid 0xad0018 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:99 fcid 0xad0038 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:98 fcid 0xad0019 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-fc1]
!
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:19 fcid 0xad0039 dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:96 fcid 0xad001a dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:18 fcid 0xad003a dynamic
            [B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:38 fcid 0xad001b dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:39 fcid 0xad003b dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a7 fcid 0xad001c dynamic
1
            [B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c7 fcid 0xad003c dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b8 fcid 0xad003d dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:67 fcid 0xad001d dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:58 fcid 0xad001e dynamic
            [B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:76 fcid 0xad001f dynamic
            [B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:56 fcid 0xad003e dynamic
            [B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:36 fcid 0xad003f dynamic
1
            [B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-fc1]
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:16 fcid 0xad0040 dynamic
            [B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc1]
1
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a5 fcid 0xad0041 dynamic
 vsan 1 wwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c5 fcid 0xad0042 dynamic
```

interface Vlan1

interface port-channel5

```
description PC-TO-6248-A
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 5
interface port-channel7
  description PC-TO-6248-B
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 7
interface port-channel10
  description VPC-PEER-2-PORT-CHANNEL
  switchport mode trunk
  spanning-tree port type network
  vpc peer-link
interface port-channel17
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 17
interface port-channel18
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 18
interface port-channel19
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 19
interface port-channel20
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  service-policy type qos input pm-qos-vnx
  vpc 20
interface fc2/1
  no shutdown
interface fc2/2
```

```
no shutdown
interface fc2/3
  no shutdown
interface fc2/4
  no shutdown
interface fc2/5
  no shutdown
interface fc2/6
  no shutdown
interface fc2/7
 no shutdown
interface fc2/8
 no shutdown
interface Ethernet1/1
 description uplink2 R1E05U42-5820x-SW1 P2
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 800-804,850-854
interface Ethernet1/2
interface Ethernet1/3
 description R1E10U06-Altiris
  switchport access vlan 801
interface Ethernet1/4
interface Ethernet1/5
interface Ethernet1/6
interface Ethernet1/7
interface Ethernet1/8
interface Ethernet1/9
interface Ethernet1/10
```

```
interface Ethernet1/11
interface Ethernet1/12
interface Ethernet1/13
interface Ethernet1/14
interface Ethernet1/15
 description VPC-LINK-TO-N5548UP-B
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 10 mode active
interface Ethernet1/16
  description VPC-LINK-TO-N5548UP-B
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 10 mode active
interface Ethernet1/17
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 17 mode active
interface Ethernet1/18
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 18 mode active
interface Ethernet1/19
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
  channel-group 19 mode active
interface Ethernet1/20
  switchport mode trunk
  switchport trunk allowed vlan 1,800-804,850-854
  spanning-tree port type edge
```

```
interface Ethernet1/21
interface Ethernet1/22
interface Ethernet1/23
interface Ethernet1/24
interface Ethernet1/25
interface Ethernet1/26
interface Ethernet1/27
interface Ethernet1/28
interface Ethernet1/29
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 7 mode active
interface Ethernet1/30
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 7 mode active
interface Ethernet1/31
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 5 mode active
interface Ethernet1/32
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 5 mode active
interface Ethernet2/1
interface Ethernet2/2
interface Ethernet2/3
interface Ethernet2/4
interface Ethernet2/5
interface Ethernet2/6
```
```
interface Ethernet2/7
  switchport mode trunk
interface Ethernet2/8
  switchport mode trunk
interface mgmt0
  ip address 10.218.164.121/21
line console
line vty
boot kickstart bootflash:/n5000-uk9-kickstart.5.2.1.N1.1.bin
boot system bootflash:/n5000-uk9.5.2.1.N1.1.bin
ip route 0.0.0.0/0 10.218.255.73
interface fc2/1
interface fc2/2
interface fc2/3
interface fc2/4
interface fc2/5
interface fc2/6
interface fc2/7
interface fc2/8
!Full Zone Database Section for vsan 1
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bf
!
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8f
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-fc1]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6f
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
```

```
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2c
!
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0d
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-fc1]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bd
!
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8e
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0a
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
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zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:07
!
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:67
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c7
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
1
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:58
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-fc1]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:c5
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:59
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-fc1]
!
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```
member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:96
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-fc1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:27
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:87
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:18
!
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:78
T
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
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!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:19
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-fc1]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
Т
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:79
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b9
                [B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-fc1]
T
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:b6
!
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:47
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER2-fc1]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
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zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1

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member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a7
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:38
               [B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:98
1
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:39
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
T
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:99
                [B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-fc1]
1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6a
!
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
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!
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
T
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2b
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                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
Т
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bb
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-fc1]
T
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
1
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
Т
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8c
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-fc1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
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   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6d
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER5-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4e
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER6-fc1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
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zone name B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2f
1
                [B230M2-CH5-SERVER7-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2a
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER1-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:ba
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER2-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6b
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER3-fc1]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4c
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER4-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
T
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
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member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2d

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[B230M2-CH6-SERVER5-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0e
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER6-fc1]
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   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:be
               [B230M2-CH6-SERVER7-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4a
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                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER1-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
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    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0b
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER2-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8b
               [B230M2-CH7-SERVER3-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
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member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6c
!
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER4-fc1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4d
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER5-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:2e
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER6-fc1]
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   member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0f
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER7-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8a
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER1-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
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zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4b
!
               [B230M2-CH8-SERVER2-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:0c
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER3-fc1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
1
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:bc
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER4-fc1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
T
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:8d
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER5-fc1]
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    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:6e
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER6-fc1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:4f
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER7-fc1]
!
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member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
1
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:56
                [B230M2-CH8-SERVER8-fc1]
1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:76
                [B230M2-CH1-SERVER8-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
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                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:16
                [B230M2-CH6-SERVER8-fc1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-A1]
!
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
zone name B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:36
!
                [B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-fc1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
    member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
!
zone name B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
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                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-B0]
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:07
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!
                [B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-fc1]
zone name B200M3-CH4-SERVER8-FC1 vsan 1
    member pwwn 20:00:00:25:b5:c1:00:a5
    member pwwn 50:06:01:61:46:e0:5e:0a
!
                [VNX7500-A1]
   member pwwn 50:06:01:68:46:e0:5e:0a
                [VNX7500-B0]
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zoneset name DC-UCS-POD-B vsan 1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER1-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER2-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER3-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER4-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER5-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER6-FC1
    member B230M2-CH1-SERVER7-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER1-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER2-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER3-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER4-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER5-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER6-FC1
    member B200M3-CH2-SERVER7-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER1-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER2-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER3-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER4-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER5-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER6-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER7-FC1
    member B200M3-CH3-SERVER8-FC1
    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER1-FC1
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    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER3-FC1
    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER4-FC1
    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER5-FC1
    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER6-FC1
    member B200M3-CH4-SERVER7-FC1
    member B230M2-CH5-SERVER1-FC1
    member B230M2-CH5-SERVER2-FC1
    member B230M2-CH5-SERVER3-FC1
    member B230M2-CH5-SERVER4-FC1
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member B230M2-CH7-SERVER8-FC1
member B200M3-CH2-SERVER8-FC1
member B200M3-CH4-SERVER8-FC1
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zoneset activate name DC-UCS-POD-B vsan 1
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## Appendix B—Sample Nexus 1000V VSM Configuration

These files are extremely large. If the reader is interested in a sample configuration file from one of the VSMs from this study, please contact your Cisco Account Manager or Sales Engineer to request it on your behalf.

## **Appendix C—ESXtop Performance Charts for 5000 Virtual Machine Run**

Single Cluster of 13 Blades' Data Shown Representing 1668 Virtual Desktops.



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