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Introduction

The Cisco Nexus[®] B22 Blade Fabric Extender for HP (Cisco Nexus B22HP) provides an extension of the Cisco Nexus switch fabric to the HP server edge. Logically, it behaves like a remote line card to a parent Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch. The fabric extender and the parent Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch together form a distributed modular system. The Cisco Nexus B22HP forwards all traffic to the parent Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch over eight 10 Gigabit Ethernet uplinks. Low-cost uplink connections of up to 10 meters can be made with copper Twinax cable, and longer connections of up to 100 meters can use the Cisco Fabric Extender Transceiver (FET-10G). Standard 10-Gbps optics such as short reach (SR) and long reach (LR) are also supported. Downlinks to each server are auto negotiating for 1 and 10 Gigabit Ethernet and work with all HP Ethernet and converged network adapter (CNA) mezzanines, allowing customers a choice of Ethernet, Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE), or Small Computer System Interface over IP (iSCSI) connections. Because the Cisco Nexus B22 is a transparent extension of a Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch, traffic can be switched according to policies established by the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch with a single point of management.

The Cisco Nexus B22 provides the following benefits:

- Highly scalable, consistent server access: This distributed modular system creates a scalable server access environment with no reliance on Spanning Tree Protocol and with consistency between blade and rack servers.
- Simplified operations: The availability of one single point of management and policy enforcement using upstream Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches eases the commissioning and decommissioning of blades through zero-touch installation and automatic configuration of fabric extenders.
- Increased business benefits: Consolidation, reduced cabling, investment protection through feature inheritance from the parent switch, and the capability to add functions without the need for a major equipment upgrade of server-attached infrastructure all contribute to reduced operating expenses (OpEx) and capital expenditures (CapEx).

Each member of the Cisco Nexus B22 integrates into the I/O module slot of a third-party blade chassis, drawing both power and cooling from the blade chassis itself.

Network Diagram

Figure 1 presents a sample network topology that can be built using the Cisco Nexus B22HP, Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Fabric Extenders, and Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches. In this topology, the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series serves as the parent switch, performing all packet switching and policy enforcement for the entire distributed modular system. The Cisco Nexus 5000 Series also serves as the only point of management for both configuration and monitoring within the domain, making it simple to manage blade server and rack server connections together.



Figure 1. Cisco Nexus Virtual Chassis Topology

The Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches, along with the Cisco Nexus 2000 Series and Cisco Nexus B22, create a distributed modular system that unifies the data center architecture. Within this distributed modular system, both blade servers and rack servers are managed identically. This approach allows the use of the same business and technical processes and procedures for the network when addressing the computing environment.

The left most blade chassis in Figure 1 contains dual Cisco Nexus B22HP fabric extenders. Each Cisco Nexus B22HP is singly attached to a parent Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platform, a connection mode referred to as straight through mode. The fabric links can either be statically pinned or put into a PortChannel. This connection mode helps ensure that all data packets from a particular Cisco Nexus B22 enter the same parent Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platform. This approach may be necessary when certain types of traffic must be restricted to either the left or right Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platform: for instance, to maintain SAN A and SAN B separation. Also, in this example the connections to individual blade servers are in active-standby mode, which helps ensure traffic flow consistency but does not fully utilize the server network interface card (NIC) bandwidth.

The second blade chassis from the left in Figure 1 improves on the first with the creation of an Ethernet virtual PortChannel (vPC) from the blade servers to the Cisco Nexus 5500. This vPC places the Ethernet portion of the NICs in an active-active configuration, giving increased bandwidth to each host. The FCoE portion of the CNA is also configured as active-active but maintains SAN A and SAN B separation because each virtual Fibre Channel (VFC) interface is bound to a particular link at the server. This configuration also achieves high availability through redundancy, and it can withstand a failure of a Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platform, a Cisco Nexus B22HP, or any connecting cable. This topology is widely used in FCoE deployments.

The third blade chassis from the left in Figure 1 contains Cisco Nexus B22HP fabric extenders that connect to both Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platforms through vPC for redundancy. In this configuration, active-active load balancing using vPC from the blade server to the Cisco Nexus 5500 switch platform cannot be enabled. However, the servers can still be dual-homed with active-standby or active-active transmit-load-balancing (TLB) teaming. This topology is only for Ethernet traffic because SAN A and SAN B separation between the fabric extender and the parent switch is necessary.

The last two setups illustrate how rack mount servers can connect to the same Cisco Nexus parent switch using rack-mount Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Fabric Extenders. The topology for blade servers and rack-mount servers can be identical if desired.

Hardware Installation

Installation of the Cisco Nexus B22HP in the rear of the HP BladeSystem c7000 chassis is similar to the installation of other I/O modules (IOMs). The layout of the HP BladeSystem c7000 chassis, server types, and mezzanine cards used determine the slots that should be populated with the Cisco Nexus B22HP for 1 and 10 Gigabit Ethernet connectivity. Table 1 summarizes the typical options for half-height servers using dual-port 10 Gigabit Ethernet devices.

Table 1. Mapping of HP BladeSystem c7000 Half-Height Server Mezzanine Card to IOM Bay

Card	юм
LAN on motherboard (LOM)	IOM bays 1 and 2
Mezzanine card 1	IOM bays 3 and 4
Mezzanine card 2	IOM bay 5 and 6

After the Cisco Nexus B22HP fabric extenders are installed, the onboard administrator (OA) should be updated to at least Version 3.5 to help ensure that all functions and graphics are present. No configuration is required from the chassis onboard administrator.

Fabric Extender Management Model

The Cisco Nexus fabric extenders are managed by a parent switch through the fabric interfaces using a zero-touch configuration model. The switch discovers the fabric extender by a using detection protocol.

After discovery, if the fabric extender has been correctly associated with the parent switch, the following operations are performed:

- 1. The switch checks the software image compatibility and upgrades the fabric extender if necessary.
- The switch and fabric extender establish in-band IP connectivity with each other. The switch assigns an IP address in the range of loopback addresses (127.15.1.0/24) to the fabric extender to avoid conflicts with IP addresses that might be in use on the network.
- 3. The switch pushes the configuration data to the fabric extender. The fabric extender does not store any configuration locally.
- 4. The fabric extender updates the switch with its operational status. All fabric extender information is displayed using the switch commands for monitoring and troubleshooting.

This management model allows fabric extender modules to be added without adding management points or complexity. Software image and configuration management is also automatically handled without user intervention.

Fabric Connectivity Options

The Cisco Nexus B22HP creates a distributed modular chassis with the Cisco Nexus parent switch after a fabric connection has been made over standard 10-Gbps cabling. This connection can be accomplished using any of the following types of interconnects:

- Cisco passive direct-attach cables (1M, 3M, or 5M)
- Cisco active direct-attach cables (7M or 10M)
- Cisco standard Enhanced Small Form-Factor Pluggable (SFP+) optics (SR or LR)
- Cisco Fabric Extender Transceivers

After the fabric links have been physically established, the logical configuration of the links needs to be performed. There are two methods of connection for the fabric links to the Cisco Nexus B22HP:

- Static pinning fabric interface connection
- PortChannel fabric interface connection

Static Pinning Fabric Interface Connection

Static Pinning is the default method of connection between the fabric extender and the Cisco Nexus parent switch. In this mode of operation, a deterministic relationship exists between the host interfaces and the upstream parent with up to eight fabric interfaces. These fabric interfaces are equally divided among the 16 server-side host ports. If fewer fabric ports are allocated, then more server ports are assigned to a single fabric link. The advantage of this configuration is that the traffic path and the amount of allocated bandwidth are always known for a particular set of servers.

Since static pinning will group host-side ports into individual fabric links, you should understand its relationship and how ports are grouped. The size of the port groups is determined by the number of host ports divided by the **max-link** parameter value. Thus, if the **max-link** parameter is set to 2, then eight host ports would be assigned to each link. The interfaces will be grouped in ascending order starting from the interface 1. Thus, interfaces 1 to 8 will be pinned to one fabric link, and interfaces 9 to 16 will be pinned to a different interface (Table 2).

Table 2. Interface Assignment with Two Fabric Links

Interface	Fabric Link
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8	Fabric link 1
9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16	Fabric link 2

Table 3 summarizes the assignment with four fabric links with the **max-link** parameter set to 4, the interfaces are divided into four groups.

Table 3. Interface Assignment with Two Fabric Links

Interface	Fabric Link
1, 2, 3, and 4	Fabric link 1
5, 6, 7, and 8	Fabric link 2
9, 10, 11, and 12	Fabric link 3
13,14,15, and 16	Fabric link 4

Table 4 summarizes the assignment of eight fabric links with the **max-link** parameter set to 8; the interfaces are divided into eight groups.

 Table 4.
 Interface Assignment with Two Fabric Links

Interface	Fabric Link
1 and 2	Fabric link 1
3 and 4	Fabric link 2
5 and 6	Fabric link 3
7 and 8	Fabric link 4
9 and 10	Fabric link 5
11 and 12	Fabric link 6
13 and 14	Fabric link 7
15 and 16	Fabric link 8

Note: The assignment of the host-side ports is always based on the configured **max-link** parameter and not the actual physical number of fabric ports connected. Be sure to match the **max-link** parameter with the actual number of physical links used.

Note: The relationship of host-side ports to parent switch fabric ports is static. If a fabric interface fails, all its associated host interfaces are brought down and will remain down until the fabric interface is restored.

PortChannel Fabric Interface Connection

The PortChannel fabric interface provides an alternative method of connection between the parent switch and the Cisco Nexus B22HP fabric extender. In this mode of operation, the physical fabric links are bundled into a single logical channel. This approach prevents a single fabric interconnect link loss from disrupting traffic to any one server. The total bandwidth of the logical channel is shared by all the servers, and traffic is spread across the members through the use of a hash algorithm.

- For a Layer 2 frame, the switch uses the source and destination MAC addresses.
- For a Layer 3 frame, the switch uses the source and destination MAC addresses and the source and destination IP addresses.

Since both redundancy and increased bandwidth are possible, configuration of the fabric links on a PortChannel is the most popular connection option.

Figure 2 shows PortChannel designs.

Note: A fabric interface that fails in the PortChannel does not trigger a change to the host interfaces. Traffic is automatically redistributed across the remaining links in the PortChannel fabric interface.

Figure 2. PortChannel Designs



Configuring a Fabric PortChannel

1. Log into the first parent switch and enter into configuration mode.

```
Nexus 5000 Switch
login: admin
Password:
```

```
Cisco Nexus Operating System (NX-OS) Software

TAC support: <u>http://www.cisco.com/tac</u>

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<u>http://www.opensource.org/licenses/lgpl-2.1.php</u>
```

```
N5548-Bottom# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
```

N5548-Bottom(config)#

2. Enable the fabric extender feature.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)#
N5548-Bottom(config)# feature fex
```

N5548-Bottom(config)#

3. Logically create the fabric extender.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)#
N5548-Bottom(config)# fex 103
N5548-Bottom(config-fex)#
```

4. Create the PortChannel, change the port mode, and associate the fabric extender with the PortChannel.

```
N5548-Bottom(config-if) # interface port-channel 3
N5548-Bottom(config-if) # switchport mode fex-fabric
N5548-Bottom(config-if) # fex associate 103
N5548-Bottom(config-if) #
```

5. Assign the Cisco Nexus parent switch ports to the PortChannel.

```
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/1
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport mode fex-fabric
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# fex associate 103
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# channel-group 3
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/2
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport mode fex-fabric
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# fex associate 103
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# channel-group 3
```

 Repeat the steps on the second Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch connected to the fabric extender in interconnect bay 4.

```
N5548-Top# configure terminal
N5548-Top(config)# feature fex
N5548-Top(config)# fex 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# interface port-channel 4
N5548-Top(config-if)# switchport mode fex-fabric
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/1
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# tex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/2
N5548-Top(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/2
N5548-Top(config-if)# switchport mode fex-fabric
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
N5548-Top(config-if)# fex associate 104
```

7. Verify that the Cisco Nexus B22HP is up and running.

switch(c	onfig-if)# show	fex			
FEX	FEX	FEX		FEX	
Number	Description	State		Model	Serial
103	FEX0103		Online	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC1515ZZU4

Virtual PortChannel Connection

vPCs allow links that are physically connected to two different Cisco Nexus switches to form a PortChannel to a downstream device. The downstream device can be a switch, a server, or any other networking device that supports IEEE 802.3ad PortChannels. vPC technology enables networks to be designed with multiple links for redundancy while also allowing those links to connect to different endpoints for added resiliency (Figure 3).

More information about vPC technology can be found at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/products_implementation_design_guides_list.html.



Figure 3. Blade Server Configuration Options

Configuring a vPC

Enable vPC (this configuration should be implemented on both switches in parallel):

- 1. Enable the vPC feature
- 2. Create the vPC domain
- 3. Configure the peer keepalive link
- 4. Configure the vPC peer link PortChannel
- 5. Check the status of vPC

1. Enable the vPC feature.

```
N5548-Bottom# configure terminal
N5548-Bottom(config)# feature vpc
```

N5548-Top# configure terminal N5548-Top(config)# feature vpc

2. Create the vPC domain (should be unique within network).

N5548-Bottom(config) # vpc domain 5

N5548-Top(config) # vpc domain 5

3. Configure the peer keepalive link over the management network.

```
N5548-Bottom(config-vpc-domain)# peer-keepalive destination 172.25.182.104 source
172.25.182.103
Note:
-----:: Management VRF will be used as the default VRF ::-----
```

```
N5548-Top(config-vpc-domain) # peer-keepalive destination 172.25.182.103 source
172.25.182.104
Note:
-----:: Management VRF will be used as the default VRF ::-----
```

4. Configure the vPC peer link.

```
N5548-Bottom# interface port-channel 20
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/9
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# channel-group 20
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# interface ethernet 1/10
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# channel-group 20
```

```
N5548-Bottom(config-if) # interface port-channel 20
N5548-Bottom(config-if) # vpc peer-link
Please note that spanning tree port type is changed to "network" port type on vPC
peer-link.
This will enable spanning tree Bridge Assurance on vPC peer-link provided the STP
Bridge Assurance
(which is enabled by default) is not disabled.
N5548-Bottom(config-if) #
```

```
N5548-Top# interface port-channel 20
```

```
N5548-Top (config-if) # interface ethernet 1/9
N5548-Top(config-if) # channel-group 20
N5548-Top(config-if) # interface ethernet 1/10
N5548-Top(config-if) # channel-group 20
```

```
N5548-Top(config-if)# interface port-channel 20
N5548-Top(config-if)# vpc peer-link
Please note that spanning tree port type is changed to "network" port type on vPC
peer-link.
This will enable spanning tree Bridge Assurance on vPC peer-link provided the STP
Bridge Assurance
(which is enabled by default) is not disabled.
N5548-Bottom(config-if)#
```

5. Check the vPC status.

```
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# show vpc
Legend:
```

(*) - local vPC is down, forwarding via vPC peer-link

```
vPC domain id
                          : 5
Peer status
                          : peer adjacency formed ok
vPC keep-alive status
                          : peer is alive
Configuration consistency status: success
Per-vlan consistency status
                         : success
Type-2 consistency status
                         : success
vPC role
                          : primary
Number of vPCs configured
                          : 0
Peer Gateway
                          : Disabled
Dual-active excluded VLANs
                          : -
Graceful Consistency Check
                         : Enabled
vPC Peer-link status
_____
id
    Port Status Active vlans
    ____
         _____
1
    Po20 up
              1
N5548-Bottom(config-if)#
```

Now the two switches have been configured to support vPC links to other devices. These connections can be used for upstream links to the data center core. These vPC links can be used for connections to hosts in the data center, allowing additional bandwidth and redundant links.

Server Network Teaming

Server NIC teaming provides an additional layer of redundancy to servers. It allows multiple links to be available, for redundancy. In the blade server environment, server network teaming was typically limited to active-standby configurations and could not provide active-active links, because active-active links required EtherChannel or Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) connection to a single switch. Since the Cisco Nexus B22HP fabric extender is an extension of the parent switch, EtherChannel or LACP connections can be created between the blade server and the virtual chassis. Dual Cisco Nexus 5000 Series switches can be used with vPC for additional switch redundancy while providing active-active links to servers, thus enabling aggregate 40-Gbps bandwidth with dual links (Figure 4).





Creating Host-Side vPC for Server Links with LACP

1. Enable LACP on both parent switches.

5548-Bottom (config) # feature lacp

2. Create the blade server vPC and add the member interface.

```
nexus-5548-Bottom# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
5548-Bottom(config) # interface port-channel 201
5548-Bottom(config-if) # vpc 201
5548-Bottom(config-if) # switchport mode access
5548-Bottom(config-if) # no shutdown
5548-Bottom(config-if) # interface ethernet 103/1/1
5548-Bottom(config-if) # channel-group 201 mode active
nexus-5558-Top# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
5548-Top(config) # interface port-channel 201
5548-Top(config-if) # vpc 201
5548-Top(config-if) # switchport mode access
5548-Top(config-if) # no shutdown
5548-Top(config-if) # interface ethernet 104/1/1
5548-Top(config-if) # channel-group 201 mode active
```

Configuring the HP Blade Server (Microsoft Windows 2008 Release 2)

1. Open the Control Panel and open HP Network Config Utility.



2. Select the network ports and click Team.

HP Network Configuration Utility Properties	? ×
HP Network Configuration Utility	
HP NICs:	- Teaming Setup -
[3] HP NC551i Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6	Team 🔺
[2] HP NL551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter #21/0 Bay 6 Port 6	Dissolve
[1] HP NC551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter I/O Bay 5 Port 6	MAN(002.10)
	VE-II(002.10)
x	Save
Make another selection or Click Team to team the selected adapters.	Properties
Help License Manager Table UID 🔽 Display Tray Icon	
	OK Cancel

3. After the team is formed, click Properties.

HP Network Configuration Utility Properties	? ×
HP Network Configuration Utility	
HP NICs: HP Network Team #1 [4] HP NC551i Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter #2 I/O Bay [3] HP NC551i Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 F [2] HP NC551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter #2 I/O Bay 6 Port 6 [1] HP NC551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter I/O Bay 5 Port 6	Teaming Setup Team Dissolve VLAN(802.1Q)
Make another selection or Click Dissolve to break-up the selected adapter team. Click Properties to view properties of the team. Click VLAN to manage VLAN connections.	Save Properties
Help License Manager Enable UID 🔽 Display Tray Icon	
	OK Cancel

4. From the Team Type Selection drop-down menu, choose 802.3ad Dynamic with Fault Tolerance to match the Cisco Nexus vPC configuration with LACP. Then click OK.

Team Properties	×
Teaming Controls Settings VLAN	
Team Name: HP Network Team #1	-
Team Settings	
Teaming Controls Settings VLAN Image: Team Name: HP Network Team #1 Team Settings Team Settings Team Type Selection: Image: Settings Image: Settings Image: Settings Transmit Load Balancing Method: Image: Settings Automatic (Recommended) Image: Settings Team Members Status Speed/Duplex [4] HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter #2 I/O Bay 2 Port 6 Available 10000/Full [3] HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6 Available 10000/Full Ig1 HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6 Available 10000/Full Ig1 HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6 Available 10000/Full Ig1 HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6 Available 10000/Full Ig1 HP NC5511 Dual Port RexFebric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6 Available 10000/Full	
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Feaming Controls Settings VLAN Team Name: I+P Network Team #1 Team Type Selection: Image: Control of the section of t	
Automatic (Recommended)	
Team Members	
Port Name	Status Speed/Duplex
[4] HP NC551 Dual Port RexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter #2 I/O Bay 2 Port 6 [3] HP NC551 Dual Port RexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/O Bay 1 Port 6	Available 10000/Full Available 10000/Full
	Grder
	Enter Manual Mode
	OK Cancel Help

5. Click OK to complete the NIC teaming configuration. It may take a few minutes to complete after you click OK.

Network Configuration Utility Properties	?
HP Network Configuration Utility	
HP NICs: HP NICs: (4) HP NC551i Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter #2 I/0 Bay (3) HP NC551i Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Converged Network Adapter I/0 Bay 1 I (2) HP NC551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter #2 I/0 Bay 6 Port 6 (1) HP NC551m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter I/0 Bay 5 Port 6	Teaming Setup Team Dissolve VLAN(802.1Q)
Make another selection or Click Dissolve to break-up the selected adapter team. Click Properties to view properties of the team. Click VLAN to manage VLAN connections.	Save Properties
Help License Manager Fable UID 🔽 Display Tray Icon	
	OK Cancel

To verify that the vPC is formed, go to one of the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches to check the status of the server PortChannel interface. Since the pair of Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches is in a vPC configuration, they each have a single port in the PortChannel. Checking the status of the PortChannel on each parent switch shows that channel group 201 is in the "P - Up in port-channel" state on each switch. A check from the HP Network Configuration Utility will show the status "Available" for each link that is up in the PortChannel.

```
5548-Bottom# show port-channel summary
Flags: D - Down
                   P - Up in port-channel (members)
       I - Individual H - Hot-standby (LACP only)
       s - Suspended r - Module-removed
       S - Switched R - Routed
      U - Up (port-channel)
_____
              Type Protocol Member Ports
Group Port-
     Channel
_____

        20
        Po20(SU)
        Eth
        NONE

        103
        Po103(SU)
        Eth
        NONE

                               Eth1/9(P) Eth1/10(P)
                               Eth1/1(P) Eth1/2(P)
201 Po201(SU) Eth LACP Eth103/1/1(P)
5548-Bottom #
N5548-Top# show port-channel summary
Flags: D - Down P - Up in port-channel (members)
       I - Individual H - Hot-standby (LACP only)
       s - Suspended r - Module-removed
       S - Switched R - Routed
       U - Up (port-channel)
```

	Group	Port-	Туре	Protocol	Member Ports Channel	
	4	Po4 (SU)	Eth	NONE	Eth1/2(P)	
	20	Po20(SU)	Eth	NONE	Eth1/9(P)	Eth1/10(D)
	201	Po201(SU)	Eth	LACP	Eth104/1/1(P))
	N5548-	-Top#				
Tear	n Properties	K.				×
Te	aming Controls	Settings VLAN I Inform	ation Statistics Te	am Utilization		1
	Tea Tea	m Name: HP Network	Team #1			
Г	Team Settings				N	
	Team Type 9	Selection:			43	

802.3ad Dynamic with Fault Tolerance			
Transmit Load Balancing Method:			
Automatic (Recommended)			
eam Members			
Port Name	Status	Speed/Duplex	T
[4] HP NC553m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter #21/0 Bay 4 Port 1 [3] HP NC553m Dual Port FlexFabric 10Gb Network Adapter I/0 Bay 3 Port 1	Available Available	10000/Full 10000/Full	1 User Preferenc
			Enter Manual Mod

Fibre Channel over Ethernet

FCoE combines LAN and storage traffic on a single link, eliminating dedicated adapters, cables, and devices for each type of network, resulting in savings that can extend the life of the data center. The Cisco Nexus B22HP is the building block that enables FCoE traffic to travel outside the HP BladeSystem chassis.

Best practice considerations for unified fabric are listed in the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Operations Guide at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5000/sw/operations/n5k_ops_guide.html.

Configuring FCoE

Follow these steps to configure FCoE:

- 1. Enable the FCoE personality on the HP NC551 or NC553 CNA.
- 2. Install the FCoE driver in the server OS.
- 3. Configure quality of service (QoS) to support FCoE on the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series.
- 4. Enable the FCoE feature on the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series.
- 5. Create the SAN A and SAN B VLANs.
- 6. Create VFC interfaces.

The steps are described in detail on the following pages.

1. Enable FCoE on the CNA.

By default, the HP NC551 and NC553 CNAs have their personality set to iSCSI. The personality needs to be changed to FCoE to support FCoE traffic. You make this change in the BIOS of the system and the BIOS of the mezzanine cards.

Choose System Options.



Choose NIC Personality Options.



From the NIC Personality Options menu, choose FCoE.

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PCI Emb	edded iS	CSI	Dual Port	FlexFabric	10Gb Ad	lapter	port	

Save the changes by exiting the BIOS; then reboot the server to enable the changes. FCoE capabilities are enabled at this time. Verify that the latest FCoE drivers and firmware are loaded for the respective operating system. The latest versions can be obtained from the HP Support website. The FCoE drivers are separate from the Ethernet NIC drivers. Figure 5 shows the ports configured for FCoE and the drivers loaded.



Figure 5. OneCommand FCoE Utility Showing Ports Configured for FCoE with Drivers Loaded

Configuring the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series and B22HP for FCoE This example assumes that a server in bay 2 is using IOM 3 and 4 for FCoE connectivity.

1. Enable the FCoE feature on the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch.

```
N5548-Bottom # config terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
switch(config)# feature fcoe
FC license checked out successfully
fc_plugin extracted successfully
FC plugin loaded successfully
FCoE manager enabled successfully
FC enabled on all modules successfully
Warning: Ensure class-fcoe is included in gos policy-maps of all types
N5548-Bottom (config)#
N5548-Top # config terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
switch(config)# feature fcoe
```

```
FC license checked out successfully
```

```
fc_plugin extracted successfully
```

```
FC plugin loaded successfully
FCoE manager enabled successfully
FC enabled on all modules successfully
Warning: Ensure class-fcoe is included in gos policy-maps of all types
N5548-Top (config)#
```

2. Configure QoS to support FCoE.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)# system qos
N5548-Bottom(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type qos input fcoe-default-in-
policy
N5548-Bottom(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type queuing input fcoe-default-in-
policy
N5548-Bottom(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type queuing output fcoe-default-
out-policy
N5548-Bottom(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type network-qos fcoe-default-nq-
policy
N5548-Bottom(config-sys-qos)#
```

```
N5548-Top(config)# system qos
N5548-Top(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type qos input fcoe-default-in-policy
N5548-Top(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type queuing input fcoe-default-in-
policy
N5548-Top(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type queuing output fcoe-default-out-
policy
N5548-Top(config-sys-qos)# service-policy type network-qos fcoe-default-nq-policy
N5548-Top(config-sys-qos)#
```

3. Create the virtual Fibre Channel interface (physical port).

```
N5548-Bottom(config)#
N5548-Bottom(config)# interface vfc 1032
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport mode F
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# bind interface ethernet 103/1/2
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# no shut
N5548-Bottom(config-if)#
```

```
N5548-Top(config)#
N5548-Top(config)# interface vfc 1032
N5548-Top(config-if)# switchport mode F
N5548-Top(config-if)# bind interface ethernet 104/1/2
N5548-Top(config-if)# no shut
N5548-Top(config-if)#
```

```
Create the virtual Fibre Channel interface (PortChannel).
N5548-Bottom(config)#
N5548-Bottom(config)# interface vfc 1032
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport mode F
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# bind interface port-channel 201
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# no shut
N5548-Bottom(config-if)#
```

```
N5548-Top(config)#
N5548-Top(config)# interface vfc 1032
N5548-Top(config-if)# switchport mode F
N5548-Top(config-if)# bind interface port-channel 201
N5548-Top(config-if)# no shut
N5548-Top(config-if)#
```

4. Create the FCoE VSAN and map it to the VLAN.

N5548-Bottom(config)# vlan 200 N5548-Bottom(config-vlan)# fcoe vsan 200 N5548-Bottom(config-vlan)#

N5548-Top(config)# vlan 201 N5548-Top(config-vlan)# fcoe vsan 201 N5548-Top(config-vlan)#

5. Configure the VLANs allowed to transverse the vPC links.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)# interface port-channel 20
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 1, 200
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)#
```

N5548-Top(config)# interface port-channel 20 N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)# switchport trunk allowed vlan 1, 201 N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)#

6. Bind the entry in the VSAN database.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)#
N5548-Bottom(config)# vsan database
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)# vsan 200
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)# vsan 200 interface vfc1032
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)#
```

or

```
N5548-Top(config)#
N5548-Top(config)# vsan database
N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)# vsan 201
N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)# vsan 201 interface vfc1032
N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)#
```

Note: The VLAN and VSAN numbers do not have to be the same.

7. Configure the Fibre Channel interface port type.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)# interface fc 1/32
N5548-Bottom(config-if)# switchport mode F
N5548-Bottom(config-if)#
```

N5548-Top(config)# interface fc 1/32 N5548-Top(config-if)# switchport mode F N5548-Top(config-if)#

8. Bind the VSAN to the Fibre Channel interface.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)# vsan database
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)# vsan 200 interface fc 1/32
N5548-Bottom(config-vsan-db)#
```

```
N5548-Top(config)# vsan database
N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)# vsan 201 interface fc 1/32
N5548-Top(config-vsan-db)#
```

9. Create the necessary zone and zone sets with appropriate members.

```
N5548-Bottom(config)# zone name zonel vsan 200
N5548-Bottom(config-zone)# member pwwn 50:00:40:20:02:f4:65:2b
N5548-Bottom(config-zone)# member pwwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:59
N5548-Bottom(config-zone)# zoneset name zoneset1 vsan 200
N5548-Bottom(config-zoneset)# member zone1
```

```
N5548-Top(config)# zone name zone2 vsan 201
N5548-Top(config-zone)# member pwwn 50:00:40:21:02:f4:65:2b
N5548-Top(config-zone)# member pwwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:5d
N5548-Top(config-zone)# zoneset name zoneset2 vsan 201
N5548-Top(config-zoneset)# member zone2
```

Note: Use a relevant display command (for example, **show interface** or **show flogi database**) to obtain the required value in hexadecimal format.

10. Activate the Zone Sets.

N5548-Bottom(config-zoneset)# zoneset activate name zoneset1 vsan 200 N5548-Top(config-zoneset) # zoneset activate name zoneset2 vsan 201 The following commands can now be used to check connectivity between the blade server and the Cisco Nexus B22HP. N5548-Bottom# show flogi database _____ INTERFACE VSAN FCID PORT NAME NODE NAME _____ vfc1032 200 0x550000 10:00:b4:99:ba:fb:41:41 20:00:b4:99:ba:fb:41:41 Total number of flogi = 1. N5548-Bottom# N5548-Bottom# show fcns database VSAN 200: _____ FCID TYPE PWWN (VENDOR) FC4-TYPE:FEATURE _____ 0x550000 N 10:00:b4:99:ba:fb:41:41 ipfc scsi-fcp:init Total number of entries = 1N5548-Bottom#

Figure 6 shows a server that has successfully connected to the SAN.



SomeCommand(TH) Manager File View Port Discovery Batch Help Image: Im	¥ 🖗 8		
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Debug Commands

show fex

Displays the status of the fabric extenders that are powered on and connected

Cisco Nexus B22HP installed but parent switch not configured

N5548-Bot	ttom# show fex			
FEX	FEX	FEX	FEX	
Number	Description	State	Model	Serial
		Discovered	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC1515ZZU4
N5548-Bot	ttom#			

Cisco Nexus B22HP loading after the parent switch is configured

Cisco Nexus B22HP online and ready for use

N5548-To	p# show fex					
FEX	FEX	FEX		FE	Х	
Number	Description	State		Model	S	erial
104	FEX0104		Online	N2K-B22	HP-P	FOC1515ZZUU
N5548-To	p#					
N5548-To	p#					

show fex detail

Displays the details of the fabric extender module, including the IOM bay number, rack name, and enclosure information of the HP BladeSystem c-Class chassis

```
N5548-Top# show fex detail
FEX: 104 Description: FEX0104 state: Online
  FEX version: 5.0(3)N2(2) [Switch version: 5.0(3)N2(2)]
  FEX Interim version: 5.0(3)N2(2)
  Switch Interim version: 5.0(3)N2(2)
  Extender Model: N2K-B22HP-P, Extender Serial: FOC151425GA
  Part No: 73-13780-05
 Bay: 4
  Rack: UnnamedRack
  Enclosure: 1Z34AB789012
  Enclosure Serial: USE6401VEX
  Rack Id: Default RUID
  Card Id: 145, Mac Addr: e8:b7:48:4b:cd:42, Num Macs: 262208
 Module Sw Gen: 12594 [Switch Sw Gen: 21]
 post level: complete
 pinning-mode: static Max-links: 1
  Fabric port for control traffic: Eth1/1
  Fabric interface state:
    Po4 - Interface Up. State: Active
    Eth1/1 - Interface Up. State: Active
```

```
Eth1/2 - Interface Up. State: Active
  Fex Port
                 State Fabric Port
      Eth104/1/1 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/2 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/3 Down
                               Po4
      Eth104/1/4 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/5 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/6 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/7 Down
                               Po4
      Eth104/1/8 Down
                               Po4
       Eth104/1/9 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/10 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/11 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/12 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/13 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/14 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/15 Down
                               Po4
     Eth104/1/16 Down
                               Po4
Logs:
06/08/2011 15:33:26.491828: Module register received
06/08/2011 15:33:26.493406: Registration response sent
06/08/2011 15:33:26.736842: Module Online Sequence
```

```
06/08/2011 15:33:29.625679: Module Online
```

N5548-Top#

show interface brief

N5548-Top# show interface brief

Ethernet Interface	VLAN	Туре	Mode	Status	Reason	Speed	Port Ch #
Eth1/1	1	eth	fabric	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth1/2	1	eth	fabric	up	none	10G(D)	4
Eth1/3	1	eth	fabric	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth1/4	1	eth	fabric	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth1/5	1	eth	fabric	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth1/6	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	
Eth1/7	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	
Eth1/8	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	
Eth1/9	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	
Eth1/10	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	
Eth1/11	1	eth	access	down	SFP not inserted	10G(D)	

Eth1/12	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/13	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/14	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/15	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/16	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/17	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/18	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/19	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/20	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/21	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/22	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/23	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/24	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/25	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/26	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/27	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/28	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/29	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/30	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/31	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Eth1/32	1	eth	access	down	SFP r	not	inserted	1	10G(D)	
Port-channe Interface	el VLAN	Туре Мо	ode St	tatus 1	Reason				Speed Pro	tocol
Port-channe Interface	el VLAN	Туре М	ode St	tatus 1	Reason				Speed Pro	tocol
Port-channe Interface Po4	21 VLAN 1	Type Mo eth fa	ode St 		Reason				Speed Pro a-10G(D)	otocol
Port-channe Interface Po4	el VLAN	Type Mo eth fa	ode St	p 1	Reason				Speed Pro a-10G(D)	none
Port-channe Interface Po4 Port VRF	el VLAN 1	Type Mo eth fa Statu:	ode Si abric up s IP Ado	tatus 1	Reason none				Speed Pro a-10G(D) Speed	none MTU
Port-channe Interface Po4 Port VRF mgmt0	el VLAN 1	Type Ma eth fa Statu: up	ode Si abric up s IP Ado 172.23	tatus 1	Reason none 04				Speed Pro a-10G(D) Speed 100	none MTU 1500
Port-channe Interface Po4 Port VRF mgmt0 Ethernet	el VLAN 1 VLAN	Type Ma eth fa Statu: up Type	ode Si abric up s IP Ado 172.25 Mode	tatus 1 dress 5.182.1 Status	Reason none 04 Reaso	 201			Speed Pro a-10G(D) Speed 100 Speed	 none MTU 1500 Port
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Port-channe Interface Po4 Port VRF mgmt0 Ethernet Interface Eth103/1/1 Eth103/1/2 Eth103/1/3 Eth103/1/4	21 VLAN 1 VLAN 1 1 1 1 1 1	Type Ma eth fa Statu: up Type eth eth eth	ode St abric up s IP Ado 172.23 Mode access access access	tatus 1 p 1 dress 5.182.10 Status down down up up	Reason none 04 Reaso Incon Incon	 on npat		server server	Speed Pro a-10G(D) Speed 100 Speed auto(D) auto(D) 10G(D) 10G(D)	Detocol none MTU 1500 Port Ch #
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Eth103/1/9	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth103/1/10	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth103/1/11	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth103/1/12	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth103/1/13	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth103/1/14	1	eth	access	down	Administratively dow	n auto(D)	
Eth103/1/15	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth103/1/16	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/1	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/2	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/3	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/4	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/5	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/6	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/7	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/8	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/9	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/10	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/11	1	eth	access	up	none	10G(D)	
Eth104/1/12	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/13	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/14	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/15	1	eth	access	down	Incompatible/No serv	er auto(D)	
Eth104/1/16	1	eth	access	down	fabricIfDown	auto(D)	
N5548-Top#							

show interface ethernet 103/1/1

Displays detailed statistics for Cisco Nexus B22 fabric extender port 1

N5548-Bottom(config-if-range) # show interface ethernet 103/1/1 Ethernet103/1/1 is down (Link not connected) Hardware: 1000/10000 Ethernet, address: e8b7.484b.dlc2 (bia e8b7.484b.dlc2) MTU 1500 bytes, BW 1000000 Kbit, DLY 10 usec, reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255 Encapsulation ARPA Port mode is access auto-duplex, auto-speed Beacon is turned off Input flow-control is off, output flow-control is on Switchport monitor is off EtherType is 0x8100 Last link flapped never Last clearing of "show interface" counters never 30 seconds input rate 0 bits/sec, 0 bytes/sec, 0 packets/sec 30 seconds output rate 0 bits/sec, 0 bytes/sec, 0 packets/sec

```
Load-Interval #2: 5 minute (300 seconds)
   input rate 0 bps, 0 pps; output rate 0 bps, 0 pps
 RX
   0 unicast packets 0 multicast packets 0 broadcast packets
   0 input packets 0 bytes
    0 jumbo packets 0 storm suppression bytes
0 giants
             0 input error 0 short frame 0 overrun 0 underrun
                                                                      0
watchdog 0 if down drop
    0 input with dribble 0 input discard
   0 Rx pause
  ТΧ
    0 unicast packets 0 multicast packets 0 broadcast packets
   0 output packets 0 bytes
   0 jumbo packets
    0 output errors 0 collision 0 deferred 0 late collision
   0 lost carrier 0 no carrier 0 babble
   0 Tx pause
  0 interface resets
```

show vlan

N5548-Bottom(config-if) # show vlan

VLAN Name	Status	Ports
l default	active	Ethi/3, Ethi/4, Ethi/5, Ethi/6
		Eth1/7, Eth1/8, Eth1/9, Eth1/10
		Eth1/11, Eth1/12, Eth1/13
		Eth1/14, Eth1/15, Eth1/16
		Eth1/17, Eth1/18, Eth1/19
		Eth1/20, Eth1/21, Eth1/22
		Eth1/23, Eth1/24, Eth1/25
		Eth1/26, Eth1/27, Eth1/28
		Eth1/29, Eth1/30, Eth1/31
		Eth1/32, Eth103/1/1, Eth103/1/2
		Eth103/1/3, Eth103/1/4
		Eth103/1/5, Eth103/1/6
		Eth103/1/7, Eth103/1/8
		Eth103/1/9, Eth103/1/10
		Eth103/1/11, Eth103/1/12
		Eth103/1/13, Eth103/1/14
		Eth103/1/15, Eth103/1/16

```
Remote SPAN VLANs
```

Primary	Secondary	Туре	Ports

N5548-Bottom(config-if)#

show interface fex-fabric

Displays a list of interfaces and their association with fabric extenders

N5K_	Bottom# sh	now interface f	Tex-fabric		
	Fabric	Fabric	Fex	FEX	
Fex	Port	Port State	Uplink	Model	Serial
106	Eth1/9	Configured	1	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425GA
106	Eth1/10	Configured	2	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425GA
104	Eth1/13	Active	1	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G7
104	Eth1/14	Active	2	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G7
104	Eth1/15	Active	3	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G7
104	Eth1/16	Active	4	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G7
103	Eth1/20	Active	2	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/21	Active	1	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/22	Active	3	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/23	Active	4	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/24	Active	5	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/25	Active	7	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/26	Active	6	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
103	Eth1/27	Active	8	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425D9
105	Eth1/29	Active	1	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/30	Active	2	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/31	Active	3	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/32	Active	4	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/33	Active	5	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/34	Active	6	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/35	Active	7	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
105	Eth1/36	Active	8	N2K-B22HP-P	FOC151425G6
100	Eth1/37	Configured	0		
100	Eth1/38	Configured	0		
100	Eth1/39	Configured	0		
100	Eth1/40	Configured	0		
N5K_	Bottom#				

Cisco Nexus Configurations

```
Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch 1 Configuration
   N5548-Bottom(config) # show run
   !Command: show running-config
   !Time: Thu Sep 8 23:57:08 2011
   version 5.0(3)N2(2)
   feature fcoe
   feature telnet
   cfs eth distribute
   feature lacp
   feature vpc
   feature lldp
   feature fex
   username admin password 5 $1$TKeCWLRP$RRtCuum0U6t2C5TwEYI.I1 role network-admin
   no password strength-check
   ssh key rsa 2048
   ip domain-lookup
   hostname N5548-Bottom
   class-map type qos class-fcoe
   class-map type queuing class-fcoe
     match qos-group 1
   class-map type queuing class-all-flood
     match qos-group 2
   class-map type queuing class-ip-multicast
     match qos-group 2
   class-map type network-qos class-fcoe
     match qos-group 1
   class-map type network-qos class-all-flood
     match qos-group 2
   class-map type network-gos class-ip-multicast
     match qos-group 2
   system qos
     service-policy type qos input fcoe-default-in-policy
     service-policy type queuing input fcoe-default-in-policy
     service-policy type queuing output fcoe-default-out-policy
     service-policy type network-qos fcoe-default-nq-policy
   fex 103
     pinning max-links 1
     description "FEX0103"
   slot 1
```

```
port 32-32 type fc
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5 0x04b8f47184323f3710da22fefc1800fe
priv 0x04b8f47184
323f3710da22fefc1800fe localizedkey
snmp-server enable traps entity fru
vrf context management
  ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.25.182.1
vlan 1,182
vlan 200
  fcoe vsan 200
vpc domain 5
  peer-keepalive destination 172.25.182.104 source 172.25.182.103
vsan database
  vsan 200
fcdomain fcid database
  vsan 200 wwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:59 fcid 0x550000 dynamic
  vsan 1 wwn 50:00:40:20:02:f4:65:2b fcid 0x6b0000 dynamic
 vsan 200 wwn 50:00:40:20:02:f4:65:2b fcid 0x550001 dynamic
interface port-channel20
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc peer-link
  spanning-tree port type network
interface port-channel103
  switchport mode fex-fabric
  fex associate 103
interface port-channel201
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 201
  switchport trunk native vlan 182
interface vfc1
 bind interface port-channel201
  no shutdown
vsan database
  vsan 200 interface vfc1
  vsan 200 interface fc1/32
interface fc1/32
```

```
interface Ethernet1/1
switchport mode fex-fabric
fex associate 103
channel-group 103
```

interface Ethernet1/2
switchport mode fex-fabric
fex associate 103
channel-group 103

interface Ethernet1/3

interface Ethernet1/4

interface Ethernet1/5

interface Ethernet1/6

interface Ethernet1/7

interface Ethernet1/8

interface Ethernet1/9
 switchport mode trunk
 channel-group 20

interface Ethernet1/10
 switchport mode trunk
 channel-group 20

interface Ethernet1/11

interface Ethernet1/12

interface Ethernet1/13

interface Ethernet1/14

interface Ethernet1/15

interface Ethernet1/16

interface Ethernet1/17

- interface Ethernet1/18
- interface Ethernet1/19
- interface Ethernet1/20
- 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
- interface Ethernet1/30
- interface Ethernet1/31
- interface mgmt0
 ip address 172.25.182.103/24
- interface Ethernet103/1/1
 switchport mode trunk
 switchport trunk native vlan 182
 channel-group 201 mode active
- interface Ethernet103/1/2
- interface Ethernet103/1/3
- interface Ethernet103/1/4
- interface Ethernet103/1/5
- interface Ethernet103/1/6

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interface Ethernet103/1/7
interface Ethernet103/1/8
interface Ethernet103/1/9
interface Ethernet103/1/10
interface Ethernet103/1/11
interface Ethernet103/1/12
interface Ethernet103/1/13
interface Ethernet103/1/14
interface Ethernet103/1/15
interface Ethernet103/1/16
line console
line vty
boot kickstart bootflash:/n5000-uk9-kickstart.5.0.3.N2.2.bin
boot system bootflash:/n5000-uk9.5.0.3.N2.2.bin
interface fc1/32
!Full Zone Database Section for vsan 200
zone name zonel vsan 200
   member pwwn 50:00:40:20:02:f4:65:2b
    member pwwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:59
zoneset name zoneset1 vsan 200
    member zone1
zoneset activate name zoneset1 vsan 200
```

```
N5548-Bottom(config)#
```

Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch 2 Configuration

N5548-Top(config)# show run !Command: show running-config !Time: Fri Sep 9 00:04:59 2011

```
version 5.0(3)N2(2)
feature fcoe
feature telnet
cfs eth distribute
feature lacp
feature vpc
feature lldp
feature fex
username admin password 5 $1$U7KZihf5$cxKYJonzTiXz5x94TQt78/role network-admin
no password strength-check
ip domain-lookup
hostname N5548-Top
class-map type qos class-fcoe
class-map type queuing class-fcoe
  match qos-group 1
class-map type queuing class-all-flood
  match qos-group 2
class-map type queuing class-ip-multicast
 match gos-group 2
class-map type network-qos class-fcoe
  match qos-group 1
class-map type network-qos class-all-flood
  match qos-group 2
class-map type network-qos class-ip-multicast
 match qos-group 2
system gos
  service-policy type network-qos fcoe-default-nq-policy
  service-policy type qos input fcoe-default-in-policy
  service-policy type queuing input fcoe-default-in-policy
  service-policy type queuing output fcoe-default-out-policy
fex 104
  pinning max-links 1
  description "FEX0104"
slot 1
  port 32-32 type fc
snmp-server user admin network-admin auth md5 0x1c8725819b8be58ccda504a661cb785c
priv 0x1c8725819b8be58ccda504a661cb785c localizedkey
snmp-server enable traps entity fru
vrf context management
  ip route 0.0.0.0/0 172.25.182.1
vlan 1,182
```

```
vlan 201
  fcoe vsan 201
vpc domain 5
  peer-keepalive destination 172.25.182.103 source 172.25.182.104
vsan database
  vsan 201
fcdomain fcid database
  vsan 201 wwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:5d fcid 0xd90000 dynamic
 vsan 1 wwn 50:00:40:21:02:f4:65:2b fcid 0x4c0000 dynamic
  vsan 201 wwn 50:00:40:21:02:f4:65:2b fcid 0xd90001 dynamic
interface port-channel20
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc peer-link
  spanning-tree port type network
interface port-channel104
  switchport mode fex-fabric
  fex associate 104
interface port-channel201
  switchport mode trunk
  vpc 201
  switchport trunk native vlan 182
interface vfc1
 bind interface port-channel201
 no shutdown
vsan database
  vsan 201 interface vfc1
  vsan 201 interface fc1/32
interface fc1/32
  no shutdown
interface Ethernet1/1
  switchport mode fex-fabric
  fex associate 104
  channel-group 104
interface Ethernet1/2
  switchport mode fex-fabric
  fex associate 104
```

```
channel-group 104
interface Ethernet1/3
interface Ethernet1/4
interface Ethernet1/5
interface Ethernet1/6
interface Ethernet1/7
interface Ethernet1/8
interface Ethernet1/9
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 20
interface Ethernet1/10
  switchport mode trunk
  channel-group 20
interface Ethernet1/11
  switchport access vlan 182
interface Ethernet1/12
interface Ethernet1/13
interface Ethernet1/14
interface Ethernet1/15
interface Ethernet1/16
interface Ethernet1/17
interface Ethernet1/18
interface Ethernet1/19
interface Ethernet1/20
```

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interface Ethernet1/21

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interface Ethernet1/22
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interface Ethernet1/23

interface Ethernet1/24

interface Ethernet1/25

interface Ethernet1/26

interface Ethernet1/27

interface Ethernet1/28

interface Ethernet1/29

interface Ethernet1/30

interface Ethernet1/31

interface mgmt0
 ip address 172.25.182.104/24

interface Ethernet104/1/1
switchport mode trunk
switchport trunk native vlan 182
channel-group 201 mode active

interface Ethernet104/1/2

interface Ethernet104/1/3

interface Ethernet104/1/4

interface Ethernet104/1/5

interface Ethernet104/1/6

interface Ethernet104/1/7

interface Ethernet104/1/8

interface Ethernet104/1/9

interface Ethernet104/1/10

```
interface Ethernet104/1/11
interface Ethernet104/1/12
interface Ethernet104/1/13
interface Ethernet104/1/14
interface Ethernet104/1/15
interface Ethernet104/1/16
line console
line vty
boot kickstart bootflash:/n5000-uk9-kickstart.5.0.3.N2.2.bin
boot system bootflash:/n5000-uk9.5.0.3.N2.2.bin
interface fc1/32
!Full Zone Database Section for vsan 201
zone name zone2 vsan 201
    member pwwn 50:00:40:21:02:f4:65:2b
    member pwwn 10:00:78:e3:b5:f6:b3:5d
zoneset name zoneset2 vsan 201
    member zone2
zoneset activate name zoneset2 vsan 201
```

N5548-Top(config)#

Conclusion

The advent of Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Fabric Extenders has enabled customers to benefits from both top-of-rack (ToR) and end-of-row (EoR) designs while reducing the costs associated with cabling and cooling in EoR models without introducing any additional management points, unlike with traditional ToR designs. This unique architecture has been tremendously successful in the first generation of fabric extenders and rack-mount servers. The Cisco Nexus B22 Blade Fabric Extender for HP brings these innovations to the HP BladeSystem c-Class chassis. The Cisco Nexus B22HP supports both 1 and 10 Gigabit Ethernet connectivity, allowing a smooth migration from 1 Gigabit Ethernet to 10 Gigabit Ethernet for blade servers. Unified fabric with FCoE deployment outside the HP BladeSystem chassis is finally achieved. This solution solidly brings Cisco networking innovations to the server access layer from rack-mount servers using Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Fabric Extenders in third-party blade chassis.

For More Information

Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Operations Guide: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5000/sw/operations/n5k_ops_guide.html.

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