# ArubaOS 8.1.0.0 Virtual Appliance



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# **Revision History**

The following table lists the revisions of this document.

 Table 1: Revision History

Revision	Change Description
Revision 02	Installing ArubaOS ISO image on vSphere Hypervisor.
Revision 01	Initial release.

This guide describes the steps to install, configure, and deploy the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance or Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance on:

- vSphere Hypervisor
- Kernel-Based Virtual Machine (KVM) Hypervisor



The steps to deploy a Mobility Master Virtual Appliance and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance as a standby controller or managed device are the same.

For information related to licensing, refer to the Aruba Mobility Master Licensing Guide.

## **Important**

The following sections of the guide have references to configuration changes that need to be made when installing a Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance:

- ArubaOS VM Requirements
- Assigning Network Connections

#### **Conventions**

The following conventions are used throughout this document to emphasize important concepts:

Table 2: Typographical Conventions

Type Style	Description
Italics	This style is used to emphasize important terms and to mark the titles of books.
System items	This fixed-width font depicts the following:  Sample screen output  System prompts  Filenames, software devices, and specific commands when mentioned in the text
Commands	In the command examples, this bold font depicts text that you must type exactly as shown.
<arguments></arguments>	In the command examples, italicized text within angle brackets represents items that you should replace with information appropriate to your specific situation. For example:  # send <text message=""> In this example, you would type "send" at the system prompt exactly as shown, followed by the text of the message you wish to send. Do not type the angle brackets.</text>
[Optional]	Command examples enclosed in brackets are optional. Do not type the brackets.
{Item A   Item B}	In the command examples, items within curled braces and separated by a vertical bar represent the available choices. Enter only one choice. Do not type the braces or bars.

The following informational icons are used throughout this guide:



Indicates helpful suggestions, pertinent information, and important things to remember.



Indicates a risk of damage to your hardware or loss of data.



Indicates a risk of personal injury or death.

# **Contacting Support**

 Table 3: Contact Information

Main Site	arubanetworks.com
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Airheads Social Forums and Knowledge Base	community.arubanetworks.com
North American Telephone	1-800-943-4526 (Toll Free) 1-408-754-1200
International Telephone	arubanetworks.com/support-services/contact-support/
Software Licensing Site	hpe.com/networking/support
End-of-life Information	arubanetworks.com/support-services/end-of-life/
Security Incident Response Team	Site: arubanetworks.com/support-services/security-bulletins/ Email: sirt@arubanetworks.com

The Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance provide a 64-bit virtualized software-based managed platform on virtual machine (VM) architecture. The Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance operate on x86 platforms in a hypervisor environment and can reside with other virtualized appliances. The Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance are centralized management platforms for deployment in a virtualized network infrastructure. Some of the key security features offered by the Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance are:

- Authentication
- Encryption Support
- Security Policy
- Rogue Detection and Suppression
- Security Firewall



Aruba does not recommend over subscription of processors, memory, and NIC ports on the virtual machine.

Listed below are few advantages of switching to Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance or Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance environment:

- Reduces the number of devices occupying rack space and the overheads associated with managing and servicing products from different vendors.
- Multiple services are consolidated on a common platform, thereby reducing the cost and optimizing the infrastructure by providing consolidated services.
- Additional devices can be deployed remotely, increasing hardware selection option and flexibility.
- By eliminating a single point failure, you can create a reliable and high-performance networking system.

On successfully installing the Aruba Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance, refer to the ArubaOS 8.1.0.x Getting Started Guide for steps to setup the network.

## What's New

This section lists the new features and enhancements released in this version of the installation guide.

## Seamless Logon for Mobility Master Virtual Appliance

The Seamless Logon feature enables you to login from the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance to a managed device without entering a password. The user can remotely login from a centralized location (Mobility Master Virtual Appliance) to any managed device and execute any show commands.

## **Important**

- Aruba does not recommend over subscription of processors, memory, and NIC ports on the virtual
- Aruba recommends using a Intel-based enterprise grade CPU.

## **ArubaOS VM Requirements**

Listed below are the minimum resources required for the ArubaOS VM to function:



If the system is not configured with the minimum requirements it might result is reduced performance and capacity of the SKU being provisioned.

**Table 4:** Memory and CPU Allocation - Mobility Master Virtual Appliance

SKUs	Hypervisor	Total vCPU (hyper threaded)	Memory (GB)	Flash/Disk (GB)	Total Supported Interfaces
MM-VA- 50	ESXi	6	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 500	ESXi	6	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 1K	ESXi	8	32	32	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 5K	ESXi	10	64	64	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 10K	ESXi	16	128	128	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 50	KVM	6	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 500	KVM	6	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 1K	KVM	8	32	32	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 5K	KVM	10	64	64	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MM-VA- 10K	KVM	16	128	128	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port

 Table 5: Memory and CPU Allocation - Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance

SKUs	Hypervisor	Total vCPU (hyper threaded)	Memory (GB)	Flash/Disk (GB)	Total Supported Interfaces
MC-VA- 50	ESXi	4	6	6	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MC-VA- 250	ESXi	5	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MC-VA- 1K	ESXi	6	16	16	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MC-VA- 4K	ESXi	12	48	48	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port

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MC-VA- 250	KVM	5	8	8	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MC-VA- 1K	KVM	6	16	16	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port
MC-VA- 4K	KVM	12	48	48	2 data ports (0/0/0, 0/0/1), 1 mgmt port

The hypervisor host should not be oversubscribed in terms of number of VMs configured on a host as it adversely impacts the functionality and performance of ArubaOS. In instances where more than one VM is setup in a hypervisor, then:

- The number of logical processors reported on the hypervisor should be higher or equal to the sum of vCPUs allocated to each of the VMs setup in that host.
- The sum of the memory allocated to each VM should not exceed the overall host memory capacity reported.
- The total CPU utilization, memory usage, and network throughput should not exceed 80% of the host
- The MC-VA-4K supports up to 4K APs. However, a new MC-VA-4K license SKU is not required. If you plan to deploy 4K APs on a single Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance, add 4 MC-VA-1K licenses.

## **Prerequisites**

Ensure that the following prerequisites are addressed before starting the installation:

- vSphere Client/vCenter 5.1 or 5.5 is installed on a Windows machine.
- vSphere Hypervisor 5.1 or 5.5 is installed on the server that hosts the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance as a guest.
- OVF template is obtained from an Aruba representative and accessible from vSphere Client/vCenter.

## Logging Into ESXi Host Using vSphere Client



This section describes the configuration of the VM using the vSphere Windows client, if vCenter infrastructure is available the same can be achieved through the web interface provided by vCenter.

Follow the steps to log in to the vSphere ESXi Host:

- 1. Open the vSphere Client.
- 2. Enter the IP address or name of the vSphere Hypervisor in the IP address / Name field.
- 3. Enter the user name in the **User name** field.
- 4. Enter the password in the **Password** field.
- 5. Click **Login**.

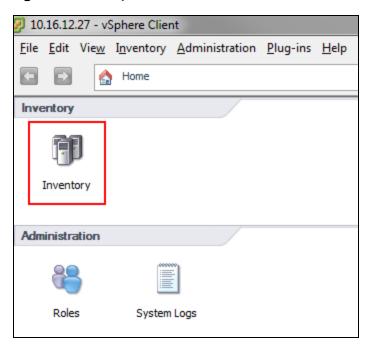
The **vSphere Client** page is displayed.

#### Creating A VM Network For Management

Follow the steps below to create a VM network for management:

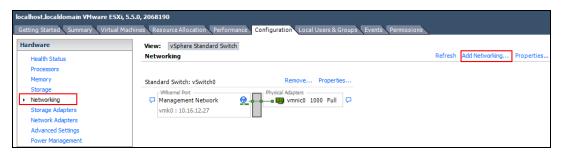
- 1. Log in to the vSphere ESXi Host using vSphere Client. For additional information, see Logging Into ESXi Host Using vSphere Client.
- 2. From the vSphere Client page, click **Inventory**.

Figure 1 Inventory Button



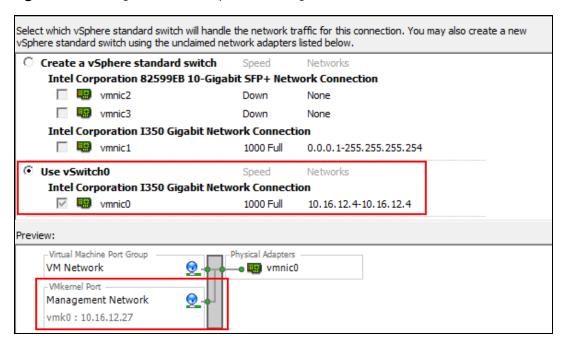
- 3. Click **Configuration** tab.
- 4. Click **Networking** from the **Hardware** menu.
- 5. Click Add Networking. The **Add Network Wizard** is displayed.

Figure 2 Adding A Network



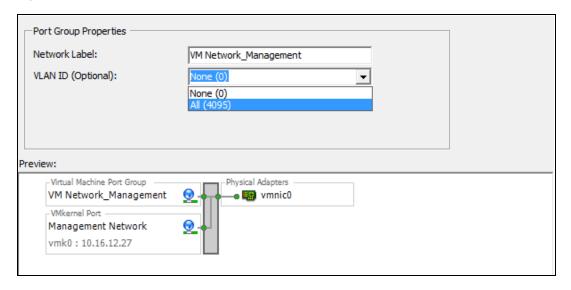
- 6. Select the Virtual Machine radio button and click Next.
- 7. Select the **vSwitch** that has **VMkernel** port mapped for ESXi management network and click **Next**.

Figure 3 Selecting A Network Adapter For Management



8. In the **Port Group Properties** section, provide a name for the management network in the **Network** Label field and select All (4095) from the VLAN ID (Optional) drop-down list. Click Next.

Figure 4 Selecting Port Group Properties



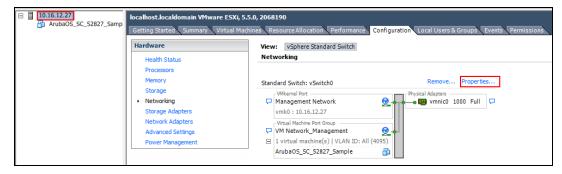
9. Click Finish.



The VM network name is set to VM Network\_Management and is used as an example in all configuration procedures.

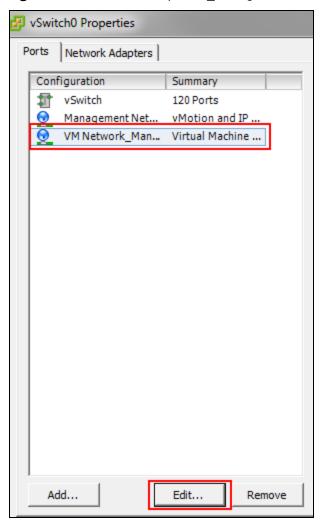
- 10. Click the ESXi host IP address.
- 11. Click the **Configuration** tab.
- 12. Click **Networking** from the **Hardware** section.
- 13. Click **Properties** of the **VM Network\_Management**.

Figure 5 VM Network Properties\_Management



14. Select the VM network that was created for management and click **Edit**.

Figure 6 Edit Network Properties\_Management

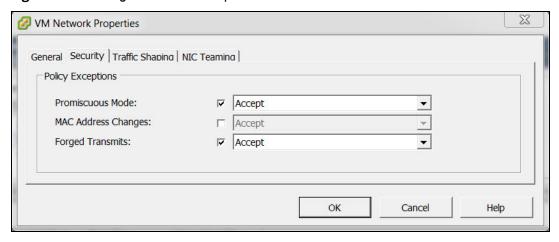


- 15. Click the **Security** tab.
- 16. Select the **Promiscuous Mode** check box select **Accept** from the drop-down list.
- 17. Select the **Forged Transmits** check box and select **Accept** from the drop-down list.



Forged Transmits should be enabled for VRRP to function.

Figure 7 Selecting VM Network Properties



18.Click **OK**.

19.Click Close.

## **Creating VM Networks For Traffic**

Follow the steps below to create a VM network for traffic:

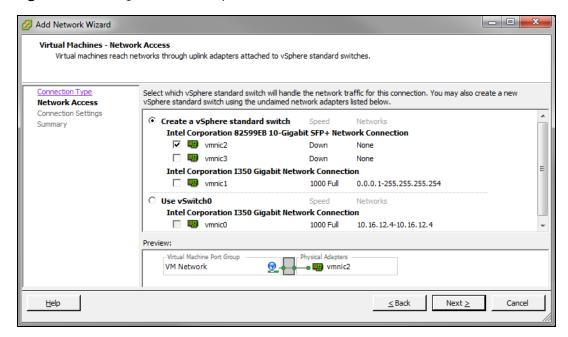
- 1. Repeat steps 1 to 4 of <u>Creating A VM Network For Management</u>.
- 2. Click Add Networking. The **Add Network Wizard** is displayed.

Figure 8 Adding A Network For Traffic



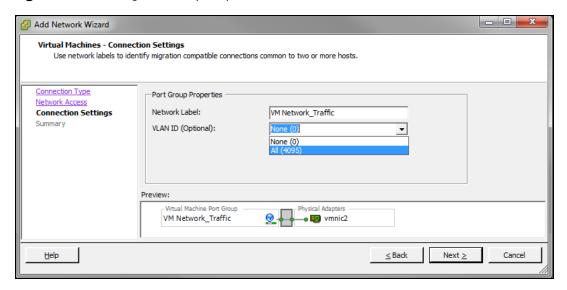
- 3. Select the **Virtual Machine** option and click **Next**.
- 4. Select a **vSwitch** that will handle the network traffic and click **Next**.

Figure 9 Selecting A Network Adapter For Traffic



5. In the Port Group Properties section, provide a name for Network Label and select All (4095) from the VLAN ID (Optional) drop-down list. Click Next.

Figure 10 Selecting Port Group Properties



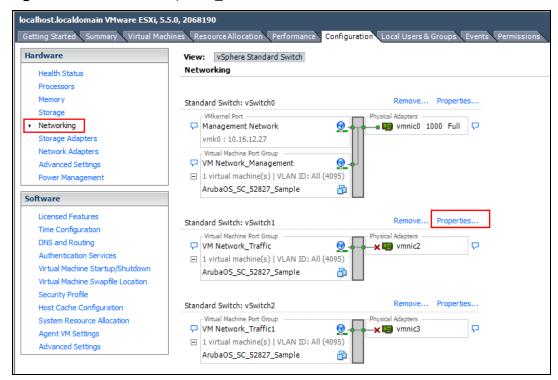
6. Click Finish.



Ensure that the Management VM network and the Traffic VM network is isolated to avoid a network loop.

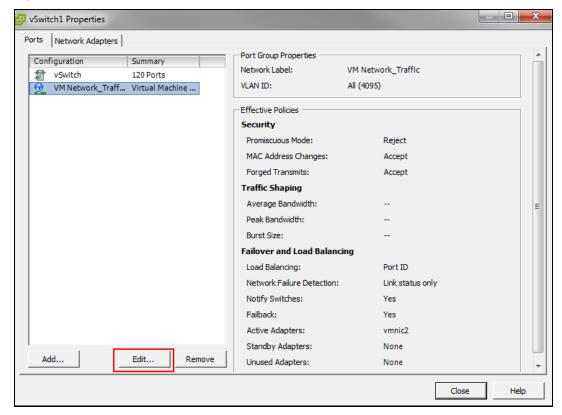
- 7. Click the ESXi host IP address.
- 8. Click the **Configuration** tab.
- 9. Click **Networking** from the **Hardware** section.
- 10. Click **Properties** of the vSwitch to edit.

Figure 11 VM Network Properties\_Traffic



11. Select the VM network that was created for traffic and click Edit

Figure 12 Edit Network Properties\_Traffic



- 12. Click the **Security** tab.
- 13. Select the **Promiscuous Mode** check box select **Accept** from the drop-down list.
- 14. Select the Forged Transmits check box and select Accept from the drop-down list.



Forged Transmits should be enabled for VRRP to function.

15.Click **OK**.

16.Click Close.

Create two additional networks for traffic and repeat the steps to enable Promiscuous mode and Forged transmits.



Forged Transmits should be enabled for VRRP to function.



The Mobility Master Virtual Appliance supports three network interfaces and Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance supports four network interfaces. For more information, see ArubaOS VM Requirements on page 10.

## **Deploying the OVF Template**

Follow the steps below to deploy the Open Virtual Format (OVF) template:

- 1. Log in to the vSphere ESXi Host using vSphere Client. For additional information, see Logging Into ESXi Host Using vSphere Client.
- 2. Click **File > Deploy OVF Template**.

The **Deploy OVF Template Wizard** is displayed.



It is recommended to copy the template to the client machine before importing the OVF template.

3. Click **Browse** and navigate to the location of the OVA file and click **Next**.

The **OVF Template Details** option is highlighted.

4. Click **Next**.

The **Name and Location** option is highlighted..

5. In the **Name** field, enter a name for the OVF template and click **Next**.

The **Disk Format** option is highlighted.

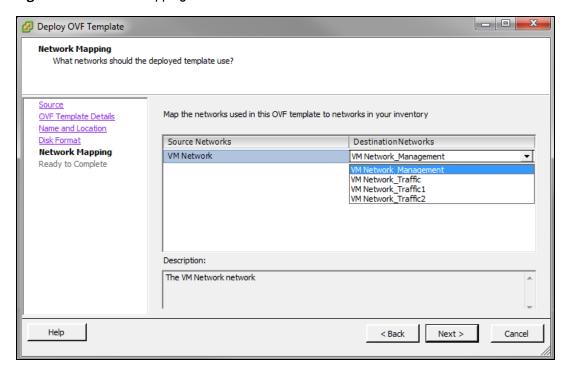
6. Select **Thick Provision Lazy Zeroed** option and click **Next**.

The **Network Mapping** option is highlighted.

7. Select VM Network\_Management from the Destination Networks drop-down list and click Next.

The **Ready to Complete** option is highlighted.

Figure 13 Network Mapping



Review your preferences before clicking **Finish**.



Do not select **Power on after deployment** check box in the **Ready to Complete** window.

8. Click Finish.

The OVF template is deployed.



Since the deployment of the OVF template is time consuming, it is highly recommended that the client is on the same VLAN as the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance.

9. Click OK.

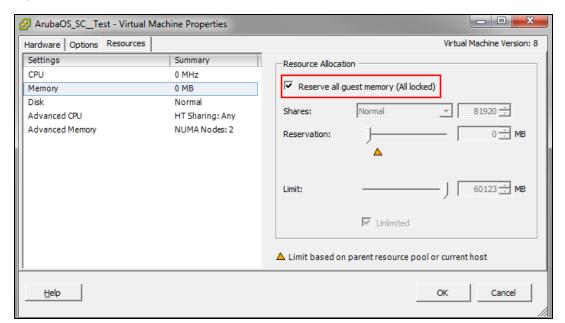
10.Click Close.

## **Pre-Allocating Memory**

Follow the steps below to pre-allocate memory in the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance:

- 1. Right-click the VM and select **Edit Settings** or click **Edit virtual machine settings** from the **Getting** Started tab.
- 2. From the **Resources** tab select **Memory**.
- 3. Select the **Reserve all guest memory (All locked)** check box.
- 4. Click OK.

Figure 14 Editing Memory Settings





Repeat the steps to pre-allocate memory for other ArubaOS VMs.

For more information on memory and CPU allocation refer to sizing tables in <u>ArubaOS VM Requirements on</u> page 10 section.

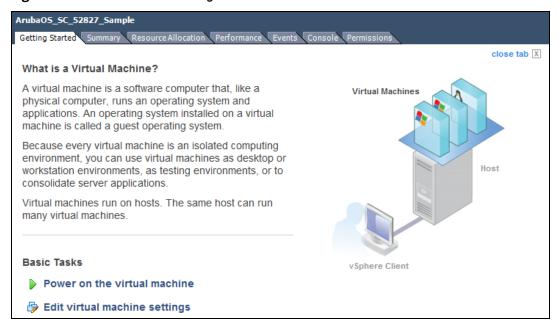
## **Assigning Network Connections**

By default the management network is assigned to all network adapters. If different networks are not assigned to different adapters it will result in a network loop.

Follow the steps below to assign different networks to different adapters:

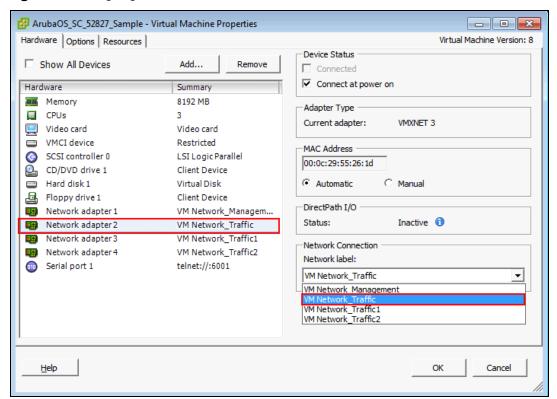
1. Click Edit virtual machine settings.

Figure 15 Virtual Machine Settings



Select Network adapter2 and select VM Network\_Traffic from the Network label drop-down list.

Figure 16 Assigning A Network



- 3. Repeat the steps and assign:
  - a. Network adapter3 to VM Network\_Traffic1
  - b. Network adapter4 to VM Network Traffic2
- 4. Click OK.



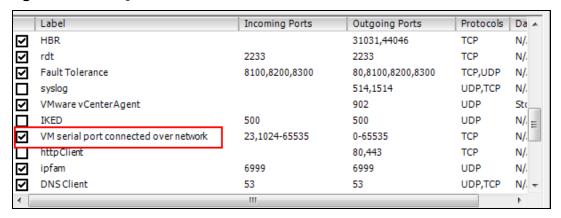
The Mobility Master Virtual Appliance does not support more than three network interfaces, but Mobility Master Virtual Appliance supports four interfaces.

## **Enabling Security Profile Configuration**

This is an optional step and should be used only if serial console redirection is required. To enable security profile configuration you need to Telnet over the network.

- 1. Click the ESXi host IP address.
- 2. Click the **Configuration** tab.
- 3. In the **Software** section, click **Security Profile**.
- 4. In the **Firewall** section, click **Properties**.
- 5. Select the **VM serial port connected over network** check box.

Figure 17 Enabling VM Serial Port Connected Over Network



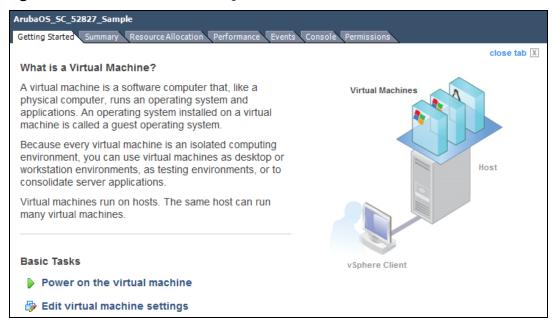
Click **OK**.

## **Configuring Serial Console for the VM**

Follow the steps below to configure serial console for the VM:

- 1. Select the virtual machine that was created.
- 2. Click Edit virtual machine settings.

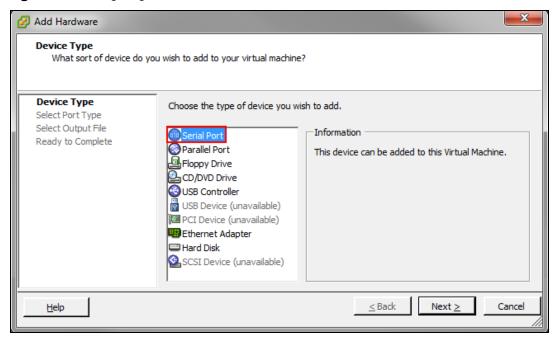
Figure 18 Edit Virtual Machine Settings



3. On the **Hardware** tab, click **Add**.

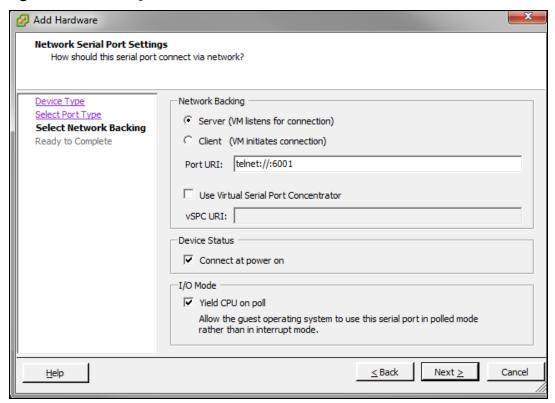
- 4. Select **Serial Port** and click **Next**.
- 5. Select Connect via Network and click Next.

Figure 19 Configuring Serial Console



6. Select Server (VM Listens for connection) and enter telnet://:6001 in the Port URI field.

Figure 20 Connecting The Serial Via Network



7. Click Next > Finish > OK.

To enable serial console redirect refer to Configuring the Initial Setup on page 43.



If there are multiple virtual machines ensure they are connected to the same port.

To access the VM console you must telnet to the IP address of the ESXi host.

## **Prerequisites**

Ensure that the following prerequisites are addressed before starting the installation:

- Enabling Intel VT virtualization hardware extensions in BIOS.
- Installing CentOS 7.2 on the x86 hardware.

## Supported Versions

■ QEMU 2.0



The host kernel should be miminum version 4.6 and QEMU verision 2.7.0 for optimum crypto throughput performance with ArubaOS in the KVM infrastructre. Libvrt should support passing of poll-us configuration option from VM xmlspecification to QEMU.

## Enabling Intel VT Virtualization Hardware Extensions in the BIOS

Follow the steps below to enable Intel IT virtualization hardware extensions in the BIOS:

- 1. Power on the machine and access the **BIOS Settings**.
- 2. Navigate to the Processor submenu. Processor settings menu may be hidden in Chipset, Advanced CPU Configuration, or Northbridge.
- 3. Enable Intel Virtualization Technology.

#### **Installing CentOS 7.2**

Follow the steps below to install CentOS 7.2 on your system:

- 1. Connect a DVD or bootable USB stick to install CentOS 7.2.
- 2. Select Virtualization Host in Software Selection and select all Add-Ons for the installation.
- 3. Click Done.
- 4. Navigate to the location of the CentOS 7.2 file and select the destination folder.
- 5. Click **Begin Installation**.
- 6. Create a new user and a root password for the CentOS 7.2 installation during the installation process.
- 7. Reboot the server after the installation is complete.
- 8. Login to the newly installed CentOS 7.2 and configure the network and connect the server to the Internet.

A connection to the Internet is required to validate the installation and to install other packages.

a) Check for cpu virtualization support by executing the following command:

```
[root@localhost ~] # cat /proc/cpuinfo | grep -i vmx flags : ......vmx .......
```

b) Check for KVM mode support in the Kernel. If kvm intel is not listed, manually load kvm intel using the modprobe kvm intel command.

```
[root@localhost ~]# lsmod | grep -i kvm
kvm intel 162153 0
kvm 525259 1 kvm intel
[root@localhost ~]#
```



If the **Operation not supported** error message is displayed, ensure that Intel Virtualization technology is enabled in the BIOS.

- 9. Install the following packages:
- yum install qemu-kvm-tools.x86\_64 qemu-kvm.x86\_64 qemu-kvm-common.x86\_64
- yum install virt-manager.noarch virt-manager-common.noarch
- yum install virt-install.noarch
- yum groupinstall "GNOME Desktop"
- yum install tigervnc-server xorg-x11-fonts-Type1

Follow the steps below to install the ArubaOS Mobility Master Virtual Appliance or a Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance on a KVM hypervisor:

- 1. Configuring the Virtual Network Computing (VNC) Server.
- 2. Creating a new VM and installing ArubaOS.
- 3. Deploying the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance.

## **Configuring the Virtual Network Computing Server**

Follow the steps below to configure the Virtual Network Computing (VNC) server and open up the firewall port to access the server remotely:

1. Start the VNC Server and configure a password for your CentOS server by executing the following

```
[root@localhost ~] # vncserver. You will require a password to access your desktop.
Password:
Verify:
xauth: file /root/.Xauthority does not exist
New 'localhost.localdomain:1 (root)' desktop is localhost.localdomain:1
Creating default startup script /root/.vnc/xstartup
Starting applications specified in /root/.vnc/xstartup
Log file is /root/.vnc/localhost.localdomain:1.log
```

2. Open the firewall port on the CentOS server to ensure the CentOS server can be accessed using vncviewer.

```
[root@localhost ~] # netstat -ntap | grep vnc
tcp 0 0 0.0.0.0:5901 0.0.0.0:* LISTEN 14318/Xvnc
tcp 0 0 0.0.0.0:5902 0.0.0.0:* LISTEN 5242/Xvnc
tcp 0 0 10.16.9.130:5902 10.20.102.206:51576 ESTABLISHED 5242/Xvnc
tcp6 0 0 :::5901 :::* LISTEN 14318/Xvnc
tcp6 0 0 :::5902 :::* LISTEN 5242/Xvnc
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~] # firewall-cmd --permanent --zone=public --add-port=5901/tcp
[root@localhost ~]# firewall-cmd --reload
success
[root@localhost ~]#
```

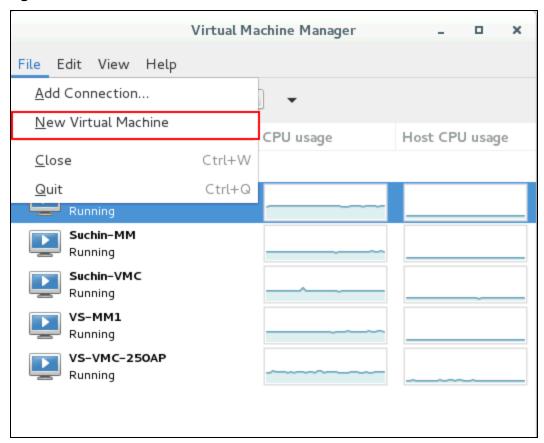
- 3. Download the AOS ISO image file from **support.arubanetworks.com** to your CentOS server. The following are examples of ISO image files:
- ArubaOS\_MM\_8.1.0.0\_57113.iso.
- ArubaOS\_VMC\_8.1.0.0\_57113.iso.

## **Creating a VM and Installing ArubaOS**

Follow the steps below to access the CentOS server through the VNC and start the virt manager to create the VM to be used by ArubaOS:

- 1. Access the terminal and type **virt-manager** to start the Virtual Machine Manager.
- 2. Access the Virtual Machine Manager tab.
- 3. Click on **File > New Virtual Machine**. The **New VM** dialog box is displayed.

Figure 21 New Virtual Machine



- 4. Select **Choose Local Install Media** and click **Forward**.
- 5. Select **Use ISO image** and click **Browse**.
- 6. Navigate to the location of the iso image and click **Choose Volume**.



Ensure that Automatically detect operating system based in install media is not selected.

- 7. Select OS type as Linux and Version as Redhat Enterprise Linux 7.2 from the drop-down lists and click Forward.
- 8. Change the **Memory (RAM)** to 8192 and **CPUs** to 6 and click **Forward**.

For Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance the RAM can be setup as 4096 (4GB) and 3 CPUs. For more information on memory and CPU allocation refer to sizing tables in the ArubaOS VM Requirements on page 10 section.

9. Select Enable Storage for this VM and change the value in Create a disk image on the computer's hard drive to 4 GB. Click Forward.

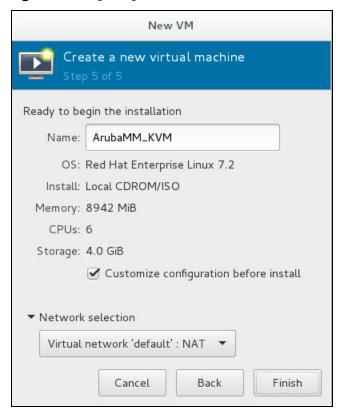
Figure 22 Enabling Storage on the VM



The size of this disk needs to be at least 4 GB for Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance.

10. Provide a name for the VM and select **Customize configuration before install**. Click **Finish**.

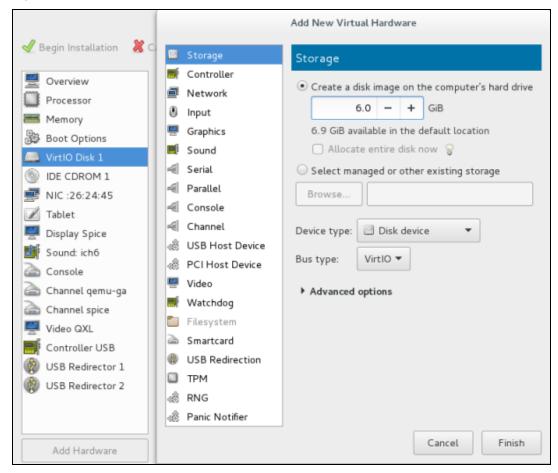
Figure 23 Beginning the Installation



11. Select VirtIO Disk 1 and click on Advanced Options and make sure the Disk bus option is VirtIO.

- 12. Click Add Hardware and add another storage device of 8 GB size (should be greater than half the size of RAM configured for the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance).
- 13. Select **VirtIO** from the **Bus type** drop-down list. Click **Finish**.

Figure 24 Adding a Second Storage Device



## Creating Bridge Entries

Create bridge entries to map all three network adapters that you will create in the steps below:



Ensure that you create a fourth bridge entry when configuring Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance.

1. Login to CentOS and create three bridges and map three physical interfaces to these bridges.

```
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addbr br1
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addif br1 eno1
[root@localhost ~] # ifconfig br1 up
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addbr br2
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addif br2 eno2
[root@localhost ~] # ifconfig br2 up
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addbr br3
[root@localhost ~] # brctl addif br3 eno3
[root@localhost ~] # ifconfig br3 up
```

2. To make these bridge entries persistent across reboots, create a file in /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ for all bridges.

```
[root@localhost ~]#vi /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-br1
DEVICE=br1
STP=no
TYPE=Bridge
IPV6INIT=yes
IPV6 AUTOCONF=no
IPV6 DEFROUTE=yes
IPV6 FAILURE FATAL=no
NAME=br1
UUID=a65be46d-a32a-4dca-bd00-f8acf9a356e5
ONBOOT=yes
IPV6 PRIVACY=no
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# cat /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfq-br2
DEVICE=br2
STP=no
TYPE=Bridge
IPV6INIT=yes
IPV6 AUTOCONF=no
IPV6 DEFROUTE=yes
IPV6 FAILURE FATAL=no
NAME=br2
UUID=19cf4539-9633-40aa-a4c5-606849b6e3db
ONBOOT=yes
IPV6 PRIVACY=no
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# cat /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-br3
DEVICE=br3
STP=no
TYPE=Bridge
IPV6INIT=yes
IPV6 AUTOCONF=no
IPV6 DEFROUTE=yes
IPV6 FAILURE FATAL=no
NAME=br3
UUID=cb9a8df9-aa37-4346-8993-9e3739a9b0ce
ONBOOT=yes
IPV6 PRIVACY=no
```

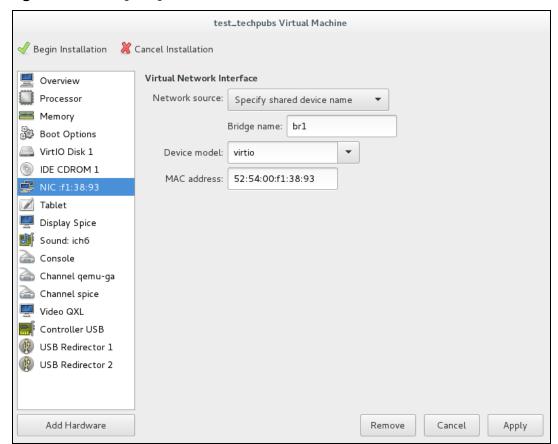
#### 3. Click **Network Interface** and enter the following values:

• Network Source: Specify shared device name.

■ Bridge name: br1

■ Device model: virtio

Figure 25 Creating Bridge Entries



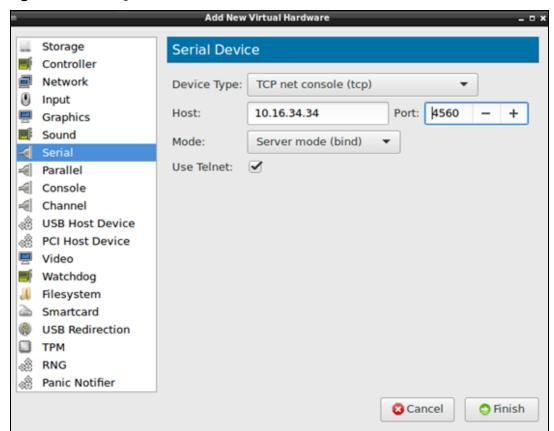
- 4. Click **Add Hardware** to add two more network interfaces.
- 5. Map bridge interfaces (**br2** and **br3**) to these network interfaces.
- 6. Click **Add Hardware** to add serial console.

## **Enabling Serial Console Over Telnet**

Follow the steps below to enable serial console over telnet. This procedure is optional.

- 1. Remove the existing Serial 1 device and click **Add Hardware**.
- 2. Select **Serial** on the left pane.
- 3. Select **TCP net Console** from the **Device Type** drop-down list.
- 4. Add the CentOS Server IP in the **Host** field and change the port number.
- 5. Select the **Use Telnet** check box and click **Finish**.

Figure 26 Enabling Serial Console Over Telnet



6. Execute the following command to ensure the host firewall permits access to port number for serial console.

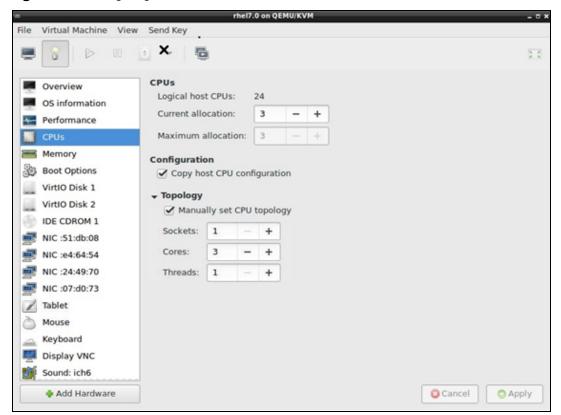
```
[root@localhost ~]# firewall-cmd --permanent --zone=public --add-port=4560/tcp
[root@localhost ~] # firewall-cmd --reload
success
```



Enable serial console redirection from the ArubaOS CLI after ArubaOS boots up by executing the following command serial console redirection enable.

- 7. Select **VNC server** as the Spice Server from the **Type** drop-down list.
- 8. Select **Copy local keymap** from the **Kepymap** drop-down list and click **Apply**.
- 9. Select **CPUs** and make select the **Copy host CPU configuration** option.
- 10. Select the Manually set CPU topology option from the Topology drop down list.
- 11. Ensure the number of **Sockets** and **Threads** is always 1 and the value of **Cores** is the same as the value of Current allocation.

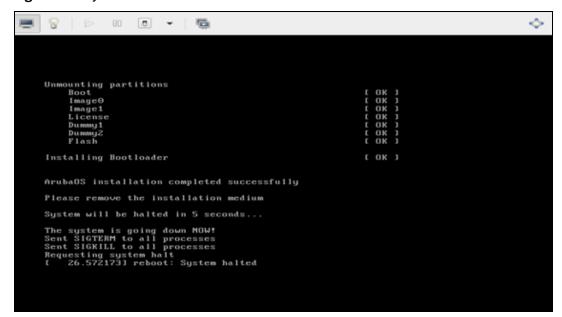
Figure 27 Configuring CPU Values



#### 12. Click **Begin Installation** and select **Install ArubaOS**.

Once the installation is complete the system will be halted after configuring the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance.

Figure 28 System Halt



13. Force reset the VM to boot ArubaOS and access to first boot dialogue.

#### **Important**

 Ensure you open the firewall port from CentOS terminal and restart the firewall. [root@localhost ~]# firewall-cmd --permanent --zone=public --add-port=7001/tcp

```
success
[root@localhost ~]# firewall-cmd --reload
[root@localhost ~]#
```

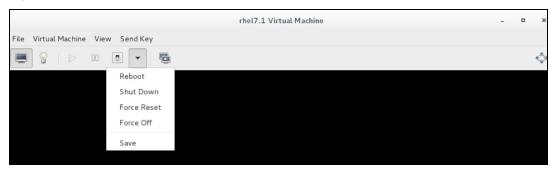
## **Configure Multiple Datapath CPUs**

To configure multiple datapath CPU's additional configuration is required both in host and guest. The guest changes cannot be made using virt-manager and hence you need to use the virsh edit command.



Ensure that the virtual machine is gracefully shut down by using either the Reboot or Shut Down option before editing the VM xml specification.

Figure 29 Graceful Shutdown



#### **Changes in Host**

#### On the KVM server, load the **vhost\_net module**

```
[root@localhost ~]# lsmod | grep vhost
[root@localhost ~] # modprobe vhost net
[root@localhost ~] # lsmod | grep vhost
vhost_net 18152 0
                 vhost
                 22363 1 vhost net
macvtap
                  27141 3 vhost net
```

#### **XML Changes in Guest**

Use the virsh edit <name of the VM> command in the KVM server and add the <driver name='vhost' **queues='y'/>"** tag, where y = total number of CPU's allocated to the VM.

For example, for a VM with six VCPU's and three NIC's of type Virtio, edit the xml and add <driver name='vhost' queues='6'> " tag for each NIC interface.

```
aruba@ubuntu-server-16x:~$ virsh list --all
Id Name
                          State
_____
   centos6.5
                          running
   vmm-500dev
                          shut off
[root@localhost ~]# virsh edit vmm-500dev
```

Domain vmm-500dev XML configuration edited.

Add <driver name='vhost' queues='6'/> after "model type='virtio" in the bridge config to ensure the values for the number of queues for the vhost and CPUs for the VM are the same.

The following snippet is an example of multi-queue XML specification for a single NIC interface. The same tag needs to be added for all Mobility Master Virtual Appliance NIC interfaces.

```
</controller>
<interface type='bridge'>
<mac address='52:54:00:d3:4a:3c'/>
```

```
<source bridge='br1'/>
<target dev='vnet10'/>
<model type='virtio'/>
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
<alias name='net0'/>
<address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x03' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
<mac address='52:54:00:49:7a:c6'/>
<source bridge='br2'/>
<target dev='vnet11'/>
<model type='virtio'/>
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
<alias name='net1'/>
<address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x04' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
<interface type='bridge'>
<mac address='52:54:00:d3:55:7d'/>
<source bridge='br3'/>
<target dev='vnet12'/>
<model type='virtio'/>
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
<alias name='net2'/>
<address type='pci' domain='0x0000' bus='0x00' slot='0x05' function='0x0'/>
</interface>
[root@localhost ~]# virsh edit vmm-500dev
Domain vmm-500dev XML configuration edited.
[root@localhost ~] # virsh dumpxml vmm-500dev | grep queues
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
<driver name='vhost' queues='6'/>
[root@localhost ~]#
```

#### Reboot the VM and once the VM boots up you should see three CPUs as indicated in the example

```
(ArubaMM) [mynode] #show datapath utilization
Datapath Network Processor Utilization
+----+
| Cpu | Cpu utilization during past |
+----+
SP | 1 |
        0% |
              0% |
                    0% |
        0% |
              0% |
FP | 2 |
                    0% |
  3 |
              0% |
                    0% |
FP |
         0% |
```

#### **Datapath CPU Allocation Summary**

```
Slow Path (SP) : 1, Slow Path Gateway (SPGW) : 0
Fast Path (FP) : 2, Fast Path Gateway (FPGW) : 0
DPI : 0, Crypto (CRYP) : 0
(ArubaMM) [mynode] #
```

# **Prerequisites**

Ensure that the following prerequisites are addressed before starting the installation:

- vSphere Client/vCenter 5.1 or 5.5 is installed on a Windows machine.
- vSphere Hypervisor 5.1 or 5.5 is installed on the server that hosts the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance as a guest.
- ISO file is obtained from an Aruba representative and accessible from vSphere Client/vCenter.

# Logging Into ESXi Host Using vSphere Client



This section describes the configuration of the VM using the vSphere Windows client, if vCenter infrastructure is available the same can be achieved through the web interface provided by vCenter.

Follow the steps to log in to the vSphere ESXi Host:

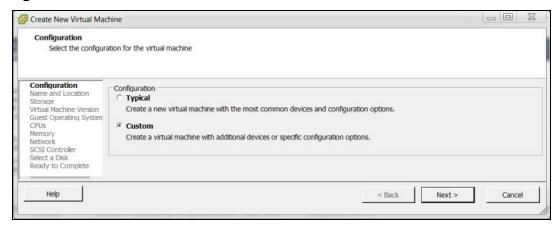
- 1. Open the vSphere Client.
- 2. Enter the IP address or name of the vSphere Hypervisor in the IP address / Name field.
- 3. Enter the user name in the **User name** field.
- 4. Enter the password in the **Password** field.
- 5. Click Login.

The **vSphere Client** page is displayed.

# **Creating a New VM**

- 1. Right click the host IP address and select **New Virtual Machine**.
- 2. Select Custom > Next.

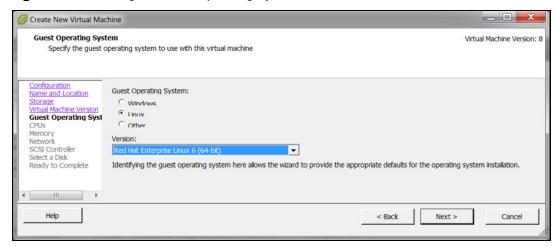
Figure 30 Create a New VM



- 3. Enter a name for the new virtual machine in **Name** field.
- 4. Select **Storage** and click **datastore1** as the destination storage. Click **Next**.
- Select the Virtual Machine Version 8.

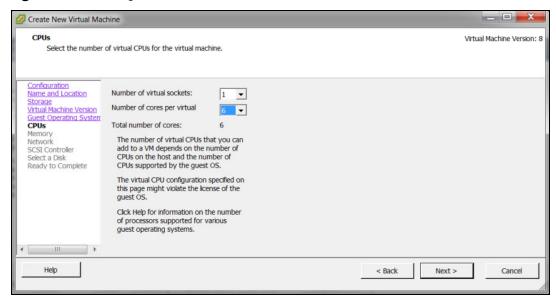
- 6. Select the **Linux** radio button for **Guest Operating System**.
- 7. Select Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 (64-bit) from the Version drop-down menu. Click Next.

Figure 31 Selecting the Guest Operating System



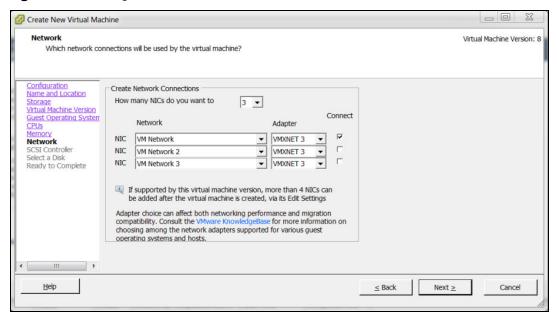
8. Select the required virtual CPUs from the **Number of cores per virtual socket drop-down list**. In this example, six virtual CPUs are used for 500 devices. For more information see, ArubaOS VM Requirements on page 10

Figure 32 Selecting Virtual CPUs



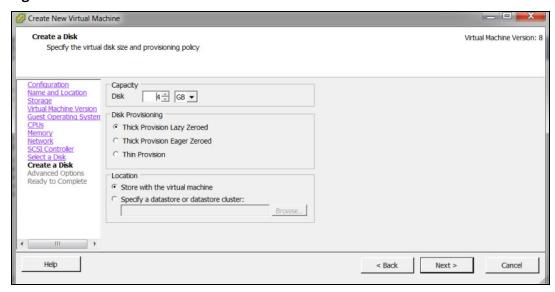
- Select the required memory. In this example 8 GB RAM is used. Click Next.
- 10. Select the required NICs for the network connections. In this example, 3 NICs are use as the installation is on the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance, in case of a Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance 4 NICs should be used.
- 11. Ensure that the **Connect at Power On** check-box is not selected for NIC 2 and NIC 3. This ensures that only the Management interface comes up on when the OS boots up.

Figure 33 Creating Network Connections



- 12. Select **LSI Logic Parallel** as the SCSI controller. Click **Next**.
- 13. Select the **Create a new virtual disk** radio button an click **Next**.
- 14. Create a 4GB disk space using the **Disk** field. Click **Next**.

Figure 34 Create New Disk



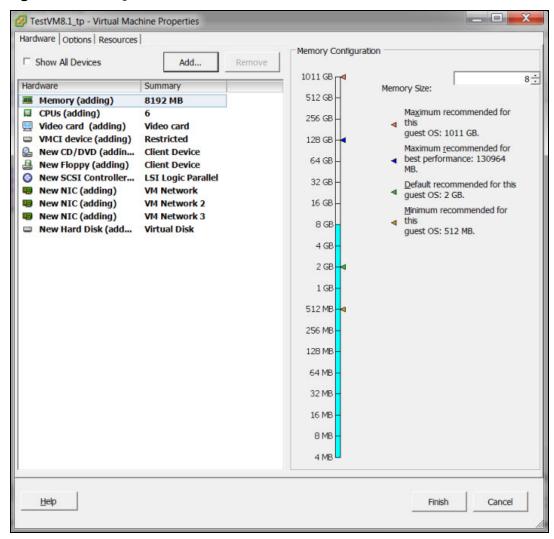
15. Select SCSI (0:0) from the Virtual Device Node drop-down list. Click Next.

# Adding a Second Disk Virtual Disk and Serial Port

Follow the steps below to create a second virtual disk and a serial port before the installation.

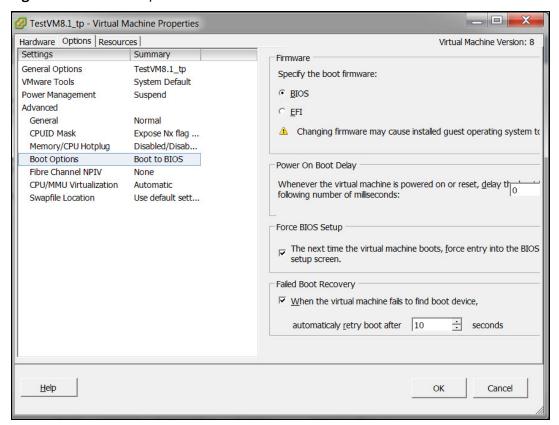
- 1. Select **Edit the virtual machine settings before** check box. Click **Continue**.
- 2. Click **Add** in the **Virtual Machine Properties** page.

Figure 35 Creating a Second Virtual Disk



- 3. Select **Hard Disk** as the device type. Click **Next**.
- 4. Create a 16GB disk space using the **Disk** field. Click **Next**.
- 5. Select SCSI (0:1) from the Virtual Device Node drop-down list. Click Next.
- 6. Click Finish.
- 7. Select the virtual machine that was created and click **Edit virtual machine settings**.
- 8. Click the **Options** tab and click **Boot Options**.
- 9. Select the Force BOOT Setup and Failed Boot Recovery check boxes. Click OK.

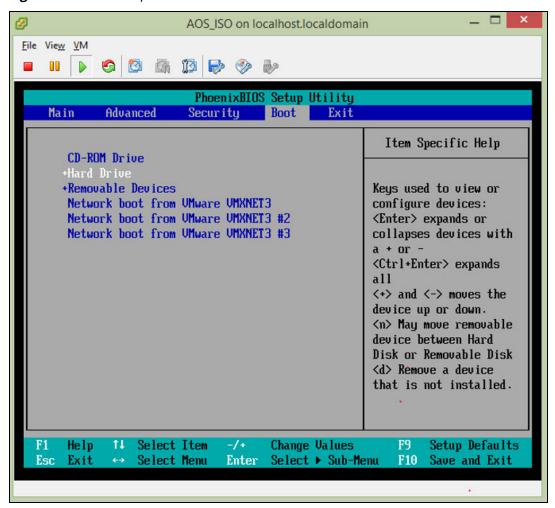
Figure 36 First Boot Options



# **Deploying the ISO File**

- 1. Power on the VM. The BIOS setup screen is displayed.
- 2. In the BIOS setup screen select the **Boot** tab and select CD-ROM Drive as the first bootable option. Press **F10** to save and exit.

Figure 37 BIOS Setup Screen



- 3. Add the ISO file to the local CD drive to enable the VM to select the ISO file from the local CD drive and start the installation.
- 4. Power off and power on the VM to continue with the configurations. For more information, see Configuring the Initial Setup on page 43.

Once the installation is complete, follow these post-installation procedures to complete the deployment.

# **Configuring the Initial Setup**

Follow the steps below to configure initial setup:

- 1. Click Power on the virtual machine.
- 2. Enter values for the following first boot parameters in the console:
  - System name
  - Switch role
  - IP type to terminate IPsec tunnel
  - Master switch IP address or FQDN
  - Is this a VPN concentrator for managed device to reach Master switch
  - This device connects to Master switch via VPN concentrator
  - Master switch Authentication method
  - IPsec Pre-shared Key
  - Uplink Vlan ID
  - Uplink port
  - Uplink port mode
  - Native VLAN ID [1]
  - Uplink Vlan IP assignment method
  - Uplink Vlan Static IP address
  - Uplink Vlan Static IP netmask
  - IP default gateway
  - DNS IP address
  - IPV6 address on vlan
  - Uplink Vlan Static IPv6 address
  - Uplink Vlan interface IPV6 prefix length
  - IPv6 default gateway
  - Country code
  - Time Zone
  - Time in UTC
  - Date
  - Password for admin login
  - Re-type password for admin login

The choices you entered in the first boot dialog are displayed.



Enter a static IP as the management IP in VLAN as part of the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance setup. This should be a routable IP in an accessible subnet that the user can use to access the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance via CLI (SSH) or Web GUI (HTTP) after VM setup is complete.

Enter **<Ctrl P>** to make changes to the first boot parameters.

- 3. Enter **Yes** to accept the changes. The Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance reboots and displays the log in prompt.
- 4. Log in with user name as admin and the password set in Step 2.
- 5. Execute the **enable** command.
- 6. Power on the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance and execute the following command to enable the serial console.



Serial console redirect requires the vSphere Enterprise Plus license. When you enable serial console redirect, the vSphere console host window will be blank.

```
(host) #serial console redirect enable
```

Execute the following command to see the status of the serial console.

```
(host) #show serial console redirect
      Serial Console Redirect : Enabled
```

Execute the following commands to disable and view the status of the serial console.

```
(host) #serial console redirect disable
(host) #show serial console redirect
       Serial Console Redirect : Disabled
```

Reboot the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance to access the serial console after enabling the serial console redirect.



To access the serial console telnet the IP address of the serial console followed by the serial port configured. For example: telnet 10.16.12.27 6001.

# **Management Interface**

The Mobility Master Virtual Appliance/Mobility Controller Virtual Appliance is a VM instance and access to the console is dependent on the deployment environment. If access through the serial port is denied you can alternatively access the console through the Management Interface. After an IP is assigned, the management interface can be accessed from anywhere in the network. To implement this change a separate routing table is assigned with its own default gateway for managing the IP that is introduced. This ensures the management traffic is routed to the right interface.

The initial implementation of this feature covers IPv4, IPv6, and manual configuration of a static IP for management interface from the console.



This feature cannot be configured using the WebUI.

Execute the following commands to configure an IP on the management interface:

## IPv4:

```
(host) [mynode] #configure terminal
Enter Configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z
(host) [mynode] (config) #interface mgmt
```

```
(host) [mynode] (config-submode) #ip address 10.16.9.203 255.255.255.0
```

## IPv6:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) #interface mgmt
(host) [mynode] (config-submode) #ipv6 address 2014::184/64
```

Execute the following commands to configure a default gateway for the management interface traffic and to segregate the management traffic from the normal data traffic on datapath ports:

## IPv4:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) #ip default-gateway mgmt 10.16.9.2
```

### IPv6:

(host) [mynode] (config) #ipv6 default-gateway mgmt 2014::1

## **ARP Issues**

### Scenario

ARP issue occurs when Promiscuous Mode is not enabled and all VLANs are disallowed on vSwitch.

### Instructions

Enable Promiscuous Mode and allow all VLANs on vSwitch.

To enable Promiscuous Mode, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to vSphere ESXi Host.
- 2. Switch to **Configuration** tab.
- 3. Select **Networking** under **Hardware** section.
- 4. Click **Properties** for a configured vSwitch.
- 5. Click **Edit** under **Ports** tab of **vSwitch Properties** window.
- 6. Switch to **Security** tab in **vSwitch Properties** window.
- 7. Select **Accept** from the **Promiscuous Mode** drop-down list.



Enable Promiscuous Mode on all ports attached to the VM.

8. Click OK.

To allow all VLANs on vSwitch, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the vSphere ESXi Host.
- 2. Click the **Configuration** tab.
- 3. Select **Networking** under **Hardware** section.
- 4. Click **Properties** for a configured vSwitch.
- 5. Select a configured VM network under **Ports** tab of **vSwitch Properties** window.
- 6. Click **Edit** under **Ports** tab of **vSwitch Properties** window.
- 7. Select **All (4095)** from the drop-down list against **VLAN ID** (Optional).
- 8. Click OK.

## **Characters Repeating In Remote Console**

The user notices unintended keystrokes when typing into a remote console. To resolve this issue, refer to the following KB article:

http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=196

## **Networks Cards Not Detected**

When a new network card is added to the ESXi/ESX host the following symptoms might be displayed:

The new network card is not recognized by the system.

■ The new network card is not listed when you run the command **esxcfg-nics -l**.

To resolve this issue, refer to the following KB article:

http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=1034782

# **HP Proliant DL580 Running ESXi 5.5 Is Not Powered On Due To Memory Leaks**

HP Proliant DL580 running ESXi 5.5 will not be powered on due to memory leaks. To resolve this issue, refer to the following KB article:

http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_%20US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=2085618

## **Network Interfaces Are Not In The Correct Order**

Adding a fifth network adapter that uses **vmxnet3** devices changes the PCI bus IDs and also the order of network interfaces. To resolve this issue, refer to the following KB article:

https://communities.vmware.com/thread/443600

## **Connectivity Issues Observed When Using Multiple vSwitches**

Connectivity issues observed when multiple vSwitches in a VM network. To resolve this issue, refer to the following KB article:

https://communities.vmware.com/thread/460582

This chapter details additional information required in the current version of the Mobility Master. Click the following links for more information:

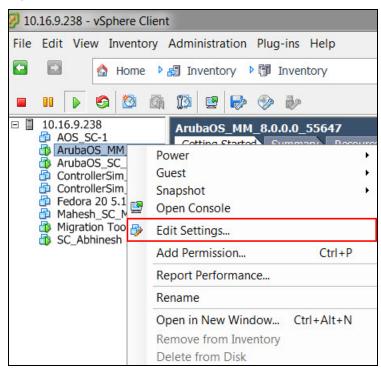
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- Upgrading a Controller on page 59

# Increasing the Flash Size on a vSphere Hypervisor

ArubaOS enables you to increase the size of your flash to ensure that the flash is hosted on a separate disk. By doing this you can move to a hard disk with higher storage capacity for flash with minimal impact. Follow the steps below to increase the size of the flash on the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance.

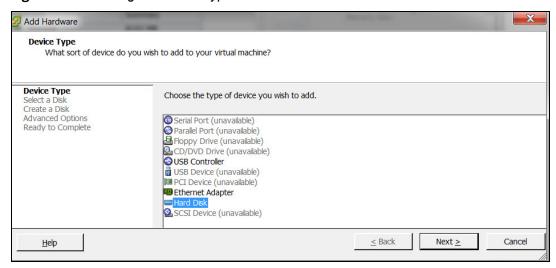
- 1. Power down the VM.
- 2. Right click the VM in the vSphere client and click **Edit Settings**.
- 3. Click Add in the Virtual Machine Properties window.

Figure 38 Virtual Machine Properties



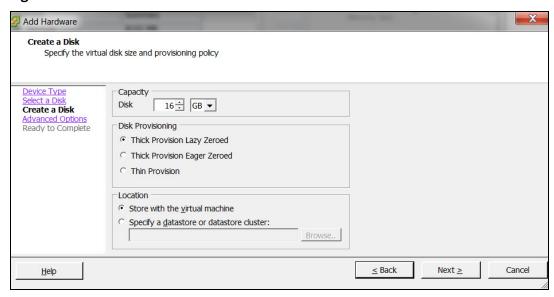
4. Click **Hard Disk** in the **Add Hardware** window and click **Next**.

Figure 39 Selecting the Device Type



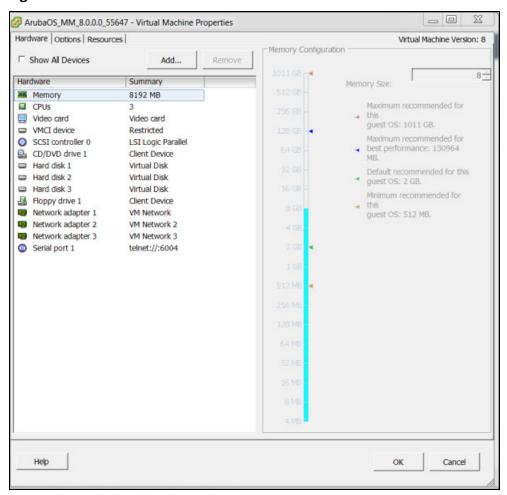
- 5. Select Create a new virtual disk and click Next.
- 6. Enter a value of the desired disk size and select **Thick Provision Lazy Zeroed**. Click **Next**.

Figure 40 Create Disk



7. Click **Next** in the **Advanced Options** window and click **Finish**.

Figure 41 New Hard Disk



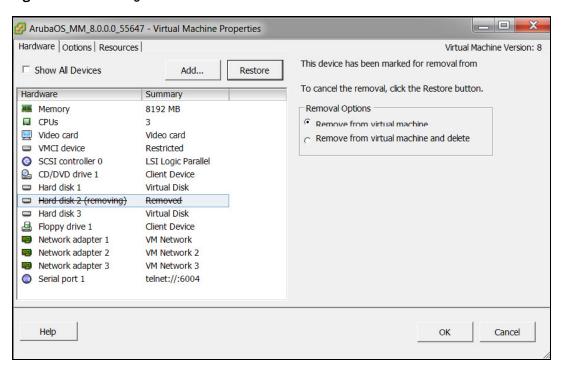
8. Power on the VM and ArubaOS will migrate data from the old hard disk to the new one.

Figure 42 Migrating Data

```
Aruba Networks
ArubaOS Version 8.0.0.0-sucs-ctrl (build 0000 / label #srini@srini_fc12_adu_services-ctrl2-ENG.0000)
Built by srini@localhost.localdomain on 2016-05-04 at 13:11:48 IST (gcc version 4.7.2)
Copyright (c) 2002-2016, Aruba, a Hewlett Packard Enterprise company.
Formatting new flash
Forcing filesystem check on new flash
                                                                                              [ OK ]
Mounting new flash
Copying files to new flash
                                      Welcome to Aruba Networks - Aruba MM
[10:53:53]:Probing for EEPROM devices [10:53:53]:Probing for real-time clock
                                                                                              I NOT FOUND 1
                                                                                              [ OK ]
 [10:53:53]:Uncompressing core image files
```

- 9. Confirm if the newly added Hard disk 3 is used by ArubaOS. The Hard disk 3 will be listed as /dev/sdc1 and if old hard disk is in use, it will be listed as /dev/sdb1. If the OVF file only contains a single hard disk it be listed as /dev/sda3.
- 10. If the new Hard disk 3 is working as expected, the older hard disk can be removed from the VM and deleted from disk of the vSphere server.

Figure 43 Removing a Hard Disk





ArubaOS supports only 3 disks and the size of the new disk that is added should be more than the current disk size.

# Increasing the Flash Size on a KVM Hypervisor

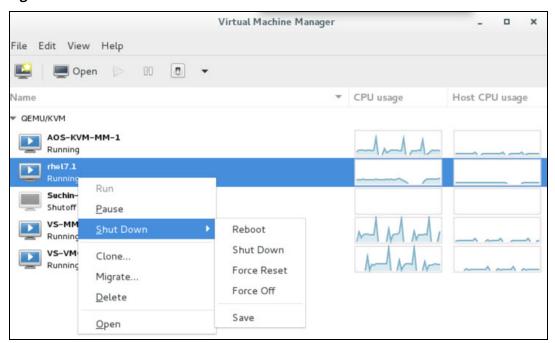
ArubaOS enables you to increase the size of your flash to ensure that the flash is hosted on a separate disk. By doing this you can move to a hard disk with higher storage capacity for flash with minimal impact. Follow the steps below to increase the size of the flash on the Mobility Master Virtual Appliance.

1. To protect the data on the controller, take a flashback up of ArubaOS using scp/ftp/tftp.

```
(ArubaMM) [mynode] #show storage
Filesystem
                                   Used Available Use% Mounted on
                         Size
none
                         3.0G
                                   5.6M 3.0G 0% /tmp
/dev/vdb1
                         7.7G
                                 452.7M
                                             6.9G
                                                   6% /flash
/dev/vda5
                         1.4G
                                 380.3M 1022.7M 27% /mnt/disk1
                                 380.3M 1022.7M 27% /mnt/disk2
/dev/vda6
                         1.4G
(ArubaMM) [mynode] #backup flash
Please wait while we take the flash backup......
File flashbackup.tar.gz created successfully on flash.
Please copy it out of the controller and delete it when done.
(ArubaMM) [mynode] # copy flash: flashbackup.tar.gz scp: 10.16.9.107 tester
flashbackup.tar.gz
```

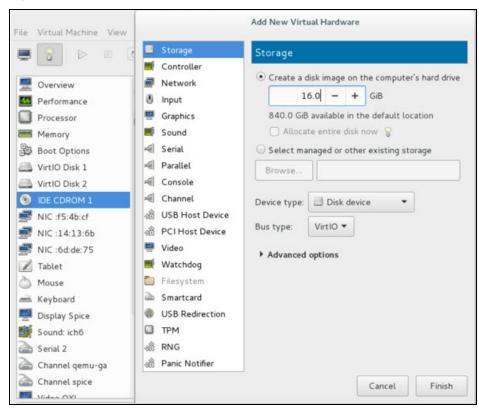
- 2. Access the virt-manager and right click on the VM. Select **Shut Down**.
- 3. Click **Shut Down** for a graceful shutdown of the VM.

Figure 44 Graceful Shutdown



- 4. Add a new VirtIO Disk according to your requirement. For more information refer to the sizing table in ArubaOS VM Requirements on page 10.
- 5. Double click the VM and click **Show virtual hardware details**. Click on **Add Hardware**.
- 6. In the Add New Virtual Hardware window click Storage. Enter a desired value for the Create a disk **image on the computer hard drive option** and click **Finish**. A new disk is added.

Figure 45 Adding New Virtual Hardware



7. Power on the VM. The following message is displayed when ArubaOS boots up.

**Aruba Networks** 

ArubaOS Version 8.1.0.0 (build 57204 / label #57204)

Built by p4build@lemnos on 2017-04-06 at 20:26:23 PST (gcc version 4.7.2)

(c) Copyright 2017 Hewlett Packard Enterprise Development LP.

[10:18:22]:Starting device manager [OK]

Formatting new flash [OK]

Forcing filesystem check on new flash [OK]

Mounting new flash [OK]

Copying files to new flash [OK]

8. Once the system boots up, the new disk will show up as vdc and not vdb. The flash will contain the old data.

(ArubaMM)	[mynode]	#show	storage					
Filesystem	l		Size	Used	Available	Use%	Mounted on	
none			3.0G	7.5M	3.0G	0%	/tmp	
/dev/vdc1			15.6G	477.7M	14.4G	3%	/flash	
/dev/vda5			1.4G	380.3M	1022.7M	27%	/mnt/disk1	
/dev/vda6			1.4G	380.3M	1022.7M	27%	/mnt/disk2	
(ArubaMM)	[mynode]	#						

- 9. Power off the VM and select VirtIO Disk2. Click Remove and reboot the controller.
- 10. Click Yes in the Are you sure you want to remove this device window.
- 11. The following information is displayed after rebbot and you will be able to use the new disk.

(ArubaMM) [m	nynode]	#show	storage				
Filesystem			Size	Used	Available	Use%	Mounted on
none			3.0G	7.6M	3.0G	0%	/tmp
/dev/vdb1			15.6G	477.8M	14.4G	3%	/flash
/dev/vda5			1.4G	380.3M	1022.7M	27%	/mnt/disk1
/dev/vda6			1.4G	380.3M	1022.7M	27%	/mnt/disk2
(ArubaMM) [m	nvnode l	#					



ArubaOS supports only 3 disks and the size of the new disk that is added should be more than the current disk size.

# **Backing up and Restoring Critical Data**

It is important to frequently back up all critical configuration data and files on the compact flash file system to an external server or mass storage device. Ensure the following files are backed up regularly:

- Configuration data
- WMS database
- Local user database
- Licensing database
- Floor plan JPEGs
- Custom captive portal pages
- x.509 certificates
- Controller Logs

## **Back Up and Restore Compact Flash in the WebUI**

The WebUI provides the easiest way to back up and restore the entire compact flash file system. The following steps describe how to back up and restore the compact flash file system using the WebUI on the Mobility

#### Master:

- 1. Click on the **Configuration** tab.
- 2. Click **Pending Configuration** and then **Deploy Changes**. **Pending Changes** is visible only when there changes to be saved, if this option is not visible skip this step.
- 3. Navigate to the **Diagnostics > Technical Support > Backup Flash** page.
- 4. Click **Create Backup** to back up the contents of the compact flash file system to the flashbackup.tar.gz file.
- 5. Click **Copy Backup** to copy the file to an external server.
  - You can later copy the backup file from the external server to the compact flash file system using the file utility in the **Diagnostics** > **Technical Support** > **Copy Files** page.
- 6. To restore the backup file to the compact flash file system, navigate to the **Diagnostics > Technical Support > Restore Flash** page. Click **Restore**.

## **Back Up and Restore Compact Flash in the CLI**

The following steps describe the backup and restore procedure for the entire compact flash file system using the controller's command line:

1. Enter **config** mode in the CLI on the controller, and enter the following command:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) #write memory
```

2. Use the backup command to back up the contents of the compact flash file system to the **flashbackup.tar.gz file**.

```
(host) [mynode] (config) # backup flash
Please wait while we tar relevant files from flash...
Please wait while we compress the tar file...
Checking for free space on flash...
Copying file to flash...
File flashbackup.tar.gz created successfully on flash.
```

3. Use the copy command to transfer the backup flash file to an external server or storage device:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) copy flash: flashbackup.tar.gz ftp: <ftphost> <ftpusername>
<ftpuserpassword> <remote directory>
(host) [mynode] (config) copy flash: flashbackup.tar.gz usb: partition <partition-number>
```

You can later transfer the backup flash file from the external server or storage device to the compact flash file system with the copy command:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) # copy tftp: <tftphost> <filename> flash: flashbackup.tar.gz
(host) [mynode] (config) # copy usb: partition <partition-number> <filename> flash:
flashbackup.tar.gz
```

4. Use the restore command to untar and extract the flashbackup.tar.gz file to the compact flash file system:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) # restore flash
```

## **Back Up and Restore Configuration in the CLI**

The following steps describe the backup and restore procedure for the config file system using the controller's command line:

1. Enter **config** mode in the CLI on the controller, and execute the following command:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) #write memory
```

2. Use the backup command to back up the contents of the compact flash file system to the **configbackup.tar.gz** file.

```
(host) [mynode] (config) # backup flash
Please wait while we tar relevant files from flash...
Please wait while we compress the tar file...
Checking for free space on flash...
Copying file to flash...
File configbackup.tar.gz created successfully on flash.
```

3. Use the copy command to transfer the backup flash file to an external server or storage device:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) copy flash: configbackup.tar.gz ftp: <ftphost> <ftpusername>
<ftpuserpassword> <remote directory>
(host) [mynode] (config) copy flash: configbackup.tar.gz usb: partition <partition-number>
```

You can later transfer the backup flash file from the external server or storage device to the compact flash file system with the copy command:

```
(host) # copy tftp: <tftphost> <filename> flash: configbackup.tar.gz
(host) # copy usb: partition <partition-number> <filename> flash: configbackup.tar.gz
```

4. Use the restore command to untar and extract the **configbackup.tar.gz** file to restore the configuration:

```
(host) [mynode] (config) # restore config
Please wait while we restore the config backup......
Config restored successfully.
Please reload (reboot) the controller for the new config to take effect.
```

## Snapshot

A VMware snapshot is a copy of the virtual machine's disk file (VMDK) at a given point in time. Snapshots provide a change log for the virtual disk and are used to restore a VM to a particular point in time when a failure or system error occurs.

A snapshot preserves the state and data of a virtual machine at a specific point in time. A virtual machine provides several operations for creating and managing snapshots and snapshot chains. These operations let you create snapshots, revert to any snapshot in the chain, and remove snapshots. For additional information about snapshots refer to the VMware kb article

https://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en\_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=1015180.

# **Implementing Management Interface**

This sections discusses implementation of the management interface on the Mobility Master. It includes the following:

- Assigning the IP address to the management interface from the CLI
- Ensuring management bound traffic uses the correct interfaces and a default gateway specific to the management interface
- Protecting the management interface against unwanted traffic and DOS attacks

Once the IP is assigned (manual or dynamic) we should be able to reach the management interface from anywhere in the network. This requires that we have a default gateway for the management interface. But this default gateway should not be used for the data routing table of the controller. So the inherent problem is that we need to have two default gateways; one for the management interface and the other for the data traffic and the management traffic should be via the management interface only. This is solved by the use of the iproute2 utility and having a separate routing table with its own default gateway for the management IP. With this we can ensure that the management traffic does not leak onto unwanted interfaces.

The management interface is mapped to eth0 and is a Linux interface. It is not a part of SOS and does not have access to the SOS firewall to protect itself. Since the management interface is susceptible to attacks it is imperative that we should firewall this interface. For this we use the iptables firewall present in Linux. We allow only ssh (22), telnet(2323),tftp(69) and HTTPS(443,4343) traffic on the management interface and also rate limit traffic to protect controller from unwanted traffic flood over the network. Initially phase of this feature is implemented for manually configuring a static IP for management interface from the console. It covers both IPv4 and IPv6 implementation. Most of the functional behavior and implementation are same for IPv4 and IPv6. This feature can be extended for obtaining IP dynamically from DHCP server in the network in future.

# **Datapath Debug Commands**

Listed below are the commands to view the system statistics of your controller:

Execute the **show datapath frame [counters]** command to view statistics of the data traffic processed. This command displays the frame statistics that are received and transmitted from the datapath of the controller. Allocated frames indicate buffers allocated at any given point of time. A constant increment in the buffer indicates a buffer leak.

The following example displays statistics of data traffic processed.

```
(host) #show datapath frame counters
+---+
|SUM/| | |
|CPU | Addr | Description Value |
+---+
| | [04] | IPv6 Unknown Unicast 5 |
| G | [00] | BPDUs Received 28 |
+---+----+
```

■ Execute the **show port stats** command to view the traffic received/transmitted through gigabit ports using the datapath.

The following example displays the port statistics.

```
(host) #show port stats
Port Statistics
Port PacketsIn PacketsOut BytesIn BytesOut InputErrorBytes OutputErrorBytes CRCErrors
RxNoMbuf
GE 0/0/0 6179766 46516 1192249262 3446810 0 0 0 0
GE 0/0/1 179 166996 14782 5019706 0 0 0 0
GE 0/0/2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Execute the **show datapath heartbeat stats** command to monitor the health of the systems. Heartbeats are sent from the control plane to the datapath every second. The packets pass through the datapath CPUs and return to the control plane in one second. If the load on the system increases or there is a CPU lock there is a possibility of the heartbeat being missed. If this recurs 30 times consecutively the controller reboots. The heartbeat probe introduced in this release, sends out a probe when two consecutive heartbeats are missed and also measures the actual time taken for the packets to pass through the datapath CPUs and return to the control plane.

The following example displays the heartbeat statistics.

```
(host) #show datapath heartbeat stats
Sibyte HeartBeat Stats:
  Total HB sent: 42686
  Total HB send errors: 0
  Current HB send errors: 0 (max:30)
  HB send errors high water-mark: 0
```

```
Sibyte Probe Stats:

Total probes sent: 0

Last probe sent @ 0:00:00.000

Last probe rcvd @ 0:00:00.000
```

■ Execute the **show datapath dpdk [mempool-stats | ring-stats]** command to view the DPDK mempool and ring statistics. Since the size of the mempool and ring may vary based on the system template this command identifies the size of the structures used.

```
The following example displays DPDK mempool and ring statistics.
(host) #show datapath dpdk mempool-stats
DPDK Memory Pool Statistics Table
mPoolName mPoolAddr Flags phyAddr Size hdrSize eltSize tSize priDataSize success bulk
success objs fail bulk fail objs cPoolCount
log history 0x2aaaaa802080 0 0x0xa9002080 512 64 2048 0 0 0 0 0 0 479
mbuf pool 0x2aaa36200000 0 0x0xa9400000 65536 64 4032 0 0 0 0 0 62935
msq 0x7fecd6700080 0 0x0x24700080 1024 64 40 24 0 0 0 0 1024
(host) #show datapath dpdk ring-stats
DPDK Ring Statistics Table
---- ---- ------ ----
Flags: Flag - set for single producer or consumer
Used - number of entries in a ring
Freed - number of free entries in a ring
QThreshold - Enqueque Threshold
nQSuccessBulk - Successful enqueues number
nQSuccessObjs - Objects successfully enqueued
nQFailBulk - Failed enqueues number
nQFailObjs - Objects that failed to be enqueued
dQSuccessBulk - Sucessful dequeues number
dQSuccessObjs - Objects successfully dequeued
dQFailBulk - Failed dequeues number
dQFailObjs - Objects that failed to be dequeued
RingName RingAddr Flag Used Freed QThreshold nQSuccessBulk nQSuccessObjs nQFailBulk
nQFailObjs dQSuccessBulk dQSuccessObjs dQFailBulk dQFailObjs
---- ------ ------
MP log history 0x2aaaaa800000 0 479 544 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
MP mbuf pool 0x7fecd6600000 \ 0 \ 62908 \ 68163 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0
core-0-low 0x2aaaaa98a5c0 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
core-0-high 0x2aaaaa98c640 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
core-1-low 0x2aaaaa98e6c0 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
core-1-high 0x2aaaaa990740 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
core-2-low 0x2aaaaa9927c0 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
core-2-high 0x2aaaaa994840 2 0 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
MP msg 0x2aaaaa9968c0 0 1024 1023 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Execute the **show datapath utilization** command to view the CPU utilization of all the datapath CPUs

The following example displays datapath CPU utilization statistics.



If the CPU speed is more than 2.1 GHz, data displayed under the 64 Secs option is invalid, but valid only for 1 Sec and 4 Sec options. Counter inconsistency is only for CPUs with speed more than 2.1 GHz.

```
(host) #show datapath utilization
Datapath Network Processor Utilization
----+
| Cpu utilization during past |
Cpu | 1 Sec 4 Secs 64 Secs |
----+
1 | 0% | 0% | 0% |
2 | 0% | 0% | 0% |
```

Execute the **show cpuload [current]** command to view the controller's CPU load for application and system processes. Use the current option to check the output of the top two UNIX commands.

The following example shows that the majority of the controller's CPU resources are not being used by either the application (user) or system processes.

```
(host) #show cpuload
user 6.9%, system 7.7%, idle 85.4%
```

The following example displays the summary of system (CPU) load. When the current option is used, it displays detailed information of the CPU load for each process.

```
(host) #show cpuload [current]
top2 - 05:09:29 up 2 days, 9 min, 0 users, load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.05
Tasks: 132 total, 2 running, 130 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
Cpu(s): 2.5%us, 1.5%sy, 0.0%ni, 96.0%id, 0.0%wa, 0.0%hi, 0.0%si, 0.0%st
Mem: 7915932k total, 2817304k used, 5098628k free, 2744k buffers
Swap: Ok total, Ok used, Ok free, 193244k cached
PID USER PR NI VIRT RES SHR S %CPU %MEM TIME+ COMMAND
3462 root 20 0 2134m 16m 7772 S 26 0.2 744:48.18 sos.shumway.elf
3654 root 20 0 56112 5856 4732 S 4 0.1 40:48.87 gsmmgr
3503 root 20 0 0 0 0 R 2 0.0 63:24.05 kmi single
1 root 20 0 8340 676 572 S 0 0.0 0:00.92 init
2 root 20 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 kthreadd
3 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.22 ksoftirgd/0
5 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:02.02 kworker/u:0
6 root RT 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 migration/0
7 root RT 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 migration/1
8 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:01.94 kworker/1:0
9 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:07.79 ksoftirqd/1
10 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:01.26 kworker/0:1
11 root RT 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 migration/2
12 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:01.08 kworker/2:0
13 root 20 0 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:05.80 ksoftirqd/2
14 root 0 -20 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 cpuset
15 root 0 -20 0 0 0 S 0 0.0 0:00.00 khelper
```

# **Upgrading a Controller**

Follow the steps below to upgrade the controller. You can upgrade the OS on the controller either through WebUI or through the CLI. The following methods can be used to upgrade the OS on the controller:

- TFTP
- FTP
- SCP
- Local File (This option is available while upgrading through WebUI)

Be sure to back up the controllers as described in **Backing up and Restoring Critical Data**.

In the WebUI:

- 1. In the Mobility Master node hierarchy, navigate to **Configuration > Upgrade > Software Management.**
- 2. Choose the upgrade method.
- 3. If you are using TFTP, FTP, or SCP for upgrade enter the server IP address.
- 4. Enter the image file name.
- 5. Choose the partition to upgrade.
- 6. Select Yes to Reboot Controller After Upgrade.
- 7. Select **Yes** to **Save Current Configuration Before Reboot**.
- 8. Click **Upgrade**.

In the CLI:

Execute the following commands on the CLI to upgrade the OS:

```
For TFTP: (host) [mynode] (config) # copy tftp: <TFTP server IP address> <image file name>
system: partition <0 or 1>
```

```
For FTP: (host) [mynode] (config)# copy ftp: <FTP server IP address> <username> <image file
name> system: partition <0 or 1>
```

For SCP: (host) [mynode] (config) # copy scp: <SCP host IP address> <username> <image file name>
system: partition <0 or 1>

Once the image is uploaded in the flash, save the configuration and reload the controller.

If the following error message is displayed, follow the steps above to reload the OS on both partitions.