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The vCloud Director Extender User's Guide provides information about installing, configuring, and managing vCloud Director Extender.

Intended Audience

This information is intended for VMware Cloud Provider Program service providers and experienced system administrators who are familiar with virtual machine technology and data center operations including but not limited to the following areas:

- VMware vSphere®
- VMware vCloud Director®
- VMware NSX®
- Virtual Infrastructure
- Secure Shell (SSH)
- Bash

VMware Technical Publications Glossary

VMware Technical Publications provides a glossary of terms that might be unfamiliar to you. For definitions of terms as they are used in VMware technical documentation, go to http://www.vmware.com/support/pubs.

Introduction to vCloud Director Extender

VMware vCloud Director Extender creates a hybrid cloud environment between an end-user on-premise data center, and a multi-tenant vCloud Director environment.

With vCloud Director Extender, you can connect an on-premise vCenter Server to a multi-tenant cloud environment managed by vCloud Director. You use vCloud Director Extender to securely and seamlessly migrate on-premise virtual machines, and extend your on-premise virtual network to the cloud.

During the vCloud Director Extender deployment, you install and configure system components in both the tenant and service provider environments. Once the service provider environment is configured, endpoint information must be provided to the tenant administrator.
vCloud Director Extender DC Extension providers a Layer 2 (L2) network stretching from the on-premise networks to the cloud networks.

With Warm Migration, Warm Migration with Preloaded Seed and Cutover, you migrate a powered on virtual machines to the cloud with a minimal downtime.

With Cold Migration, you migrate powered off virtual machines to the cloud with a minimal downtime.

With Test Cutover you test the target virtual machine in the cloud site after warm migration.

vCloud Director Extender provides a simple scheduling capability for all three types of migration and for Cutover, and Test Cutover operations.

You can perform multiple migrations of the same type by creating a Warm Migration, Warm Migration with Preloaded Seed or Cold Migration job.
Deploying vCloud Director Extender

The vCloud Director Extender deployment consists of installing and configuring the Service Provider environment (vCloud Director) and the Tenant environment (vCenter Server).

vCloud Director Extender is delivered as a single OVA file. You deploy all vCloud Director Extender components in both service provider and tenant environments.

For a first-time configuration, the vCloud Director Extender Setup wizard takes you through the installation and configuration.

Deployment Architecture

The following diagram presents the data flow and network ports within and between vCloud Director Extender service provider and tenant environments.

As the deployment process is different for service providers and tenants, the firewall rules and network address translation must be configured to allow the traffic from and to the tenant and the service provider environment.

Various network ports are used by different components in both service provider and tenant components.
Service Provider Deployment

The cloud deployment consists of installing a vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance, a Replication Manager, and a Replicator as virtual appliances, and configuring these appliances by using the Cloud Service Setup UI. You access the Cloud Service Setup UI at https://vCD_Extender_Cloud_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt/.

After the service provider environment is fully set, you must share the endpoint details with a tenant administrator. vCloud Director Extender components in the service provider site must be set and running, before the tenant administrator can proceed with installing and configuring the vCloud Director Extender components in the on-premise environment.

Service Provider Deployment Behind a Firewall

If you are deploying vCloud Director Extender behind a firewall in the service provider environment, you must provide two public IP addresses - one for the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance and one for the Replication Manager.

- You configure an NAT rule, to allow traffic from the public IP address of the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance SP-Public-IP-1:443 to the private address of the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance vCD-Extender-Cloud-Appliance-IP:443.

- You configure an NAT rule, to allow traffic from the public IP address of the Replication Manager SP-Public-IP-2:443 to the private IP address of the Replication Manager Replication-Manager-IP:443.

- You configure an NAT rule, to allow traffic from the public IP address of the Replicator SP-Public-IP-2:44045 to the private IP address of the Replicator Replicator-IP:44045.

Tenant Deployment

The tenant, on-premise deployment consists of installing a vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance and a Replicator as virtual appliances, and configuring these appliances by using the OnPrem Setup UI. You access the OnPrem Setup UI at https://vCD_Extender_OnPrem_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt. Verify that the ESXi firewall rules are configured to allow outbound connection on port 44046 to the Replicator.

Tenant Deployment Behind a Firewall

If you are deploying vCloud Director Extender behind a firewall in the tenant environment, you must provide one public IP address for the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance.

You configure an NAT rule, to allow traffic from the public IP address of the tenant Replicator Public-Tenant-IP:443 to the private IP address of the tenant Replicator Tenant-Replicator-IP:8043. You must enable the proxy server/ firewall to outbound on port 44046, if there is a proxy server/ firewall between the ESXi and the Replicator.
This chapter includes the following topics:

- vCloud Director Extender Components
- Service Provider Requirements
- Tenant Requirements
- (Optional) Configuring a Proxy Server
- Service Provider Installation and Configuration
- Tenant Installation and Configuration

vCloud Director Extender Components

vCloud Director Extender includes multiple components that you must install and configure in a specific order. You use the management interface of each of the vCloud Director Extender appliances - Cloud Service Setup UI at https://vCD_Extender_Cloud_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt/ and OnPrem Setup UI at https://vCD_Extender_OnPrem_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt - to install and configure the vCloud Director Extender software.

You use the vCloud Director Extender OVA file to deploy the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance and the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance. You use the Cloud Service Setup UI and the OnPrem Setup UI to install and configure the remaining vCloud Director Extender components.

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<td>vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance that hosts the CX Cloud Service</td>
<td>You deploy the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance in the service provider cloud environment by using the vCloud Director Extender OVA. The vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance hosts the CX Cloud Service and the Cloud Service Setup UI that you use for configuring the vCloud Director Extender cloud components.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Replication Manager</td>
<td>You deploy the Replication Manager in the service provider cloud environment. Replication Manager manages the Replicator and is responsible for configuring the Replicator hosts and staging the replication workflow.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NSX (NSX Manager and NSX Edge service gateways)</td>
<td>NSX is the network virtualization platform used in the service provider environment. For more information, see NSX Installation Guide.</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**Note** During vCloud Director Extender configuration operations, the Cloud Service Setup UI deploys a dedicated VM for each component. A vCloud Director Extender installation consists of a minimum of four VMs, including at least one Replicator host per resource vCenter Server. Depending on the load, you might add additional Replicator instances for a resource vCenter Server. For more information, see Add a New Replicator.

Table 2-2. Tenant Components

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<td>NSX is an optional component for the tenant environment. If NSX is deployed in the on-premise environment, you can extend both on-premise VLAN and VxLAN networks to a cloud VxLAN network. If NSX is not deployed in the tenant environment, vCloud Director Extender deploys an NSX for vSphere Standalone Edge - Client 6.3.0 that is included in the vCloud Director Extender OVA file. For such environments, you can only extend a VLAN on-premise network to VxLAN network in the cloud.</td>
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Service Provider Requirements

Before you install vCloud Director Extender, verify that you fulfill the product release, licensing, network, and access requirements.
Product Release and Licensing Requirements

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| vSphere   | For information about the interoperability between vCenter Server and vCloud Director Extender, see VMware Product Interoperability Matrices.  
VMware vSphere Essentials Plus Kit or above.  
To download the vCloud Director Extender OVA file, you must have a valid vSphere license. |

Network and Access Requirements

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| Network     | The network bandwidth between on-premises and vCloud Director VDC must be 100 Mbps or higher.  
Assign static IP addresses to the virtual machines hosting vCloud Director Extender components and services. vCloud Director Extender does not run any preliminary checks to verify the validity of the static IP configurations that you provide during the configuration.  
**Important** vCloud Director Extender does not support DHCP network configuration.  
The CX Cloud Service appliance must be configured with a DNS server IP.  
Based on the source and destination networks, the number of edges deployed can vary. A best practice for configuring DC Extension in the service provider environment is to use an XL-Edge with 8 GB RAM, 6 CPUs, and 500 MB disk space. |
| User Access | For vCloud Director, a *cloud administrator* user with specific permissions is required. For more information, see Set Up Authorization for Organization Administrator User.  
For the Resource vCenter Server and Management vCenter Server instances, *v-admin* permissions are required. |

Tenant Requirements

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<td>- Based on the source and destination networks you select, the number of edge instances can vary. Each X-Large edge requires 8 GB RAM, 6 CPUs, and 500 MB disk space.</td>
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<td>User Access</td>
<td>- A user account that has organization administrator rights for the target vCloud Director. For more information, see the vCloud Director User's Guide.</td>
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<td>- For the source vCenter Server, vi-admin permissions are required.</td>
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</table>

(Optional) Configuring a Proxy Server

You can perform migrations through a proxy server when the vCloud Director Extender components do not have a direct connection to the Internet.

Cloud Provider Proxy Configuration

The proxy server configuration requires you to provide a public IP endpoint and configure rules to route the network traffic to vCloud Director Extender components.

Prerequisites for configuring the correct communication between the vCloud Director Extender components behind a proxy server:

- The vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance must be accessible from the tenant site.
- The tenant Replicator instances must be accessible from the cloud Replicator instances.
- The tenant Replicator instances must be accessible from the Replication Manager that is deployed in the cloud.
- The tenant Replicator instances can access the tenant ESXi hosts.
- The cloud Replicator instances can access the cloud ESXi hosts.
- The cloud Replication Manager must be able to access the tenant Replicator instances.

If the cloud Replicator instances are deployed behind the proxy server and are not accessible from the Replication Manager, you must configure the necessary firewall rules to open port 443 on all Replicator instances. For example, traffic must be allowed from vCD-Extender-On-Premise-Appliance-IP:443 to Proxy-Server-IP-Address:443.

The Replication Manager must be accessible for all Replicator instances and the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance in the tenant environment. You must open port 8044 on the Replication Manager. For example, traffic must be allowed from Replication-Manager-IP:8044 to Proxy-Server-IP-Address2:8044.
Tenant Proxy Configuration

The tenant Replicator instances must be accessible from the proxy server. Tenant proxy configuration, requires you to expose a public IP with port 443, that is mapped to the tenant Replicator private IP. For example, traffic must be allowed from Tenant-Replicator-IP:443 to Proxy-Server-IP-Address.

Endpoint Proxy URL

While configuring the Replicator and Replication Manager instances, you optionally enter an Endpoint URL. If the Replicator or the Replication Manager is deployed behind the proxy server, you must enter the appropriate public IP address and port in the following format: Public-IP-Address:Port-Number. The default Replication Manager port is 8044, but you can configure the Replication Manager to use a custom port, as long as it is accessible through the proxy. For more information, see Service Provider Configuration and Tenant Configuration.

Data Path

Make sure that the ESXi hosts in both tenant and provider environments are accessible on ports 902, 80, and 443. Replicator instances use ESXi port 902 for data path. Ports 80 and 443 are used for the management path.

Service Provider Installation and Configuration

To complete the service provider installation and configuration, you deploy a vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance from the vCloud Director Extender OVA file and use the Cloud Service Setup UI Wizard for the remaining installation, and configuration operations.

Install vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance

The vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance hosts the Cloud Service Setup UI that you use to install and configure vCloud Director Extender components in the service provider site.

Prerequisites

Download the vCloud Director Extender OVA file. You deploy the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance and the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance by using the same vCloud Director Extender OVA file.

Procedure

1. Log in to the vSphere Web Client.
2. Right-click a target data center or folder and select **Deploy OVF Template**.
   The deployment wizard opens.
3. Browse to the OVA file and click **Next**.
4. Enter a name for the appliance, select a deployment location, and click **Next**.
5 In the **Select a resource** page, select the target host, or cluster for the appliance, and click **Next**.

6 Verify the template details.

7 Read and accept the license agreements.

8 Select the virtual disk format and a target datastore location.

9 Select a network for the appliance.

10 In the Customize template page, select the CX Cloud Service deployment type, enable SSH, enter a password for the system *root* user, and enter the NTP Server.

   **Note** Set a strong password for the root user. If you do not fulfill all security requirements, the appliance deployment fails.

   a (Optional) Set Networking Properties.

   **Note** You must assign a static IP to the virtual machine. DHCP deployment is not supported for production environments.

   b Click **Next**

11 Review the configuration information and click **Next**.

**What to do next**

After the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance is deployed, power it on.

Note the IP address of the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance, as you need it to access the Cloud Service Setup UI

**Service Provider Configuration**

You install and configure the remaining service provider components by using the Cloud Service Setup UI. For a first-time installation, use the Setup wizard.

**Prerequisites**

Verify that the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance is powered on.

**Procedure**

1 In a Web browser, open the Cloud Service Setup UI at `https://vCD_Extender_Cloud_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt/`.

2 Log in as *administrator*.

   Use the password that you set during the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance installation.

3 Click **Setup Wizard**.

   **Note** Run the Setup wizard for your first-time configuration to install Replicator and Replication Manager hosts.
Follow the wizard prompts.

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<td><strong>Management vCenter Server</strong></td>
<td>Register the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance to the Management vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>- Enter a Management vCenter Server Name.</td>
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<td>- Enter the IP address of the Management vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>- Enter the Lookup Service URL.</td>
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<td><strong>Important</strong> If you are using an external Platform Services Controller (PSC), enter the address</td>
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<td>you can skip this step. Make sure that the Lookup Service URL, IP address, and port number</td>
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<td>are identical to the Lookup Service URL of the Resource vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>- Enter the vCenter Server administrator credentials and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td><strong>Note</strong> A pop-up window containing information about certificates might display. To continue,</td>
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<td>click Trust Certificates.</td>
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<td>vCloud Director</td>
<td>Register the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance to vCloud Director.</td>
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<td>- Enter a vCloud Director Name.</td>
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<td>- Enter a vCloud Director IP address or fully qualified domain name.</td>
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<td>- Enter the vCloud Director system administrator credentials and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td>Resource vCenter Server</td>
<td>Register the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance to a Resource vCenter Server. If there is</td>
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<td>no separation between resource and management vCenter Server instances in your environment,</td>
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<td>enter the same details you provided for Management vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>- To register a resource vCenter Server instance, click <strong>Update</strong> and enter administrator</td>
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<td>Create a Replication Manager VM and register the Replication Manager to the Management vCenter</td>
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<td>Enter the following details:</td>
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<td>- a name for the Replication Manager</td>
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<td>- target Folder/Datacenter Name</td>
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<td>- target Host or Cluster Name</td>
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<td>- target Datastore Name</td>
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<td>- target Network Name</td>
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<td>- Do not select the DHCP check box and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td>- After the Replication Manager is created, click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td>Activate Replication Manager</td>
<td>Prepare the Replication Manager for operational use.</td>
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<td>- To activate the Replication Manager, set a password for the root user, and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td>- After the Replication Manager is activated, click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td>Replicator</td>
<td>Create a Replicator VM in a Resource vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>■ Enter a Name for the Replicator VM.</td>
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<td>■ Note The wizard copies the configuration details from the Replication Manager configuration.</td>
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<td>■ Enter the vCenter Server Single Sign-On user name and password. The user you enter must be an administrator or part of the administrators group.</td>
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<td>■ (Optional) Enter a Public Endpoint URL and Port.</td>
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<td>■ Note If you use a proxy server, you must fill in this text box. Provide the IP address and the port of the proxy service.</td>
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<td>■ To activate the Replicator, click Next.</td>
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<td>■ Click Finish.</td>
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<td>■ Note Migration service configuration requires at least one Replicator per Resource vCenter Server on the cloud provider side. If necessary, deploy additional Replicator instances. For more information, see Add a New Replicator.</td>
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</table>

You can review the configuration details by clicking the vCenter Management, Cloud Resources, Replication Manager, and Replicators tabs in the Cloud Service Setup UI.

**Add a New Replicator**

vCloud Director Extender requires at least one Replicator per Resource vCenter Server on the cloud provider site.

Depending on the concurrent migration jobs that you want to run, you might need to deploy additional Replicator appliances.

**Procedure**

1. In the Cloud Service Setup UI, click Replicators.
2. Click Add New Replicator.
3. Enter a name for the Replicator that you are deploying.
4. Enter a target Datacenter/Folder Name.
5. Enter a target Host or Cluster Name.
6. Enter a target Datastore Name.
7. Enter a target Network Name.
8. Do not select the DHCP check box and click **OK**. DHCP deployment is not supported for production installations.

A new Replicator is created. You can see the details in the **Current Replicators** list.

**What to do next**

You must now activate the new Replicator. For more information about activating a Replicator, see [Service Provider Configuration](#).

**Set Up Authorization for Organization Administrator User**

Before you can browse and extend networks with vCloud Director Extender, you must assign advanced networking permissions to the Organization Administrator user role.

**Prerequisites**

- Make sure to run the cURL commands from a cURL-enabled machine that can connect to vCloud Director.
- The API version used in the Accept header depends on the vCloud Director version. For example:
  - for vCloud Director 8, use `version=1.5`
  - for vCloud Director 9, use `version=27.0`

**Procedure**

1. Create a valid vCloud Director API session.

   ```
   curl -i -k -H "Accept:application/*+xml;version=api-version" -u 'user-name@System:password' -X POST https://vcd-ip/api/sessions
   ```

   a. Copy the value of the `x-vcloud-authorization` header.

2. Retrieve the ID of the Organization.

   ```
   ```

   a. Copy the organization ID from the following URL:

   ```
   href=https://vcd-ip/api/org/org-id
   ```

3. Retrieve the list with currently assigned rights and output the result to an `xml` file.

   ```
   ```

4. Use a text editor to open the `xml` file.
5 Modify the xml file to use it as a payload for a POST request:

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<OrgRights xmlns="http://www.vmware.com/vcloud/api-version">
  ...
  <RightReference href="http://vcd-ip/api/admin/right/10519de-9e29-3495-9017-05fcb5b5d9ad0" name="Organization vDC Gateway: View L2 VPN" type="application/vnd.vmware.admin.right+xml"/>
  <RightReference href="http://vcd-ip/api/admin/right/eeb2b2a0-33a1-36d4-a121-6547d992d59" name="Organization vDC Gateway: Configure L2 VPN" type="application/vnd.vmware.admin.right+xml"/>
  <RightReference href="http://vcd-ip/api/admin/right/66b32e08-1ebe-37ac-9266-ffbd19b39dd8" name="Right: View" type="application/vnd.vmware.admin.right+xml"/>
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</OrgRights>
```
6 Update the vCloud Director rights by using the xml file.

curl -i -k -H "Accept: application/*;version=api-version" -H 'Content-type: application/vnd.vmware.admin.org.rights+xml' -H 'x-vcloud-authorization: authorization-id' -X POST -d @path-to-xml
https://vcd-ip/api/admin/org/org-id/rights
7 Enable the advanced networking rights for the Organization Administrator user role.
   a In the vCloud Director Web Console, click Administration > Roles.
   b Click the Organization Administrator role.
      The Role Properties dialog opens.
   c Verify that following rights are selected:

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<td>vApp</td>
<td>Edit vApp Properties</td>
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<td>vApp</td>
<td>Power Operations (Start/Stop/Suspend/Reset a vApp)</td>
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<td>vApp</td>
<td>Copy a vApp</td>
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<td>Change Owner</td>
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<td>vApp</td>
<td>Edit VM Properties</td>
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Tenant Installation and Configuration

To complete the tenant installation and configuration, you deploy a vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance from the vCloud Director Extender OVA file and use the OnPrem Setup UI Wizard for the remaining installation, and configuration operations.

Before you can continue with the tenant vCloud Director Extender installation and configuration, make sure that the service provider environment is configured and running. To configure the vCloud Director Extender tenant environment, you also must obtain the cloud site endpoint information from your service provider.

Install vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance

The vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance hosts the OnPrem Setup UI that you use to configure the replication infrastructure in the tenant site.

Prerequisites

- Download the vCloud Director Extender OVA file. You deploy the vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance and the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance by using the same vCloud Director Extender OVA file.
- Verify that vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance is installed and configured in the service provider environment.

Procedure

1. Log in to the vSphere Web Client.
2. Right-click a target datacenter or folder and select Deploy OVF Template. The deployment wizard opens.
3. Browse to the OVA file and click Next.
4. Enter a name for the appliance, select a deployment location, and click Next.
5. In the Select a resource page, select the target host, or cluster for the appliance, and click Next.
6. Verify the template details.
7. Read and accept the license agreements.
8. Select the virtual disk format and a target datastore location.
9. Select a network for the appliance.
10 In the Customize template page, select the CX Connector deployment type, enable SSH, enter a password for the system root user, and enter the NTP Server.

   a (Optional) Set Networking Properties.

   Note You must assign a static IP to the virtual machine. DHCP deployment is not supported for production environments.

   b Click Next

11 Review the configuration information and click Next.

What to do next

After the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance is deployed, power it on.

Note the IP address of the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance, as you need it to access the OnPrem Setup UI.

Tenant Configuration

You install and configure the remaining tenant components by using the OnPrem Setup UI. For a first-time installation, use the Setup wizard.

Prerequisites

Verify that the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance VM is powered on.

Procedure

1 In a Web browser, open the OnPrem Setup UI at https://vCD_Extender_OnPrem_Appliance_IP/ui/mgmt.

2 Log in as root.

   Use the password that you set during the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance installation.

3 Click Setup Wizard.

   Note Run the Setup wizard for your first-time configuration to install Replicator.
Follow the prompts of the wizard.

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<td>On-premise vCenter Server</td>
<td>Register the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance to the on-premise vCenter Server.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Enter the on-premise vCenter Server Name.</td>
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<td>- Enter the IP address or URL of the vCenter Server.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- (Optional) Enter the Lookup Service URL.</td>
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<td></td>
<td><strong>Important</strong> If you are using an external Platform Services Controller (PSC), enter the address to the external Lookup service in the suggested syntax. If you are using an embedded PSC, you can skip this step. Make sure that the Lookup Service URL, IP address, and port number are identical to the Lookup Service URL of the Management vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>- Enter the administrator credentials and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td><strong>Note</strong> Certificates information pop-up window might appear. Click <strong>Trust Certificates</strong>.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Register Plug-in with vCenter Server</td>
<td>This process registers vCloud Director Extender as a plug-in to the on-premise vCenter Server.</td>
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<td>Register with a valid version number and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td><strong>Note</strong> If you need to re-register vCloud Director Extender Plug-in, make sure to use incremental version number.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Replicator</td>
<td>Create a Replicator VM and register it to the on-premise vCenter Server.</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Enter a Name of the Replicator.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Enter the target Folder/Datacenter Name.</td>
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<td><strong>Note</strong> You must provide the full multilevel schema path.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Enter the target Hosts or Cluster Name.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Enter the target Datastore Name.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Enter the target Network Name.</td>
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<td>- Do not select the DHCP check box and click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- After the Replicator is created, click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Activate Replicator</td>
<td>Prepare the Replicator for operational use.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Set and confirm a password.</td>
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<td>- Enter the Lookup Service URL.</td>
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<td>- Enter the Management vCenter Server SSO user name and password. The user you enter must be an <em>administrator</em> or part of the <em>administrators</em> group.</td>
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<td>- (Optional) Enter the Public Endpoint URL and Port.</td>
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<td>- Click <strong>Next</strong>.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Complete</td>
<td>To complete the setup wizard, click <strong>Next</strong> and <strong>Finish</strong>.</td>
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<td><strong>Note</strong> In the <em>Management vCenter</em> tab, the on-premise vCenter Server details appear. In the <em>Replicators</em> tab, you can see the details for the deployed Replicator appliance.</td>
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</table>

**What to do next**

Run vCloud Director Extender.
Connect to a Provider Cloud

Before you can initiate migration jobs with vCloud Director Extender, you must set up a connection to a Provider Cloud.

Procedure

1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender.
2. In the Provider Clouds tab, click Add a Provider Cloud.
3. Enter a Provider Cloud Name.
4. Enter a Provider Cloud URL.
5. Enter a vCD Extender Cloud Service URL and port.
6. Enter vCD Org Admin user name and password.
7. (Optional) You can test the connection to the Provider Cloud by clicking Test.
8. Click Add.
   Certificates information pop-up window appears.
9. Review the hosts certificates information and click Trust Certificates.

The new provider cloud appears in the Provider Clouds tab.

You can connect to another provider cloud, edit provider cloud details by clicking Edit a Provider Cloud or delete the provider cloud entry by clicking Delete in the Provider Clouds tab.

What to do next

You can now proceed with performing migration operations. For more information, see Initiate a Warm Migration and Initiate a Cold Migration.

Add Configuration Details for an L2 Appliance

Before you can configure DC Extensions, you must enter the L2 Appliance configuration details. When you extend a network, vCloud Director Extender deploys the L2 Appliance automatically and uses the current configuration details.

Procedure

1. In a Web browser, open the OnPrem Setup UI.
2. In the DC Extensions tab, in the L2 Appliance Configuration, click Add Appliance Configuration.
   The L2 Appliance Configuration pop-up window appears.
3. Enter a target folder name and a data center name for the appliance.
4. Enter a target Cluster name or a Host name.
5. Enter a target datastore name.
6 Enter an Uplink Network name.

7 Enter an Uplink Network IP Pool and click Add.
Enter IPv4 IP addresses in dotted or delimited format.

**Important** The IP addresses you enter must be static IP addresses that are accessible from the cloud.

8 Enter a Default Gateway IP.

9 Enter a Prefix Length and click Create.

In the OnPrem Setup UI, a new configuration appears in the Current L2 Appliance Configuration.

**What to do next**
You can now configure a network extension. For more information, see *Extend a Network*.

## Configure an NSX Manager
If NSX is installed on-premise, you must register your on-premise NSX Manager to CX Connector. If NSX is not installed on-premise, you can skip this configuration.

**Prerequisites**
- Verify that NSX Manager instance is installed and configured in the on-premise environment. If NSX Manager is not deployed in the on-premise environment, vCloud Director Extender deploys an *NSX for vSphere Standalone Edge - Client 6.3.0* that is included in the vCloud Director Extender OVA file.
- Verify that you have finished the initial vCloud Director Extender tenant configuration by using the OnPrem Setup UI Setup wizard. For more information, see *Tenant Configuration*.

**Procedure**
1 In a Web browser, open the OnPrem Setup UI at

2 Log in as root.
Use the password that you set during the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance installation.

3 In the **DC Extensions** tab, click **Add NSX Configuration**.
The NSX configuration pop-up window opens.

4 Enter a name, FQDN, administrator user name, and password for the on-premise NSX Manager, and click **OK**.
The NSX Manager configuration appears in the DC Extensions tab of the OnPrem Setup UI.
Working with vCloud Director Extender

You use the vCloud Director Extender Plug-in to perform migration operations, to configure a DC Extension, and to monitor overall system information.

You access the vCloud Director Extender by logging in to the vSphere Web Client and navigating to Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender.

The vCloud Director Extender Plug-in for vSphere supports both the vSphere Web Client and the HTML5 vSphere Client.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Migrating Virtual Machines
- DC Extensions
- vCloud Director Extender Troubleshooting

Migrating Virtual Machines

With vCloud Director Extender, you can migrate your virtual machines from an on-premise vCenter Server to a cloud provider environment. You can migrate virtual machines both when they are powered on and powered off depending on the available downtime.

You can initiate virtual machines migration jobs only from a tenant vCenter Server on-premise. With vCloud Director Extender migration jobs, tenants can preserve their current IP and MAC address scheme after the migration completes.

Note  Preserving IP and MAC address scheme after a migration is only possible, if you extend a private, on-premise, virtual network to cloud VDC networks by using the DC Extension feature of vCloud Director Extender.

Migration of an entire data center is a slow process and is often done in stages. To ensure a minimal downtime of client applications, vCloud Director Extender provides flexibility in the different types of migrations.
You can choose from two types of migration.

- With Warm Migration, you can keep your virtual machines active while the migration runs, and ensure minimal downtime. After the migration completes, you start a manual Cutover to make the virtual machines available on the cloud provider site and finalize the migration. Cutover is a process of powering on the virtual machines at the cloud provider site, after the warm migration completes. The Cutover operation includes a final sync and import of a migrated VM into a destination Org VDC’s vApp and an optional powering on of the VM.

- With Cold Migration, you power off your virtual machines and start the migration. No cutover process is required in this case, you can select whether to power on the virtual machines from the migration setup menu.

During the Migration lifecycle, a migration goes through various states. The following table can help you understand vCloud Director Extender migration states.

**Table 3-1. vCloud Director Extender Migration States**

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<td>Initial state that indicates that a migration is started.</td>
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<td>INITIAL SYNC IN PROGRESS</td>
<td>An initial full sync is in progress. Information is being transferred from the source on-premise to the target cloud environment.</td>
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<tr>
<td>INITIAL SYNC COMPLETED</td>
<td>The initial full sync is completed successfully.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CREATINGVM</td>
<td>A VM is being created in the cloud resource vCenter Server. This is the migration state after a cold migration, or when a cutover operation is started.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CREATEVM_COMPLETED</td>
<td>A VM is successfully created in the cloud resource vCenter Server.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IMPORTINGVM</td>
<td>A VM is migrated to the cloud resource vCenter Server and is being imported to vCloud Director.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IMPORTVM_COMPLETED</td>
<td>VM is successfully imported to the target vCloud Director.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CANCELED</td>
<td>The migration is canceled. No data is sent to the cloud.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUSPENDED</td>
<td>The migration is suspended. You can manually resume operation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IMPORTVM_FAILED</td>
<td>Importing the VM to vCloud Director failed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CREATEVM_FAILED</td>
<td>Creating a VM in the cloud environment failed.</td>
</tr>
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**Initiate a Warm Migration**

By performing a warm migration, you migrate a powered on virtual machine from an on-premise vCenter Server to an Org vDC in the cloud.

By performing a warm migration, you create a placeholder VM in the cloud and carry out an initial synchronization between the VM that runs on-premise and the placeholder VM in the cloud.

**Prerequisites**

- Verify that you have sufficient space available in the target storage profile.
- You must have a defined Org vDC network.
Verify that the VM that you are migrating is powered on.

**Procedure**

1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to **Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender**.
2. In the **Migrations** tab, click **New Migration**.
3. Select **Warm migration** and click **Next**.
4. Select the VM that you want to migrate and click **Next**.

   When you select a VM, the system verifies if the selected VM is powered on.

   If you select a VM that is powered off, the system returns an error, and you cannot proceed until you select a powered on VM.

5. Select a Target Cloud, a target vDC, a target storage profile, a target network, and whether you want to group all virtual machines that you are migrating into a single vApp, and click **Next**.

6. (Optional) You can initiate the migration at a specific time.

7. Select a target Recovery Point Objective (RPO).

8. Select the disk type.

9. (Optional) Enter a tag for the migration job that you are initiating.

10. Click **Start**.

    The migration operation is initiated and a new warm migration job appears in the Migrations tab in a Created state.

**What to do next**

After the warm migration job completes, the warm migration job goes into a cutover-ready status and you can initiate a manual cutover. For more information, see **Initiate a Cutover**.

**Initiate a Cutover**

By Performing a cutover to a virtual machine, you finalize a warm migration. The Cutover operation includes a final sync and import of a migrated VM into a destination Org VDC’s vApp and an optional powering on of the VM.

**Prerequisites**

Verify that the VM you are performing a Cutover operation to, is in a cutover-ready state.

**Procedure**

1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to **Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender**.
2. In the **Migrations** tab, click **Start Cutover**.
3. Select a Target Cloud.
4. Select if you want to power on the target VMs after cutover.
5 (Optional) Enter a tag for the migration job that you are initiating.

6 Select VM or VMs that you want to cut over and click **Start**.

7 Confirm that you want to cut over this migration by clicking **OK**.

A new Cutover job appears in the Migrations tab, in a Cutting over status. After the cutover job finishes, the job status changes to Completed.

After the cutover job finishes, the source VM is powered off and the VM in the cloud is ready to be used. When powered on, the VM in the cloud processes all transactions that were earlier processed by the VM on-premise.

### Using Preloaded Seeds

For each new warm migration with preloaded seed that you initiate, the seed is used to perform the initial synchronization between the source and target VM. After the initial synchronization finishes, vCloud Director Extender sends only deltas to the target VM.

Due to VM size or network bandwidth, the initial full sync might take a long time. Therefore, you might choose to copy the source VM to the target cloud site by using removable media, or other means of data transfer. Then you can run a warm migration with a preloaded seed and use the VM copy on the target cloud site as a preloaded seed. When a warm migration is set to use a seed, vCloud Director Extender does not copy the whole source VM to the target cloud site. Instead, it copies to the seed vApp only the different blocks between the source VM and the seed.

**Note** vCloud Director Extender stores the replication data in the seed vApp. No copies of the seed vApp are created. Therefore, a seed vApp can be used for only one replication.

### Creating Seed vApps in the Cloud

Seed vApps on the target cloud site can be created in the following ways.

- **Offline data transfer:** You can export a VM as an OVF package and let a Cloud service administrator import the package in your cloud organization.

- **Clone a VM:** A VM in the org virtual data center can be cloned to create a seed vApp. vCloud Director Extender calculates checksum and exchanges the different blocks from the source VM to the seed vApp.

- **Copy over the network:** A source VM can be copied to the cloud organization by using means other than vCloud Director Extender to transfer source data to the target site.

**Note** The size and number of disks, and their assignment to disk controllers and bus nodes must match between the source and the seed VM. For example, if the source VM has two disks of 2 GB each, one of them assigned to SCSI controller 0 at bus number 0, and the second one assigned to SCSI controller 1 at bus number 2, the seed vApp that you use must have the same hardware configuration - 2 disks of 2 GB each, at SCSI 0:0 and at SCSI 1:2.
Export a Virtual Machine to Removable Media

To use a preloaded seed for configuring a migration, you must export a virtual machine to removable media and provide it to your service provider.

**Prerequisites**

- Verify that you have sufficient user privileges in the vSphere Web Client to power off a virtual machine.
- Verify that you have the VMware OVF Tool installed and configured.

**Procedure**

1. Power off the virtual machine in the on-premise environment by using the vSphere Web Client.
2. Run the following command to export the virtual machine from a vCenter Server to a removable media.
   ```
   ovftool 'vi://root@VC_IP/Datacenter_Name/vm/VM_FQDN' VM_FQDN.ova
   ```
   You can power on the virtual machine, after the process finishes.
3. Provide the removable media containing the exported virtual machine files to your service provider.

Import Virtual Machine Directly into vCloud Director

Import the virtual machine directly into vCloud Director to configure warm migration with a preloaded seed.

**Prerequisites**

Verify that you have a removable media containing exported virtual machine files.

**Procedure**

- Run the following command to import the virtual machine from the removable media into vCloud Director.
  ```
  ovftool PATH_TO_DISK/VM_FQDN/VM_FQDN.ovf 'vcloud://VCD_USER@VCD_IP:443?org=org1&vapp=VM_FQDNvApp&vdc=vdc_org_name'
  ```

  **Note**  Do not power on the imported virtual machine.

**What to do next**

You can now initiate a migration by using the created seed vApp in vCloud Director.
Initiate a Warm Migration with Preloaded Seed

By performing a warm migration with a preloaded seed, you migrate a powered on virtual machine from an on-premise vCenter Server to an Org vDC in the cloud.

**Note**  Warm migration with preloaded seed cannot be initiated for group of VMs.

**Prerequisites**
- Verify that you have a defined Org vCD network.
- Verify that the VM that you are migrating is powered on.

**Procedure**

1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender.
2. In the Migrations tab, click New Migration.
3. Select Warm migration with preloaded seed and click Next.
4. Select the VM that you want to migrate and click Next.
   - If you select a VM that is powered off, the system returns an error, and you cannot proceed until you select a powered on VM.
5. Select a Target vDC, target Network, target seed, and click Next.
6. You can initiate the migration immediately or at a specific time.
7. Select a recovery Point Objective (RPO).
8. (Optional) Enter a tag for the migration job that you are initiating.
9. Click Start

The migration operation is initiated and a new warm migration job appears in the Migrations tab in a Created state.

**What to do next**

After the warm migration job finishes, the warm migration job goes into a cutover-ready status and you can initiate a manual cutover. For more information, see Initiate a Cutover

Initiate a Cold Migration

By performing a cold migration, you migrate a powered off virtual machine from an on-premise vCenter Server to an Org vDC in the cloud.

By initiating a Cold Migration, you start simultaneous file transfer and cutover processes, so no manual operations are required after the migration completes.

During a cold migration, the Replication Manager creates a VM instance in the resource vCenter Server in the cloud.
Prerequisites
Power off the virtual machine that you about to migrate.

Procedure
1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender.
2. In the Migrations tab, click New Migration.
3. Select Cold migration and click Next.
4. Select the VM that you want to migrate and click Next.
   - When you select a VM, the system verifies if the selected VM is powered off.
   - If you select a VM that is powered on, the system returns an error, and you cannot proceed until you select a powered off VM.
5. Select a Target Cloud, a target vDC, a target storage profile, a target network, and whether you want to group all VMs that you are migrating into a single vApp, and click Next.
6. (Optional) You can initiate the migration at a specific time.
7. (Optional) Select if you want to power on the VM after the migration operation completes.
8. Select the disk type.
9. (Optional) Enter a tag for the migration job that you are initiating.
10. Click Start.

The migration job is initiated and a new cold migration job appears in the Migrations tab.

What to do next
You can monitor the progress of the migration job in the Migrations tab.

Initiate a Test Cutover
After a warm migration and before powering off the virtual machine on-premise, you can test the consistency of the target virtual machine in the cloud site by performing a test cutover.

Prerequisites
Verify that the VM, for which you are about to perform a Test Cutover operation, is in a cutover-ready state.

Procedure
1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender.
2. In the Migrations tab, click Test Cutover.
3. Select a target vCD org, a target vDC, and target Network.
4. Select if you want to power on the target VMs after the Test Cutover job finishes.
5. (Optional) Enter a tag for the Test Cutover job that you are initiating.

6. Select VM or VMs, for which you want to test cutover and click **Start**.

7. Confirm that you want to perform a test cutover to this virtual machine by clicking **OK**.

A record for the Test Cutover job appears in the Migrations tab queue. The status of the job is Test cutover-ready. After the Test Cutover job finishes, the status changes to Test-ready.

**What to do next**
Initiate a manual cutover. For more information, see [Initiate a Cutover](#).

**DC Extensions**

With the vCloud Director Extender DC Extensions, you can extend one or multiple L2 networks from the on-premise VDC to a network in the cloud.

vCloud Director Extender uses NSX Edge to extend the networks. The type of the L2 VPN Edge deployed on-premise depends on whether NSX is installed or not. The number of edges deployed can vary based on the source and destination networks selected for extension. Configuring a DC Extension with L2 VPN is optional for VM migration operations.

To extend an on-premise network to the cloud, fulfill the following prerequisites:

- Configure an L2 Appliance. For more information, see [Add Configuration Details for an L2 Appliance](#).
- Deploy the vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance to the tenant vCenter Server.
- Configure at least one vCloud Director VDC.
- Configure at least one Org VDC network as a subinterface the Advanced Edge Gateway.

**Extend a Network**

By extending an on-premise network to the cloud, you can roll out migrations in stages, ensuring a minimal downtime. With DC Extensions, you can also preserve your IP and MAC address scheme after migrations.

**Prerequisites**

- Verify that the edge has advance gateway networking and VDC network sub interface enabled on vCloud Director.
- Verify that you have configured an L2 Appliance.

**Procedure**

1. In the vSphere Web Client, navigate to **Home > Inventories > vCloud Director Extender**.
In the **DC Extensions** tab, click **New Extensions**.

If an L2 Appliance is not configured, you receive an error and must configure an L2 Appliance before you can extend a network.

**Note** If you extend a new network from the same on-premise VDC edge to another network on a different cloud-provider VDC-edge, a single on-premise VDC edge is connected to a single cloud provider VDC edge. A new edge and a trunk port group are created, the trunk port group being attached to the new edge.

Enter a name for the extended network.

Select a source data center.

Select a source network.

(Optional) Select if you want to enable an egress in the source site.

If you select to enable an egress in the source site, the source gateway can forward traffic outside of the extended network.

Select a Provider cloud.

Select a target VDC.

Select a target network.

(Optional) Select if you want to enable an egress in the target site.

If you select to enable an egress in the target site, the target gateway can forward traffic outside of the extended network.

Click **Start**.

Automatic checks are run to verify if L2 VPN gateways exist and vCloud Director Extender creates a port group and deploys a new, standalone NSX Edge appliance.

After the initial configuration processes complete, a new network appears in the DC Extensions tab in a Connected status. For more information about Managing DC Extensions, see Managing DC Extensions.

**Managing DC Extensions**

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**DC Extension Statuses**

The following table can help you understand the various statuses of DC Extensions.
Table 3-2. DC Extension Statuses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Status</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CONNECTING</td>
<td>A connection from the on-premise to the cloud environment is being established.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CONNECTED</td>
<td>The connection between on-premise and cloud environments is successfully established.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISCONNECTING</td>
<td>The network between on-premise and cloud environments is being disconnected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISCONNECTED</td>
<td>Network extension is disconnected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FAILED</td>
<td>Establishing a connection between on-premise and cloud environments failed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REMOVING</td>
<td>Network extension is being deleted.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DROPPED</td>
<td>Network extension is dropped.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

DC Extension Operations

After you extend a network, you can perform Disconnect Extension and Remove Extension operations. If you disconnect a network extension, you can also perform a Connect Extension operation. The following table can help you understand the different network extension operations that you can perform with vCloud Director Extender.

Table 3-3. DC Extension Operations

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Operation</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Connect Extension</td>
<td>The operation allows the user to reconnect a disconnected connection. During the Connect Extension operation, network configuration is pushed to the respective network edges.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disconnect Extension</td>
<td>This operation allows tenant administrators to disconnect the network extension. The Disconnect Extension operation removes the respective configuration from the on-premise and cloud edge instances.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remove Extension</td>
<td>This operation removes a DC Extension and deletes all network configurations from both on-premise and cloud environments.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

vCloud Director Extender Troubleshooting

You can use the vCloud Director Extender logs for troubleshooting aid.

To access vCloud Director Extender logs, you must establish an SSH connection to the affected VM.

Table 3-4. Logs Location

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Logs Location</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>vCloud Director Extender Cloud Appliance</td>
<td>/opt/vmware/mobility-service/logs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>vCloud Director Extender On-Premise Appliance</td>
<td>/opt/vmware/mobility-service/logs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Table 3-4. Logs Location (Continued)

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<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Logs Location</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Replication Manager</td>
<td>/opt/vmware/h4/manager/log/</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Replicator</td>
<td>/opt/vmware/h4/replicator/log/replicator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HBR Service (Running on the Replicator VM)</td>
<td>/var/log/vmware/</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Support Bundle**

You can also generate a vCloud Director Extender support bundle by using the OnPrem Setup UI or the Cloud Service Setup UI.

To generate a support bundle, you log in to the OnPrem Setup UI or the Cloud Service Setup UI and click **Create Support Bundle** in the Support tab. You can optionally include a database dump in the support bundle file. After the support bundle generation finishes, click **Download** to locally save the support bundle tar file.

Support bundles that you generate are listed in the Support tab of the OnPrem Setup UI or the Cloud Service Setup UI.

To save disk space, delete the support bundles that you no longer need.

**Troubleshooting Virtual Private Networks (VPN)**

For troubleshooting DC Extension networking issues, see the *NSX Troubleshooting Guide, Troubleshooting Virtual Private Networks (VPN)* chapter in the VMware NSX for vSphere documentation set.