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PREFACE

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Purpose

This document is part of the EMC VNXe documentation set. It describes how to set up the following hosts Generic iSCSI storage on a VNXe system with VNXe Operating Environment version 1.7.0 or later:

- ◆ Windows hosts
- ◆ AIX hosts
- ◆ Citrix XenServer hosts
- ◆ HP-UX hosts
- ◆ Linux hosts
- ◆ Solaris hosts

Audience

This document is intended for the person or persons who are responsible for setting up the hosts to access the VNXe storage.

Readers of this document should be familiar with VNXe Generic iSCSI storage and with the operating system running on the hosts that will access VNXe Generic iSCSI storage.

Related documentation

Other VNXe documents include:

- ◆ *EMC VNXe3100 Hardware Information Guide*
- ◆ *EMC VNXe3100 System Installation Guide*
- ◆ *EMC VNXe3150 Hardware Information Guide*
- ◆ *EMC VNXe310 Installation Guide*
- ◆ *EMC VNXe3300 Hardware Information Guide*
- ◆ *EMC VNXe3300 System Installation Guide*
- ◆ *Using the VNXe System with CIFS Shared Folders*
- ◆ *Using the VNXe System with NFS Shared Folders*

- ◆ *Using the VNXe System with Microsoft Exchange 2007 or Microsoft Exchange 2010*
- ◆ *Using the VNXe System with Microsoft Windows Hyper-V*
- ◆ *Using the VNXe System with VMware NFS or VMware VMFS*
- ◆ *VNXe CLI User Guide*

EMC Unisphere help provides specific information about the VNXe storage, features, and functionality. The Unisphere help and a complete set of VNXe customer documentation are located on the EMC Online Support website (<http://www.emc.com/vnxesupport>).

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Bold	Used in running (nonprocedural) text for names of commands, daemons, options, programs, processes, services, applications, utilities, kernels, notifications, system calls, and man pages Used in procedures for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Names of interface elements, such as names of windows, dialog boxes, buttons, fields, and menus What the user specifically selects, clicks, presses, or types
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Courier	Used for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> System output, such as an error message or script URLs, complete paths, filenames, prompts, and syntax when shown outside of running text
Courier bold	Used for specific user input, such as commands
<i>Courier italic</i>	Used in procedures for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Variables on the command line User input variables
< >	Angle brackets enclose parameter or variable values supplied by the user
[]	Square brackets enclose optional values
	Vertical bar indicates alternate selections — the bar means “or”
{ }	Braces enclose content that the user must specify, such as x or y or z
...	Ellipses indicate nonessential information omitted from the example

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CHAPTER 1

Setting Up a Windows or Mac OS Host to Use VNXe Generic iSCSI Storage

This chapter describes how to set up a Windows or Mac OS host to use EMC VNXe Generic iSCSI storage.

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Requirements for setting up a host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage

Before you set up a host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, the VNXe system and network requirements in described this section must be met.

VNXe system requirements

- ◆ You have installed and configured the VNXe system using the VNXe Configuration Wizard, as described in the *EMC VNXe3100 System Installation Guide*, the *EMC VNXe3150 Installation Guide*, or the *EMC VNXe3300 System Installation Guide*.
- ◆ You have used Unisphere or the VNXe CLI to perform basic configuration of one or more iSCSI Servers on the VNXe system.

Network requirements

For a host to connect to Generic iSCSI storage on a VNXe iSCSI Server, the host must be in a network environment with the VNXe iSCSI Server; to achieve best performance, the host should be on a local subnet with each VNXe iSCSI Server that provides storage for it. For a Windows multi-pathing environment, each VNXe iSCSI Server providing Generic iSCSI storage for the host, must have two IP addresses associated with it. These two addresses should be on different subnets to ensure high availability.

To achieve maximum throughput, connect the VNXe iSCSI Server and the hosts for which it provides storage to their own private network, that is, a network just for them. When choosing the network, consider network performance.

Path management network requirements

Note: Path management software is not currently supported for a Windows 7 or Mac OS host connected to a VNXe system.

When implementing a highly-available network between a host and the VNXe system, keep in mind that:

- ◆ A VNXe Generic iSCSI storage is presented to only one SP at a given time
- ◆ You can configure two IP interfaces for an iSCSI Storage Server. These IP interfaces should be associated with two separate physical interfaces on the same SP.
- ◆ Network switches may be on separate subnets.

IMPORTANT

Directly attaching a host to a VNXe system is not currently supported.

[Figure 1 on page 11](#) shows a highly-available iSCSI network configuration for hosts accessing a VNXe storage resource (Generic iSCSI storage). Switch A and Switch B are on separate subnets. Host A and Host B can each access the storage resource through separate NICs. If the storage resource is owned by SP A, the hosts can access the storage

resource through the paths to the eth2 interface on SP A. Should SP A fail, the VNXe system transfers ownership of the resource to SP B and the hosts can access the storage resource through the paths to the eth2 interface on SP B.

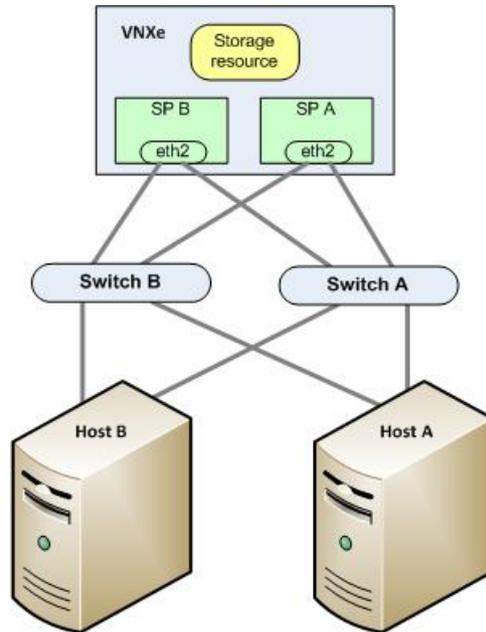


Figure 1 Sample highly-available iSCSI network

What next?

Do one of the following:

- ◆ To learn about the EMC Celerra[®] VSS Provider for iSCSI for Windows hosts, refer to ["EMC VSS Provider overview" on page 11](#).
- ◆ To use EMC PowerPath[®] software on any Windows, Multiple Connections per Session (MCS) on a Windows Server 2008 host, refer to ["Windows host – Using multi-path management software" on page 13](#).
- ◆ To configure the VNXe system, refer to ["Configuring VNXe Generic iSCSI storage for the host" on page 15](#).

EMC VSS Provider overview

The EMC VSS Provider runs as a Windows service and provides the interface between the Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS) and certain VNXe and other EMC storage functionality. The EMC VSS Provider enables VSS requestor applications, such as VSS-enabled backup applications, to make snapshots of VNXe iSCSI virtual disks.

Microsoft VSS

VSS provides the backup framework for Windows Server 2003 and Windows Server 2008 and enables the creation of snapshots (called shadow copies for Microsoft VSS) – point-in-time copies of data. VSS is integrated with front-end applications so they can create and access shadow copies.

Microsoft VSS shadow copies are:

- ◆ Read-only by default
- ◆ Limited to 512 per volume

The VSS architecture includes VSS providers. A VSS provider creates and maintains shadow copies and acts as the interface to point-in-time imaging capabilities either on a storage platform (hardware-based provider) or in a host operating system (software-based provider).

The EMC VSS Provider is a hardware-based provider that works directly with iSCSI virtual disks on the VNXe iSCSI Servers and with the VSS service on Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 hosts to provide consistent shadow copy creation and addressing.

Because the EMC VSS Provider is a hardware-based provider that works on the VNXe iSCSI Servers, it reduces the load on the CPU and memory of the iSCSI host. It is also more efficient in an environment where shadow copies of multiple volumes must be taken simultaneously. This provider supports a maximum of 2000 snapshots. EMC Replication Manager has a built-in VSS hardware provider that replaces the EMC VSS Provider in configurations that use Replication Manager to create consistent shadow copies.

The Microsoft website provides more information about VSS and VSS components.

Types of shadow copies

VSS produces two types of shadow copies:

- ◆ Plex copies — Shadow copies initially created by mirroring. A plex copy is a special type of shadow copy data that represents a shadow copy without the need for the original volume data.
- ◆ Differential copies — Shadow copies created by saving only the differences from the original volumes.

The EMC VSS Provider supports only differential shadow copies.

Shadow copy backups

You can use VSS shadow copies to back up data on an iSCSI host system. The benefits of shadow copy backups are:

- ◆ You can back up open files.
- ◆ You can copy application data without stopping the application or restricting user access.

Shadow copy backups are available only on Windows Server 2003 and Windows Server 2008 and require a VSS provider (such as the EMC VSS Provider) and a backup application that supports VSS (such as EMC NetWorker 7.1 or VERITAS Backup Exec 9.1).

Shadow copy transport

Using a hardware VSS provider, such as the EMC VSS Provider, you can create transportable shadow copies for import to other hosts for:

- ◆ Data mining — Make the data in a production database available to other applications by using a shadow copy of the database with those applications.

- ◆ Backup — Instead of overloading a production server with backup traffic, move a shadow copy of a database to another host, and then back up the shadow copy instead of the production database.
- ◆ Data recovery — Keep shadow copies of production data for quick restores. Since creating shadow copies is quick and nondisruptive, shadow copies complement tape-based recovery solutions.

Transportable shadow copies are available with Windows Server 2003 and Windows Server 2008 Enterprise or Datacenter editions.

Remote VSS

The EMC VSS Provider supports remote application backup at the server, share, or single volume level.

Limitations

The EMC VSS Provider does *not* support:

- ◆ Microsoft Windows Shadow Copy for Shared Folders.
- ◆ Importing shadow copies to clustered servers. Although you can create shadow copies in a Microsoft Cluster Server (MSCS) environment, you cannot import shadow copies because of a Microsoft restriction. Importing shadow copies to remote hosts is an advanced VSS feature called Shadow Copy Transport, which requires both a hardware VSS provider, such as the EMC VSS Provider, and a third-party VSS requestor that supports Shadow Copy Transport.

“[Shadow copy transport](#)” on [page 12](#) provides more information about this VSS feature.

To use Shadow Copy Transport to back up data on a cluster, you must transport and import shadow copies to a nonclustered backup server.

Windows host — Using multi-path management software

Multi-path management software manages the connections (paths) between the host and the VNXe system to provide access to the VNXe storage should one of the paths fail. The following types of multi-path management software are available for a Windows 2003 or Windows Server 2008 host connected to a VNXe system:

- ◆ EMC PowerPath software on a Windows 2003 or Windows Server 2008 host.

For the supported versions of the PowerPath software, refer to the VNXe EMC Simple Support Matrix for the VNXe Series on the EMC Online Support website (<http://www.emc.com/vnxesupport>). To find this matrix on the website, search for “Simple Support Matrix” on the VNXe Support Page.

Note: PowerPath is not supported for Windows 7.

- ◆ Multiple Connections per Session (MCS), which is part of the Microsoft iSCSI Software Initiator on a Windows 2003 or Windows Server 2008 host.

Note: MCS is not supported for Windows 7.

For information on data availability in the VNXe system and in your connectivity infrastructure, refer to the *EMC VNXe High Availability Overview* in the White Papers section of the VNXe support website (<http://emc.com/vnxesupport>).

Setting up a VNXe system for multi-path management software

For a VNXe system to operate with hosts running multi-path management software, each iSCSI Server in the VNXe system should be associated with two IP addresses.

Use the EMC Unisphere™ Settings > iSCSI Server Settings page to verify that each iSCSI Server has two network interfaces configured, and if either iSCSI server has only one network interface configured, configure a second network interface for it. For information on configuring more than one network interface for an iSCSI Server, refer to the topic on changing iSCSI Server settings in the Unisphere online help.

IMPORTANT

For highest availability, use two network interfaces on the iSCSI Server. The network interfaces can be on separate subnets. If the network interfaces are on the same subnet, a Windows host will let you use only one interface. You can view the network interfaces for an iSCSI Server with Unisphere under Network Interface advanced settings (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings > iSCSI Server Details**).

Installing PowerPath

IMPORTANT

You cannot configure your VNXe iSCSI connections to present the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage to both a standalone Windows host and its Windows virtual machines. If you will configure your VNXe iSCSI connections to present the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage directly to a stand-alone Windows host with network interface cards (NICs), install PowerPath software on the stand-alone host. If you will configure your VNXe iSCSI connections to present VNXe Generic iSCSI storage directly to a Windows virtual machine with NICs, install PowerPath software on the virtual machine.

VNXe link aggregation is not supported with PowerPath.

1. On the host or virtual machine, download the latest PowerPath version from the PowerPath software downloads section on the EMC Online Support website (<http://support.emc.com>).
2. Install PowerPath using a Custom installation and the Celerra option, as described in the appropriate PowerPath installation and administration guide for the host's or virtual machine's operating system.

This guide is available on the EMC Online Support website. If the host or virtual machine is running the most recent version and a patch exists for this version, install it, as described in the readme file that accompanies the patch.

3. When the installation is complete, reboot the host or virtual machine.
4. When the host or virtual machine is back up, verify that the PowerPath service has started.

Configuring VNXe Generic iSCSI storage for the host

Use Unisphere or the VNXe CLI to:

- ◆ Create VNXe Generic iSCSI storage for the host.
- ◆ Add the host to the VNXe system and specify its access to the Generic iSCSI storage. When you specify access, be sure to select only the IQNs for the host iSCSI initiators that you want to access the Generic iSCSI storage.

IMPORTANT

On a Mac OS host, the Xtend SAN iSCSI initiator will not log into the VNXe iSCSI storage if no `vdisk0` is configured on the target (VNXe iSCSI Server). We recommend that you to create a unique VNXe iSCSI Server, create an Generic iSCSI storage resource on this iSCSI Server, and provide access to the Mac OS host. The first virtual disk that you create on this is Generic iSCSI storage resource is `vdisk0`.

For information on performing the above Unisphere tasks, refer to the Unisphere online help.

Windows host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Windows host for Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1:Install the EMC VSS Provider \(Windows Server 2003, Windows Server 2008\)” on page 15.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2:Install the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator and iSCSI initiator service on the Windows host \(Windows Server 2003 only\)” on page 16.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 3:Start the iSCSI initiator service \(Windows Server 2008 only\)” on page 17.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 4:For a multi-path configuration with MCS, install the MPIO feature \(Windows 2003 and Windows Server 2008\)” on page 17.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 5:Set registry values” on page 17.](#)

Task 1: Install the EMC VSS Provider (Windows Server 2003, Windows Server 2008)

EMC recommends that you install the EMC VSS Provider on the host that will use the Generic iSCSI storage with backup applications other than EMC Replication Manager, such as EMC NetWorker® and VERITAS Backup Exec.

Note: [“EMC VSS Provider overview” on page 11](#) provides information about the EMC VSS Provider.

To install the EMC VSS Provider:

1. Log in to the host using an account with administrator privileges.
2. Download the software package that you want to install as follows:
 - a. Navigate to the Volume Shadow Service (VSS) in the VNXe software downloads section on the **Support** tab of the EMC Online Support website.

- b. Choose the Volume Shadow Service for your Windows platform, and select the option to save the software to the host.
3. In the directory where you saved the software, double-click **VSS-windowsversionplatform.exe** to start the installation wizard.
4. In the **Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard** dialog box, click **Next**.
5. In the **License Agreement** dialog box, if you agree to the license terms, select **I accept the terms in the license agreement**, and click **Next**.
6. In the **Customer Information** dialog box, enter your information, and to permit anyone logging in to the host to use the EMC VSS Provider, click **Next** to accept the default setting.
7. In the **Setup Type** dialog box, verify that **Complete** is selected and click **Next**.
8. In the **Ready to Install the Program** dialog box, click **Install**.
9. In the **InstallShield Wizard Completed** dialog box, click **Finish**.

Starting and stopping the EMC VSS Provider

The EMC VSS Provider runs as a Windows service and is enabled by default. You can stop and start this service from the Windows Services administrative tool.

Task 2: Install the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator and iSCSI initiator service on the Windows host (Windows Server 2003 only)

To connect to the VNXe iSCSI targets (iSCSI Servers), the host uses an iSCSI initiator, which requires the Microsoft iSCSI Software Initiator and the iSCSI initiator service software. This software is *not* included with the Windows Server 2003 operating system software, so you must install it on the host if the host is running Windows Server 2003. When you install the software on the host, the iSCSI initiator software starts.

To install the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator and iSCSI service:

1. Download the latest iSCSI initiator software and related documentation from the Microsoft website to the host.
2. After you download the appropriate software, double-click the executable to open the installation wizard, click **Next** in the **Welcome** page, and follow the steps in the installation wizard.
3. If this is an upgrade of existing iSCSI initiator software, you must restart the host.
4. For shared storage, make the LanManServer service dependent on the iSCSI initiator service by starting the LanManServer before the iSCSI initiator service with the following command:

```
sc config LanManServer depend= MSiSCSI
```

Note: If you use LanManServer on a Windows Server 2003 host to set up shares on a VNXe Generic iSCSI resource, these shares are available only after you reboot the host because the LanManServer service starts before the iSCSI initiator service.

Task 3: Start the iSCSI initiator service (Windows Server 2008 only)

To connect to the VNXe targets (iSCSI Servers), the host uses an iSCSI initiator, which requires the Microsoft iSCSI Software Initiator software and the iSCSI initiator service. This software and service are part of the Windows Server 2008 software; however, the driver for it is not installed until you start the service. You must start the iSCSI initiator service using the administrative tools.

Note: If the host is behind a Windows firewall, Microsoft asks if you want to communicate through the firewall. Before proceeding, we suggest that you consult with your network support administrator.

Task 4: For a multi-path configuration with MCS, install the MPIO feature (Windows 2003 and Windows Server 2008)

If the Windows 2003 or Windows Server 2008 host will use a multi-path configuration with MCS to connect to the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, you should install the MPIO feature.

To install MPIO on Windows Server 2008

1. Open Server Manager.
2. In the **Server Manager** tree, click **Features**.
3. In the **Features** pane, under **Features Summary**, click **Add Features**.
4. In the **Add Features Wizard**, select **Multipath I/O**, and click **Next**.
5. In the **Confirm Installation Selections** dialog box, click **Install**.
6. When the installation is complete, in the Installation **Results** dialog box, click **Close**.
7. When prompted to restart the computer, click **Yes**.

After restarting, the host finalizes the MPIO installation.

8. Click **Close**.

Task 5: Set registry values

NOTICE

Incorrectly modifying the Registry can cause serious system-wide problems that can require you to reinstall the system. Use the Windows Registry Editor at your own risk.

1. On the host, run the Windows Registry Editor (**regedit.exe**).
2. Go to HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\.
3. Right-click **CurrentControlSet**, and search for the **MaxRequestHoldTime** key and modify its value from 60 to 600 (decimal) or from 3c to 258 (hexadecimal).

IMPORTANT

Verify that the path to the parameter is in the CurrentControlSet. If it is not, search for the parameter again. If you make changes to ControlSets other than the top level current set, those changes will not affect the system.

4. If the host is running PowerPath:
 - a. Search for the register keys list in [Table 1](#).

IMPORTANT

Verify that the path to the parameter that you found in the CurrentControlSet. If it is not, search for the parameter again. If you make changes to ControlSets other than the top level current set, those changes will not affect the system.

- b. Record the value of each of these registry keys, so you have them in case you need to uninstall PowerPath.
 - c. Update each of these registry keys [Table 1](#).

Table 1 Registry keys to update

Registry keys	Instructions
LinkDownTime	Set to 600.
AsyncLogoutPauseTimeout (new value)	Add this REG_DWORD key in the same key as LinkDownTime. Set it to 600.
DelayBetweenReconnect PortalRetryCount	Find the DelayBetweenReconnect value. Set the PortalRetryCount value so that $\text{PortalRetryCount} * \text{DelayBetweenReconnect} = 600$
SrbTimeoutDelta for PowerPath only	Set to 100 for PowerPath only.

5. Quit the Registry Editor.

Windows host – Configuring to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server

Before an initiator can establish a session with a target, the initiator must discover where the targets are located and the names of the targets available to it. To obtain this information the initiator uses the iSCSI discovery process. The VNXe iSCSI Servers support discovery with or without an iSNS server. Without iSNS discovery, you must add the target information to the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator. With iSNS discovery, the initiator queries the iSNS server where all iSCSI initiators and targets register themselves, and the server responds with a list of available targets. When the target information is available to the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator, you can connect the host initiator to the target so the host can access the virtual disks in its Generic iSCSI storage resources.

NOTICE

Unless you are using VNXe iSCSI targets in a clustered environment, do not give more than one initiator access to the same virtual disk. Conflicts can occur if more than one initiator tries to write to the virtual disk. If the virtual disk is formatted with the NTFS file system in

Windows, simultaneous writes can corrupt the NTFS file system on the virtual disk.

As a best practice, do not give an initiator access to a virtual disk that does not exist.

For VNXe iSCSI servers configured with multiple IP addresses, you need to add target portals for each of the IPs configured for each server.

Each VNXe iSCSI Server is a target. If a VNXe system has two iSCSI Servers, it has two targets. Each target has one session. Each IP address associated with a VNXe iSCSI Server is a target portal. If a VNXe iSCSI Server has two IP addresses associated with it, it has two target portals. For multiple paths to the host, a VNXe iSCSI Server must have two IP addresses (two target portals) associated with it. You must add each target portal, which you want to connect to the host, to the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator on the host when you configure an initiator to connect to an iSCSI Server. For a single-path configuration with the host, you add one target portal. For a multi-path configuration, you add the two target portals.

For a single-path configuration, each session has one connection. For a multi-path configuration, each session has two connections — one connection for each IP address (target portal).

To configure the Windows host initiators:

Go to the section below for the host's configuration:

For Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier:

- ◆ Single-path configuration
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — single-path configuration” on page 20](#)
- ◆ Multipath configuration with iSCSI Multiple Connections per Session (MCS):
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with MCS” on page 22](#)
- ◆ Multi-path configuration with PowerPath
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with PowerPath” on page 25](#)

For Windows Server 2008 R2:

- ◆ Single-path configuration
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — single-path configuration” on page 29](#)
- ◆ Multi-path configuration with iSCSI Multiple Connections per Session (MCS):
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with MCS” on page 32](#)
- ◆ Multi-path configuration with PowerPath
[“Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with PowerPath” on page 35](#)

Appendix A, “Setting Up MPIO for a Windows Cluster Using a VNXe System,” gives an end-to-end example of setting up a two-node Windows Server 2008 R2 Exchange cluster in an MPIO multi-path configuration with a VNXe system.

For Windows 7:

["Configuring a Windows 7 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server" on page 39](#)

Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — single-path configuration

To configure a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a single-path configuration, perform these tasks:

- ◆ ["Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a single-path configuration" on page 20.](#)
- ◆ ["Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a single-path configuration" on page 20.](#)

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a single-path configuration

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **General tab** and select **Secret**.
 - b. In the **CHAP Secret Setup** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).

- c. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a single-path configuration

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Add**.

The **Add Target Portal** dialog box opens.
4. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the subnet with the host interface.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.

5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server, in the **Advanced Settings** dialog box:
 - a. Select **CHAP logon information**.
 - b. Leave **User name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.

- d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
8. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI interface on the subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

9. Click **OK** to close the **Add Target Portal** dialog box.
10. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server target appears in the **Target Portals** list.
11. Click the **Targets** tab.
12. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target and click **Log On**.

The **Log On to Target** dialog box opens.

13. In the **Log On to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Select **Automatically restore this connection when the system boots**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.

14. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

15. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.

16. Click **OK** to close the **Log On to Target** dialog box.
17. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI target and click **Details**.
The **Target Properties** dialog box opens.
18. In the **Target Properties** dialog box, verify that one session appears on the **Sessions** tab.
19. Click **OK** to close the **Target Properties** dialog box.
20. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to ["Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage" on page 39](#).

Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with MCS

Before you configure a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration:

- ◆ You must have configured the VNXe iSCSI Server with two IP interfaces on two separate physical ports. Each IP interface should be on a separate IP subnet.
- ◆ The Windows host must have two network interfaces. One interface must be on the IP subnet with one of the VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces, and the other interface must be on the IP subnet with the other VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

To configure a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration with MCS, perform these tasks:

- ◆ ["Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in multi-path configuration with MCS" on page 22](#).
- ◆ ["Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a multi-path configuration with MCS" on page 23](#).

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in multi-path configuration with MCS

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **General tab** and select **Secret**.
 - b. In the **CHAP Secret Setup** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).

- c. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a multi-path configuration with MCS

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Add**.
The **Add Target Portal** dialog box opens.
4. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.
You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.
The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **CHAP logon information**.
 - b. Leave **User name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.
The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
8. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.
9. Click **OK** to close the **Add Target Portal** dialog box.
10. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the address of the first VNXe iSCSI Server interface appears in the **Target Portals** list.

11. Under **Target Portals**, click **Add** again to add the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
12. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.
13. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
14. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **CHAP logon information**.
 - b. Leave **User name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
15. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
16. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.
17. Click **OK** to close the **Add Target Portal** dialog box.
18. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the address of both VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces appear in the **Target Portals** list.
19. Click the **Targets** tab.
20. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target name and click **Log On**.

The **Log On to Target** dialog box opens.
21. In the **Log On to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Select **Automatically restore this connection when the system reboots**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
22. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

- **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

23. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
24. Click **OK** to close the **Log On to Target** dialog box.
25. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target, and click **Details**.
The **Target Properties** dialog box opens.
26. In the **Target Properties** dialog box, click the check box next to the identifier, and click **Connections**.
The **Session Connections** dialog box opens.
27. In the **Session Connections** dialog box, click **Add**.
The **Add Connection** dialog box opens.
28. In the **Add Connection** dialog box, click **Advanced**.
The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
29. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - a. **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - b. **Target Portal** to the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.
30. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
31. Click **OK** to close the **Add Connection** dialog box.
32. In the **Session Connections** dialog box, verify that two connections are listed.
33. Click **OK** to close the **Session Connections** dialog box.
34. Click **OK** to close the **Target Properties** dialog box.
35. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to ["Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage" on page 39](#).

Configuring a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with PowerPath

Before you configure a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration:

- ◆ You must have configured the VNXe iSCSI Server with two IP interfaces on two separate physical ports. Each IP interface should be on a separate IP subnet.

- ◆ The Windows host must have two network interfaces. One interface must be on the IP subnet with one of the VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces, and the other interface must be on the IP subnet with the other VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

To configure a Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration with PowerPath, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in multi-path configuration with PowerPath”](#) on page 26.
- ◆ [“Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a multi-path configuration with PowerPath”](#) on page 26.

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in multi-path configuration with PowerPath

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **General tab** and select **Secret**.
 - b. In the **CHAP Secret Setup** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).

- c. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008 SP2 or earlier in a multi-path configuration with PowerPath

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Add**.

The **Add Target Portal** dialog box opens.

4. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

- b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.

5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **CHAP logon information**.
 - b. Leave **User name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.

- d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
8. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.
9. Click **OK** to close the **Add Target Portal** dialog box.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

- The IP address of the first VNXe iSCSI Server should appear on the **Discovery** tab under **Target Portals**.
10. In the **Discovery** tab, under **Target Portals**, click **Add** again to add the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
11. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

 - b. Click **Advanced**.
12. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
13. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **CHAP logon information**.

- b. Leave **User name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
14. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
15. In the **Add Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
16. Click **OK** to close the **Add Target Portal** dialog box.
17. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the addresses of both VNXe iSCSI Server targets appear in the **Target Portals** list.
18. Click the **Targets** tab.
19. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target name and click **Log On**.

The **Log On to Targets** dialog box opens.
20. In the **Log On to Targets** dialog box, click **Advanced**.
21. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
22. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
23. In the **Log On to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Select **Automatically restore this connection when the system boots**.
 - b. Select **Enable multi-path**.
24. Click **OK** to close the **Log On to Target** dialog box.
25. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI target and click **Log On** again to log on to the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
26. In the **Log On to Targets** dialog box, click **Advanced**.
27. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

- **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

28. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
29. In the **Log On to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Select **Automatically restore this connection when the system boots**.
 - b. Select **Enable multi-path**.
30. Click **OK** to close the **Log On to Target** dialog box.
31. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target and click **Details**.
The **Target Properties** dialog box opens.
32. In the **Sessions** tab, verify that two sessions are listed.
33. Click **OK** to close the **Target Properties** dialog box.
34. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to [“Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage” on page 39](#).

Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — single-path configuration

To configure a Windows Server 2008 R2 or later initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a single-path configuration, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in single-path configuration” on page 29](#).
- ◆ [“Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in single-path configuration” on page 30](#).

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in single-path configuration

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **Configuration** tab.
 - b. On the **Configuration** tab, click **CHAP...**

The **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box opens.

- c. In the **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).

- d. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in single-path configuration

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Discover Portal**.

The **Discover Target Portal** dialog box opens.

4. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.

- b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.

5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **Enable CHAP logon**.
 - b. Leave **Name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.

- d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
8. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
9. Click **OK** to close the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box.

10. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server target appears in the **Target Portals** list.
11. Click the **Targets** tab.
12. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target under **Discovered targets** and click **Connect**.

The **Connect to Target** dialog box opens.
13. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Select **Add this connection to the list of Favorite Targets**.
 - b. Verify that **Enable multi-path** is *not* selected.
 - c. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
14. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**.
15. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
16. Click **OK** to close the **Connect to Target** dialog box.
17. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI target, and click **Properties**.

The **Properties** dialog box opens.
18. In the **Target Properties** dialog box, verify that one session appears on the **Sessions** tab.
19. Click **OK** to close the **Properties** dialog box.
20. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to ["Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage" on page 39](#).

Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with MCS

Before you configure a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration:

- ◆ You must have configured the VNXe iSCSI Server with two IP interfaces on two separate physical ports. Each IP interface should be on a separate IP subnet.
- ◆ The Windows host must have two network interfaces. One interface must be on the IP subnet with one of the VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces, and the other interface must be on the IP subnet with the other VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

To configure a Windows Server 2008 R2 or later initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration with MCS, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with MCS” on page 32.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with MCS” on page 32.](#)

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with MCS

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **Configuration** tab.
 - b. On the **Configuration** tab, click **CHAP...**
The **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box opens.
 - c. In the **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).
 - d. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with MCS

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Discover Portal**.

The **Discover Target Portal** dialog box opens.

4. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **Enable CHAP logon**.
 - b. Leave **Name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
8. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
9. Click **OK** to close the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box.
10. In the **Discovery** tab, verify the address of the first VNXe iSCSI Server interface appears in the **Target Portals** list.
11. Click **Discover Portal** again to configure the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
12. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
13. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.

- **Initiator IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
14. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **Enable CHAP logon**.
 - b. Leave **Name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
 15. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
 16. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.
 17. Click **OK** to close the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box.
 18. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the addresses of both the VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces appear in the **Target Portals** list.
 19. Click the **Targets** tab.
 20. In the **Targets** tab under **Discovered Targets**, select the VNXe iSCSI Server and click **Connect**.

The **Connect to Target** dialog box opens.
 21. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box:
 - a. Verify that **Add this connection to the list of Favorite Targets** is selected.
 - b. Verify that **Enable Multi-path** is *not* selected.
 - c. Click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
 22. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**.
 23. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
 24. Click **OK** to close the **Connect to Target** dialog box.
 25. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI target, and click **Properties**.

The **Properties** dialog box opens.

26. In the **Sessions** tab of the **Properties** dialog box, click the check box for the session identifier and click **MCS**.

The **Multiple Connected Session (MCS)** dialog box opens.

27. In the **Multiple Connected Session (MCS)** dialog box, set the **MCS policy** to **Round Robin**, and click **Add**.

The **Add Connection** dialog box opens.

28. In the **Add Connection** dialog box, click **Advanced**.

29. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:

- **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
- **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

30. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.

31. Click **Connect** to close the **Add Connection** dialog box.

32. In the **Multiple Connected Session (MCS)** dialog box, verify that two connections are listed for the session.

33. Click **OK** to close **Multiple Connected Session (MCS)** dialog box.

34. In the **Properties** dialog box, verify that the **Connection count** is 2.

35. Click **OK** to close the **Properties** dialog box.

36. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to ["Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage" on page 39](#).

Configuring a Windows Server 2008 R2 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server — multi-path configuration with PowerPath

Before you configure a Windows Server 2008 R2 or later initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration:

- ◆ You must have configured the VNXe iSCSI Server with two IP interfaces on two separate physical ports. Each IP interface should be on a separate IP subnet.
- ◆ The Windows host must have two network interfaces. One interface must be on the IP subnet with one of the VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces, and the other interface must be on the IP subnet with the other VNXe iSCSI Server interface.

To configure a Windows Server 2008 R2 or later initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server in a multi-path configuration with MCS, perform these tasks:

- ◆ ["Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with PowerPath" on page 36](#).
- ◆ ["Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with PowerPath" on page 36](#).

Task 1: Setup optional mutual CHAP — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with PowerPath

To configure optional mutual Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) you need the mutual CHAP secret specified for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For the VNXe iSCSI Server to which you want the host iSCSI initiator to access:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. If mutual CHAP authentication is configured on the VNXe iSCSI Server, then in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. Click the **Configuration** tab.
 - b. On the **Configuration** tab, click **CHAP**.
The **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box opens.
 - c. In the **iSCSI Initiator Mutual Chap Secret** dialog box, enter the mutual CHAP secret for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

If the VNXe system has multiple iSCSI Servers, this secret is the same for all. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**).
 - d. Click **OK**.

Task 2: Discover the VNXe iSCSI Server in an environment — Windows Server 2008 R2 in multi-path configuration with PowerPath

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
2. Click the **Discovery** tab.
3. Under **Target Portals**, click **Discover Portal**.
The **Discover Target Portal** dialog box opens.
4. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.
The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
5. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the first subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
6. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **Enable CHAP logon**.

- b. Leave **Name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.
The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
7. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
 8. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.
You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 9. Click **OK** to close the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box.
 10. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the address of the iSCSI Server interface is listed under **Target Portals**.
 11. Click **Discover Portal** again to configure the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 12. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.
You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**.
 - b. Click **Advanced**.
 13. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**.
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 14. If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator CHAP on the VNXe iSCSI Server:
 - a. Select **Enable CHAP logon**.
 - b. Leave **Name** as the default value, which is the initiator's IQN.
 - c. Set **Target secret** to the *same* secret that is configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.
The VNXe iSCSI Servers support CHAP secrets of 12 to 16 characters only.
 - d. If the VNXe iSCSI Server is configured for mutual CHAP, select **Perform Mutual Authentication**.
 15. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
 16. In the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.
 17. Click **OK** to close the **Discover Target Portal** dialog box.
 18. In the **Discovery** tab, verify that the addresses for both VNXe iSCSI Server interfaces appear in the **Target Portals** list.

19. Click the **Targets** tab.
20. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server target under **Discovered targets** and click **Connect**.

The **Connect to Target** dialog box opens.
21. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box, click **Advanced**.

The **Advanced Settings** dialog box opens.
22. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.**
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *first* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *first* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**.
23. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
24. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box, select the following:
 - **Add this connection to the list of Favorite Targets.**
 - **Enable multi-path.**
25. Click **OK** to close the **Connect to Target** dialog box.
26. In the **Targets** tab, click **Connect** to connect to the second VNXe iSCSI Server interface.
27. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box, click **Advanced**.
28. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.**
 - **Source IP** to the address of the host interface on the *second* subnet with the VNXe iSCSI Serve interface.
 - **Target Portal** to the address of the VNXe iSCSI Server interface on the *second* subnet with the host interface.

You can find this address with Unisphere by selecting **Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**.
29. Click **OK** to close the **Advanced Settings** dialog box.
30. In the **Connect to Target** dialog box, select the following:
 - **Add this connection to the list of Favorite Targets.**
 - **Enable multi-path.**
31. Click **OK** to close the **Connect to Target** dialog box.
32. On the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe iSCSI Server interface and click **Properties**.
33. In the **Properties** dialog box, verify that two sessions are listed in the **Sessions** tab.

34. Click **OK** to close the **Properties** dialog box.
35. Click **OK** to exit the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

What next?

Continue to [“Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage” on page 39.](#)

Configuring a Windows 7 initiator to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server

If the host initiator is configured for optional initiator Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) on the VNXe iSCSI Server, you need the secret (password) specified for the initiator on the VNXe system.

To configure a Windows 7 to connect to a VNXe:

1. On the host, start the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.
 On way to start the iSCSI Initiator is by going to the Control Panel and selecting **All Control Panel Items > Administrative Tools > iSCSI Initiator**.
2. If prompted to start the iSCSI service, click **Yes**.
3. In the **Targets** tab, enter the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server and click **Quick Connect**.
4. In the Quick Connect window under Discovered targets, select the VNXe iSCSI Server and click **Connect**.
 The VNXe iSCSI virtual disks on the target (VNXeiSCSI Server) for the host are added to Windows 7.
5. Click **Done**.
 The connection to the VNXeiSCSI Server appears on the Targets tab as Connected.
6. Click the **Volumes and Devices** tab and click **Auto Configure**.
 The virtual disks are connected to the host.

Windows host — Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Windows host to use VNXe iSCSI virtual disks, perform the following tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Register the virtual disks as MPIO devices \(Windows Server 2008 only\)” on page 39.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2: Set the offset for the virtual disk to 64 KB” on page 40.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 3: Configure a volume on the virtual disk” on page 40.](#)

Task 1: Register the virtual disks as MPIO devices (Windows Server 2008 only)

If you are using Multipath I/O (MPIO) with Windows Server 2008, you must register the VNXe virtual disks as MPIO devices and set up MPIO to discover iSCSI devices:

1. On the host, start the MPIO Administrative Tool:

Either **Start > Administrative Tools** and select **MPIO** or **Start > Run** and enter **mpiocpl.exe**.

2. Add the following entry to the MPIO device list:

EMC Celerra

IMPORTANT

The above entry must have 5 spaces between EMC and Celerra and 9 spaces after Celerra.

3. Restart the host when prompted.

Task 2: Set the offset for the virtual disk to 64 KB

After the initiator logs in to a target, each of the target's virtual disks that the initiator can access appears as an unknown disk in the Windows Disk Management tool.

To set the offset for the virtual disk on the host:

1. Select **Run > diskpart**.

2. Select the disk:

select disk *n*

where *n* is the disk number.

If you do not know the disk number, enter:

list disk

3. On the selected disk, create a primary partition with an offset of 64 KB:

create part pri align=64

Task 3: Configure a volume on the virtual disk

The following configuration process initializes the virtual disk, creates a partition, formats a volume on the partition, and mounts the partition on a drive letter:

1. On the host, in the Microsoft Disk Management tool, select the virtual disk.
2. If the system asks you to initialize the disk, click **Yes**, but do not choose to make the disk a dynamic disk because the VNXe iSCSI Servers do not support dynamic disks.

For a given virtual disk, its drive letter, disk number, and LUN number are independent.

3. Use a quick format operation (Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2008) or the New Simple Volume wizard (Windows 7) to create a volume on the disk with the following properties:

- NTFS file system
- 64K location unit size

IMPORTANT

Do not format more than one virtual disk at a time. Otherwise, some of the volumes can become write-protected and cannot be formatted.

You can change the volume label. Because the disk number of a virtual disk can change after system restart or after logging in to and out of a target, be sure to change the default volume label (“New Volume”) to a descriptive label.

4. Assign an available drive letter to the disk.
5. Close the Disk Management tool.

Mac OS host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Mac OS for Generic iSCSI storage, you must perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Installing and configuring the ATTO Xtend SAN iSCSI Initiator on a Mac OS host” on page 41.](#)
- ◆ [Task 2: Set up a Mac OS host to use the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk \(page 42\).](#)

Task 1: Installing and configuring the ATTO Xtend SAN iSCSI Initiator on a Mac OS host

To connect a host iSCSI initiator on a Mac OS host to VNXe iSCSI storage, you must install the ATTO Xtend SAN iSCSI Initiator and configure the initiator for the target.

1. On the VNXe system, from the **iSCSI Server Settings** page in Unisphere (**Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**), determine the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server (target) to which you want the host initiator to connect. This iSCSI Server is the one with the iSCSI storage resources for the host.
2. On the Mac OS host, insert the Xtend SAN CD into a CD drive, and following the steps in the installation wizard.

An **iSCSI Xtend SAN** icon appears at the location where you chose to install the initiator.

3. Double-click the **iSCSI Xtend SAN** icon.
4. Click the **Discover Targets** tab.
5. In the **Discover Targets** dialog box:
 - a. Enter the IP address of the target, which is the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server with the Generic iSCSI storage for the Mac OS.
 - b. To use optional CHAP:
 - Enter the target user name
 - Enter the target secret
 - For optional CHAP mutual authentication, select the **Mutual Authentication** checkbox.
 - c. Click **Finish**.

The **Setup** dialog box appears, displaying the iqn of the discovered VNXe target.

6. In the **Setup** dialog box
 - a. Select **Visible** and **Auto Login**.
 - b. Click **Save**.
7. Click the **Status** tab.
8. In the **Status** dialog box, click **Login**.

When the login operation is complete, the red icon before the iqn name in the left panel turns green.

9. Click **LUNs** to verify the connections.

If the initiator is connected to the VNXe iSCSI Server, the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk for the host appears in the LUNs list.

Task 2: Set up a Mac OS host to use the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk

Before the Mac OS host can use the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk, you must use the Mac OS Disk Utility to:

- ◆ [“Task 1:Format the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk” on page 42](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2:Partition the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk” on page 42](#)

Task 1: Format the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk

1. On the host, go to **Finder > Application > Utilities**.
2. Double-click **Disk Utility**.
3. In the left panel, select the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk.
VNXe iSCSI virtual disks appear in the left panel as **EMC Celerra iSCSI Media**.
4. Click the **Erase** tab.
5. For **Volume Format**, select the format that you want, and confirm your format choice.
6. Click **Erase** and verify the erase procedure, and click **Erase** again to start the erase process.

When the erase process finished, the virtual disk is ready for you to partition it.

Task 2: Partition the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk

1. On the host, go to **Finder > Application > Utilities**.
2. Double click **Disk Utility**.
3. In the left panel, select the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk.
VNXe iSCSI virtual disks appear in the left panel as **EMC Celerra iSCSI Media**.
4. Click the **Partition** tab.
5. Under Volume Scheme, select the number of partitions for the virtual disk.
The utility displays equal-sized partitions to fill the available space on the virtual disk.
6. For each partition:

- a. Select the partition.
- b. In **Name**, enter a name for the partition.
- c. Under **Format**, select the format for the partition.

The default format - Mac OS Extended (Journaled) - is a good choice for most uses.

- d. In **Size**, enter the size for the partition.
7. When you have specified, the name, size, and format for each partition, click **Apply**.

The Disk Utility uses the partition information to create volumes that the host can access and use. When the partitioning process is complete, the new volumes are mounted on the desktop and ready to use.

You are now ready to either migrate data to the virtual disk or have the host start using the virtual disk. To migrate data to the virtual disk, go to [Chapter 3, “Migrating Generic iSCSI Data to the VNXe System.”](#)

iSCSI troubleshooting

This section contains information about:

- ◆ [“iSCSI session troubleshooting” on page 43](#)
- ◆ [“Known Microsoft iSCSI Initiator problems” on page 44](#)

iSCSI session troubleshooting

1. Use **ping** with the IP address to verify connectivity from the host to the target’s IP address.

Using the IP address avoids name resolution issues.

Note: You can find the IP address for the target by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings** in Unisphere.

Some switches intentionally drop ping packets or lower their priority during times of high workload. If the ping testing fails when network traffic is heavy, verify the switch settings to ensure the ping testing is valid.

2. On the host, verify that the iSCSI initiator service is started.

Note: The iSCSI service on the iSCSI Server starts when the VNXe system is powered up.

3. In the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator, verify the following for the VNXe target portal:

- IP address(es) or DNS name of the VNXe iSCSI Server with the host’s virtual disks.

Note: For a host running PowerPath or Windows native failover, VNXe target portal has two IP addresses.

- Port is 3260, which is the default communications port for iSCSI traffic.

4. Verify that the iSCSI qualified names (IQN) for the initiators and the iSCSI Server name for the target are legal, globally unique, iSCSI names.

Note: An IQN must be a globally unique identifier of as many as 223 ASCII characters.

For a Windows host initiator — You can find this IQN on the **General** tab of the Microsoft iSCSI initiator.

5. If you are using optional CHAP authentication, ensure that the following two secrets are *identical* by resetting them to the same value:
 - The secret for the host initiator in the Microsoft iSCSI Software Initiator or the Linux **open-iscsi** driver.
 - The secret configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.
6. If you are using optional mutual CHAP authentication, ensure that the following two secrets are *identical* by resetting them to the same value:
 - The secret for the host initiator in the Microsoft iSCSI Software Initiator or the Linux **open-iscsi** driver.
 - The secret for the iSCSI Server on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

Known Microsoft iSCSI Initiator problems

Table 2 describes known problems that with the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator and describes workarounds.

Table 2 Microsoft iSCSI Initiator problems

Problem	Symptom	Workaround
Initiator cannot refresh its targets list.	If you use iSNS and an initiator is disconnected from the network, the initiator may not refresh its target list. When attempting to refresh the target list, the initiator logs the iSNS error <code>auth unknown (0x6)</code> to the Windows Event Log.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Windows Administrative Tools > Services. 2. Stop and restart the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.

Table 2 Microsoft iSCSI Initiator problems

Problem	Symptom	Workaround
Login problems occur when you use iSNS for target discovery.	When you configure the initiator with iSNS target discovery, it can intermittently fail to log in to a target with the following error message: The target name is not found or is marked as hidden from login.	The Microsoft iSCSI Initiator eventually recovers from this situation. To speed up the process, refresh the target list a few times until the target in question is discovered.
Initiator messages fill up the Windows Event Log.	If the initiator has an active session with a VNXe iSCSI Server and the iSCSI Server becomes unavailable, then the initiator logs multiple messages to the Windows Event Log. If multiple virtual disks are configured for each target, the messages that the initiator generates can quickly fill the log.	To avoid this situation, log out all connected initiators before bringing the target down for its scheduled downtime.
Cannot write to a filesystem on a VNXe storage resource connected to the host.	Filesystem is read-only.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Verify that the registry values as set as described in “Set registry values” on page 19. 2. Verify that the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator is configured as described in “Windows host – Configuring to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server” on page 27.

CHAPTER 2

Setting Up a Unix Host to Use VNXe Generic iSCSI Storage

This chapter describes how to set up an AIX, Citrix XenServer, HP-UX, Linux, or Solaris host to use EMC® VNXe™ Generic iSCSI storage.

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Requirements for setting up a host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage

Before you set up a host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, the network and VNXe requirements described in this section must be met.

Network requirements

For a host to connect to Generic iSCSI storage on an VNXe iSCSI Server, the host must be in a network environment with the VNXe iSCSI Server; to achieve best performance, the host should be on a local subnet with each VNXe iSCSI Server that provides storage for it. For a multi-pathing environment, each VNXe iSCSI Server providing Generic iSCSI storage for the host, must have two IP addresses associated with it. These two addresses should be on different subnets to ensure high availability.

Note: The Linux iSCSI driver, which is part of the Linux operating system and which you configure so that the host iSCSI initiators can access the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, does not distinguish between NICs on the same subnet. As a result, to achieve load balancing, a VNXe iSCSI Server connected to a Linux host must have each NIC configured on a different subnet.

To achieve maximum throughput, connect the VNXe iSCSI Server and the hosts for which it provides storage to their own private network, that is, a network just for them. When choosing the network, consider network performance.

Path management network requirements

When implementing a highly-available network between a host and the VNXe system, keep in mind that:

- ◆ A VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource is presented to only one SP at a given time
- ◆ You can configure two IP interfaces for an iSCSI Storage Server. These IP interfaces should be associated with two separate physical interfaces on the same SP.
- ◆ Network switches may be on separate subnets.

IMPORTANT

Directly attaching a host to a VNXe system is not currently supported.

[Figure 2 on page 49](#) shows a highly-available iSCSI network configuration for hosts accessing a VNXe storage resource. Switch A and Switch B are on separate subnets. Host A and Host B can each access the storage resource through separate NICs. If the storage resource is owned by SP A, the hosts can access the storage resource through the paths to the eth2 interface on SP A. Should SP A fail, the VNXe system transfers ownership of the resource to SP B and the hosts can access the storage resource through the paths to the eth2 interface on SP B.

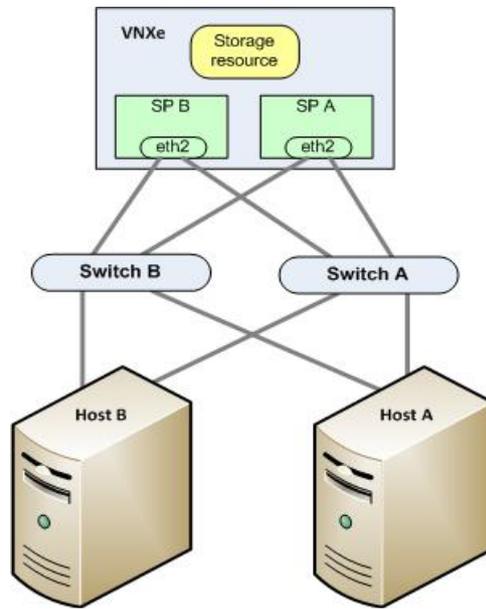


Figure 2 Sample highly-available iSCSI network

VNXe requirements

- ◆ You have installed and configured the VNXe system using the VNXe Configuration Wizard, as described in “Installing Your VNXe3100 Hardware” or “Installing Your VNXe3300 Hardware.”
- ◆ You have used the Unisphere software or the VNXe CLI to create the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage for the host and have added the host to the VNXe system. For information on performing these tasks refer to the Unisphere online help.

IMPORTANT

On a HP-UX host, the iSCSI initiator will not discover the VNXe iSCSI storage if LUN 0 is not assigned to the host. We recommend that you to create a unique target (iSCSI Server), create an Generic iSCSI storage resource on this iSCSI Server, and provide access to the HP-UX host. The first virtual disk that you create on this is Generic iSCSI storage resource is LUN 0.

What next?

Do one of the following:

- ◆ To learn about the EMC Celerra® VSS Provider for iSCSI for Windows hosts, refer to [“Using multi-path management software on the host” on page 50.](#)
- ◆ To use EMC PowerPath® software on any Linux host, refer to [“Using multi-path management software on the host” on page 50.](#)
- ◆ To use native multipath failover on a Citrix XenServer, HP-UX, Linux, or Solaris host, refer to [“Using multi-path management software on the host” on page 50.](#)

- ◆ To set up an AIX host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “AIX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 53.
- ◆ To set up a Citrix XenServer host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “Citrix XenServer host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 55.
- ◆ To set up an HP-UX host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “HP-UX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 56.
- ◆ To set up a Linux host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “Linux host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 59.
- ◆ To set up a Solaris host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “Solaris host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 62.

Using multi-path management software on the host

Multi-path management software manages the connections (paths) between the host and the VNXe system should one of the paths fail. The following types of multi-path managements software are available for a host connected to a VNXe system:

- ◆ EMC PowerPath software on an HP-UX, Linux, or Solaris host
- ◆ Native mulitpath software on a Citrix XenServer, HP-UX 11i, Linux, or Solaris host

Note: PowerPath and AIX Native Multipath (MPIO) software are not currently supported for an AIX host connected to VNXe virtual disks.

For the supported versions of the PowerPath or native multipath failover software, refer to the VNXe EMC Simple Support Matrix for the VNXe Series on the EMC Online Support website (<http://www.emc.com/vnxesupport>). To find this matrix on the website, search for “Simple Support Matrix” on the VNXe Support Page.

Setting up a VNXe system for multi-path management software

For a VNXe system to operate with hosts running multi-path management software, each iSCSI Server in the VNXe system should be associated with two IP addresses.

Use the EMC Unisphere™ Settings > iSCSI Server Settings page to verify that each iSCSI Server has two network interfaces configured, and if either iSCSI server has only one network interface configured, configure a second network interface for it. For information on configuring more than one network interface for an iSCSI Server, refer to the topic on changing iSCSI Server settings in the Unisphere online help.

IMPORTANT

For highest availability, use two network interfaces on the iSCSI Server. The network interfaces should be on separate subnets. If the network interfaces are on the same subnet, a Windows host will let you use only one interface. You can view the network interfaces for an iSCSI Server with Unisphere under Network Interface advanced settings (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings > iSCSI Server Details**).

Installing PowerPath

1. On the host or virtual machine, download the latest PowerPath version from the PowerPath software downloads section on the EMC Online Support website (<http://support.emc.com>).
2. Install PowerPath using a Custom installation and the Celerra option, as described in the appropriate PowerPath installation and administration guide for the host's or virtual machine's operating system.

This guide is available on the EMC Online Support website. If the host or virtual machine is running the most recent version and a patch exists for this version, install it, as described in the readme file that accompanies the patch.

3. When the installation is complete, reboot the host or virtual machine.
4. When the host or virtual machine is back up, verify that the PowerPath service has started.

Installing native multipath software

Whether you need to install multipath software, depends on the host's operating system.

Citrix XenServer

By default XenServer uses the Linux native multipathing (DM-MP) as its multipath handler. This handler is packaged with the Citrix XenServer operating system software.

Linux

To use Linux native multipath software, you must install the Linux multipath tools package as described in [“Installing or updating the Linux multipath tools package” on page 51](#).

HP-UX 11i

Native multipath failover is packaged with the HP-UX operating system software.

Solaris

Sun's native path management software is Sun StorEdge™ Traffic Manager (STMS).

For Solaris 10 — STMS is integrated into the Solaris operating system patches you install. For information on install patches, refer to the Sun website.

Installing or updating the Linux multipath tools package

To use Linux native multipath failover software, the Linux multipath tools package must be installed on the host. This package is installed by default on SuSE SLES 10 or higher, but is not installed by default on Red Hat.

If you need to install the multipath tools package, install the package from the appropriate website below.

For SuSE:

<http://www.novell.com/linux/>

The multipath tools package is included with SuSE SLES 9 SP3 and you can install it with YaST or RPM.

For Red Hat:

<http://www.redhat.com>

The multipath tools package is included with Red Hat RHEL4 U3 or RHEL5, and you can install it with YaST or Package Manager. If an update is available, follow the instructions for installing it on the <http://www.novell.com/linux/> or <http://www.redhat.com> website.

What next?

Do one of the following:

- ◆ To set up an AIX host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “[AIX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage](#)” on page 53.
- ◆ To set up a Citrix XenServer host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “[Citrix XenServer host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage](#)” on page 55.
- ◆ To set up an HP-UX host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “[HP-UX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage](#)” on page 56.
- ◆ To set up a Linux host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “[Linux host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage](#)” on page 59.
- ◆ To set up a Solaris host to use Generic iSCSI storage, refer to “[Solaris host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage](#)” on page 62.

AIX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up an AIX host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ “Task 1: Install Celerra AIX software” on page 53
- ◆ “Task 2: Configure the AIX iSCSI initiator” on page 54
- ◆ “Task 3: Configure iSCSI LUNs as AIX disk drives” on page 54
- ◆ “Task 4: Prepare the virtual disks to receive data” on page 54

Task 1: Install Celerra AIX software

1. Log in to the AIX host using an account with administrator privileges.
2. Download the AIX ODM Definitions software package to the /tmp directory on the AIX host as follows:
 - a. Navigate to AIX ODM Definitions on the software downloads section on the **Support** tab of the EMC Powerlink website.
 - b. Choose the version of the EMC ODM Definitions for the version of AIX software running on the host, and save the software to the /tmp directory on the host.
3. In the /tmp directory, uncompress and untar the EMC AIX fileset for the AIX version running on the host:


```
uncompress EMC.AIX.x.x.x.x.tar.z
tar -xvf EMC.AIX.x.x.x.x.tar
```
4. Start the System Management Interface Tool to install the software:


```
smit installp
```
5. In the Install and Update Software menu, select **Install and Update from ALL Available Software** and enter **/tmp** as the path to the software.
6. Select **SOFTWARE to install**.
7. Select the following options:
 - **EMC CELERRA AIX Support Software**
 - **EMC CELERRA iSCSI Support Software**
8. After making any changes to the displayed values, press **Enter**.
9. Scroll to the bottom of the window to see the Installation Summary, and verify that the message “SUCCESS” appears.
10. Reboot the AIX host to have the changes take effect.

Task 2: Configure the AIX iSCSI initiator

Enable the AIX host to discover iSCSI targets on the VNXe system:

1. On the VNXe system, from the **iSCSI Server Settings** page in Unisphere (**Settings > iSCSI Server Settings**), determine the IQN and the IP address of the VNXe system iSCSI Server (target) to which you want the host initiator to connect.
2. On the AIX host, start the System Management Interface Tool:
smit
3. Using a text editor, open the file `/etc/iscsi/targets`.
4. For each VNXe iSCSI Server to be accessed by this initiator, add a line in the format:
`<portal> <port> <target_iqn>`
where:
`<portal>` = IP address of the network portal
`<port>` = number of the TCP listening port (default is 3260)
`<target_iqn>` = formal iSCSI name of the Celerral target

Task 3: Configure iSCSI LUNs as AIX disk drives

On the AIX host:

1. Discover the VNXe iSCSI virtual disks as disk drives:
cfgmgr
2. To list the iSCSI virtual disk, enter
lsdev -Cc disk

Task 4: Prepare the virtual disks to receive data

If you do not want to use a virtual disk as a raw disk or raw volume, then before AIX can send data to the virtual disk, you must either partition the virtual disk or create a database file systems on it. For information on how to perform these tasks, refer to the AIX operating system documentation.

Citrix XenServer host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Citrix XenServer host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Configure the iSCSI software initiator” on page 55](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2: Configure the iSCSI software initiator for multipathing” on page 55](#)

Task 1: Configure the iSCSI software initiator

The XenServer operating system include iSCSI software that you must configure for each initiator that will connect to the VNXe iSCSI storage.

1. On the VNXe system, from the **iSCSI Server Settings** page in Unisphere (**Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**), determine the IP address of the VNXe system iSCSI Server (target) to which you want the host initiator to connect.
2. Open the XenCenter console.
3. Click **New Storage** at the top of the console.
4. In the **New Storage** dialog box, under **Virtual disk storage**, select **iSCSI**.
5. Under **Name**, enter a descriptive name of the VNXe virtual disk (Storage Repository).
6. To use optional CHAP
 - a. Check **Use CHAP**.
 - b. Enter the CHAP username and password.
7. Click **Discover IQNs**.
8. Click **Discover LUNs**.
9. Once the **IQN** and **LUN** fields are populated, click **Finish**.

The host scans the target to see if it has any XenServer Storage Repositories (SRs) on it already, and if any exist you are asked if you want to attach to an existing SR or create a new SR.

Task 2: Configure the iSCSI software initiator for multipathing

Citrix recommends either enabling multipathing in XenCenter before you connect the pool to the storage device or if you already created the storage repository, putting the host into Maintenance Mode before you enable multipathing.

If you enable multipathing while connected to a storage repository, XenServer may not configure multipathing successfully. If you already created the storage repository and want to configure multipathing, put all hosts in the pool into Maintenance Mode before configuring multipathing and then configure multipathing on all hosts in the pool. This ensures that any running virtual machines that have virtual disks in the affected storage repository are migrated before the changes are made.

1. In XenCenter enable the multipath handler:
 - a. On the host’s **Properties** dialog box, select the **Multipathing** tab.
 - b. On the **Multipathing** tab, select **Enable multipathing on this server**.
2. Verify that multipathing is enabled by clicking the storage resource’s **Storage general properties**.

HP-UX host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up an HP-UX host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ “Task 1: Download and install the HP-UX iSCSI initiator software” on page 56.
- ◆ “Task 2: Configure HP-UX access to a VNXe iSCSI Server (target)” on page 56.
- ◆ “Task 3: Make the VNXe storage processors available to the host” on page 58.
- ◆ “Task 4: Verify that native multipath failover sees all paths the virtual disks” on page 58.
- ◆ “Task 5: Prepare the virtual disks to receive data” on page 58.

Task 1: Download and install the HP-UX iSCSI initiator software

1. On the HP-UX host, open a web browser and connect to the HP-UX website:
<http://www.hp.com/products1/serverconnectivity>
2. Under **Other connectivity**, select **iSCSI software initiator**.
3. Download the documentation listed under the Documentation heading.
You may need to refer to these documents when you download and install the initiator software.
4. Select **Receive for Free** and follow the instructions on the site to download the initiator software.
5. Install the initiator software using the information on the site or that you downloaded from the site.

Task 2: Configure HP-UX access to a VNXe iSCSI Server (target)

Before an HP-UX iSCSI initiator can send data to or received data from VNXe iSCSI virtual disks, you must configure the network parameters for the NIC initiators so that they can connect to the VNXe iSCSI Server (target) with the iSCSI virtual disks.

To configure access to a iSCSI VNXe Server:

1. Log into the HP-UX host as `superuser (root)`.
2. Add the path for the `iscsi util` and other iSCSI executables to the root path:

```
PATH=$PATH:/opt/iscsi/bin
```

3. Verify the iSCSI initiator name:

```
iscsiutil -l
```

The iSCSI software initiator configures a default initiator name in an iSCSI Qualified Name (IQN) format.

For example:

```
iqn.1986-03.com.hp:hpfc214.2000853943
```

To change the default iSCSI initiator name or reconfigure the name to an IEEE EUI-64 (EUI) format, continue to the next step; otherwise skip to [step 5](#).

4. Configure the default iSCSI initiator name:

```
iscsiutil [iscsi-device-file] -i -N iscsi-initiator-name
```

Note: For more information on IQN and EUI formats, refer to the HP-UX iscsi software initiator guide.

where:

iscsi-device-file is the iSCSI device path, /dev/iscsi, and is optional if you include the **-i** or **-N** switches in the command.

-i configures the iSCSI initiator information.

-N is the initiator name. When preceded by the **-i** switch, it requires the iSCSI initiator name. The first 256 characters of the name string are stored in the iSCSI persistent information.

iscsi-initiator-name is the initiator name you have chosen, in IQN or EUI format.

5. Verify the new iSCSI initiator name:

```
iscsiutil -l
```

6. For each iSCSI target device you will statically identify, store the target device information in the kernel registry, adding one or more discovery targets:

```
iscsitutil [/dev/iscsi] -a -I ip-address/hostname [-P tcp-port] [-M portal-grp-tag]
```

where

-a adds a discovery target address into iSCSI persistent information. You can add discovery target addresses only with this option.

-I requires the IP address or hostname of the discovery target portal address.

ip-address/hostname is the IP address or host name component of the target network portal.

-P *tcp-port* is the listening TCP port component of the discovery target network portal (optional). The default iSCSI TCP port number is 3260.

-M *portal-grp-tag* is the target portal group tag (optional). The default target portal group tag for discovery targets is 1.

For example:

```
iscsiutil -a -I 192.1.1.110
```

or, if you specify the hostname,

```
iscsiutil -a -I target.hp.com
```

If an iSCSI TCP port used by the discovery target is different than the default iSCSI port of 3260, you must specify the default TCP port used by the discovery target, for example,

```
iscsiutil -a -I 192.1.1.110 -P 5001
```

or

```
iscsiutil -a -I target.hp.com -P 5001
```

7. Verify the discovery targets that you have configured:

```
iscsiutil -p -D
```

8. To discover the operational target devices:

```
/usr/sbin/ioscan -H 225  
ioscan -NfC disk (for HP-UX 11i v3 only)
```

9. To create the device files for the targets:

```
/usr/sbin/insf -H 225
```

10. To display operational targets:

```
iscsiutil -p -O
```

Task 3: Make the VNXe storage processors available to the host

Verify that each NIC sees only the storage processors (targets) to which it is connected:

```
ioscan -fnC disk  
insf -e  
ioscan -NfC disk (for HP-UX 11i v3 only)
```

Task 4: Verify that native multipath failover sees all paths the virtual disks

If you are using multipath failover:

1. Rescan for the virtual disks:

```
ioscan -NfC disk |  
insf -e
```

2. View the virtual disks available to the host:

```
ioscan -NfnC disk
```

3. Verify that all paths to the VNXe system are CLAIMED:

```
ioscan -NkfnC lunpath
```

Task 5: Prepare the virtual disks to receive data

If you do not want to use a virtual disk as a raw disk or raw volume, then before HP-UX can send data to the virtual disk, perform the following tasks as described in the HP-UX operating system documentation:

1. Make the virtual disk visible to HP-UX.
2. Create a volume group on the virtual disk.

Linux host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Linux host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ “Task 1: Configure Linux iSCSI initiator software” on page 59
- ◆ “Task 2: Set up the Linux host to use the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk” on page 61

Task 1: Configure Linux iSCSI initiator software

The Linux operating system includes the iSCSI initiator software — the iSCSI driver **open-iscsi** — that comes with the Linux kernel. You must configure this open-iscsi driver with the network parameters for each initiator that will connect to VNXe iSCSI storage.

NOTICE

The Linux iSCSI driver gives the same name to all network interface cards (NICs) in a host. This name identifies the host, not the individual NICs. This means that if multiple NICs from the same host are connected to a VNXe iSCSI Server on the same subnet, then only one NIC is actually used. The other NICs are in standby mode. The host uses one of the other NICs only if the first NIC fails.

Each host connected to an iSCSI storage system must have a unique iSCSI initiator name for its initiators (NICs). To determine a host's iSCSI initiator name for its NICs use `cat /etc/iscsi/initiatorname.iscsi` for open-iscsi drivers. If multiple hosts connected to the VNXe iSCSI Server have the same iSCSI initiator name, contact your Linux provider for help with making the names unique.

To configure the Linux **open-iscsi** driver:

IMPORTANT

The *EMC Host Connectivity Guide for Linux* on the EMC Online Support website (<http://www.emc.com/vnxesupport>) provide the latest information about configuring the **open-iscsi** driver.

1. From the **iSCSI Server Settings** page in Unisphere (**Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**), determine the IP address of the VNXe iSCSI Server (target) to which you want the host initiators to connect.
2. For any Linux initiators connected to the VNXe iSCSI Server with CHAP authentication enabled, stop the iSCSI service on the Linux host.
3. Using a text editor, such as vi, open the `/etc/iscsi/iscsi.conf` file.
4. Uncomment (remove the # symbol) before the recommended variable settings in the iSCSI driver configuration file as listed in [Table 3 on page 60](#).

Table 3 Open-iscsi driver recommended settings

Variable name	Default setting	Recommended setting
node.startup	manual	auto
node.session.iscsi.InitialR2T	No	Yes
node.session.iscsi.ImmediateData	Yes	No
node.session.timeo.replacment_timeout	120	120 ¹
node.conn[0].timeo.timeo.noop_out_interval	10	later in congested networks ²
node.conn[0].timeo.timeo.noop_out_timeout	15	later in congested networks ²

1. In congested networks you may increase this value to 600. However, this time must be greater than the combined node.conn[0].timeo.timeo.noop_out_interval and node.conn[0].timeo.timeo.noop_out_time times.

2. This value should *not* exceed the values in node.session.timeo.replacement_timeout.

5. To start the iSCSI service automatically on reboot and powerup, set the run level to 345 for the iSCSI service.
6. Discover and log in to the host to which you want to connect with the **iscsiadm** command for Red Hat 5 or later or YaST for SuSE 10 or later.

You need to perform a discovery on only a single IP address because the VNXe system also returns its other iSCSI target, if it is configured for a second iSCSI Server.

7. Configure optional CHAP authentication on the open-iscsi driver initiator:

For Red Hat 5 or later

Use the **iscsiadm** command to do the following:

For optional initiator CHAP:

- a. Enable CHAP as the authentication method.
- b. Set the username for the initiator to the initiator's IQN, which you can find with the **iscsiadm -m node** command.
- c. Set the secret (password) for the initiator to the *same* secret that you entered for the host initiator on the VNXe system.

For optional mutual CHAP

- a. Set the username (username_in) to the initiator's IQN, which you can find with the **iscsiadm -m node** command.
- b. Set the secret (password_in) for the target to the *same* secret that you entered for the VNXe iSCSI Server.

For SuSE 10 or later

Use the YaST to do the following for the open-iscsi driver initiator:

For optional initiator CHAP:

- a. Enable *incoming* authentication.
- b. Set the initiator CHAP username to the initiator's IQN, which you can find with the **iscsiadm -m node** command.

- c. Set the initiator CHAP password (secret) to the *same* secret that you entered for the host initiator on the VNXe system.

For mutual CHAP:

- a. Enable *outgoing* authentication (mutual CHAP).
 - b. Set the mutual CHAP username to the initiator's IQN, which you can find with the **iscsiadm -m node** command.
 - c. Set the initiator password (secret) for the target to the *same* secret that you entered for the VNXe iSCSI Server.
8. Find the driver parameter models you want to use, and configure them as shown in the examples in the configuration file.
 9. Restart the iSCSI service.

Task 2: Set up the Linux host to use the VNXe iSCSI virtual disk

Perform the following tasks as described in the Linux operating system documentation:

1. Find the LUN number of the virtual disk:
 - a. In Unisphere, select **Storage** > **Generic iSCSI Storage**.
 - b. Select the generic storage with the virtual disk, click **Details**, and click the **Virtual Disks** tab.
2. On the host, partition the virtual disk.

If the host does not see the virtual disk, you can have problems with the iSCSI session between the host and an iSCSI target (VNXe iSCSI Server). To troubleshoot this problem, see [“iSCSI session troubleshooting” on page 64](#).
3. Create a file system on the partition.
4. Create a mount directory for the file system.
5. Mount the file system.

The Linux host can now write data to and read data from the file system on the virtual disk.

Solaris host — Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage

To set up a Solaris host to use VNXe Generic iSCSI storage, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Configure Sun StorEdge Traffic Manager \(STMS\)” on page 62.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2: Configure Solaris access to a VNXe iSCSI Server \(target\)” on page 63](#)
- ◆ [“Task 3: Prepare the virtual disk to receive data” on page 63](#)

Task 1: Configure Sun StorEdge Traffic Manager (STMS)

If you want to use STMS on the host to manage the paths to the VNXe virtual disks, you must first configure it:

1. Enable STMS by editing the following configuration file:

Solaris 10 — Do one of the following:

- Edit the `/kernel/drv/fp.conf` file by changing the `mpxio-disable` option from `yes` to `no`.
- or
- Execute the following command:
stmsboot -e

2. We recommend that you enable the STMS auto-restore feature to restore LUNs to their default SP after a failure has been repaired. In Solaris 10, auto-restore is enabled by default.
3. If you want to install STMS offline over NFS, share the root file system of the target host in a way that allows root access over NFS to the installing host, if you want to install STMS offline over NFS. You can use a command such as the following on `target_host` to share the root file system on `target_host` so that `installer_host` has root access:

```
share -F nfs -d `root on target_host` -o ro,rw=installer
host,root=installer_host /
```

If the base directory of the package (the default is `/opt`) is not part of the root file system, it also needs to be shared with root access.

4. For the best performance and failover protection, we recommend that you set the load balancing policy to round robin:

```
setting load-balance="round-robin"
```

Task 2: Configure Solaris access to a VNXe iSCSI Server (target)

Before a Solaris iSCSI initiator can send data to or received data from VNXe iSCSI virtual disks, you must configure the network parameters for the NIC initiators so that they can connect to the VNXe iSCSI Server (target) with the iSCSI virtual disks.

To configure access to a iSCSI VNXe Server:

1. Log into the Solaris system as `superuser (root)`.
2. Configure the target device to be discovered using SendTargets dynamic discovery.

Example:

```
iscsiadm modify discovery-address 10.14.111.222:3260
```

Note: If you do not want the host to see specific targets, use the static discovery method as described in the Solaris server documentation.

3. Enable the SendTargets discovery method.

Examples:

```
iscsiadm modify discovery --sendtargets enable
```

or

```
iscsiadm modify discovery -t enable
```

4. Create the iSCSI device links for the local system.

For example:

```
devfsadm -l iscsi
```

5. If you want Solaris to login to the target more than once (multiple paths), use:

```
iscsiadm modify target-param -c <logins> <target_iqn>
```

where *logins* is the number of logins and *target_iqn* is the IQN of the VNXe iSCSI Server (target).

Note: You can determine the IQN of the VNXe iSCSI Server from Unisphere on the **iSCSI Server Settings** page (**Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**).

Task 3: Prepare the virtual disk to receive data

If you do not want to use the virtual disk as a raw disk or raw volume, then before Solaris can send data to the virtual disk, you must perform the following tasks as described in the Solaris operating system documentation:

1. Partition the virtual disk.
2. Create and mount a files system on the partition.

What next?

You are now ready to either migrate data to the virtual disk or have the host start using the virtual disk. To migrate data to the virtual disk, go to [Chapter 3, “Migrating Generic iSCSI Data to the VNXe System.”](#)

iSCSI session troubleshooting

If you receive a connection error when the host is trying to log in to an iSCSI target (VNXe iSCSI Server), or you cannot see the virtual disks on the target, you can be having problems with the iSCSI session between the initiator and the target.

If the session cannot be established or you get unexpected results from the session, follow this procedure:

1. Use **ping** with the IP address to verify connectivity from the host to the target's IP address.

Using the IP address avoids name resolution issues.

Note: You can find the IP address for the target by selecting **Settings > iSCSI Server Settings** in Unisphere.

Some switches intentionally drop ping packets or lower their priority during times of high workload. If the ping testing fails when network traffic is heavy, verify the switch settings to ensure the ping testing is valid.

2. Check the host routing configuration using Unisphere under **Settings > More configuration > Routing Configuration**.
3. On the host, verify that the iSCSI initiator service is started.

Note: The iSCSI service on the iSCSI Server starts when the VNXe system is powered up.

4. In the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator, verify the following for the VNXe target portal:
 - IP address(es) or DNS name of the VNXe iSCSI Server with the host's virtual disks.

Note: For a host running PowerPath or Windows native failover, VNXe target portal has two IP addresses.

- Port is 3260, which is the default communications port for iSCSI traffic.
5. Verify that the iSCSI qualified names (IQN) for the initiators and the iSCSI Server name for the target are legal, globally unique, iSCSI names.

Note: An iQN must be a globally unique identifier of as many as 223 ASCII characters.

For a Linux host initiator — You can find this IQN with the **iscsiadm -m node** command, which lists the IP address and associated iqn for each iSCSI initiator.

For a Solaris host initiator — You can find this IQN with the **iscsi list initiator-node** command.

6. If you are using optional CHAP authentication, ensure that the following two secrets are *identical* by resetting them to the same value:
 - The secret for the host initiator in the host's iSCSI software.
 - The secret configured for the host initiator on the VNXe iSCSI Server.

7. If you are using optional mutual CHAP authentication, ensure that the following two secrets are *identical* by resetting them to the same value:
 - The secret for the host initiator in the host's iSCSI software.
 - The secret for the iSCSI Server on the VNXe iSCSI Server. You can find this secret in the **CHAP Security** section on the iSCSI Server Settings page in Unisphere (**Settings** > **iSCSI Server Settings**).

CHAPTER 3

Migrating Generic iSCSI Data to the VNXe System

You can migrate generic iSCSI disk data to the VNXe system with either a manual copy or an application-specific tool, if one is available.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- ◆ [Generic iSCSI data migration environment and limitations](#) 68
- ◆ [Migrating Generic iSCSI disk data.....](#) 68

Generic iSCSI data migration environment and limitations

[Table 4](#) outlines the environment for a manual copy migration and an application tool migration of Generic iSCSI data.

Table 4 Environment for generic iSCSI data migration

Component	Requirement
VNXe storage	Generic iSCSI storage resource sized to accommodate the data in the LUN that you want to migrate and to allow for data growth
Host	Single host with access to the LUN with data to be migrated and also to the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource for the migrated data
LUN	Single LUN on either a local or attached iSCSI storage device that you migrate in its entirety to the VNXe share

The downtime for a manual copy migration is relative to the time required for copying the data from the LUN to the VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource. The downtime for an application-specific tool migration should be less than the downtime for a manual copy.

If the data you are migrating will occupy 25% or more of the space available in the new storage resource, it is recommended that you do not initially enable thin provisioning for the storage resource. Enabling thin provisioning for the new storage resource before migrating data to it may cause performance issues. To avoid performance issues, initially create the new storage resource with thin provisioning disabled. Once the storage resource is created, modify it to enable thin provisioning, increase its size, and then start migrating data to your storage resource. Consider increasing the size of the storage resource based on the amount of data you expect to be added over time.

Migrating Generic iSCSI disk data

To migrate Generic iSCSI data to a VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource, perform these tasks:

- ◆ [“Task 1: Attach the host or virtual machine to the new VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource” on page 68.](#)
- ◆ [“Task 2: Migrate the Generic iSCSI data” on page 69.](#)

Task 1: Attach the host or virtual machine to the new VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource

1. Configure each host or virtual machine initiator that needs access to the iSCSI data to connect to the VNXe iSCSI Server (target) with the new Generic iSCSI storage resource, as described in [“Windows host – Configuring to connect to a VNXe iSCSI Server” on page 18](#) for a Windows host or virtual machine or [“Linux host – Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 59](#) for a Linux host.
2. Prepare the new Generic iSCSI storage resource to receive data, as described in [“Windows host – Setting up to use VNXe virtual disks in Generic iSCSI storage” on page 39](#) for a Windows host or [“Linux host – Setting up for Generic iSCSI storage” on page 59](#) for a Linux host.

Task 2: Migrate the Generic iSCSI data

1. If any host or virtual machine applications are actively using the device (Generic iSCSI storage resource) with the data being migrated, stop the applications gracefully.
2. Migrate the Generic iSCSI data with the method best suited for copying data from the device to the new VNXe Generic iSCSI storage resource.

On a Windows host, this method can be a simple cut and paste or drag and drop operation.

3. When the copy operation is complete:

On a Windows host:

- a. Assign a temporary drive letter to the Generic iSCSI storage resource.
- b. Assign the old drive letter to the Generic iSCSI storage resource to which you copied the data.

On a Linux host:

- a. Unmount the original file system on the device.
 - b. Adjust the host's mount tables, which are typically in **/etc/fstab**, to reflect the new location of the data.
 - c. Mount the new Generic iSCSI storage resource using the **mount -a** or a similar command.
4. Restart the applications on the host.

APPENDIX A

Setting Up MPIO for a Windows Cluster Using a VNXe System

This appendix provides an end-to-end example of a two node Windows Server 2008 R2 cluster in an MPIO multi-path configuration with a VNXe system.

This appendix contains the following topics:

- ◆ [Configuration](#) 72
- ◆ [Setting up cluster nodes \(hosts\).....](#) 73

Configuration

The components in this configuration are:

- ◆ Two Server hosts -exhost1, exhost2 - running:
 - Windows Server 2008 R2
 - Microsoft iSCSI Initiator 2.08
 - Failover Clustering
 - Multipath I/O
- ◆ One VNXe system (vnx1) configured as follows:
 - Two iSCSI Servers (vnxiscsia, vnxiscsib) configured as described in [Table 5](#).

Note: The second iSCSI server is optional.

 - Generic iSCSI storage resources:
 - cluster_disk1 (Quorum disk, which is required for Windows Server 2003 and optional, though recommended for Windows Server 2008)
 - cluster_disk2 (optional)
 - cluster_disk3 (optional)

[Figure 3 on page 73](#) shows how these components are networked together.

Table 5 VNXe iSCSI Server configuration

Name	IP addresses	Target	Storage processor	Ethernet interface
vnxiscsia	11.222.123.156, 11.222.224.231	IQN.192-05.com.emc:fcnev1005000720000-1-vnx1	SP A	eth3, eth2
vnxiscsib	11.222.123.157, 11.222.224.232	IQN.192-05.com.emc:fcnev1005000720000-2-vnx1	SP B	eth3, eth2

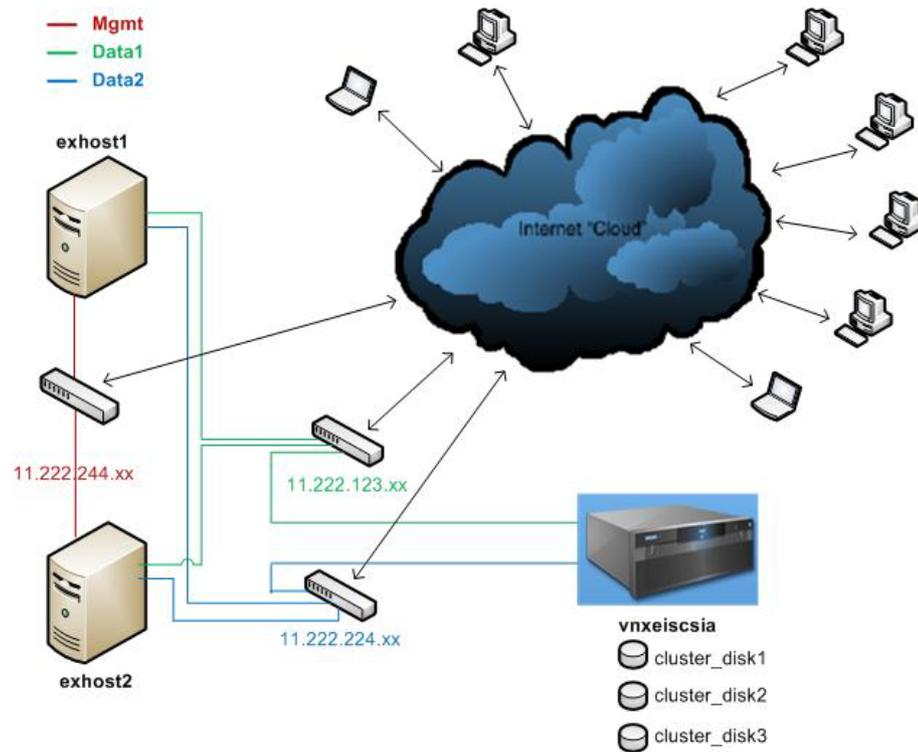


Figure 3 Network configuration

Setting up cluster nodes (hosts)

For simplicity, this section shows only the setup for the single target **vnxescsia**.

Task 1: Configure the iSCSI initiator with MPIO on each cluster node.

On each node in the cluster (exhost1 and exhost2):

1. In the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator, select **Discovery > Discover Portal**, add the target portal IP address or the DNS name.
2. Select **Discover Portal > Advanced** and in the **Advanced Settings** dialog box set the following for *both* the primary and secondary local adapters:
 - **Local adapter to Microsoft iSCSI Initiator.**
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address for the local adapter interface on subnet 11.222.123.xxx for the primary local adapter, and to 11.222.224.xxx for the secondary local adapter.

The host will look for targets on the following portals:

Address	Port	Adapter	IP address
11.222.123.156, 11.222.224.231	3260 3260	Microsoft iSCSI Initiator Microsoft iSCSI Initiator	11.222.123.xxx 11.222.224.xxx

3. Select **Targets > Log On > Connect**, select the following in the **Connect to Target** dialog box:
 - Add this connection to the list of Favorites
 - Enable multi-path
4. Select **Connect To Target > Advanced** and in the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address for the local adapter interface on subnet 11.222.123.xxx.
 - **Target portal IP** to **11.222.123.156 / 3260**.
5. Add the secondary session to the existing connection for MPIO:
 - a. Select **Targets > Connect to Target > Advanced**.
 - b. In the **Advanced Settings** dialog box, set the following:
 - **Local adapter** to **Microsoft iSCSI Initiator**
 - **Initiator IP** to the IP address for the local adapter interface on subnet 11.222.124.xxx.
 - **Target portal IP** to **11.222.224.231 / 3260**.

Task 2: Enable MPIO on each cluster node.

On each node in the cluster (exhost1 and exhost2):

1. Click **Start** and enter **MPIO** to launch the control panel applet.
2. Click the **Discover Multi-Path** tab, select **Add support for iSCSI devices**, and click **Add**.
3. Reboot the node when prompted to do so.

Task 3: Verify the MPIO settings on each cluster node.

On each node in the cluster (exhost1 and exhost2):

1. After the node finishes rebooting, go to **MPIO Properties > MPIO Devices** and verify that the MPIO hardware IDs (MSInitiator) for the VNXe devices were added.

Note: Device Hardware ID **MSFT2005iSCSIBusType_0x9** adds support for all iSCSI devices.

2. Verify the MPIO settings in the Microsoft iSCSI Initiator:
 - a. In the **Targets** tab, select the VNXe target and click **Properties**.
 - b. In the **Sessions** tab, select the identifier for the session, click **Devices**.
 - c. In the **Devices** tab, for each VNXe storage device (cluster_disk1, cluster_disk2, cluster_disk3), do the following:
 - Select the device and click **MPIO**.

- In the **MPIO** tab, select the first connection, click **Connections**, and verify the following:

Source Portal	Target Portal
11.222.123.123/xxxx	11.222.123.156/3260

- In the **MPIO** tab, select the second connection, click **Connections**, and verify the following:

Source Portal	Target Portal
11.222.123.224/yyyy	11.222.224.231/3260

Task 4: Present the VNXe storage devices to the Primary Node in the cluster.

On the Primary Node in the cluster (exhost1), format each VNXe storage device (cluster_disk1, cluster_disk2, cluster_disk3) and assign a respective letter to each partition. In this example, E is assigned to cluster_disk1_quorum; F is assigned to cluster_disk2; and, G is assigned to cluster_disk3.

Task 5: Configure the cluster configuration on the Primary Node.

The steps below follow Microsoft's best practices for clusters.

On the Primary Node (exhost1), in **Failover Cluster Manager**:

1. Select **Create a Cluster... > Add preferred Domain Joined computers (nodes) to the select servers list** and create an Access Point for administering the cluster and choose the static cluster IP.

For example:

Domain: app.com
Node 1: exhost1.app.com
Node 2: exhost2.app.com
Cluster Name: ex_cluster1.app.com
Network: 11.222.224.0/xx with address 11.222.224.yyy

2. Configure the network settings:
 - a. Select the cluster (ex_cluster1).
 - b. Select **Networks > Cluster Network # > Properties > Mgmt Network > 11.222.224.x** (Cluster Network 3) with the following default settings:
 - **Allow cluster network communications on this network**
 - **Allow clients to connect through this network**
 - c. Select **Networks > Cluster Network # > Properties > Data networks (iscsi) > 11.222.123.x** (Cluster Network 1) with the following default setting:
 - **Do not allow cluster network communication on this network**

- d. Select **Networks > Cluster Network # > Properties > Data networks (iscsi) > 11.222.224.x** (Cluster Network 2) with the following default setting:
 - **Do not allow cluster network communication on this network**
3. Verify dependencies:
 - a. Select the cluster (ex_cluster1).
 - b. Click **Cluster Core Resources** and verify the following:
 - In the cluster's **Name:ex_cluster1 Properties** dialog box, verify that the dependencies are **IP address (11.22.224.x) AND cluster_disk1**.
 - In the cluster's **IP Address: 11.222.224.x Properties** dialog box, verify that the dependencies is **cluster_disk1**.

Note: The Cluster Disk Witness should always be the Quorum disk **cluster_disk1**, which is the default setting, but it can be changed.
