Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster

If you have an existing two-node cluster that uses cluster interconnect switches and is running ONTAP 9.1 or later, you can replace the switches with direct, back-to-back connections between the nodes.

About this task

The switchless cluster interconnect feature cannot be used with more than two nodes.

Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster configuration is a nondisruptive operation. The procedure that you use depends on whether you have two dedicated cluster interconnect ports on each node (as required on most systems), four dedicated cluster interconnect ports on each node, or a single cluster port on each node (a supported option on FAS22xx nodes).

This document describes transitioning a cluster with a switched cluster network to one where two nodes are directly connected for ONTAP versions 9.1 and later.

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Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster on systems with two cluster interconnect connections

If you have a two-node cluster that uses cluster interconnect switches, replace the switches with direct, back-to-back connections between the nodes. This is a nondisruptive operation.

Before you begin

• The cluster must be healthy and consist of two nodes connected by cluster switches, and the nodes must be running the same ONTAP release.
  o Each node must have two dedicated cluster ports that provide redundant cluster interconnect connections.

About this task

The following procedure removes the cluster switches in a two-node cluster and replaces each connection to the switch with a direct connection to the partner node.
The examples in the following procedure show nodes that are using e0a and e0b as cluster ports. Your nodes might be using different cluster ports as they vary by platform.

**Steps**

1. Change the privilege level to advanced, entering `y` when prompted to continue:
   ```bash
   set -privilege advanced
   ``
   The advanced prompt `*>` appears.

2. ONTAP releases 9.2 and later support automatic detection of switchless clusters, which is enabled by default.

   **Example**

   If running 9.2 or later, verify that detection of switchless clusters is enabled by running the advanced privilege command:
   ```bash
   network options detect-switchless-cluster show
   ``
   The following example shows if the option is enabled.
   ```bash
   cluster:*> network options detect-switchless-cluster show
   (network options detect-switchless-cluster show)
   Enable Switchless Cluster Detection: true
   ```

   If “Enable Switchless Cluster Detection” is false, contact support.

3. If AutoSupport is enabled on this cluster, suppress automatic case creation by invoking an AutoSupport message:
   ```bash
   system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=<number of hours>h,
   ```
   where `h` is the duration of the maintenance window in hours. The message notifies technical support of this maintenance task so that they can suppress automatic case creation during the maintenance window.

   **Example**

   The following command suppresses automatic case creation for two hours:
   ```bash
   cluster:*> system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=2h
   ```

4. Identify the cluster ports and verify link status and health:
   ```bash
   network port show -ipspace Cluster
   ``
   The following example shows the nodes that are using e0a and e0b as cluster ports. Your nodes might be using different cluster ports because they vary by platform.

   Verify the ports have a value of `up` for the “Link” column and a value of `healthy` for the “Health Status” column.
5. Make sure that all of the cluster LIFs are on their home ports.

Verify that the “Is Home” column is true for each of the cluster LIFs:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields is-home
```

```
cluster::*> net int show -vserver Cluster -fields is-home
(network interface show)
vserver lif            is-home
------- -------------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1    true      
Cluster node1_clus2    true      
Cluster node2_clus1    true      
Cluster node2_clus2    true      
4 entries were displayed.
```

If there are cluster LIFs that are not on their home ports, use the `network interface revert -vserver Cluster -lif <lif name>` to move those LIFs to their home ports.

6. Verify that all cluster LIFs have auto-revert enabled:

```
network interface show -vserver - fields auto-revert
```

```
Cluster -fields auto-revert
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields auto-revert
vserver lif               auto-revert
------- ----------------- -----------
Cluster node1_clus1       true
Cluster node1_clus2       true
Cluster node2_clus1       true
Cluster node2_clus2       true
4 entries were displayed.
```

7. Enable auto-revert on any cluster LIF where auto-revert is disabled:

```
network interface modify -vserver Cluster -lif <cluster-lif-name> -auto-revert true
```

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8. Verify that the ports listed in the previous step are connected to a network switch:

```
network device-discovery show -node <node> -port <cluster port> -protocol cdp
```

**Example**

The “Discovered Device” column should be the name of the cluster switch that the port is connected to. The following example shows that cluster ports e0a and e0b are correctly connected to cluster switches cs1 and cs2.

```
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0a -protocol cdp
Node/ Protocol    Port   Discovered Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
----------- ------ ------------------------- ----------------  ----------------
Node1/cdp e0a    cs1                       Ethernet1/25      N1K-C9999UP
```

```
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0b -protocol cdp
Node/ Protocol    Port   Discovered Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
----------- ------ ------------------------- ----------------  ----------------
Node1/cdp e0b    cs2                       Ethernet1/25      N1K-C9999UP
```

9. For ONTAP release 9.1, enable the switchless-cluster network option:

```
network option switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

**Example**

```
cluster::*> network options switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

10. Migrate the LIFs on the first cluster port of node1 to the second cluster port on node1:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

**Example**

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node1_clus1 -destination-node node1 -destination-port e0b
```

The LIF node1_clus1 is now associated with port e0b on node1, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node1_clus1 to port e0b in the following illustration:
11. Migrate the LIFs on the first cluster port of node2 to the second cluster port on node2:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

**Example**

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node2_clus1 -destination-node node2 -destination-port e0b
```

The LIF node2_clus1 is now associated with port e0b on node2, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node2_clus1 to port e0b in the following illustration:

12. Confirm the LIFs successfully migrated:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

**Example**

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
vserver lif               curr-port is-home
------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0b       false
Cluster node1_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node2_clus1       e0b       false
Cluster node2_clus2       e0b       true
4 entries were displayed.
```

13. Disconnect the cables that link the switches from the cluster ports that no longer host cluster LIFs.
Example

In the following example, the cables are disconnected from port e0a on each node, and cluster traffic continues through the switch and port e0b on each node:

14. Cable the ports that were formerly connected to the switch directly to each other, creating a direct connection between the nodes.

Example

In the following example, e0a on node1 is connected to e0a on node2:

15. For ONTAP releases 9.2 and later, the switchless cluster network option transitions from false to true. This might take up to 45 seconds. Confirm that the switchless option is set to true:

```
network options switchless-cluster show
```

Example

The following example shows that the switchless cluster is enabled:

```
cluster::*> network options switchless-cluster show
Enable Switchless Cluster: true
```

16. After the ports have been cabled and are able to process network traffic, the cluster LIFs automatically revert back to their home ports. Confirm that the LIFs were reverted:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

Example

The LIFs are reverted if the “Is Home” column is true for node1_clus1 and node2_clus1:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
vserver lif curr-port is-home
----------- -------------- ---------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0a       true
```
17. Migrate the LIFs on the remaining cluster port connected to the switch on node1 to the cluster port directly connected to node2:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

Example

The following example migrates LIF node1_clus2 from port e0b on node1 to port e0a:

```
cluster::> network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node1_clus2 -destination-node node1 -destination-port e0a
```

The LIF is now associated with port e0a on node1, as indicated by the gray line from LIF clus2 to port e0a in the following illustration:

18. Migrate the LIFs on the remaining cluster port connected to the switch on node2 to the cluster port directly connected to node1:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

Example

The following example shows that LIF node2_clus2 is migrated from port e0b on node2 to port e0a.

```
cluster:: network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node2_clus2 -destination-node node2 -destination-port e0a
```

The LIF is now associated with port e0a on node2, as indicated by the gray line from LIF clus2 to port e0a in the following illustration:
19. Confirm that node1_clus2 and node2_clus2 were successfully migrated to port e0a on their home nodes. The LIF’s current port should be e0a and “is-home” should be false.

Example

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
vserver lif               curr-port is-home
------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node1_clus2       e0a       false
Cluster node2_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node2_clus2       e0a       false
4 entries were displayed.
```

20. Disconnect the cables linking the switches to the ports that no longer have traffic.

Example

In the following illustration, the cables to the switch are removed, and cluster traffic continues through the direct connection between the e0a ports:

21. Cable the ports that were formerly connected to the switch to each other, creating a direct connection between the nodes.

Example
22. After the ports have been cabled and are able to process network traffic, the cluster LIFs automatically revert back to their home ports. Confirm that the LIFs have been reverted:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port, is-home
```

**Example**

The LIFs have been reverted if the “Is Home” column is true for `node1_clus2` and `node2_clus2`:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port, is-home
vserver lif               curr-port is-home
------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node1_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node2_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node2_clus2       e0b       true
4 entries were displayed.
```

23. Verify that the ports on both nodes are correctly connected:

```
network device-discovery show
```

**Example**

The following example shows that cluster ports e0a and e0b are correctly connected to the corresponding port on the cluster partner:

```
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0a -protocol cdp
Node/       Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
node1/cd    e0a    node2                     e0a               FAS2552

cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0b -protocol cdp
Node/       Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
node1/cd    e0b    node2                     e0b               FAS2552

cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node2 -port e0a -protocol cdp
Node/       Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
node1/cd    e0a    node1                     e0a               FAS2552

cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node2 -port e0b -protocol cdp
Node/       Local  Discovered
Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
node1/cd    e0b    node1                     e0b               FAS2552
```

24. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

```
cluster show
```
**Example**

The following example shows epsilon on both nodes to be false:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Node</th>
<th>Health</th>
<th>Eligibility</th>
<th>Epsilon</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>node1</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>false</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>node2</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>false</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2 entries were displayed.

25. Confirm connectivity between the cluster ports:

```
cluster ping-cluster local
```

26. If you suppressed automatic case creation, reenable it by invoking an AutoSupport message:

```
system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=END cluster::*> system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=END
```

27. Change the privilege level back to admin:

```
set -privilege admin
```

**Related information**

*NetApp KB Article 1010449: How to suppress automatic case creation during scheduled maintenance windows*

**Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster running ONTAP 9.1 or later (FAS22xx systems with a single cluster interconnect connection)**

If you have FAS22xx systems in an existing two-node cluster, you can replace the switch with a single, direct, back-to-back connection between the nodes. This is a nondisruptive operation. This configuration does not provide a redundant connection if there is a cable failure or port failure.

**Before you begin**

- The cluster must be healthy and consist of two nodes that are connected by a cluster switch, and the nodes must be running ONTAP 9.1 or later.
  
  **Note:** The switchless cluster interconnect feature cannot be used with more than two nodes.

- Each node must use a single, dedicated 10 GbE cluster port that provides the cluster interconnect connection.
  
  **Note:** This configuration is only supported for FAS22xx systems only.

**About this task**

The following procedure removes the cluster switch in a two-node cluster and replaces the connection to the switch with a direct connection to the partner node.
Steps

1. Change the privilege level to advanced, entering y when prompted to continue:

   set -privilege advanced

   The advanced prompt * > appears.

2. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

   cluster show

   Example

   The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Node</th>
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<th>Eligibility</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>node1</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>node2</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

   2 entries were displayed.

3. Check the status of the HA pair at the system console of either node:

   storage failover show

   Example

   The following example shows the status of node1 and node2:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Node</th>
<th>Partner</th>
<th>Possible</th>
<th>State Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>node1</td>
<td>node2</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>Connected to node2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>node2</td>
<td>node1</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>Connected to node1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

   2 entries were displayed.

4. If AutoSupport is enabled on this cluster, suppress automatic case creation by invoking an AutoSupport message:

   system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=<number of hours>h

   where h is the duration of the maintenance window in hours. The AutoSupport message notifies technical support of this maintenance task so they can suppress automatic case creation during the maintenance window.
The following command suppresses automatic case creation for two hours:

**Example**

```
cluster::*> system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=2h
```

5. For ONTAP release 9.1 only, enable the switchless-cluster network option:

```
network option switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

**Example**

```
cluster::*> network options switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

6. Designate one of the nodes as the target node. Take over the target node, entering `y` when prompted to continue:

```
storage failover takeover -ofnode target_node_name
```

As part of the takeover, the target node automatically reboots and displays the `Waiting for giveback..` message. The node that is not waiting for giveback is now serving data for the partner (target) node that was taken over.

7. Wait for two minutes after takeover of the impaired node to confirm that the takeover was completed successfully.

8. After the target node shows the `Waiting for giveback..` message, shut down the target node.

<table>
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<th>If the SP..</th>
<th>Then...</th>
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<tr>
<td>Is configured</td>
<td>Log in to the SP of the impaired node, and then power off the system: <code>system power off</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Is not configured</td>
<td>At the prompt of the impaired node, press Ctrl-C, and then respond <code>y</code> to halt the node.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The method that you use to shut down the node depends on whether you use remote management through the Service Processor (SP) of the node.

9. On each controller module, disconnect the cable that connects the 10 GbE cluster port to the cluster switch.

10. Connect the cluster port of each controller module to the cluster port on the other controller module, so that the controller modules have a back-to-back network connection.

11. Restart the target node.

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<tr>
<td>Is configured</td>
<td>Log in to the SP of the target node, and then turn the power on from the console: <code>system power off</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Is not configured</td>
<td>At the prompt of the target node, boot the node to ONTAP: <code>boot_ontap</code></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The target node boots and displays the `Waiting for giveback...` message.

12. Give back storage to the target node:

```
storage failover giveback -ofnode target_node_name
```

13. Monitor the progress of the giveback operation:
14. After the giveback operation is complete, confirm that the HA pair is healthy and that takeover is possible:

storage failover show

Example

The following example shows the status of node1 and node2:

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<th>Possible</th>
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<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>node1</td>
<td>node2</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>Connected to node2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>node2</td>
<td>node1</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>Connected to node1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2 entries were displayed.

15. Verify that the cluster port LIFs are operating correctly:

network interface show -role cluster

Example

The following example shows that the LIFs are operationally up on node1 and node2, and that the “Is Home” column results are true:

```
cluster::*> network interface show -role cluster
Logical              Status     Network            Current       Current Is
Vserver  Interface  Admin/Oper Address/Mask       Node          Port    Home
----------- ---------- ---------- ------------------ ------------- ------- ----
node1      clus1     up/up    192.168.177.121/24  node1        e0a     true
node2      clus1     up/up    192.168.177.123/24  node2        e0a     true
```

2 entries were displayed.

16. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

cluster show

Example

The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:

```
Node  Health  Eligibility
----- -------  ------------
nod1  true    true
nod2  true    true
```

2 entries were displayed.

17. Ping the cluster ports to verify the cluster connectivity: `cluster ping-cluster local`. The command output should show connectivity between all of the cluster ports.

18. If you suppressed automatic case creation, reenables it by invoking an AutoSupport message:

```
system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=END
```

19. Change the privilege level back to admin:

```
set -privilege admin
```

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Related information

NetApp KB Article 1010449: How to suppress automatic case creation during scheduled maintenance windows

Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster (systems with four redundant cluster interconnect connections)

If you have an existing two-node cluster with four-port cluster interconnects that are connected to cluster interconnect switches and are running ONTAP 9.1 or later, you can replace the switches with direct, back-to-back connections between the nodes. This is a nondisruptive operation.

Before you begin

- The cluster must be healthy and consist of two nodes that are connected by cluster switches, and the nodes must be running the same ONTAP release of 9.1 or later.
  - The switchless cluster interconnect feature cannot be used with more than two nodes.
- Each node must have four dedicated cluster ports per controller module, which provide redundant cluster interconnect connections
  - This is the supported configuration for most nodes that support four cluster interconnects.

About this task

The following procedure removes the cluster switches in a two-node cluster, and replaces each connection to the switch with a direct connection to the partner node:

Steps

1. Change the privilege level to advanced, entering y when prompted to continue:
   ```bash
   set -privilege advanced
   ```
   The advanced prompt *> appears.
2. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:
   ```bash
   cluster show
   ```

Example

The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:
3. If any node shows false for health or eligibility, correct the problem.

4. ONTAP releases 9.2 and later support automatic detection of switchless clusters which is enabled by default.
   For this release verify that detection of switchless clusters is enabled by running the advanced privilege command:
   \texttt{network options detect-switchless-cluster show}

   \textbf{Example}
   The following example shows if the option is enabled:

   \begin{verbatim}
   cluster::*> net options detect-switchless-cluster show
   (network options detect-switchless-cluster show)
   Enable Switchless Cluster Detection: true
   \end{verbatim}
   If “Enable Switchless Cluster Detection” is false contact support.

5. If AutoSupport is enabled on this cluster, suppress automatic case creation by invoking an AutoSupport message:
   \texttt{system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=<number of hours>h}
   , where \( h \) is the duration of the maintenance window in hours. The AutoSupport message notifies technical support of this maintenance task so that they can suppress automatic case creation during the maintenance window.

   \textbf{Example}
   The following command suppresses automatic case creation for two hours:

   \begin{verbatim}
   cluster::*> system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=2h
   \end{verbatim}

6. Identify the cluster ports and verify link status and health:
   \texttt{network port show -ipspace Cluster}
   The following example shows the nodes that are using e0a and e0b as cluster ports. Your nodes might be using different cluster ports as they vary by platform.
   Verify that the ports have a value of \texttt{up} for the “Link” column and a value of \texttt{healthy} for the “Health” column.

   \begin{verbatim}
   cluster::> network port show -ipspace Cluster
   Node: node1
   Port     IPspace  Broadcast Domain Link  MTU  Admin/Oper Status
   -------- -------- ---------------- ---- ---- ----------- --------
   e0a       Cluster  Cluster          up   9000  auto/10000 healthy
   e0b       Cluster  Cluster          up   9000  auto/10000 healthy
   e0c       Cluster  Cluster          up   9000  auto/10000 healthy
   e0d       Cluster  Cluster          up   9000  auto/10000 healthy
   Node: node2
   Port     IPspace  Broadcast Domain Link  MTU  Speed(Mbps) Health
   -------- -------- ---------------- ---- ---- Status
   e0a       Cluster  Cluster          up   9000  auto/10000 healthy
   \end{verbatim}
7. Verify that all of the cluster LIFs are on their home ports.

Confirm that the "Is Home column is true for each of the cluster LIFs:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields is-home
```

The following command shows if the cluster LIFs are home:

```
class::*> net int show -vserver Cluster -fields is-home
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node1_clus3</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node1_clus4</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node2_clus1</td>
<td>true</td>
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<td>Cluster node2_clus2</td>
<td>true</td>
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<td>Cluster node2_clus3</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node2_clus4</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4 entries were displayed.

8. Verify that all cluster LIFs have auto-revert enabled:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields auto-revert
```

**Example**

```
class::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields auto-revert
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>vserver lif</th>
<th>auto-revert</th>
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<td>Cluster node1_clus1</td>
<td>true</td>
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<td>Cluster node1_clus3</td>
<td>true</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cluster node1_clus4</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node2_clus1</td>
<td>true</td>
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<td>Cluster node2_clus2</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node2_clus3</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster node2_clus4</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8 entries were displayed.

9. Review how the cluster network is cabled.

The following illustration shows a simplified view of the two nodes, node1 and node2:

a. Each node uses ports e0a, e0b, e0c, and e0d for the cluster connections.

b. Each cluster port has one cluster LIF associated with it.

c. The following illustration shows the connections to both `ClusterSwitch1` and `ClusterSwitch2`.
10. For ONTAP release 9.1 only, enable the switchless-cluster network option:

```
network option switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

```
cluster::*> network options switchless-cluster modify -enabled true
```

11. Migrate the LIFs on the first cluster port of node1 to the third cluster port on node1:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node1_clus1 -destination-node node1 -destination-port e0c
```

The LIF node1_clus1 is now associated with port e0c on node1, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node1_clus1 to port e0c in the following illustration:

12. Migrate the LIFs on the first cluster port of node2 to the third cluster port on node2:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node2_clus1 -destination-node node2 -destination-port e0c
```
The LIF node2_clus1 is now associated with port e0c on node2, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node2_clus1 to port e0c in the following illustration:

13. Repeat step 11 on page 17 through step 12 on page 17 to migrate the LIFs from second cluster port to the fourth cluster port on node 1 and node 2.

14. Confirm that the LIFs are migrated:

```
network interface show -role cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

**Example**

In the following example, node1_clus1 and node2_clus1 have been migrated to port e0c on their respective nodes. Node1_clus2 and node2_clus2 have been migrated to port e0d on their respective nodes:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home

vserver lif               curr-port is-home
------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0c       false
Cluster node1_clus2       e0d       false
Cluster node1_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node1_clus4       e0d       true
Cluster node2_clus1       e0c       false
Cluster node2_clus2       e0d       false
Cluster node2_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node2_clus4       e0d       true
8 entries were displayed.
```
15. Disconnect the cables connecting the switches from the cluster ports that no longer host cluster LIFs.

**Example**

In the following example, the cables are disconnected from port e0a and e0b on each node, and cluster traffic continues through the switch and ports e0c and e0d on each node:

16. Cable the ports that were formerly connected to the switch to each other, creating a direct connection between the controllers.

**Example**

In the following example, e0a and e0b on node1 are connected to their corresponding ports, e0a and e0b on node2:

17. For ONTAP releases 9.2 and later, the switchless cluster network option transitions from false to true. This might take up to 45 seconds. Confirm that the switchless option is set to true:

```
network options switchless-cluster show
```

The following example shows that the switchless cluster is enabled:

```
cluster::*> network options switchless-cluster show
Enable Switchless Cluster: true
```
18. Once the ports have been cabled and are able to process network traffic, the cluster LIFs automatically revert back to their home ports. Confirm that the LIFs are reverted:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

The LIFs are reverted if the “Is Home” column is true for node1_clus1, node1_clus2, node2_clus1 and node2_clus2:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
--------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node1_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node1_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node1_clus4       e0d       true
Cluster node2_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node2_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node2_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node2_clus4       e0d       true
8 entries were displayed.
```

The cluster LIFs are now hosted on their home ports and the directly connected cluster ports are processing the network packets.

19. Verify that there are no communication issues between the nodes in the cluster and that all cluster port have a value of up for the “Link” column:

```
network port show -ipspace Cluster
```

Example

```
Cluster::> network port show -ipspace
Node     Port    IPspace    Broadcast Domain  Link  MTU     Admin/Oper
--------- --------- ------------ ----------------- ----- ------- --------------
node1    e0a      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
         e0b      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
         e0c      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
         e0d      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
node2    e0a      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
         e0b      Cluster      Cluster           up    9000    auto/10000
```

20. Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster
20. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

   cluster show

   The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:

   Node  Health  Eligibility
   -----  ------  -------------
   node1  true   true
   node2  true   true

   2 entries were displayed.

21. If any node shows false for health or eligibility, correct the problem.

22. Display information about the devices in your configuration:

   network device-discovery show -port <cluster-port name> -protocol cdp

   Verify that the ports on both nodes are correctly connected:

   network device-discovery show

   The following example shows that cluster ports e0a and e0b are correctly connected to the corresponding port on the cluster partner:

   cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0a -protocol cdp
   Node/ Protocol Port Device (LLDP: ChassisID) Interface Platform
   ----------- ---- ------------------------- ----------------  ------------
   node1/cdp  e0a   node2                   e0a               FAS2552
   cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0b -protocol cdp
   Node/ Protocol Port Device (LLDP: ChassisID) Interface Platform
   ----------- ---- ------------------------- ----------------  ------------
   node1/cdp  e0b   node2                   e0b               FAS2552

23. Migrate the LIFs on the third cluster port of node1 to the first cluster port on node1:

   network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name

   network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node1_clus3 -destination-node node1 -destination-port e0a
The LIF node1_clus3 is now associated with port e0a on node1, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node1_clus3 to port e0a in the following illustration:

24. Migrate the LIFs on the third cluster port of node2 to the first cluster port on node2:

```
network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif lif_name -destination-node destination-node-name -destination-port port-name
```

network interface migrate -vserver Cluster -lif node2_clus3 -destination-node node2 -destination-port e0a

The LIF node1_clus3 is now associated with port e0a on node2, as indicated by the gray line from LIF node2_clus3 to port e0a in the following illustration:

25. Repeat step 11 on page 17 through step 12 on page 17 to migrate the LIFs from fourth cluster port to the second cluster port on node 1 and node 2.

26. Confirm that the LIFs have been migrated:

```
network interface show -role cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

In the following example, node1_clus3 and node2_clus3 have been migrated to port e0a on their respective nodes. Node1_clus4 and node2_clus4 have been migrated to port e0b on their respective nodes:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
vserver lif          curr-port is-home
--------------------- ---------------
Cluster node1_clus1   e0a     true
```

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Cluster node1_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node1_clus3       e0a       false
Cluster node1_clus4       e0b       false
Cluster node2_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node2_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node2_clus3       e0a       false
Cluster node2_clus4       e0b       false
8 entries were displayed.

27. Disconnect the cables linking the switches to the ports that no longer host cluster LIFs.

In the following illustration, the cables to the switch are removed, and cluster traffic continues through the direct connection between the e0a and e0b ports:

28. Cable the ports that were formerly connected to the switch to each other, creating a direct connection between the nodes.
29. After the ports have been cabled and are able to process network traffic, the cluster LIFs automatically revert back to their home ports. Confirm that the LIFs were reverted:

```
network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home
```

The LIFs are reverted if the “Is Home” column is true for node1_clus1 and node2_clus1:

```
cluster::> network interface show -vserver Cluster -fields curr-port,is-home

vserver lif               curr-port is-home
------- ----------------- --------- -------
Cluster node1_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node1_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node1_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node1_clus4       e0d       true
Cluster node2_clus1       e0a       true
Cluster node2_clus2       e0b       true
Cluster node2_clus3       e0c       true
Cluster node2_clus4       e0d       true
8 entries were displayed.
```

The cluster LIFs are now hosted on their home ports and the directly connected cluster ports are processing network packets.

30. Check that all ports have a value of up for the “Link” column, the communication between the nodes is good, and that no remote procedure call failures are displayed:

```
network port show -ipspace Cluster
```

Transitioning to a two-node switchless cluster
31. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

```
    cluster show
```

The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:

```
    Node  Health   Eligibility
    ----- -------  ------------
nodel1 true     true
node2 true     true
```

2 entries were displayed.

32. If any node shows false for health or eligibility, correct the problem.

33. Verify that the ports on both nodes are correctly connected:

```
    network device-discovery show -protocol cdp
```

The following example shows that cluster ports e0c and e0d are correctly connected to the corresponding port on the cluster partner:

```
cid="OwvSy">cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0c -protocol cdp
    Node/       Local  Discovered    Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
    node1/cdp   e0c    node2         cdp         e0c    node2                     e0c               FAS2552
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node1 -port e0d -protocol cdp
    Node/       Local  Discovered    Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
    node1/cdp   e0d    node2         cdp         e0d    node2                     e0d               FAS2552
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node2 -port e0c -protocol cdp
    Node/       Local  Discovered    Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
    node2/cdp   e0c    node1         cdp         e0c    node1                     e0c               FAS2552
cluster::> network device-discovery show -node node2 -port e0d -protocol cdp
    Node/       Local  Discovered    Protocol    Port   Device (LLDP: ChassisID)  Interface         Platform
    node2/cdp   e0d    node1         cdp         e0d    node1                     e0d               FAS2552
```

34. Check the cluster status of the nodes from the system console of either node:

```
    cluster show
```

The following example displays information about the health and eligibility of the nodes in the cluster:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Node</th>
<th>Health</th>
<th>Eligibility</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>node1</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>node2</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2 entries were displayed.

35. Ping the cluster ports to verify the cluster connectivity:

```
cluster ping-cluster local
```

The command output should show connectivity between all of the cluster ports.

36. If you suppressed automatic case creation, reenable it by invoking an AutoSupport message:

```
system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=END
```

37. Change the privilege level back to admin:

```
set -privilege admin
```

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*NetApp KB Article 1010449: How to suppress automatic case creation during scheduled maintenance windows*

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