



# BreakingPoint VE

## Installation Guide

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## Describing interactions with the UI

You can interact with products by using different input methods: keyboard, mouse, touch, and more. So in most parts of the user documentation, generic verbs have been used that work with any input method. In cases where input-neutral verbs do not work, mouse-specific verbs are used as the first choice, followed by touch-specific verbs as the second choice.

See the following table for examples on how you can interpret the different input methods.

| Input-neutral   | Mouse  | Touch  |
|---|--|--|
| Select <b>Modify</b> .  | Click <b>Modify</b> .  | Tap <b>Modify</b> .  |
| Select <b>Accounts &gt; Other accounts &gt; Add an account</b> .        | Click <b>Accounts &gt; Other accounts &gt; Add an account</b> .        | Tap <b>Accounts &gt; Other accounts &gt; Add an account</b> .        |
| To open the document in Outline view, select <b>View &gt; Outline</b> . | To open the document in Outline view, click <b>View &gt; Outline</b> . | To open the document in Outline view, tap <b>View &gt; Outline</b> . |
| Select <b>Protocols</b> .   | Click the <b>Protocols</b> tab.  | Tap <b>Protocols</b> .   |
| -NA-  | Double-click the <b>Client</b> wizard.                                 | Double-tap the <b>Client</b> wizard.                                 |
| Open the <b>Packages</b> context menu.                                  | Right-click <b>Packages</b> to open the shortcut menu.                 | Long tap <b>Packages</b> to open the shortcut menu.                  |

## Deprecated words

The following words have been replaced with new words, considering the audience profile, our modern approach to voice and style, and our emphasis to use input-neutral terms that support all input methods.

| Old usage...                    | New usage... |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| shortcut menu, right-click menu | context menu |
| click, right-click              | select       |
| drag and drop                   | drag         |

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## Related Documentation

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The latest documentation for each release can be found on the [Ixia Support](#) website.

### Related Documentation

| Documentation               | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| BreakingPoint User Guide    | Provides information on how to use the Control Center to set up, customize, and run traffic through devices under test. |
| BreakingPoint Release Notes | Provides information about new features, resolved customer issues, known defects and workarounds (if available).        |
| BreakingPoint Online Help   | Online documentation for all BreakingPoint products. Proper viewing will require a supported HTML browser.              |

# BreakingPoint Virtual Edition Feature Support

The tables in this section describe the feature support for BreakingPoint Virtual Edition and BreakingPoint for Amazon Web Services.

| Network Neighborhood     | BPS VE | BPS on AWS | BPS on MS Azure |
|--------------------------|--------|------------|-----------------|
| IPv4/IPv6 Static Hosts   | ✓      | ✓          | ✓               |
| IPv4/IPv6 External Hosts | ✓      | ✓          | ✓               |
| NAT                      | ✓      | NS         | NS              |
| VLAN                     | ✓      | NS         | NS              |
| IPv4/IPv6 Router         | ✓      | ✓          | NS              |
| DHCPv4 (client/server)   | ✓      | NS         | NS              |
| DHCPv6 (client/server)   | NS     | NS         | NS              |
| IPv4 DNS                 | ✓      | ✓          | ✓               |
| IPv6 DNS                 | ✓      | ✓          | ✓               |
| IPsec IKEv1/IKEv2        | ✓ *1   | NS         | NS              |
| LTE(IPv4)                | ✓      | NS         | NS              |
| LTE(IPv6)                | NS     | NS         | NS              |
| 3G                       | NS     | NS         | NS              |
| 6RD                      | NS     | NS         | NS              |
| DSLite                   | NS     | NS         | NS              |
| IPv6 SLAAC               | NS     | NS         | NS              |

\*1-tested only for VMware hypervisor

| Test Components            | BPS VE | BPS on AWS | BPS on MS Azure |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-----------------|
| Live Application Simulator | ✓      | NS         | NS              |

|                       |    |      |      |
|-----------------------|----|------|------|
| Application Simulator | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Client Simulation     | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Security              | ✓  | ✓ *1 | ✓ *1 |
| Malware               | ✓  | ✓ *1 | ✓ *1 |
| Session Sender        | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Stack Scrambler       | ✓  | ✓ *2 | ✓ *2 |
| SSL/TLS               | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Packet Capture        | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Impairment            | NS | NS   | NS   |
| Bit Blaster           | ✓  | NS   | NS   |
| Routing Robot         | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |
| Recreate              | ✓  | ✓ *3 | ✓ *3 |
| SCTP                  | ✓  | ✓    | ✓    |

\*1- Some attacks may get blocked by AWS.

\*2 - Some invalid IP packet patterns are not compatible with AWS (traffic might get dropped by AWS).

\*3 - Limited support. This is because Replay Capture File Without Modification mode replays libpcap formatted capture files without modifying Layer 2 through Layer 7 and AWS requires BPS to use the MAC address that corresponds to the interface that is sending the packets.

| <b>BreakingPoint Labs</b> | <b>BPS VE</b> | <b>BPS on AWS</b> | <b>BPS on MS Azure</b> |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Session Sender Lab        | ✓             | NS                | NS                     |
| RFC 2544 Lab              | ✓             | NS                | NS                     |
| Multicast Lab             | ✓             | NS                | NS                     |
| Lawful Intercept Lab      | ✓             | NS                | NS                     |
| Device Validation Lab     | NS            | NS                | NS                     |
| Multibox Testing          | NS            | NS                | NS                     |
| Resiliency Score          | NS            | NS                | NS                     |

|                        |    |    |    |
|------------------------|----|----|----|
| Data Center Resiliency | NS | NS | NS |
| DDoS Lab               | ✓  | NS | NS |

# CHAPTER 1 BPS VE Install on Hypervisor

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This section of the guide describes how to install BreakingPoint Virtual Edition on a VMware or KVM hypervisor.

## Overview

BreakingPoint Virtual Edition is a software-based test platform that enables you to run a BreakingPoint vController and traffic generation blades on a virtual chassis.

BreakingPoint Virtual Edition offers the following benefits:

- **Low Hardware Cost:** You can use low-cost servers or dedicated virtualization servers to generate the traffic.
- **More Efficient use of Hardware:** The same servers used to generate Ixia traffic can also be used for other non-Ixia applications; or the virtual Ixia ports can be hosted on a virtualization server used to host other applications.
- **Ease of Use:** The BreakingPoint Virtual Edition user interface is nearly identical to the standard hardware versions which reduces the learning time.
- **Reduced System Administration:** The BreakingPoint Virtual Edition chassis does not need to be maintained or monitored in a lab because it is virtual in nature.
- **Rapid and Easy Deployment:** Virtual Ixia ports can be instantiated as necessary, used to generate traffic, and then destroyed when no longer needed.
- **Pre-configured Templates:** The BreakingPoint Virtual Edition is delivered as a pre-configured .ova template for VMware and as qcow2 image for KVM.

## Basic Elements

The basic elements involved in the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition

- A simple installer based on a single OVA image, qcow2 image or installation script.
- Deployment and discovery tools for easy provisioning of Virtual Blades (vBlades).
- Standalone vBlade installation options.
- A license server that also runs on the BreakingPoint vController.

## Components of the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition

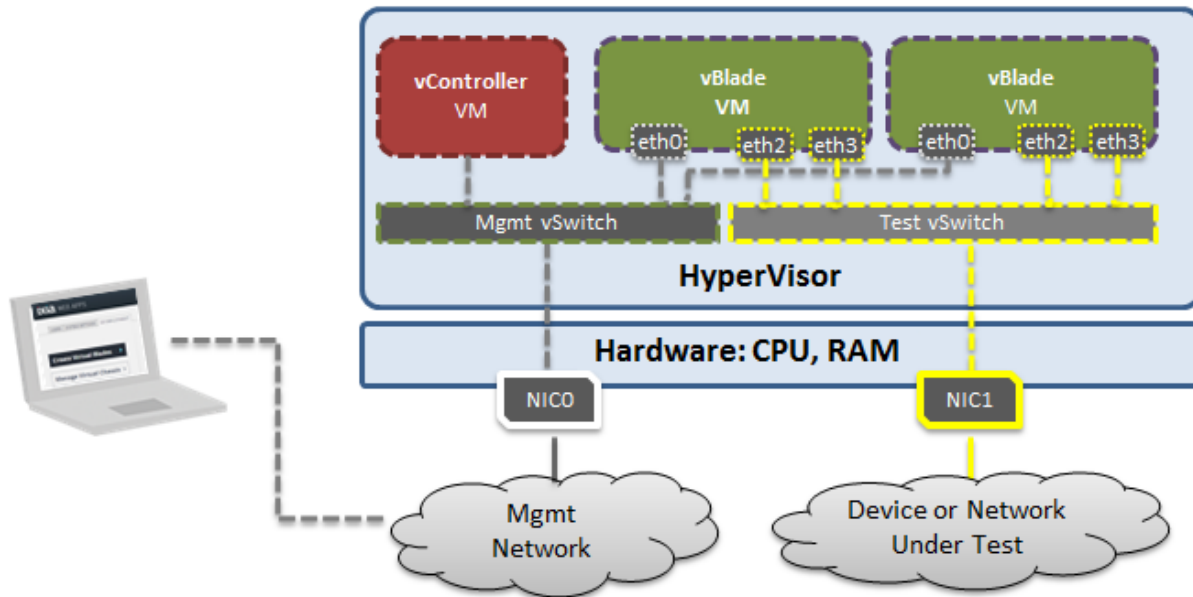
The components of BPS VE are:

- vBlades for virtualization of load modules:
  - A single management interface
  - From two to eight virtual test ports

See the [Hardware Requirements](#) for minimum vBlade specifications.

- vController for virtualization of the System Controller:
  - Controls up to 12 vBlades and up to 96 vPorts
  - Controls vBlades spanning across different physical servers

The following image depicts the components of the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition.



## System Requirements

Before you deploy a BreakingPoint Virtual Chassis in a Virtual Environment, it is important to be aware of the following requirements and features.

- [Hardware Requirements below](#)
- [Certified and Compatible Cards](#)
- [Software Requirements on the facing page](#)
- [BPS VE Adaptability to Low Resource Footprint on the facing page](#)
- [Open Port Requirements for BPS VE on page 126](#)

### Hardware Requirements

The recommended minimum hardware requirements to install BreakingPoint in a Virtual Environment are as follows:

**Note:** Starting with release 8.10, BPS VE support is only available on DPDK enabled hardware. This functionality is currently supported with the Amazon ENA (Elastic Network Adapter) driver.

- Physical server based on Intel x86-64 architecture
- BreakingPoint vController Hardware Requirements - 8 GB RAM, 8 vCPU, 100 GB available hard disk space
- BreakingPoint vBlade Hardware Requirements - 8 GB RAM, 4 vCPU, 10 GB available hard disk space



**Note:** A BreakingPoint Virtual Chassis includes a vController and up to 12 vBlades.

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## Software Requirements

- VMware ESX/ESXi Installation:
  - Firmware ESXi 5.5.0 or ESXi 6.0 (Firmware vSphere Hypervisor)
  - Firmware vSphere Client 5.5.0 or 6.0.
  - BreakingPoint installation OVA files for VMware
- KVM Installation
  - CentOS 7.x (also tested on 6.7)
  - Ubuntu 14.04, Ubuntu 16.04

## BPS VE Adaptability to Low Resource Footprint

BPS VE has resource adaptive features that allows the system to adapt and perform in a low resource footprint.

**In a low resource environment, the minimum requirements for a BPS VE vBlade are:**

- 1 GB RAM
- 1 vCPU
- 1 vNIC

BreakingPoint VE can also operate with a different amount of compute resources allocated to the Virtual Blade. This impacts the performance (determined as number of packets per second), scalability (determined as number of concurrent sessions), and maximum number of Test Components supported.

|  | SYSTEM CONTROLLER   | VIRTUAL BLADE        |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Performance = Low</b><br>Test Components (DPDK On) = 1<br>Test Components (DPDK Off) = 2        | 8 vCPUs<br>8 GB RAM | 1 vCPUs<br>2 GB RAM  |
| <b>Performance = Medium</b><br>Test Components (DPDK On) = 2<br>Test Components (DPDK Off) = 4     | 8 vCPUs<br>8 GB RAM | 2 vCPUs<br>4 GB RAM  |
| <b>Performance = High</b><br>Test Components (DPDK On) = 4<br>Test Components (DPDK Off) = 8       | 8 vCPUs<br>8 GB RAM | 4 vCPUs<br>8 GB RAM  |
| <b>Performance = Very High</b><br>Test Components (DPDK On) = 8<br>Test Components (DPDK Off) = 16 | 8 vCPUs<br>8 GB RAM | 8 vCPUs<br>16 GB RAM |

### Super Flow and Throughput Objectives:


- BPS VE will try to achieve 125,000 super flow per second per component.
- BPS VE will try to achieve 10,000 Mbps per component.


 **Note:** Capture is only supported when there is more than 2.5 GB of RAM available.

 **Note:** The vBlade and vController [Memory Errors](#) that can occur are described in the Troubleshooting section.

## Performance Acceleration

BPS VE supports a performance acceleration mode based on DPDK support. This functionality is currently supported with the Amazon ENA (Elastic Network Adapter) driver.

 **Note:** A maximum of four components per vBlade can be run in performance acceleration mode. To run a maximum of eight components per vBlade, the "Enable Performance Acceleration" option needs to be unchecked.

 **Note:** When using the DPDK Large Receive offload (LRO) feature, the LRO maximum length on ESX must be set to a value lower or equal to 9146 (because this is the maximum MSS value supported in BPS). If you are using the vmxnet3 driver, the parameter name is "Net.VmxnetLROMaxLength" and has the default value set to 32000.

### Prerequisites for Performance Acceleration:

1. vBlade processor should have SIMD extensions SSSE3 or above enabled.
2. At least 8GB of RAM per vBlade.



3. Ixia recommends using VMware ESXi 6.0 with build number 3029758 or above.
4. Ixia recommends using the default settings of  
**Hypervisor>Configuration>Software>Advance Settings>Net.**

**To enable Performance Acceleration:**

Each vBlade on the Device Status page of the GUI displays a slot configuration button at the top-right corner.

1. Select the slot configuration button.
2. Select the **Enable Performance Acceleration** option.
3. Select the **Apply** button.

## Getting Started

In a Virtual Environment, a virtual chassis consists of one virtual system controller (BreakingPoint vController) and up to 12 virtual blades (vBlades). Each vBlade allows you to provision from two to eight vPorts. The vBlades that send/receive traffic are also the traffic generation modules of BreakingPoint Virtual Edition.

The BreakingPoint vController runs the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition firmware and provides access to the HTML browser based BreakingPoint user interface.

## Deployment Scenarios

You can deploy a vController and vBlades on the physical hosts in two scenarios:

- Single host setup
- Multi host setup

### Single Host Setup

In a Single Host Setup, the vController and vBlades are on the same physical host supporting up to 12 vBlades per vController. The vController acts as a Virtual Machine (VM) and vBlades are the Linux VMs.



### Multi Host Setup

In a Multi Host Setup, the vController is present on a single host, with or without vBlades. In all cases, a vController can support up to 12 vBlades. The other physical hosts are for vBlades only whereas multiple Linux VMs act as vBlades.



## Network Topology Diagram

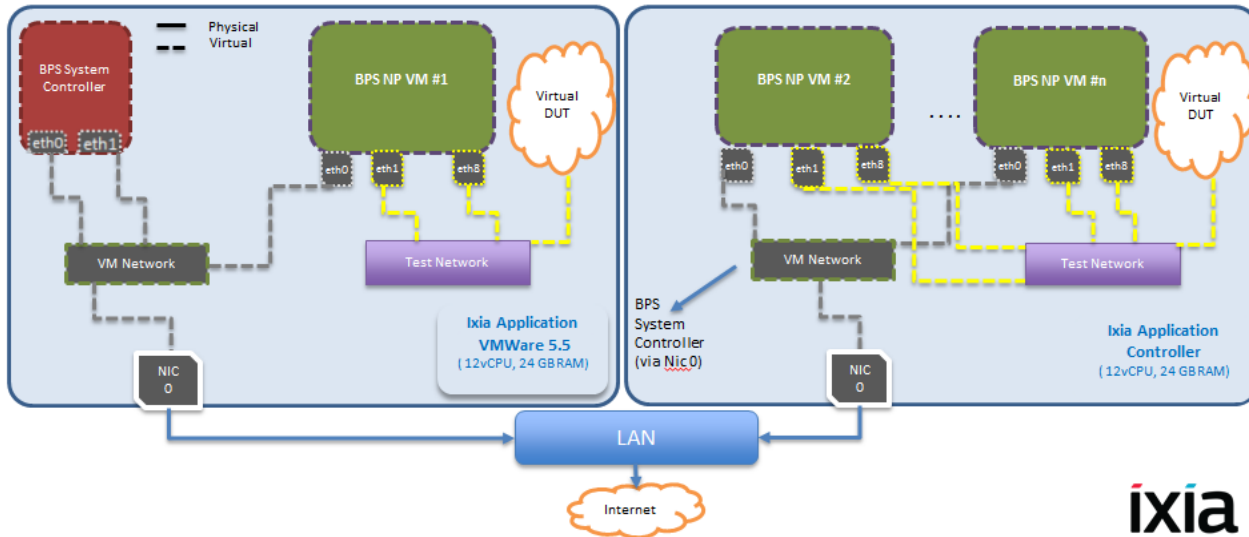
The test scenario shown in the image below has a minimum of two networks, a Virtual Machine Network (VM Network) and a Test Network.

- **Management Network** (control plane) - A Management Network is required to access the vController from a HTML browser (BPS user interface) as well as to communicate between the vController and vBlades. In this scenario, the vController and vBlades are split across several hypervisors. The Management Network (VM Network in the diagram below) in each hypervisor provides the Management-to vController-to-vBlade communications. To configure this topology, assign eth0 and eth1 of the vController (BPS System Controller) and eth0 of the vBlades (BPS NP VM #) to the Management network (VM Network). The vController can receive an IP address from a DHCP server via NIC0 in its hypervisor or the IP address can be manually configured. A vBlade can also optionally receive an IP address from a DHCP server. The NIC0 cards in both hypervisors are connected to the LAN Network.
- **Test Network** (data plane) - A Test Network is required to communicate within vPorts (port-to-Port test) or communicate to the virtual DUT (port-to-DUT test). Therefore, assign the Eth# ports

in the vBlades (except eth0, which is used for internal management) to the Test Network. You should also assign the NIC of the Virtual DUT to the same Test Network.

**Note:** In this scenario, all DUTs are present within the hypervisor. But a DUT may be present outside the hypervisor. In that scenario, assign the physical NICs except NIC0 (NIC0 in the hypervisor is already assigned to the management network) to the test network.

**Note:** By default, both vController interfaces are mapped to the VM Network (vSwitch0).

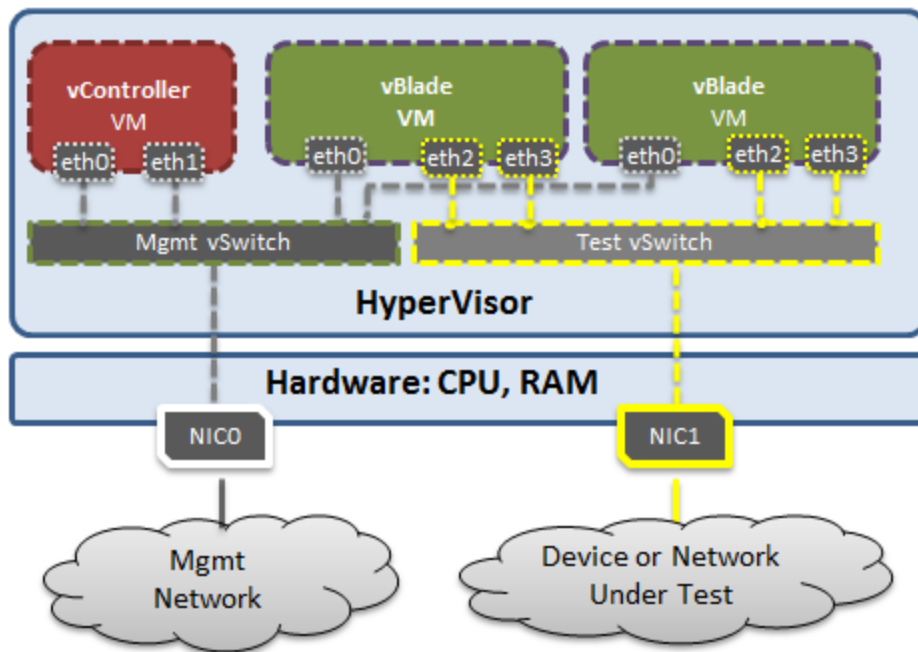


**Note:** A BP Virtual Chassis is resource sensitive. Not having the necessary resources may lead to instabilities in vBlade performance. It is essential that you utilize only the required number of vBlades/ports on a hypervisor. See the [Hardware Requirements](#) to calculate the resources that are required to support the vController/vBlades that will be used for your testing.

## vController Management Interfaces

A vController has two management interfaces:

- External Management - Used to access the vController through web (BPS VE User Interface).
- Internal Management - Used for the internal communication between the vController and vBlades.



By default, both management interfaces are mapped to the vSwitch0 containing Management Network (Hypervisor IP address) and VM Network.

Alternatively, a dedicated internal management network can be created to connect the corresponding internal management interfaces of the vController and vBlades.

vBlades have one management interface:

- Used for the internal communication between vController and vBlades
- Must be in the same IP subnet with the vController internal management IP

## Install BPS VE

This section provides detailed instructions for installing BreakingPoint Virtual Edition. Please ensure that you review the [System Requirements](#) before you begin.

There are 2 options for BPS VE hypervisor installation.

- [VMware Installation](#)
- [KVM Installation](#)

## VMware Installation

This section describes the network configuration required for VMware and the vController VMware installation procedures.

## Configure VMware vSwitch and Network

This section explains the vSwitch and network configuration required in VMWare before deploying BreakingPoint Virtual Edition.

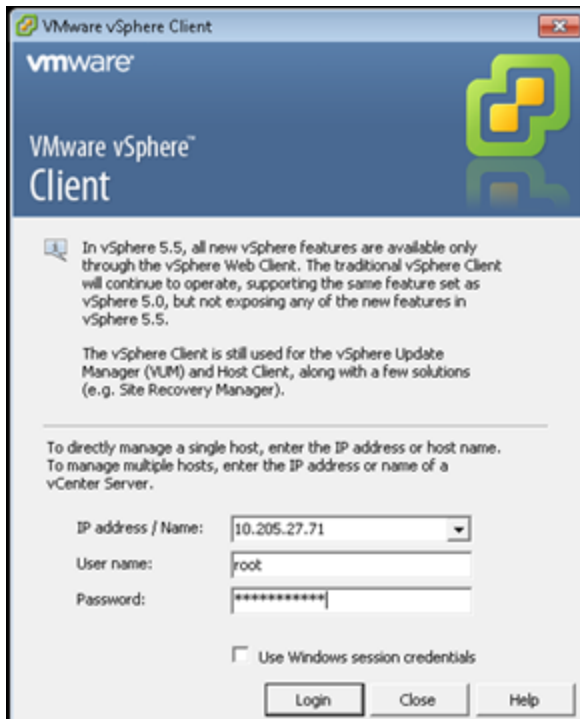
It is recommended that you configure the following settings in all vSwitches across the hypervisors. If these settings are not configured, all of the network traffic may be available to all of the virtual machines, resulting in a non-functioning VLAN.

ESX server settings:

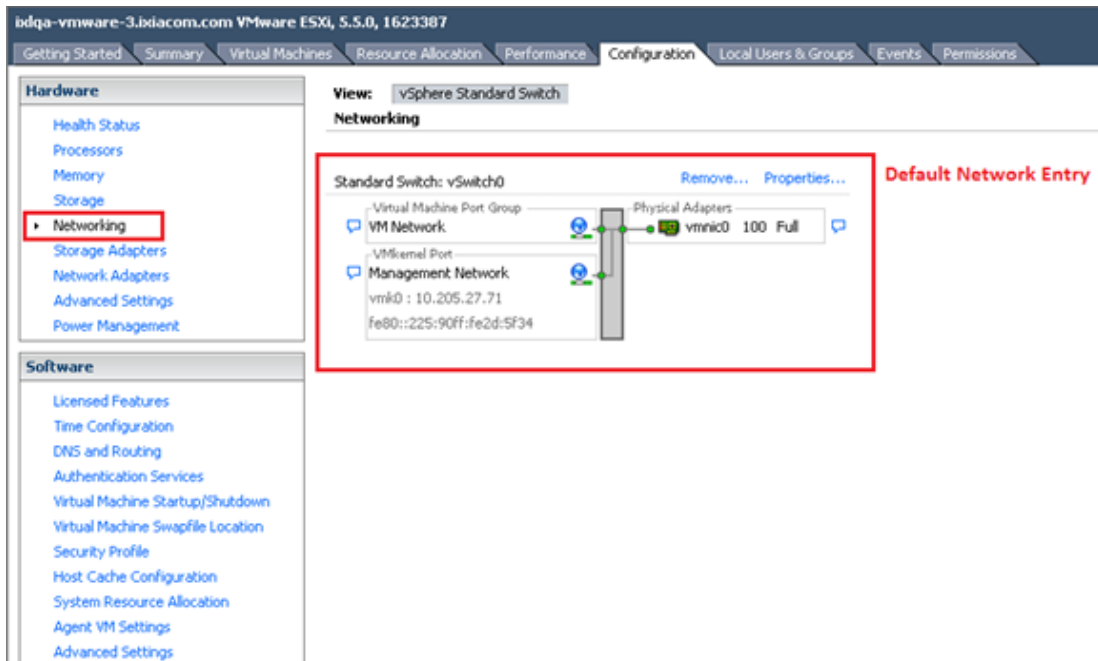
- vSwitch Traffic Shaping set as Disabled
- **vSwitch Security tab > Promiscuous Mode** set as **Accept** or **Reject**
  - **Note:** See [Promiscuous Mode Recommendations on page 17](#) before configuring this setting
- vSwitch Properties, set the VLAN ID (Optional) from None (0) to All (4095)

**To perform vSwitch and Network configuration perform the following tasks:**

1. Log on to the hypervisor using the firmware vSphere Client as depicted in the following image.



2. Select **Configuration > Networking**.



3. Add test networks to support a back-to-back/virtual Device Under Test (DUT) or a real DUT.



**Note:** A Virtual DUT is not mapped to a physical Network Interface Card (NIC) of the hypervisor whereas a real DUT is mapped to a physical NIC.

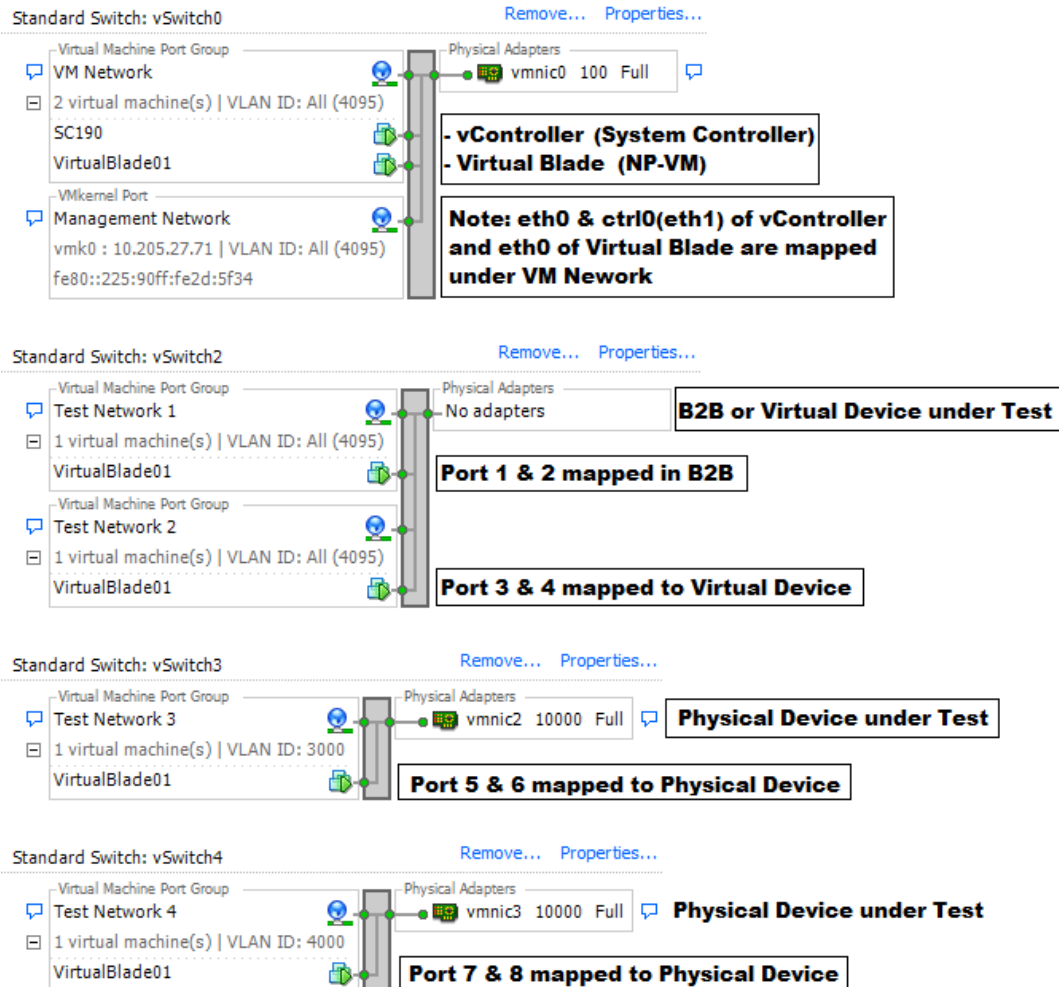
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## Hypervisor Deployed with vController and vBlades

**View:** vSphere Standard Switch

### Networking



Hypervisor Deployed with vBlades Only

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View: vSphere Standard Switch

Networking

Standard Switch: vSwitch0

Remove... Properties...

Virtual Machine Port Group

VM Network

3 virtual machine(s) | VLAN ID: All (4095)

VirtualBladeB01VirtualBladeB02VirtualBladeB03

Physical Adapters

vmnic0 100 Full

Standard Switch: vSwitch2

Remove... Properties...

Virtual Machine Port Group

Test Network 3

1 virtual machine(s)

VirtualBladeB03

Virtual Machine Port Group

Test Network 2

1 virtual machine(s)

VirtualBladeB02

Virtual Machine Port Group

Test Network 1

1 virtual machine(s)

VirtualBladeB01

No adapters

Standard Switch: vSwitch5

Remove... Properties...

Virtual Machine Port Group

Test Network 4

Physical Adapters

vmnic2 10000 Full

Standard Switch: vSwitch6

Remove... Properties...

Virtual Machine Port Group

Test Network 5

Physical Adapters

vmnic3 10000 Full

NIC 0 or eth0 of Virtual Blades mapped to NIC 0 of hypervisor under VM Network

Test NICs i.e. eth1, eth2 .. eth8 of Virtual Blade(s) mapped under Test Network(s) for back-2-back scenario or Virtual Device Under Test Configurations

Test NICs mapped under Test Network(s) to physical NICs present at the hypervisor to push traffic out of the hypervisor i.e. Real Device Under Test Configurations.

Promiscuous Mode Recommendations

Promiscuous Mode is an ESX server security policy setting that has two options, **Accept** and **Reject**. Enabling the **Accept** option allows a virtual machine to see all of the network traffic traversing a virtual switch. Enabling the Reject option allows a virtual machine to only see the packets that are destined for it. An example use case for enabling the Accept option is when testing an IDS or packet sniffer that needs to analyze all of the traffic on a network segment. The table below describes how the virtual machine Promiscuous Mode/BPS Network Neighborhood (NN) settings should be configured for packets to flow as expected.

| vNIC Promiscuous Mode Setting | NN "Use vNIC MAC Address" Setting   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Accept                        | Disabled or Enabled (because when the vNIC Promiscuous Mode is set to "Accept", all packets are passed regardless of this setting). |
| Reject                        | Enabled   |

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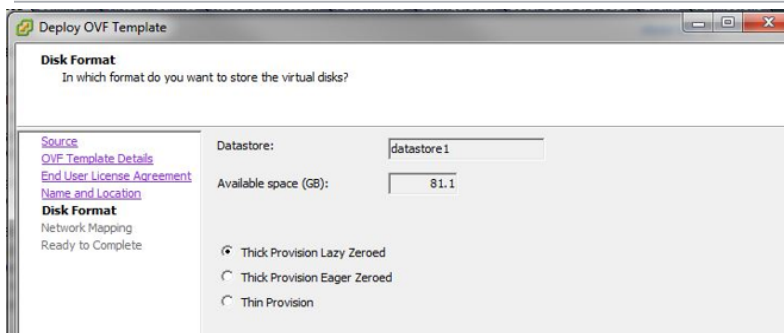
BreakingPoint VE

**Note:** In a 2-arm test configuration, packet traffic will flow regardless of the configuration settings described in the table above. A 2-arm test uses one Ixia test component (Session Sender, AppSim, etc.) to simulate both client and server in a scenario where traffic flows between Ixia ports (Ixia <-> Ixia).

## Install BPS VE Controller on VMware

1. Get the BreakingPoint vController file from the Ixia website or Installation CD.
2. Log on to the hypervisor.
3. Select **File > Deploy OVF Template**.  
The **Deploy OVF Template** dialog box appears.
4. In the **Deploy OVF Template** dialog box, select **Browse** to locate the OVA file that has been saved to your computer. Alternatively, provide a URL address to install the OVF package from the Internet. Select **Next**.
5. Verify the **OVF Template Details** and select **Next**.
6. Accept the License Agreement. Select **Next**.
7. Specify a **Name** for the deployed template. Select **Next**.
8. Select the following **Disk Format**.
  - **Thick Provision Lazy Zeroed**

**Note:** You can select the **Thin Provision** option if you need to save disk space.



Select **Next**.

9. In the **Network Mapping** section, correctly map the **Source Networks** with the **Destination Networks**. Select **Next**.

**Note:** A single interface will be selected by default.

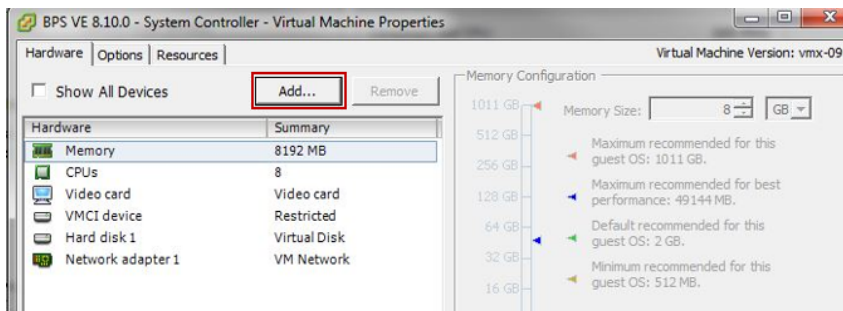
10. In the **Ready to Complete** section, verify the **Deployment settings**.  
Select the **Power on after deployment** check box, if you want to automatically power on the virtual machines. If this box is not checked, you will have to manually power on the virtual machines post deployment. By default, this box is unchecked.  
Select **Finish** to start the OVA image file deployment.

**Note:** By default, the interface will request network configuration information (IP address, gateway, etc.) from a DHCP server. Alternatively, you can manually configure a static IP address as described in the section: [Manually Set a Static IP for the Management Port on page 29](#).

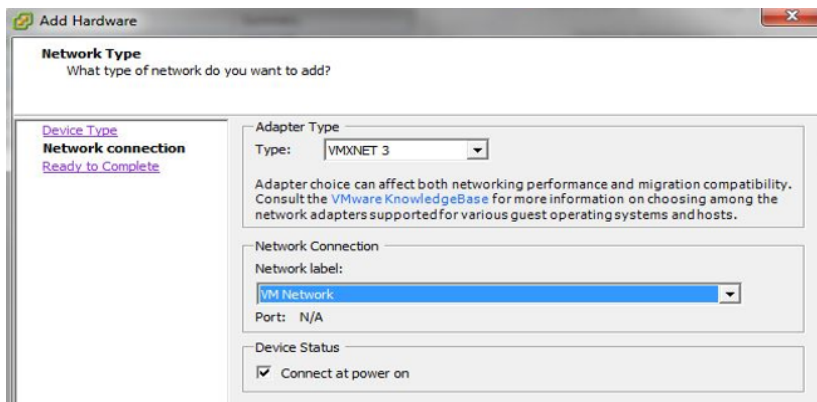
11. Select **Finish**. The system starts the deployment of the BPS Controller in the hypervisor.
12. To add an additional interface to the vController perform the following steps:

**Note:** Adding an additional interface will allow you to deploy the BPS VE controller in environments where the external/public network used to access the web interface is separated from the internal/private network used for chassis backplane communication.

- a. Power OFF the vController.
- b. Edit the Virtual Machine options.



- c. Select **Add**.
- d. Select **Ethernet Adapter** as the Device Type. Select **Next**.



- e. Select **VMXNET 3** as the Network Type. Select **Next**.
- f. Select **Finish**.
- g. Power ON the vController.

The vController will now operate with two interfaces.

13. Upon completion, you can [Deploy and Assign vBlades](#).

## KVM Installation

This section describes how to install BPS VE on KVM over CentOS or Ubuntu.

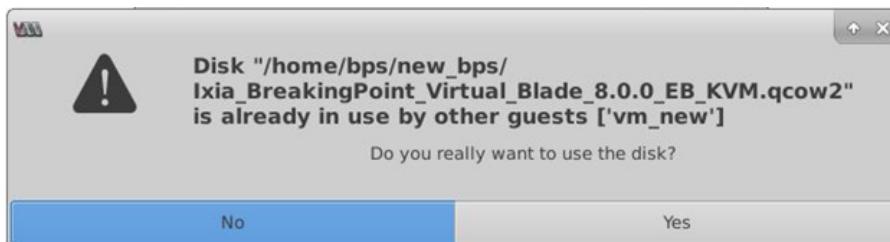
### Install on KVM

This section describes how install BPS VE on KVM.

**Note:** This same procedure can be used to install the BPS vController on KVM and to perform the manual install of a BPS vBlade on KVM.

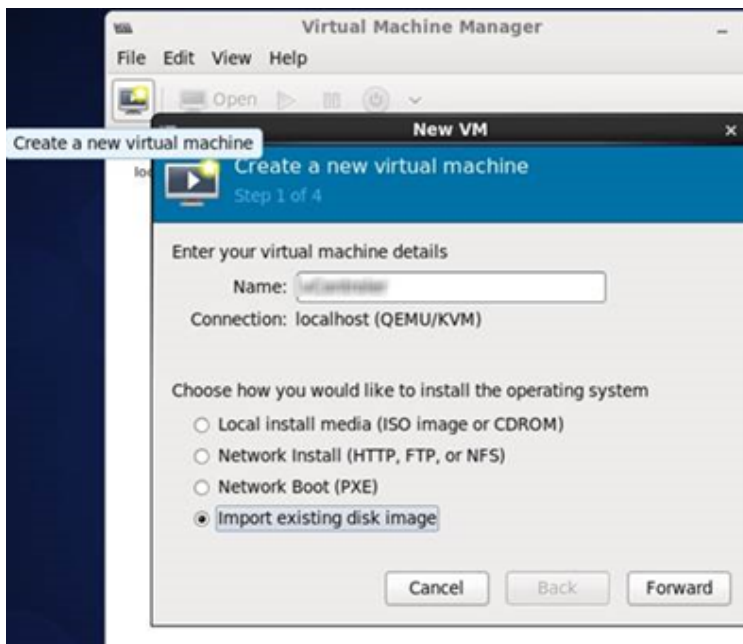
**Note:** To install the **vController**, use the following file: `Ixia_BreakingPoint_Virtual_Controller_x.x.x_EA_KVM.qcow2`.  
To manually install a **vBlade**, use the following file: `Ixia_BreakingPoint_Virtual_Blade_x.x.x_EA_KVM.qcow2`.

**Note:** Whenever you deploy a new vController or vBlade on a system, do not use the same image that was used during an earlier deployment on the system. Make a copy of the original qcow2 image and use the copied image for deployment. Using the same qcow2 image for multiple deployments may corrupt the image. Attempts to use the same image for multiple deployments will result in the message shown below. If you receive this message, reply **No**, and follow the procedure described earlier in this note.

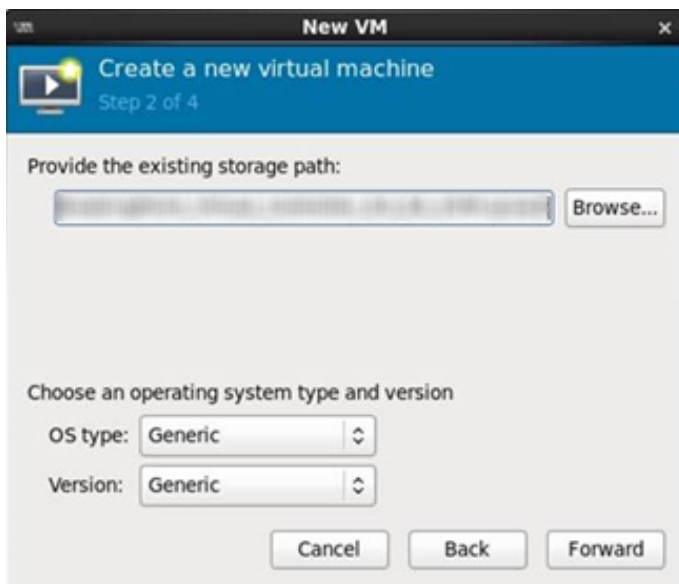


#### To Deploy a BPS vController or vBlade:

1. Download the required qcow2 image described above from the Ixia Downloads & Updates web page or from the installation CD.
2. Copy the qcow2 image to the KVM system.
3. Open the system's Virtual Machine Manager.
4. Select **Create a new virtual machine**. The window for configuring Step 1 displays.

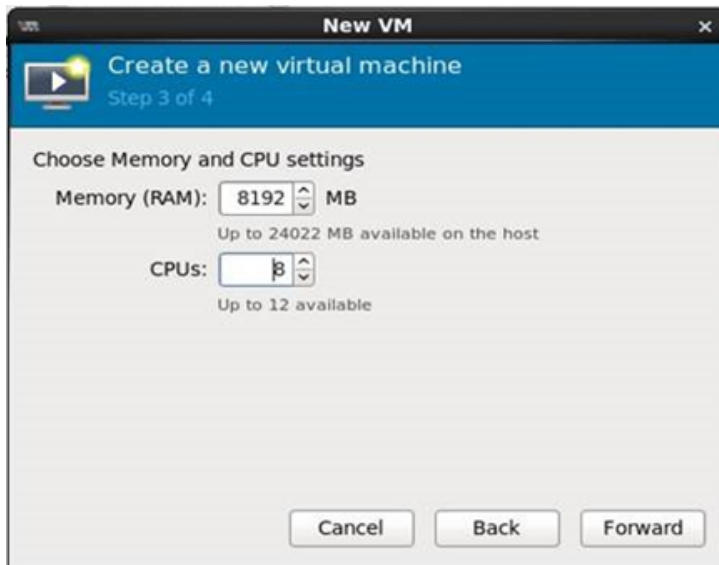


- a. Enter a name in the **Name** field. For example, if you are installing a vController, the Name could be "vController1", for a vBlade the name could be "vBlade1", etc.
- b. Select **Import existing disk image**.
- c. Select **Forward**. The window for configuring Step 2 displays.

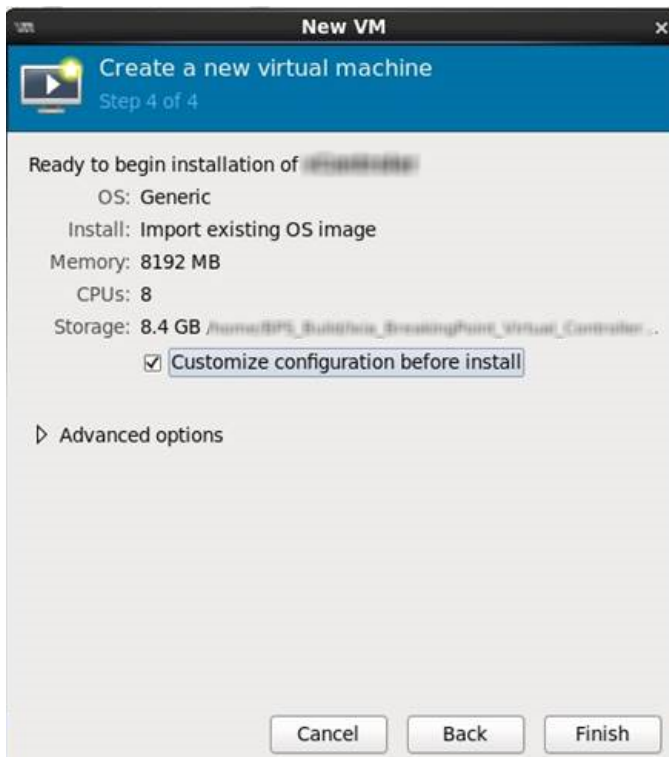


- d. Configure the **Provide the existing storage path** field by selecting **Browse** and selecting the Ixia\_BreakingPoint\_Virtual\_Controller\_x.x.x\_EA\_KVM.qcow2 image.
- e. Select **Forward**. The window for configuring Step 3 of 4 displays.

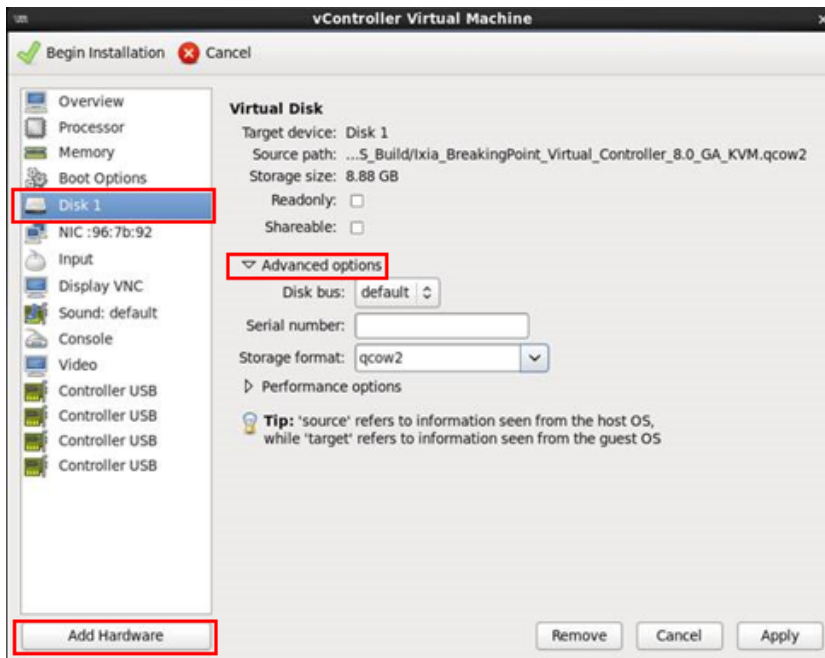
5. Choose **Memory** and **CPU** settings. For example, 8GB/8CPUs for a vController or 8GB/4CPUs for a vBlade. You can also reference [Hardware Requirements on page 5](#) for more information.



- a. Configure Memory (RAM).
  - b. Configure number of CPUs.
  - c. Select **Forward**. The window for configuring Step 4 displays.
6. Select **Customize configuration before install**.



- a. Select **Finish**. You will be returned to the vController Virtual Machine window.
7. Select **Disk 1**.





- a. Expand the **Advanced Options** section and configure the **Storage format** as "qcow2".
- b. Select **Apply**.



8. Add the NICs that are required for testing.
  - a. Configure the NIC driver as "virtio".
  - b. Select **Finish**. You will be returned to the vController Virtual Machine window.
9. Select **Begin Installation**. Wait for the vController or vBlade to load.

vBlades must be [assigned](#) before they can be used for testing.

## Deploy and Assign vBlades

vBlades can be deployed on various hypervisors using the BPS VE UI or with a BPS VE vBlade installation file and your own automation/management tools.

There are 3 vBlade deployment options:

[Automatic vBlade Deployment for VMware or KVM](#)


(Using vController VM Deployment Wizard)

[Manual vBlade Deployment for VMware](#)

[Manual vBlade Deployment for KVM](#)

After vBlades are successfully deployed, see the [Manage vBlades](#) section to learn how to discover, delete and unassign vBlades.

## Automatic vBlade Deployment

 **Note:** This procedure applies to both VMware ESXi and KVM hypervisor deployments. It does not require any additional vBlade installation images for either hypervisor.

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### Log on to the BPS VE UI:

1. [Find the IP address of the vController.](#)
2. Enter the vController IP address into the URL field of your HTML browser.
3. Enter a **Username** and **Password**. The default username is "admin". The default password is "admin".

### Create a Virtual Blade (vBlade)

1. After logging on to the BPS VE UI, select the **Administration** link in the upper right corner of the window.
2. Select **VM Deployment > Create Virtual Blades > Configure Virtual Blade**.

 **Note: For VMware:** To access the hypervisor, make sure to enable the ssh service in all target hypervisors (which is configured in **vSphere > Security Profile > SSH**).

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A dialog box displays the vBlade settings as shown in the image below. For setting descriptions, refer to the [Virtual Blade Configuration Parameters on page 27](#) table.

3. Select the **Host Type** from the drop-down list.
4. In the **HOST INFO** section, enter the **Hostname/IP** of the hypervisor where you want to deploy the VM.
5. Enter the correct **Username/Password** of the target server where the vBlade will reside and select **Connect**.

**HOST TYPE**  
VMware ESXi

**HOST INFO**  
 Hostname/IP: 10.215.191.216  
 Username: root  
 Password: .....

CONNECTED

**VIRTUAL BLADE INFO**  
 Name: VirtualBlade  
 Number: 3  
 Datastore: datastore2

Management IP Config: Static  
 Management vSwitch/vBridge: VMNetwork\_7

| Name           | IP         | Mask          | Gateway    |
|----------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| VirtualBlade01 | 11.11.11.1 | 255.255.254.0 | 11.11.10.1 |
| VirtualBlade02 | 11.11.11.2 | 255.255.254.0 | 11.11.10.1 |
| VirtualBlade03 | 11.11.11.3 | 255.255.254.0 | 11.11.10.1 |

Test Network Adapters

| Network Adapter   | Test Network |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Network Adapter 1 | C1C2         |
| Network Adapter 2 | C1C2         |

APPLY CANCEL

6. Enter the name for the vBlades in the **Name** field.
7. Enter the number of vBlades required in the **Name** field.
8. Select Static or DHCP from the **Management IP Configuration** drop-down list.

**Note:** If you select the DHCP **IP Configuration** option, a DHCP server will be required in order to provide IP addresses to the BPS VE vController and vBlade interfaces.

**Note:** If you select the Static **IP Configuration** option, default IP addresses are assigned to the vBlades in ascending order based on the network address of the vController (as shown in the image above). You can edit the vBlade IP addresses by double-clicking the IP Address field.

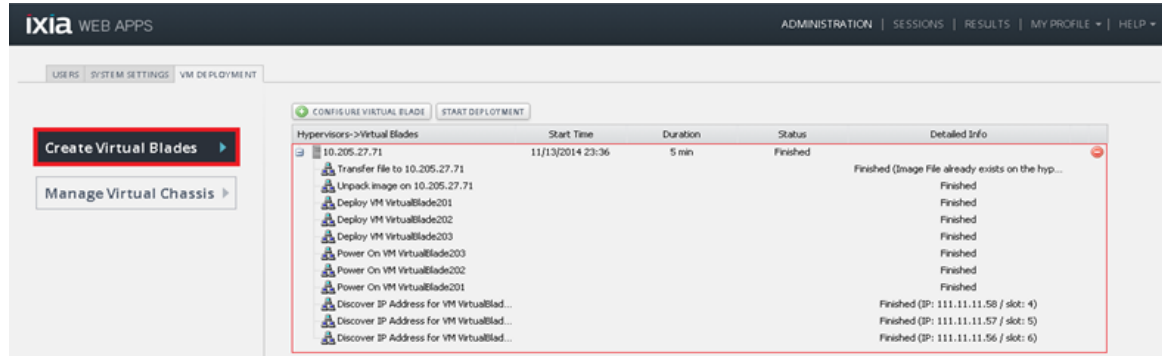
9. Select the **Datastore**. The network topology present in the hypervisor along with the **Datastore** (HDD) details are available in the [Virtual Load Module Info](#) section.
10. Select the required **Management Network** for the vBlades.

11. In the **Test Network** list, select the **Network Adapter** and map them to the relevant **Test Network**.

vBlades can support two to eight vPorts. vPorts are directly mapped with a Network Adapter. vPort-1 refers to Network Adapter 1, vPort-2 refers to Network Adapter 2 and so on. Assign a Test Network (created in the [vSwitch and Network Configuration](#) section) to the respective vPort.

12. Select **Apply**.

The status of the deployment is displayed (as shown in the image below). If errors occur, an error message will display in a pop-up. After successful validation, a new vBlade entry is created.



Virtual Blade Configuration Parameters

| Parameter                       | Description  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Host Type                       | Select the type of host you will be installing a vBlade on.    |
| <b>HOST INFO</b>                |  |
| Hostname/IP                     | Enter the host name or IP of the hypervisor.                   |
| Username                        | Enter the valid user name to log on to the hypervisor.         |
| Password                        | Enter the valid password to log on to the hypervisor.          |
| <b>VIRTUAL LOAD MODULE INFO</b> |  |
| Name                            | Enter a name for the vBlade.                                   |
| Number                          | Enter the number of vBlades (virtual machines) to be deployed. |
| Management IP Configuration     | Select a DHCP or Static IP configuration.                      |

| Parameter                  | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Datastore                  | Datastores are logical containers, analogous to file systems, that hide specifics of each storage device and provide a uniform model for storing virtual machine files. Datastores can also be used for storing ISO images, virtual machine templates, and floppy images.  |
| Management vSwitch/vBridge | <p>The <b>Management vSwitch/vBridge</b> is used for the internal communication between vController and vBlades. It must be in the same IP subnet with the vController internal management IP.</p> <p>Select at least two <b>Network Adapters</b> and map the <b>Test Network</b> to these adapters. The Test Network is used send and receives BPS VE test traffic.</p> |

## Manually Set a Static IP for the Management Port

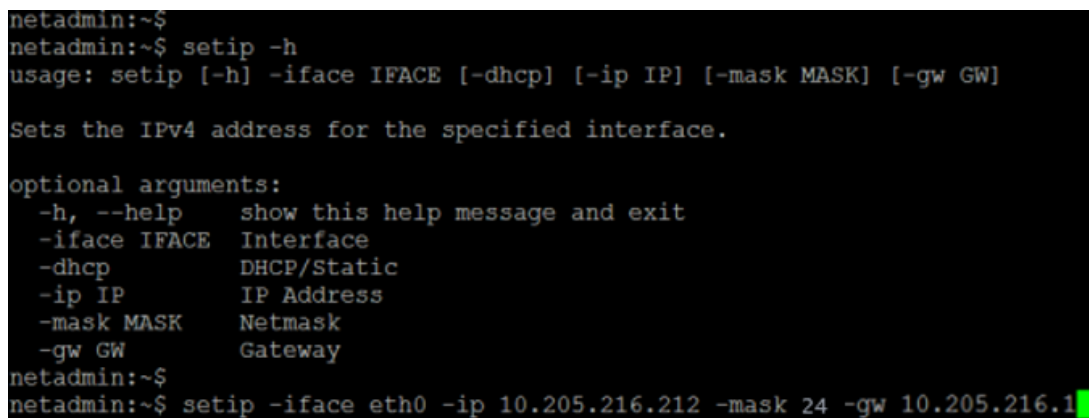
The management port IP address can be configured using the **setip** console command as shown in the image below. The command allows you to set the static IP address for the management interface of a vController or vBlade.

**The following login is required:**

**user:** netadmin

**password:** netadmin

**Note:** iface (interface name) options include "eth0" and "ctrl0".



```
netadmin:~$
netadmin:~$ setip -h
usage: setip [-h] -iface IFACE [-dhcp] [-ip IP] [-mask MASK] [-gw GW]

Sets the IPv4 address for the specified interface.

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -iface IFACE          Interface
  -dhcp                DHCP/Static
  -ip IP                IP Address
  -mask MASK            Netmask
  -gw GW               Gateway
netadmin:~$
netadmin:~$ setip -iface eth0 -ip 10.205.216.212 -mask 24 -gw 10.205.216.1
```

## Find the BPS VE vController IP Address

The BPS VE vController IP Address can be used to access the BPS VE UI. To access the BPS VE UI, enter the controller IP address into the URL field of your HTML browser and proceed to [Log on to the BPS VE User Interface on the facing page](#).

To find the System Controller IP address:


- Access the Console on the vController (System Controller) Virtual Machine (VM)
- [Run the networkInfo command](#)

### Access the Console on VMware

1. Start the Console from vSphere to System Controller Virtual Machine (VM).
2. Log on using the proper credentials. For example:  
User ID - admin  
Password - admin  
The system displays the BPS prompt.
3. [Run the networkInfo command](#) to display the vController (System Controller) IP Address.

## Access the Console on KVM

1. Connect to the Console on the vController Virtual Machine (VM).

 **Note:** ttyS0 will need to be enabled within the VM if it is not currently enabled.

2. Log on to the system using the proper credentials. For example:  
User ID - admin  
Password - admin
3. [Run the networkInfo command](#) to display the vController (System Controller) IP Address.

## Run the networkInfo Command

1. Type the following command at the prompt.

```
BPS> networkInfo
```

The system displays following information.

```
dhcp="true"
hostname="localhost.localdomain.bpointsys.int"
ip="10.200.225.38" <==== IP of System Controller
netmask="22"
gw=""
currip="10.200.225.38"
.....
```

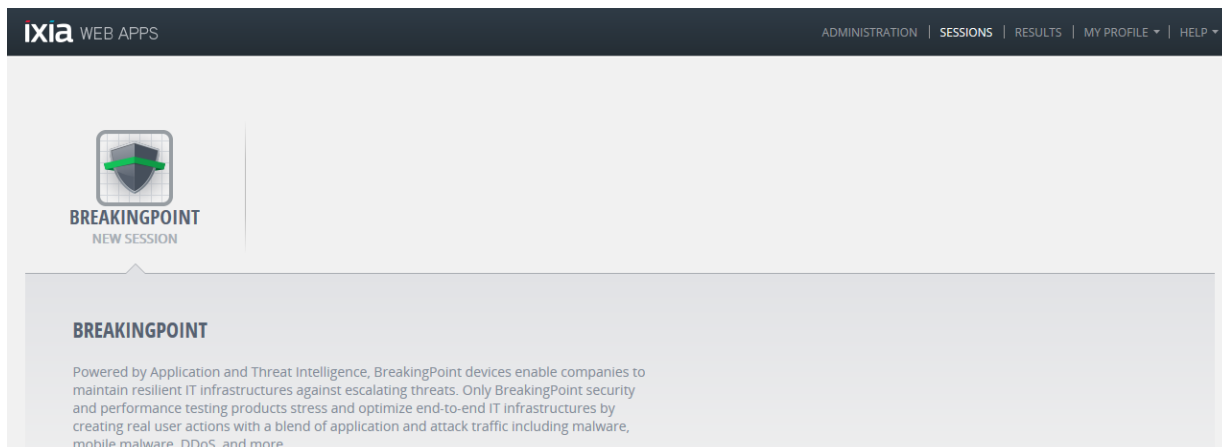
## Log on to the BPS VE User Interface

The BPS VE is used to manage BPS VE and [Deploy vBlades](#).

To log on to the BPS VE user interface (also known as Ixia Web Apps), perform the following tasks:

1. Open a web browser, type the [vController IP](#) address in the URL field, and press Enter.  
The log on window appears.
2. In the **Username** field, type your user ID. The default username is "admin".
3. In the **Password** field, type your password.  
The default password is "admin".
4. If you want the browser to remember the log on credentials, select the **Remember me** check box.
5. Select **Login**.

The **Ixia WEB APPS** window opens as shown in the figure below.



The Web Administration page consists of links as listed and described in the following table.

| Links          | Description   |
|----------------|---|
| Administration | Perform administration tasks. For example, creating/managing user accounts, manage the Ixia Web Application and manage BreakingPoint in the Virtual Environment (VE). |
| Sessions       | Open the BreakingPoint Control Center to manage the BreakingPoint sessions (Individual or multiple instances of running tests).                                       |
| Results        | View the list of completed and currently running tests.   |
| My Profile     | View and edit the properties of your account. For example, your user name and password can be modified.   |
| Help           | View the product user guides, download the latest software, and perform system diagnostics.   |

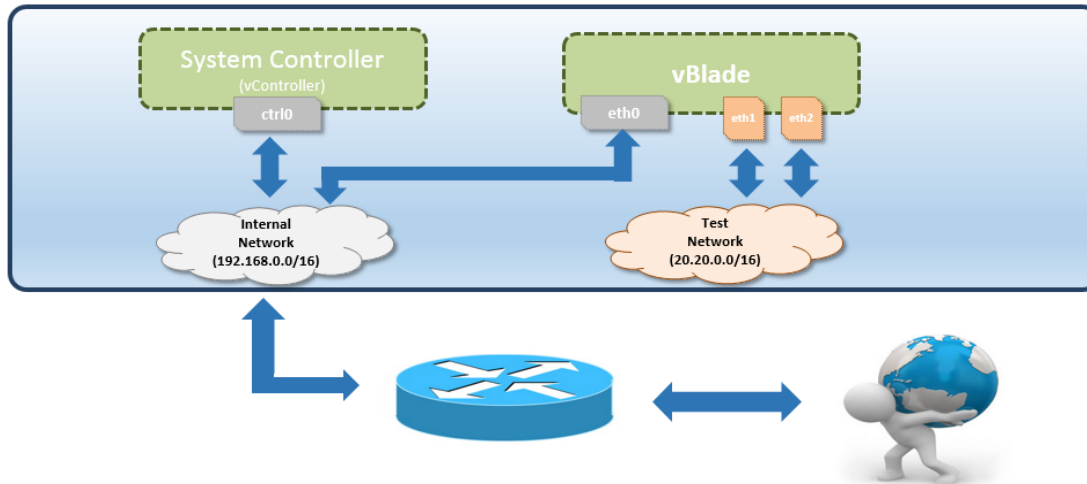


## Install BPS VE using OpenStack

OpenStack is a free and open-source software platform for cloud computing. This section provides a detailed graphical example of BPS VE installation and setup using OpenStack.

### Network Topology

The topology shown in the image below will be used for the example OpenStack BPS VE Installation.



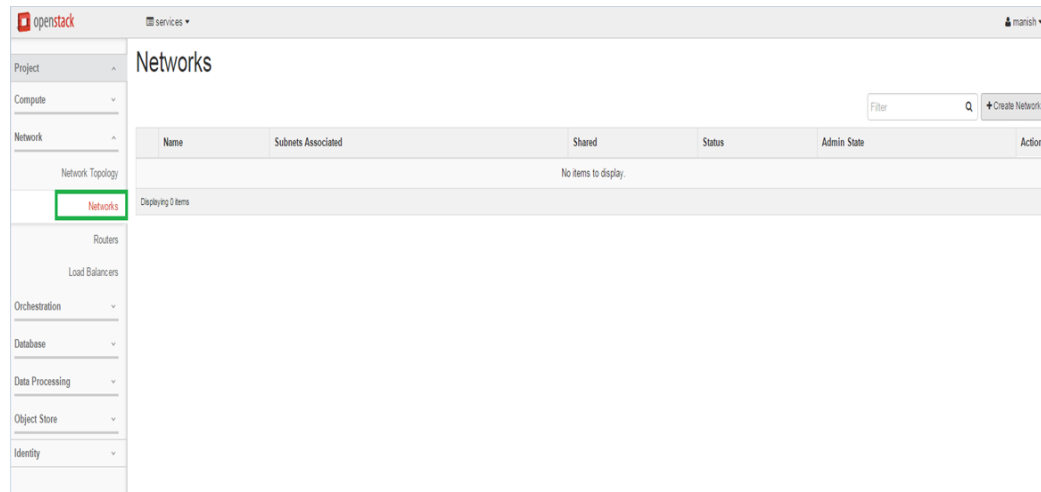
### OpenStack Login

Log in to your OpenStack dashboard.

The image shows the OpenStack Dashboard login interface. At the top is the OpenStack logo, which consists of a red cube icon and the text 'openstack' in lowercase, with 'DASHBOARD' in smaller text below it. Below the logo is the heading 'Log In'. There are two input fields: 'User Name' and 'Password'. The Password field has a small eye icon to its right. At the bottom right of the form is a blue button labeled 'Connect'.

## Create Networks

Create the required networks based on the [Network Topology](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Create Network' wizard in the OpenStack Horizon dashboard. The wizard has three steps: 'Network' (selected), 'Subnet', and 'Subnet Details'. The 'Network' step contains the following fields:

- Network Name:** A text input field containing 'Internal Network'.
- Admin State:** A dropdown menu with 'UP' selected.
- Create Subnet:** A checkbox that is checked.

Below the form fields are three buttons: 'Cancel', '« Back', and 'Next »'.

## Create Network

✕

Network

Subnet

Subnet Details

Subnet Name

Internal\_Network

Create a subnet associated with the network. Advanced configuration is available by clicking on the "Subnet Details" tab.

Network Address ⓘ

192.168.0.0/16

IP Version

IPv4

Gateway IP ⓘ

192.168.1.1

☐ Disable Gateway

Cancel « Back Next »

## Create Network

✕

Network

Subnet

Subnet Details

☒ Enable DHCP

Specify additional attributes for the subnet.

Allocation Pools ⓘ

DNS Name Servers ⓘ

Host Routes ⓘ

Cancel « Back Create

## Create Network

Network

Subnet

Subnet Details

Network Name

Create a new network. In addition, a subnet associated with the network can be created in the next panel.

Admin State ?

UP

☒ Create Subnet

Cancel« BackNext »

## Create Network

Network

Subnet

Subnet Details

Subnet Name

Create a subnet associated with the network. Advanced configuration is available by clicking on the "Subnet Details" tab.

Network Address ?

IP Version

IPv4

☒ Disable Gateway

Cancel« BackCreate

### Create Network

Network

Subnet

Subnet Details

☐ Enable DHCP

Specify additional attributes for the subnet.

Allocation Pools

DNS Name Servers

Host Routes

Cancel

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+

Create Network

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Delete Networks

| Name             | Subnets Associated              | Shared | Status | Admin State | Actions                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Internal Network | Internal_Network 192.168.0.0/16 | No     | Active | UP          | <div>Edit Network</div> |
| Test Network     | Test 20.20.0.0/16               | No     | Active | UP          | <div>Edit Network</div> |

Displaying 2 items

## Create a Router

### Create Router

Router Name \*

router1

Description:

Creates a router with specified parameters.

Admin State

UP

External Network

public

Cancel

Create Router

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### Routers

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✖ Delete Routers

| Name    | Status | External Network | Admin State | Actions                  |
|---------|--------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| router1 | Active | public           | UP          | <div>Clear Gateway</div> |

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### Router Details

Clear Gateway

Overview

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Static Routes

+ Add Interface

| Name                 | Fixed IPs | Status | Type | Admin State | Actions |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|------|-------------|---------|
| No items to display. |           |        |      |             |         |

Displaying 0 items

## Add Interface

Subnet \*

Internal Network: 192.168.0.0/16 (Internal\_Netv ▾)

IP Address (optional) ⓘ

Router Name \*

router1

Router ID \*

f2b53c2e-fa10-4801-86fc-5a4ee07e66b4

### Description:

You can connect a specified subnet to the router.

The default IP address of the interface created is a gateway of the selected subnet. You can specify another IP address of the interface here. You must select a subnet to which the specified IP address belongs to from the above list.

Cancel

Add interface

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Object Store ▾

Identity ▾

Router Details

Clear Gateway ▾

Overview Interfaces Static Routes

+ Add Interface

✖ Delete Interfaces

| <input type="checkbox"/> | Name          | Fixed IPs   | Status | Type               | Admin State | Actions                     |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | a2b64159-6c51 | 192.168.1.1 | Active | Internal Interface | UP          | <div>Delete Interface</div> |

Displaying 1 item

## Create Flavors



**Note:** Flavors can only be created using the Admin account.

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Admin

System

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Resource Usage

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| Flavor Name | VCPUs | RAM   | Root Disk | Ephemeral Disk | Swap Disk | ID | Public | Metadata | Actions     |
|-------------|-------|-------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----|--------|----------|-------------|
| m1.tiny     | 1     | 512MB | 1GB       | 0GB            | 0MB       | 1  | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.small    | 1     | 2GB   | 20GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 2  | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.medium   | 2     | 4GB   | 40GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 3  | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.large    | 4     | 8GB   | 80GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 4  | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.xlarge   | 8     | 16GB  | 160GB     | 0GB            | 0MB       | 5  | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |

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**Note:** The minimum Root Disk required to launch the System Controller (BPS vController) is 110 GB.

Create Flavor

Flavor Information

Flavor Access

Name

BPS-SC

Flavors define the sizes for RAM, disk, number of cores, and other resources and can be selected when users deploy instances.

ID

auto

VCPUs

8

RAM (MB)

8192

Root Disk (GB)

110

Ephemeral Disk (GB)

0

Swap Disk (MB)

0

Cancel

Create Flavor

**Note:** The minimum Root Disk required to launch a virtual blade (BPS vBlade) is 14 GB.



## Create Flavor



Flavor Information \*

Flavor Access

Name \*

BPS-NP

Flavors define the sizes for RAM, disk, number of cores, and other resources and can be selected when users deploy instances.

ID ⓘ

auto

VCPUs \*

4

RAM (MB) \*

8192

Root Disk (GB) \*

14

Ephemeral Disk (GB)

0

Swap Disk (MB)

0

Cancel

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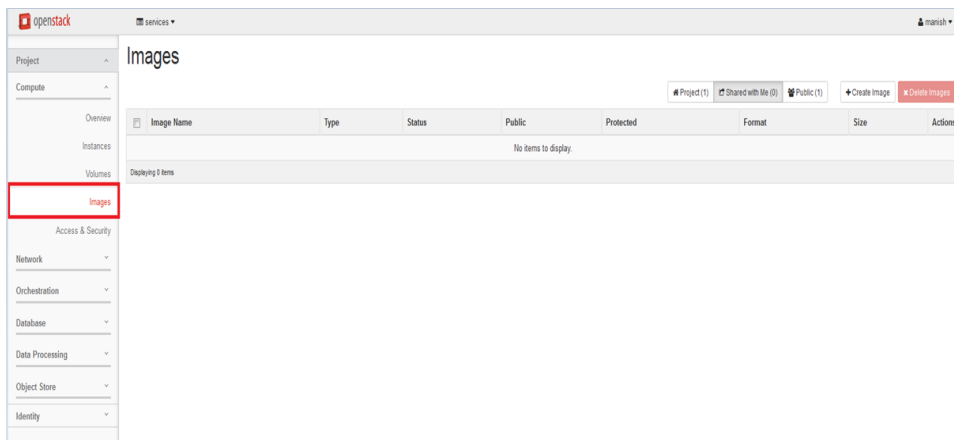
| Flavor Name | VCPUs | RAM   | Root Disk | Ephemeral Disk | Swap Disk | ID                                   | Public | Metadata | Actions     |
|-------------|-------|-------|-----------|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|-------------|
| BPS-NP      | 4     | 8GB   | 14GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 33f108fe-c064-4571-914b-ac727555c018 | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| BPS-SC      | 8     | 8GB   | 110GB     | 0GB            | 0MB       | fa02646-762d-4634-b7d5-785c-4d146dc5 | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.large    | 4     | 8GB   | 80GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 4                                    | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.medium   | 2     | 4GB   | 40GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 3                                    | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.small    | 1     | 2GB   | 20GB      | 0GB            | 0MB       | 2                                    | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.tiny     | 1     | 512MB | 1GB       | 0GB            | 0MB       | 1                                    | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |
| m1.xlarge   | 8     | 16GB  | 160GB     | 0GB            | 0MB       | 5                                    | Yes    | No       | Edit Flavor |

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## Add Images



**Note:** The BPS vController is also described as the System Controller.



### Create An Image

**Name \***

BPS-SC

**Description**

System Controller

**Image Source**

Image File

**Image File** ⓘ

Choose File Ixia\_Break...KVM.qcow2

**Format \***

QCOW2 - QEMU Emulator

**Architecture**

**Minimum Disk (GB) ⓘ**

**Minimum RAM (MB) ⓘ**

☒ Public

☐ Protected

**Description:**

Currently only images available via an HTTP URL are supported. The image location must be accessible to the Image Service. Compressed image binaries are supported (.zip and .tar.gz.)

**Please note:** The Image Location field MUST be a valid and direct URL to the image binary. URLs that redirect or serve error pages will result in unusable images.

Cancel Create Image

## Create An Image ✕

**Name \***

**Description**

**Image Source**

**Image File** ⓘ  
 ixia\_break...KVM.qcow2

**Format \***

**Architecture**

**Minimum Disk (GB) ⓘ**

**Minimum RAM (MB) ⓘ**

☒ Public  
☐ Protected

**Description:**

Currently only images available via an HTTP URL are supported. The image location must be accessible to the Image Service. Compressed image binaries are supported (.zip and .tar.gz.)

**Please note:** The Image Location field MUST be a valid and direct URL to the image binary. URLs that redirect or serve error pages will result in unusable images.

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### Images

Project (0) Shared with Me (0) Public (2)

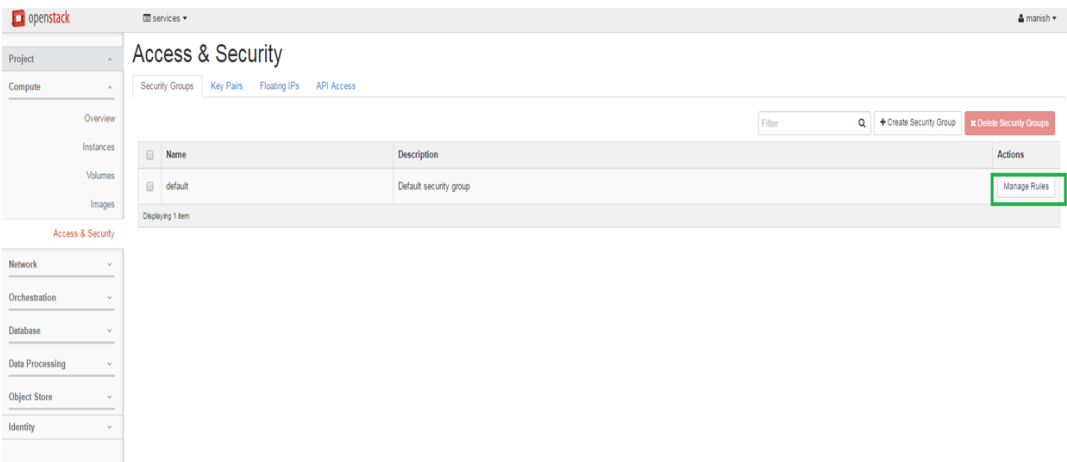
| Image Name | Type  | Status | Public | Protected | Format | Size   | Actions  |
|------------|-------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|--|
| BPS-Vblade | Image | Active | Yes    | No        | QCOW2  | 1.5 GB | <input type="button" value="Launch Instance"/> |
| BPS-SC     | Image | Active | Yes    | No        | QCOW2  | 8.5 GB | <input type="button" value="Launch Instance"/> |

Displaying 2 items

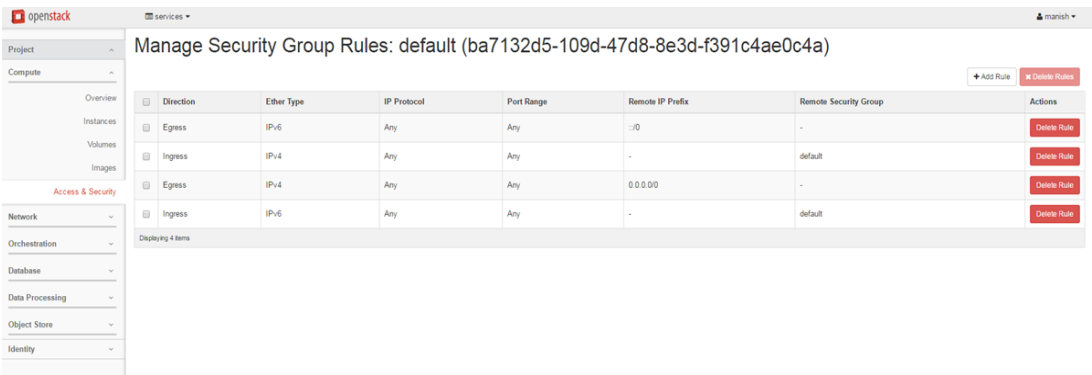
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# Security Group Management



**Note:** All Egress traffic and intercommunication in the default group are allowed and all ingress from outside of the default group is dropped by default. To avoid dropped traffic, add the appropriate rules.



## Add Rule ✕

Rule \*

ALL ICMP ▼

Direction

Ingress ▼

Remote \* ⓘ

CIDR ▼

CIDR ⓘ

0.0.0.0/0

**Description:**

Rules define which traffic is allowed to instances assigned to the security group. A security group rule consists of three main parts:

**Rule:** You can specify the desired rule template or use custom rules, the options are Custom TCP Rule, Custom UDP Rule, or Custom ICMP Rule.

**Open Port/Port Range:** For TCP and UDP rules you may choose to open either a single port or a range of ports. Selecting the "Port Range" option will provide you with space to provide both the starting and ending ports for the range. For ICMP rules you instead specify an ICMP type and code in the spaces provided.

**Remote:** You must specify the source of the traffic to be allowed via this rule. You may do so either in the form of an IP address block (CIDR) or via a source group (Security Group). Selecting a security group as the source will allow any other instance in that security group access to any other instance via this rule.

Cancel Add

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### Manage Security Group Rules: default (ba7132d5-109d-47d8-8e3d-f391c4ae0c4a)

➕ Add Rule ✖ Delete Rules

| Direction | Ether Type | IP Protocol | Port Range | Remote IP Prefix | Remote Security Group | Actions                  |
|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Egress    | IPv6       | Any         | Any        | :::0             | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Ingress   | IPv4       | Any         | Any        | -                | default               | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Egress    | IPv4       | Any         | Any        | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Ingress   | IPv6       | Any         | Any        | -                | default               | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Egress    | IPv4       | ICMP        | Any        | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Ingress   | IPv4       | ICMP        | Any        | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Ingress   | IPv4       | TCP         | 1 - 65535  | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Egress    | IPv4       | TCP         | 1 - 65535  | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Ingress   | IPv4       | UDP         | 1 - 65535  | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |
| Egress    | IPv4       | UDP         | 1 - 65535  | 0.0.0.0/0        | -                     | <span>Delete Rule</span> |

Refreshing the table

The image shows two screenshots from the OpenStack dashboard. The top screenshot is a 'Create Key Pair' modal dialog. It has a title bar with a close button. Inside, there's a 'Key Pair Name' field with the value 'ixia' and a 'Description' section. The description explains that key pairs are SSH credentials injected into images and provides instructions on how to use them. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Create Key Pair' buttons, with the latter highlighted by a green box.

The bottom screenshot shows the 'Access & Security' dashboard. The left sidebar has a menu with categories like Project, Compute, Overview, Instances, Volumes, Images, Access & Security (highlighted), Network, Orchestration, Database, Data Processing, Object Store, and Identity. The main content area is titled 'Access & Security' and has tabs for 'Security Groups', 'Key Pairs', 'Floating IPs', and 'API Access'. The 'Key Pairs' tab is active, showing a table with columns 'Key Pair Name', 'Fingerprint', and 'Actions'. A single key pair named 'ixia' is listed, with its fingerprint 'cd 7c: e4 b8 50 c1 cc a6: ed f0 22 4b 8f d6: 00 52'. The 'ixia' name in the table is highlighted with a green box. Above the table are buttons for 'Create Key Pair', 'Import Key Pair', and 'Delete Key Pairs'. Below the table, it says 'Displaying 1 item'.

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Create Image

Delete Images

| Image Name | Type  | Status | Public | Protected | Format | Size   | Actions         |
|------------|-------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| BPS-AP     | Image | Active | Yes    | No        | QCOW2  | 1.5 GB | Launch Instance |
| BPS-SC     | Image | Active | Yes    | No        | QCOW2  | 8.5 GB | Launch Instance |

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Launch Instance

Details

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Availability Zone

nova

Instance Name

BPS-SC

Flavor

BPS-SC

Instance Count

1

Instance Boot Source

Boot from image

Image Name

BPS-SC (8.5 GB)

Specify the details for launching an instance.

The chart below shows the resources used by this project in relation to the project's quotas.

Flavor Details

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Name           | BPS-SC   |
| VCPUs          | 8        |
| Root Disk      | 110 GB   |
| Ephemeral Disk | 0 GB     |
| Total Disk     | 110 GB   |
| RAM            | 8,192 MB |

Project Limits

Number of Instances

0 of 10 Used

Number of VCPUs

0 of 20 Used

Total RAM

0 of 51,200 MB Used

Cancel

Launch

### Launch Instance

Details \* Access & Security Networking \* Post-Creation Advanced Options

Key Pair ⓘ  
ixia

Control access to your instance via key pairs, security groups, and other mechanisms.

Security Groups ⓘ  
☒ default

Cancel

Launch

### Launch Instance

Details \* Access & Security Networking \* Post-Creation Advanced Options

Selected networks  
NIC:1 Internal Network (3b7d2d-891e-4a2d-837e-737a11e256)  
-

Available networks  
Test Network (e1241b2-6521-402d-9a29-9ae5422b626)  
+

Choose network from Available networks to Selected networks by push button or drag and drop, you may change NIC order by drag and drop as well.

Cancel

Launch



Launch Instance

Details \*

Access & Security

Networking \*

Post-Creation

Advanced Options

Availability Zone

nova

Instance Name \*

BPS-Vblade

Flavor \* ?

BPS-NP

Instance Count \* ?

1

Instance Boot Source \* ?

Boot from image

Image Name \*

BPS-NP (1.5 GB)

Specify the details for launching an instance.

The chart below shows the resources used by this project in relation to the project's quotas.

Flavor Details

| Name           | BPS-NP   |
|----------------|----------|
| VCPUs          | 4        |
| Root Disk      | 14 GB    |
| Ephemeral Disk | 0 GB     |
| Total Disk     | 14 GB    |
| RAM            | 8,192 MB |

Project Limits

Number of Instances

1 of 10 Used

Number of VCPUs

8 of 20 Used

Total RAM

8,192 of 51,200 MB Used

Cancel

Launch

Launch Instance

Details \*

Access & Security

Networking \*

Post-Creation

Advanced Options

Key Pair ?

ixia

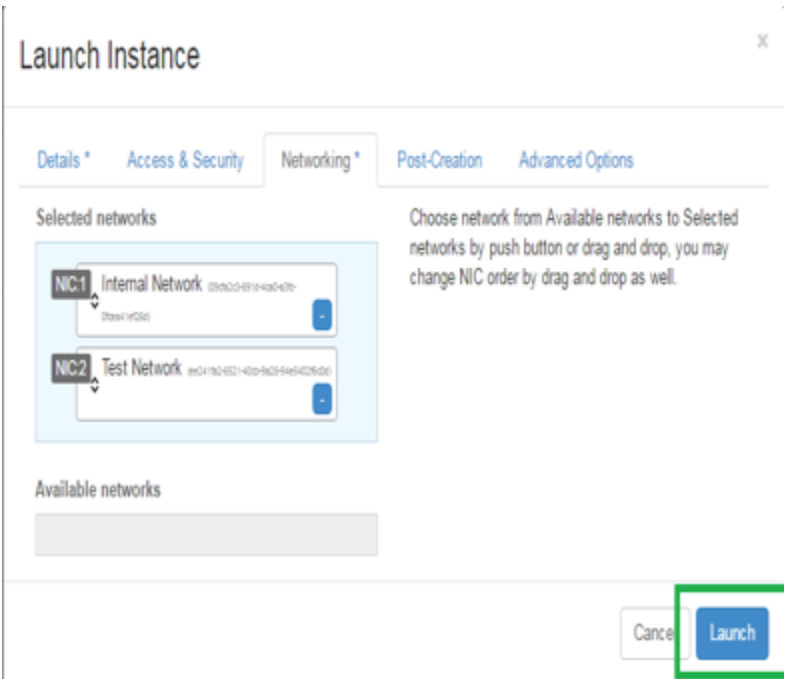
Control access to your instance via key pairs, security groups, and other mechanisms.

Security Groups ?

default

Cancel

Launch



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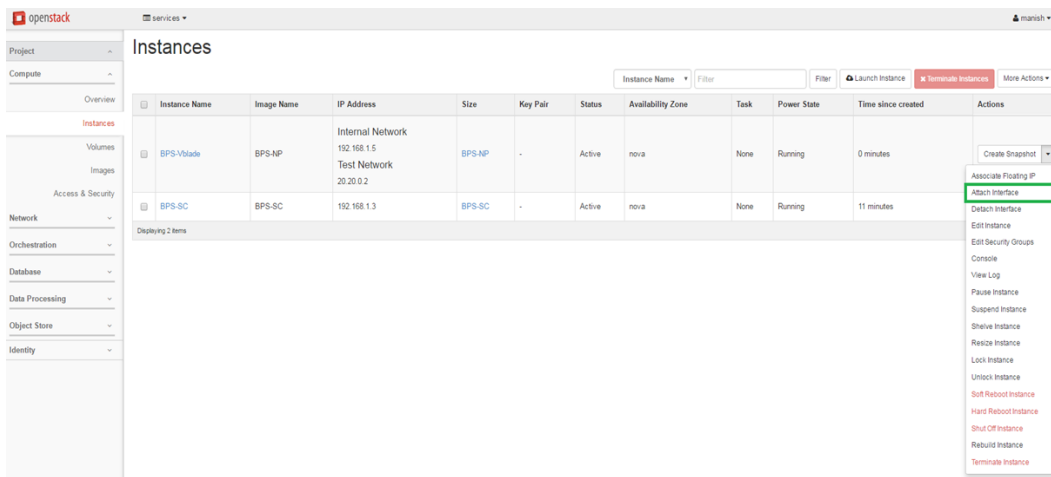
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Instance Name Filter Launch Instance Terminate Instances More Actions

| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address   | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions         |
|---------------|------------|--|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| BPS-Vblade    | BPS-AP     | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2 | BPS-AP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 0 minutes          | Create Snapshot |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3  | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 11 minutes         | Create Snapshot |

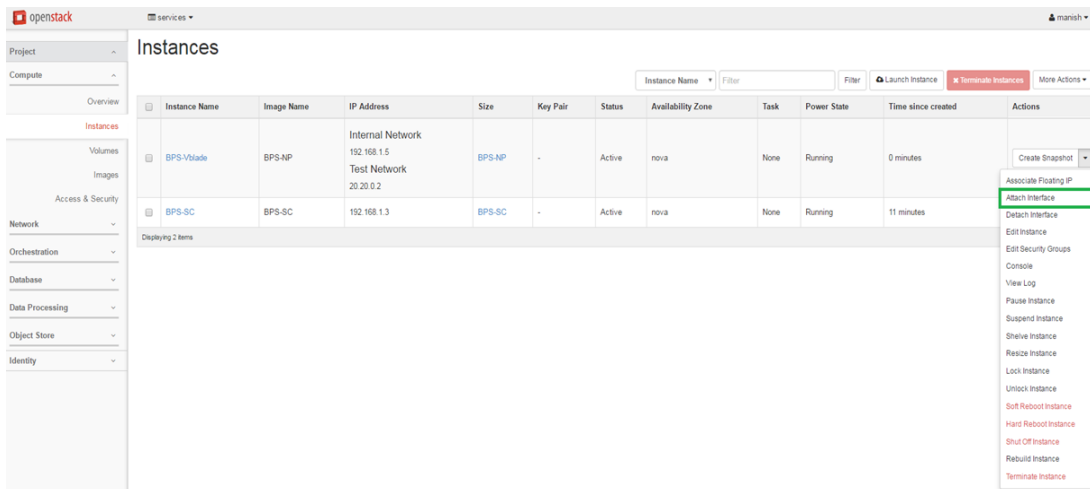
Displaying 2 items



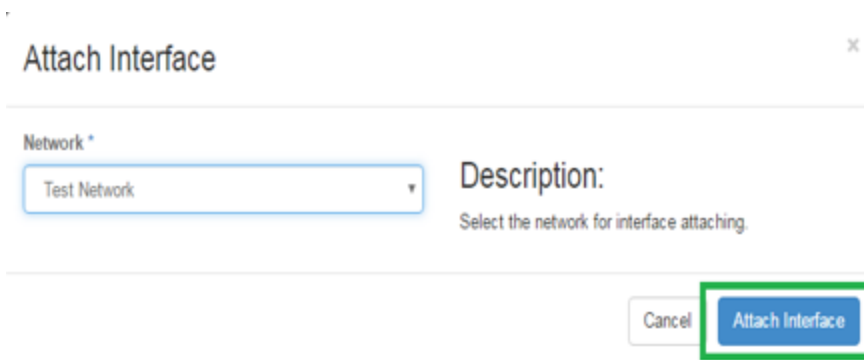
The screenshot shows the OpenStack dashboard with the 'Instances' page selected. The table displays two instances:

| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address   | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions  |
|---------------|------------|--|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|--|
| BPS-Vblade    | BPS-NP     | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2 | BPS-NP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 0 minutes          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Create Snapshot</li><li>Associate Floating IP</li><li><b>Attach Interface</b></li><li>Detach Interface</li><li>Edit Instance</li><li>Edit Security Groups</li><li>Console</li><li>View Log</li><li>Pause Instance</li><li>Suspend Instance</li><li>Shelve Instance</li><li>Resize Instance</li><li>Lock Instance</li><li>Unlock Instance</li><li>Soft Reboot Instance</li><li>Hard Reboot Instance</li><li>Shut Off Instance</li><li>Rebuild Instance</li><li>Terminate Instance</li></ul> |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3  | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 11 minutes         |  |

## Define Multiple Test NICs



This screenshot is identical to the one above, showing the 'Instances' page with the 'Attach Interface' option highlighted in the actions menu for the BPS-SC instance.

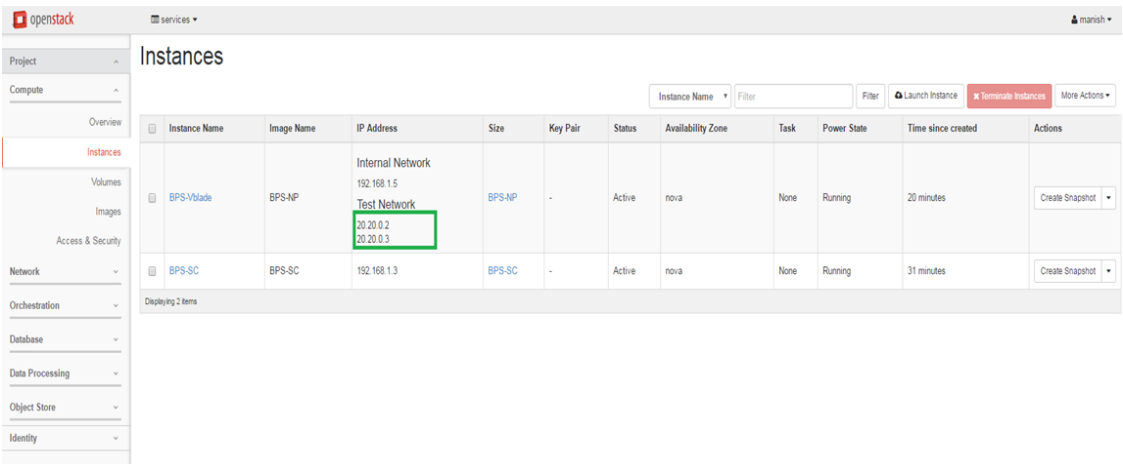


**Attach Interface**

Network \*  
Test Network

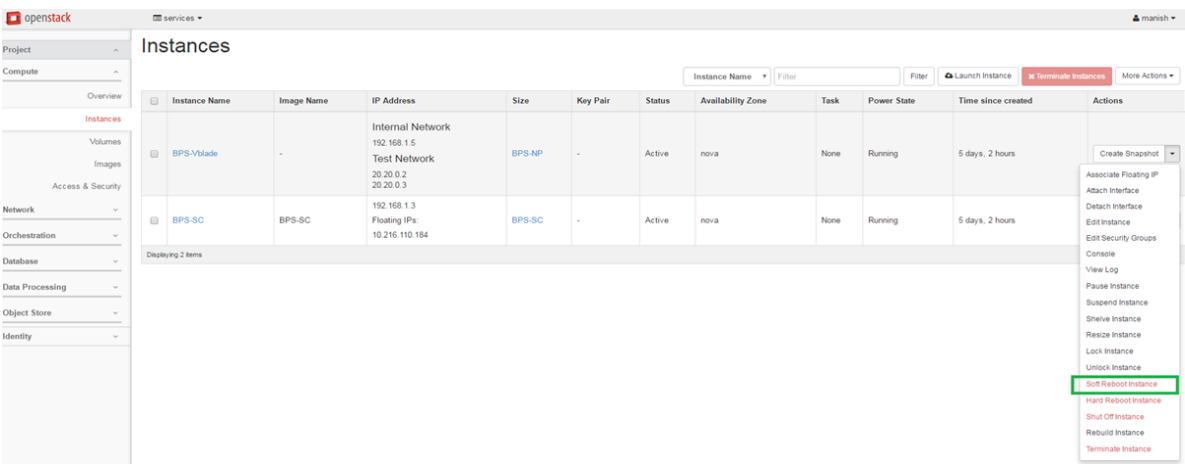
Description:  
Select the network for interface attaching.

Cancel Attach Interface



| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address  | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions         |
|---------------|------------|---|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| BPS-Vblade    | BPS-AP     | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2<br>20.20.0.3 | BPS-AP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 20 minutes         | Create Snapshot |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3   | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 31 minutes         | Create Snapshot |

**Note:** After attaching the interface, the instance needs to be rebooted/service restarted in order for the change to be reflected in the BPS VE user interface. This step will complete this procedure.



| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address  | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions   |
|---------------|------------|---|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|---|
| BPS-Vblade    | -          | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2<br>20.20.0.3 | BPS-AP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 5 days, 2 hours    | Create Snapshot<br>Associate Floating IP<br>Attach Interface<br>Detach Interface<br>Edit Instance<br>Edit Security Groups<br>Console<br>View Log<br>Pause Instance<br>Suspend Instance<br>Shelve Instance<br>Resize Instance<br>Lock Instance<br>Unlock Instance<br>Soft Reboot Instance<br>Hard Reboot Instance<br>Shut Off Instance<br>Rebuild Instance<br>Terminate Instance |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3<br>Floating IPs:<br>10.216.110.184                            | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 5 days, 2 hours    |   |

## Associate Floating IP Address



**Note:** Associating a floating IP address allows the BPS vController to be accessed from a LAN.

The screenshot shows the OpenStack dashboard with the 'Instances' page. The table lists two instances: 'BPS-Vblade' and 'BPS-SC'. The 'BPS-SC' instance is selected, and the 'Associate Floating IP' option is highlighted in the 'Actions' dropdown menu.

| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address  | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions   |
|---------------|------------|---|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|---|
| BPS-Vblade    | BPS-NP     | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2<br>20.20.0.3 | BPS-NP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 36 minutes         | Create Snapshot   |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3   | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 47 minutes         | Create Snapshot, Associate Floating IP, Attach Interface, Detach Interface, Edit Instance, Edit Security Groups, Console, View Log, Pause Instance, Suspend Instance, Shelve Instance, Resize Instance, Lock Instance, Unlock Instance, Soft Reboot Instance, Hard Reboot Instance, Shut Off Instance, Rebuild Instance, Terminate Instance |

The screenshot shows the OpenStack dashboard with the 'Instances' page. The 'BPS-SC' instance is selected, and the 'Floating IP' is associated with the instance. The 'Floating IP' is highlighted in the 'IP Address' column.

| Instance Name | Image Name | IP Address  | Size   | Key Pair | Status | Availability Zone | Task | Power State | Time since created | Actions         |
|---------------|------------|---|--------|----------|--------|-------------------|------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| BPS-Vblade    | BPS-NP     | Internal Network<br>192.168.1.5<br>Test Network<br>20.20.0.2<br>20.20.0.3 | BPS-NP | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 40 minutes         | Create Snapshot |
| BPS-SC        | BPS-SC     | 192.168.1.3<br>Floating IP:<br>10.216.110.184                             | BPS-SC | -        | Active | nova              | None | Running     | 52 minutes         | Create Snapshot |

## Configure the OpenStack Environment

This sections describes several options that can be used to configure your OpenStack environment for BPS VE.

### Allow All MAC and IPs through OpenStack

By default, OpenStack allows only one MAC and one IP address through the test networks. The workaround to remove this limitation is to disable port-security on the test ports.

Perform the following tasks to allow all MACs and IPs through OpenStack:

1. Add the following line in `/etc/neutron/plugins/ml2/ml2_conf.ini` file to enable the ml2 port\_security extension driver:

```
extension_drivers = port_security
```

2. Run the following command to restart the neutron services:

```
service restart neutron-server
service restart neutron-dhcp-agent
service restart neutron-l3-agent
service restart neutron-metadata-agent
service restart neutron-plugin-openvswitch-agent
```

3. Run the following command to list the neutron ports:

```
neutron port-list
```

4. Search for the test ports used on the VLMs and run the following commands on them:

```
neutron port-update <port-id> --no-security-groups
neutron port-update <port-id> --port-security-enabled=False
```

**Note:** In order to update a batch of ports with the above port security commands, you can use the following script:

- a. Create an `update_port_security.sh` file with the following contents:

```
vi update_port_security.sh
#!/bin/bash
if [ $# -gt 1 ]; then
echo "Incorrect usage!"
echo -e "./update_port_security.sh [port_IP_format]\n"
```

```
echo -e "ex.:\n./update_port_security.sh 192.168."
exit 1
elif [ $# -eq 1 ]; then
PORT_IP=$1
echo -e "Searching for ports starting with IP: $PORT_IP"
else
PORT_IP="192.168."
echo -e "No IP selected!\nSearching for ports with default IP: $PORT_IP"
fi
echo ""
echo "Grabbing the ports list..."
PORTS=$(neutron port-list | grep $PORT_IP | awk '{print $2}')
NUM_PORTS=$(neutron port-list | grep $PORT_IP | awk '{print $2}' | wc -l)
echo "Done!"
if [ -z "$PORTS" ]; then
echo "No ports found starting with IP $PORT_IP!"
exit 1
else
echo "Found $NUM_PORTS ports starting with IP $PORT_IP!"
fi
echo ""
ERRORS=0
ERROR_PORTS=""
echo -e "Disabling port security on the ports...\n"
for PORT in $PORTS;
do
neutron port-update $PORT --no-security-groups
FST=$?
neutron port-update $PORT --port-security-enabled=False
```

```
SND=$?

if [ $FST -eq 0 ] && [ $SND -eq 0 ]; then
echo "Successfully disabled port security on port $PORT!"
else
echo "Error on disabling port security for port $PORT!"
ERRORS=1
ERROR_PORTS=$ERROR_PORTS" "
fi

echo ""
done

if [ $ERRORS -eq 0 ]; then
echo "Finished updating all the ports!"
exit 0
else
echo "Found errors on updating the following ports: $ERROR_PORTS"
exit 1
fi
```

- b. Run the following command to give it exec permissions.

```
chmod +x update_port_security.sh
```

The script applies the command only on a specific subset of ports, identified by an IP format (for example, 192.168.X.X). The test networks intended for creating for IxVM OpenStack use will have associated a subnet. You can easily identify the ports on which you must apply the configurations, based on the IPs associated by the test network in use. For example, setting subnet 192.168.10.0/24 on a test network results in test ports having allocated IPs from that range—192.168.10.2, 192.168.10.3, and so on).

- c. Run the script.

```
./update_port_security.sh
```

By default, the script searches for ports starting with 192.168. as the IP. You can change this IP by providing an additional parameter when running the script. For example, `./update_port_security.sh 172.16.`, updates the ports having IPs with the 172.16.X.X format.

```
./update_port_security.sh 172.16.
```



## CHAPTER 2 BPS VE Install on Amazon Web Services

This section of the guide describes how to install BPS VE on Amazon Web Services.

### BPS on AWS Overview

This section of the document provides a straightforward workflow that will assist you while deploying the Breaking Point AMIs in Amazon Web Services (AWS). It will also help you create a sample setup for your device under test.

This document assumes you are familiar with the basics of the Amazon AWS Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) and Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) features. If not, we encourage you to study the tutorials provided by Amazon at [https://aws.amazon.com/training/intro\\_series/](https://aws.amazon.com/training/intro_series/).

### BPS VE AMI Deployment

This section of the document discusses the following methods for BreakingPoint AMI Deployment on Amazon Web Services.

- [AMI Deployment below](#)
- [CloudFormation Template Generator on page 59](#)

### AMI Deployment

**Note:** You can find the AMIs for the Ixia BreakingPoint System Controller and Ixia BreakingPoint vBlade on the EC2 console ( **Instances** > **Launch Instance** > **Community AMIs**) using the AMI IDs or by searching for Ixia BreakingPoint.

To deploy BPS VE on Amazon EC2, you need to perform the following steps:

1. Select **EC2 Dashboard** > **Images** > **AMIs**.
2. Select the **BPS AMIs** and select **Launch** and then follow the steps in the wizard.

Launch

Actions


Owned by me

Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword

|                                     | Name                          | AMI Name          | AMI ID       | Source           | Owner        | Visibility | Status    | Creation Date                   | Platform    | Root Device | Virtual |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | BPS_VE_Controller_8.21.0_EA_x | import-ami-fg1... | ami-47845728 | 195734586973/... | 195734586973 | Private    | available | April 5, 2017 at 5:23:29 PM ... | Other Linux | ebs         | hvm     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | BPS_VE_Blade_8.21.0_EA        | import-ami-fg6... | ami-3b75a554 | 195734586973/... | 195734586973 | Private    | available | April 4, 2017 at 2:08:21 PM ... | Other Linux | ebs         | hvm     |


3. Choose an instance type based on your computing needs:
  - vController Minimum requirements: 8vCPUs, 8 GB RAM, 100 GB HDD
  - vBlade Minimum requirements 4vCPUs, 8 GB RAM, 10 GB HDD
4. On the **Configuration Instance Details** page, select:
  - a. Create a new VPC (you can also select an existing VPC)
    - i. Create the VPC and assign a subnet block, e.g.: IPv4 CIDR block = 10.0.0.0 /16
    - ii. Configure the VPC subnets (at least two subnets are required at this stage, one for External Management and one for Internal Management), for example:
      - 10.0.0.0 /24 ; ixia-management - used to access the vController WebUI (BPS GUI)
      - 10.0.1.0 /24 ; ixia-control - used for the internal communication between vController and vBlade

|                                     |                        |                 |           |                                  |             |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | ggircu_ixia_control    | subnet-5104912b | available | vpc-7ab53812   ggircu_BPS_VE_... | 10.0.1.0/24 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ggircu_ixia_management | subnet-9d0792e7 | available | vpc-7ab53812   ggircu_BPS_VE_... | 10.0.0.0/24 |


 **Note:** Optionally, you can use the same subnet for External Management and Internal Management. In this scenario, please remember to add both of the network interfaces (attached to the vController instance) as well as the primary network interface (eth0 - attached to the vBlade instance) to the same management subnet.

- iii. Create the route table (the table controls the routing for the subnet)
  - i. Go to **Route Tables** and select **Create Route Table**
  - ii. To ensure that your instances can communicate with the Internet, you must also attach an Internet gateway to your VPC
  - iii. Go to **Internet Gateways** and select **Create Internet Gateway**
  - iv. Open the **Create Internet Gateway** context menu and select **Attach to your VPC**
  - v. Go back to the route table configuration > **Select Routes** > **Add another route**
  - vi. Add a route over the Internet gateway (the destination is 0.0.0.0/0, and the target is the Internet gateway you just created)

rtb-0e88f766 | BPS\_VE\_route\_table

| Summary  | <b>Routes</b>                | Subnet Associations | Route Propagation | Tags |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------|
| <a href="#">Edit</a>   |                              |                     |                   |      |
| View: <span>All rules</span>  |                              |                     |                   |      |
| Destination  | Target                       | Status              | Propagated        |      |
| 10.0.0.0/16  | local                        | Active              | No                |      |
| 0.0.0.0/0  | <a href="#">igw-9b6464f2</a> | Active              | No                |      |

- iv. Go to **VPC > Subnets**, then select your subnets and change the **Current Route Table** to the route table you just created
- b. For **Subnet**, select:
  - i. ixia-management, when deploying the vController instance
  - ii. ixia-control, when deploying the vBlade instances
- c. **Auto-assign Public IP:**
  - Use subnet settings
- d. **Network interfaces:**
  - i. **vController** - When deploying the controller instance, make sure you add a **second network interface** (vController has two management interfaces):
    - The 1st interface must be added to the **External Management** subnet: eth0
    - The 2nd interface must be added to the **Internal Management** subnet: eth1

 **Note:** If you start an instance with more than one network interface, it will no longer use a regular public IP address. If you connect to instances in your VPC using public IPs, you will need to assign an **Elastic IP** to the BPS vController instance.

▼ Network interfaces ⓘ

| Device | Network interface       | Subnet            | Primary IP  | Secondary IP addresses | IPv6 IPs |
|--------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| eth0   | New network interface ▼ | subnet-5a6b182f ▼ | Auto-assign | Add IP                 |          |
| eth1   | New network interface ▼ | subnet-c46516bd ▼ | Auto-assign | Add IP                 |          |

- ii. **vBlade**
    - Has only one management interface
    - Needs to be in the same IP subnet with the vController Internal Management IP
5. Under **Add Storage**, the default storage size should be enough.
  6. Under **Add Tags**, the recommendation is to add some tags to allow easily finding the instance, e.g., set the Key to Username and set the value to your login.
  7. Configure the security group, e.g.:
    - a. **Inbound**
      - i. HTTPS must be allowed only from your personal or corporate network IP (range)
      - ii. HTTP must be allowed only from your personal or corporate network IP (range)
      - iii. SSH must be allowed only from your personal or corporate network IP (range)
      - iv. TCP traffic on port 8880 must be allowed only from your personal or corporate network IP (range)
      - v. ALL traffic must be allowed within the security group (if configuring different security groups for the vController and the vBlade, make sure that ALL traffic is allowed between the security groups)

sg-f390a798 | bpsVPCx

Summary Inbound Rules Outbound Rules Tags

Edit

| Type            | Protocol | Port Range | Source            |
|-----------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| HTTP (80)       | TCP (6)  | 80         | 109.100.41.154/32 |
| HTTP (80)       | TCP (6)  | 80         | ::/0              |
| ALL Traffic     | ALL      | ALL        | sg-f390a798       |
| SSH (22)        | TCP (6)  | 22         | 109.100.41.154/32 |
| SSH (22)        | TCP (6)  | 22         | ::/0              |
| Custom TCP Rule | TCP (6)  | 8880       | 109.100.41.154/32 |
| Custom TCP Rule | TCP (6)  | 8880       | ::/0              |
| DNS (TCP) (53)  | TCP (6)  | 53         | 109.100.41.154/32 |
| DNS (TCP) (53)  | TCP (6)  | 53         | ::/0              |
| HTTPS (443)     | TCP (6)  | 443        | 109.100.41.154/32 |
| HTTPS (443)     | TCP (6)  | 443        | ::/0              |

b. **Outbound**

- i. Traffic must be allowed to any IP address

It is highly recommended not to allow arbitrary (inbound) access to your BPS VE instances – only IPs from your company or home should be allowed to access this machine. This will help to protect any confidential data stored on this instance/network.

8. Review the settings you've selected and then select **Launch**.
9. Select an existing key pair (or create a new one) and check the **I acknowledge** check box. Select **Launch Instances**.

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 **Note:** In the current version, BPS VE instances cannot be accessed using the Amazon key-pair.

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## CloudFormation Template Generator

The deployment of Breaking Point AMIs can be automated by using CloudFormation templates. This option automates most of the manual steps that have been detailed in the [AMI Manual Deployment](#) section.

In order to generate a CloudFormation template, you can use the following helper page:

[bps-deploy.s3-website.eu-central-1.amazonaws.com](https://bps-deploy.s3-website.eu-central-1.amazonaws.com).

**Note:** The AWS BPS Configurator helper page described below is supported on the Mozilla Firefox and Chrome web browsers.


**Note:** When deploying a CloudFormation template generated by the AWS BPS Configurator helper page, the maximum number of IPs supported by the instance type will be automatically configured on the elastic network interfaces (ENIs) connected to the vBlade.

The screenshot displays the AWS BPS Configurator web interface. On the left, there are four main configuration sections: GLOBALS, LOCATION, AMI, and ADDRESSING. The GLOBALS section includes fields for PREFIX (BPSVE), USERNAME (String used for tagging deployed resources), and PROJECT (bps-ve-cloud). The LOCATION section has dropdowns for REGION (EU (Frankfurt)) and AZ (eu-central-1a). The AMI section has input fields for CONTROLLER (ami-149b427b) and BLADE (ami-95835ffa). The ADDRESSING section has a checkbox for ALLOW ONLY MY IP (checked) and a text field for MY IP (109.100.41.154). At the bottom, there is a red bar labeled VPC. On the right, the RESULT section shows the generated AWS CloudFormation JSON template, which includes details for a VPC, VPCx DHCP Options, and associated tags. A 'GET AWS CONFIGURATION JSON' button and a 'SAVE AS' button are visible at the top of the RESULT section.

The helper page offers various configuration options including:

- AMI selection for BPS System Controller and vBlade
- AWS Deployment Region and Availability Zone
- VPC configuration
- Test and Management IP range configuration
- System Controller and vBlade instance types
- Number of vBlades
- Number of Test Ports per vBlade

CloudFormation templates are generated by selecting **Generate AWS Configuration JSON**. These templates can be used as-is or can serve as a starting point for further customization.

 **Note:** When deploying a CloudFormation template in AWS, the vBlades are automatically connected to the BPS System Controller and will appear in the **Administration > VM Deployment > Manage Virtual Chassis** window.

| Parameter |            | Description   |
|-----------|------------|---|
| Globals   | Prefix     | Insert the prefix. This string will be appended to the name of the resources that the AWS CloudFormation template generates.  |
|           | Username   | Insert the username tag. AWS CloudFormation Resource Tags property is used to apply tags to resources, which can help you identify and categorize those resources.  |
|           | Project    | Insert the project tag. AWS CloudFormation Resource Tags property is used to apply tags to resources, which can help you identify and categorize those resources.   |
| Location  | Region     | Select a Region that specifies where your resources are managed.  |
|           | AZ         | Select the Availability Zone. Availability zones are isolated locations within data center regions from which public cloud services originate and operate.  |
| AMI       | Controller | Insert the ID of the vController AMI. You can find the AMIs for the Ixia BreakingPoint System Controller and Ixia BreakingPoint vBlade on the EC2 console ( <b>Instances &gt; Launch Instance &gt; Community AMIs</b> ) using the AMI IDs or by searching for Ixia BreakingPoint. |
|           | Blade      | Insert the ID of the vBlade AMI. You can find the AMIs for the Ixia BreakingPoint System Controller and Ixia BreakingPoint vBlade on the EC2 console ( <b>Instances &gt; Launch Instance &gt; Community AMIs</b> ) using the AMI IDs or by searching for Ixia BreakingPoint.      |

| Parameter  |                   | Description  |  |
|------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Addressing | Allow only My IP  | Use this setting in order to not allow arbitrary (inbound) access to your BPS instances. When enabled, only the specified IP will be allowed to access these machines. This helps protect any confidential data stored on these instances and the rest of the network. |  |
|            | MY IP             | The IP address to be used in the security rules. Your public IP address is automatically filled in.  |  |
|            | VPC               | Name   | Insert the name of the VPC. It can only contain alphanumeric characters.   |
|            |                   | CIDR   | Insert the IPv4 address range for your VPC as a Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) block. CIDR notation is a compact representation of an IP address and its associated routing prefix. The notation is constructed from an IP address, a slash ('/') character, and a decimal number.                |
|            | Management Subnet | Name   | Insert the name of the Management Subnet. It can contain only alphanumeric characters.   |
|            |                   | CIDR   | Insert the IPv4 address range for your Management Subnet, as a Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) block. CIDR notation is a compact representation of an IP address and its associated routing prefix. The notation is constructed from an IP address, a slash ('/') character, and a decimal number. |
|            | Test Subnet       | Name   | Insert the name of the Test Subnet. It can contain only alphanumeric characters.   |
|            |                   | CIDR   | Insert the IPv4 address range for your Test Subnet, as a Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) block. CIDR notation is a compact representation of an IP address and its associated routing prefix. The notation is constructed from an IP address, a slash ('/') character, and a decimal number.       |

| Parameter              |            |               | Description   |
|------------------------|------------|---------------|---|
| Instance Configuration | Controller | Instance Type | When you launch an instance, the instance type that you specify determines the hardware of the host computer used for your instance. Each instance type offers different compute, memory, and storage capabilities and are grouped in instance families based on these capabilities. Select an instance type for the BPS vController based on the requirements of the application or software that you plan to run on your instance.  |
|                        |            |               |   |
|                        | Blade      | Index         | The index of the blade.   |
|                        |            | Instance Type | When you launch an instance, the instance type that you specify determines the hardware of the host computer used for your instance. Each instance type offers different compute, memory, and storage capabilities and are grouped in instance families based on these capabilities. Select an instance type for the BPS vBlade based on the requirements of the application or software that you plan to run on your instance.   |
|                        |            | Port Count    | Specify the number of ports per vBlade (from one to eight virtual test ports). *Please note that an extra-port will be added for management purposes. The maximum number of IP Addresses per Network Interface depends on the Instance Type. Make sure to consult <a href="http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/using-eni.html">http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/using-eni.html</a> in order to check the limits for the maximum number of network interfaces, IPv4/IPv6 addresses per Interface per Instance Type. |

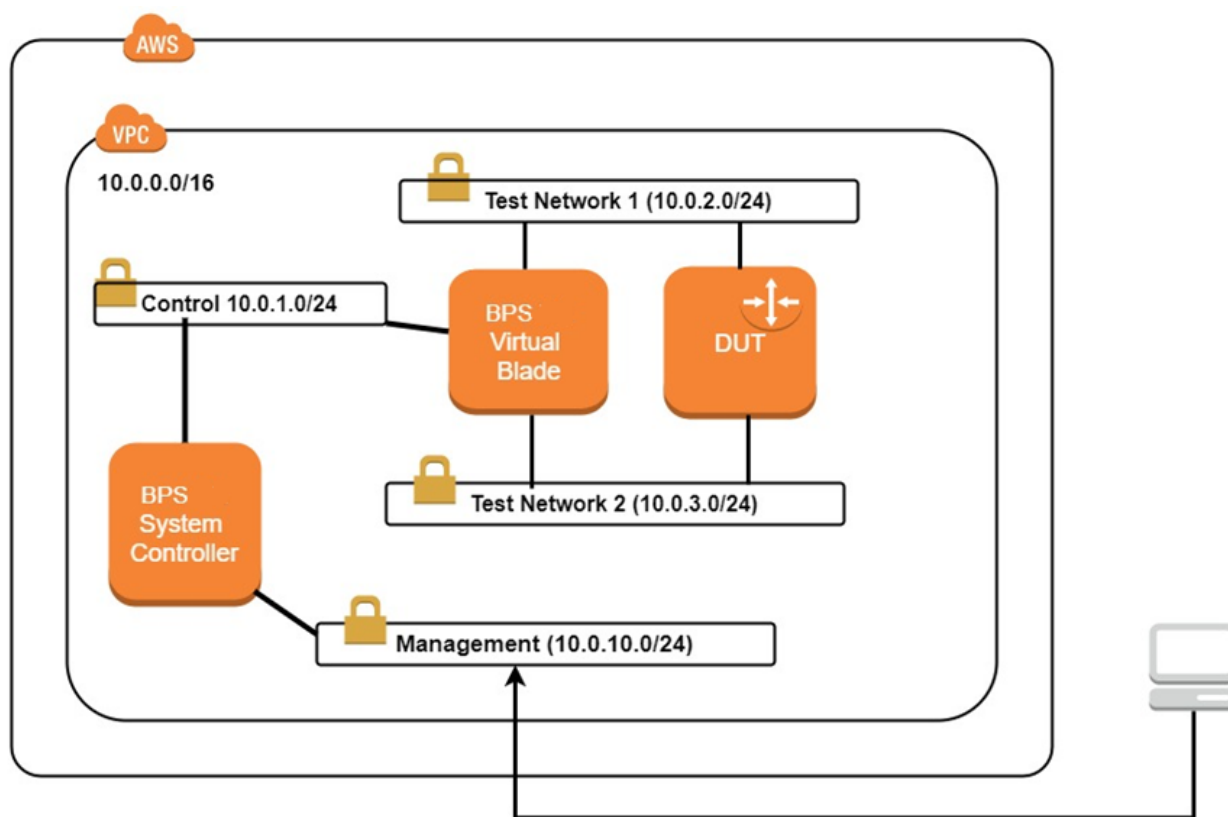
## Configuring Test Interfaces on AWS

BPS on Amazon Web Services requires additional test interfaces that will be used for sending test traffic into your network. These interfaces must be configured to connect to private subnets (not connected to the internet) with permissive security rules to allow many different (and unconventional) types of traffic to flow through your network. Each interface that you add should share a subnet with a single interface on your device. The minimum number of network interfaces that must be added is two.

Please ensure that there is network connectivity between the outbound BPS VE vBlade Test Interfaces and the interfaces of the Device Under Test.

An example configuration is shown below.





## Running a Test on AWS

In order to run a test, enter the Elastic IP of the vController instance into the URL field of your HTML browser.

Launch InstanceConnectActions

Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword

| Name                        | Username | Instance ID         | Instance Type | Availability Zone | Instance State | Status Checks     | Alarm Status | Public DNS (IPv4)         |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| emitstXtstController        |          | i-0f2705698ecf81da6 | t2.large      | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         | ec2-52-57-77-33.eu-cen... |
| geotstXtstBlade1            |          | i-06954e1ca6535d6aa | r4.4xlarge    | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         |                           |
| ggircutstXtstBlade1         |          | i-08c06f356f5a8200a | m4.16xlarge   | eu-central-1c     | stopped        |                   | None         |                           |
| geotstXtstController        |          | i-0b6937d12c50e0398 | t2.xlarge     | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         | ec2-35-158-144-154.eu...  |
| ggircutstXtstController     |          | i-0ea80eb36d045a71b | t2.xlarge     | eu-central-1c     | stopped        |                   | None         | ec2-35-157-168-188.eu...  |
| geotstXtstBlade2            |          | i-0f4e5498a098ca116 | r4.4xlarge    | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         |                           |
| IcretuVPCLaviniaBlade1      |          | i-00405d84f3dab9573 | i3.8xlarge    | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         |                           |
| IcretuVPCLaviniaController  |          | i-087ee7252ddb786c  | t2.large      | eu-central-1a     | running        | 2/2 checks passed | None         | ec2-35-156-219-225.eu...  |
| AndreISandreisvpcController |          | i-00b7e5ad449824ec2 | t2.large      | eu-central-1b     | stopped        |                   | None         | ec2-52-57-53-162.eu-ce... |
| AndreISandreisvpcBlade1     |          | i-0dd020d419977b759 | r4.4xlarge    | eu-central-1b     | stopped        |                   | None         |                           |

Instance: i-087ee7 (Controller) Elastic IP: 35.156.219.225

DescriptionStatus ChecksMonitoringTags

Instance ID

Instance state

Instance type

Elastic IPs

Availability zone

Security groups

Scheduled events

AMI ID

Platform

i-087ee7252ddb786c

running

t2.large

35.156.219.225\*

eu-central-1a

[view inbound rules](#)

No scheduled events

BPS-VE-8.30.0.309456.30 (ami-48ea4d27)

-

Public DNS (IPv4)

IPv4 Public IP

IPv6 IPs

Private DNS

Private IPs

Secondary private IPs

VPC ID

Subnet ID

Network interfaces

ec2-35-156-219-225.eu-central-1.compute.amazonaws.com

35.156.219.225

-

ip-22-22-106-232.eu-central-1.compute.internal

22.22.128.10, 22.22.106.232

vpc-f3c8a29b

subnet-27380b4f

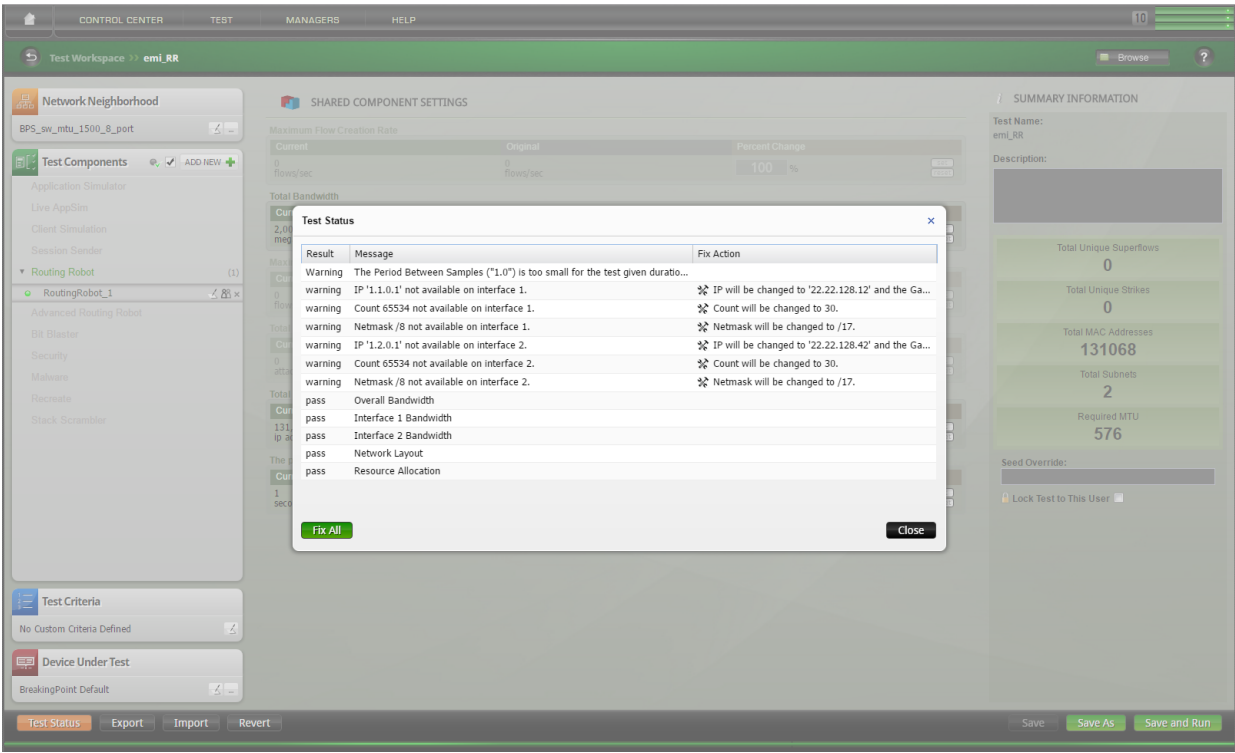
eth0

eth1

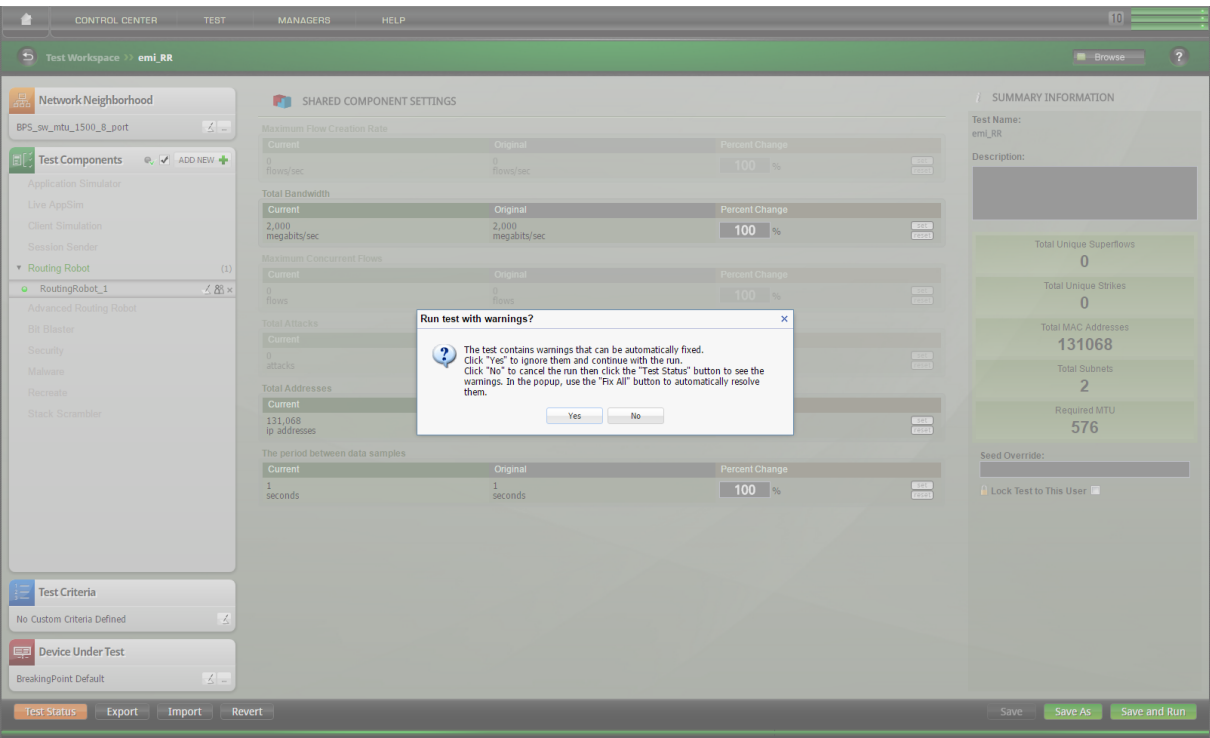
The BreakingPoint user interface will display. For detailed information regarding the user interface, please see the BreakingPoint User Guide.

When running in the AWS environment, the test IPs configured in the BreakingPoint Network Neighborhood should match the IPs assigned to the Test Interfaces on the vBlade instance for the corresponding test. This ensures proper network connectivity between BreakingPoint and any Device Under Test.

BreakingPoint will automatically detect any mismatch between the IPs configured in the Network Neighborhood and the IPs assigned to the test interfaces and indicate the status on the **Test Status** button. When the Test Status details window is opened, you will be given the option to automatically match the IP addresses by selecting the **Fix All** button.



If the option to match IP addresses is ignored, a warning message will display when you attempt to run the test

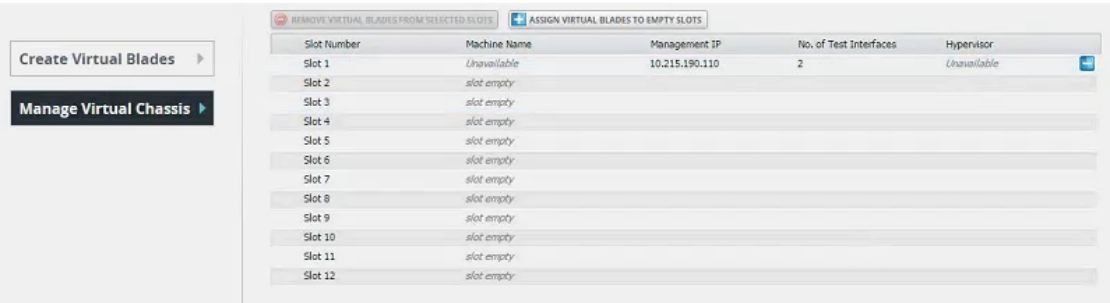


## Unassign/Assign a vBlade


**Note:** To ensure proper vBlade operation, Ixia recommends that vBlades are in the powered ON state before they are unassigned.

### To assign or unassign a vBlade:


1. Select **Manage Virtual Chassis**.
  2. On the **Assign Virtual Blades To Empty Slots** tab. Select the plus (assign) or minus (unassign) icon that is displayed at the right side of a slot's row (as shown in the image below).
- \* **Management IP** = The management IP of the vBlade instance



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 **Note: For BPS on AWS** - When manually deploying the vBlade instance, you can attach one more network interface to your instance during launch (in addition to the management interface). After you've launched your instance, you can attach more network interfaces using the EC2 console. Please make sure that after you attach more interfaces, you reboot the vBlade instance (using the EC2 console) in order for the changes to take effect.

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 **Note:** Unassigning a vBlade will only break the connection between the controller and the vBlade. The vBlade will not be removed or powered off.

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## CHAPTER 3 BPS VE Install on Microsoft Azure RM Services

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This chapter describes:

- How to prepare your subscription/location for BreakingPoint solution deployment
- Azure Resource Manager templates deployment for Breaking Point Solution
- How to run a basic BPS test with the deployment

### Azure Setup and Topology

Please download the BPS Azure scripts package from the Ixia website.

Before being able to deploy the BreakingPoint solution in Azure, the VM images need to be created under each location that will be used for deployment. Ixia has created an azure bash script that automates this process.

Azure Resource Manager (ARM) templates simplify the process of provisioning and management of resources in Azure. ARM templates describe a resource and related dependencies.

Ixia has also created an Azure template to enable deployment of BreakingPoint in Azure. The template deploys two VM instances in a new Azure Resource Group:

- Virtual LoadModule instance for generating traffic.
- BreakingPoint Controller instance for management and test configuration.



**Note:** A BreakingPoint Controller instance can be used to manage up to 12 Virtual LoadModules

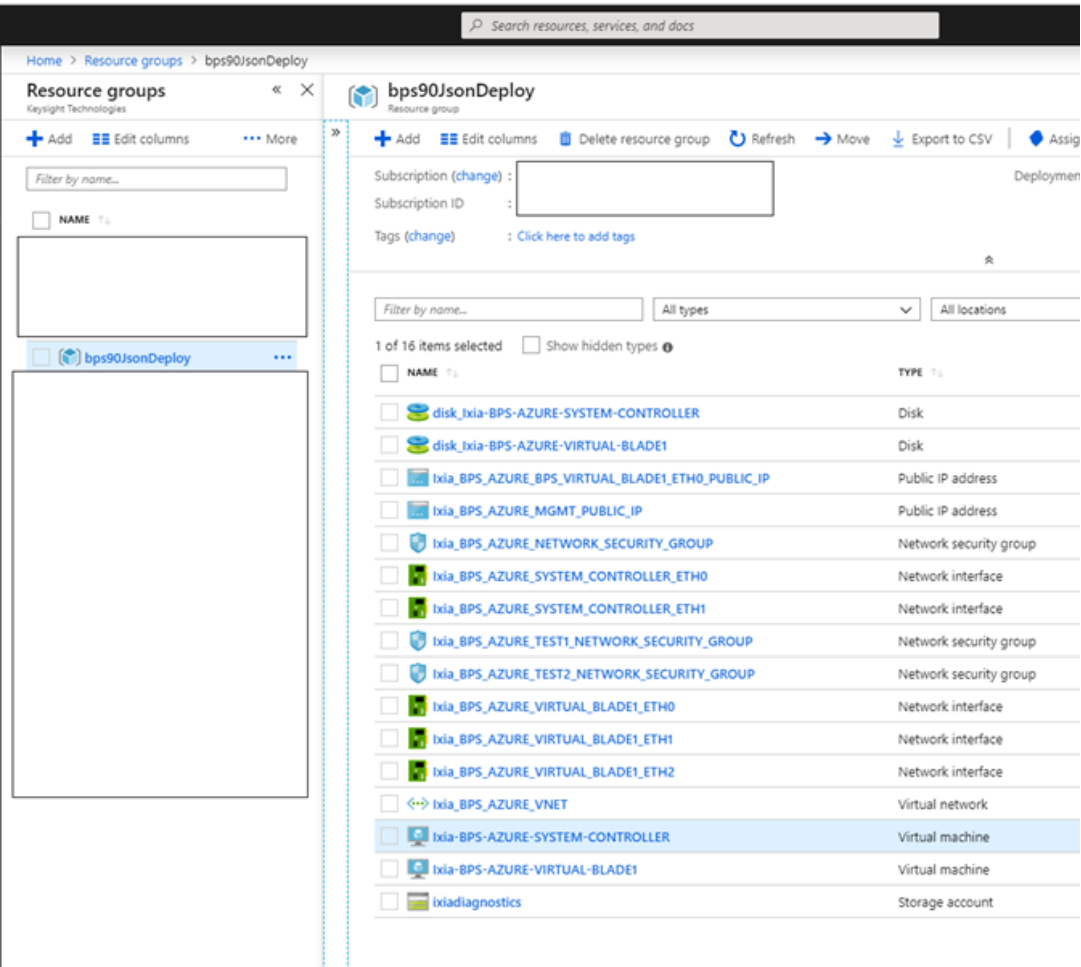
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Every newly-deployed Virtual LoadModule instance has one public network and 1 to 4 test network ports, each with a private IP address. In addition to the instances, the Azure template automatically creates the following Azure entities:

- One resource group
- One public IP for accessing the BreakingPoint Controller web interface remotely
- Management network and test networks
- Security groups

The image below shows the Breaking Point Azure topology.

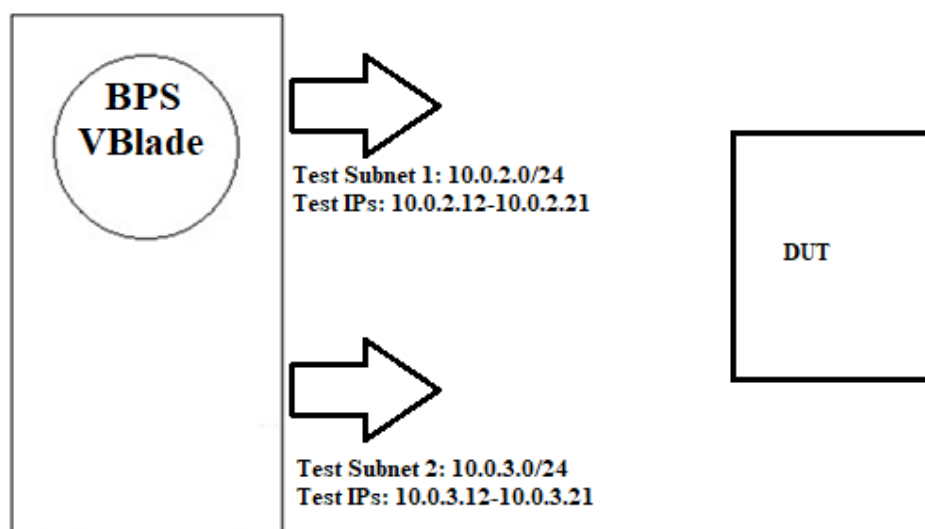
BreakingPoint Azure Topology



BreakingPoint Test Topology

The image below shows a BreakingPoint Slot with 2 interfaces connected to a DUT.





## Deployment on Azure

This section describes how to use the Ixia Azure template to deploy and configure BreakingPoint solution on Azure.

### Prerequisites

Before you begin, you must have:

- One Azure user
- An Azure Resource Group
- The BreakingPoint9.0\_Azure scripts package

### Overview of the deployment process

The deployment consists of 2 steps

1. Prepare your subscription/location for BreakingPoint deployment.
2. Azure Resource Manager templates deployment of BreakingPoint solution.

Step 1 will create a local repository with the BreakingPoint VM images in each location where you need the BreakingPoint solution. This can be used at step 2 to generate as many VMs as required.

### Deployment Step 1 - Prepare your subscription/location for BreakingPoint deployment

To begin, create the VHD images in your desired location. You may use the following bash script to automatically copy the VHD images from an Ixia storage account to your destination:

```
BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
```

The script can be used Azure Portal Cloud Shell present in Azure UI or from a remote Linux Azure CLI shell.

The following arguments are required for the script:

- One Resource Group Name (Needs to be already created)
- One Storage Account

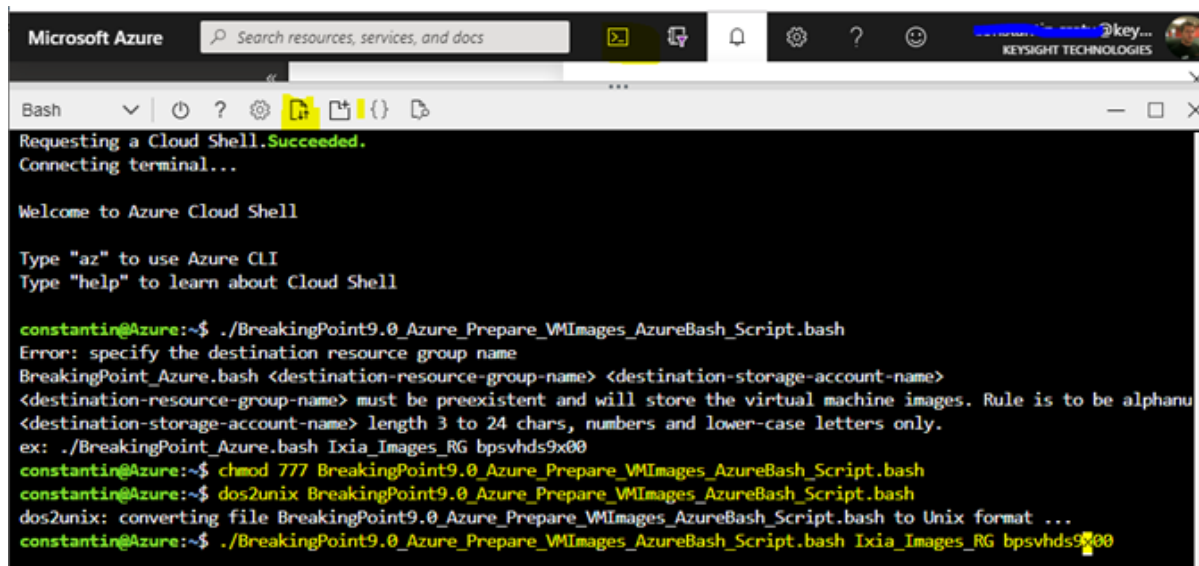
### Execute rights on the Shell script

```
chmod +x BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
```

```
dos2unix BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
```

### Running the script:

```
./script_name.sh <destination-resource-group-name> <destination-storage-account-name>
```



```
Microsoft Azure Search resources, services, and docs
Bash
Requesting a Cloud Shell.Succeeded.
Connecting terminal...

Welcome to Azure Cloud Shell






Type "az" to use Azure CLI
Type "help" to learn about Cloud Shell

constantin@Azure:~$ ./BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
Error: specify the destination resource group name
BreakingPoint_Azure.bash <destination-resource-group-name> <destination-storage-account-name>
<destination-resource-group-name> must be preexistent and will store the virtual machine images. Rule is to be alphanu
<destination-storage-account-name> length 3 to 24 chars, numbers and lower-case letters only.
ex: ./BreakingPoint_Azure.bash Ixia_Images_RG bpsvhd9x00
constantin@Azure:~$ chmod 777 BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
constantin@Azure:~$ dos2unix BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash
dos2unix: converting file BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash to Unix format ...
constantin@Azure:~$ ./BreakingPoint9.0_Azure_Prepare_VMIImages_AzureBash_Script.bash Ixia_Images_RG bpsvhd9x00
```

The script will start copying the BreakingPoint Controller (~20GB from a East US Resource Group) and BreakingPoint Load Module VHDs to a destination storage account. The operation can last from 20 minutes to more than an hour depending on the destination location.

After running the script, you should see two images, one for the BreakingPoint Controller and another for the load module. Under the provided destination Storage Account Container, you will see a blob container which has the following image files:

- Ixia\_BreakingPoint\_Virtual\_Blade\_9.00.101.vhd
- Ixia\_BreakingPoint\_Virtual\_Controller\_9.00.101.vhd


| <input type="checkbox"/> | NAME    | TYPE  |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  bpsvhdrs9x00k                                  | Storage .  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  Ixia_BreakingPoint_Virtual_Blade_9.00.101      | Image  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  Ixia_BreakingPoint_Virtual_Controller_9.00.101 | Image  |

## Step 2 - Azure Resource Manager templates deployment for BreakingPoint Solution

Within a downloadable tar.gz file that comes from the Ixia website you will find the Shell script shown above and these three Azure Resource Manager Templates for deploying the BreakingPoint solution:

1. BreakingPoint\_9.00\_Azure\_DemoSetup\_Deployment\_ARM\_Template.json
2. BreakingPoint\_9.00\_Azure\_New\_Custom\_Deployment\_ARM\_Template.json
3. BreakingPoint\_9.00\_Azure\_AddOn\_Custom\_Deployment\_ARM\_Template.json

All of the templates are similar, the only difference being the level of customization. The #1 and #2 templates allow solution deployment to a new Azure Network created by the template. The #3 template allows deployment to an existing Azure Network.

 **Note:** The diagnostics storage account name is used by Azure to store the VM logs and diagnostic information. This storage account needs to have been created earlier and can be located under any resource group in the active subscription.

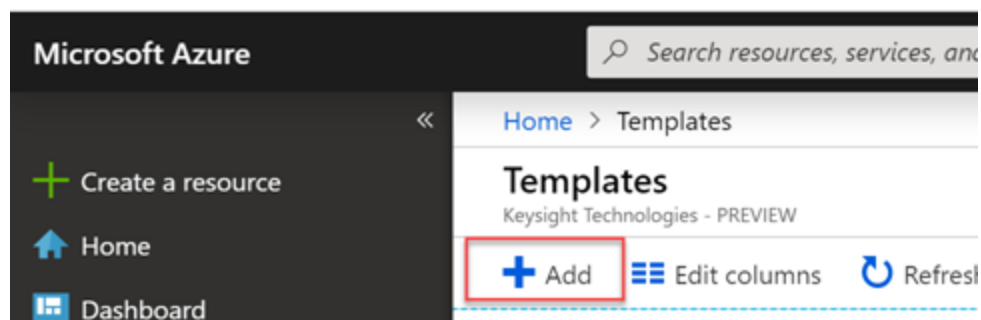
Diagnostics Storage Account Name

### These templates can be deployed via 2 methods:

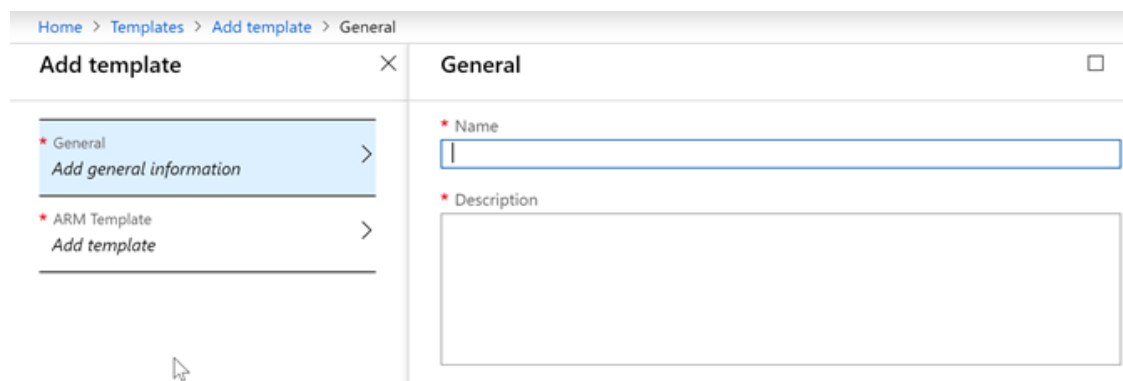
- Through the Microsoft Azure UI
- Through the Microsoft Azure CLI

### Azure ARM Templates deployment through UI

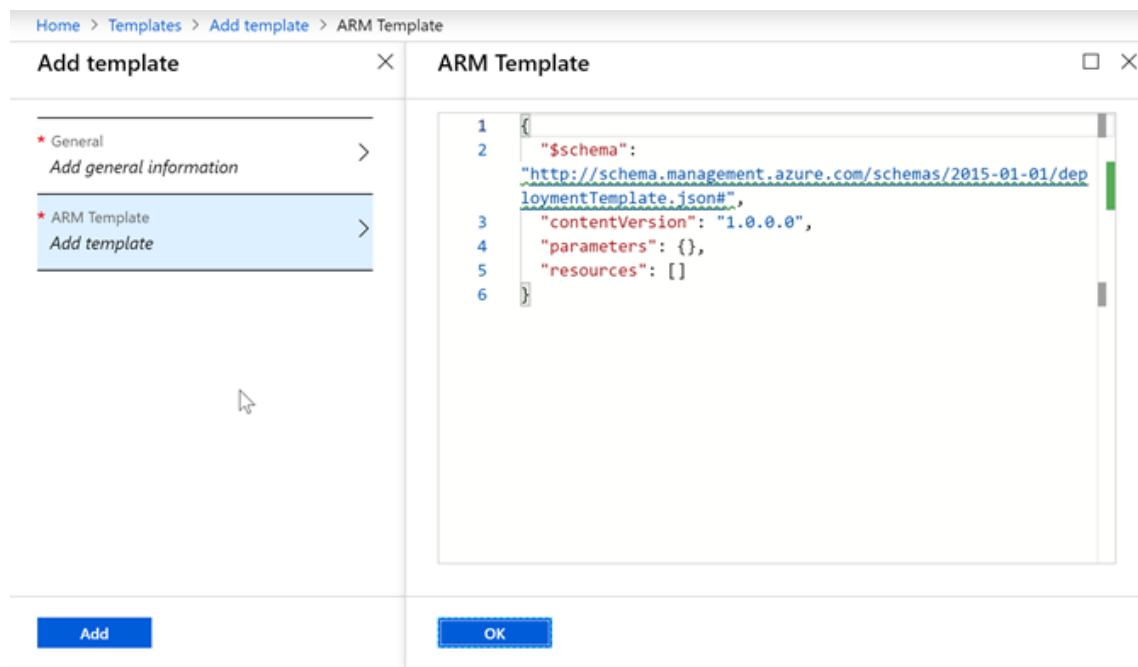
In Azure Portal open the Templates configuration node and click **Add**.



Add **General** information on the template that you will be uploading.

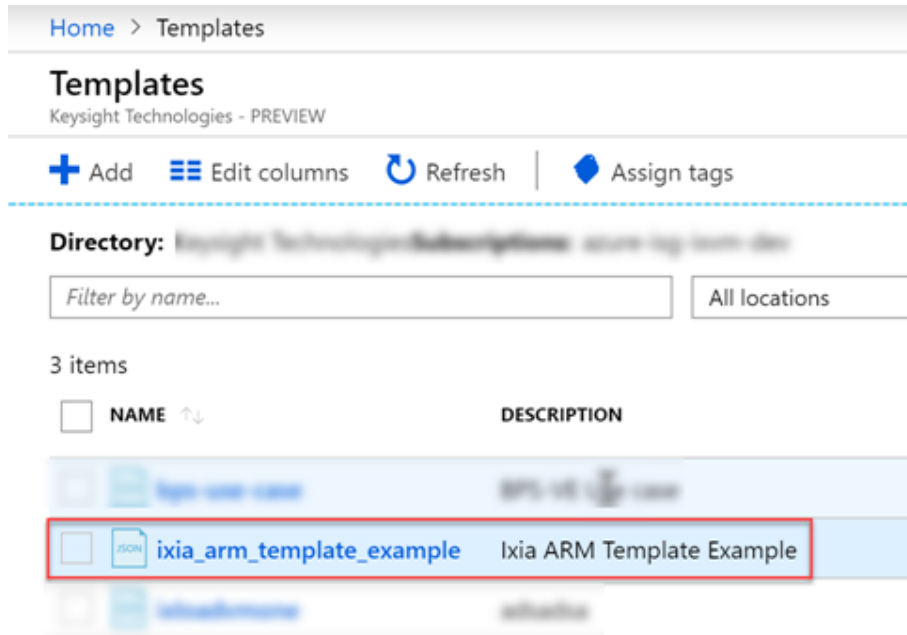


Copy and paste the Ixia ARM Template json contents.

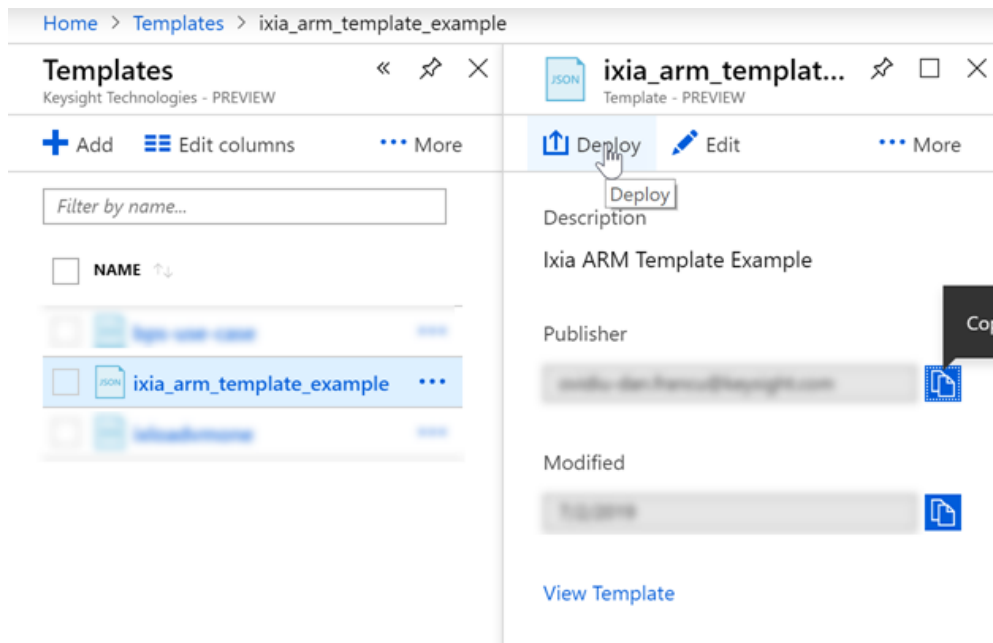


Select **OK** and then select **Add**.

Select **Refresh** to see the template and then select the template.



Now select **Deploy**.



Fill in the required fields and then select **Purchase**. This will start your deployment. Your new resource group with the specific instances will appear in your subscription.

## Configure a BPS Test in Azure

1. Using a supported browser, connect to the BreakingPoint controller VM public IP address.
2. Log in to BreakingPoint Web Interface (default username : admin / password: admin)



**Tip:** We recommend that you change the user name and password from BreakingPoint Administration.

3. Assign Virtual blade as described in the VM user guide using the private IP assigned to the management interface.
4. Add a BPS license from BPS administration (as described in the BPS VM user guide).
5. Reserve ports.
6. Create a new test or load a preexisting test.
7. Change the Network Neighborhood Source and destination IP addresses corresponding to the Azure NIC configured IP addresses.
  - a. The default IPs in the template are 10.0.2.12-10.0.2.22 for interface 1 and 10.0.3.12 - 10.0.3.22.
  - b. All Azure subnets have the first address reserved for a gateway that can be used to communicate between subnets.

The screenshot shows the BreakingPoint VE Control Center interface. At the top, there are tabs for CONTROL CENTER, TEST, MANAGERS, and HELP. Below these, a green header bar displays 'Network Neighborhood >> 10.0.2.12-10.0.3.12'. A toolbar contains buttons for 'Entry Mode', 'Diagram Mode', 'ADD NEW ELEMENT', 'EXPAND ALL', 'COLLAPSE ALL', 'KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS', and 'Lock Network Neighborhood to...'. The main content area shows a tree view with expandable sections: 'INTERFACE: (20)', 'IPV4 EXTERNAL HOSTS: (1)', and 'IPV4 STATIC HOSTS: (20)'. The 'IPV4 STATIC HOSTS' section is expanded, revealing a table of static hosts.

| D... | ID                      | Container   | Tags                  | Base IP Address | Count | Gateway IP Address... | Netma... |
|------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------------|----------|
| x    | Static Hosts i1_default | Interface 1 | Lab Client,i1_default | 10.0.2.12       | 10    | 10.0.2.1              | 8        |
| x    | Static Hosts i2_default | Interface 2 | Lab Server,i2_default | 10.0.3.12       | 10    | 10.0.3.1              | 8        |
| x    | Static Hosts i3_default | Interface 3 | i3_default            | 1.3.0.1         | 65534 | 1.0.0.1               | 8        |
| x    | Static Hosts i4_default | Interface 4 | i4_default            | 1.4.0.1         | 65534 | 1.0.0.1               | 8        |

## Azure Deployment Known Limitations

- Deployment of the BreakingPoint solution may not indicate that it has completed and will timeout. Please ignore the error. The VMs should be accessible approximately 10 minutes after starting the deployment.
- Deletion of a resource group can take more than 10 minutes.
- VLAN and VR configurations are not supported at this time.

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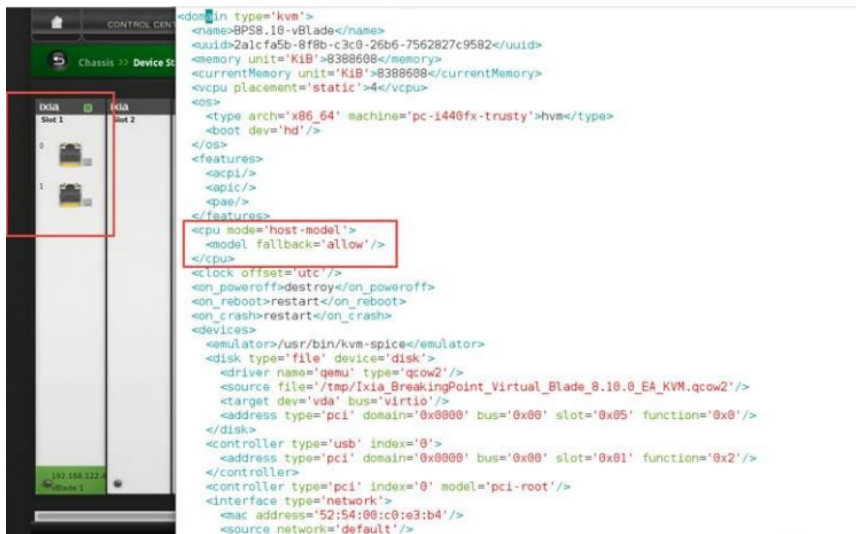


## CHAPTER 4 Nested Environment Installation

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This section provides a detailed description of the steps required and resolve problems that may occur when attempting to deploy a vBlade in a nested OpenStack environment.

1. Log in into the Virtual Blade and check the "ixvmbps.log" in /etc/var/log. If the log has the following error: "This system does not support "SSSE3", then the following action needs to be performed:
  - a. Nested OpenStack Setup-
    - i. Edit "/etc/nova/nova.conf"
    - ii. Add under "[libvirt]" - `cpu_mode = host-model`
    - iii. Restart Nova services
    - iv. Restart the vBlade
    - v. Add the vBlade
  - b. KVM from UI-
    - i. Select the specific vBlade
    - ii. Edit the vBlade settings
    - iii. Go to "Processor"
    - iv. Under "Configuration", set the "Model" to "Copy host CPU configuration"
  - c. KVM from CLI-
    - i. `virsh edit <vBlade_name>`
    - ii. Add the following:  
`<cpu mode='host-model'>`  
`<model fallback='allow' />`  
`</cpu>`



iii. Restart the vblade

iv. Add the vblade

2. To solve problem 2, log in into the Compute and Controller Node:

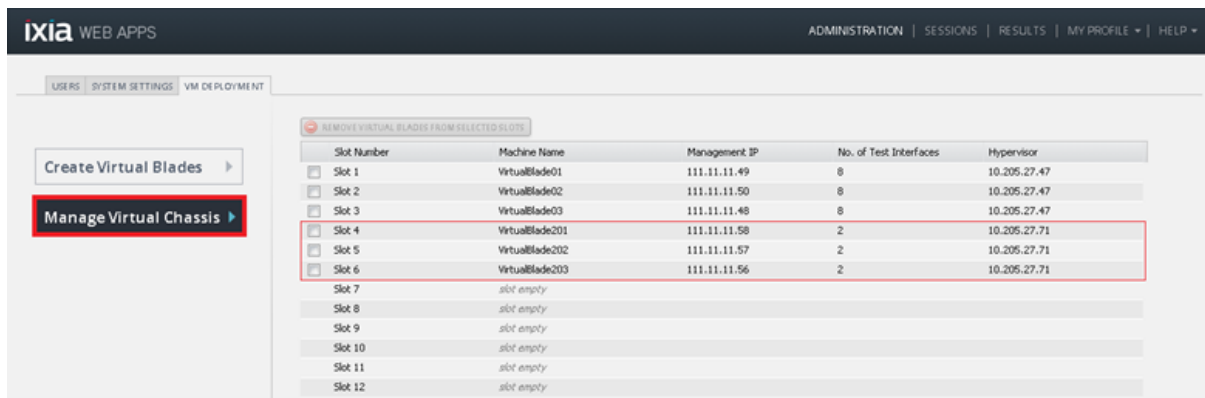
- a. Edit `/etc/nova/nova.conf`
- b. Add under "[neutron]" - `allow_duplicate_networks = True`
- c. Restart the Controller and Compute Node

## CHAPTER 5 Manage vBlades

This section describes the procedures for discovering, deleting and unassigning vBlades.

### Discover vBlades

After successfully deploying the vBlades (NP-VM), you can view them in the **Manage Virtual Chassis** tab, which is also known as the Discovery window and BPS Virtual Chassis window.



### Virtual Chassis Field Descriptions

| Field                  | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| Slot Number            | Indicates the slot number of the vBlades in a virtual chassis, which ranges from 1 to 12. A system controller can control a maximum of 12 vBlades. |
| Machine Name           | The name of the virtual load module as shown in the image above.   |
| Management IP          | The IP of the virtual machine, through which you can manage the vBlades.   |
| No. of Test Interfaces | The number of vPorts on the vBlades.   |
| Hypervisor             | The IP of the hypervisor where VMs are deployed.   |

### vBlade Deletion and Assignment Rules

Note the differences between vBlades that are manually deployed and vBlades that are deployed automatically (using the BPS VE UI):

- Deletion will not be possible for vBlades that are assigned manually. The **Delete** check box on the **Manage Virtual Chassis** tab will not be visible for manually deployed vBlades.
- In the **Manage Virtual Chassis** table, the **Machine Name** and **Hypervisor** fields will indicate "unavailable" because the user is not required to provide this information when vBlades are manually deployed.
- All vBlades can be unassigned, irrespective of the way they were deployed.
  - Note that unassignment will only break the connection between the vController and the vBlade.
  - Unassigned vBlades can be assigned and then managed by other vController.

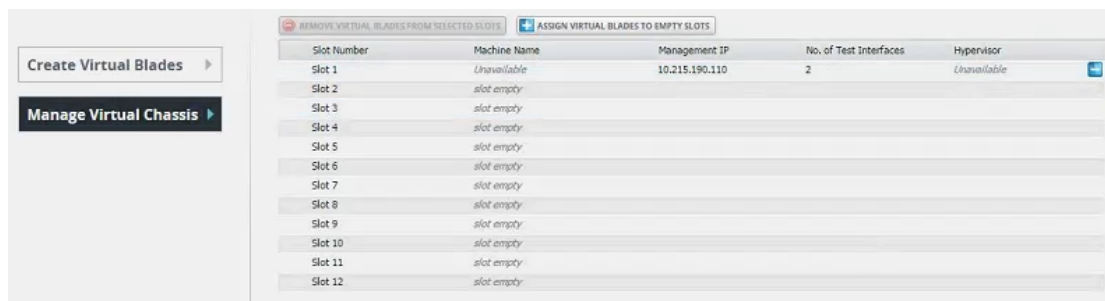
## Unassign/Assign a vBlade

**Note:** To ensure proper vBlade operation, Ixia recommends that vBlades are in the powered ON state before they are unassigned.

To assign or unassign a vBlade:

1. Select **Manage Virtual Chassis**.
2. On the **Assign Virtual Blades To Empty Slots** tab. Select the plus (assign) or minus (unassign) icon that is displayed at the far right side of a slot's row (as shown in the image below).

\* **Management IP** = The management IP of the vBlade instance



The screenshot shows the 'Manage Virtual Chassis' interface. On the left, there are buttons for 'Create Virtual Blades' and 'Manage Virtual Chassis'. The main area displays a table with columns: Slot Number, Machine Name, Management IP, No. of Test Interfaces, and Hypervisor. The table has 12 rows, labeled Slot 1 through Slot 12. Slot 1 is populated with 'Unavailable', '10.215.190.110', '2', and 'Unavailable'. Slots 2 through 12 are all labeled 'slot empty' in the Machine Name column. At the far right of each row, there is a small blue square icon with a white plus sign, indicating the assign/unassign control.

| Slot Number | Machine Name | Management IP  | No. of Test Interfaces | Hypervisor  |
|-------------|--------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Slot 1      | Unavailable  | 10.215.190.110 | 2                      | Unavailable |
| Slot 2      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 3      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 4      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 5      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 6      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 7      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 8      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 9      | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 10     | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 11     | slot empty   |                |                        |             |
| Slot 12     | slot empty   |                |                        |             |

**Note: For BPS on AWS** - When manually deploying the vBlade instance, you can attach one more network interface to your instance during launch (in addition to the management interface). After you've launched your instance, you can attach more network interfaces using the EC2 console. Please make sure that after you attach more interfaces, you reboot the vBlade instance (using the EC2 console) in order for the changes to take effect.

**Note:** Unassigning a vBlade will only break the connection between the controller and the vBlade. The vBlade will not be removed or powered off.

## Delete a vBlade

To delete a vBlade, perform the following tasks:

1. Select **Manage Virtual Chassis**.
2. Select **Remove Virtual Blades from Selected Slots**.
3. Select the slots you want to delete vBlades from.
4. Select **Apply**.

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## CHAPTER 6 SR-IOV Installation and Configuration

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This chapter explains the installation and configuration steps for SR-IOV on KVM and ESXi.

[SR-IOV on KVM](#)

[SR-IOV on ESXi](#)

### SR-IOV Installation and Configuration on KVM

This section explains the installation and configuration steps for SR-IOV and PCI-Passthrough on Linux CentOS 7 64-bit for the following:

- [Installation and Configuration for Intel](#)

#### Installation and Configuration for Intel

Installation and Configuration on Linux CentOS 7 64-bit includes:

- [SR-IOV Installation and Configuration](#)
- [PCI-Passthrough Installation and Configuration](#)

### SR-IOV Installation and Configuration

#### Hardware Requirements

The minimum hardware requirements to configure SR-IOV are:

- An Intel Ethernet Network Adapter supporting SR-IOV
- A server platform that supports Intel Virtualization Technology for Directed I/O (VT-d) and the PCI-SIG Single Root I/O Virtualizations and Sharing (SR-IOV) specification

#### Software Requirements

The software requirements to configure SR-IOV are:

- KVM (QEMU) over CentOS 7.0 64-bit

#### Recommended Driver Version

Refer to the [Certified and Compatible Cards](#) section in the BPS VE Install Guide to know about the recommended driver version.

## Server Setup

1. Install Linux CentOS 7 64-bit.
2. By default, I/O Memory Management Unit (IOMMU) support is not enabled in the Linux CentOS 7 64-bit distribution. IOMMU support is required for a VF to function properly when assigned to a VM. The following kernel boot parameter is required to enable IOMMU support for Linux kernels:

```
intel_iommu=on
```

This parameter can be appended to the `GRUB_CMDLINE_LINUX` entry in `/etc/default/grub` configuration file.

3. Update grub configuration using the `grub-mkconfig` command.
4. Reboot the server for the iommu change to take effect.

Skip this step if `cat /proc/cmdline` shows `intel_iommu=on`. After doing all the above steps, if issuing the command `cat /proc/cmdline` does not also show the `intel_iommu` option, this means that the `intel_iommu` option was not loaded into kernel and the `grub.cfg` was not generated from the `/etc/default/grub` configuration file as mentioned above.

To update the GRUB 2 configuration file manually, use the `grub2-mkconfig -o` command as follows:

- On BIOS-based machines, run the following command as root on hypervisor:

```
~]# grub-mkconfig -o /boot/grub/grub.cfg
```

- On UEFI-based machines, run the following command as root on hypervisor:

```
~]# grub-mkconfig -o /boot/efi/EFI/ubuntu/grub.cfg
```

Run the `cat /proc/cmdline` again to check if the `intel_iommu` option has been enabled.

5. Run the `lspci` command to verify that Ethernet Controller in the server is available.
6. The Linux CentOS 7 64-bit installation does not create Virtual Functions (VFs) by default. The server adapters support from 1 to 64 maximum VFs (depending on the platform) per PF (Physical Function). You can create the VFs in the following two ways:
  - a. `modprobe`  
For 1G: `modprobe igb max_vfs=8,8`  
For 10G: `modprobe ixgbe max_vfs=8,8`  
For 40G: `modprobe i40e max_vfs=8,8`  
This method applies to activating eight VFs per PF.
  - b. Updating the `sriov_numvfs` device configuration `echo 8 > /sys/class/net/[device_name]/device/sriov_numvfs`  
[device\_name] = name of the interface on which you want to enable the VFs  
Example: `echo 8 > /sys/class/net/eth1/device/sriov_numvfs`
7. Module options are not persistent from one boot to the next. To ensure that the desired number of VFs are created each time the server is power-cycled, append the above command to the



`rc.local` file, which is located in the `/etc/rc.d/` directory. The Linux OS executes the `rc.local` script at the end of the boot process.

```
root@localhost:~#
root@localhost:~#
root@localhost:~#
root@localhost:~# cd /etc/rc.d/
root@localhost:~# ls
root@localhost:~# cd
root@localhost:~# cat rc.local
#!/bin/bash
#
# THIS FILE IS ADDED FOR COMPATIBILITY PURPOSES
#
# It is highly advisable to create own sytemd services or user rules
# to run scripts during boot instead of using this file.
#
# In contrast to previous versions due to parallel execution during boot
# this script will NOT be run after all other services.
#
# Please note that you must run 'chmod +x /etc/rc.d/rc.local' to ensure
# that this script will be executed during boot.
touch /var/lock/subsys/local
echo & > /sys/class/net/ens40i1/device/error_bufo
echo & > /sys/class/net/ens40i1/device/error_bufo
root@localhost:~#
```



### Warning:

Errors and informational messages during `ixg / ixgbe / i40e` driver load are logged in the `/var/log/messages` file. It is a good practice to review this file to confirm that the driver loaded successfully without warnings or errors.

8. Run the `lspci` command to confirm that the VF was successfully created.

Now you can start adding the Virtual Functions inside the Virtual Blades.

9. In the **Virtual Machine** window (`virt-manager`), select **Add Hardware** to open the **Add New Virtual Hardware** wizard.
10. Select **PCI Host Device** and then select a virtual function that you just activated. Now you can switch on the VM.
11. Run the `lsmod` command on the VM to check whether the `igbvf / ixgbev / i40evf` driver was loaded properly.

## PCI-Passthrough Installation and Configuration Server Setup

1. Install Linux CentOS 7 64-bit.
2. Deploy a machine on this setup and open the it from the Virtual Machine Manager.
3. Go to the show machine info section (Select the bulb).
4. To open the **Add New Virtual Hardware** wizard, select **Add Hardware**.
5. Select **PCI Host Device** and then select the physical port from the NIC available in the server.
6. Select **Finish**.

You can see the new PCI device inside the machine.

7. Switch on the machine.

## SR-IOV / PCI-Passthrough Limitations

**SR-IOV / PCI-Passthrough Not Supported on Management while bridges / vSwitches / Open vSwitch are configured on Test interfaces**

Having SR-IOV virtual functions or PCI-Passthrough devices configured as management networks on the Virtual Controller / Virtual Blade are not supported, if the test/backplane networks are configured with virtual switches (VMware) or bridges/OVS (KVM/OpenStack).

### Malicious Driver Detection Feature

When the malicious driver detection feature is enabled on ixgbe interfaces, running Raw or Ethernet/VLAN traffic will cause the interfaces to go down.

To disable this feature, run the following command on KVM / OpenStack platforms:

```
insmod ixgbe.ko MDD=0,0
```

### Setup MTU 9000 on the Physical Function and Virtual Functions

In order to run jumbo frames tests you will need to configure MTU 9000 on the Physical Functions and Virtual Functions (VFs).

Having MTU mismatches between the PFs and VFs will cause traffic to get dropped inside the Intel board.

Changing the MTU can be done in the following way:

- Physical function

```
ifconfig INTERFACE_NAME mtu 9000
```

- Virtual function

The MTU configuration is controlled from within the Virtual Blade so please make sure that you have the same MTU as the Physical Function.

## SR-IOV Installation and PCI-Passthrough Installation and Configuration

This section explains the installation and configuration steps for SR-IOV and PCI-Passthrough on VMware ESXi 6.0 for the following:

- Installation and Configuration for Intel

### Installation and Configuration for Intel

Installation and Configuration on VMware ESXi 6.0 includes:

- [SR-IOV Installation and Configuration](#)
- [PCI-Passthrough Installation and Configuration](#)

### SR-IOV Installation and Configuration Hardware Requirements

The minimum hardware requirements to configure SR-IOV are:

- An Intel Ethernet Network Adapter supporting SR-IOV
- A server platform that supports Intel Virtualization Technology for Directed I/O (VT-d) and the PCI-SIG Single Root I/O Virtualizations and Sharing (SR-IOV) specification

## Software Requirements

The software requirements to configure SR-IOV are:

- VMware ESXi 6.0

## Recommended Driver Version

Refer to the **Certified and Compatible Platform Versions** section in the *IxVM Reference Guide* to get information on the recommended driver version.

## Server Setup

To setup the server for installing and configuring SR-IOV:

1. Install VMware ESXi.
2. Enable SSH on the host to access the console for CLI configuration.
3. Run the `lspci` command to verify that the Ethernet Controller is available in the server.

### **Note:**

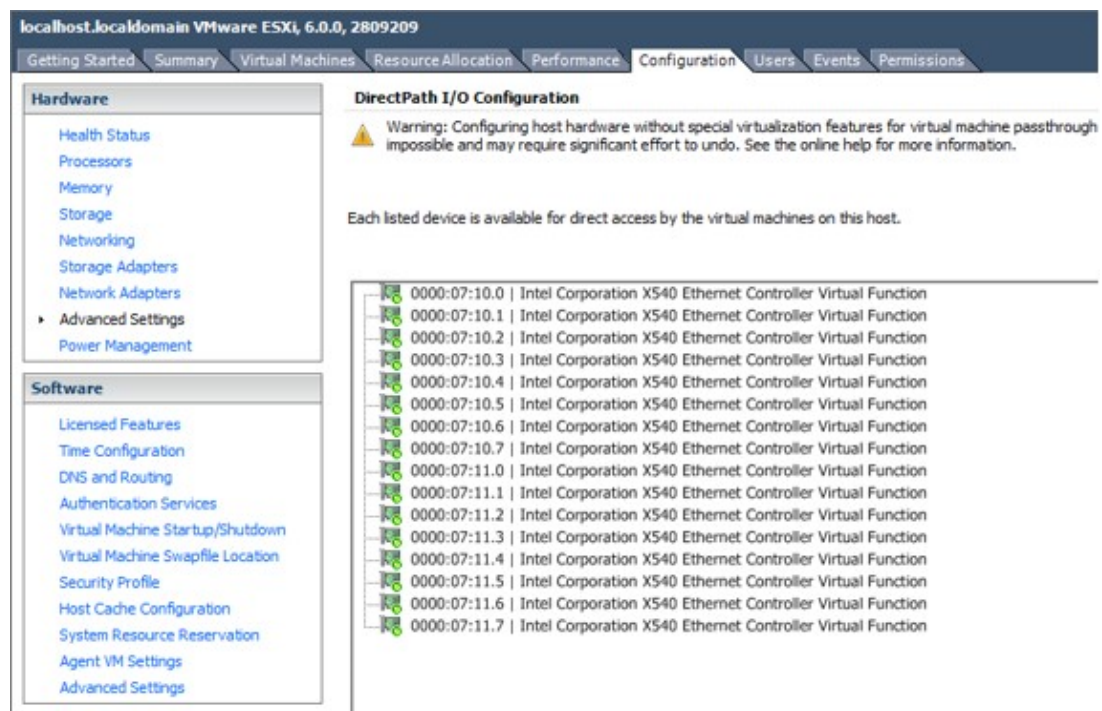
By default, the VMware ESXi installation does not create a VF. The server adapters support from 1 to 64 maximum VFs.

Run the following command to activate SR-IOV.

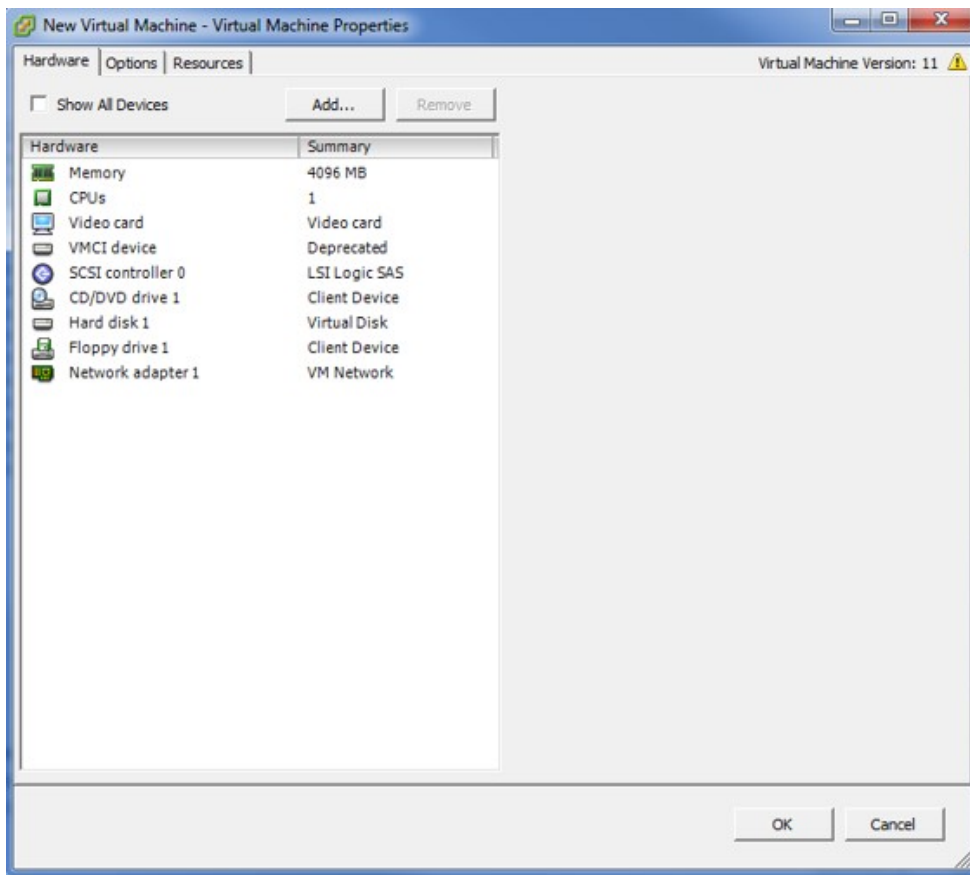
For 10G: `esxcfg-module ixgbe -s max_vfs=8,8`

For 40G: `esxcfg-module i40e -s max_vfs=8,8`

4. Reboot the server.
5. Run the `lspci` command to confirm that the VF was successfully created.
6. Check the VMWare vSphere Client to confirm that you are able to see the VFs.
7. Select **Configuration > Advanced Settings**.



Now you can start adding the VFs inside the VM cards.

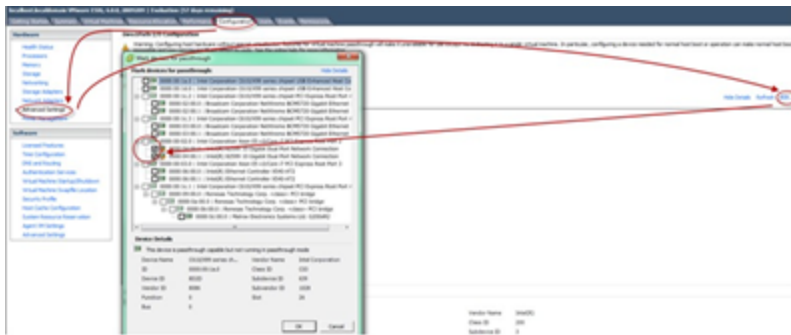


8. Select **Add > PCI Device**. Select **Next**.
9. Select a Virtual Function from the list and then select **Finish**.

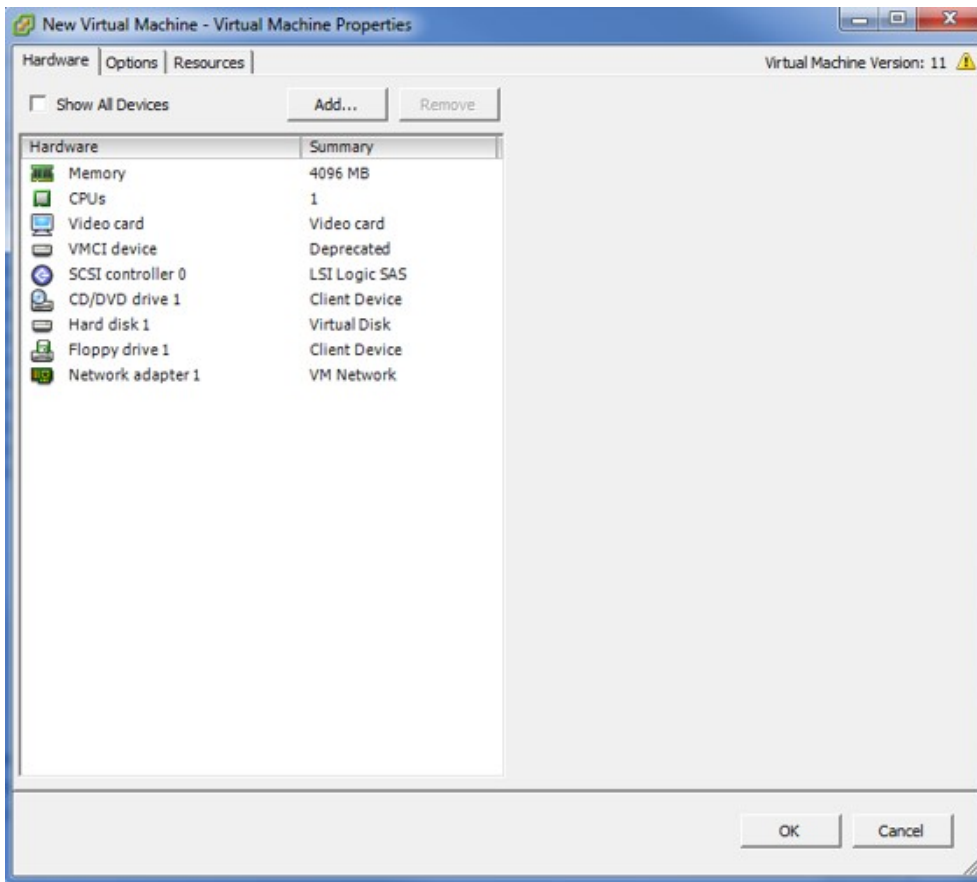
You can now switch on the system.

### PCI-Passthrough Installation and Configuration Server Setup

1. Install VMware ESXi.
2. Enable SSH on the Host to access the console for CLI configuration.
3. Run the `lspci` command to verify that the Ethernet Controller is available in the server.
4. Select **Configuration > Advanced Settings > Edit** to mark the devices that you want for PCIPassthrough.



5. Reboot the server.
6. Now you can start adding the PCI devices inside the VM cards.



7. Select **Add > PCI Device**. Select **Next**. You can now switch on the system.

## SR-IOV / PCI-Passthrough Limitations

**SR-IOV / PCI-Passthrough Not Supported on Management while bridges/vSwitches/Open vSwitch are configured on Test interfaces**

Having SR-IOV virtual functions or PCI-Passthrough devices configured as management networks on the Virtual Controller / Virtual Blade are not supported, if the test/backplane networks are configured with virtual switches (VMware).

### Setup MTU 9000 on SR-IOV interfaces

Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) setup is required for different testing scenarios when the MTU size must be increased/decreased from the standard 1500 on the ESXi hypervisor network interface.

The following steps explain how to setup MTU 9000 on SR-IOV interfaces:

1. Create a new vSwitch and add the desired interface (SR-IOV).
2. Edit the newly created vSwitch and set MTU to 9000.
3. Remove the vSwitch created in step 1.
4. Check in the Command Line Interface (CLI) that MTU has the configured value as follows:

```
[root@localhost:~] esxcli network nic list
Name PCI Device Driver Admin Status Link Status Speed Duplex MAC Address MTU
Description
-----
vmnic0 0000:01:00.0 ixgbe Up Up 10000 Full 24:6e:96:33:37:e8 9000 Intel
Corporation Ethernet Controller 10 Gigabit X540-AT2
vmnic1 0000:01:00.1 ixgbe Up Up 10000 Full 24:6e:96:33:37:ea 9000 Intel
Corporation Ethernet Controller 10 Gigabit X540-AT2
```

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## CHAPTER 7 Licensing

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The licensing utility helps in the license management of BreakingPoint System (BPS), by allowing the activation/deactivation of licenses.

By using Ixia's license management mechanism, you can do the following:

- Centralize and monitor your software usage.
- Maintain an accurate license inventory.
- Smoothly transfer licenses across different hosts and teams.

The Activation Code for the purchased Ixia product(s) is sent via email message, when you purchase a BreakingPoint Virtual Edition license. Enter this Activation Code in the **VM License LS+** window and activate the license.

The licensing operation is done with a simple wizard and can be run from one of the following options:

- The same VM Controller on which the software was installed; in case internet is available on the VM Controller
- Any other computer connected to internet, in case the internet is unavailable on the VM Controller. This option pertains to offline registration mode.

The computer (used for performing the licensing process) must be connected to the internet.

Before activating a license, you must have the following:

- The e-mail message from Ixia with the activation code. The key contents of this e-mail message are as follows:
  - Activation Code: A unique number for the license.
  - Quantity: The number of licenses.
  - Effective Date: The date from which the license can be activated.
  - Expiration Date: The date on which the licenses will expire.

### Different Types of Licenses

Ixia provides the following types of licenses for BreakingPoint Virtual Edition:

- Floating Licenses
  - (Subscription and Perpetual)

## Floating Licenses

This type of license is stored on a license server and allows a set number of workstations to use product software features. The workstations using this license must be connected to the license server and the server must be up and running. Additional users for the product features are denied once the set number of licenses is completely being used by the current users.

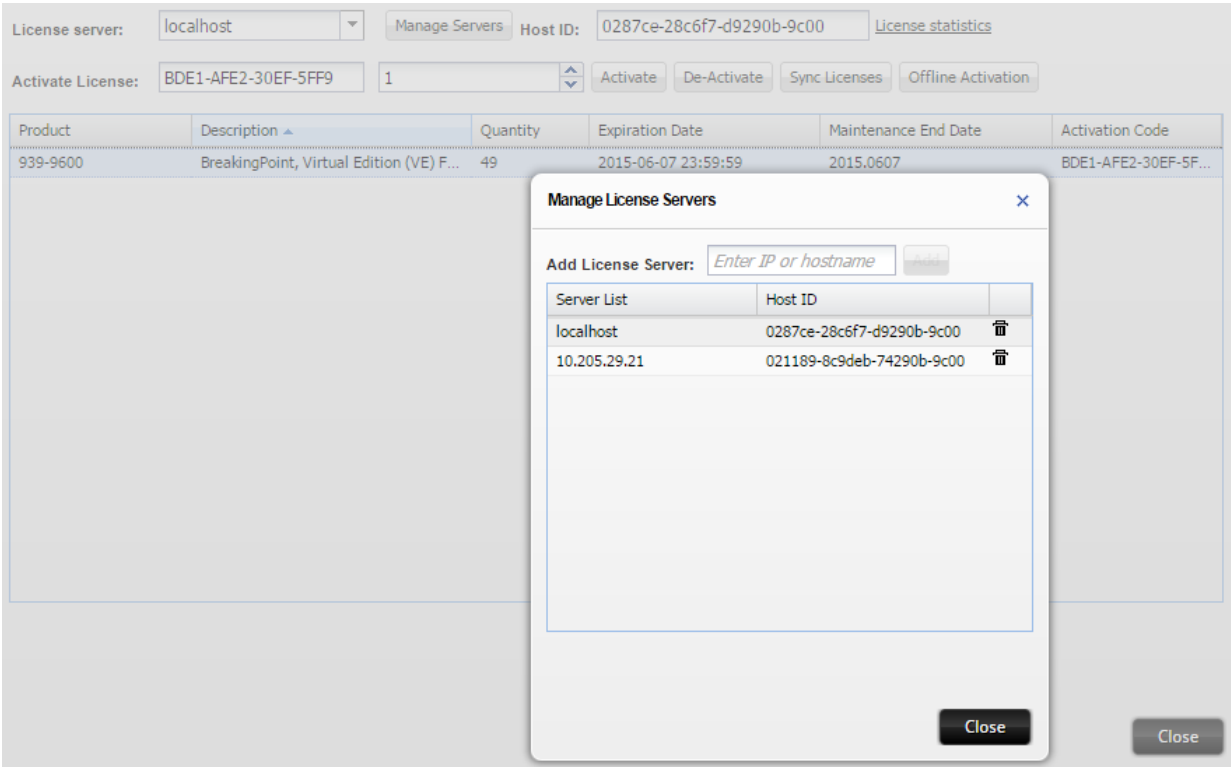
## Licensing Utility

The Licensing utility is a one-stop solution, which helps to activate, deactivate, sync and check the current licenses that are checked out. It is available on BreakingPoint vController at the following location:

**BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**

**Note:** Using a web browser, connect to the BreakingPoint vController IP address and navigate to the above mentioned location.

The following figure displays the Licensing user interface.

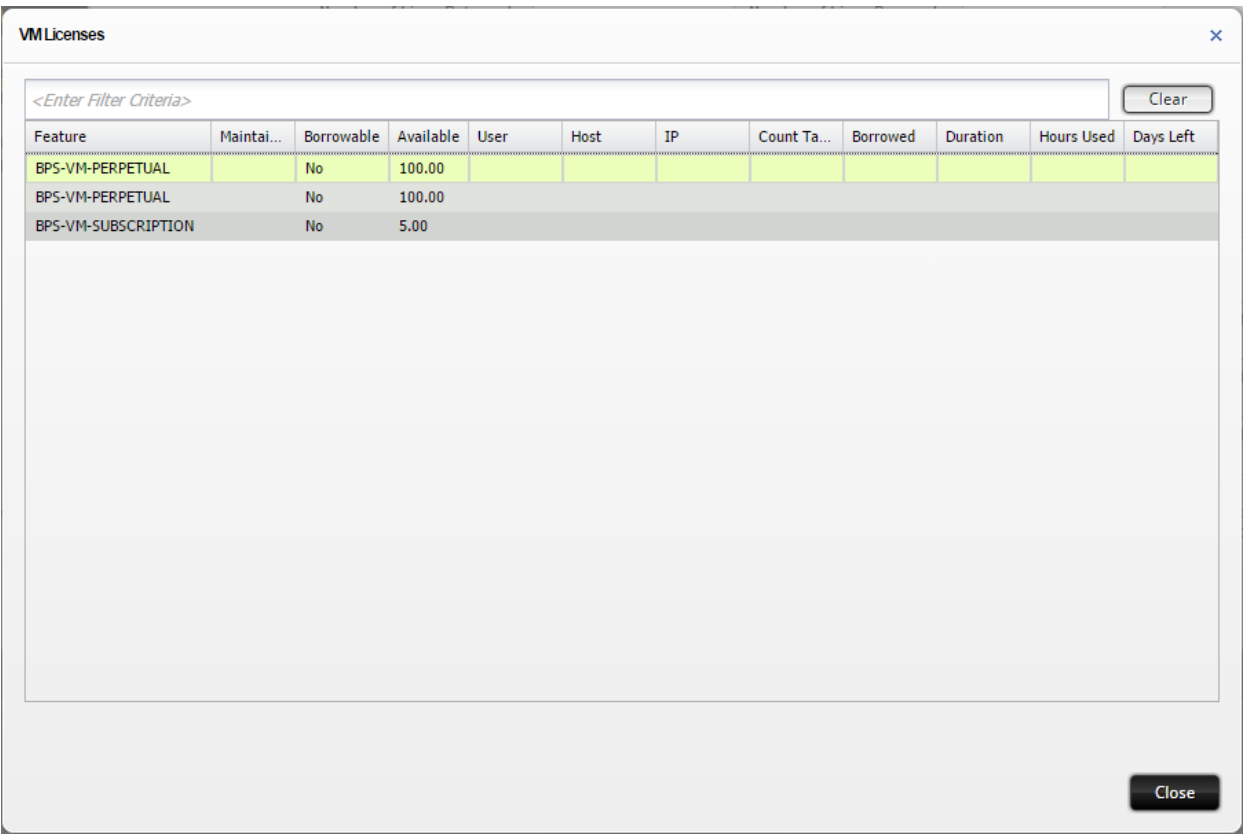


The following table provides information about the fields and description:

| Field/Section      | Description  |
|--------------------|--|
| License server     | Specify the license servers IP address or the hostnames. The default value is <b>localhost</b> . Localhost points to the computer where BreakingPoint is installed. Select a remote computer's hostname or IP address to view, activate, deactivate and sync licenses on it. |
| Manage Servers     | Select to open the <b>Manage License Servers</b> dialog box, where you can add, view , and delete the license servers.   |
| Host ID            | A unique ID of the computer where the License Server is installed.   |
| License statistics | Select this link to open a new window, which provides the details about the quantity of licenses available as illustrated in <a href="#">License Statistics below</a> .  |
| Activate           | Select this button to activate a license.<br>Specify the <b>Activation Code</b> and <b>Quantity</b> of licenses you want to activate. The quantity of licenses issued, effective date and expiration date are also mentioned in the email.                                   |
| Deactivate         | Select this button to deactivate the selected license.<br>Specify the <b>Quantity</b> of licenses you want to deactivate.  |
| Sync Licenses      | If licenses are renewed in the back-end, select <b>Sync</b> in utility to reflect the changes.   |
| Product            | The part number of the license bundle.   |
| Description        | The description of the license bundle.   |
| Quantity           | The total quantity of licenses.  |
| Expiration Date    | The date on which the license expires for <b>Subscription</b> or <b>Evaluation</b> licenses or <b>Perpetual</b> for a permanent license.   |
| Activation Code    | The code that activates the license for BreakingPoint. Refer to the email to know the activation code to install and use the application.  |

## License Statistics

The **License Statistics** window provides the number of licenses that are available for use. The following figure illustrates the License Statistics:



The following table provides information about the fields and description in **VM Licenses** window:

| Field/Section     | Description  |
|-------------------|--|
| Feature           | The type of the floating license feature.  |
| Maintenance Until | The last date for which software updates are available. Software published before or on this date is licensed. |
| Borrowable        | If the license can be borrowed.  |
| Available         | Shows the number of licenses that are available for use.   |
| User              | The name of the users who have the currently activated licenses.   |
| Host              | The host name of the computer which has the currently activated license in the license server.                 |
| IP                | The IP address of the computer which has the currently activated license in the license server.                |

| Field/Section       | Description  |
|---------------------|--|
| Count Taken         | The number of licenses that the user has checked out from the license server.  |
| Borrowed            | Shows if the license is borrowed. Borrowed licenses are activated for a specific time period.  |
| Duration            | It indicates the duration of time of the activated borrowed license.   |
| Hours Used          | Shows the number of hours for which the license has been already used.   |
| Days Left To Expire | The number of days left before the expiry of the license.  |
| Clear               | Select to clear the text entered in the filter text box. Once cleared, the tool tip <b>&lt;Enter Filter Criteria&gt;</b> appears in the filter text box. |
| Close               | Select this button to close the <b>VM Licenses</b> window.   |

## Activating Licenses

### Before Starting Activation

Ensure the following information is available before starting the license activation process:

Activation code for the license: An email is sent with the Activation Code when you purchase Ixia software. Enter the Activation Code in the **VM License LS+** window to activate the license.

An example e-mail message with the Activation code underlined is shown here:

Dear Ixia QA representative,  
 Thank you for your recent Ixia software purchase. This document contains important information for activating your software products. Please retain this information for future reference.  
 Organization: Ixia QA  
 Ixia Sales Order#: IxiaQA-RES0HB7X  
 This document provides the right to activate the following product(s) under Entitlement IxiaQA-RES0HB7X:

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Product         | 939-9600, BreakingPoint, Virtual Edition (VE) FLOATING Subscription License |
| Quantity        | 100   |
| Activation Code | <u>AA3B-C6CF-3780-3044</u>  |
| Effective Date  | 2015-01-27  |

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Maintenance Expiration Date | 2015-02-26 |
|-----------------------------|------------|

As a registered customer, you can access software, release notes, and installation instructions from the Ixia website:

[http://www.ixiacom.com/support/downloads\\_and\\_updates/index.php](http://www.ixiacom.com/support/downloads_and_updates/index.php)

If you do not currently have a username and password for the Ixia website, you can request one: <http://www.ixiacom.com/support/pwrequest.php>

Ixia Technical Support is available to licensed customers who have active software maintenance for their applicable software products. To obtain technical support, go to the support section of Ixia web site:

<http://www.ixiacom.com/support>

Alternatively, you can contact Ixia Technical Support directly:

[support@ixiacom.com](mailto:support@ixiacom.com)

Domestic: (877) FOR-IXIA

International: +1-818-871-1800 (press 1)

Sincerely,

Ixia Order Fulfillment

## Activate License

Ensure that vController is connected to internet and that the necessary information discussed previously in [Before Starting Activation on the previous page](#) is available.

To activate a license, perform the following tasks:

1. Connect to the management IP of vController using a web browser.
2. Go to **BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**.

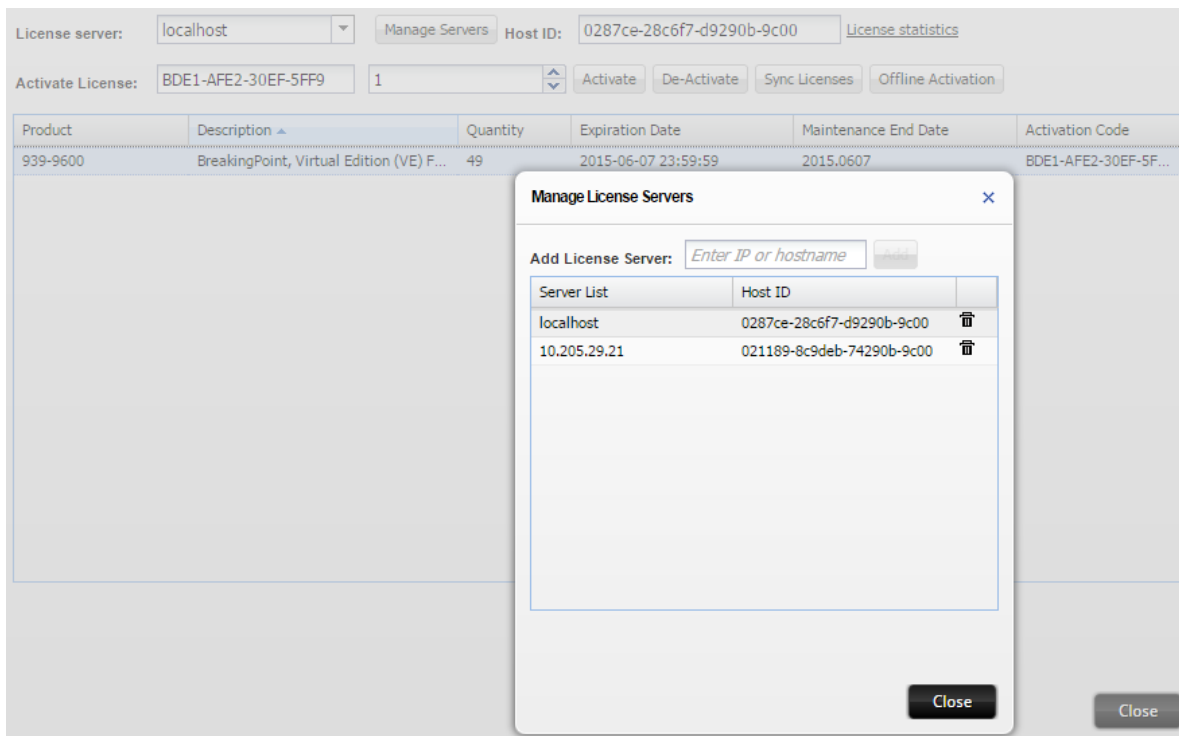
The **VM Licenses** window opens.

3. In the **License server** box, select the license server IP or Localhost.

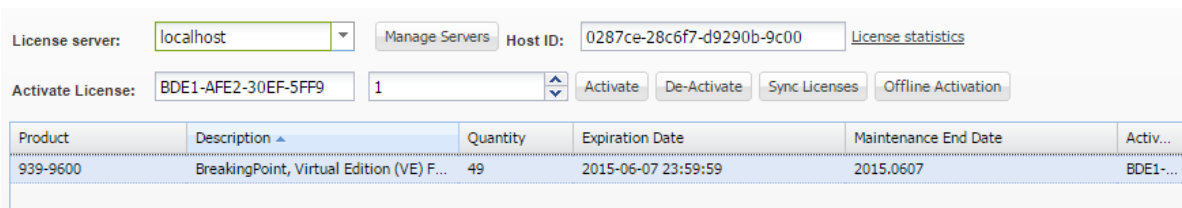


**Note:** If you want to add a new license server, select the **Manage Servers** button and provide server details in the **Manage License Servers** dialog box.

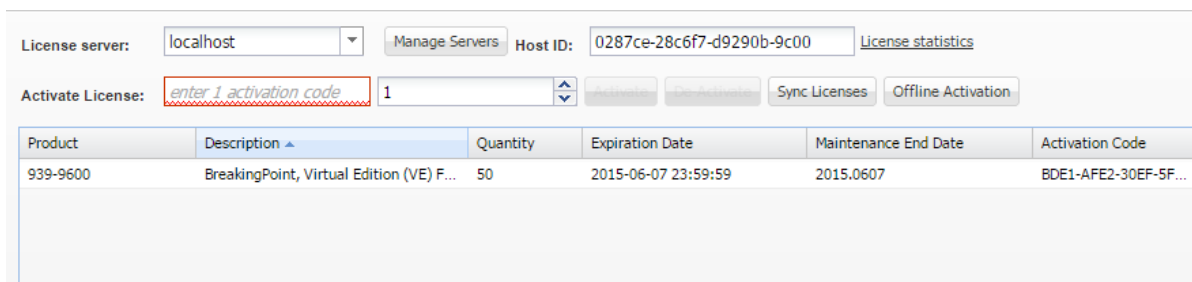
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4. In the **Activate License** text box, enter the Activation Code and the license quantity as depicted in the following image.



5. Select **Activate**. The activated license is now available in the **VM Licenses** window.



## 10G Subscription and Perpetual Licenses

This section of the installation guide describes BPS VE licensing that allows a single user to run tests with a TPUT (throughput) between 1Gbps to 10Gbps (maximum).

One unit of this license will allow a single user to execute a test consisting of the following:

- 10Gbps TPUT or 20,000,000 (20 million) CC
- Up to 2 security components

During license checkout, the four license types will be checked out in sequence shown based on the algorithm described in detail below.

- 10G-Subs (Subscription)
- 10G-Perp (Perpetual)
- 1G- Subs
- 1G-Perp



**Note:** Subscription license types get higher preference than perpetual license types.

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## License Checkout Algorithm

For each of the license types, based on the sequential order (that is, 10G-Subs, 10G-Perp, 1G-Subs, 1G-Perp), BPS VE will check with each license server for availability of license count.

1. License count is decided by the expression **Floor** (Remaining-license-count / (Multiplicative-factor for the test component considered)).
2. License type of immediate preceding value (10G-\*) in the sequence mentioned will be considered if a lower valued license type (1G-\*) is not available. In that case, license count is 1. The surplus lower valued licenses will be released.

## License Checkout Examples

### Case 1

For this example, consider a premises that has 2 license servers. The different types of BPS VE licenses counts are shown in the following table:

| License Servers | 10G-Subs | 10G-Perp | 1G-Subs | 1G-Perp |
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| LicSvr1         | 2        | 1        | 12      | 2       |
| LicSvr2         | 10       | 0        | 0       | 0       |

A user needs to run a 41Gbps TPUT test. The License Checkout sequence will be as described below:

Test Type - non security TPUT. Multiplicative factors are 10 and 1 respectively for 10G-\* and 1G-\*.



| License Checked out        | Remaining License Count | License Requested         | License Granted | Remaining            |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 2 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr1. | 41                      | $\text{Floor}(41/10) = 4$ | 2               | $41 - (2 * 10) = 21$ |
| 2 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr2. | 21                      | $\text{Floor}(21/10) = 2$ | 2               | $21 - (2 * 10) = 1$  |
| 1 x 1G-Subs from LicSvr1.  | 1                       | $\text{Floor}(1/1) = 1$   | 1               | $1 - (1 * 1) = 0$    |

## Case 2

For this example, consider the license count available in the servers is as shown below:

| License Servers | 10G-Subs | 10G-Perp | 1G-Subs | 1G-Perp |
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| LicSvr1         | 1        | 0        | 0       | 0       |
| LicSvr2         | 10       | 0        | 0       | 0       |

A user needs to run a test with 5 security components. Multiplicative factors are 2 and 1 respectively.

| License Checked out   | Remaining License Count | License Requested       | License Granted | Remaining         |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr1.  | 5                       | $\text{Floor}(5/2) = 2$ | 1               | $5 - (1 * 2) = 3$ |
| 1 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr2.  | 3                       | $\text{Floor}(3/2) = 1$ | 1               | $3 - (1 * 2) = 1$ |
| With 1 pending unit and no 1G-* license available, the algorithm will now look for the license type of the immediately preceding value (10G-*). |                         |                         |                 |                   |
| 1 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr2.  | 1                       | 1                       | 1               | NA                |

## Case 3

For this example, consider the license count available in the servers is as shown below:

| License Servers | 10G-Subs | 10G-Perp | 1G-Subs | 1G-Perp |
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|

|         |   |   |   |   |
|---------|---|---|---|---|
| LicSvr1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| LicSvr2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |

The user needs to run a test with TPUT of 17Gbps.

| License Checked out   | Remaining License Count | License Requested         | License Granted | Remaining                     |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr1.  | 17                      | $\text{Floor}(17/10) = 1$ | 1               | $17 - (1 * 10) = 7$           |
| 1 x 1G-Subs from LicSvr1.   | 7                       | $\text{Floor}(7/1) = 7$   | 1               | $7 - (1 * 1) = 6$             |
| 1 x 1G-Subs from LicSvr2.   | 6                       | $\text{Floor}(6/1) = 6$   | 1               | $6 - (1 * 1) = 5$             |
| 3 x 1G-Perp from LicSvr2  | 5                       | $\text{Floor}(5/1) = 5$   | 1               | $5 - (3 * 1) = 2$             |
| With 2 pending unit and no 1G-* license available, the algorithm will now look for the license type of the immediately preceding value (10G-*). |                         |                           |                 |                               |
| 1 x 10G-Subs from LicSvr2.  | 2                       | 1                         | 1               | $\text{Surplus} = 10 - 2 = 8$ |
| Release lower valued licenses up to surplus number.   |                         |                           |                 |                               |
| Release 2x1G-Subs   |                         |                           |                 |                               |
| Release 3x1G-Subs   |                         |                           |                 |                               |

## De-Activating Licenses

### Introduction

A license, once activated, is said to be assigned to the license server specified during activation process. It may only be served to various applications on various workstations from this license server.

A license can be deactivated, including all of its features, at any time.

Before starting the deactivation process, ensure that the following information is available:

1. **Activation Code** for the license to be deactivated.
2. **Workstation name:** This is the name of the vController that currently uses the licensed software.

3. **License Server Hostname/IP:** The license server where the licenses are currently being registered to.

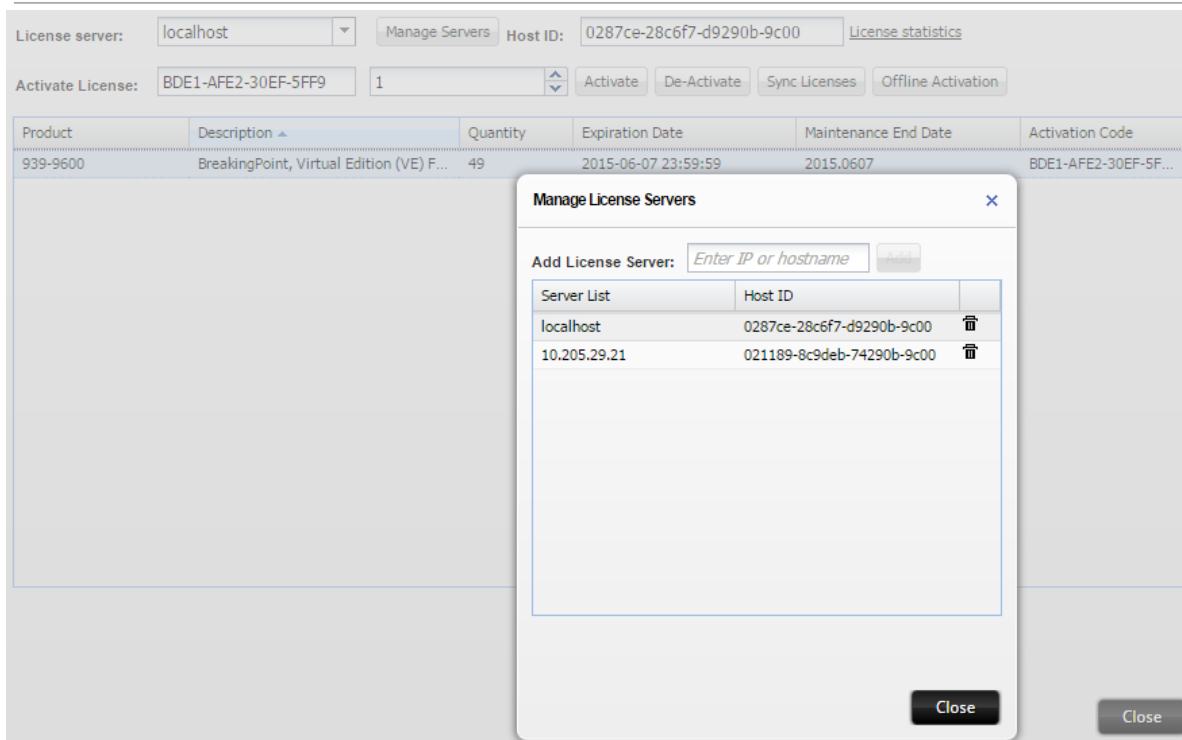
An example of the Ixia activation e-mail message, with the activation number is provided in [Before Starting Activation on page 100](#).

## License Deactivation

To deactivate a license, perform the following tasks:

1. Connect to the management IP of the vController using a web browser.
2. Go to **BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**.  
The **VM Licenses** window opens.
3. In the **License server** box, select the license server IP or Localhost.

**Note:** If you want to add a new license server, select the **Manage Servers** button and provide server details in the **Manage License Servers** dialog box.



4. In the **Activate License** text box, enter the Activation Code and the license quantity that you want to deactivate as depicted in the following image.

License server: localhost Manage Servers Host ID: 0287ce-28c6f7-d9290b-9c00 [License statistics](#)

Activate License: BDE1-AFE2-30EF-5FF9 1

| Product  | Description ▲                            | Quantity | Expiration Date     | Maintenance End Date | Activation Code      |
|----------|--|----------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 939-9600 | BreakingPoint, Virtual Edition (VE) F... | 50       | 2015-06-07 23:59:59 | 2015.0607            | BDE1-AFE2-30EF-5F... |

5. Select **Deactivate**. The activated license is now removed from the corresponding license server window.

License server: localhost Manage Servers Host ID: 0287ce-28c6f7-d9290b-9c00 [License statistics](#)

Activate License:  1

| Product  | Description ▲                            | Quantity | Expiration Date     | Maintenance End Date | Activation Code      |
|----------|--|----------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 939-9600 | BreakingPoint, Virtual Edition (VE) F... | 49       | 2015-06-07 23:59:59 | 2015.0607            | BDE1-AFE2-30EF-5F... |

## Overview of Offline Activation/Deactivation

Offline activation/deactivation of licenses is required when the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition is deployed in a network that cannot access the internet. As a solution, you can generate the license file from a computer with internet and then transfer the file to the vController running as license server. The license file when imported, activates/deactivates the license.

For both activation and deactivation, it is required to generate the license file from the Fulfillment Router (FR) page.

### Offline Activation

Ensure network connectivity and that the necessary information discussed in [Before Starting Activation on page 100](#) is available. The steps for offline activation process are as follows:

- [Step 1: Generate the license file from a computer with internet connection below](#)
- [Step 2: Import the License File on page 109](#)

#### Step 1: Generate the license file from a computer with internet connection

To generate the license file, perform the following tasks:

1. Go to Fulfillment Router (FR) page at: <https://fulfillment-prod.ixiacom.com/activation>

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## Activate Licenses

Instructions:

1. Enter the Host ID.
2. Enter the Activation Code, Quantity. One per line.
3. Click the Activate button.

If you are unable to activate your licenses, please contact Ixia Support at: [support@ixiacom.com](mailto:support@ixiacom.com)

Host ID

Activation Codes and License Quantities

Example:

A79E-D768-4D1F-0BEA,30

D768-4D1F-0BEA-A748,23

Note: The quantity represents the final license quantity for the Activation Code entered.

**Activate**

2. In the **Host ID** text box, enter the Host ID of the vController where the licenses are going to be installed.
  - a. Using a web browser, connect to the BreakingPoint vController IP address.
  - b. Select **BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**.  
The **VM Licenses** window opens.
  - c. Select the required License Server.
  - d. Get the Host ID from Host ID field.
3. In the **Activation Codes and License Quantities** text box, enter the activation codes as specified in the e-mail and quantity of licenses you want to activate.
  - Here, the **Quantity** represents the final license quantity that you want to activate. For example, if an **Activation Code** with six quantities is already registered in the license server, and when you specify the **Activation Codes and License Quantities** as seven for the same **Activation Code**, then it means the effective quantity is seven and not 13.

- You can perform offline activation for multiple activation codes at once. The syntax is:  
 <ActCode1>, <FinalQty1><NEWLINE>  
 <ActCode2>, <FinalQty2><NEWLINE>  
 ....

4. Select **Activate**.

The system generates the license file in .bin format, prompting you to open or save it.

5. Save the license file in the required location and transfer it to the vController where the licenses are going to be installed.

## Step 2: Import the License File

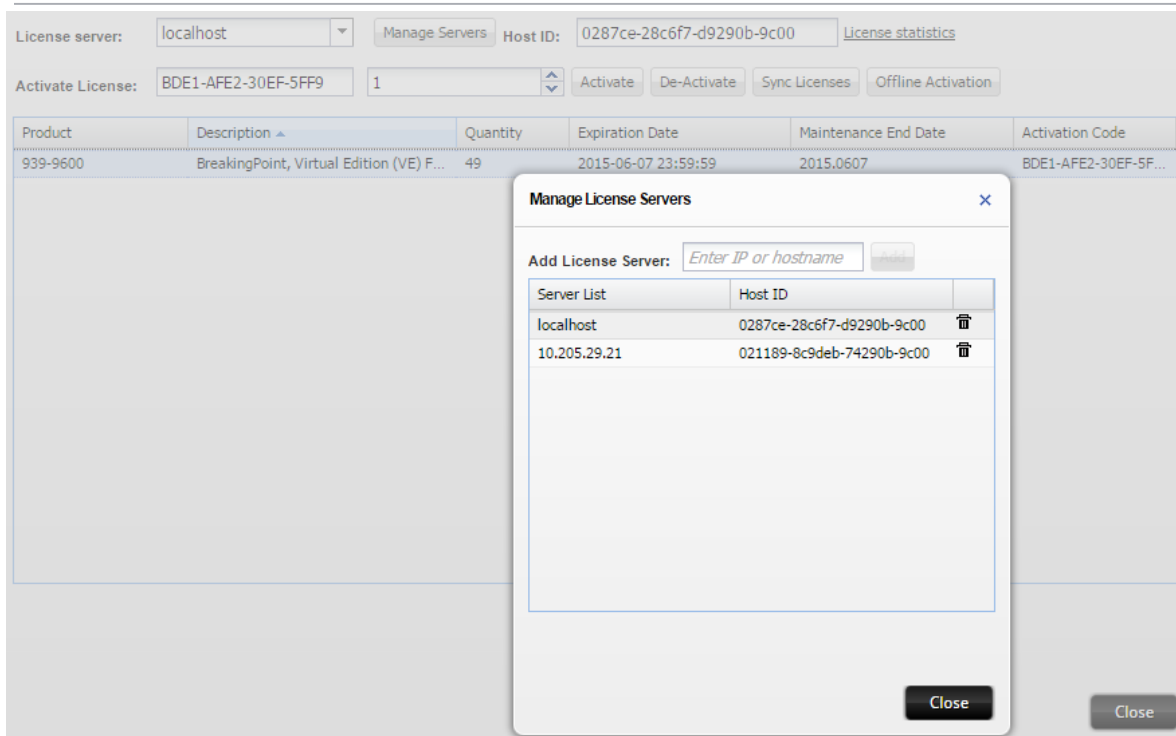
To import the license file, perform the following tasks:

- Connect to the management IP of the vController.
- Go to **BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**.

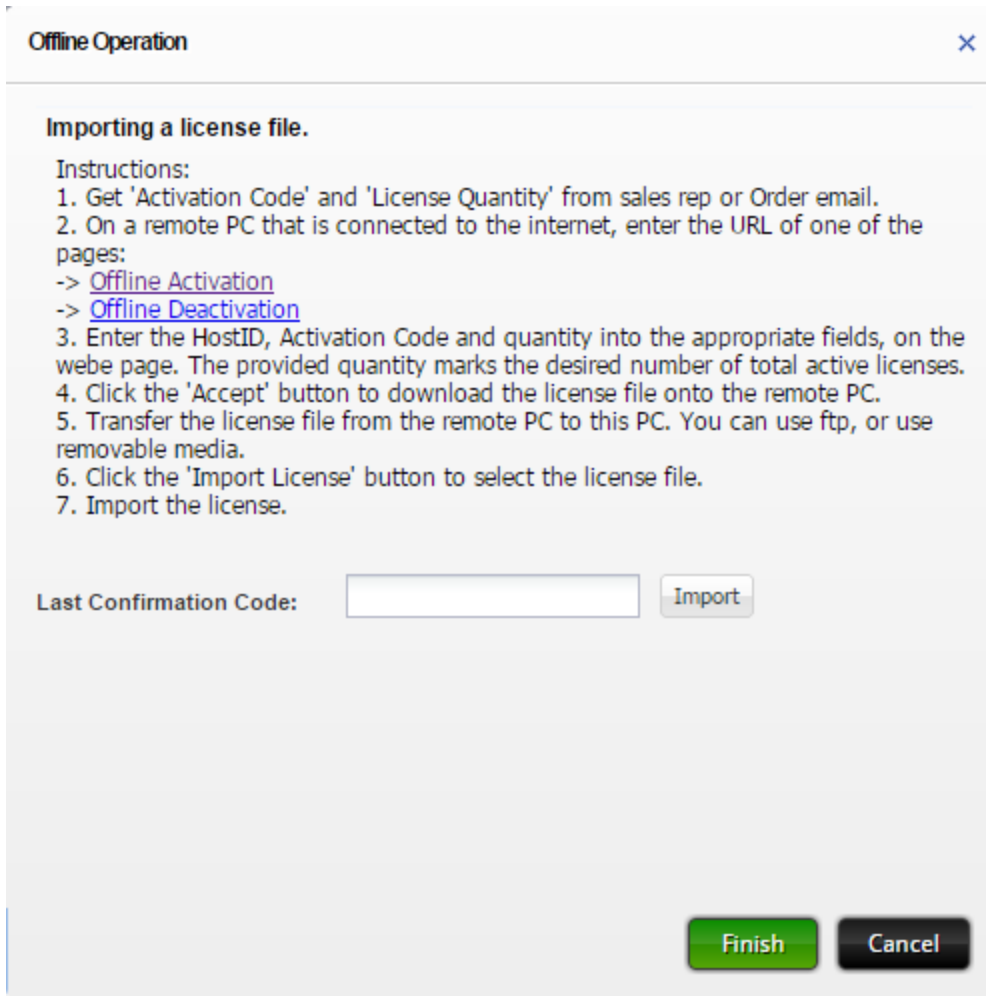
The **VM Licenses** window opens.

- In the **License server** box, select the license server IP or Localhost.

**Note:** If you want to add a new license server, select the **Manage Servers** button and provide server details in the **Manage License Servers** dialog box.



4. Select **Offline Activation**.



The 'Offline Operation' dialog box contains the following text and controls:

**Offline Operation** [Close]

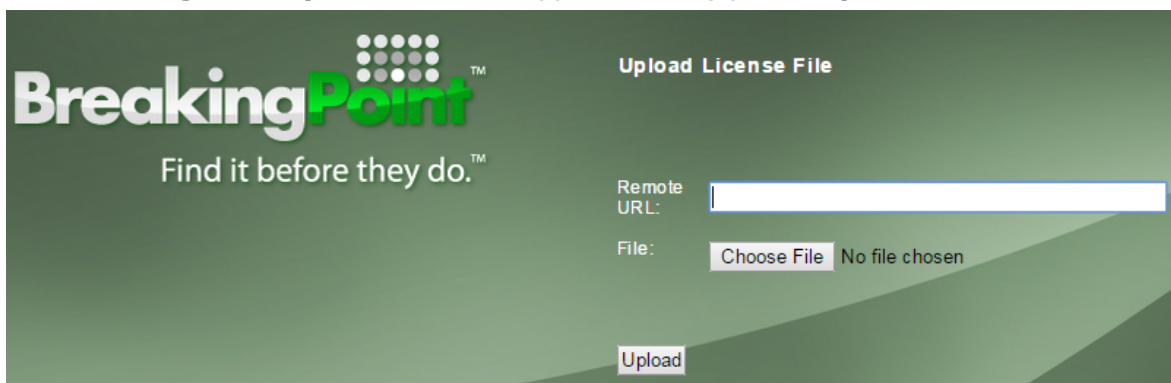
**Importing a license file.**

Instructions:

1. Get 'Activation Code' and 'License Quantity' from sales rep or Order email.
2. On a remote PC that is connected to the internet, enter the URL of one of the pages:  
-> [Offline Activation](#)  
-> [Offline Deactivation](#)
3. Enter the HostID, Activation Code and quantity into the appropriate fields, on the web page. The provided quantity marks the desired number of total active licenses.
4. Click the 'Accept' button to download the license file onto the remote PC.
5. Transfer the license file from the remote PC to this PC. You can use ftp, or use removable media.
6. Click the 'Import License' button to select the license file.
7. Import the license.

Last Confirmation Code:

5. In the **Offline Operation** dialog box, select **Import**.  
The **BreakingPoint Systems** window appears asking you to **Upload License File**.



The 'BreakingPoint Systems' window has a dark green background and contains the following elements:

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Find it before they do.™

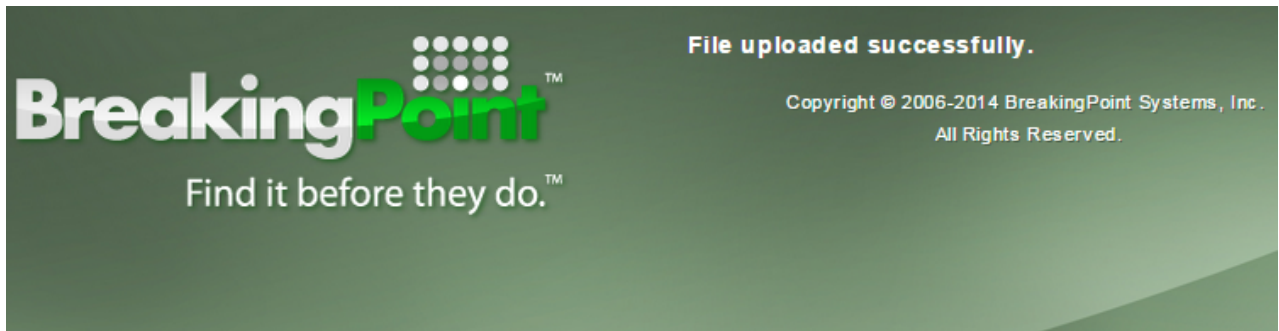
**Upload License File**

Remote URL:

File:  No file chosen

6. Select **Choose File** and open the license file intended for import.

7. Select **Upload** to complete the import.  
On successful upload, the following message appears.



8. In the **Offline Operation** dialog box, select **Finish** to complete the activation process.  
The license is now available for use on the relevant license server.

## Offline Deactivation

Before starting the deactivation process, ensure that the following information is available:

- Host ID of the computer
- Activation Code for the license to be deactivated

The steps for offline deactivation process are as follows:


- [Step 1: Generate License File below](#)
- [Step 2: Import License File on page 114](#)
- [Step 3: Submit Confirmation Code on page 117](#)

### Step 1: Generate License File

To generate the license file, perform the following tasks:



1. Go to the Fulfillment Router (FR) page at: <https://fulfillment-prod.ixiacom.com/deactivation>.



### Deactivate Licenses

Instructions:


- Step 1. Enter your Host ID and click the Submit button.
- Step 2. Select the Activation Code and enter the New License Count. Click the Submit button to generate the license file.
- Step 3. Click on the Get Deactivation License button to obtain your new license file.
- Step 4. After installing the new license file, enter the Confirmation Code provided. Click on the Commit button to continue.

Note: The Confirmation Code must be entered within one hour after the license file is generated. If the confirmation code is not supplied, the deactivation process is automatically canceled.

If you are unable to deactivate your licenses, please contact Ixia Support at: [support@ixiacom.com](mailto:support@ixiacom.com) or call +1 818 595 2599

Host ID

2. In the **Host ID** text box, enter the Host ID of the vController where the licenses are going to be installed.
  3. Select **Submit**.
- The system lists all the licenses activated for the specified host.




### Deactivate Licenses

Instructions:

1. Enter your Host ID; select Submit
2. Select the Product/Activation Code to adjust the license count. Enter the license quantity (New License Count); select Submit to generate the license file
3. Enter the Confirmation Code provided by the product after installing the new license file, the Confirmation Code is only valid for 1 hour; select Commit

If you are unable to deactivate your licenses, please contact Ixia Support - Email [support@ixiacom.com](mailto:support@ixiacom.com) or call +1 818 595 2599

Host ID

|   | Product(s) Licensed | Activation Code(s) | Status | Qty Assigned | New License Count      |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------|------------------------|
|  |                     |                    |        |              | <input type="text"/> ▼ |

Confirmation Code

- Specify a new value in the **New License Count** list for the selected license. The system updates the license quantity to this new value. Selecting zero, completely deactivates the license.



**Note:** At a time, you can perform deactivation for a single activation code only.

- Select **Submit**.
- Select **Get Deactivation License** to generate the license file.



#### Deactivate Licenses

##### Instructions:

- Enter your Host ID and click the Submit button.
- Select the Activation Code and enter the New License Count. Click the Submit button to generate the license file.
- Click on the Get Deactivation License button to obtain your new license file.
- After installing the new license file, enter the Confirmation Code provided. Click on the Commit button to continue.

Note: The Confirmation Code must be entered within one hour after the license file is generated. If the confirmation code is not supplied, the deactivation process is automatically canceled.

If you are unable to deactivate your licenses, please contact Ixia Support at: [support@ixiacom.com](mailto:support@ixiacom.com) or call +1 818 595 2599

Host ID

Confirmation Code

- Save the license file in the required location and transfer it to the vController where the licenses are going to be installed.

At this point, you must enter the **Confirmation Code**, and then select **Commit** to complete the deactivation. **Confirmation Code** is available after importing the license file as explained in [Step 2: Import License File on the facing page](#). The validity of the confirmation code is 48 hours and you have to submit the confirmation code within the time frame to complete the deactivation process.


After generating the license file, FR maintains the state of Host ID for 48 hours. It means, during this period, server cannot perform additional activation/deactivation in the FR for that Host ID, until you either submit the confirmation code or abort the deactivation process.

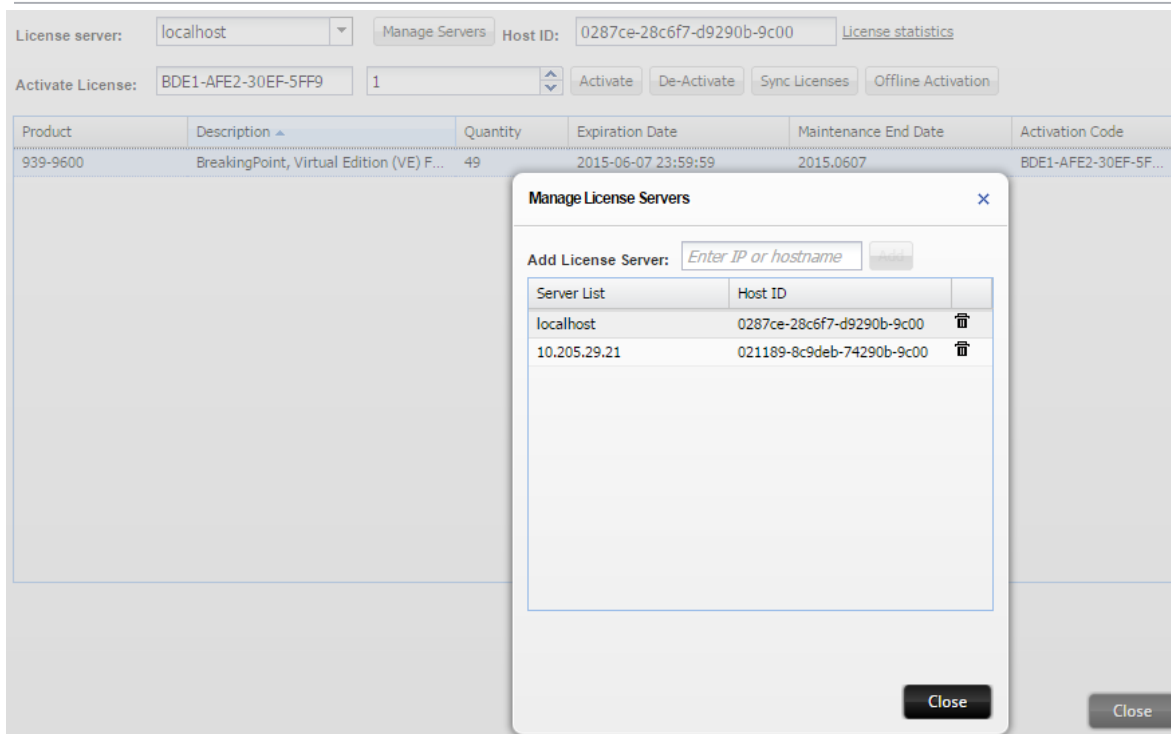
You can perform the following actions in **Deactivate Licenses** window:

- **Abort** - Cancel the offline deactivation process. The licensed quantities are retained as before.
- **Get Deactivation License** - Generate the deactivation license file that must be imported to the computer installed with BreakingPoint. In case the file is lost, select again to regenerate the license file.
- **Commit** - Submit the confirmation code. Until the confirmation code is committed, the deactivation process is not complete.

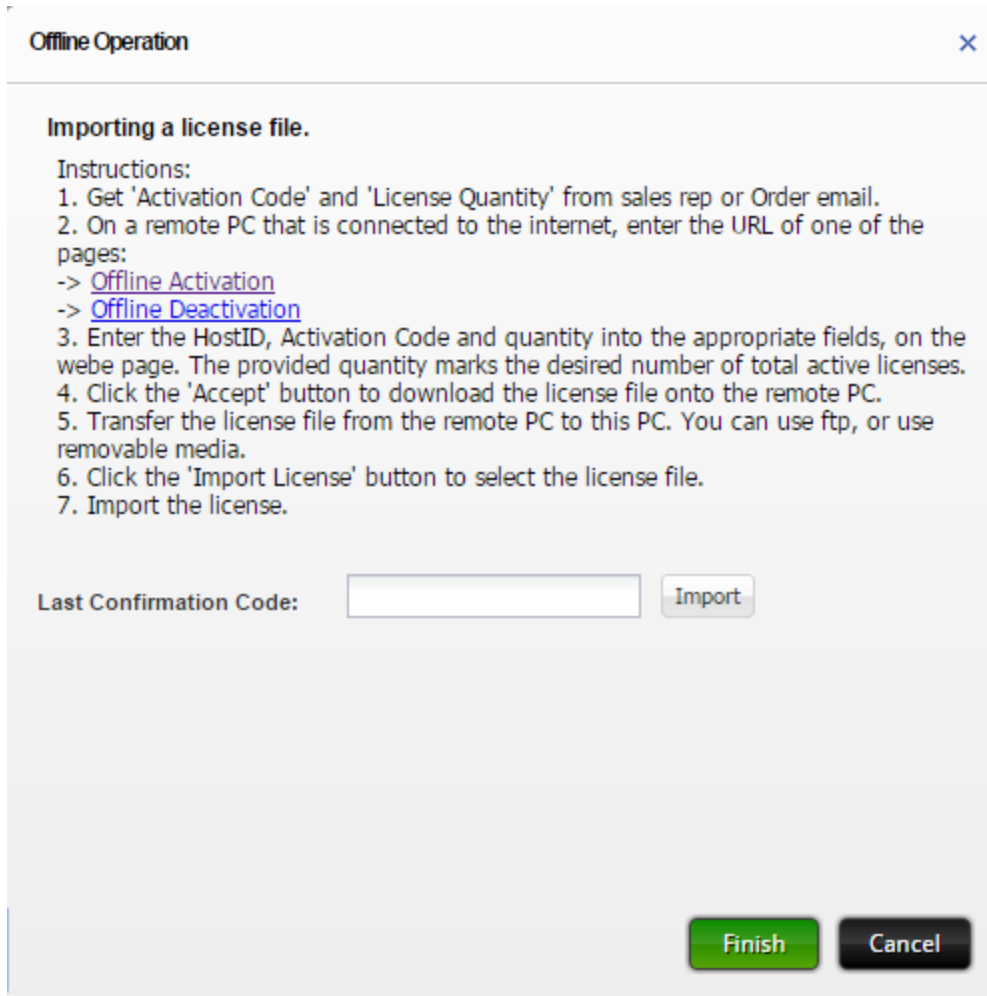
## Step 2: Import License File

1. Connect to the management IP of the vController using a web browser.
2. In the computer installed with BreakingPoint, select **BPS Session > Control Center > Administration > Licensing**  
The **VM Licenses** window opens.
3. In the **License server** box, select the license server IP or Localhost.

 **Note:** If you want to add a new license server, select the **Manage Servers** button and provide server details in the **Manage License Servers** dialog box.



4. Select **Offline Activation**. The **Offline Operation** dialog box opens.



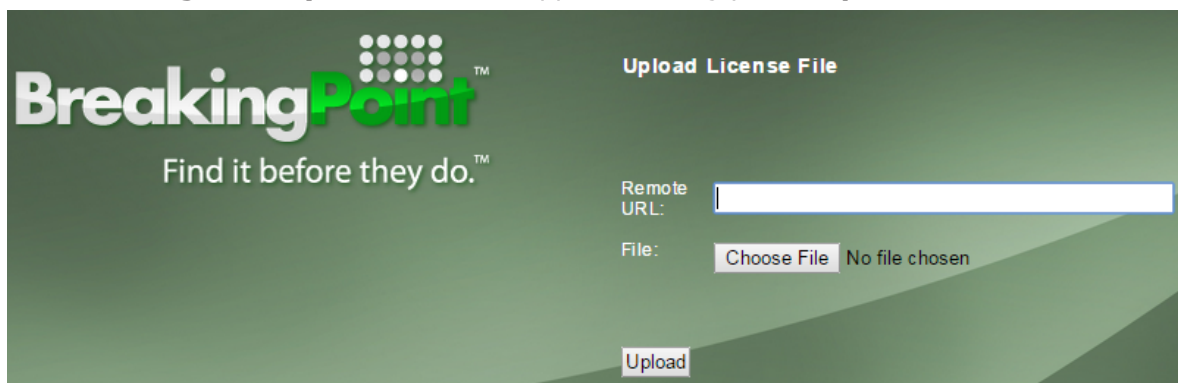
The **Offline Operation** dialog box is shown. It has a title bar with the text "Offline Operation" and a close button (X). The main content area is titled "Importing a license file." and contains the following instructions:

Instructions:

1. Get 'Activation Code' and 'License Quantity' from sales rep or Order email.
2. On a remote PC that is connected to the internet, enter the URL of one of the pages:  
-> [Offline Activation](#)  
-> [Offline Deactivation](#)
3. Enter the HostID, Activation Code and quantity into the appropriate fields, on the web page. The provided quantity marks the desired number of total active licenses.
4. Click the 'Accept' button to download the license file onto the remote PC.
5. Transfer the license file from the remote PC to this PC. You can use ftp, or use removable media.
6. Click the 'Import License' button to select the license file.
7. Import the license.

Below the instructions, there is a label "Last Confirmation Code:" followed by a text input field and an "Import" button. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Finish" (green) and "Cancel" (black).

5. Select **Import**.  
The **BreakingPoint Systems** window appears asking you to **Upload License File**.

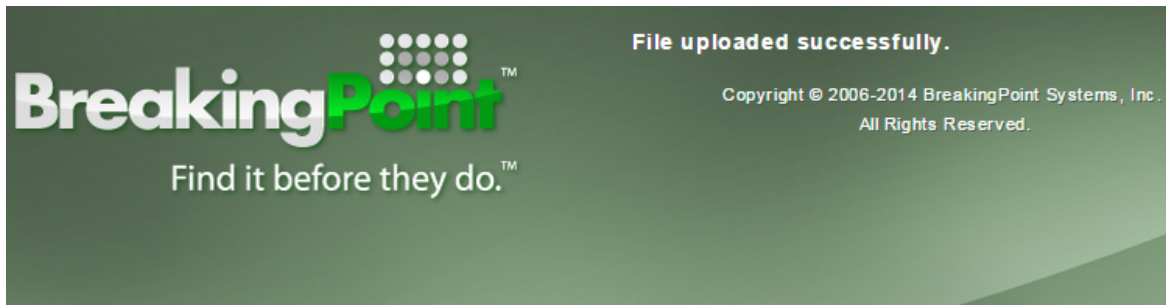


The **BreakingPoint Systems** window is shown. It has a green background with the BreakingPoint logo and the tagline "Find it before they do." on the left. On the right, the title "Upload License File" is displayed. Below the title, there is a "Remote URL:" label followed by a text input field. Below that, there is a "File:" label followed by a "Choose File" button and the text "No file chosen". At the bottom center, there is an "Upload" button.

6. Select **Choose File** and open the license file intended for import.

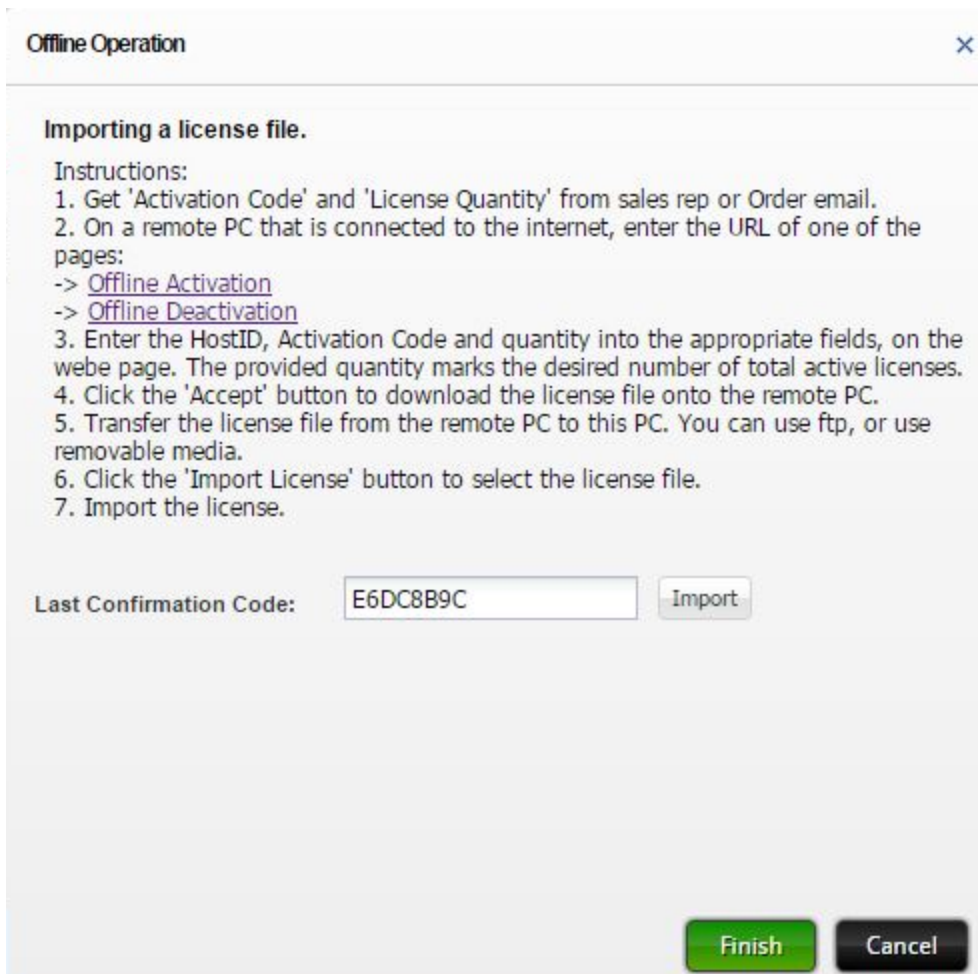
7. Select Upload to complete the import.

On successful upload, the following message appears.



8. In the **Offline Operation** dialog box, Select **Finish**.

The system generates the **Confirmation Code** as depicted in the following image. You have to submit this code in the deactivation window. Make a note of this code.





**Note:** In case you lose the **Confirmation Code**, select the **Offline Activation** button again. The **Offline Operation** dialog box displays the **Last Confirmation Code** for the **Last Imported File**.

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### Step 3: Submit Confirmation Code

1. Go to step 6 in [Step 1: Generate License File on page 111](#).
2. Enter the **Confirmation Code**.
3. Select **Commit**.

The license is now deactivated.

## CHAPTER 8 Troubleshooting

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This chapter provides recommended solutions for issues you may encounter while deploying or using BreakingPoint Virtual Edition.

### Unable to Track Modified IPs

After the deployment of the System Controller and Virtual Blades, the IP addresses for these components are stored in the vController and displayed at the console. These IP addresses allow the components to recognize each other and populate slot information in the **Manage Virtual Chassis** and **Device Status** areas of the user interface.

If the IP addresses of the vBlades change for any reason (for example, due to new IP addresses being issued from DHCP) the vController will not be aware of the new IP addresses. This will result in the BPS Chassis View indicating that ports are not available.

#### Solution

Perform the following tasks to resolve the problem:

1. Go to **VM Deployment > Manage Virtual Chassis**. Delete one of the slots. This task empties the slot in the Manage Controller.
2. Delete the virtual machine from vSphere. This Virtual Machine (VM) should not be used for any other purpose.
3. Install the Virtual Blades again from the **VM Deployment**. New IP addresses for the Virtual Machine (VM) are added in the **Manage Virtual Chassis** and **Device Status** areas of the user interface.

### Virtual Blades Not Available

In a scenario where the IP address of the System Controller has changed, the vBlades will not be available in the **Manage Virtual Chassis** area of the user interface. Note that NIC1 of the vController (Refer to [Network Topology Diagram](#)) is used for System Controller and vBlade communications.

#### Solution

Perform the following tasks to resolve this problem:

1. Go to **Manage Virtual Chassis** and delete all Virtual Blades from the vSphere.
2. Deploy VM again so that new entries are created in the vController and recognized in **Manage Virtual Chassis** and **Device Status**.

## Cannot Connect to a Hypervisor from the BPS VE User Interface

In a scenario where you cannot connect to a Hypervisor from the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition user interface, try making the following modifications on the Hypervisor to resolve the issue.

### Solution

1. `sudo vi /etc/ssh/sshd_config`
2. Modify line "PermitRootLogin without-password" with "PermitRootLogin yes"
3. `sudo service ssh restart`

## Permission Denied/Temp Error Occurs at Power Up

While trying to deploy vBlades from the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition UI, you may receive the following error, "permission denied /temp".

### Solution

Make the following modifications on the Hypervisor to resolve the issue.

- UBUNTU Setup
- 1. Add " /tmp/\* rw," in the file /etc/apparmor.d/abstractions/libvirt-qemu to grant write permission on /tmp
- 2. Restart AppArmor: `#/etc/init.d/apparmor restart`
- CENTOS Setup

SELinux needs to be disabled on the host machine.

1. Set SELINUX=permissive in file /etc/sysconfig/selinux and Save
2. Reboot the system

## BP VE User Interface Not Performing as Expected

The user interface has become unresponsive or is not performing as expected.

### Solution

Make the following operating system modifications at the host.

1. Export PATH variable - `export PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin`
2. Execute command: `apt-get update`
3. Add following entries to /etc/sysctl.conf:  
`net.bridge.-nf-call-ip6tables = 0`  
`net.bridge.-nf-call-iptables = 0`  
`net.bridge.-nf-call-arptables = 0`  
`net.bridge.-nf-filter-vlan-tagged = 0`



4. Execute command: `sysctl -p`
5. Recreate bridges
6. Set `txqueuelen` for `vnet1` & `vnet2` to 12000
7. Select Model as **Nehalem** under the processor configuration section and select **Copy Host CPU Configuration**
8. Delete unwanted devices
9. Before running the test ensure that: `vhost_net` module loaded using command: `lsmod | grep vhost`
10. Turn off the firewall using the command: `ufw disable`

## Permission Denied Error Occurs While Trying to Deploy vController

A "permission denied" error may be observed in the console or Virtual Machine Manager at the host while trying to deploy the vController.

### Solution

- Enable root access for QEMU guests:
  - Edit file `/etc/libvirt/qemu.conf` and uncomment Line (1)`User = "root"` and (2)`group = "root"`
- Restart libvirt daemon:
  - `#!/etc/init.d/libvirt-bin restart`
  - `#!/etc/init.d/libvirtd restart`

## Restart Connection Interruption During KVM vBlade Deployment

Please be aware that during vBlade deployment from the BPS user interface in the KVM setup, a restart connection interruption may occur in the Virtual Machine Manager on the host machine due to the Libvirt service.

## vBlade Memory Errors

When the system has 64MB or less of free memory, a vBlade will generate low memory error messages in 120 second intervals.

### Solution

In a scenario where the system becomes unstable due to low memory, try the following steps to resolve the issue. For best results, perform these steps in order.

1. Reduce "Maximum Simultaneous Super Flows".
2. If running a multicomponent test, reduce the number of components.

3. Reduce the number of vBlade NICs that are used.
4. Reduce the number of IP addresses if "Per-host Stats" is enabled.

## vController Memory Errors

When the system has 64MB or less of free memory, a System Controller will generate low memory error messages in 120 second intervals.



**Note:** There should be a balance between the System Controller and the number of supported vBlades based on the resources provided to the System Controller.

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## CHAPTER 9 Upgrade the BPS VE Software


In order to upgrade BreakingPoint VE software, you must download the appropriate update file from either of the following sites (which will require a password for access):

<https://strikecenter.ixiacom.com/bps/osupdates>

<http://www.ixiacom.com/downloads-updates> (select BreakingPoint Virtual Edition)

You will also need to obtain the applicable release notes from the website. The release notes describe new features, resolved issues and known issues that may affect the BPS VE installation, upgrade and operation.

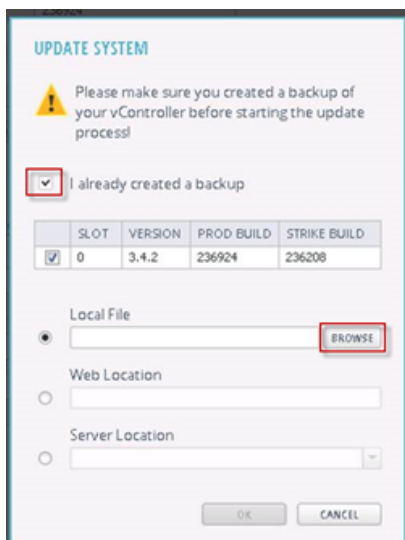
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 **Note:** You must have BreakingPoint VE controller version 3.4.2 or higher to perform this upgrade.


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### To upgrade BPS VE:

1. Download the BreakingPoint Virtual Edition VM update file.
2. Log in to the Ixia BreakingPoint VE System.
3. Navigate to **ADMINISTRATION -> SYSTEM SETTINGS -> UPDATES**.
4. Select **UPDATE SYSTEM** and then see the image below.
  - a. After you have created a backup of your vController, select the, **I already created a backup**, option.
  - b. Browse to the location of the BreakingPoint VE update file and select **OK** to start the update.



**UPDATE SYSTEM**

 Please make sure you created a backup of your vController before starting the update process!

☒ I already created a backup

|                                     | SLOT | VERSION | PROD BUILD | STRIKE BUILD |
|-------------------------------------|------|---------|------------|--------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 0    | 3.4.2   | 236924     | 236208       |

Local File ☒  **BROWSE**

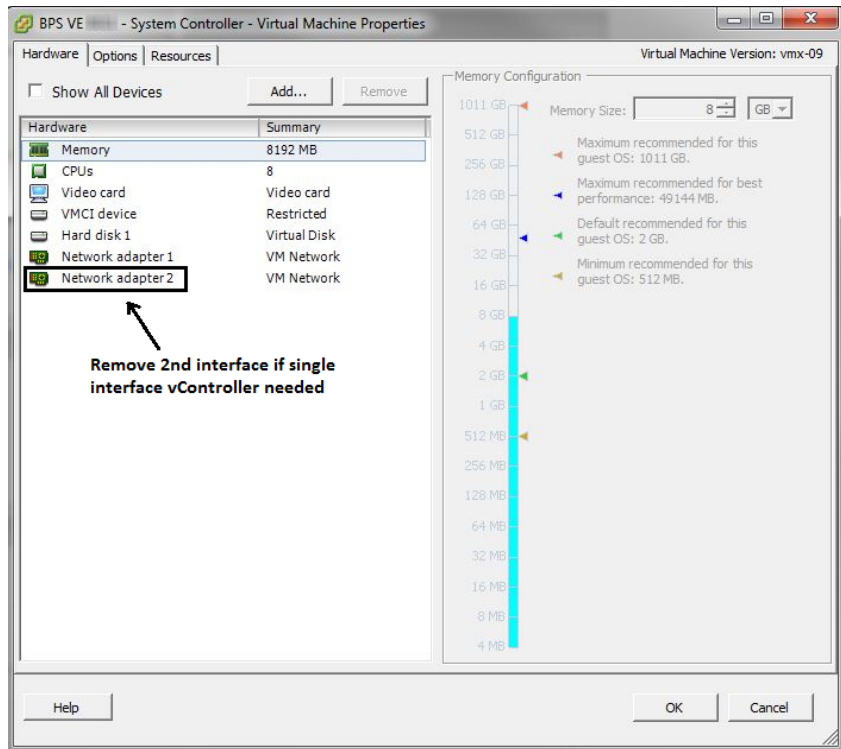
Web Location ☐

Server Location ☐

OK CANCEL

5. The BreakingPoint VE update will take 15-20 minutes to complete.
6. To verify that the update has been installed, see the version information in the Installed Applications section of the **UPDATES** tab.

**Note:** After upgrading the BPS VE vController from 8.01 (or earlier releases) to release 8.10, the vController will continue to display 2 interfaces. To operate using a **Single Interface vController**, access the Virtual Machine Properties and delete the 2nd interface (Network adapter2) as shown in the image below. **Do not delete the 1st interface.**



## APPENDIX A Certified and Compatible Cards

The following table lists the cards that are certified and compatible with BPS VE.

| Card | Vendor | Speed (Gbps) | Driver Version on Guest |                 |   |                                       | Delivered As |
|------|--------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------|
|      |        |              |                         | VMware ESXi 6.0 | KVM CentOS / OpenStack                          | KVM Ubuntu / OpenStack                |              |
| X520 | Intel  | 10           | ixgbe 5.1.3             | ixgbe 4.5.2     | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|      |        |              | ixgbevf 4.1.2           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| X540 | Intel  | 10           | ixgbe 5.1.3             | ixgbe 4.5.2     | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|      |        |              | ixgbevf 4.1.2           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| X550 | Intel  | 10           | ixgbe 5.1.3             | ixgbe 4.5.2     | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|      |        |              | ixgbevf 4.1.2           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| X552 | Intel  | 10           | ixgbe 5.1.3             | ixgbe 4.5.2     | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Compatible   |
|      |        |              | ixgbevf 4.1.2           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| X557 | Intel  | 10           | ixgbe 5.1.3             | ixgbe 4.5.2     | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | ixgbe 5.1.3 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Compatible   |
|      |        |              | ixgbevf 4.1.2           |                 |   |                                       |              |

| Card   | Vendor | Speed (Gbps) | Driver Version on Guest |                 |   |                                       | Delivered As |
|--------|--------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------|
|        |        |              |                         | VMware ESXi 6.0 | KVM CentOS / OpenStack                          | KVM Ubuntu / OpenStack                |              |
| X710   | Intel  | 10           | i40e 2.0.26             | i40e 2.0.6      | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|        |        |              | i40evf 2.0.30           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| XL710  | Intel  | 40           | i40e 2.0.26             | i40e 2.0.6      | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|        |        |              | i40evf 2.0.30           |                 |   |                                       |              |
| XXV710 | Intel  | 25           | i40e 2.0.26             | i40e 2.0.6      | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 | i40e 2.0.26 / kernel 4.4.0-62-generic | Certified    |
|        |        |              | i40evf 2.0.30           |                 |   |                                       |              |

## **APPENDIX B** Open Port Requirements for BPS VE

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The following ports may need to be included in the security exception list to allow the respective BPS interfaces to pass through firewalls.

### **Interface between client UI browser (or TCL) and vController (System Controller):**

- 80
- 443
- 843
- 1099
- 8880
- 8881

### **Interface between vController (System Controller) and vBlade (Network processor)**

- 8887
- 8889 - 8939
- 8943 - 8945

### **Interface between vController (System Controller) and an external License Server**

- 4502
- 27002
- 47392

## APPENDIX C Console Commands

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This section provides an overview of the commands that can be run from the console of the vController Virtual Machine (VM). For a complete list of console commands, run the **help** command as described below.

You can access the console from your VMware or KVM user interface or SSH.

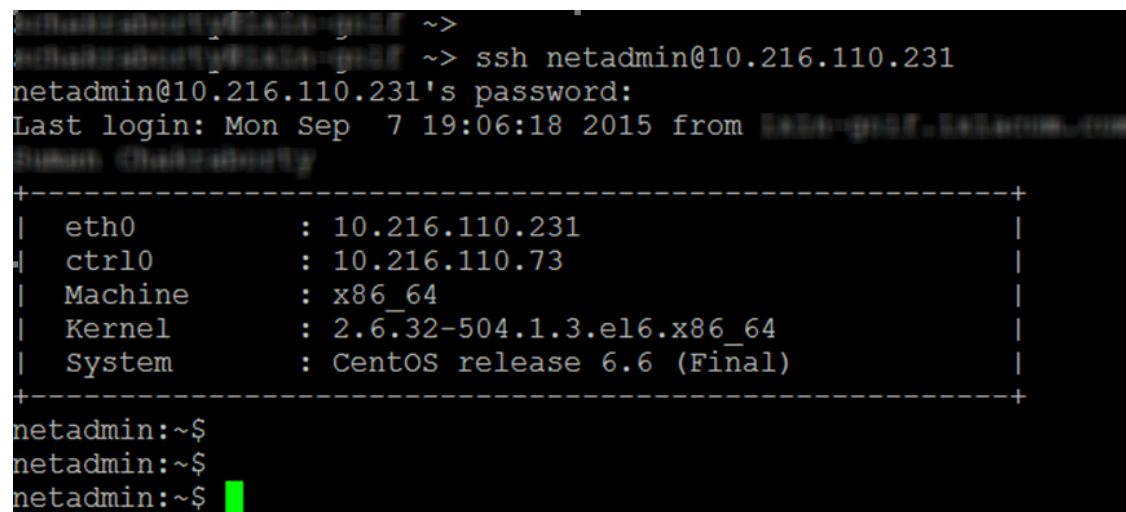
**The following login is required:**

**user:** netadmin

**password:** netadmin

### Welcome Screen

After logging in, a Welcome screen similar to the one shown below will display.



```
netadmin@10.216.110.231's password:
Last login: Mon Sep  7 19:06:18 2015 from 10.216.110.231
Welcome to CentOS Linux 6.6 (Final)

+-----+
| eth0      : 10.216.110.231 |
| ctrl0     : 10.216.110.73  |
| Machine   : x86_64        |
| Kernel    : 2.6.32-504.1.3.el6.x86_64 |
| System    : CentOS release 6.6 (Final) |
+-----+

netadmin:~$
netadmin:~$
netadmin:~$
```

### help

Enter "?" or **help** at the console to see a list of all console commands as shown in the image below.



```
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ ?  
clear  help      lpath  lsudo  restartservice  showdate  
exit   history   ls      pwd    setip          showip  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ help  
clear  help      lpath  lsudo  restartservice  showdate  
exit   history   ls      pwd    setip          showip  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ █
```

For help with the parameters of a specific command, enter the command followed by "-h". For example, **restartservice -h**.

## restartservice

See the example below.

```
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ restartservice -h  
usage: restartservice [-h] -s SERVICE  
  
Restarts the service specified.  
  
optional arguments:  
  -h, --help  show this help message and exit  
  -s SERVICE  Service, e.g. network  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ █
```

## Showdate

See the example below.

```
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ showdate -h  
usage: showdate [-h]  
  
Prints the system date and time.  
  
optional arguments:  
  -h, --help  show this help message and exit  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ showdate  
Mon Sep  7 19:20:05 PDT 2015  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$
```

## Showip

See the example below.

```
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ showip -h  
usage: showip [-h]  
  
Displays the status of the currently active interfaces.  
  
optional arguments:  
  -h, --help  show this help message and exit  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ showip  
eth0    : 10.216.110.231  
ctrl0   : 10.216.110.73  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$
```

## Setip

See the example below.

```
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ setip -h  
usage: setip [-h] [-iface IFACE] [-dhcp] [-ip IP] [-mask MASK] [-gw GW]  
  
Sets the IPv4 address for the specified interface.  
  
optional arguments:  
  -h, --help      show this help message and exit  
  -iface IFACE    Interface  
  -dhcp           DHCP/Static  
  -ip IP          IP Address  
  -mask MASK      Netmask  
  -gw GW          Gateway  
netadmin:~$  
netadmin:~$ setip -iface eth0 -ip 10.205.216.212 -mask 24 -gw 10.205.216.1
```

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