Cisco UCS Firmware Version Information

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Introduction

This document explains how to interpret UCS firmware version information and identify components of the UCS firmware.

The Cisco UCS firmware is delivered in these ways:

- The UCS images are shipped as a single bundle or as individual component images, which include the UCS Manager, UCS Fabric Interconnect, IO module, BMC, BIOS, adapter, etc.
- The UCS firmware is hosted on the Cisco Software Delivery System.
- UCS Manager unpacks the bundle and updates the image catalog stored on the switch.
- The UCS Manager maintains a catalog of all the component images stored on the switch.
- Only one version of each component is shipped in any bundle. Component images for multiple hardware platforms with UCS are included in the same bundle.
- Each component image is versioned and customer visible. You can upgrade each component image separately, provided that it is compatible.

The UCS firmware comes in two ways, either in a bundle or in individual images:

- Bundle:
 - The bundle includes a package for each component that requires firmware.
 - ♦ Currently there are three bundles to track:
 - ♦ .bin normal bundle
 - ♦ .gbin bundle with debug information; engineering instructed only
 - ♦ dplug dplug file that allows root access to the NX–OS; engineering instructed only
- Individual images

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have a working knowledge of these:

- The Cisco UCS Server Blade software and hardware
- The UCS Manager
- The impact and implications of the different commands described in this document
- The UCS components and topology; refer to the network diagram for a typical solution.

Ensure that you meet these requirements before you attempt this configuration:

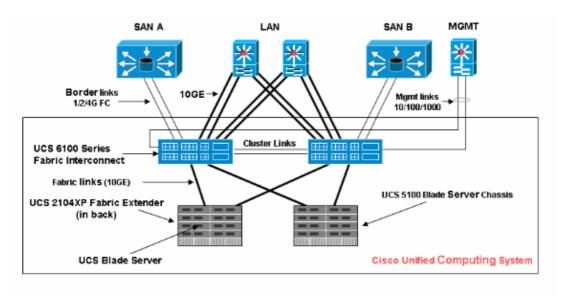
Components Used

The information in this document is based on Cisco UCS.

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a default configuration. If your network is live, make sure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

Network Diagram

A typical Cisco UCS topology looks similar to this:



Conventions

Refer to the Cisco Technical Tips Conventions for more information on document conventions.

Configure

1. UCS Firmware Version Information

This section describes the UCS firmware version format.

The NX-OS version numbers adhere to the standard Cisco format. For example, **4.0(0)N1.1**.

Other UCS Components

Other UCS components adhere to the standard software format (X.Y.Z). For example, 1.0.0.

- X is a major version/release. It is used for major feature releases or architectural changes
- Y is a minor version/release.
- Z is a bug fix version/release.

2. The UCS Firmware Package

The image represents a piece of firmware that is specific to an end point. For example, IOM image, BMC image, etc. Multiple Images are bundled together to form a package. A package is meant only for ease of distribution and download. Unlike the image, a package does not have a version. The UCS manager allows the download of both the package and individual images. If you download a package, it is unpacked, and the individual images are extracted from it. A package is a read—only object that is created when it is downloaded. A package does not occupy any disk space. It represents a list of images that were unpacked as part of the package download. A package cannot be deleted. It is deleted automatically when all the images that came with it are deleted. When an individual image is downloaded, the package name is same as the image name.

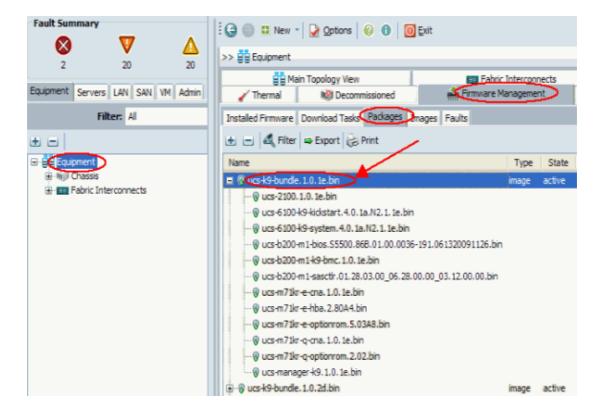
Images that are in a package:

- Fabric-Interconnect Kernel and System images
- UCS Manager image
- IOM firmware image
- BMC firmware image
- Adapter firmware network facing (Cisco UCS CNA M71KR, Cisco UCS VIC M81KR)
- Adapter firmware host facing (applicable for Cisco UCS CNA M71KR adapter only)
 - ♦ Qlogic option ROM
 - ♦ Emulex option ROM
 - ♦ Emulex firmware
- LSI option ROM
- LSI firmware
- BIOS

3. The UCS Firmware Bundle Overview

In order to see a UCS firmware bundle, complete these steps:

- 1. Log into the UCS Manager.
- 2. Click the **Equipment** tab on the Navigation pane.
- 3. Click the **Firmware Management** tab on the Work pane.
- 4. Click **Package** under the Firmware Management tab.
- 5. Click the specific firmware bundle.



These illustrate the firmware components within each bundle:

- ♦ ucs-2100.1.0.1e.bin IO Module image
- ♦ ucs-6100-k9-kickstart.4.0.1a.N2.1.1e.bin UCS Fabric Interconnect Kickstart Image
- ♦ ucs-6100-k9-system.4.0.1a.N2.1.1e.bin UCS Fabric Interconnect System Image
- ♦ ucs-b200-m1-bios.S5500.86B.01.00.0036-191.061320091126.bin UCS-B200-M1 Blade BIOS
- ♦ ucs-b200-m1-k9-bmc.1.0.1e.bin Blade BMC Image
- ♦ ucs-b200-m1-sasctlr.01.26.00.00_06.24.02.00_03.08.00.00.bin LSI Logic SAS Controller Image
- ♦ ucs-m71kr-e-cna.1.0.1e.bin Cisco UCS CNA M71KR -Emulex CNA Image
- ♦ ucs-m71kr-e-hba.2.80A4.bin Cisco UCS CNA M71KR -Emulex HBA Image
- ♦ ucs-m71kr-e-optionrom.5.03A8.bin Cisco UCS CNA M71KR -Emulex Option ROM Image
- ♦ ucs-m71kr-q-cna.1.0.1e.bin Cisco UCS CNA M71KR -Qlogic CNA Image
- ◆ ucs-m71kr-q-optionrom.2.02.bin Cisco UCS CNA M71KR -Qlogic Option ROM Image
- ♦ ucs-manager-k9.1.0.1e.bin UCS GUI Image

4.1 The UCS 6100 Fabric Interconnect Firmware

This is an image of the UCS Fabric Interconnect firmware:



- Kickstart Image ucs-6100-k9-kickstart.4.0.1a.N2.1.1e.bin
- System Image ucs-6100-k9-system.4.0.1a.N2.1.1e.bin

4.2 The UCS 2100 Firmware IO Module

This is a single firmware image ucs-2100.1.0.1e.bin



4.3 The UCS B Series Blade Firmware

This is an image of the UCS B Series Blade firmware:



- BIOS ucs-b200-m1-bios.S5500.86B.01.00.0036-191.061320091126.bin
- BMC ucs-b200-m1-k9-bmc.1.0.1e.bin
- LSI SAS Controller ucs-b200-m1-sasctlr.01.26.03.00_03.12.00.00.bin

4.4 The UCS Adapter Cards Firmware

- Cisco UCS 82598KR-CI Converged Network Adapter No firmware
- Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Emulex
 - ♦ Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Emulex ucs-m71kr-e-cna.1.0.1e.bin
 - ♦ Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Emulex FC ucs-m71kr-e-hba.2.80A4.bin
 - ♦ Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Emulex Option ROM ucs-m71kr-e-optionrom.5.03A8.bin
- Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Qlogic
 - ♦ Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Qlogic ucs-m71kr-q-cna.1.0.1e.bin
 - ♦ Cisco UCS CNA M71KR Qlogic Option ROM ucs-m71kr-q-optionrom.2.02.bin

4.5 The UCS Manager Firmware

This is an image of the UCS Manager firmware:



Cisco UCS Manager

Single point of device management for the Cisco Systems Unified Computing System.

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UCS Manager ucs-manager-k9.4.0.1a.N2.1.1e.bin

The code resides and runs on the UCS 6100.

Verify

There is currently no verification procedure available for this configuration.

Troubleshoot

There is currently no specific troubleshooting information available for this configuration.

Related Information

- Technical Support & Documentation Cisco Systems
- Common Tips in UCS Firmware Management
- Unified Computing System Firmware Management Best Practices

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