

Fabrics Configuration And Routing





Agenda

- Fabric configuration and routing
 - Fabric model hierarchy
 - Zones
 - Address pools
 - Connections



Fabric Model Resources

- Switches, ports, and adapters are used to model physical topology
- Zones and address pools are used to control routing in a fabric
- Connections are used to control access rules for fabric connected devices



Fabric Zones, Connections, Address Pools

- Represents the customer intent of the fabric
 - Provides mechanisms to constrain traffic in the fabric
 - Defined by a fabric administrator
 - Models which endpoints can communicate with other endpoints



Fabric Zones

- Expresses routing constraints in a fabric
 - Provides isolation of groups of endpoints
 - Enables multi-tenant access on the fabric
 - Communication is limited to the zone
 - "Default zone" defined for entire fabric
 - New endpoints are added to the default zone
 - Zone of zones
 - Fabrics can provide zone-to-zone connectivity via zone of zones
 - Allows for scalability for large fabrics
 - Can only contain zones of endpoints



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Fabric Address Pools

- Constrains control planespecific pools of addresses and configuration
 - Example: In Ethernet fabrics, address pools can contain subnet, default gateway, VLAN, BGP underlay, and EVPN information
- Can be applied to entire fabric or specific zones



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Fabric Connections

- Contains access permissions for resources once endpoints establish a communication channel
- Connections are between initiators and targets, or groups
- Does not define routing between the endpoints



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Example Address Pool

"Id": "AP1",
"Name": "AddressPool 1",
"Status": {
"State": "Enabled",
"Health": "OK"
<u>}</u>
"Ethernet": {
"IPv4": {
"VLANIdentifierAddressRange": {
"Lower": 1,
"Upper": 100
},
<pre>"FabricLinkAddressRange": {</pre>
"Lower": "192.168.1.1",
"Upper": "192.168.3.254"
},
"SystemMACRange": {
"Lower": "AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:00",
"Upper": "AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF"
},
}

All endpoints within this address pool must conform with the constraints provided in this address pool

Ethernet fabric; IPv4 addressing constraints

Upper and lower bounds for VLAN IDs

Constraints on system MAC IDs





Example Connection

Endpoint 5 is allowed to read or write the memory chunk provided by endpoint 4

```
"Id": "24",
"Name": "Connection 24",
"ConnectionType": "Memory",
                                             Connection type and resource info
"MemoryChunkInfo":
       "AccessCapabilities":
            "Read"
            "Write"
                                         Connected resource and access information
         "AccessState": "Optimized"
 "Links": {
      "InitiatorEndpoints"
          "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/Fabrics/GenZ/Endpoints/5" }
```

"TargetEndpoints": [

"@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/Fabrics/GenZ/Endpoints/4"}

Initiator and target endpoints affected by this connection



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