

# **Enterprise Standards and Best Practices For IT Infrastructure.**

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Practical: Lab Assignment Vmotion

## vMotion And vMotion Migration.

vMotion enables the live migration of running virtual machines from one physical server to another with zero downtime, continuous service availability, and complete transaction integrity. It is transparent to users.

vMotion Migration can use the Migration wizard to migrate a powered-on virtual machine from one host to another using vMotion technology. To relocate the disks of a powered-on virtual machine, migrate the virtual machine using Storage vMotion.

#### vMotion can be used to,

- Improve overall hardware utilization.
- Allow continued virtual machine operation while accommodating scheduled hardware downtime.
- Allow vSphere distributed scheduler (DRS) to balance virtual machine across hosts.

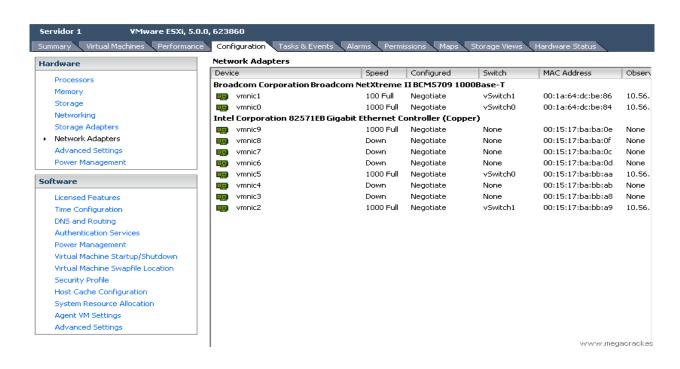
## Advantages of the vMotion Migration.

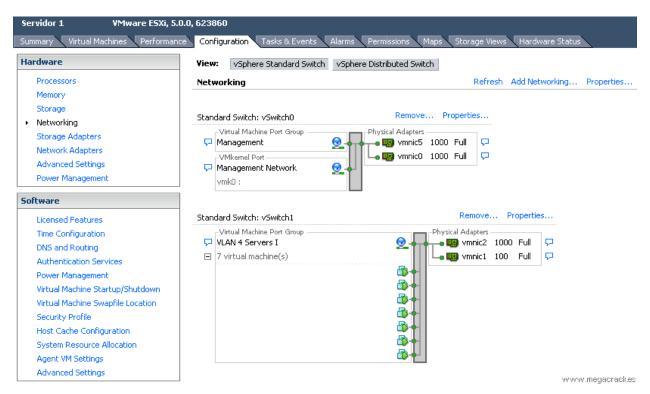
- Automatically optimize and allocate entire pools of resources.
- Move VM's from failing or underperforming priorities.
- Minimizes scheduled Downtime.

### Disdvantages of the vMotion Migration.

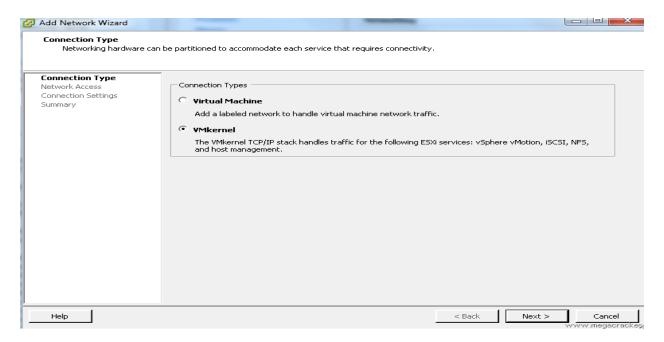
- VM type type may not be part of organization standard.
- Swivel is often deployed in the DMZ and a VM infrastructure may not be present.

1) Log in to the vmware vSphere Client to do the vmware vsphere migration. Go to the **Configuration** tab and click on **Network Adapters**.

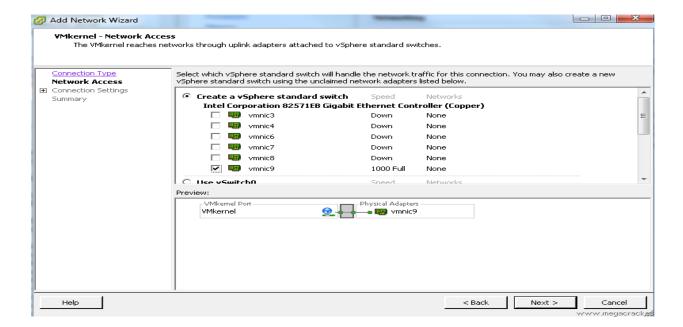




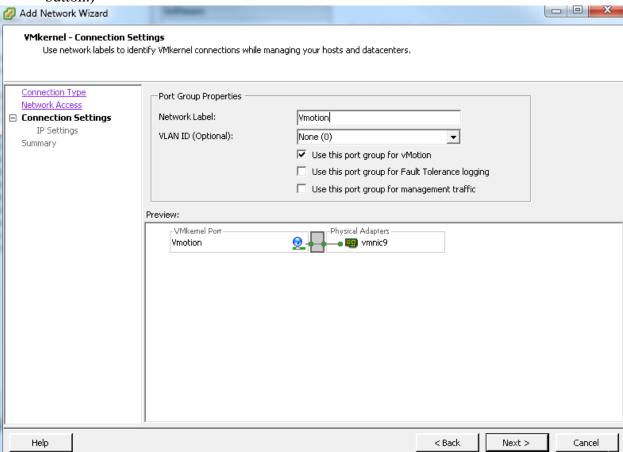
 Now click on Add Networking to create the vSwitch. Select connection type as VMKernel in the Add network Wizard. then click Next.



3) After appearing this window then click next button. Do not change any default selection.



**4)** Making a network card or cards that have connected from one server to another (in our case **vmnic9**) And click on **Next** (give the network label as vMotion. And select the first option as the VLAN ID. This is key step of the scenario. After doing that click next button.)



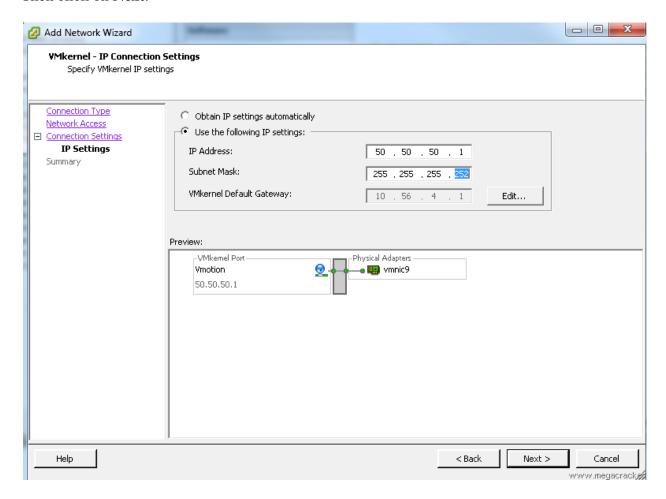
## 5) We set Use this port group for vMotion.

We wrote a **Label Network** different if you want (optional) and click on **Next.** We for example we put **Vmotion.** we have to give unique,

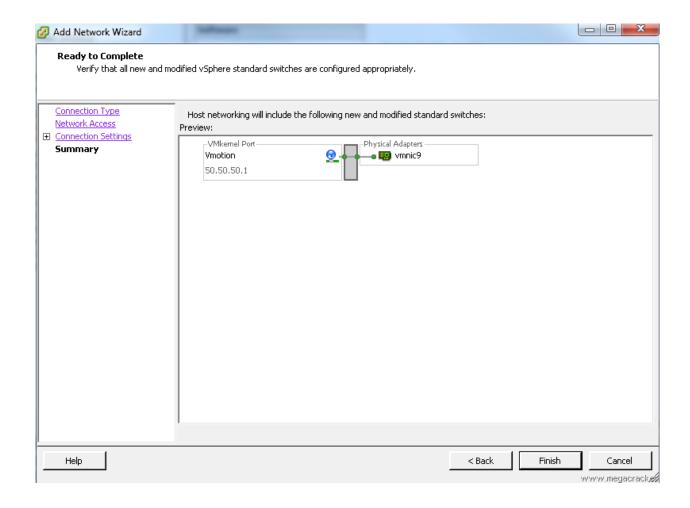
ip address -50.50.50.1

Subnet Mask - 255.255.255.0

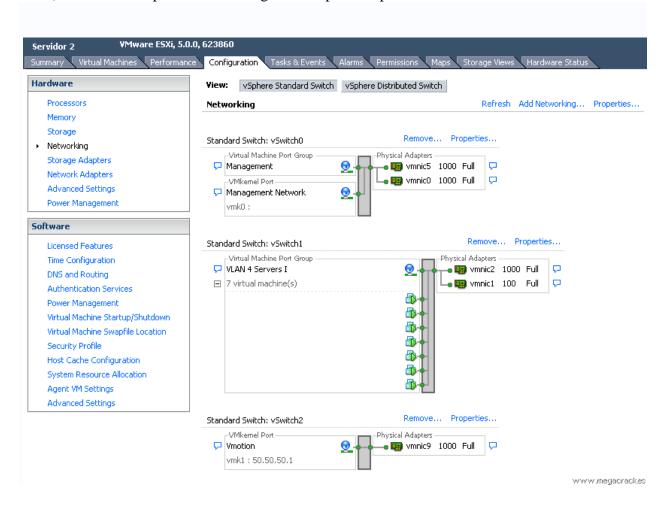
Then click on **Next**.

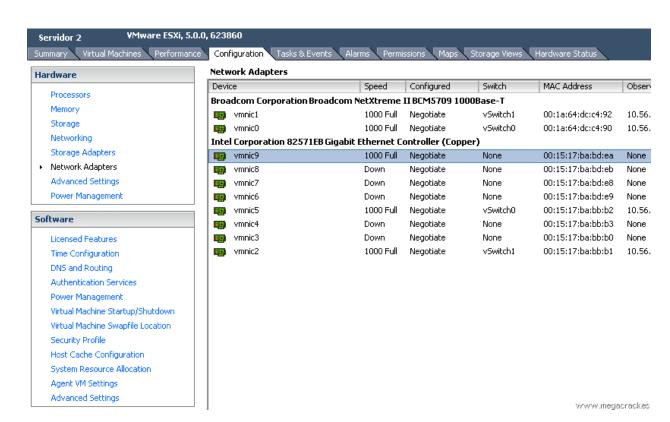


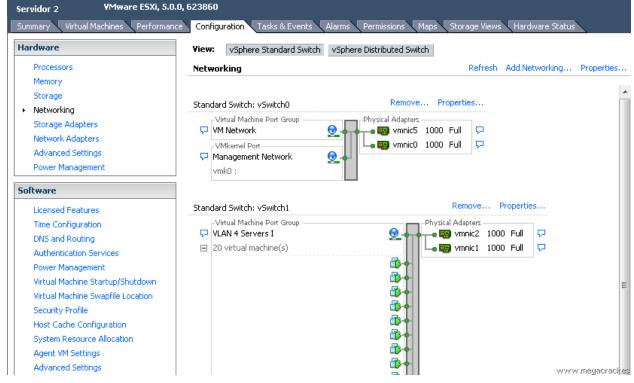
## 6) Click on **Finish** button.

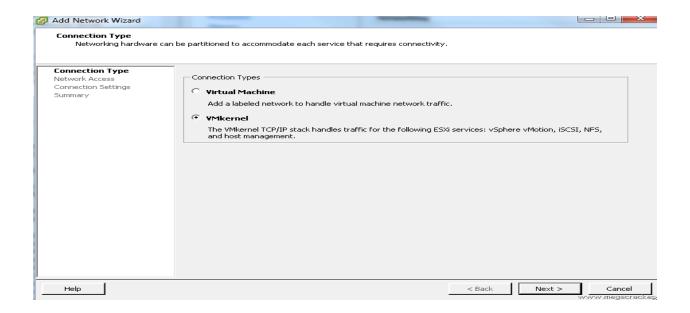


7) Do the same procedure starting from step1 to step 7 to the exsi02.

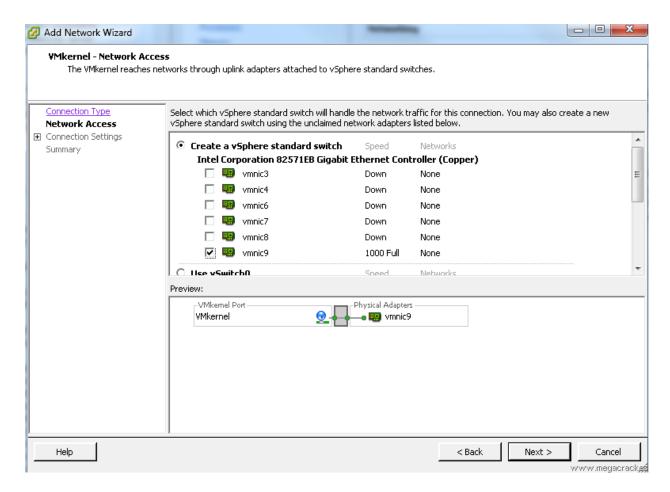


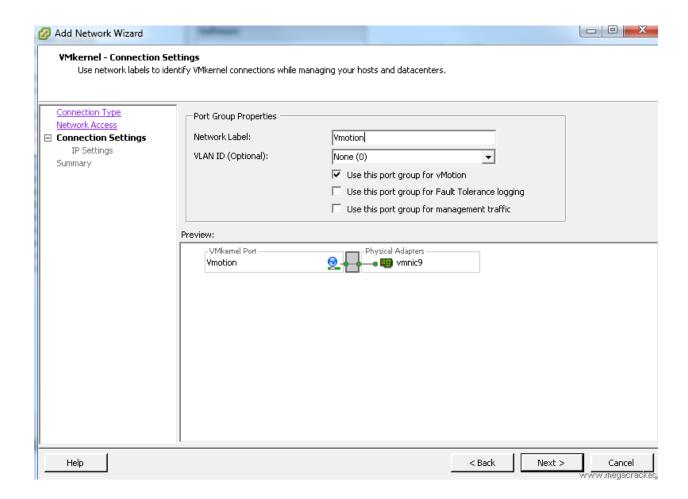






**8)** Making a network card or cards that have connected from one server to another (in our case **vmnic9**) And click on **Next.** 



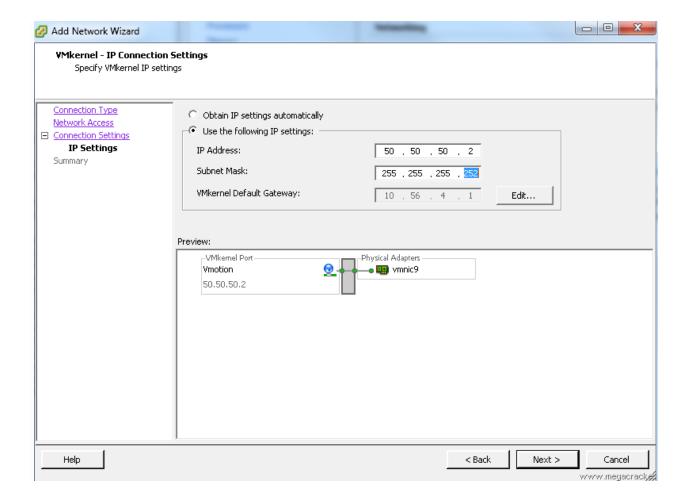


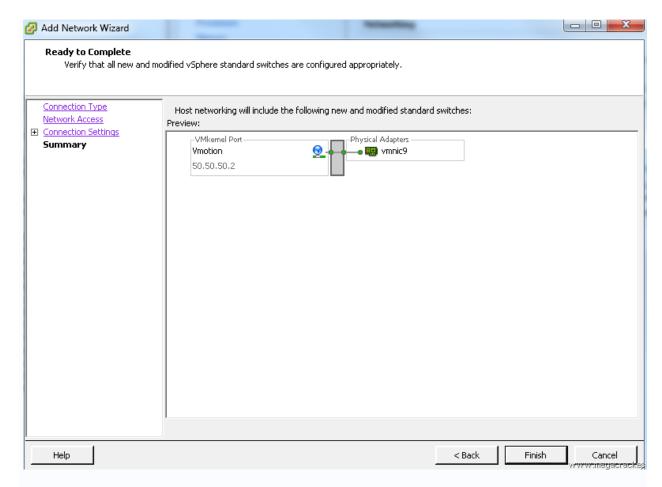
## 9) We set **Use the following IP settings:**

**IP Address: 50.50.50.2** (This ip must be different from the server that we configured earlier.

**Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.252** (Since we will use only 2 ip's).

Click on Next.

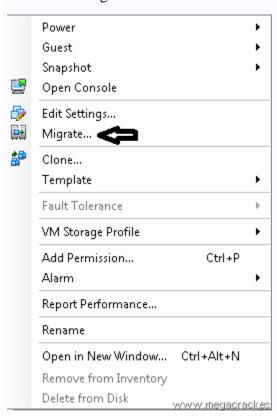




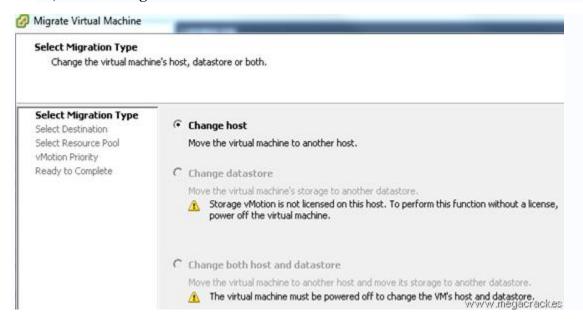
Click on Finish.

10) To ensure that the entire system is working properly migrate a VM from one ESXi to the other using Vmotion functionality you just configured.

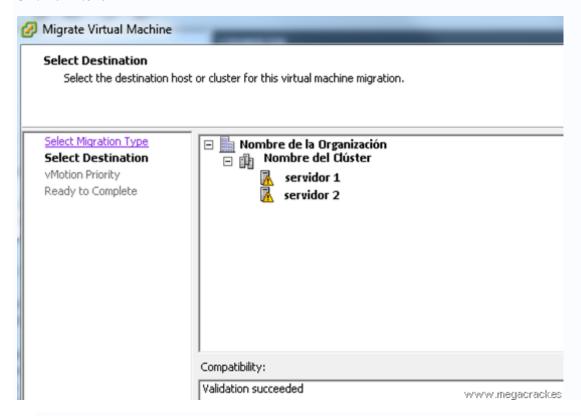
Press the right mouse button on a virtual machine



#### 11) Click on Migrate

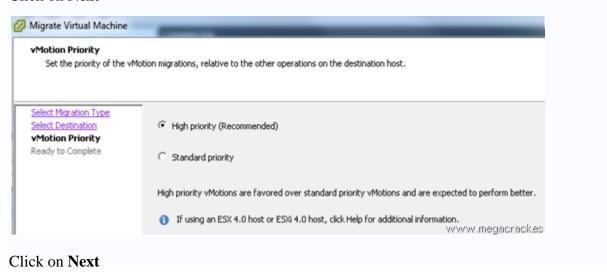


#### Click on Next



12) Select the target server where we will move the virtual machine.

#### Click on Next





13) Click on Finish to start the migration

# **Requirements vMotion Migration.**

### Hardware Requirements vMotion Migration.

- Virtual machine must have a connection to a virtual device (such as a CD ROM or floppy drive) with a local image mounted.
- Virtual machine must not have a connection to an internal vSwitch (vSwitch with zero upload adapters)
- A virtual machine must not have CPU affinity configured.

## **Host Requirements for vMotion Migration.**

Source and destination host must have

- Visibility to all storage(fiber channel, iSSCI or NAS) used by the virtual machine.
- At least a Gigabit Ethernet network,
  - 1. Four concurrent vMotion migrations on a 1 Gbps network.
  - 2. Eight concurrent vMotion Migrations on a 10 Gbps network.
- Access on the same physical network compatible CPU.
- The hosts must be licensed for vMotion.
- The hosts must be running ESXi 5.1 or later.
- The hosts must meet the networking requirement for vMotion.
- The host on which the virtual machine is running must have a license that includes Storage vMotion.

## Software Requirements for vMotion Migration.

- Server requires a 64-bit operating system, and the 64-bit system DSN is required for vCenter Server to connect to its database.
- vCenter Server requires the Microsoft .NET 3.5 SP1 Framework. If it is not installed on your system, the vCenter Server installer installs it.
- The .NET 3.5 SP1 installation might require Internet connectivity to download more files.

### **Storage Requirements for vMotion Migration**

- Virtual machines with snapshots cannot be migrated using Storage vMotion.
- Virtual machine disks must be in persistent mode or be raw device mappings (RDMs).
- Migration of virtual machines during VMware Tools installation is not supported.
- The host on which the virtual machine is running must have a license that includes Storage vMotion.
- The host on which the virtual machine is running must have access to both the source and target data stores.

## Methods for addressing CPU Compatibility Requirements

There are several methods which can be used to address vMotion CPU Compatibility requirements.

- 1. Procure CPU with identical CPU.
- 2. Compatibility masking in the VSphere client.
- 3. Enhanced the vMotion compatibility.