

Administering Oracle Solaris Zones

Workflow Orientation



Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- Explain the fundamentals of Oracle Solaris zones
- Configure an Oracle Solaris zone
- Determine an Oracle Solaris zone configuration

Agenda

- **Introducing Oracle Solaris Zones**
- Configuring an Oracle Solaris Zone
- Determining an Oracle Solaris Zone Configuration

Oracle Solaris 11 Virtualization Technologies

- Virtualization technologies provide solutions to constantly changing business conditions.
- Data centers are using virtualization technologies to:
 - Consolidate applications and data onto fewer servers
 - Provide better flexibility for managing workloads
 - Support legacy applications on newer systems
 - Provision systems faster
 - Overcome scalability constraints
- The Oracle Solaris 11 virtualization technologies include:
 - Server virtualization
 - Desktop virtualization
 - Integrated solutions

Server Virtualization

- Oracle Solaris Zones
 - Provides isolated runtime environments for individual applications by using flexible, software-defined boundaries
- Oracle VM Server for SPARC
 - Is built for Oracle servers with the chip multithreading (CMT) technology
 - Is tightly integrated with the hardware
 - Reduces the overhead typically associated with software-based solutions
- Dynamic Domains
 - Are available on Oracle's Sun SPARC Enterprise M-Series servers
 - Divide a single machine into multiple electrically isolated partitions for efficient workload isolation

Desktop Virtualization

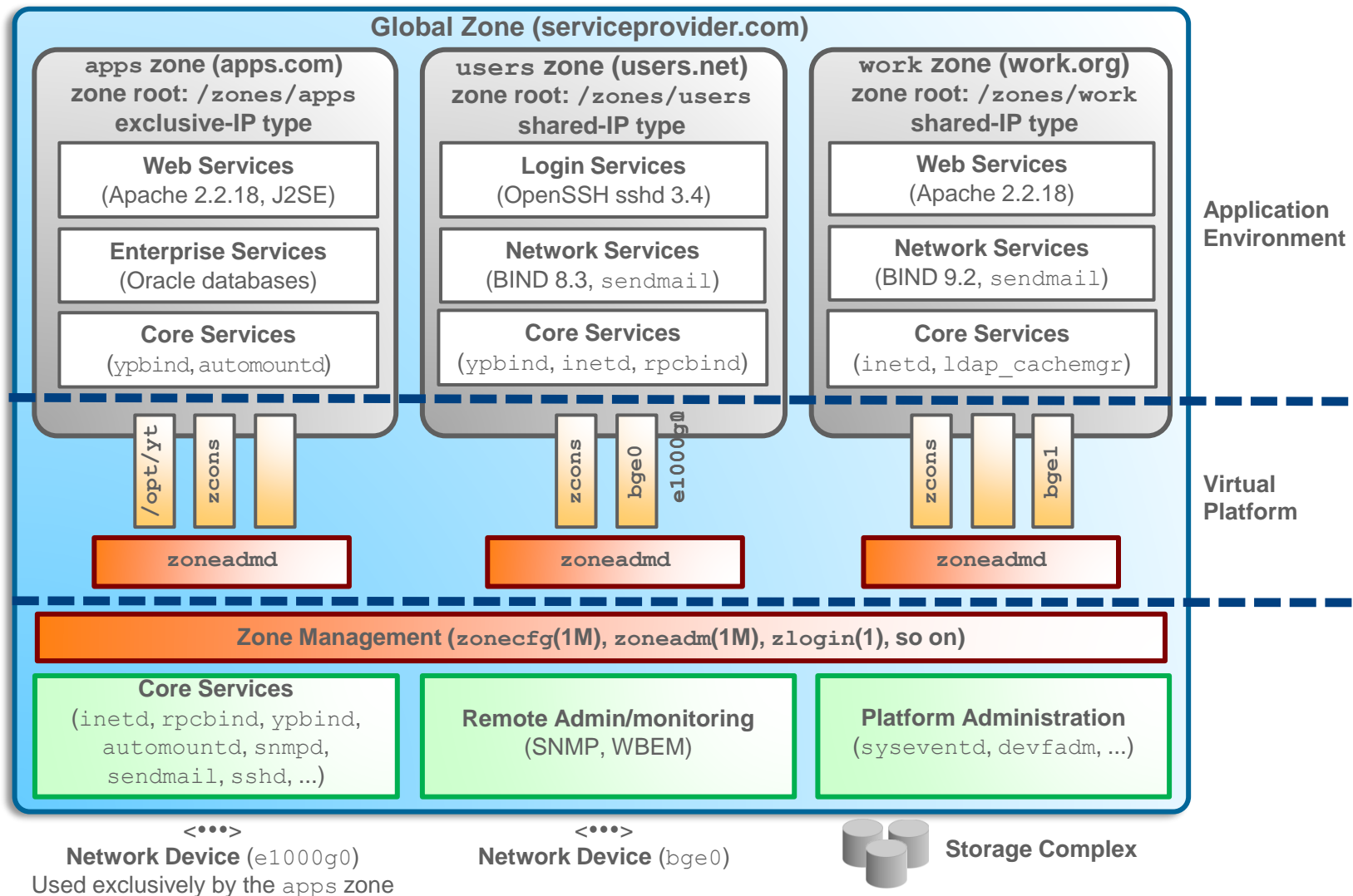
- Oracle Secure Global Desktop Software
 - Provides secure access to centralized, server-hosted Windows, UNIX, mainframe, and midrange applications from a variety of clients, including Windows PCs, Mac OS X systems, Oracle Solaris workstations, Linux PCs, thin clients, and more
- Oracle VM VirtualBox
 - Is an open-source solution that allows systems to run multiple environments at the same time to get the most flexibility and utilization

Oracle Solaris 11 Zones Technology: Overview

Zones:

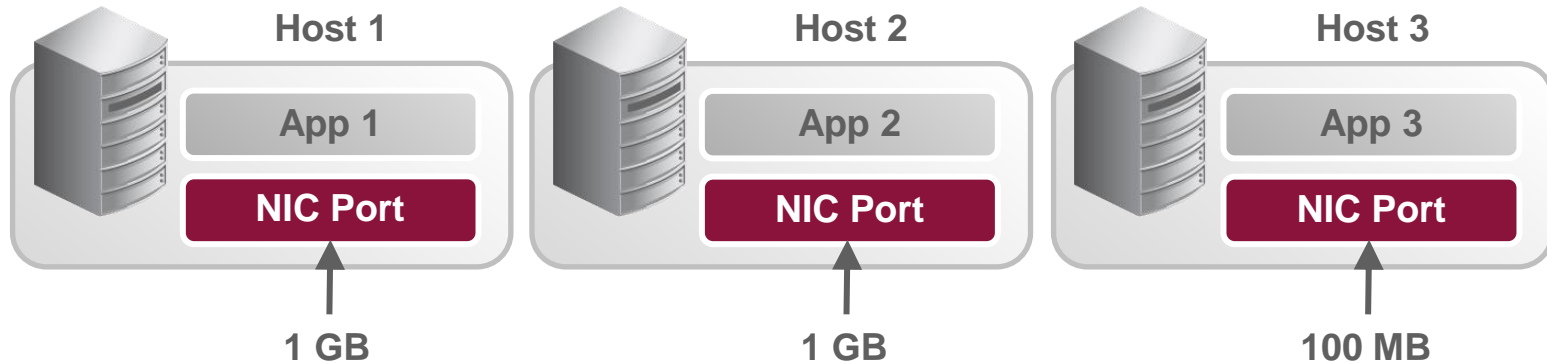
- Provide an isolated and secure environment for running applications
- Are virtualized operating system environments, each created within a single instance of the OS
- Are isolated from each other and the rest of the system
- Enable a one-application-per-server deployment model to be maintained while simultaneously sharing hardware resources
- Support installing and running Oracle Solaris Zones on shared storage

When to Use Zones

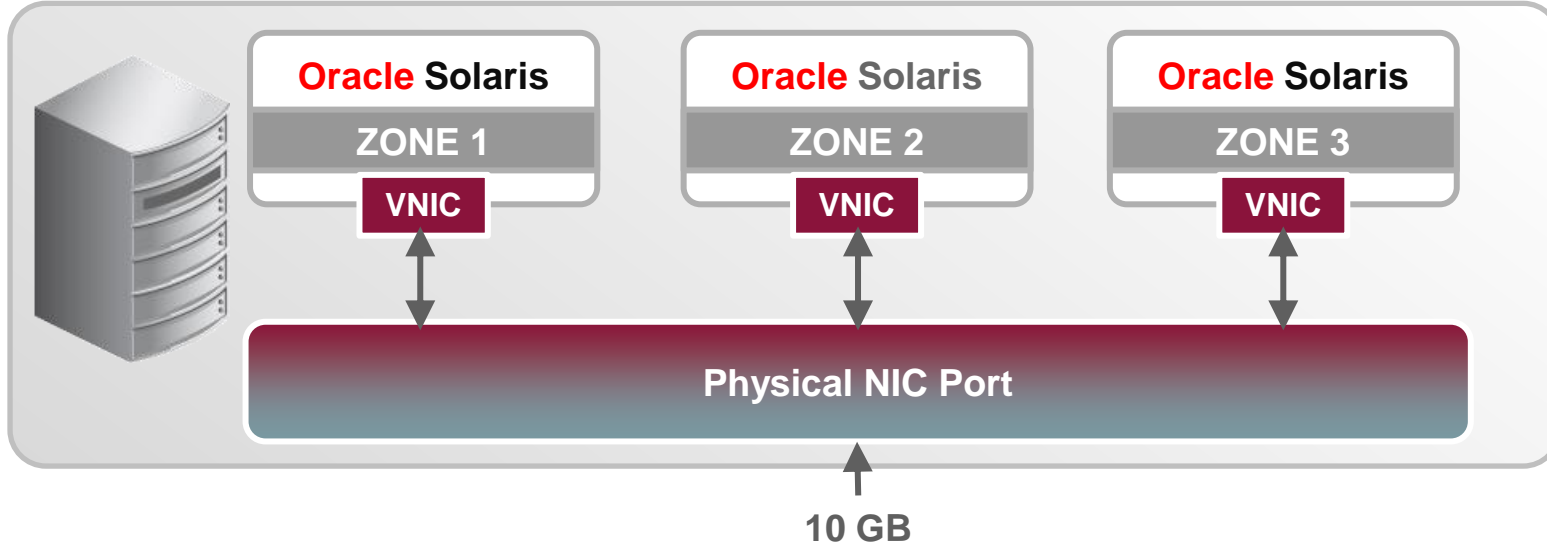


Network Virtualization with Zones

BEFORE CONSOLIDATION



AFTER CONSOLIDATION



Oracle Solaris Zones: Requirements and Restrictions

- Zones can be used on any machine that is running Oracle Solaris 10 or later.
- The number of zones is determined by the following:
 - Total resource requirement of the application software that is running in all the zones
 - Size of the system

Zone Types

- A global zone is:
 - The default zone for the system
 - Used for system-wide administration control
 - Used to configure, install, manage, or uninstall a non-global zone
 - Bootable from the system hardware
- Non-global zones enable:
 - Independent management of applications
 - Different versions of the same application to be run on the system
 - Allocation of system resources

Characteristics of the Global Zone and Non-Global Zones

Global Zone	Non-Global Zone
Is assigned ID 0 by the system	Is assigned a zone ID by the system when the zone is booted
Provides a single instance of the Oracle Solaris kernel that is bootable and running on the system	Shares operations under the Oracle Solaris kernel that is booted from the global zone
Contains a complete installation of the Oracle Solaris system software packages	Contains an installed subset of the complete Oracle Solaris operating system software packages
Can contain additional software packages or additional software, directories, files, and other data that are not installed through packages	Can contain additional software, directories, files, and other data created on the non-global zone that are not installed through packages; can also contain additional installed software packages

Characteristics of the Global Zone and Non-Global Zones

Global Zone	Non-Global Zone
Provides a complete and consistent product database that contains information about all the software components installed in the global zone	Provides a complete and consistent product database that contains information about all the software components installed in the zone
Holds configuration information that is specific only to the global zone, such as the global zone host name and file system table	Has configuration information that is specific only to that non-global zone, such as the non-global zone host name and file system table
Is the only zone that is aware of all device file systems, and non-global zones along with their configurations	Is not aware of the existence of any other zones
Is the only zone from which a non-global zone can be configured, installed, managed, or uninstalled	Cannot install, manage, or uninstall other zones, including itself

Branded Zones

- Provide an extension of Oracle Solaris zones
- Contain operating environments that are different from that of the global zone
- Run applications
- Use a brand (for example, `solaris10` brand) to:
 - Define the operating environment that can be installed in the zone
 - Determine how the system will behave within the zone
 - Identify the correct application type at application launch time
- Use extensions to the standard zone structure to perform branded zone management

Immutable (Read-Only) Zone

- A zone with a read-only root is called an Immutable Zone.
- It preserves a zone's integrity by using a read-only root file system.
- It blocks modifications to system binaries or system configurations.
- The `file-mac-profile` property:
 - Is used to configure a read-only root
 - Is set by using the `zonecfg` utility
 - Is not set by default

Zone Network Interfaces

- Zones communicate through IP network interfaces.
- The system administrator configures zone network interfaces during zone configuration.
- When a zone is booted, the network interfaces are set up and placed in the zone.
- Two IP types are available for non-global zones:
 - **Shared-IP:** A network interface is shared with the global zone.
 - **Exclusive-IP:** A network interface is dedicated to the non-global zone.

Quiz



Which type of zone is the default zone for a system?

- a. Global zone
- b. Non-global zone
- c. Branded zone

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Zones are isolated from each other and from the rest of the system.

- a. True
- b. False

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A shared-IP zone must share a network interface with at least one other non-global zone.

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Quiz



Non-global zones can communicate only over a virtual network.

- a. True
- b. False

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Planning for a Non-Global Zone Configuration

Before configuring your non-global zone, its important to do the following:

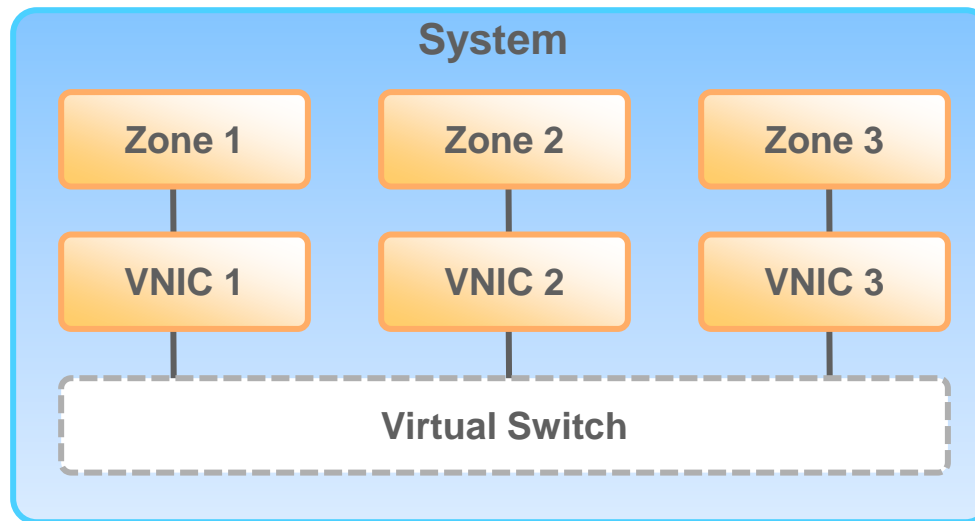
- Evaluate the applications that are running on your system to determine the applications that you want to run in a zone.
- Assess the availability of disk space to hold the files that are unique in the zone.
- Decide the naming convention you want to follow for your zone.
- Determine the zone path.
- Determine the type of zone (shared or exclusive) you want to set up. Note that exclusive-IP is the default type for zones.
- Determine the file system that you want to mount in the zone.
- Determine the network interface that should be made available in the zone.

Planning for a Virtual Network and Zones

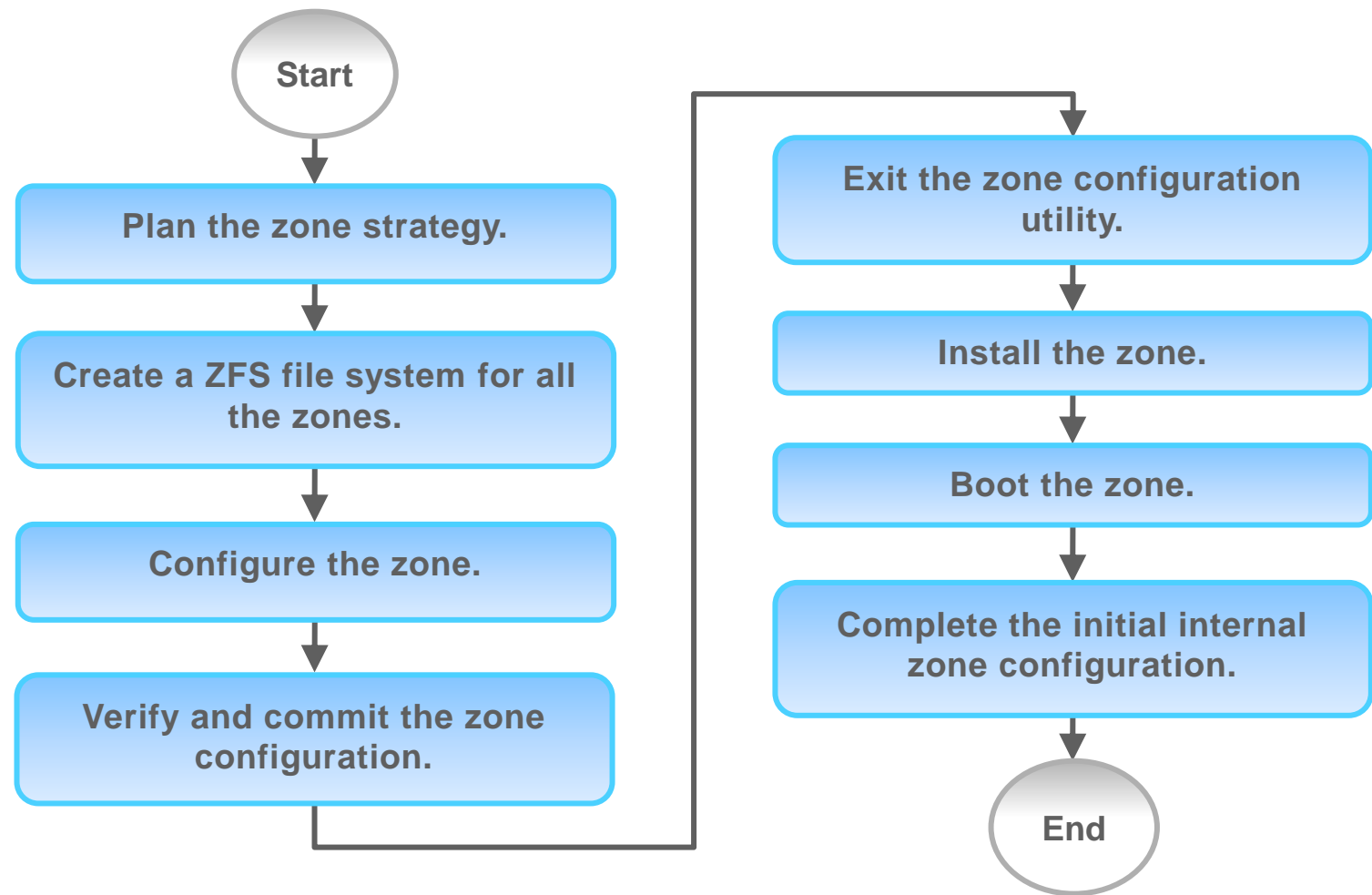
- Identify the virtual network configuration:
 - Virtual switch or etherstub
 - Number of VNICs and name assignments
- Identify the zone configuration:
 - Number of zones
 - Zone configuration details
 - Zone and VNIC assignments

Configuring Zones by Using VNICs

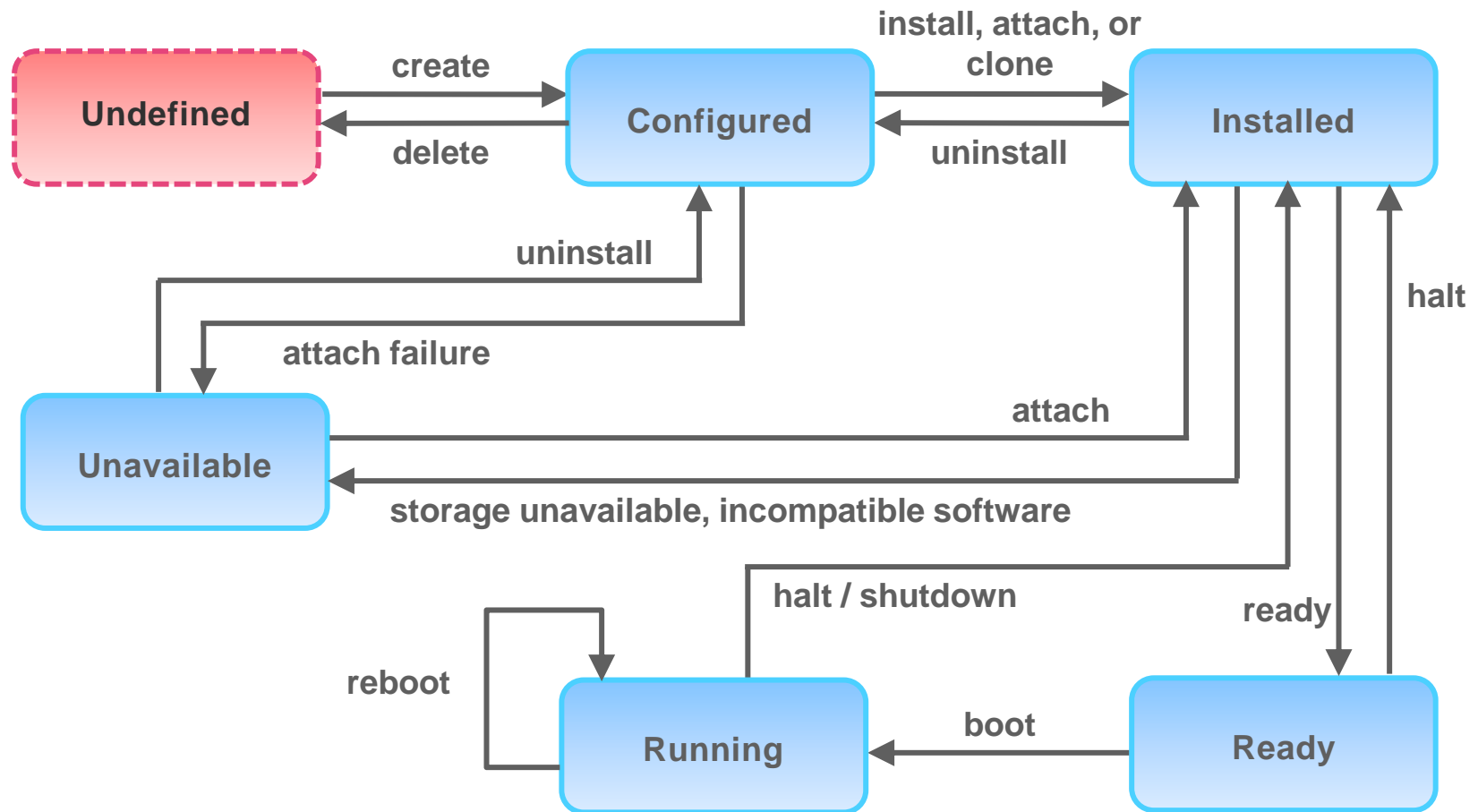
1. Create the virtual switch or etherstub.
2. Create the VNICs.
3. Configure the zones to use the VNICs.



Non-Global Zone Configuration Process: Overview



Non-Global Zone States



Planning the Zone Strategy

- Virtual network configuration: Two VNICs `vnic1` and `vnic2`
- Two zones: `hrzone` and `itzone`
- Zone paths: `/zones/hrzone` and `/zones/itzone`
- IP type: Exclusive-IP
- VNIC to zone association: `vnic1` for `hrzone`; `vnic2` for `itzone`

Creating a ZFS File System for Zones in `rpool`

To create a ZFS file system for zones in `rpool`, use the following command:

```
# zfs create -o mountpoint=/zones rpool/zones
```

To verify that the file system exists and that it has been mounted, use the following command:

```
# zfs list rpool/zones
```

NAME	USED	AVAIL	REFER	MOUNTPOINT
rpools/zones	31K	22.6G	31K	/zones

Configuring the Zone

To configure a zone, use `zonecfg -z zonename`.

```
# zonecfg -z hrzone
```

```
Use 'create' to begin configuring a new zone.
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> create
```

```
create: Using system default template 'SYSdefault'
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> set zonepath=/zones/hrzone
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> set autoboot=true
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> add net
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone:net> set physical=vnic1
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone:net> end
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> verify
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> commit
```

```
zonecfg:hrzone> exit
```

Verifying That a Zone Is in configured State

To list all configured and running zones in the system, use `zoneadm list -cv`.

```
# zoneadm list -cv
```

ID	NAME	STATUS	PATH	BRAND	IP
0	global	running	/	solaris	shared
-	hrzone	configured	/zones/hrzone	solaris	excl
-	itzone	configured	/zones/itzone	solaris	excl

Installing the Zone

To install a zone, use `zoneadm -z <zone_name> install`.

```
# zoneadm -z hrzone install
```

```
The following ZFS file system(s) have been created:
```

```
    rpool/zones/hrzone
```

```
Progress being logged to /var/log/zones/zoneadm.20151037T065334Z.hrzone.install
```

```
    Image: Preparing at /zones/hrzone/root.
```

```
AI Manifest: /tmp/manifest.xml.fXai_f
```

```
SC Profile: /usr/share/auto_install/sc_profiles/enable_sci.xml
```

```
    Zonename: hrzone
```

```
Installation: Starting ...
```

```
        Creating IPS image
```

```
Startup linked: 1/1 done
```

```
        Installing packages from:
```

```
            solaris
```

```
            origin: http://s11-server1.example.com:10000/
```

DOWNLOAD	PKGS	FILES	XFER (MB)	SPEED
Completed	255/255	51394/51394	341.6/341.6	2.8M/s

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
Log saved in non-global zone as
```

```
/zones/hrzone/root/var/log/zones/zoneadm.20151027T235442Z.hrzone.install
```

Booting the Zone

To list all running and installed zones on the system, use `zoneadm list -iv`.

```
# zoneadm list -iv
```

ID	NAME	STATUS	PATH	BRAND	IP
0	global	running	/	solaris	shared
-	hrzone	installed	/zones/hrzone	solaris	excl
-	itzone	installed	/zones/itzone	solaris	excl

To boot a zone, use `zoneadm -z zonename boot`.

```
# zoneadm -z hrzone boot
```

```
# zoneadm -z itzone boot
```

```
# zoneadm list -v
```

ID	NAME	STATUS	PATH	BRAND	IP
0	global	running	/	solaris	shared
1	hrzone	running	/zones/hrzone	solaris	excl
2	itzone	running	/zones/itzone	solaris	excl

Logging In to a Zone

To log in to a zone, use `zlogin`, followed by the zone name.

```
# zlogin -C hrzone  
[Connected to zone 'hrzone' console]
```

Gathering Information for the System Configuration Tool

- **Computer Name:** hrzone
- **DNS Name service:** Do not configure DNS
- **Alternate Name Service:** None
- **Time Zone, Region, and Location:** *Use your specific location.*
- **Locale Language and Territory:** *Use your specific locale.*
- **Users, username, and password**

Checking the Virtual Network Configuration in a Zone

To display the network interface address information for a zone, log in to the zone, and then use `ipadm show-addr`.

```
# zlogin hrzone
[Connected to zone 'hrzone' pts/2]
Oracle Corporation      SunOS 5.11      11.3      June 2015
root@hrzone:~# ipadm show-addr
```

ADDROBJ	TYPE	STATE	ADDR
lo0/v4	static	ok	127.0.0.1/8
vnic1/v4	static	ok	192.168.1.100/24
lo0/v6	static	ok	:::1/128
vnic1/v6	addrconf	ok	
fe80::8:20ff:fe43:7986/10			

Exiting a Non-Global Zone

To exit a non-global zone from a pseudo terminal or terminal login, use `exit`.

```
# exit
```

To disconnect from a zone from a virtual console or console login, use `~..`.

```
# ~..
```


Shutting Down a Non-Global Zone

To shut down a zone, use `zoneadm -z <zone_name> shutdown`.

```
global# zoneadm -z hrzone shutdown
```

Halting a Zone

To halt a zone, run `zoneadm -z <zone_name> halt`.

```
global# zoneadm -z hrzone halt
```

To verify that the zone has been halted, run `zoneadm list -v`.

```
global# zoneadm list -iv
```

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0	global	running	/	solaris	shared
2	itzone	running	/zones/itzone	solaris	excl
-	hrzone	installed	/zones/hrzone	solaris	excl

Administering Immutable Zones

- Setting a strict Immutable Zone

```
zonecfg:hrzone> set file-mac-profile=strict
```

- Setting a fixed-configuration Immutable Zone

```
zonecfg:itzone> set file-mac-profile=fixed-configuration
```

- Setting a flexible-configuration Immutable Zone

```
zonecfg:userszone> set file-mac-profile=flexible-configuration
```

- Displaying zone properties

```
# zoneadm list -p
0:global:running:/::solaris:shared:-:none
1:hrzone:running:/zones/hrzone:<UUID>:solaris:excl:R:strict
2:itzone:running:/zones/itzone:<UUID>:solaris:excl:R:fixed-configuration
3:userszone:running:/zones/userszone:<UUID>:solaris:shared:R:flexible-
  configuration
```

Booting Immutable Zones

You can temporarily override the zone restrictions in the read-only root file system by booting the zone with the `-w` option.

```
# zoneadm -z hrzone boot -w
```

Delegating Zone Administration

Delegate zones administration to different users.

- The `auth` property:
 - `login (solaris.zone.login)`
 - `manage (solaris.zone.manage)`
 - `clone (solaris.zone.clonefrom)`
- The `admin zone` property:

```
zonecfg:zone1> add admin
zonecfg:zone1:admin> set user=oracle
zonecfg:zone1:admin> set auths=login,manage
zonecfg:zone1:admin> end
```

Quiz



The privileges of a zone administrator are confined to a non-global zone.

- a. True
- b. False

Quiz



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Quiz



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- c. Exit the configuration.
- d. Verify the configuration.

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Quiz



Which command is used to perform a clean shutdown of a zone?

- a. `exit`
- b. `zoneadm -z zonename shutdown`
- c. `zoneadm -z zonename halt`
- d. `~.`

Quiz



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- **Determining an Oracle Solaris Zone Configuration**

Determining an Oracle Solaris Zone Configuration

- Displaying the status of zones
- Displaying a zone configuration
- Displaying zone network information
- Determining a zone's resource utilization
- Determining a zone's kernel file system statistics

Displaying the Status of Zones

The `zoneadm list` subcommand helps in verifying the status of all the zones running in the system.

`list` options include the following:

- `-c` displays all the configured zones in the system.
- `-i` expands the display to all installed zones.
- `-v` displays verbose information, including zone name, ID, current state, root directory, brand type, IP-type, and options.

```
# zoneadm list -cv
```

ID	NAME	STATUS	PATH	BRAND	IP
0	global	running	/	solaris	shared
2	itzone	running	/zones/itzone	solaris	excl
-	hrzone	installed	/zones/hrzone	solaris	excl

Displaying a Zone Configuration

To display a non-global zone configuration, use `zonecfg -z zonename info`.

```
# zonecfg -z finzone info
```

```
zonename: finzone  
zonepath: /zones/finzone  
brand: solaris  
autoboot: true
```

```
bootargs:  
file-mac-profile:  
pool:  
limitpriv:  
scheduling-class:  
ip-type: shared  
hostid:  
fs-allowed:
```

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Displaying a Zone Configuration

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fs:

```
dir: /local/finzone
special: rpool/finzone
raw not specified
type: lofs
options: []
```

net:

```
address: 192.168.0.20
allowed-address not specified
configure-allowed-address: true
physical: net0
defrouter not specified
```

rctl:

```
name: zone.max-lwps
value: (priv=privileged,limit=500,action=deny)
```

Displaying Zone Network Information

To display network interface address information, use `ipadm show-addr`.

```
# ipadm show-addr
```

ADDROBJ	TYPE	STATE	ADDR
lo0/v4	static	ok	127.0.0.1/8
lo0/zoneadmd-v4	static	ok	127.0.0.1/8
net0/v4	static	ok	192.168.0.100/24
net0/zoneadmd-v4	static	ok	192.168.0.10/24
lo0/v6	static	ok	::1/128
lo0/zoneadmd-v6	static	ok	::1/128
net0/v6	addrconf	ok	fe80::a00:27ff:fe68:6f2d/10

Determining a Zone's Resource Utilization

To determine a zone's resource utilization, use the `zonestat` utility.

```
# zonestat -r summary 5
```

```
Collecting data for first interval...
```

```
Interval: 1, Duration: 0:00:05
```

```
SUMMARYInterval: 3, Duration: 0:00:15
```

```
SUMMARY                                Cpus/Online: 1/1    PhysMem: 1023M  VirtMem:
2047M
```

	---CPU----		--PhysMem--		--VirtMem--		--PhysNet--	
ZONE	USED	%PART	USED	%USED	USED	%USED	PBYTE	%PUSE
[total]	1.00	100%	658M	64.3%	839M	41.0%	1431	20.00%
[system]	0.18	18.9%	373M	36.5%	521M	25.4%	-	-
choczone	0.68	68.8%	44.0M	4.30%	49.6M	2.42%	0	0.00%
global	0.11	11.0%	133M	13.0%	167M	8.16%	1431	20.00%
QA	0.00	0.40%	53.5M	5.23%	50.3M	2.46%	0	0.00%
grandmazon	0.00	0.81%	53.3M	5.21%	51.4M	2.51%	0	0.00%

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
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```

Determining a Zone's Kernel File System Statistics

```
# fsstat -z s10 -z s10u9 zfs tmpfs
```

new	name	name	attr	attr	lookup	rddir	read	read	write	write	
file	remov	chng	get	set	ops	ops	ops	bytes	ops	bytes	
93	82	6	163K	110	507K	148	69.7K	67.9M	4.62K	13.7M	zfs:s10
248	237	158	188K	101	612K	283	70.6K	68.6M	4.71K	15.2M	zfs:s10u9
12.0K	1.90K	10.1K	35.4K	12	60.3K	4	25.7K	29.8M	36.6K	31.0M	tmpfs:s10
12.0K	1.90K	10.1K	35.6K	14	60.2K	2	28.4K	32.1M	36.5K	30.9M	tmpfs:S10u9

```
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```

new	name	name	attr	attr	lookup	rddir	read	read	write	write	
file	remov	chng	get	set	ops	ops	ops	bytes	ops	bytes	
360K	1.79K	20.2K	4.20M	1.02M	25.0M	145K	5.42M	2.00G	1.07M	8.10G	zfs
359K	1.48K	20.1K	4.04M	1.02M	24.5M	144K	5.31M	1.88G	1.06M	8.08G	zfs:global
93	82	6	74.8K	107	250K	144	54.8K	60.5M	4.61K	13.7M	zfs:s10
248	237	158	90.2K	101	336K	283	53.0K	58.3M	4.71K	15.2M	zfs:s10u9
60.0K	41.9K	17.7K	410K	515	216K	426	1022K	1.02G	343K	330M	tmpfs
49.4K	38.1K	11.0K	366K	489	172K	420	968K	979M	283K	273M	
tmpfs:global											
5.28K	1.90K	3.36K	21.9K	12	21.7K	4	25.7K	29.8M	29.9K	28.3M	tmpfs:s10
5.25K	1.90K	3.34K	22.1K	14	21.6K	2	28.4K	32.1M	29.8K	28.2M	tmpfs:s10u9

Quiz



If you want to see additional information about all configured, running, and installed zones on a system, which command would you use?

- a. `zoneadm list`
- b. `zoneadm list -c`
- c. `zoneadm list -civ`

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Quiz



Which command would you use to display configuration information about a zone named `myzone`?

- a. `zoneadm myzone status`
- b. `zoneadm myzone info`
- c. `zonecfg -z myzone info`
- d. `zonecfg -z myzone verify`

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Summary

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- Explain the fundamentals of Oracle Solaris zones
- Configure an Oracle Solaris zone
- Determine an Oracle Solaris zone configuration

Practice 8: Overview

- 8-1: Configuring Zones
- 8-2: Determining an Oracle Solaris Zone's Configuration