



# Replacing an IP switch

## ONTAP MetroCluster

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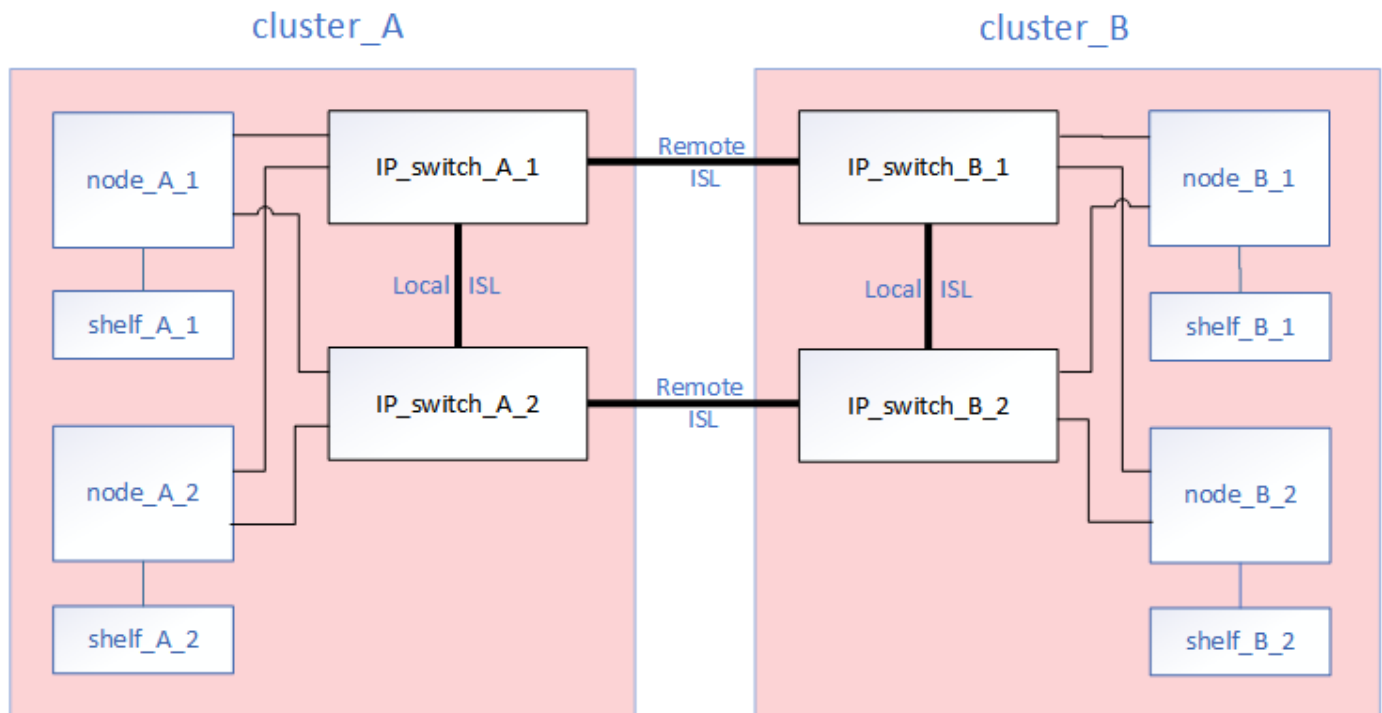
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You might need to replace a failed switch, or upgrade or downgrade a switch. The new switch can be the same as the old switch when a switch has failed, or you can change the switch type (upgrade or downgrade the switch).

If you want to replace a failed switch with the same type of switch, you only need to replace the failed switch. If you want to upgrade or downgrade a switch, you need to adjust two switches that are in the same network. Two switches are in the same network if they are connected with an inter-switch link (ISL) and are not located at the same site. For example, Network 1 includes IP\_switch\_A\_1 and IP\_switch\_B\_1. Network 2 includes IP\_switch\_A\_2 and IP\_switch\_B\_2 as shown in the diagram below:



This procedure is for Cisco or Broadcom switches. If you want to change the switch vendor, further steps are required.

If you upgrade or downgrade the networks, you must repeat this procedure for the second network.

## Steps

1. Check the health of the configuration.
  - a. Check that the MetroCluster is configured and in normal mode on each cluster: `metrocluster show`

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster show
Cluster                               Entry Name                               State
-----                               -
Local: cluster_A                      Configuration state configured
                                         Mode normal
                                         AUSO Failure Domain auso-on-cluster-
disaster
Remote: cluster_B                      Configuration state configured
                                         Mode normal
                                         AUSO Failure Domain auso-on-cluster-
disaster
```

- b. Check that mirroring is enabled on each node: **metrocluster node show**

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster node show
DR                               Configuration  DR
Group Cluster Node              State          Mirroring Mode
-----
1      cluster_A
           node_A_1      configured      enabled      normal
           cluster_B
           node_B_1      configured      enabled      normal
2 entries were displayed.
```

- c. Check that the MetroCluster components are healthy: **metrocluster check run**

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster check run
```

```
Last Checked On: 10/1/2014 16:03:37
```

Component	Result
nodes	ok
lifs	ok
config-replication	ok
aggregates	ok

4 entries were displayed.

Command completed. Use the "metrocluster check show -instance" command or sub-commands in "metrocluster check" directory for detailed results.

To check if the nodes are ready to do a switchover or switchback operation, run "metrocluster switchover -simulate" or "metrocluster switchback -simulate", respectively.

d. Check that there are no health alerts: **system health alert show**

2. Configure the new switch before installation.



If you are upgrading or downgrading the switches, you must configure all the switches in the network.

Follow the steps in the section *Configuring the IP switches* in the [MetroCluster IP Installation and Configuration Guide](#).

Make sure that you apply the correct RCF file for switch \_A\_1, \_A\_2, \_B\_1 or \_B\_2. If the new switch is the same as the old switch, you need to apply the same RCF file.

If you upgrade or downgrade a switch, apply the latest supported RCF file for the new switch.

3. Run the port show command to view information about the network ports:

**network port show**

4. Disconnect the ISL connections from the remote switch that connect to the old switch.

You should disconnect the ISL connections from the ports on the IP\_switch\_A\_1 that connect to IP\_switch\_B\_1.

5. Power off the switch, remove the cables and physically remove IP\_switch\_B\_1.

6. Install the new switch.

Cable the new switch first (including the ISLs) according to the steps in the *Cabling the IP switches* section in the [MetroCluster IP Installation and Configuration Guide](#).



The used ports might be different from those on the old switch if the switch type is different.

+ If you are upgrading or downgrading the switches, do **NOT** cable the local ISLs. Only cable the local ISLs if you are upgrading or downgrading the switches in the second network and both switches at one site are the same type.

#### 7. Power up the switch or switches.

If the new switch is the same, power up the new switch. If you are upgrading or downgrading the switches, then power up both switches. The configuration can operate with two different switches at each site until the second network is updated.

#### 8. Verify that the MetroCluster configuration is healthy by repeating step 1.

If you are upgrading or downgrading the switches in the first network, you might see some alerts related to local clustering.



If you upgrade or downgrade the networks, then repeat all of the steps for the second network.

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