

# Openvswitch Cheat Sheet

4 minute read

## Look up the table

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ovs-vsctl list bridge ovs-br
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## About Bridge and Port

OpenVswitch	About Bridge and Port
Add Bridge	<code>ovs-vsctl add-br ovs-br</code>
Corresponds to the interface on ovs-br	<code>ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br eth0</code>
(1) + (2) can be written	<code>ovs-vsctl add-br ovs-br -- add-port ovs-br eth0</code>
Remove Bridge	<code>ovs-vsctl del-br ovs-br</code> # If it does not exist, there will be error log <code>ovs-vsctl --if-exists del-br ovs-br</code>
Change the ofport (openflow port number) to 100	<code>ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br eth0 -- set Interface eth0 ofport_request=100</code>
Set the port to internal	<code>ovs-vsctl set Interface eth0 type=internal</code>

## About the Controller

OpenVswitch	About the Controller
Set the Controller	<code>ovs-vsctl set-controller ovs-br tcp:1.2.3.4:6633</code>
Set the multi controller	<code>ovs-vsctl set-controller ovs-br tcp:1.2.3.4:6633 tcp:5.6.7.8:6633</code>
Query the Controller settings	<code>ovs-vsctl show</code>
If you have successfully connected to the controller appears is_connected:true , otherwise not connected	<code>ovs-vsctl get-controller ovs-br</code>
Remove the Controller	<code>ovs-vsctl del-controller ovs-br</code>

## About STP (Spanning Tree Protocol)

OpenVswitch	About STP
Enable STP	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge ovs-br stp_enable=true</code>
Turn off STP	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge ovs-br stp_enable=false</code>

OpenVswitch	About STP
Query STP settings	<code>ovs-vsctl get bridge ovs-br stp_enable</code>
Set Priority	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge br0 other_config:stp-priority=0x7800</code>
Set Cost	<code>ovs-vsctl set port eth0 other_config:stp-path-cost=10</code>
Remove the STP settings	<code>ovs-vsctl clear bridge ovs-br other_config</code>

## About Openflow Version

OpenVswitch	About Openflow Version
OpenFlow Version 1.3 is supported	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge ovs-br protocols=OpenFlow13</code>
Support OpenFlow Version 1.3 1.2	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge ovs-br protocols=OpenFlow12,OpenFlow13</code>
Remove the OpenFlow support settings	<code>ovs-vsctl clear bridge ovs-br protocols</code>

## VLAN

OpenVswitch	About VLAN
Set the VLAN tag	<code>ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br vlan3 tag=3 -- set interface vlan3 type=internal</code>
Remove the VLAN	<code>ovs-vsctl del-port ovs-br vlan3</code>
Query the VLAN	<code>ovs-vsctl show</code> <code>ifconfig vlan3</code>
Set the Vlan trunk	<code>ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br eth0 trunk=3,4,5,6</code>
Set the add port to access port, vlan id 9	<code>ovs-vsctl set port eth0 tag=9</code>
Ovs-ofctl add-flow Set vlan 100	<code>ovs-ofctl add-flow ovs-br in port=1,d1_vlan=0xffff,actions=mod_vlan vid:100,output:3</code> <code>ovs-ofctl add-flow ovs-br in_port=1,d1_vlan=0xffff,actions=push_vlan:0x8100,set_field:100-&gt;vlan_vid,output:3</code>
Ovs-ofctl add-flow Remove the vlan tag	<code>ovs-ofctl add-flow ovs1 in_port=3,d1_vlan=100,actions=strip_vlan,output:1</code>
Two_vlan example	<code>ovs-ofctl add-flow pop_vlan</code> <code>ovs-ofctl add-flow ovs-br in_port=3,d1_vlan=0xffff,actions=pop_vlan,output:1</code>

## About GRE tunnels

OpenVswitch	About GRE
Set the GRE tunnel	<code>ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br ovs-gre -- set interface ovs-gre type=gre options:remote_ip=1.2.3.4</code>
Check the GRE tunnel	<code>ovs-vsctl show</code>

## About Dump flows

OpenVswitch	About Dump flows
Dumps OpenFlow flows do not contain hidden flows (common)	<code>ovs-ofctl dump-flows ovs-br</code>
Dumps OpenFlow flows contain hidden flows	<code>ovs-appctl bridge/dump-flows ovs-br</code>
Dump specific bridge of the datapath flows regardless of any type	<code>ovs-appctl dpif/dump-flows ovs-br</code>
Dump in the Linux kernel in the datapath flow table (commonly used)	<code>ovs-dpctl dump-flows [dp]</code>
Top like behavior for ovs-dpctl dump-flows	<code>ovs-dpctl-top</code>

## XenServer starts OpenvSwitch mode

OpenVswitch	XenServer
Check whether it is on or not	<code>service openvswitch status</code>
Openv	<code>xe-switch-network-backend openvswitch</code>
shut down	<code>xe-switch-network-backend bridge</code>

## About Log

OpenVswitch	About Log
Query log level list	<code>ovs-appctl vlog/list</code>
Set the log level (to stp set dbg level file as an example)	<code>ovs-appctl vlog/set stp:file:dbg</code> <code>ovs-appctl vlog/set {module name}:{console, syslog, file}:{off, emer, err, warn, info, dbg}</code>

## About Fallback

OpenVswitch	About Fallback
Controller connection: false, will be automatically transferred into the legacy switch mode	<code>ovs-vsctl set-fail-mode ovs-br standalone</code>
Regardless of the Controller connection status why, must be carried out through OpenFlow network behavior (default)	<code>ovs-vsctl set-fail-mode ovs-br secure</code>
Remove	<code>ovs-vsctl del-fail-mode ovs-br</code>
Inquire	<code>ovs-vsctl get-fail-mode ovs-br</code>

## About sFlow

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Inquire	<code>ovs-vsctl list sflow</code>
New	<code>set sFlow</code>
delete	<code>ovs-vsctl -- clear Bridge ovs-br sflow</code>

## About NetFlow

OpenVswitch	About NetFlow
Inquire	<code>ovs-vsctl list netflow</code>
New	<code>Set NetFlow</code>
Delete	<code>ovs-vsctl -- clear Bridge ovs-br netflow</code>

## Set the Out-of-band and in-band

OpenVswitch	Set the Out-of-band and in-band
Inquire	<code>ovs-vsctl get controller ovs-br connection-mode</code>
Out-of-band	<code>ovs-vsctl set controller ovs-br connection-mode=out-of-band</code>
In-band (default)	<code>ovs-vsctl set controller ovs-br connection-mode=in-band</code>
Remove the hidden flow	<code>ovs-vsctl set bridge br0 other-config:disable-in-band=true</code>

## About ssl

OpenVswitch	About SSL
Inquire	<code>ovs-vsctl get-ssl</code>
set up	<code>ovs-vsctl set-ssl sc-privkey.pem sc-cert.pem cacert.pem</code>
delete	<code>ovs-vsctl del-ssl</code>

## About SPAN

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OpenVswitch	About SPAN
Detailed settings	<pre> ovs-vsctl add-br ovs-br ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br eth0 ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br eth1 ovs-vsctl add-port ovs-br tap0 \ - --id = @ p get port tap0 \ - - id = @m create mirror name = m0 select-all = true output-port = @ p \ - set bridge ovs-br mirrors = @ m </pre>
Add	<pre> ovs-br on add-port {eth0, eth1} mirror to tap0 </pre>
delete	<pre> ovs-vsctl clear bridge ovs-br mirrors # About Table </pre>
Check the Table	<pre> ovs-ofctl dump-tables ovs-br </pre>

## About VXLAN

Reference [rascov - Bridge Remote Mininets using VXLAN](#)

OpenVswitch	About VxLAN
Establish the VXLAN Network ID (VNI) and the specified OpenFlow port number, eg: VNI = 5566, OF_PORT = 9	<pre> ovs-vsctl set interface vxlan type=vxlan option:remote_ip=xxxx option:key=5566 ofport_request=9 </pre>
VNI flow by flow	<pre> ovs-vsctl set interface vxlan type=vxlan option:remote_ip=140.113.215.200 option:key=flow ofport_request=9 </pre>
Set the VXLAN tunnel id	<pre> ovs-ofctl add-flow ovs-br in_port=1,actions=set_field:5566- &gt;tun id.output:2 ovs-ofctl add-flow s1 in_port=2,tun_id=5566,actions=output:1 </pre>

## About OVSDb Manager

Reference [OVSDb Integration: Mininet OVSDb Tutorial](#)

OpenVswitch	About OVSDb
Active Listener settings	<pre> ovs-vsctl set-manager tcp:1.2.3.4:6640 </pre>
Passive Listener settings	<pre> ovs-vsctl set-manager ptcp:6640 </pre>

## OpenFlow Trace

OpenVswitch	About OpenFlow Trace
Generate pakcet trace	<pre> ovs-appctl ofproto/trace ovs-br in_port=1,d1_src=00:00:00:00:00:01,d1_dst=00:00:00:00:00:02 -generate </pre>

## Other

OpenVswitch	Others
Query the OpenvSwitch version	<code>ovs-ofctl -V</code>
Query the history of the next instruction	<code>ovsdb-tool show-log [-mmm]</code>

## Reference

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- [Ovs-vsctl](#)
- [OpenvSwitch FAQ](#)
- [OpenvSwitch Debugging](#)
- [Network flow monitoring with Open vSwitch](#)
- [Pica8 OpenvSwitch configuration](#)
- [Hwchiu - Multipath routing with Group table at mininet](#)
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- [OpenVswitch Advanced Tutorial](#)