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Cisco Host Upgrade Utility

Overview

The Cisco Host Upgrade Utility (hereafter referred to as the "HUU") is a tool that upgrades the following firmware:

- Cisco Integrated Management Controller (CIMC)
- System BIOS
- LAN on motherboard (LOM)
- RAID controllers (for any third-party RAID controllers that are installed)
- Cisco UCS P81E Virtual Interface Card (VIC)
- Broadcom PCI adapters
 - 5709 Dual and Quad port adapters
 - 57712 Dual port adapter
 - 57712 10GBaseT adapter
- Intel i350 Quad port adapter

The HUU includes the options to download ISO images for a selected platform on a Windows operating system. The image file for the firmware is embedded in the ISO and the HUU displays a menu that allows you to choose which firmware components to upgrade.

Requirements and Support

Requirements



Important

Separate ISO images are released for each server platform. Be sure to download the correct ISO image for the server.

Server	Container	Minimum CIMC and BIOS Version Required to Use This Utility
C220	1.4(4)	CIMC version: 1.4(4) BIOS version: 1.4.4c.0
C240	1.4(4)	CIMC version: 1.4(4) BIOS version: 1.4.4c.0

Support

Using HUU

You can use the HUU ISO to upgrade components of the server from the host locally with a writable disk (DVD or CD), or remotely by mounting the HUU ISO as a virtual device.

Procedure

Step 1 Download the HUU ISO file:

- a) Navigate to the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/navigator.html.
- b) Click Unified Computing and Servers in the middle column.
- c) Click Cisco UCS C-Series Rack-Mount Standalone Server Software in the right-hand column.
- d) Click the name of your model of server in the right-hand column.
- e) Click Unified Computing System (UCS) Server Firmware.
- f) Click the release number.
- g) Click Download Now to download the ucs-server platform-huu-version number.iso file.
- h) Verify the information on the next page, then click Proceed With Download.
- i) Continue through the subsequent screens to accept the license agreement and browse to a location where you want to save the file.
- **Step 2** If you want to prepare the ISO for a local upgrade, complete this step. Otherwise go to Step 3, on page 3.
 - a) Burn the ISO image onto a writable disk (DVD, USB flash drive or CD).
 - b) Connect a VGA monitor and USB keyboard to the Cisco C-Series server.
 - c) Insert the disk into the DVD drive of the Cisco C-Series server.
 - d) Go to Step 4, on page 3.
- **Step 3** Prepare the ISO for a remote upgrade using **KVM Console**.
 - a) Use a browser to connect to the CIMC GUI software on the server that you are upgrading.
 - b) Enter the CIMC IP address for that server in the address field of the browser, then enter your username and password.
 - c) Click Launch KVM Console on the toolbar to launch the KVM Console.
 - d) Click the Virtual Media tab in the KVM Console.
 - e) Click Add Image and click the ucs-server-name-huu-version number.iso file.
 - f) In the Client View area, check the check box in the Mapped column for the ISO file that you added and then wait for mapping to complete.
 - g) After the ISO file appears as a mapped remote device, go to Step 4, on page 3.
- **Step 4** Boot the server and press F6 when prompted to open the **Boot Menu** screen.
- **Step 5** In the **Boot Menu** screen, select the prepared ISO:
 - For a local upgrade, select the physical CD/DVD device and then press Enter. For example, SATA5:TSSTcorp CDDVDW TS-L633C.
 - For a remote upgrade, choose **Cisco Virtual CD/DVD**, and press Enter.

The server reboots from the selected device.

- Step 6 The server displays a screen with the server BIOS and CIMC firmware versions. At the "Have you read the Cisco EULA" (end user license agreement)? prompt:
 - Press y to accept the EULA and continue the update.
 - Press n to read the EULA. The EULA is displayed and you are prompted to press y to continue the update, or n to cancel. If you press n, the server will reboot without updating.
 - Press q to exit without updating. This option restarts the server.

After you accept the EULA, the server displays the **Host Upgrade Menu**.

Step 7 On the **Host Upgrade Menu**, enter one of the following numbers at the **Enter Choice** prompt:

Option	Description	
0. Inventory	HUU allows you to view the server inventory details.	
1. Update CIMC Firmware	HUU selects the correct CIMC firmware for your server and then performs the upgrade. Wait until you see confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose other	
	option from this menu or restart the server.	
	Note If you restart the server using option 10 (Reboot the machine), the new firmware version gets activated during the reboot.	
	Note We recommend that you always upgrade the BIOS when you upgrade the CIMC firmware.	
2. Update BIOS	HUU selects the correct BIOS firmware for your server and then performs the upgrade.	
	Note We recommend that you always upgrade the CIMC firmware when you upgrade the BIOS.	
3. Update LOM Firmware	HUU selects the correct LOM firmware for your server and then performs the upgrade. The updated image reverts LOM firmware settings back to factory defaults.	
	Wait until you see confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose another option from this menu or restart the server.	
4. Update LSI Firmware	HUU checks for any installed and supported LSI storage controller cards, selects the correct LSI firmware, and then performs the upgrade.	
	Wait until you see confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose another option from this menu or restart the server.	
	Note These upgrades take place after the server restarts.	
5. Update UCS P81E VIC	HUU checks for any installed Cisco UCS P81E Virtual Interface Card (VICs), selects the correct firmware, and then performs the upgrade.	
	Wait until you see confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose another option from this menu or restart the server.	

Option	Description		
6. Update BCM firmware	HUU selects the correct firmware versions for Broadcom PCI adapters and then performs the upgrade. With this release, you can upgrade firmware versions for the following Broadcom PCI adapters:		
	• 5709 Dual and Quad port adapters		
	• 57712 Dual port adapter		
	• 57712 10GBaseT adapter		
	Wait until you see confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose another option from this menu or restart the server.		
7. Update Intel I350 (Quad Port)	HUU selects the Intel I350 Quad port adapter and performs the upgrade.		
	Wait until you see the confirmation that the upgrade was successful, then either choose another option from this menu or restart the server.		
8. All of the above	HUU selects the correct firmware components for your server and then upgrades the CIMC, LOM, LSI, Cisco UCS P81E Virtual Interface Card firmware, PCI adapters, and BIOS in that order.		
	Note After you select this option, the connection with CIMC ends and the CIMC IP will be accessible only after a few minutes. You must log in again to reestablish the CIMC connection and reopen any KVM sessions that you had open.		
9. Save logs into USB	You can save debugging logs into the USB drive that is either connected to the server or is mapped through vMedia. If a USB device is not available, HUU prompts you to insert it into the server.		
10. Reboot the machine	HUU restarts the server.		
	Note If you upgrade CIMC using option 1 (Update CIMC firmware) and then restart the server using this option, the connection with the CIMC ends and the CIMC IP will be accessible only after a few minutes. You must log in again to reestablish the CIMC connection and reopen any KVM sessions that you had open.		

If you upgrade BIOS using option 2 (Update BIOS) or option 8 (All of the above) the server displays the following message prompt:

Updating BIOS will power down the server. This can take few minutes, do you want to continue (y/n)

- Press y to continue with the BIOS upgrade.
- Press n to abort the BIOS upgrade.

If you continue with the BIOS upgrade, the server displays the following message prompt:

Do you want to automatically power up the server once bios update is completed (y/n)

• Press y to automatically switch on the server after the BIOS is upgraded.

• Press n to manually switch on the server after the BIOS is upgraded.

Troubleshooting

The following table describes troubleshooting suggestions for issues that you might encounter.

Issue	Suggested Solution
Connection to CIMC is lost after an update and reboot and the KVM session ends.	This is expected behavior after a firmware update. Log back in to the CIMC and reestablish your KVM session.
The following error message is observed: PID, Board Part Number, Product Part Number < PID, Board Part Number, Product Part Number> is not	This error message is displayed when the HUU ISO is not supported by the server. Use the HUU ISO that is supported by the server.
supported by this HUU image. HUU will not boot on this machine. Press any key to reboot the server.	

Additional Information

Related Cisco UCS Documentation

Documentation Roadmaps

For a complete list of all B-Series documentation, see the *Cisco UCS B-Series Servers Documentation Roadmap* available at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/go/unifiedcomputing/b-series-doc.

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Other Documentation Resources

An ISO file containing all B and C-Series documents is available at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/type.html?mdfid=283853163&flowid=25821. From this page, click **Unified Computing System (UCS) Documentation Roadmap Bundle**.

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