

Implementing Cisco Data Center Core Technologies (DCCOR)

Course Summary

Description

The Implementing and Operating Cisco Data Center Core Technologies (DCCOR) course helps you prepare for the Cisco CCNP Data Center and CCIE Data Center certifications and for advanced-level data center roles. In this course, you will master the skills and technologies you need to implement data center compute, LAN and SAN infrastructure. You will also learn the essentials of automation and security in data centers. You will get hands-on experience with deploying, securing, operating, and maintaining Cisco data center infrastructure including: Cisco MDS Switches and Cisco Nexus Switches; Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) B-Series Blade Servers, and Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers.

This course, including the self-paced material, helps prepare you to take the exam, Implementing Cisco Data Center Core Technologies (350-601 DCCOR), which leads to the new CCNP Data Center, CCIE Data Center, and the Cisco Certified Specialist - Data Center Core certifications

Objectives

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Implement routing and switching protocols in Data Center environment
- Implement overlay networks in data center
- Introduce high-level Cisco Application Centric Infrastructure (Cisco ACI) concepts and Cisco Virtual Machine manager (VMM) domain integration
- Describe Cisco Cloud Service and deployment models
- Implement Fibre Channel fabric
- Implement Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) unified fabric
- Implement security features in data center
- Implement software management and infrastructure monitoring
- Implement Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect and Server abstraction
- Implement SAN connectivity for Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS)
- Describe Cisco HyperFlex infrastructure concepts and benefits
- Implement Cisco automation and scripting tools in data center
- Evaluate automation and orchestration technologies

Topics

- Implementing Data Center Switching Protocols
- Implementing First-Hop Redundancy Protocols
- Implementing Routing in Data Center
- Implementing Multicast in Data Center
- Implementing Data Center Overlay Protocols
- Implementing Network Infrastructure Security
- Describing Cisco Application-Centric Infrastructure
- Describing Cisco ACI Building Blocks and VMM Domain Integration
- Describing Packet Flow in Data Center Network
- Describing Cisco Cloud Service and Deployment Models
- Describing Data Center Network Infrastructure Management, Maintenance, and Operations
- Explaining Cisco Network Assurance Concepts

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Topics cont.

- Implementing Fibre Channel Fabric
- Implementing Storage Infrastructure Services
- Implementing FCoE Unified Fabric
- Implementing Storage Infrastructure Security
- Describing Data Center Storage Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations
- Describing Cisco UCS Server Form Factors
- Implementing Cisco Unified Computing Network Connectivity
- Implementing Cisco Unified Computing Server Abstraction
- Implementing Cisco Unified Computing SAN Connectivity
- Implementing Unified Computing Security
- Introducing Cisco HyperFlex Systems
- Describing Data Center Unified Computing Management, Maintenance, and Operations
- Implementing Cisco Data Center Automation and Scripting Tools
- Describing Cisco Integration with Automation and Orchestration Software Platforms
- Describing Cisco Data Center Automation and Orchestration Technologies

Audience

This course is designed for:

- Network designers
- Network administrators
- Network engineers
- Systems engineers
- Data center engineers
- Consulting systems engineers
- Technical solutions architects
- Field engineers
- Cisco integrators and partners
- Server administrator
- Network manager

Prerequisite

To fully benefit from this course, you should have the following knowledge and skills:

- Familiarity with Ethernet and TCP/IP networking
- Familiarity with SANs
- Familiarity with Fibre Channel protocol
- Identify products in the Cisco Data Center Nexus and Cisco MDS families
- Understanding of Cisco Enterprise Data Center architecture
- Understanding of server system design and architecture
- Familiarity with hypervisor technologies (such as VMware)

These Cisco courses are recommended to help you meet these prerequisites:

- Implementing and Administering Cisco Solutions (CCNA) v1.0
- Understanding Cisco Data Center Foundations (DCFNDU) v1.0
- Introducing Cisco Data Center Networking (DCICN) v6.2
- Introducing Cisco Data Center Technologies (DCICT) v6.2
- Interconnecting Cisco Networking Devices: Accelerated (CCNAX) or Interconnecting Cisco Networking Devices Part 1 (ICND1) and Interconnecting Cisco Networking Devices Part 2 (ICND2)

Duration

Five Days

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Course Outline

I. *Implementing Data Center Switching Protocols*

- A. Spanning Tree Protocol
- B. Port Channels Overview
- C. Virtual Port Channels Overview

II. *Implementing First-Hop Redundancy Protocols*

- A. Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) Overview
- B. Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP) Overview
- C. First Hop Redundancy Protocol (FHRP) for IPv6

III. *Implementing Routing in Data Center*

- A. Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) v2 and Open Settlement Protocol (OSP) v3
- B. Border Gateway Protocol

IV. *Implementing Multicast in Data Center*

- A. IP Multicast in Data Center Networks
- B. Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) and Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD)
- C. Multicast Distribution Trees and Routing Protocols
- D. IP Multicast on Cisco Nexus Switches

V. *Implementing Data Center Overlay Protocols*

- A. Cisco Overlay Transport Virtualization
- B. Virtual Extensible LAN

VI. *Implementing Network Infrastructure Security*

- A. User Accounts and Role Based Access Control (RBAC)
- B. Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA) and SSH on Cisco NX-OS
- C. Keychain Authentication
- D. First Hop Security
- E. Media Access Control Security

- F. Control Plane Policing

VII. *Describing Cisco Application-Centric Infrastructure*

- A. Cisco ACI Overview, Initialization, and Discovery
- B. Cisco ACI Management
- C. Cisco ACI Fabric Access Policies

VIII. *Describing Cisco ACI Building Blocks and VMM Domain Integration*

- A. Tenant-Based Components
- B. Cisco ACI Endpoints and Endpoint Groups (EPG)
- C. Controlling Traffic Flow with Contracts
- D. Virtual Switches and Cisco ACI VMM Domains
- E. VMM Domain EPG Association
- F. Cisco ACI Integration with Hypervisor Solutions

IX. *Describing Packet Flow in Data Center Network*

- A. Data Center Traffic Flows
- B. Packet Flow in Cisco Nexus Switches
- C. Packet Flow in Cisco ACI Fabric

X. *Describing Cisco Cloud Service and Deployment Models*

- A. Cloud Architectures
- B. Cloud Deployment Models

XI. *Describing Data Center Network Infrastructure Management, Maintenance, and Operations*

- A. Time Synchronization
- B. Network Configuration Management
- C. Software Updates
- D. Network Infrastructure Monitoring

XII. *Explaining Cisco Network Assurance Concepts*

- A. Need for Network Assurance
- B. Cisco Streaming Telemetry Overview

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XIII. *Implementing Fibre Channel Fabric*

- A. Fibre Channel Basics
- B. Virtual Storage Area Network (VSAN) Overview
- C. SAN Port Channels Overview
- D. Fibre Channel Domain Configuration Process

- A. Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect
- B. Cisco UCS B-Series Connectivity
- C. Cisco UCS C-Series Integration

XIV. *Implementing Storage Infrastructure Services*

- A. Distributed Device Aliases
- B. Zoning
- C. N-Port Identifier Virtualization (NPIV) and N-Port Virtualization (NPV)
- D. Fibre Channel over IP
- E. Network Access Server (NAS) Concepts
- F. Storage Area Network (SAN) Design Options

XX. *Implementing Cisco Unified Computing Server Abstraction*

- A. Identity Abstraction
- B. Service Profile Templates

XXI. *Implementing Cisco Unified Computing SAN Connectivity*

- A. iSCSI Overview
- B. Fibre Channel Overview
- C. Implement FCoE

XXII. *Implementing Unified Computing Security*

- A. User Accounts and RBAC
- B. Options for Authentication
- C. Key Management

XV. *Implementing FCoE Unified Fabric*

- A. Fibre Channel over Ethernet
- B. Describing FCoE
- C. FCoE Topology Options
- D. FCoE Implementation

XXIII. *Introducing Cisco HyperFlex Systems*

- A. Hyperconverged and Integrated Systems Overview
- B. Cisco HyperFlex Solution
- C. Cisco HyperFlex Scalability and Robustness

XVI. *Implementing Storage Infrastructure Security*

- A. User Accounts and RBAC
- B. Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting
- C. Fibre Channel Port Security and Fabric Binding

XXIV. *Describing Data Center Unified Computing Management, Maintenance, and Operations*

- A. Compute Configuration Management
- B. Software Updates
- C. Infrastructure Monitoring
- D. Cisco Intersight

XVII. *Describing Data Center Storage Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations*

- A. Time Synchronization
- B. Software Installation and Upgrade
- C. Storage Infrastructure Monitoring

XXV. *Implementing Cisco Data Center Automation and Scripting Tools*

- A. Cisco NX-OS Programmability
- B. Scheduler Overview
- C. Cisco Embedded Event Manager Overview
- D. Bash Shell and Guest Shell for Cisco NX-OS
- E. Cisco Nexus API

XVIII. *Describing Cisco UCS Server Form Factors*

- A. Cisco UCS B-Series Blade Servers
- B. Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers

XIX. *Implementing Cisco Unified Computing Network Connectivity*

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XXVI. *Describing Cisco Integration with Automation and Orchestration Software Platforms*

- A. Cisco and Ansible Integration Overview
- B. Cisco and Puppet Integration Overview
- C. Python in Cisco NX-OS and Cisco UCS

XXVII. *Describing Cisco Data Center Automation and Orchestration Technologies*

- A. Power On Auto Provisioning
- B. Cisco Data Center Network Manager Overview
- C. Cisco UCS Director Fundamentals
- D. Cisco UCS PowerTool

This section is self-study material that can be done at your own pace after the instructor-led portion of the course.

- **Lab Outline**

- Configure Overlay Transport Visualization (OTV)
- Configure Virtual Extensible LAN (VXLAN)
- Explore the Cisco ACI Fabric
- Implement Cisco ACI Access Policies and Out-of-Band Management
- Implement Cisco ACI Tenant Policies
- Integrate Cisco ACI with VMware
- Configure Fibre Channel
- Configure Device Aliases
- Configure Zoning
- Configure NPV
- Configure FCoE
- Provision Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect Cluster
- Configure Server and Uplink Ports
- Configure VLANs
- Configure a Cisco UCS Server Profile Using Hardware Identities
- Configure Basic Identity Pools
- Configure a Cisco UCS Service Profile Using Pools
- Configure an Internet Small Computer Systems Interface (iSCSI) Service Profile
- Configure Cisco UCS Manager to Authenticate Users with Microsoft Active Directory
- Program a Cisco Nexus Switch with Python