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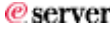
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# About This Document

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This document is a procedural guide to help SAN administrators configure and manage Brocade Access Gateway.

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## Supported hardware and software

This document is specific to Fabric OS v5.3.0 or higher running on the Brocade 200E switch and the Brocade 4012, 4016, 4020, and 4024 embedded switches.

When procedures or parts of procedures documented here apply to some switches but not to others, this guide identifies which switches are supported and which are not.

This document sometimes mentions other Fabric OS releases to highlight the changes in the latest release or to point out interoperability issues with other Brocade models. It also specifies when procedures or steps of procedures apply only to specific Brocade models.

Although many different software and hardware configurations are tested and supported by Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. for this Brocade Fabric OS release, documenting all possible configurations and scenarios is beyond the scope of this document.

## How this document is organized

The document contains the following topics:

- [Chapter 1, "Introduction to the Brocade Access Gateway"](#) describes the Access Gateway operation.
- [Chapter 2, "Configuring Access Gateway"](#) provides the initial setup procedures and fabric requirement to deploy an Access Gateway solution.
- [Chapter 3, "Disabling Access Gateway Mode"](#) provides instructions on disabling Access Gateway mode so that the switch can be used as a fabric switch.

- [Chapter 4, “Managing Ports in Access Gateway mode”](#) provides instructions on changing N\_Ports to F\_Ports, mapping F\_Ports to N\_Ports, and changing failover and failback policies.
- [Chapter 4, “Managing Ports in Access Gateway mode”](#) provides instructions on changing N\_Ports to F\_Ports, mapping F\_Ports to N\_Ports, and changing failover and failback policies.
- [Appendix A, “Default Port Mapping”](#) provides the default N\_Port mappings for the different switches while in Access Gateway mode.
- [Appendix B, “Compatibility”](#) provides compatibility information between different devices while running a switch in Access Gateway mode.
- [Appendix C, “Troubleshooting”](#) provides symptoms and troubleshooting tips to resolve issues.
- [Appendix D, “Access Gateway Commands”](#) provides the commands for Access Gateway.

The appendices provide the default mappings, compatibility guidelines, and troubleshooting assistance.

## What’s new in this document

The following changes have been made since this document was last released:

### Information that was added:

- Support for the following platform:
  - Brocade 200E switch
- Enhancements to the failback policy
- Enhancements for compatibility

### Information that was removed:

- System messages were moved to the *Fabric OS System Message Reference*
- All references to using Web Tools was moved to the *Web Tool Administrator’s Guide*

For further information, refer to the release notes.

## Document conventions

This section describes text formatting conventions and important notices formats.

### TEXT FORMATTING

The narrative-text formatting conventions that are used in this document are as follows:

<b>bold text</b>	Identifies command names Identifies the names of user-manipulated GUI elements Identifies keywords and operands Identifies text to enter at the GUI or CLI
<i>italic text</i>	Provides emphasis Identifies variables Identifies paths and Internet addresses Identifies document titles

code text            Identifies CLI output  
                         Identifies syntax examples

For readability, command names in the narrative portions of this guide are presented in mixed lettercase: for example, **switchShow**. In actual examples, command lettercase is often all lowercase. Otherwise, this manual specifically notes those cases in which a command is case sensitive. The **ficonCupSet** and **ficonCupShow** commands are an exception to this convention.

## NOTES, CAUTIONS, AND WARNINGS

The following notices appear in this document.

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### NOTE

A note provides a tip, emphasizes important information, or provides a reference to related information.

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### CAUTION

A caution alerts you to potential damage to hardware, firmware, software, or data.

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### WARNING

A warning alerts you to potential danger to personnel.

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## Key terms

For definitions of SAN-specific terms, visit the Storage Networking Industry Association online dictionary at: <http://www.snia.org/education/dictionary>.

For definitions specific to Brocade and Fibre Channel, see the *Brocade Glossary*.

The following terms are used in this manual to describe Access Gateway mode and its components.

**Access Gateway (AG)** Fabric OS mode for embedded switches that reduces SAN (storage area network) deployment complexity by leveraging NPIV (N\_Port ID virtualization).

**Edge switch** Fabric switch that connects host, storage, or other devices, such as Brocade Access Gateway, to the fabric.

**NPIV** N\_Port ID virtualization. Allows a single Fibre Channel port to appear as multiple, distinct ports providing separate port identification and security zoning within the fabric for each operating system image as if each operating system image had its own unique physical port.

**E\_Port** An ISL (Interswitch link) port. A switch port that connects switches together to form a fabric.

**F\_Port** A fabric port. A switch port that connects a host, HBA (host bus adaptor), or storage device to the SAN. On Brocade Access Gateway, the F\_Port connects to a host only.

**N\_Port** A node port. A Fibre Channel host or storage port in a fabric or point-to-point connection. On Brocade Access Gateway, the N\_Port connects to the edge switch.

## Additional information

This section lists additional Brocade and industry-specific documentation that you might find helpful.

### BROCADE RESOURCES

The most recent version of documentation is provided on the Brocade Web site, through Brocade Connect.

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#### NOTE

Go to <http://www.brocade.com> and CLick **Brocade Connect** to register at no cost for a user ID and password.

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The following documentation is available for Fabric OS:

- *Fabric OS Administrator's Guide*
- *Fabric OS Command Reference*
- *Fabric OS MIB Reference*
- *Fabric OS Message Reference*
- *Web Tools Administrator's Guide*
- *Brocade Glossary*

The following documentation is available for Brocade switches:

- Brocade 200E Hardware Reference Manual
- Brocade 200E QuickStart Guide
- Brocade 4016 Hardware Reference Manual
- Brocade 4016 QuickStart Guide
- Brocade 4020 Hardware Reference Manual
- Brocade 4020 QuickStart Guide

For practical discussions about SAN design, implementation, and maintenance, you can obtain *Building SANs with Brocade Fabric Switches* through:

<http://www.amazon.com>

For information about how to use Fabric OS features in a SAN solution, refer to the *Principles of SAN Design (ISBN 0-7414-2824-5)*, available from the *SAN Administrator's Bookshelf*. You can order the book and view a sneak preview at:

[http://www.brocade.com/products/sanadmin\\_bookshelf/index.jsp](http://www.brocade.com/products/sanadmin_bookshelf/index.jsp)

For additional Brocade documentation, visit the Brocade SAN Info Center and CLick the Resource Library location:

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Release Notes are available on the Brocade Connect Web site and are also bundled with the Fabric OS firmware.



## OTHER INDUSTRY RESOURCES

For additional resource information, visit the Technical Committee T11 Web site. This Web site provides interface standards for high-performance and mass storage applications for Fibre Channel, storage management, as well as other applications:

<http://www.t11.org>

For information about the Fibre Channel industry, visit the Fibre Channel Industry Association Web site:

<http://www.fibrechannel.org>

For information about the iSCSI (internet small computer systems interface) standards, visit the following Web site:

<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3720.txt>

## OPTIONAL BROCADE FEATURES

For a list of optional Brocade features and descriptions, see the *Fabric OS Administrator's Guide*.

# Getting technical help

Contact your switch support supplier for hardware, firmware, and software support, including product repairs and part ordering. To expedite your call, have the following information available:

1. General Information
  - Technical Support contract number, if applicable
  - Switch model
  - Switch operating system version
  - Error numbers and messages received
  - **supportSave** command output
  - Detailed description of the problem and specific questions
  - Description of any troubleshooting steps already performed and results
  - Serial console and telnet session logs
  - syslog message logs

2. Switch Serial Number

The switch serial number and corresponding bar code are provided on the serial number label, as illustrated below.



The serial number label is located as follows:

- *Brocade 3014*—On the top of the chassis, under the insertion arm
- *Brocade 3016 and 4012*—On the bottom of the switch module

- *Brocade 4018*—On the top of the blade
  - *SilkWorm 3200, Brocade 200E, 3250 and 3850*—On the bottom of the chassis
  - *SilkWorm 3800 and Brocade 3900*—Nonport side of the chassis
  - *Brocade 5000, Brocade 4100, 4900, and 7500*—On the switch ID pull-out tab located inside the chassis on the port side on the left
  - *Brocade 4016*—Top of the switch module
  - *Brocade 4024*—Bottom of the switch module
  - *SilkWorm 12000, Brocade 24000 and 48000*—Inside the chassis next to the power supply bays
  - *SilkWorm Multiprotocol Router Model AP7420*—On the bottom of the chassis and on the back of the chassis.
3. World Wide Name (WWN)
- *SilkWorm 3800, Brocade 200E, 3014, 3016, 3250, 3850, 3900, 4012, 4018, 4020, 4024, 4100, 4900, 5000, and 7500 switches and Brocade 24000, and 48000 directors:* Provide the license ID. Use the **licenseIDShow** command to display the license ID.
  - *SilkWorm Multiprotocol Router Model AP7420:* Provide the switch WWN. Use the **switchShow** command to display the switch WWN.
  - *All other Brocade switches:* Provide the switch WWN. Use the **wwn** command to display the switch WWN.

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# Introduction to the Brocade Access Gateway

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This chapter describes the functions of Brocade Access Gateway. The Brocade 200E switch and the Brocade 4012, 4016, 4020, and 4024 embedded switches running Fabric OS 5.3.0 or higher support Access Gateway (AG).

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## Overview of Brocade Access Gateway

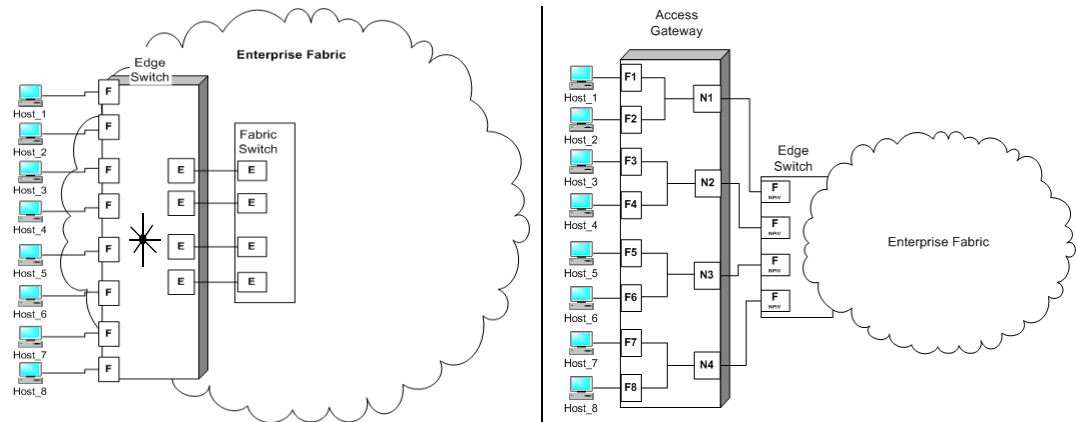
Brocade Access Gateway allows multiple host bus adapters (HBAs) to access the fabric using fewer physical ports. Access Gateway mode transforms the 200E or an embedded switch into a device management tool that is compatible with different types of fabrics, including Brocade-, Brocade Enterprise OS (EOS), and Cisco- based fabrics. Refer to the matrix in [Appendix B, “Compatibility”](#) for more details.

When a switch is in Access Gateway mode, it is logically transparent to the host and the fabric. Brocade Access Gateway mode allows hosts to access the fabric without increasing the number of switches and simplifies configuration and management in a large fabric by reducing the number of domain IDs and ports.

Brocade Access Gateway is a device management tool and provides only a subset of Fabric OS commands. It does not consume critical fabric elements that could inhibit scalability. For example, a fabric that uses Access Gateways to connect hosts requires fewer domain IDs.

# 1 Overview of Brocade Access Gateway

Figure 1 compares a configuration that connects eight hosts to the fabric using Brocade Access Gateway to the same configuration with standard fabric switches.



**FIGURE 1** Access Gateway and fabric switch comparison

The difference between the fabric switch (Fabric OS native mode) and Brocade Access Gateway is as follows:

- The Fabric OS switch is a part of the fabric; it requires two to four times as many physical ports, consumes fabric resources, and can connect to a Brocade-based fabric only.
- Brocade Access Gateway is outside the fabric; it reduces the number of switches in the fabric and the number of required physical ports. You can connect Brocade Access Gateway to either a Brocade-, Brocade EOS-, or Cisco-based fabric.

## BROCADE FEATURES IN ACCESS GATEWAY MODE

When using a Brocade switch in Access Gateway mode, most features are no longer applicable. These features include Admin Domains, Advanced Performance Monitoring, direct connection to SAN target devices, Fibre Channel Arbitrated Loop support, Fabric Manager, FICON, IP over FC, ISL trunking, extended fabrics, management platform services, name services (SNS), port mirroring, Secure Fabric OS, SMI-S, and zoning. These switch features are available in the default switch mode of operation.

Access Gateway does not support any Secure Fabric OS features. All the security enforcement is done in the enterprise fabric. DCC policy in the enterprise fabric should include N\_Port WWN and port WWNs of all F\_Ports on Access Gateway mapped to that N\_Port. In case of DCC policy violation, the port in the enterprise fabric to which N\_Port is connected will be disabled. This will bring down the corresponding N\_Port and F\_Ports mapped to it on Access Gateway.

# Access Gateway port types

Brocade Access Gateway differs from a typical fabric switch because it connects to the fabric using node ports (N\_Ports). Typically fabric switches connect to the enterprise fabric using ISL (InterSwitch Link) ports, such as an E\_Port.

The following defines the Fibre Channel (FC) port terms used in this manual:

- **F\_Port**, fabric port. A switch port that connects a host, HBA, or storage device to the SAN.
- **N\_Port**, node port. A host, HBA, or storage device port that connects to the F\_Port of the fabric switch.

## COMPARING FC PORT CONFIGURATIONS

Brocade Access Gateway multiplexes host connections to the fabric. It presents an F\_Port to the host and an N\_Port to an edge fabric switch. Using N\_Port ID virtualization (NPIV), Brocade Access Gateway allows multiple FC initiators to access the SAN on the same physical port. This reduces the hardware requirements and management overhead of hosts to the SAN connections.

A fabric switch presents F\_Ports (or FL\_Ports) to the host and storage devices and presents E\_Ports, TE\_Ports, or EX\_Ports to other switches in the fabric. A fabric switch consumes SAN resources, such as domain IDs, and participates in fabric management and zoning distribution. A fabric switch requires more physical ports than Brocade Access Gateway to connect the same number of hosts.

Figure 2 compares the types of ports used by the Access Gateway to those used by a typical fabric switch.

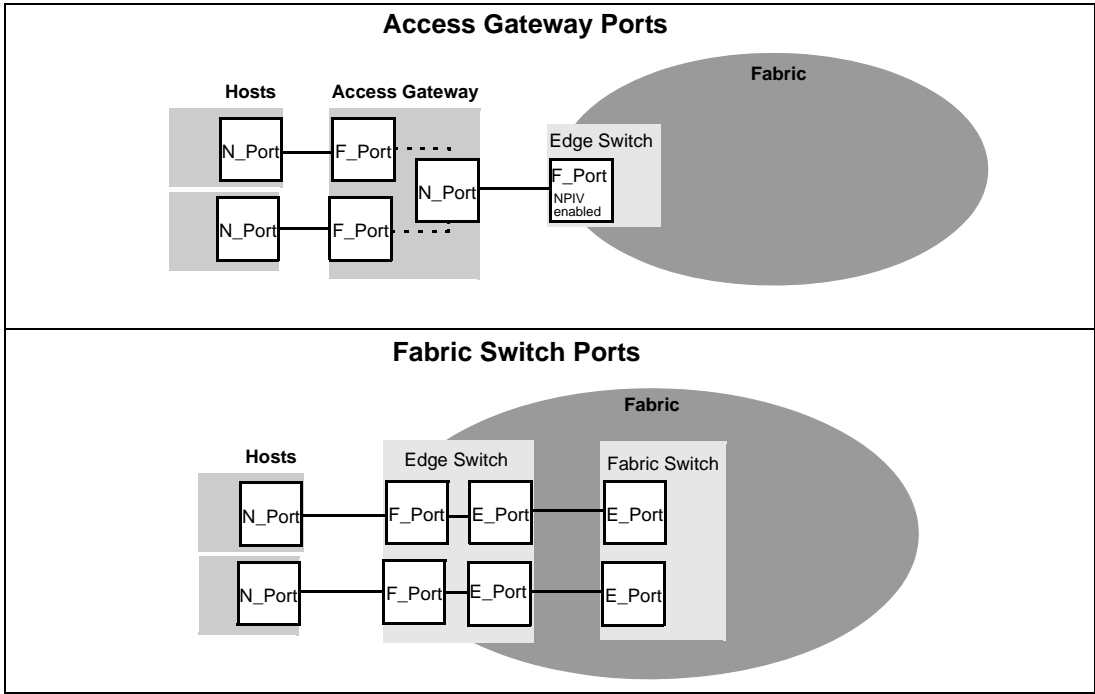


FIGURE 2 Port usage comparison

# 1 Port mapping

**Table 1** Compares port configuration between Access Gateway with a typical fabric switch.

**TABLE 1** Port Configurations

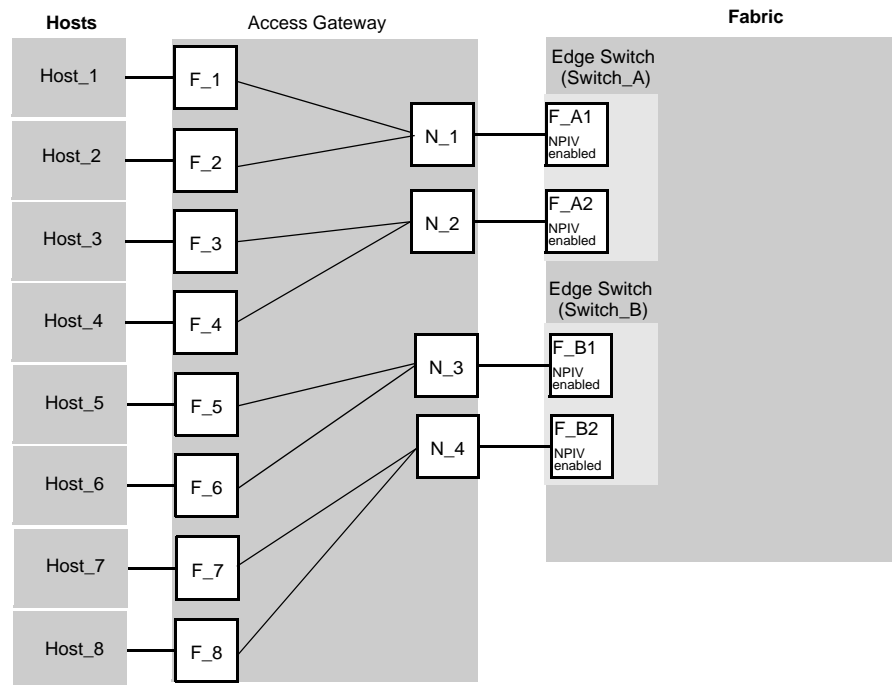
Port Type	Access Gateway		Fabric switch	
F_Port	Yes	Connects hosts to Brocade Access Gateway.	Yes	Connects devices, such as hosts, HBAs, and storage to the fabric.
N_Port	Yes	Connects Access Gateway to a fabric switch.	NA	N_Ports are not supported.
E_Port	NA	ISL is not supported. <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Connects the switch to other switches to form a fabric.

1. The switch is logically transparent to the fabric, therefore it does not participate in the SAN as a fabric switch.

## Port mapping

Brocade Access Gateway uses mapping—that is, pre-provisioned routes—to direct traffic from the hosts to the fabric. When you first enable Access Gateway mode, the F\_Ports are mapped to a set of predefined N\_Ports, see [Appendix A, “Default Port Mapping”](#). After the initial setup, you can manually change the mapping if required.

[Figure 3](#) shows a mapping with eight F\_Ports evenly mapped to four N\_Ports on Brocade Access Gateway. The N\_Ports connect to the same fabric via different edge switches. This example is also used to explain mapping, failover, and fallback policies.



**FIGURE 3** Example F\_Port to N\_Port mapping

Table 2 describes the mapping and fabric connection shown in Figure 3.

**TABLE 2** Example port mapping

Access Gateway		Fabric	
N_Port	F_Port	Edge switch	F_Port
N_1	F_1, F_2	Switch_A	F_A1
N_2	F_3, F_4	Switch_A	F_A2
N_3	F_5, F_6	Switch_B	F_B1
N_4	F_7, F_8	Switch_B	F_B2

## Port initialization

To ensure that all hosts are brought online when Brocade Access Gateway starts up, the ports are initialized in the following manner:

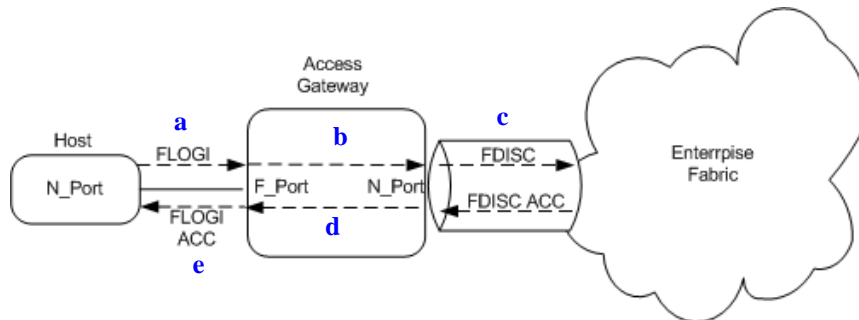
1. All N\_Ports are initialized. During N\_Port initialization all the F\_Ports are disabled (kept OFFLINE).

The ports are enabled or disabled as follows:

- **Enabled** (online) if the port receives a fabric login event and is connected to an F\_Port of an edge switch that supports NPIV (N\_Port ID virtualization).
  - **Disabled** (offline) if the port is not connected to a fabric or is connected to a fabric port that does not support NPIV.
2. All F\_Ports mapped to online N\_Ports are enabled. F\_Ports that are inactive or that have no hosts are disabled.
  3. F\_Ports mapped to an offline N\_Port with the failover policy enabled fail over to an online N\_Port.
  4. The host logs in to the fabric as follows:
    - a. The host sends a FLOGI (fabric login) request.
    - b. Access Gateway converts the FLOGI request into an FDISC request to the fabric with the same parameters as the host.
    - c. The fabric processes the request and sends an FDISC response.
    - d. Access Gateway converts the FDISC ACC response to the host as an FLOGI ACC using the same parameters as the fabric.
    - e. The host receives the response from the fabric.

# 1 Failover policy

After ports are initialized, Access Gateway becomes logically transparent to the host and the fabric, as shown in Figure 4.



**FIGURE 4** Host log in request

## Failover policy

The Brocade Access Gateway N\_Port failover policy allows hosts to automatically remap to an online N\_Port if the N\_Port they are connected to goes offline. The failover policy evenly distributes the F\_Ports that are mapped to an offline N\_Port among all the online N\_Ports. The failover policy is a parameter of each N\_Port. By default, the failover policy is enabled for all N\_Ports.

The following sequence describes how a failover event occurs:

1. An N\_Port goes offline.
2. All F\_Ports mapped to that N\_Port are disabled.
3. If the N\_Port failover policy is enabled, the disabled F\_Ports are remapped to an online N\_Port. The F\_Ports are evenly distributed among the remaining online N\_Ports.
4. The F\_Port is re-enabled on the new N\_Port.
5. The host establishes a new connection with the fabric.

### COLD FAILOVER

F\_Ports that are mapped to an N\_Port, that goes offline, will fail over to other N\_Ports that are connected to the same fabric. In the case that an N\_Port fails to come online, even once, its F\_Ports will be distributed evenly across all active N\_Ports regardless of their attached fabric. Since Fabric OS 5.3.0 does not support multiple fabrics, this should not be a likely scenario. Cold failover is determined for an N\_Port under the following condition:

- After the switch comes online, the N\_Port fails to successfully login to the enterprise fabric within 10 seconds. This can happen due to any of the following reasons:
  - N\_Port is not connected to the enterprise fabric
  - NPIV is not enabled on fabric port to which a N\_Port is connected
  - Fabric Login request from N\_Port is rejected by enterprise fabric with a reason other than "LS\_LOGICAL\_BUSY"

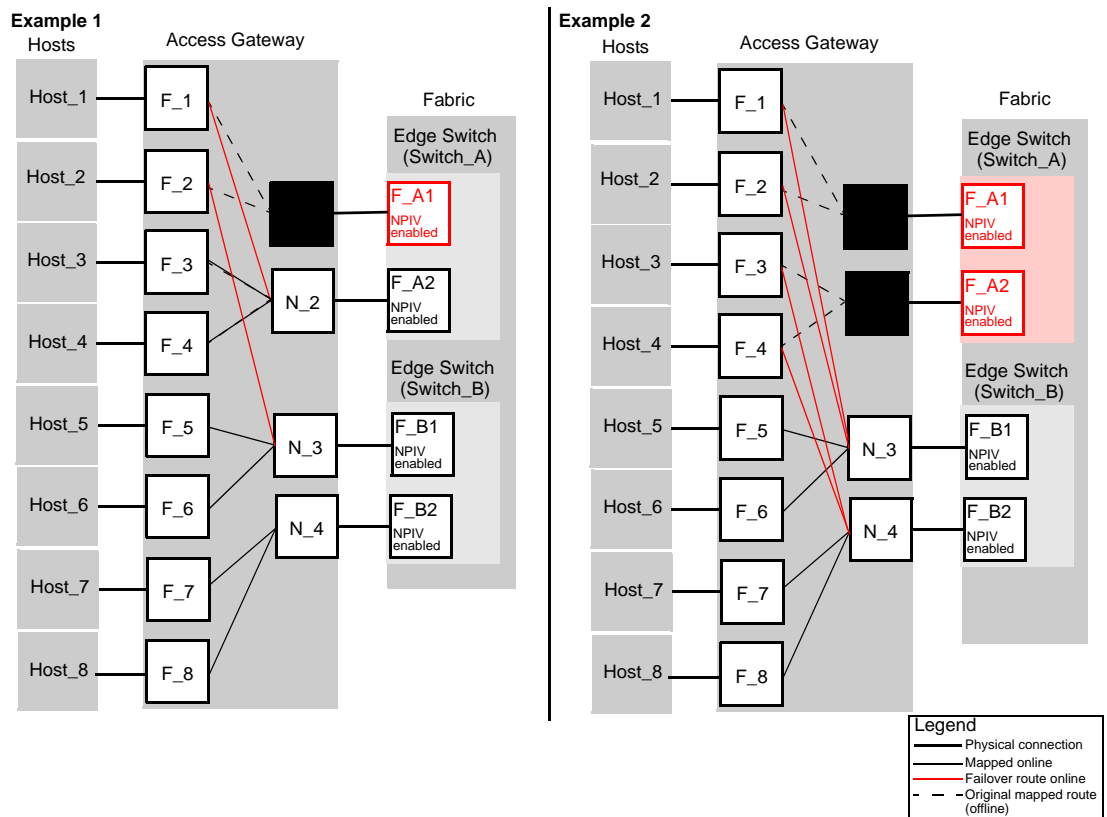
If at a later time the "dead" N\_Port comes online, the failback policy will be enforced for all F\_Ports mapped to the N\_Port.



**Example: Failover Policy**

This example shows the failover behavior in a scenario where two fabric ports go offline, one after the other.

- First the edge switch F\_A1 port goes offline, as shown in Figure 5 on page 7 Example 1 (left), causing the corresponding Access Gateway N\_1 port to be disabled. The ports mapped to N\_1 fail over; F\_1 fails over to N\_2 and F\_2 fails over to N\_3.
- Next the F\_A2 port goes offline, as shown in Figure 5 on page 7 Example 2 (right), causing the corresponding Access Gateway N\_2 port to be disabled. The ports mapped to N\_2 (F\_1, F\_3, and F\_4) failover to N\_3 and N\_4. Note that the F\_Ports are evenly distributed to the remaining online N\_Ports and that the F\_2 did not participate in the failover event.



**FIGURE 5** Example 1 and 2 failover policy behavior

## Failback policy

The Brocade Access Gateway failback policy automatically reroutes the F\_Ports back to the originally mapped N\_Ports as those N\_Ports come back online.

# 1 Failback policy

Only the originally mapped F\_Ports fail back. In the case of multiple N\_Port failures, only F\_Ports that were mapped to the recovered N\_Port experience failback. The remaining F\_Ports are not redistributed among the online N\_Ports during the failback.

## NOTE

The failback policy is an N\_Port parameter. The failback policy is enabled by default.

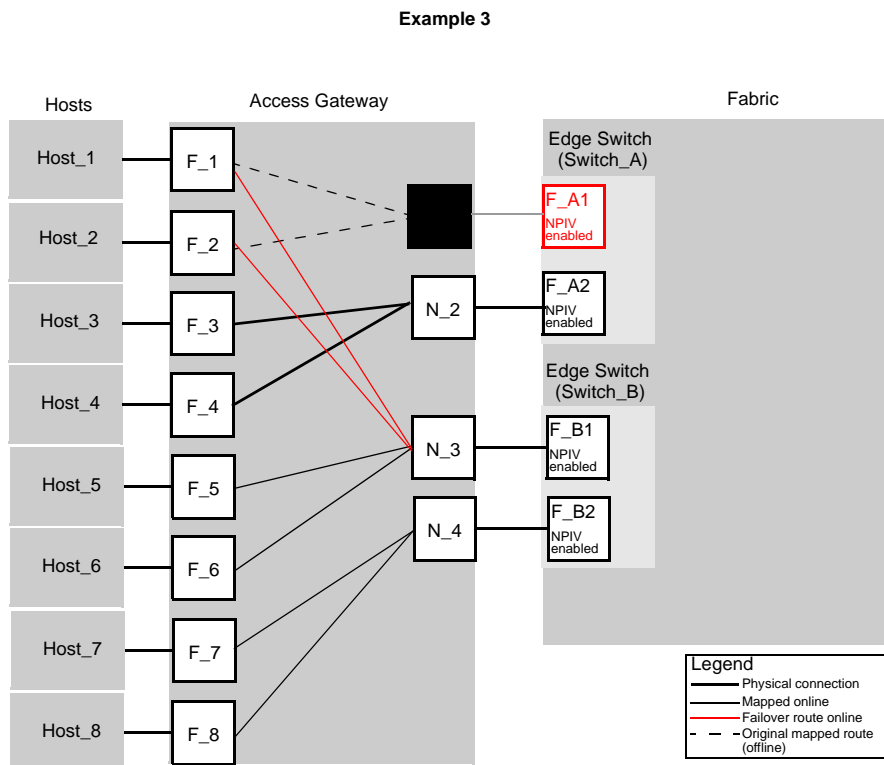
The following sequence describes how a failback event occurs:

1. When an N\_Port comes back online, the F\_Ports that were originally mapped to it are disabled.
2. The F\_Port is reenabled on the original N\_Port.
3. The host establishes a new connection with the fabric.

### Example: Failback Policy

In Example 3, the Brocade Access Gateway N\_1 remains disabled because the corresponding F\_A1 port is offline. However N\_2 comes back online. See Figure 5 on page 7 for the original failover scenario.

In Example 3, the ports F\_1 and F\_2 are mapped to N\_1 and continue to be routed to N\_3. The ports F\_3 and F\_4 were originally mapped to N\_2 and are disabled. They are rerouted to N\_2 and then enabled.



**FIGURE 6** Failback policy behavior

# Configuring Access Gateway

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This chapter describes the initial set up required to deploy Brocade Access Gateway.

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**NOTE**

Refer to the *Web Tools Administrator's Guide* to enable Access Gateway using Web Tools.

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## Verifying the fabric and edge switch settings

In order to connect hosts to the fabric using Access Gateway, configure the fabric using the following parameters. The listed parameters apply to Brocade-, Brocade EOS-, and Cisco-based fabrics:

- Install and configure the switch as described in the switch's *Hardware Reference Manual* before performing these procedures.
- Configure the F\_Ports on the edge switch to which Access Gateway is connected as follows:
  - Enable NPIV.
  - Disable long distance mode.
  - Allow multiple logins. The recommended fabric login setting is set to the maximum allowed per port and per switch.
- Use only WWN zoning throughout the fabric. Access Gateway does not support domain ID and other types of zoning schemes.
- Include either Access Gateway WWN or the N\_Port and F\_Port WWNs in ACL policies.
- Allow inband queries for forwarded fabric management requests from the hosts. Add the Access Gateway switch WWN to the access list if inband queries are restricted.

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**NOTE**

Before connecting Access Gateway to a Brocade-based fabric, disable Fabric OS Management Server Platform Service.

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## Enabling Access Gateway mode

This sections explains how to change the switch mode from Fabric OS native mode to Access Gateway mode using the command line interface. Converting a switch to a Brocade Access Gateway allows you to use the switch as a device management tool that transparently connects hosts to the fabric.

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**NOTE**

On the 200E, you must enable all ports using POD licensing before enabling Access Gateway mode.

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### USING THE CLI TO ENABLE ACCESS GATEWAY MODE

Enabling Access Gateway mode is a disruptive process; the switch is disabled and rebooted. Once you enable Access Gateway mode, only a limited subset of Fabric OS commands are available and all fabric-related service requests are forwarded to the fabric switches. See [Appendix D, "Access Gateway Commands"](#).




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**CAUTION**

When you enable Access Gateway mode some fabric information is erased, such as the zone and security databases. To recover the information save the switch configuration before enabling Access Gateway mode.

To save the switch configuration using Web Tools, go to the **Configure > Upload/Download** subtab and upload the configuration file.

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[Table 3](#) describes the commands used to enable Access Gateway mode:

**TABLE 3** Access Gateway Enable Command list

Step	Command	Description
1.	<b>switchDisable</b>	Disable the switch.
2.	<b>configUpload</b>	Save the switch's current configuration. When you enable Access Gateway mode some fabric information is erased, such as the zone and security databases.
3.	<b>ag --modeenable</b>	Enable Access Gateway mode. The switch will reboot and come back online in Access Gateway mode.
4. (Optional)	<b>ag --modeshow</b>	Verify that Access Gateway mode has been enabled.
5. (Optional)	<b>ag --mapshow</b>	Display the F_Port to N_Port mapping.
6. (Optional)	<b>switchShow</b>	Ensure that all the ports are mapped and online.

#### To enable Access Gateway mode from the CLI

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **switchShow** command to display the current switch configuration.

The example below shows a switch in the Fabric OS Native mode where switchMode equals Native.

```
switch:admin> switchshow
switchName:      switch
switchType:     43.2
```

```

switchState:    Online
switchMode:     Native
switchRole:     Principal
switchDomain:   1
switchId:       fffc01
switchWwn:      10:00:00:05:1e:03:4b:e7
zoning:         OFF
switchBeacon:   OFF

```

```

Area Port Media Speed State      Proto
=====
  0  0  --  N4  No_Module
  1  1  cu  N4  Online      F-Port  50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b7:32
  2  2  cu  N4  Online      F-Port  10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f5
  3  3  cu  AN  No_Sync
  4  4  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
  5  5  cu  N4  Online      F-Port  50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b4:3e
  6  6  cu  N4  Online      F-Port  10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f3
  7  7  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
  8  8  cu  AN  No_Sync
  9  9  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 10 10  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 11 11  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 12 12  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 13 13  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 14 14  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 15 15  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 16 16  cu  AN  No_Sync      Disabled (Persistent)
 17 17  --  N4  No_Module
 18 18  --  N4  No_Module
 19 19  --  N4  No_Module
 20 20  --  N4  No_Module
 21 21  id  N4  Online      E-Port  segmented,(zone conflict)(Trunk
master)
 22 22  id  N4  Online      E-Port  (Trunk port, master is Port 21 )
 23 23  id  N4  Online      E-Port  (Trunk port, master is Port 21 )

```

3. Enter the **switchDisable** command to disable the switch.

```
switch:admin> switchdisable
```

4. Save the switch configuration using the **configUpload** command.

5. Enter the **ag --modeenable** command to enable Access Gateway mode.

```
switch:admin> ag --modeenable
```

The switch automatically reboots and comes back online in Access Gateway mode using a factory default F\_Port to N\_Port mapping. See [Appendix A, "Default Port Mapping"](#).

6. Enter the **ag --modeshow** command to verify that Access Gateway mode has been enabled

```
switch:admin> ag --modeshow
Access Gateway mode is enabled.
```

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7. Enter the **ag --mapshow** command without any options to display all the mapped ports.

The following example shows a mapping that has been reconfigured, three N\_Ports 17, 19 and 20 have no mappings and are not connected to the fabric.

```
switch:admin> ag --mapshow
```

N_Port	Configured_F_Ports	Current_F_Ports	Failover	Failback
0	9;10	None	1	1
17	None	None	1	1
18	3;4	None	1	1
19	None	None	1	1
20	None	None	1	1
21	1;2;11;12	1;2	1	1
22	5;13;14	5	1	1
23	6;15;16	6	1	1

8. Enter the **switchShow** command without any options to display the status of all ports.

```
switch:admin> switchshow
```

switchName: switch  
switchType: 43.2  
switchState: Online  
switchMode: Access Gateway Mode  
switchWwn: 10:00:00:05:1e:03:4b:e7  
switchBeacon: OFF

```
Area Port Media Speed State Proto
=====
```

0	0	--	N4	No_Module	
1	1	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b7:32 0x5a0101
2	2	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f5 0x5a0003
3	3	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b6:1e 0x5a0102
4	4	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:9b 0x5a0002
5	5	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b4:3e 0x5a0201
6	6	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f3 0x5a0202
7	7	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
8	8	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:a1 0x5a0001
9	9	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
10	10	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
11	11	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
12	12	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
13	13	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
14	14	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
15	15	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
16	16	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
17	17	--	N4	No_Module	
18	18	--	N4	No_Module	
19	19	id	N4	No_Light	
20	20	--	N4	No_Module	
21	21	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0200
22	22	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0100
23	23	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0000

# Disabling Access Gateway Mode

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This chapter describes how to disable Access Gateway mode. Disabling Access Gateway mode is disruptive; the switch is disabled and rebooted.

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## Before you begin

Always back up the current configuration before enabling or disabling Access Gateway mode. Enabling Access Gateway mode clears the security and zone databases. Disabling Access Gateway mode clears the F\_Port to N\_Port mapping.

### BACKING UP THE SWITCH CONFIGURATION

Save the configuration before setting up the switch in Access Gateway mode. If you want more information on backing up and restoring the configuration file, refer to *Fabric OS Administrator's Guide*.

#### To upload a configuration file using CLI

1. Verify that the FTP service is running on the host computer.
2. Connect to the switch and log in as admin.
3. Enter the **configUpload** command. The command becomes interactive and you are prompted for the required information.

## Disabling Access Gateway mode

Access Gateway mode transforms the switch into a device management tool. After Access Gateway mode is disabled, the switch starts in Fabric OS Native mode, and the standard set of Fabric OS commands are available. Disable Access Gateway mode using the command line interface.

## USING THE CLI TO DISABLE ACCESS GATEWAY MODE

After you disable Access Gateway mode, use the instructions in the *Fabric OS Administrator's Guide* to reconfigure the switch and join it to the fabric.

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### NOTE

Disabling Access Gateway mode clears the current Access Gateway mode configuration and reboots the switch.

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#### To disable Access Gateway mode

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --modeshow** command to verify that the switch is in Access Gateway mode.

```
switch:admin> ag --modeshow
Access Gateway mode is enabled
```

3. Enter the **switchDisable** command to disable the switch.

```
switch:admin> switchdisable
```

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### NOTE

To save the Access Gateway configuration, use the **configUpload** command before proceeding with the next step.

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4. Enter the **ag** command with the **--modedisable** operand to disable Access Gateway mode.

```
switch:admin> ag --modedisable
```

The switch automatically reboots and comes back online using the fabric switch configuration; the Access Gateway parameters, such as F\_Port to N\_Port mapping, failover, and failback policies are automatically removed.

5. Enter the **ag --modeshow** command to verify that Access Gateway mode has been disabled.

```
switch:admin> ag --modeshow
Access Gateway mode is NOT enabled
```

---

### NOTE

Use the **configDownload** command to restore a previous fabric configuration.

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## Notes on joining the switch to a fabric

After the switch reboots when Access Gateway mode is disabled, the default zone is set to no access. Therefore the switch does not immediately join the fabric to which it is connected. Use one of the following methods to join the switch to the fabric:

- If you saved a Fabric OS configuration before enabling AG mode, download the configuration using the **configDownload** command. See [“To use a previous configuration”](#) on page 15.
- If you want to join the switch to the fabric using the fabric configuration, follow the steps in [“To allow the switch to merge with the fabric”](#) on page 15.



**To use a previous configuration**

1. Enter the **switchDisable** command to disable the switch.
2. Enter the **configDownload** command to revert to the previous configuration.
3. Enter the **switchEnable** command to bring the switch back online.

The switch automatically joins the fabric.

**To allow the switch to merge with the fabric**

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**NOTE**

Only connect the switch to the fabrics which you want it to join.

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1. Enter the **switchDisable** command to disable the switch.
2. Enter the **defZone --allAccess** command to allow the switch to merge with the fabric.
3. Enter the **cfgSave** command to commit the defzone changes.
4. Enter the **switchEnable** command to enable the switch and allow it to merge with the fabric.

The switch automatically joins the fabric.

### 3 Notes on joining the switch to a fabric

# Managing Ports in Access Gateway mode

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This chapter explains how to use the CLI to manage the ports on Brocade Access Gateway.

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## NOTE

Refer to the Web Tools Admin Guide for information on setting up Access Gateway using Web Tools.

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## Determining the mapping and port status

This section explains how to display the current mapping and port status.

### DISPLAYING THE PORT MAPPING

This section explains how to display the mapped routes of the host connections to the fabric on Brocade Access Gateway. F\_Ports are mapped to N\_Ports.

See the *Fabric OS Command Reference* for more details on using the **ag** command with the **--mapshow** operand.

#### To display all mappings

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --mapshow** command without any options to display all the mapped ports.

N_Port	Port numbers of ports locked in N_Port mode.
Configured F_Ports	List of F_Ports that are mapped to the corresponding N_Port; for example: F_Ports 9 and 10 are mapped to N_Port 0.
Current F_Ports	Shows the F_Ports that are currently connected to the fabric on the corresponding N_Port.
	In the case of failover, the Current F_Port and Configured F_Ports differ. For example, ports 9 and 10 are mapped to 0, however 0 is offline, therefore 9 and 10 failed over to 22 and 23.
Failover and Failback	Indicates whether or not N_Port policy is enabled (1) or disabled (0).

## 4 Determining the mapping and port status

```
switch:admin> ag --mapshow
N_Port  Configured_F_Ports  Current_F_Ports  Failover  Failback
-----
   0     9;10             None             1         1
  17     None            None             1         1
  18     3;4             None             1         1
  19     None            None             1         1
  20     None            None             1         1
  21     1;2;11;12       1;2              1         1
  22     5;13;14         5;9              1         1
  23     6;15;16         6;10             1         1
-----
```

### To display an N\_Port map

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --mapshow** command and specify the port number to display the N\_Port failover and failback policies and the mapped F\_Ports.

N_Port	Number of the port.
Failover	Indicates whether or not the failover policy is enabled (1) or disabled (0) on the N_Port.
Failback	Indicates whether or not the failback policy is enabled (1) or disabled (0) on the N_Port.
Current F_Ports	Shows the F_Ports that are currently connected to the fabric on this N_Port.  In the case of failover, the Current F_Port and Configured F_Ports differ. For example (shown below), 8 failed over to this port from another port.
Configured F_Ports	Indicates the ports which are mapped to this N_Port.

```
switch:admin> ag --mapshow 0
N_Port : 0
Failover(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Failback(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Current F_Ports : 2;8;
Configured F_Ports : 2;
```

## DISPLAYING THE PORT STATUS

This section explains how to determine the ports status.

### To display the port status

1. Connect and log in to the switch.

2. Enter the **switchShow** command without any options to display the status of all ports.

```
switch:admin> switchshow
switchName:      switch
switchType:      43.2
switchState:     Online
switchMode:      Access Gateway Mode
switchWwn:       10:00:00:05:1e:03:4b:e7
switchBeacon:    OFF
```

Area	Port	Media	Speed	State	Proto
0	0	--	N4	No_Module	
1	1	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b7:32 0x5a0101
2	2	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f5 0x5a0003
3	3	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b6:1e 0x5a0102
4	4	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:9b 0x5a0002
5	5	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 50:06:0b:00:00:3c:b4:3e 0x5a0201
6	6	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:f3 0x5a0202
7	7	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
8	8	cu	N4	Online	F-Port 10:00:00:00:c9:35:43:a1 0x5a0001
9	9	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
10	10	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
11	11	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
12	12	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
13	13	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
14	14	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
15	15	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
16	16	cu	AN	No_Sync	Disabled (Persistent)
17	17	--	N4	No_Module	
18	18	--	N4	No_Module	
19	19	id	N4	No_Light	
20	20	--	N4	No_Module	
21	21	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0200
22	22	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0100
23	23	id	N4	Online	N-Port 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0000

## Configuring port maps

In Access Gateway mode, the F\_Ports are mapped to N\_Ports. The first time Access Gateway mode is enabled, the default F\_Port to N\_Port mapping is used. See [Appendix A, “Default Port Mapping”](#).

This section explains how to change the mapping. When you update the mapping only the F\_Ports that are added or removed are affected.

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### NOTE

For bladed servers, the HBA connects to the internal ports. Therefore, the internal ports are F\_Ports and by default only the external ports are configured as N\_Ports.

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## ADDING F\_PORTS

Adding an F\_Port to an N\_Port routes that traffic to and from the fabric through the specified N\_Port. When failover is enabled and the N\_Port goes offline or otherwise fails, the F\_Port is automatically routed to another N\_Port that is connected to the same fabric.

## 4 Configuring port maps

An F\_Port can be assigned to only one N\_Port at a time. If the F\_Port has been assigned to another N\_Port, you must remove it from the N\_Port before you can add it in this procedure.

### To add F\_Ports to an N\_Port

1. Connect and log in to the switch.

Enter the **ag** command with the **--mapdel <n\_portnumber> "<F\_Port1;...;F\_Port2>"** operand to remove the F\_Port from the N\_Port. Where the *f\_portlist* can contain multiple F\_Port numbers separated by semicolons, for example "17;18".

```
switch:admin> ag --mapdel 10 6
F-Port to N-Port mapping has been updated successfully
```

2. Enter the **switchshow** command to verify that the F\_Port is free (unassigned).

Unassigned F\_Port status is **Disabled (No mapping for F-Port)**. See port 6 in the example below.

```
switch:admin> switchshow
switchName:      fsw534_4016
switchType:      45.0
switchState:     Online
switchMode:      Access Gateway Mode
switchWwn:       10:00:00:05:1e:02:1d:b0
switchBeacon:    OFF
```

```
Area Port Media Speed State      Proto
=====
  0  0  cu   AN   No_Sync
  1  1  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (N-Port Offline for F-Port)
  2  2  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (N-Port Offline for F-Port)
  3  3  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (N-Port Offline for F-Port)
  4  4  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (N-Port Offline for F-Port)
  5  5  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (N-Port Offline for F-Port)
  6  6  cu   AN   No_Sync      Disabled (No mapping for F-Port)
  7  7  cu   AN   No_Sync
  8  8  cu   AN   No_Sync
  9  9  cu   AN   No_Sync
 10 10  --   N4   No_Module
 11 11  --   N4   No_Module
 12 12  --   N4   No_Module
 13 13  id   N4   Online       N-Port  10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0a00
 14 14  id   N4   Online       N-Port  10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0900
 15 15  id   N4   Online       N-Port  10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:1e 0x5a0800
```

3. Enter the **ag** command with the **--mapadd <n\_portnumber> "<f\_port1;f\_port2;...>"** operand to add the list of F\_Ports to the N\_Port.

Where the *f\_portlist* can contain multiple F\_Port numbers separated by semicolons, for example "17;18".

```
switch:admin> ag --mapadd 13 "5;6"
F-Port to N-Port mapping has been updated successfully
```

4. Enter the **ag --mapshow** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to display a list of mapped F\_Ports. Verify that the F\_Ports you added appear in the list.

```
switch:admin> ag --mapshow 13

N_Port                : 13
Failover(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Failback(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Current F_Ports       : None
Configured F_Ports    : 6;7
```

## REMOVING F\_PORTS

Removing an F\_Port from an N\_Port unassigns the F\_Port. The F\_Port status changes to **Disabled (No mapping for F-Port)**.

### To remove an F\_Port from an N\_Port

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --mapdel** command with the *<n\_portnumber>* "*<f\_port1;f\_port2;...>*" operands to remove the list of F\_Ports from the N\_Port.

```
switch:admin> ag --mapdel 13 "5;6"
F-Port to N-Port mapping has been updated successfully
```

3. Enter the **ag --mapshow** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to display a list of mapped F\_Ports. Verify that the F\_Ports you removed are not in the list.

```
switch:admin> ag --mapshow 13

N_Port                : 13
Failover(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Failback(1=enabled/0=disabled) : 1
Current F_Ports       : None
Configured F_Ports    : 7
```

## Managing the failover and failback policies

The failover and failback policies determine the behavior of the F\_Port if the N\_Port they are mapped to goes OFFLINE or is disabled. By default, the failover and failback policies are enabled. This section explains how to change the policy settings.

Both the failover and failback processes are disruptive. When a host connection fails over and fails back to another online N\_Port, the F\_Port connection is disabled and then re-enabled on the new N\_Port. Each time the host changes N\_Ports, it receives a new PID. The host must establish a new session to the fabric




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### CAUTION

If the failback policy is enabled and autofailback occurs, this will interrupt traffic because the ports need to relogin to their original mapped port thus causing a disruption in traffic.

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### ENABLING THE FAILOVER POLICY

A switch in Access Gateway mode supports automatic N\_Port failover to other N\_Ports connected to the same fabric. When a port is first configured as an N\_Port, the failover policy is enabled by default.

If the N\_Port goes offline, the F\_Ports mapped to that N\_Port are automatically failed over to other online N\_Ports connected to the same fabric. If there are multiple online N\_Ports connected to the same fabric, the mapped F\_Ports are distributed evenly between the N\_Ports.

Failover generates an error message.

#### To enable failover

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag** command with the **--failovershow <n\_portnumber>** operand to display the failover setting.

```
switch:admin> ag --failovershow 13
Failover on N_Port 13 is not supported
```

3. Enter the **ag** command with the **--failoverenable <n\_portnumber>** operand to enable failover.

```
switch:admin> ag --failoverenable 13
Failover policy is enabled for port 13
```

#### To disable failover

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag** command with the **--failovershow <n\_portnumber>** operand to display the failover setting.

```
switch:admin> ag --failovershow 13
Failover on N_Port 13 is supported
```

3. Enter the **ag --failoverdisable** command with the **--failoverdisable <n\_portnumber>** operand to disable failover.

```
switch:admin> ag --failoverdisable 13
Failover policy is disabled for port 13
```

### ENABLING THE FAILBACK POLICY

A switch in Access Gateway mode supports automatic F\_Port failback to N\_Ports when that port comes back online. By default the failback policy is enabled.

When an N\_Port with an enabled failback policy comes back online, the F\_Ports that were originally mapped to it are automatically rerouted back to the N\_Port.

#### To enable failback

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --failbackshow** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to display the failover setting.

```
switch:admin> ag --failbackshow 13
Failback on N_Port 13 is not supported
```

3. Enter the **ag --failbackenable** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to enable failover.



```
switch:admin> ag --failbackenable 13
Failback policy is enabled for port 13
```

#### To disable failback

1. Connect and log in to the switch.
2. Enter the **ag --failbackshow** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to display the failover setting.

```
switch:admin> ag --failbackshow 13
Failback on N_Port 13 is supported
```

3. Enter the **ag --failbackdisable** command with the *n\_portnumber* operand to disable failover.

```
switch:admin> ag --failbackdisable 13
Failback policy is disabled for port 13
```

## Configuring additional F\_Ports

By default on the embedded switches, only the internal ports of Brocade Access Gateway are configured as F\_Ports. All external ports are configured (locked) as N\_Ports. For more information on which ports are mapped by default, refer to [Appendix A, “Default Port Mapping”](#). The internal ports connect hosts in the bladed server and external ports connect to the fabric. To connect an additional FCP initiator to an external port, reconfigure an N\_Port as an F\_Port as follows:

1. Remap any F\_Ports on the N\_Port that is being converted. See [“Adding F\\_Ports”](#) on page 19.
2. Unlock N\_Port mode to change the port type to an F\_Port. See [“Unlocking N\\_Port mode”](#) on page 24.
3. Map the newly configured F\_Port to an N\_Port. See [“Adding F\\_Ports”](#) on page 19.
4. Connect the HBA, host, or other FCP initiator to the F\_Port

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#### NOTE

A switch in Access Gateway mode must have at least one port configured as an N\_Port. Therefore the maximum number of F\_Ports that could be mapped to an N\_Port is the number of ports on the switch minus one.

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3. Enter the **portCfgNport** command with `<portnumber> 0` operand to unlock N\_Port mode.

```
switch:admin> portcfgnport 10 0
```

Alternatively, to lock a port in N\_Port mode, enter the **portCfgNport <portnumber> 1** command.

```
switch:admin> portcfgnport 10 1
```

4. Enter the **portCfgNport** command to display the N\_Port lock settings and verify that the port is no longer locked in N\_Port mode.

```
switch:admin> portcfgnport
```

```
Ports          0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14 15
-----+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---
Locked N_Port  .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. ON ON ON ON ON
```

## 4 Configuring additional F\_Ports

## Default Port Mapping

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The following table shows the default F\_Port to N\_Port maps that are automatically configured when Access Gateway mode is enabled. All N\_Ports have failover and failback enabled.

**TABLE 4** Access Gateway default F\_Port to N\_Port mapping

Brocade Model	Total Ports	F_Ports	N_Ports	F_to N_Port Mapping
200E	16	0-11	12-15	0, 1, 2 mapped to 12 3, 4, 5 mapped to 13 6, 7, 8 mapped to 14 9, 10, 11 mapped to 15
4012	12	0-7	8-11	0, 1 mapped to 8 2, 3 mapped to 9 4, 5 mapped to 10 6, 7 mapped to 11
4016	16	0-9	10-15	0, 1 mapped to 10 2, 3 mapped to 11 4, 5 mapped to 12 6, 7 mapped to 13 8 mapped to 14 9 mapped to 15
4020	20	1-14	0, 15-19	1, 2 mapped to 0 3, 4 mapped to 15 5, 6, 7 mapped to 16 8, 9 mapped to port 17 10, 11 mapped to 18 12, 13, 14 mapped to 19
4024	24	1-16	0, 17-23	1, 2 mapped to 17 9, 10 mapped to 18 3, 4 mapped to 19 11, 12 mapped to 20 5, 6 mapped to 21 13, 14 mapped to 22 7, 8 mapped to 23 15, 16 mapped to 0

## A Default Port Mapping

# Compatibility

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In Access Gateway mode, the switch can connect to a fabric that supports NPIV. Fabric OS supports NPIV in v5.0.1 and later. This section describes the supported Access Gateway configurations.

## Access Gateway Mode Switches

The following switches support Access Gateway mode:

- Brocade 200E
- Brocade 4012
- Brocade 4016
- Brocade 4020
- Brocade 4024

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**NOTE**

Connecting Access Gateway devices one to another, daisy chaining, is not supported.

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## Edge Switch Compatibility

Brocade Access Gateway can connect to a Brocade-based fabric on any supported Brocade-based edge switches, listed below, running Fabric OS v5.2.1 or later.

- Brocade 4100
- Brocade 4900
- Brocade 24000
- Brocade 48000 with port blades FC-16, FC-32, FC-48 only

Brocade Access Gateway can connect to other types of fabrics on edge switches with the following firmware versions only:

- McDATA firmware v9.0 or higher
- Cisco firmware v3.0(1) or higher

## Port requirements

Only FCP initiator ports can be connected to Access Gateway as F\_Ports. FCP target ports, loop device, and FICON channels/control unit connectivity are not supported.

## NPIV HBAs

When the switch is in Access Gateway mode it can be connected to NPIV-enabled HBAs, or F\_Ports that are NPIV-aware. Access Gateway supports NPIV industry standards per FC-LS-2 v1.4

### Interoperability with McDATA and Cisco

The following instructions will allow you to connect your McDATA and Cisco edge fabrics to the Access Gateway enabled switch by enabling NPIV functionality.

#### How to configure McDATA switch

1. Login as admin on the McDATA switch.
2. Enable MS services on the McDATA switch by typing in the following command:
3. Enable NPIV functionality on the edge fabric ports so that multiple logins are allowed for each port. Use the following command on the McDATA switch to enable NPIV on the specified ports.

```
config OpenSysMs setState
```

```
config NPIV
```

Your McDATA switch is now ready to connect.

#### How to configure Cisco switch

1. Login as admin on the Cisco switch.
2. Execute following commands on the Cisco switch to enable NPIV:

```
conf t
no fcdomain fcid persistent vsan <vsan#>
fcinterop fcid-allocation flat
vsan database
vsan <vsan#> suspend
no vsan <vsan#> suspend
Hit Ctrl-Z
```

Your Cisco switch is now ready to connect.



# Troubleshooting

This appendix provides trouble shooting instructions.

**TABLE 5** Troubleshooting

Problem	Cause	Solution
Switch is not in Access Gateway mode	Switch is in Native switch mode	<p>Disable switch using the <b>switchDisable</b> command.</p> <p>Enable Access Gateway mode using the <b>ag --modeenable</b> command.</p> <p>Answer yes when prompted; the switch reboots.</p> <p>Log in to the switch.</p> <p>Display the switch settings using the <b>switchShow</b> command. Verify that the field <b>switchMode</b> displays Access Gateway Mode.</p>
NPIV disabled on edge switch ports	Inadvertently turned off	<p>On the edge switch, enter the <b>portCfgShow</b> command.</p> <p>Verify that NPIV status for the port to which Brocade Access Gateway is connected is ON.</p> <p>If the status displays as “–” NPIV is disabled. Enter the <b>portCfgNpivPort &lt;port_number&gt;</b> command with the <b>1</b> operand to enabled NPIV.</p> <p>Repeat <a href="#">step</a> for each port as required.</p>
Need to reconfigure N_Port and F_Ports	Default port setting not adequate for customer environment	<p>On Brocade Access Gateway, enter the <b>portCfgShow</b> command.</p> <p>For each port that is to be activated as N_port, enter the <b>portCfgNport &lt;port_number&gt;</b> command with the <b>1</b> operand.</p> <p>All other ports remain as F_port.</p> <p>To reset to the port to an F_port, enter the <b>portCfgNpivPort &lt;port_number&gt;</b> command with the <b>0</b> operand.</p>
LUNs are not visible	<p>Zoning on fabric switch is incorrect.</p> <p>Port mapping on Access Gateway mode switch is incorrect.</p> <p>Cabling not properly connected.</p>	<p>Verify zoning on the edge switch.</p> <p>Verify that F_Ports are mapped to an online N_Port. See <a href="#">“Displaying the port status”</a> on page 18.</p> <p>Perform a visual inspection of the cabling, check for issues such as wrong ports, twisted cable, or bent cable. Replace the cable and try again.</p>

**TABLE 5** Troubleshooting (Continued)

Problem	Cause	Solution
Failover is not working	Failover disabled on N_Port.	<p>Verify that failover and failback policies are enabled, as follows:</p> <p>Enter the <b>ag --failoverShow</b> command with the <b>&lt;port_number&gt;</b> operand.</p> <p>Enter the <b>ag --failbackShow</b> command with the <b>&lt;port_number&gt;</b> operand.</p> <p>Command returns “Failback (or Failover) on N_port &lt;port_number&gt; is supported.”</p> <p>If it returns, “Failback (or Failover) on N_Port &lt;port_number&gt; is not supported.” See <a href="#">“Managing the failover and failback policies”</a> on page 21.</p>
Access Gateway is mode not wanted	Access Gateway must be disabled.	<p>Disable switch using the <b>switchDisable</b> command.</p> <p>Enable Access Gateway mode using the <b>ag --modeDisable</b> command.</p> <p>Answer yes when prompted; the switch reboots.</p> <p>Log in to the switch.</p> <p>Display the switch settings using the <b>switchShow</b> command. Verify that the field <b>switchMode</b> displays Fabric OS native mode.</p>

# Access Gateway Commands

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This appendix contains the commands for Access Gateway mode in the Fabric OS 5.3.0 release. System messages can be found in the *Fabric OS Message Reference*. This appendix uses the same conventions as the Fabric OS Command References.

## Access Gateway commands

### ag

Enables and manages Access Gateway mode to perform AG specific operations.

**Usage** ag <action> [arguments]

**Synopsis**

```
ag --show
ag --modeshow
ag --modeenable
ag --modedisable
ag --mapshow [N_Port]
ag --mapset <N_Port> <F_Ports>
ag --mapadd <N_Port> <F_Ports>
ag --mapdel <N_Port> <F_Ports>
ag --failovershow [N_Port]
ag --failoverdisable <N_Port>
ag --failoverenable <N_Port>
ag --failbackshow [N_Port]
ag --failbackdisable <N_Port>
ag --failbackenable <N_Port>
```

**Description** Use this command to enable and disable Access Gateway mode, to display the current configuration and state, to configure and display the F\_Port to N\_Port mapping, and to configure N\_Port failover and failback policies. AG only supports embedded switch platforms that use the GoldenEye ASIC.

**Operands** This command has the following operands:

<b>--show</b>	Displays the N_Ports and F_Ports that are currently online, whether they have failover enabled, and displays their mapping.
<b>--modeshow</b>	Displays current mode of the switch, either Access Gateway or native Fibre channel switch (FOS) mode.
<b>--modeenable</b>	Enables Access Gateway mode for a switch.
<b>--modedisable</b>	Disables Access Gateway mode for a switch.
<b>--mapshow [N_Port]</b>	

Displays the F\_Ports that are mapped to a given N\_Port. N\_Port is optional and if used, it displays the F\_Ports that are mapped to the specified N\_Port only.

**--mapset** <N\_Port> "<F\_Port1;F\_Port2;...>"

Maps F\_Ports to a specific N\_Port to the fabric. Any F\_Port can be mapped to only one N\_Port. F\_Ports are enabled only if the N\_Port is online and NPIV is enabled on the fabric port that is connected to Access Gateway.

**--mapadd** <N\_Port> "<F\_Port1;F\_Port2;...>"

Adds F\_Ports to existing N\_Port. The traffic for the configured F\_Ports to be routed to the fabric through the specified N\_Port when the F\_Port comes online. An F\_Port can be mapped to only one N\_Port. Specify the N\_Port number to which the F\_Ports are to be mapped. This command modifies the existing mapping for the N\_Port. Specify the list of F\_Port numbers to add to the existing specified F\_Port to N\_Port mapping. The F\_Port numbers must be separated by semicolons.

**--mapdel** <N\_Port> "<F\_Port1;F\_Port2;...>"

Removes the specified F\_Ports from the N\_Port mapping. Specify the N\_Port number to which the F\_Ports are currently mapped. Specify the list of F\_Port numbers to remove from the specified F\_Ports to N\_Port mapping. The F\_Port numbers must be separated by semicolons.

**--failovershow** [N\_Port]

Displays the failover policy for the N\_Port. Use this command with the N\_Port parameter to see if the failover for this N\_Port is enabled or not. If an N\_Port failure occurs when the failover policy is enabled, all F\_Ports mapped to the failed N\_Port will failover to another N\_Port connected to the same fabric, and then those F\_Ports are re-enabled.

**--failoverdisable** <N\_Port>

Disables the failover policy for an N\_Port.

**--failoverenable** <N\_Port>

Enables the failover policy for an N\_Port. When the failover policy is enabled for an N\_Port and failure occurs on that port, all F\_Ports mapped to the failed N\_Port will failover to another N\_Port connected to the same fabric, and then those F\_Ports are re-enabled.

**--failbackshow** [N\_Port]

Displays the failover policy for the N\_Port (s).

**--failbackdisable** <N\_Port>

Disables the failback policy for an N\_Port.

**--failbackenable** <N\_Port>

Enables the failback policy for an N\_Port.

**Examples** To display Access Gateway information:

```

switch:admin> ag --show
Name           : switch
NodeName       : 10:00:00:05:1e:35:10:57
Number of Ports : 16
IP Address(es) : 10.115.74.54
Firmware Version : v5.2.1.v5.2.x_maint_061106_2
N_Ports        : 3
F_Ports        : 8
Attached N_Port information:
  Port  PortID      PortWWN          FO FB  IP Addr      F_Ports
-----
      2  0x020600  20:06:00:05:1e:34:15:c6  1  1  10.115.74.200  0;1;
      3  0x020500  20:05:00:05:1e:34:15:c6  1  1  10.115.74.200  5;6;
     15  0x060700  20:07:00:05:1e:34:15:c6  1  1  10.115.74.59
9;10;11;12;
-----
Attached F_Port information:
  Port  PortID      Port WWN          N_Port
-----
  0     0x429c02  10:00:00:00:c9:3f:7d:4a  2
  1     0x429c01  21:00:00:e0:8b:a8:68:58  2
  5     0x429B01  21:00:00:e0:8b:88:92:e8  3
  6     0x429B02  21:00:00:e0:8b:88:68:58  3
-----

```

Note: ag --show always shows the current online information.

## To display all the F\_Ports that are mapped to a given N\_Port:

```

ST2:admin> ag --mapshow

N_Port  Configured_F_Ports  Current_F_Ports  Failover  Failback
-----
  2      0;1;                0;1;              1         1
  3      5;6;                5;6;              1         1
  15     9;10;11;12;        9;10;11;12;      1         1
-----

ST2: admin> ag --mapshow 15
-----
N_Port2                               : 15
Failover (1=enabled/0=disabled)      : 1
Failback (1=enabled/0=disabled)       : 1
Current F_Ports                       : 9;10;11;12;
Configured F_Ports                    : 9;10;11;12;
-----

```

**See Also** portcfgnport, portcfgnpivport

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