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1  SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide

With SAP HANA, you can analyze data at incredible speeds, for example, with scans of 1 billion rows per second per core and join performance of 10 million rows per second. However, such results are only possible if the system is monitored and performance issues are kept to a minimum.

This guide describes the measures you can take to identify and resolve specific performance issues and shows you how to enhance the performance of your SAP HANA database in the following areas:

- Host resources (CPU, memory, disk)
- Size and growth of data structures
- Transactional problems
- SQL statement performance
- Security, authorization, and licensing
- Configuration.

Prerequisites

- This guide assumes knowledge of the relevant functionality of the SAP HANA database (knowledge which can be gained from HANA training courses such as HA100, HA200).
- Access to the administration tool SAP HANA cockpit (or alternatively SAP HANA studio) is required.

Overview

Analyzing Generic Symptoms

This section of the troubleshooting guide helps you to find out about causes of generic problems such as:

- slow system-wide performance
- slow individual SQL statements
- frequent out-of-memory (OOM) situations

Furthermore, you are directed to sections of this guide that contain more specific root causes.

SAP Note references lead you to possible solutions.

Analyzing Generic Symptoms [page 9]

Root Causes & Solutions

In this section of the troubleshooting guide you find concrete root causes for problems together with possible solutions. Some of the areas covered are:
Memory Problems
● CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions
● License Issues
● Statement Performance Analysis

You may find the SAP Notes very useful for solving your issue as they contain detailed explanations and step-by-step instructions, for example.

Tools and Tracing [page 22]

Tools and Tracing
This section of the troubleshooting guide presents monitoring tools which can be used for analyzing and tracing certain issues.

Tools and Tracing [page 174]

Apart from those more specific monitoring tools discussed here, there are important tools for administrators and developers in general:

● SAP HANA cockpit
  → Tip
  For the documentation of the latest SAP HANA cockpit support package (SP), see https://help.sap.com/viewer/p/SAP_HANA_COCKPIT

● SAP HANA database explorer
  SAP HANA Database Explorer

● SQL analyzer
  Analyzing Statement Performance

● Support Log Assistant
  The Support Log Assistant is a tool that allows you to automatically scan and analyze text files such as logs, configuration files or traces. The tool will then suggest solutions to known issues found in the files and highlight important details that it finds. The tool is integrated into the incident logging procedure and is also available as a standalone tool; the following link is to a Support Portal getting started page which also gives direct access to the Support Log Assistant.
  Support Log Assistant

Alerts

Alert checkers run in the background and you are notified in case of potentially critical situations arising in your system. In the SAP HANA cockpit, you can easily see in which areas you might need to take some action.

Reference: Alerts [page 243]

SAP Notes

SAP Notes are used to give detailed supplementary customer support information in addition to the formal set of published documents. This troubleshooting guide includes many references to relevant SAP Notes. The Alerts reference section, for example, gives links to corresponding notes for each system alert. Some other FAQ-format SAP Notes which you may find useful are listed here:

● SAP Note 2000003 - FAQ: SAP HANA
● SAP Note 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory
• SAP Note 2186744 - FAQ: SAP HANA Parameters

Guided Answers

Guided Answers is an interactive online support tool to help users to diagnose and solve problems using decision trees. It covers many SAP products including SAP HANA and offers a set of step-by-step problem-solving online documents each one designed to address a specific topic. Guided Answers is available in the SAP Support portal at the following address:

https://ga.support.sap.com/dtp/viewer/

This troubleshooting guide includes links to specific trees where relevant. The following tree is a general high-level troubleshooting tree for SAP HANA:

https://gad5158842f.us2.hana.ondemand.com/dtp/viewer/#/tree/1623/actions/21021

Further Resources

The following SAP HANA documents are important resources for working with SAP HANA and are often referred to in this guide:

• SAP HANA Administration Guide
• SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference

In particular, the SAP HANA Administration Guide gives general details on using the administration tools SAP HANA cockpit and SAP HANA studio.

There is a central online portal for a variety of support resources for SAP products which is available from the SAP ONE Support Launchpad Software Downloads: https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/softwarecenter

In the SAP Community Network (SCN) you can find many support resources online including wikis, blogs, reference materials and so on. This SCN wiki page, for example, provides links to many specialist topics: SAP HANA In-Memory Troubleshooting Guide.

Both SAP HANA Academy and SAP Support offer YouTube channels with a wide range of support materials in video format:

• https://www.youtube.com/user/saphanaacademy
• http://www.youtube.com/user/SAPSupportInfo
2 Analyzing Generic Symptoms

The purpose of this section of the document is to help you to find the probable root cause of some generic problems and refer you to more detailed sections of the SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide to proceed with your analysis.

Performance issues may be difficult to diagnose; problems may be rooted in a number of seemingly unrelated components. Checking for system alerts is a good starting point if you experience any trouble with your SAP HANA system. If the system issues an alert, refer to the Reference: Alerts section to find the part of this guide, an SAP Note or Knowledge Base Article which addresses the problem.

However, alerts are configurable (see Memory Problems for information on configuring alerts) and do not cover all aspects of the system, problems can still occur without triggering an alert. This section therefore describes some generic symptoms which you may observe and helps you to analyze the underlying problem.

Related Information

Memory Problems [page 22]
Reference: Alerts [page 243]

2.1 Performance and High Resource Utilization

By observing the general symptoms shown by the system such as poor performance, high memory usage, paging or column store unloads we can start to narrow down the possible causes as a first step in analyzing the issue.

High Memory Consumption

You observe that the amount of memory allocated by the SAP HANA database is higher than expected. The following alerts indicate issues with high memory usage:

- Memory usage of name server (Alert 12)
- Total memory usage of Column Store tables (Alert 40)
- Memory usage of services (Alert 43)
- Memory usage of main storage of Column Store tables (Alert 45)
- Runtime dump files (Alert 46)

See the section Memory Problems for information on analyzing the root cause.
Out-of-Memory Situations

You observe trace files or error messages indicating an Out-of-Memory (OOM) situation. See the section Memory Problems for information on analyzing the root cause.

Paging on Operating System Level

You observe that paging is reported on operating system level. See the section Memory Problems for information on analyzing the root cause.

Column Store Unloads

You observe unloads in the column store. The following alerts indicate issues with high memory usage:

- Column store unloads (Alert 55)

See the section Memory Problems for information on analyzing the root cause.

Permanently Slow System

Issues with overall system performance can be caused by a number of very different root causes. Typical reasons for a slow system are resource shortages of CPU, memory, disk I/O and, for distributed systems, network performance.

Check Overview > Monitoring and Administration > Performance Monitor for either Memory, CPU or Disk Usage. If you see a constant high usage of memory or CPU, proceed with the linked sections Memory Problems or CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions respectively. I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions provides ways to check for disk I/O related problems. In case of network performance issues, have a look at the Monitor Network page accessible from the Monitoring group in the SAP HANA cockpit.

Note that operating system tools can also be helpful to determine whether the network is the main bottleneck. If performance issues only appear sporadically, the problem may be related to other tasks running on the database at the same time.

These include not only maintenance related tasks such as savepoints (disk I/O, see I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions) or remote replication (network I/O), but also SQL statements dispatched by other users, which can block a lot of resources. In the case of memory, this can lead to unloads of tables, which affects future SQL statements, when a table has to be reloaded into memory. In this case, see Memory Problems as well. Another reason for poor performance, which in many cases cannot be detected by the SAP HANA instance itself, are other processes running on the same host that are not related to SAP HANA. You can use the operating system tools to check for such processes. Note that SAP only supports production systems running on validated hardware.
Slow Individual SQL Statements or with Increasingly Long Runtimes

Issues with the performance of a particular statement can be caused by a number of very different root causes. In principle, a statement can trigger all the resource problems that also lead to an overall slowdown of the system, so most of the previous information also applies to statement performance. In addition, statement performance can suffer from transactional problems, that is, blocked transactions. Blocked transactions can be checked in the Threads tile or on the Blocked Transactions page accessible from the Monitoring group. For troubleshooting, proceed with Transaction Problems.

If the runtime of a statement increases steadily over time, there could be an issue with the delta merge operation. Alerts should be issued for most problems occurring with the delta merge, but since they depend on configurable thresholds, this is not always the case. For troubleshooting, proceed with Delta Merge. If you have none of the above problems, but the statement is still too slow, a detailed Statement Performance Analysis might reveal ways to optimize the statement. However, some queries are inherently complex and require a lot of computational resources and time.

Related Information

Memory Problems [page 22]
CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions [page 39]
Disk Related Root Causes and Solutions [page 48]
I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions [page 55]
M_SERVICE_NETWORK_IO
Transactional Problems [page 111]
Delta Merge [page 68]
Statement Performance Analysis [page 121]

2.2 Common Symptoms and Troubleshooting

Typical symptoms and the related troubleshooting information are described in this section.

System-side slow performance, slow individual statement performance, and OOM problems are issues that you might experience while using the SAP HANA database. For each section, this document will cover the known symptoms and the corresponding troubleshooting steps to follow depending on the causes.
2.2.1 Slow System-wide Performance

Slow system-wide performance issues are problems that could be caused by excessive use of CPU, database resource locks or incorrect configuration of OS parameters.

Generally, when you encounter a performance issue, you may see these symptoms in SAP HANA cockpit:

- Continually high CPU usage according to OS commands or load graph (visible from CPU Usage tile - Performance Monitor)
- Many pending or waiting threads in the thread view (details visible from the Threads tile).

To look for the cause at the operating system level refer to the topic System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage.

If the performance issue persists or if it recurs sporadically you may need to contact Support to analyze the root cause. In this case please generate at least two runtime dumps at 3 minute intervals while the system performance is slow for further investigation. For details refer to SAP Note 1813020 - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA or the Guided Answer How to generate a runtime dump.

Related Information

System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage [page 13]
SAP Note 1813020
How to generate a runtime dump (Guided Answer)

2.2.1.1 System Appears to Hang with no new Connections and no Response from DML

In cases where logs cannot be written, all DML statement will fall into wait status. This can lead to a failure of opening new connections because the system internally executes DML statements during the process. Typically, a full log volume is the cause for this.

Root cause: Log volume full either caused by disk full or quota setting

Required action:

1. Check DISKFULL event in indexserver trace or
2. Run "df -h" in OS shell or
3. Check quota setting in file system
4. Then, follow the procedure described in SAP Note 1679938 - Log Volume is full.
   You can find additional information in SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations.

Root cause: log volume full caused by failure of log backup

Required action:

1. Check backup.log (located at /usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<Host>/trace) to see whether it includes ERROR in log backup. Check M_BACKUP_CATALOG, M_LOG_SEGMENTS.
2. If log backup uses backint, please check `backint.log` (located at `/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<Host>/trace`) to see whether it includes ERROR information, and contact backint vendor support. With certain revision and conditions, the conflict between savepoint lock and DML lock blocks subsequent statements when long running update/insert statements exist. Please contact SAP support if you encounter the next case described below.

**Root cause:** Savepoint lock conflict with long running update

**Required action:**

1. Collect runtime dump as per [SAP Note 1813020 - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA](#) and look for the following call stacks in many threads.

   ```
   ...
   DataAccess::SavepointLock::lockShared(...)
   DataAccess::SavepointSPI::lockSavepoint(...)
   ...
   ```

   And one of the following call stacks that is in the savepoint phase.

   ```
   ...
   DataAccess::SavepointLock::lockExclusive()
   DataAccess::SavepointImpl::enterCriticalPhase(...)
   ...
   ```

2. Check whether the symptoms match the description in [SAP Note 2214279 - Blocking situation caused by waiting writer holding consistent change lock](#). If so, apply the parameter in the Note.

3. Create a support ticket attaching a runtime dump for further analysis.

**Related Information**

- [SAP Note 1679938](#)
- [SAP Note 2083715](#)
- [SAP Note 1813020](#)
- [SAP Note 2214279](#)

### 2.2.1.2 System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage

The SAP HANA database is an in-memory database and by its nature, it consumes large amounts of memory. Therefore, some performance issues of SAP HANA can be caused by the OS's memory management.

For this case, you can see high usage of SYSTEM CPU that can be monitored in the Performance Monitor, available from [SAP HANA cockpit ➔ Monitoring and Administration ➔ CPU Usage](#)

**Root cause:** Problem caused by the configuration of transparent huge page

**Required action:**

1. Check Transparent Huge Page whether it is set to [never] by running the command "cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled".
2. Apply KBA 2031375 - SAP HANA: Transparent HugePages (THP) setting on Linux.

**Root cause:** Problem caused by the configuration of OS page cache

**Required action:**
1. Check sar file (/var/log/sa) whether kbcached usage (sar -r) is higher than 10% of physical memory and high page in/out occurred.
2. Check and apply SAP Note 1557506 - Linux paging improvements.

**Root cause:** Problem caused by translation lookaside buffer (TLB) shootdown

**Required action:**
1. Check plan trace. For more information, see SAP Note 2206354 - SAP HANA DB: High System CPU Consumption Caused by Plan Trace.

**Root cause:** Due to high context switches (High SYS CPU) by many SqlExecutor threads

**Required action:** Check that the following parameters are set to be bigger than the number of logical CPU cores:
1. indexserver.ini -> parallel -> num_cores (<=SPS07) and refer to Controlling Parallelism of SQL Statement Execution
2. global.ini/indexserver.ini -> execution -> max_concurrency (>SPS08)

**Related Information**

- Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements [page 42]
- SAP Note 2031375
- SAP Note 1557506
- SAP Note 2206354
- System Hanging Situations [page 144]

### 2.2.1.3 Slower Response with High User CPU Usage

The performance may degrade with increased usage of the CPU and applications.

**Root cause:** Not many executor threads but high CPU in a few nodes and a few tables accessed

**Required Action:** In an SAP Business Warehouse system, check for non-even partitioning of huge column tables. For more information, see SAP Note 1819123 - BW on SAP HANA SP5: landscape redistribution and Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables.

**Root Cause:** Performance degradation by huge MVCC versions
Required Action: Check for KPI Active Version in the Performance Monitor to find the MVCC garbage blocker, then kill it via the Threads tile on the Overview page. For more information, see Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions.

Related Information

Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables [page 70]
Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions [page 114]
SAP Note 1819123

2.2.2 Slow Individual SQL Statements

This section looks at the causes of slow individual SQL statements although there is no significant performance issue on system level and the associated troubleshooting steps.

If the following doesn’t help to resolve the problem, see Getting Support. In this case, to analyze further, collect the explain plan, plan visualizer file, performance trace and catalog export. Also refer to SQL Statement Analysis and Query Plan Analysis for more information. SAP KBA 2000002 - FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Optimization explains general information about SQL optimization.

Related Information

SQL Statement Analysis [page 180]
Query Plan Analysis [page 190]
SAP Note 2000002
Getting Support

2.2.2.1 A Statement is Sometimes Slow and Sometimes Fast

There are a number of things to check when you experience inconsistent query execution time.

Check the following possibilities:

Root Cause: If a related table was unloaded, it takes some time to load tables

Required Action: Check unload trace and execute after table loaded fully. You can refer to LOADED column of M_CS_TABLES.

Root Cause: Query compilation time is long.

Required Action: Check the execution time after adding 'with hint (ignore_plan_cache)' at the end of query. This hint will always cause the query to be compiled. If a long running compiled query plan has been evicted
frequently from the plan cache, increase the query cache size. For more information, see SQL Plan Cache Analysis.

**Root Cause:** Merge status of column table can affect query plan

**Required Action:** Check MEMORY_SIZE_IN_DELTA, RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA, and LAST_MERGE_TIME columns of M_CS_TABLES whether there is large amount of data in delta. Check M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS to see when the last merge occurred. For more information, see Delta Merge.

**Related Information**

SQL Plan Cache Analysis [page 126]
Delta Merge [page 68]

### 2.2.2.2 A Statement is Slower After an Upgrade

After upgrade, the query execution time can be different because of changes in the query execution plan.

**Root cause:** After an upgrade, a query can have a different plan, which leads to a different execution time.

**Required Action:** If you have an instance running on an older revision, compare the plan and collect the plan visualizer file. See Getting Support for further help.

Refer also to the SQL Plan Stability section of this guide; this feature offers the option to preserve a query’s execution plan by capturing an abstraction of the plan and reusing it after the upgrade to regenerate the original plan and retain the original performance.

For more information, see Expensive SQL Statements.

**Related Information**

Expensive SQL Statements [page 32]
Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer [page 195]
SQL Plan Stability [page 227]
Getting Support

### 2.2.2.3 A Query on Multiple Nodes can be Slower

In distributed systems, query execution can be routed to other nodes for better performance. However, there is a chance of having slow performance in the case where the network used for transferring intermediate results generated during query execution is slow or where there is an inefficient network configuration.

**Root cause:** A misconfigured network can lead to slow queries.
Required Action: Check your network configuration and its bandwidth/latency among SAP HANA servers. For more information see Network View and SAP Note 2183363 - Configuration of SAP HANA internal network.

Root cause: Statement routing and huge data transfer among distributed nodes can cause differences of query execution times due to the difference of anchor nodes.

Required Action: Check how much data is transferred among distributed nodes and the network performance. Consider the locations of joined tables to reduce transferred intermediate result size.

Related Information

Network View [page 203]
Performance Trace [page 231]
SAP Note 2183363

2.2.2.4 Slow Select for all Entries (FAE) Query

There are a number of points to check if you have performance issues with SELECT FOR ALL ENTRIES (FAE) from an ABAP query.

For FAE on SAP HANA, please generally refer to SAP Note 1662726 - Optimization of select with FOR ALL ENTRIES on SAP HANA database.

Root cause: Indexes are missing.

Required Action: Check WHERE clause and check concat indexes for all fields used in WHERE clause.

Root cause: Due to DBSL behavior, slower operator can be chosen.

Required Actions: Apply parameters for ABAP optimization. For more information, see SAP Note 1987132 - SAP HANA: Parameter setting for SELECT FOR ALL ENTRIES.

Root cause: When using less than or greater than (’<’ or ’>’) filters in FAE query, it can be slower than having no filter.

Required Actions: Do not use less than or greater than (’<’ or ’>’) filters in an FAE query.

Related Information

SAP Note 1662726
SAP Note 1987132
2.2.2.5 All Statements Accessing a Specific Table are Slow

In case queries run on specific tables are slow, check if there are too many versions.

**Root cause:** If there are too many versions of single records, accessing the table can be slow. In this case, the number of system-wide MVCC versions is in acceptable range. To verify further whether there are too many versions for a specific table, check the result of this query:

```sql
SELECT * FROM M_RS_TABLE_VERSION_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable';
```

This can be caused by a cursor unnecessarily being held on a query result or a long-lived transaction without a commit/rollback.

**Required Action:** Applications should commit as early as possible or close any cursors that are not needed. Check the application logic to see whether it really needs to update single records frequently.

2.2.3 Frequent Out of Memory (OOM)

If Out Of Memory situations happen frequently, it can also lead to performance drop by unloading tables or shrinking memory jobs.

First check Memory Problems and SAP KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory as they provide information on SAP HANA memory and its problems.

This section introduces common problems and their troubleshooting steps.

**Related Information**

Memory Problems [page 22]
SAP Note 1999997

2.2.3.1 Out of Memory Caused by Sudden Increased Memory Usage

Check the memory consumption of statements in the event of OOMs caused by suddenly increased memory usage.

**Root cause:** Huge intermediate results during query processing.

**Required Actions:** Enable memory tracking by setting the following parameters to `on` in the `global.ini` file `resource_tracking` section.

- `enable_tracking = on`
- `memory_tracking = on`

Enable the *Expensive Statement Trace* by setting the status to *Active*. 
Then, check the memory consumption of statements using `M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS.MEMORY_SIZE`. After your analysis you can optimize any problematic queries that were found.

### 2.2.3.2 Out of Memory Caused by Continuously Increased Memory Usage

Check if many statements trigger an Out Of Memory in a system where used memory is continuously increased.

**Root cause:** Commit/rollback within stored procedure can lead to memory leakages. Do not use `exec("commit")` or `exec("rollback")` within a stored procedure. If this syntax is used, the system cannot reclaim the memory used for query execution because its related transactions are left hanging.

**Required Actions:** Remove `exec("commit")` or `exec("rollback")`. If you would like to use commit/rollback within stored procedure, see [SAP HANA SQLScript Reference](#) for more information.

**Root cause:** Due to memory leakage caused by a programming error

**Required Action:** Check the Performance Monitor in SAP HANA cockpit → Overview → Memory Usage to determine whether used memory continuously increases without a significant increase in data size. If you find a suspicious component which keeps allocating memory, create a support ticket attaching a full system dump, mm trace, and the output of `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_HEAP_ALLOCATORS_BASE`.

### Related Information

[SAP HANA SQLScript Reference](#)

### 2.2.3.3 Out of Memory While High Usage Of Column Store Components' Allocators

If a system is undersized, Out Of Memory (OOM) can happen frequently.

**Root cause:** Undersized memory

**Required Action:**

1. Check top allocators in `[MEMORY_OOM]` section of OOM dump to see whether they are for column store components as described in section 13 of [KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory](#).
2. Check the unload trace whether frequent unloading of tables took place.
3. Reduce the amount of data in column store or increase physical memory.
Related Information

SAP Note 1999997

2.2.3.4 Out of Memory Caused by Large Memory Usage of Statistics Server

This case can happen if the majority of memory used by the statistics server is due to many alerts or undersized memory.

Root cause: Due to big STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE table size, an OOM can occur.

Required Action: Check table size of _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE and truncate STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE from hdbsql based on solution from SAP Note 2170779 - SAP HANA DB: Big statistics server table leads to performance impact on the system.

Root cause: Big Pool/Statistics allocator size

Required Action: Check SAP Note 2147247 - FAQ: SAP HANA Statistics Server first.

Related Information

SAP Note 2170779
SAP Note 2147247

2.2.3.5 Out of Memory Occurs due to High Usage of Shared Memory

Shared memory is space where system information and row store tables are stored.

Check the following if the used amount of shared memory is high.

Root cause: Severely fragmented row store tables

Required action:

1. Check whether SHARED_MEMORY in [MEMORY_OOM] -> IPMM short info of OOM dump is unusually high.
2. Apply SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row store reorganization.

Root cause: Memory shortage is caused by high usage of memory of row store tables in an SAP Business Warehouse (BW) system

Required action: In an SAP Business Warehouse system the used amount of shared memory is high and SAP Note 1813245 doesn't recommend row store reorganization, first apply SAP Note 706478 - Preventing Basis tables from increasing considerably, then apply SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row store reorganization again.
Root cause: Memory shortage is caused by high usage of memory of row store tables in non-SAP Business Warehouse (BW) systems

Required Action: Check if you can convert some row store tables into column store tables or archive old data to reduce the memory size, or else increase the system memory.

Related Information

SAP Note 1813245
SAP Note 706478
3 Root Causes and Solutions

This section provides detailed information on the root causes of problems and their solutions.

System alerts are a good indicator for the underlying problem. The SAP Notes you will be directed to are a source of background information, explanations, alternative options, FAQs or useful SQL statements, for example. Detailed monitoring and administration of the SAP HANA databases is possible via the SAP HANA cockpit and the SAP HANA database explorer.

3.1 Memory Problems

This section discusses the analysis steps that are required to identify and resolve memory related issues in the SAP HANA database.

For more general information on SAP HANA memory management, see the whitepaper SAP HANA Memory Usage Explained which discusses the memory concept in more detail. It also explains the correlation between Linux indicators (virtual and resident memory) and the key memory usage indicators used by SAP HANA.

Alerts related to memory problems and corresponding SAP Notes are documented in the Alerts reference table (see category ‘Memory’). SAP Note 1840954 – Alerts related to HANA memory consumption includes information on how to analyze out-of-memory (OOM) dump files.

The SAP HANA Administration Guide gives details on using the tool SAP HANA cockpit to analyze memory problems.

In order to understand the current and historic SAP HANA memory consumption you can use the following tools and approaches:

- Memory information in SAP HANA cockpit
- Memory information from logs and traces
- Memory information from SQL commands
- Memory information from other tools (see the tools overview in the SAP HANA Administration Guide).

Related Information

SAP HANA Memory Usage Explained
SAP Note 1840954
SAP HANA Administration Guide
3.1.1 Memory Information in SAP HANA Cockpit

There are a number of sources of information in SAP HANA cockpit that can assist you in understanding memory utilization.

- Open the Manage Services page from the Overall Database Status tile for high-level information about physical memory, allocation limit, and used memory for each service.
- To get a graphical overview about physical memory, allocation limit, used memory, and resident memory open the Performance Monitor from the Memory Usage tile.
- Open the Memory Analysis app from the Memory Usage tile for details about memory utilization as well as history information. For example, click the Components tab in the Memory Analysis app to view the used memory grouped by different components like “Statement Execution & Intermediate Results” or “Column Store Tables”. When you choose a component, the corresponding historic information of memory usage is displayed by a graph.

3.1.2 Memory Information from Logs and Traces

In case of critical memory issues you can often find more detailed information in logs and trace files.

- Try to identify memory-related errors in the alert trace files in the SAP HANA database explorer (accessible via the View trace and diagnostic files link). Search for the strings “memory”, “allocat”, or “OOM” (case-insensitive).
- Check if an out-of-memory (OOM) trace file was created.
- Investigate error messages seen on the application side that occurred at times of high memory usage. If the application is an SAP NetWeaver system, good starting points for analysis are System Log (SM21), ABAP Runtime Error (ST22), and Job Selection (SM37).

If help from SAP Customer Support is needed to perform an in-depth analysis, the following information is valuable and should be added to the ticket:

- Diagnosis information (full system info dump). To collect this information, see section Diagnosis Information.
- Performance trace provides detail information on the system behavior, including statement execution details. To enable this trace, see section Performance Trace.

The trace output is written to a trace file pertrace.tpt, which must be sent to SAP Customer Support. If specific SAP HANA system components need deeper investigation, SAP Customer Support can ask you to raise the corresponding trace levels to INFO or DEBUG, rerun the query and then send the indexserver trace files to SAP Customer Support.

To do so choose Trace Configuration in the SAP HANA database explorer and launch the Database Trace wizard. The following illustration shows the example of enabling the join engine trace (join_eval). You can enter a search string and then select the component in the indexserver.ini file and change the System Trace Level to the appropriate value. Some trace components (such as debug trace details for join engine) can create many megabytes of trace information and may also require an increase of the values maxfiles and maxfilesize in the [trace] section of the global.ini file (see also SAP Note 2629103 - SQL Traces Stop Writing When it Exceeds the Maximum Filesize).
Internal details about SQL statement execution can be collected by enabling the Executor Trace; this provides the highest level of detail and should only be activated for the short time of query execution. After capturing the trace details you can upload the trace file (extrace.py) to SAP Customer Support. This trace is enabled by activating a configuration parameter as described and illustrated here.

Open the Configuration of System Properties view, edit the parameter `trace` in the [pythontrace] section of the `executor.ini` file, and change its value to `on`. When you change the default value, you have the option to set values at each specific layer. The `trace` parameter is off by default. Click Change Layer to turn the parameter on. You can then change the configuration value for a selected database and for a selected layer:
3.1.3 Memory Information from SQL Commands

There are a number of ways to analyze memory usage based on pre-defined and modifiable SQL queries. The Statement Library of SAP HANA database explorer provides a set of tabular views to display the memory consumption of loaded tables based on pre-defined SQL queries:

- The view Component Memory Usage shows the aggregated memory consumption in bytes for different heap memory service components, services, and ports. Order by the used memory size column and find the largest consumers. The following heap memory service components are available: 1) Column Store Tables, 2) Row Store Tables, 3) Statement Execution & Intermediate Results, 4) Monitoring & Statistical Data, 5) Caches, 6) System, 7) Code Size, 8) Stack Size.
- The view Schema Size of Loaded Tables displays the aggregated memory consumption of loaded tables in MB for different database schemas. The aggregation comprises both column store and row store tables. Order by the schema size column and find the largest consumers.
- The view Used Memory by Tables shows two values: the total memory consumption of all column store tables in MB and the total memory consumption of all row store tables in MB.

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You can find this and other information in the Memory Analysis app of the SAP HANA cockpit. For more information, see Analyze Memory Statistics in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA contains several commands that are useful to analyze memory-related issues. Based on your needs you can configure restrictions and parameters in the sections marked with /* Modification section */.

Some of the memory-related statements which you may find useful are described here.

HANA_Memory_Overview

This query gives an overview of current memory information showing key values in the following columns:

- NAME: Description
- TOTAL_GB: Total size (GB)
- DETAIL_GB: Size on detail level (GB) – this is shown at two levels with a breakdown at a second level – see the following table:

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**HANA_Memory_T opConsumers_History**

This query displays areas with the highest historical memory requirements (column store and row store tables, heap, code, stack). The following columns contain the key values:

- **SAMPLE_TIME**: Timestamp
- **KEY FIGURE**: Memory key figure
- **VALUE TOTAL**: Total value of memory key figure
- **DETAIL_<n>**: Top <n> detail area related to memory key figure
- **VALUE_<n>**: Memory key figure value of top <n> detail area
- **PCT_<n>**: Fraction of overall value occupied by top <n> detail area (%)

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### HANA_Tables_LargestTables

This query provides an overview of current memory allocation by tables. The following list explains the columns displayed in the table:

- **OWNER**: Name of the table owner
- **TABLE_NAME**: Name of the table
- **S**: Table store (‘R’ for row store, ‘C’ for column store)
- **HOST**: Host name (‘various’ in case of partitions on multiple hosts)
- **U**: ‘X’ if at least one unique index exists for the table
- **POS**: Position of table in top list
- **COLS**: Number of table columns
- **RECORDS**: Number of table records
- **SUM_DISK_GB**: Total size on disk (in GB, table + indexes + LOB segments)
- **SUM_MEM_GB**: Total potential maximum size in memory (in GB, table + indexes + LOB segments)

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</table>

HANA_Memory_SharedMemory
This query shows currently used and allocated shared memory per host and service. The following list explains the columns displayed in the table:

- **HOST**: Host name
- **PORT**: Port name
- **SERVICE_NAME**: Service name
- **SHM_ALLOC_GB**: Allocated shared memory (GB)
- **SHM_USED_GB**: Used shared memory (GB)
- **SHM_USED_PCT**: Percentage of allocated memory used

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>SERVICE_NAME</th>
<th>SHM_ALLOC_GB</th>
<th>SHM_USED_GB</th>
<th>SHM_USED_PCT</th>
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</tbody>
</table>

**Related Information**

[SAP Note 1969700](#) Analyze Memory Statistics

**3.1.4 Memory Information from Other Tools**

Other tools are also available to analyze high memory consumption and out-of-memory situations.

A number of SAP Notes and ‘How-to’ documents are available to provide help with some of the most common questions and difficulties related to memory. The tool `hdbcons` provides expert functionality to analyze memory issues. You can use this tool (typically with guidance from the SAP Customer Support team) to create runtime dump files and analyze the details of memory consumption. If necessary, dump files can be sent to Customer Support for further analysis.

The following SAP Notes may be helpful in solving some problems and when analyzing memory issues with `hdbcons`.

**Tip**

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for How to troubleshoot HANA High Memory Consumption.
3.1.5 Root Causes of Memory Problems

Once you have completed your initial analysis, you have the information required to start the next phase of your analysis.

Based on the results from the analysis approaches you are now able to answer the following questions:

- Is it a permanent or a sporadic problem?
- Is the memory consumption steadily growing over time?
- Are there areas with critical memory consumption in heap, row store or column store?
- Is there a big difference between used memory and allocated memory?

In the following you can find typical root causes and possible solutions for the different scenarios.

3.1.5.1 Significant External Memory Consumption

If the database resident memory of all SAP HANA databases on the same host is significantly smaller than the total resident memory, you have to check which processes outside of the SAP HANA databases are responsible for the additional memory requirements.

Typical memory consumers are:

- Operating system (for example, caches, mapping structures)
- Third party tools (for example, backup, virus scanner)

How to identify top memory consumers from non-SAP HANA processes is out of scope of this guide. However, when you are able to identify the reason for the increased memory consumption of the external program, you can check if it is possible to optimize its configuration.

3.1.5.2 Space Consumed by Large Tables

If particularly large tables consume significant amounts of space in the row store or column store, you should check if the amount of data can be reduced.

The following references will be helpful:
• SAP Note 2388483 - How To: Data Management for Technical Tables describes archiving and deletion strategies for typical SAP tables with a technical background; for example, tables required for communication, logging or administration.

• General recommendations for managing data can be found on the Information Lifecycle Management page.

For more information on memory management for resident table data, see Managing Tables in the SAP HANA Administration Guide and the following SAP Notes:

• SAP Note 2222277 - FAQ: SAP HANA Column Store and Row Store
• SAP Note 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs
• SAP Note 2388483 - How-To: Data Management for Technical Tables

Related Information

Managing Tables
SAP Note 2222277
SAP Note 2220627
SAP Note 2388483

3.1.5.3 Internal Columns in the Column Store

For several reasons, SAP HANA creates internal columns in the column store. Some column store tables are automatically loaded into memory.

Internal Columns

You may be able to optimize or remove internal columns in order to reduce memory usage. In some situations a cleanup is possible, for example, in the case of CONCAT attribute columns that were created in order to support joins. For more information see SAP Note 1986747: How-To: Analyzing Internal Columns in SAP HANA Column Store.

Column Store Table Loads and Unloads

The SAP HANA system dynamically loads column store tables into memory during system restart and when required by the application. You may be able to optimize the number of pre-loaded tables. For more information, see SAP Note 2127458: FAQ: SAP HANA Loads and Unloads.

Related Information

SAP Note 2127458
SAP Note 1986747
### 3.1.5.4 Memory Leaks

A memory leak is a memory area (typically a heap allocator) that grows over time without any apparent reason. If you have identified a suspicious area, proceed as follows:
- Check for SAP Notes that describe the memory leak and provide a solution.
- Check if the problem is reproducible with a recent SAP HANA revision.
- If you can’t resolve the problem yourself, open an SAP customer message and use the component HAN-DB.

### 3.1.5.5 Large Heap Areas

Some heap areas can be larger than necessary without being a memory leak. SAP Note 1840954 – Alerts related to HANA memory consumption contains an overview of heap allocators with a potentially large memory consumption and possible resolutions.

**Related Information**

SAP Note 1840954

### 3.1.5.6 Expensive SQL Statements

SQL statements processing a high amount of data or using inefficient processing strategies can be responsible for increased memory requirements. See SQL Statement Analysis for information on how to analyze expensive SQL statements during times of peak memory requirements.

**Related Information**

SQL Statement Analysis [page 180]
Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements [page 35]
Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces [page 185]
3.1.5.7  Transactional Problems

High memory consumption can be caused by problems with transactions. In some cases, high memory consumption is caused by wait situations, which can have different reasons:

- Long-running or unclosed cursors,
- Blocked transactions,
- Hanging threads.

As one of the negative impacts, used memory is not released any more. In particular, the number of table versions can grow up to more than 8,000,000 which is considered the amount where an action is required.

For more information, see Transactional Problems.

Related Information

Transactional Problems [page 33]

3.1.5.8  Used Space Much Smaller than Allocated Space

In order to optimize performance by minimizing the memory management overhead or due to fragmentation, SAP HANA may allocate additional memory rather than reusing free space within the already allocated memory. This can lead to undesired effects that the SAP HANA memory footprint increases without apparent need.

The SAP HANA license checks against allocated space, so from a licensing perspective it is important to keep the allocated space below the license limit.

In order to limit the amount of allocated space, you can set the parameter `global_allocation_limit` to a value not larger than the maximum memory that should be allocated.

See Set the `global_allocation_limit` Parameter in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Related Information

Change the Global Memory Allocation Limit

3.1.5.9  Fragmentation

Fragmentation effects are responsible for inefficiently used memory. They can occur in different areas.

In order to minimize fragmentation of row store tables you can proceed as follows:
● If the fragmentation of row store tables in the shared memory segments of indexserver processes reaches 30% and the allocated memory size is greater than 10GB, a table redistribution operation is needed. SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row Store reorganization describes how to determine fragmentation and perform a table redistribution.

Related Information

SAP Note 1813245

3.1.5.10 Large Memory LOBs

LOB (Large Object) columns can be responsible for significant memory allocation in the row store and column store if they are defined as memory LOBs.

To check for memory LOBs and switch to hybrid LOBs see SAP Note 1994962 – Activation of Hybrid LOBs in SAP HANA.

Related Information

SAP Note 1994962

3.1.5.11 Large Delta Store

The delta store can allocate a significant portion of the column store memory.

You can identify the current size of the delta store by running the SQL command:
HANA_Tables_ColumnStore_Overview (SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA). If the delta store size is larger than expected, proceed as described in the section Delta Merge.

Related Information

SAP Note 1969700
Delta Merge [page 68]
3.1.5.12 Undersized SAP HANA Memory

If a detailed analysis of the SAP HANA memory consumption didn’t reveal any root cause of increased memory requirements, it is possible that the available memory is not sufficient for the current utilization of the SAP HANA database.

In this case you should perform a sizing verification and make sure that sufficient memory is installed on the SAP HANA hosts.

3.1.5.13 Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements

You can set a statement memory limit to prevent single statements from consuming too much memory.

Prerequisites

To apply these settings you must have the system privilege INFILE ADMIN.

For these options, enable_tracking and memory_tracking must first be enabled in the global.ini file. Additionally, resource_tracking must be enabled in this file if you wish to apply different settings for individual users (see Procedure below).

Context

You can protect an SAP HANA system from uncontrolled queries consuming excessive memory by limiting the amount of memory used by single statement executions per host. By default, there is no limit set on statement memory usage, but if a limit is applied, statement executions that require more memory will be aborted when they reach the limit. To avoid canceling statements unnecessarily you can also apply a percentage threshold value which considers the current statement allocation as a proportion of the global memory currently available. Using this parameter, statements which have exceeded the hard-coded limit may still be executed if the memory allocated for the statement is within the percentage threshold. The percentage threshold setting is also effective for workload classes where a statement memory limit can also be defined.

You can also create exceptions to these limits for individual users (for example, to ensure an administrator is not prevented from doing a backup) by setting a different statement memory limit for each individual.

These limits only apply to single SQL statements, not the system as a whole. Tables which require much more memory than the limit applied here may be loaded into memory. The parameter global_allocation_limit limits the maximum memory allocation limit for the system as a whole.

You can view the (peak) memory consumption of a statement in M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS_MEMORY_SIZE.
**Procedure**

1. Enable statement memory tracking.
   
   In the `global.ini` file, expand the resource_tracking section and set the following parameters to **on**:
   
   - `enable_tracking = on`
   - `memory_tracking = on`

2. `statement_memory_limit` - defines the maximum memory allocation per statement in GB. The default value is 0 (no limit).
   
   - In the `global.ini` file, expand the memorymanager section and locate the parameter. Set an integer value in GB between 0 (no limit) and the value of the global allocation limit. Values that are too small can block the system from performing critical tasks.
   - When the statement memory limit is reached, a dump file is created with 'compositelimt_oom' in the name. The statement is aborted, but otherwise the system is not affected. By default only one dump file is written every 24 hours. If a second limit hits in that interval, no dump file is written. The interval can be configured in the memorymanager section of the `global.ini` file using the `oom_dump_time_delta` parameter, which sets the minimum time difference (in seconds) between two dumps of the same kind (and the same process).
   - The value defined for this parameter can be overridden by the corresponding workload class property `STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT`.

After setting this parameter, statements that exceed the limit you have set on a host are stopped by running out of memory.

3. `statement_memory_limit_threshold` - defines the maximum memory allocation per statement as a percentage of the global allocation limit. The default value is 0% (the `statement_memory_limit` is always respected).
   
   - In the `global.ini` file, expand the memorymanager section and set the parameter as a percentage of the global allocation limit.
   - This parameter provides a means of controlling when the `statement_memory_limit` is applied. If this parameter is set, when a statement is issued the system will determine if the amount of memory it consumes exceeds the defined percentage value of the overall `global_allocation_limit` parameter setting. The statement memory limit is only applied if the current SAP HANA memory consumption exceeds this statement memory limit threshold as a percentage of the global allocation limit.
   - This is a way of determining if a particular statement consumes an inordinate amount of memory compared to the overall system memory available. If so, to preserve memory for other tasks, the statement memory limit is applied and the statement fails with an exception.
   - Note that the value defined for this parameter also applies to the workload class property `STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT`.

4. `total_statement_memory_limit` - a value in gigabytes to define the maximum memory available to all statements running on the system. The default value is 0 (no limit).
   
   - This limit does not apply to users with the administrator role SESSION ADMIN or WORKLOAD ADMIN who need unrestricted access to the system. However, a check of the user’s privileges allowing the administrator to by-pass the limit is only made for the first request when a connection is made. The privileged user would have to reconnect to be able to bypass the statement memory limit again (see also Admission Control).
   - The value defined for this parameter cannot be overridden by the corresponding workload class property `TOTAL_STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT`.
○ There is a corresponding parameter for use with system replication on an Active/Active (read enabled) secondary server. This is required to ensure that enough memory is always available for essential log shipping activity. See also `sr_total_statement_memory_limit` in section Memory Management.

5. User parameters can limit memory for statements. For further information, refer to Setting User Parameters for Workload.

Results

The following example and scenarios show the effect of applying these settings:

Example showing statement memory parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Physical memory</td>
<td>128 GB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>global_allocation_limit</code></td>
<td>The unit used by this parameter is MB. The default value is: 90% of the first 64 GB of available physical memory on the host plus 97% of each further GB; or, in the case of small physical memory, physical memory minus 1 GB.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>statement_memory_limit</code></td>
<td>1 GB (the unit used by this parameter is GB.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>statement_memory_limit_threshold</code></td>
<td>60%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Scenario 1:
A statement allocates 2GB of memory and the current used memory size in SAP HANA is 50GB.
- \(0.9 \times 128 \text{ GB} = 115.2\) (global allocation limit)
- \(0.6 \times 115.2 = 69.12\) (threshold in GB)
- 50 GB < 69.12 GB (threshold not reached)

The statement is executed, even though it exceeds the 1GB `statement_memory_limit`.

Scenario 2:
A statement allocates 2GB and the current used memory size in SAP HANA is 70GB
- 70 GB > 69.12 GB (threshold is exceeded)

The statement is cancelled, as the threshold is exceeded, the `statement_memory_limit` is applied.

Related Information

- Change the Global Memory Allocation Limit
- Memory Management
- Setting User Parameters for Workload
- Managing Peak Load (Admission Control)
3.1.6 Transparent Huge Pages on Linux

The use of transparent huge pages on Linux can cause the SAP HANA database to appear to hang and they should be disabled.

Symptoms where the HANA database doesn’t respond to requests, or where it is not possible to connect to the database may be caused by transparent huge pages (THP). Alert 116 will indicate with a warning if transparent huge pages are enabled.

The use of THP is a Linux kernel level issue and they can be disabled on the HANA system. You can run the following command to check the kernel settings and verify if these pages are enabled:

```bash
cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled
```

This returns a string showing which state is currently applied as shown in this example (the bracketed value is current):

```
[always] madvise never
```

The `madvise` value will enable hugepages only inside MADV_HUGPAGE madvise regions. Enter the following command, which can be executed at runtime, to set this parameter to `never`:

```bash
echo never > /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled
```

This setting is then valid until the next system start; you can also integrate this command within your system boot scripts to ensure that it is always applied.

Alternatively, you can run the system procedure `CHECK_PLATFORM` on SYSTEMDB which returns the current status value:

```sql
CALL CHECK_PLATFORM("CHECK_THP")
```

SAP Note 2031375 provides further information: SAP HANA: Transparent HugePages (THP) setting on Linux. See also SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS Settings for SLES 11 in SAP Notes 1824819 and 1954788.

Related Information

- [SAP Note 2031375](#)
- [SAP Note 1824819](#)
- [SAP Note 1954788](#)
3.2  CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section covers the troubleshooting of high CPU consumption on the system.

A constantly high CPU consumption will lead to a considerably slower system as no more requests can be processed. From an end user perspective, the application behaves slowly, is unresponsive or can even seem to hang.

Note that a proper CPU utilization is actually desired behavior for SAP HANA, so this should be nothing to worry about unless the CPU becomes the bottleneck. SAP HANA is optimized to consume all memory and CPU available. More concretely, the software will parallelize queries as much as possible in order to provide optimal performance. So if the CPU usage is near 100% for a query execution, it does not always mean there is an issue. It also does not automatically indicate a performance issue.

3.2.1  Indicators of CPU Related Issues

CPU related issues are indicated by alerts issued or in views in the SAP HANA cockpit.

The following alerts may indicate CPU resource problems:

- Host CPU Usage (Alert 5)
- Most recent savepoint operation (Alert 28)
- Savepoint duration (Alert 54)

You notice very high CPU consumption on your SAP HANA database from one of the following:

- Alert 5 (Host CPU Usage) is raised for current or past CPU usage
- The CPU usage displayed in the **CPU Usage** tile on the **Overview** screen
- The **Performance Monitor** shows high current or past CPU consumption. Furthermore, the CPU usage of the host as well as the individual servers is displayed.

3.2.2  Analysis of CPU Related Issues

The following section describes how to analyze high CPU consumption using tools in the SAP HANA cockpit.

When analyzing high CPU consumption, you need to distinguish between the CPU resources consumed by HANA itself and by other, non-SAP HANA processes on the host. While the CPU consumption of SAP HANA will be addressed here in detail, the CPU consumption of other processes running on the same host is not covered. Such situations are often caused by additional programs running concurrently on the SAP HANA appliance such as anti-virus and backup software. For more information see SAP Note 1730928.

A good starting point for the analysis is the **Overview** page in the SAP HANA cockpit. It contains a tile that displays CPU usage. If you click on that tile, the **Performance Monitor** opens and you can view the SAP HANA CPU usage versus total CPU usage. If SAP HANA CPU usage is low while total CPU usage is high, the issue is most likely related to a non-SAP HANA process.
To find out what is happening in more detail, open the Threads tile (see Thread Monitoring). In order to prepare it for CPU time analysis, perform the following steps:

- To switch on resource tracking open the Configuration of System Properties monitor and in the resource_tracking section of the global.ini file set the following parameters to on. See Memory Information from Logs and Traces.
  - cpu_time_measurement_mode
  - enable_tracking
- Display the CPU Time column in the Thread Monitor.

The Thread Monitor shows the CPU time of each thread running in SAP HANA in microseconds. A high CPU time of related threads is an indicator that an operation is causing the increased CPU consumption.

In order to identify expensive statements causing high resource consumption, turn on the Expensive Statement Trace and specify a reasonable runtime (see Expensive Statements Trace). If possible, add further restrictive criteria such as database user or application user to narrow down the amount of information traced. Note that the CPU time for each statement is shown in the column CPU_TIME if resource_tracking is activated.

Another tool to analyze high CPU consumption is the Kernel Profiler. More information about this tool can be found in Kernel Profiler. Note that setting a maximum duration or memory limit for profiling is good practice and should be used if appropriate values can be estimated.

To capture the current state of the system for later analysis you can use Full System Info Dump. However, taking a Full System Info Dump requires resources itself and may therefore worsen the situation. To get a Full System Info Dump, open Diagnosis Files via the link Manage full system information dumps under Alerting & Diagnostics and choose either a zip file from the list or create a new one via Collect Diagnostics.

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for How to troubleshoot HANA High CPU Utilization.

Related Information

SAP Note 1730928
Thread Monitoring [page 174]
Memory Information from Logs and Traces [page 23]
Expensive Statements Trace [page 186]
Kernel Profiler [page 233]
Collect and Download Diagnosis Information with the Cockpit
How to troubleshoot HANA High CPU Utilization (Guided Answer)
3.2.3 Resolving CPU Related Issues

The first priority in resolving CPU related issues is to return the system to a normal operating state, which may complicate identifying the root cause.

Issue resolution should aim to bring the system back to a sane state by stopping the operation that causes the high CPU consumption. However, after resolving the situation it might not be possible to find out the actual root cause. Therefore please consider recording the state of the system under high load for later analysis by collecting a Full System Info Dump (see Analysis of CPU Related Issues).

Actually stopping the operation causing the high CPU consumption can be done via the Threads monitor (see Thread Monitoring). With the columns Client Host, Client IP, Client PID and Application User it is possible to identify the user that triggered the operation. In order to resolve the situation contact him and clarify the actions he is currently performing.

As soon as this is clarified and you agree on resolving the situation, two options are available:

- On the client side, end the process calling the affected threads
- Cancel the operation that is related to the affected threads. To do so, click on the thread in the Threads monitor and choose Cancel Operations.

For further analysis on the root cause, please open a ticket to SAP HANA Development Support and attach the Full System Info Dump, if available.

Related Information

Analysis of CPU Related Issues [page 39]
Thread Monitoring [page 174]

3.2.4 Retrospective Analysis of CPU Related Issues

There are a number of options available to analyze what the root cause of an issue was after it has been resolved.

A retrospective analysis of high CPU consumption should start by checking the Performance Monitor and the Alerts tile. Using the alert time or the graph in the Performance Monitor, determine the time frame of the high CPU consumption. If you are not able to determine the time frame because the issue happened too long ago, check the following statistics server table which includes historical host resource information up to 30 days:

HOST_RESOURCE_UTILIZATION_STATISTICS (_SYS_STATISTICS schema)

With this information, search through the trace files of the responsible process. Be careful to choose the correct host when SAP HANA runs on a scale-out landscape. The information contained in the trace files will give indications on the threads or queries that were running during the affected time frame.

If the phenomenon is recurrent due to a scheduled batch job or data loading processes, turn on the Expensive Statement Trace during that time to record all involved statements (see Expensive Statements Trace). Furthermore, check for concurrently running background jobs like backups and Delta Merge that may cause a
resource shortage when run in parallel. Historical information about such background jobs can be obtained from the system views:

- M_BACKUP_CATALOG
- M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS
- A longer history can be found in the statistics server table HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS (_SYS_STATISTICS schema).

Related Information

Expensive Statements Trace [page 186]
M_BACKUP_CATALOG
M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS
HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS

3.2.5 Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements

You can apply ini file settings to control the two thread pools SqlExecutor and JobExecutor that control the parallelism of statement execution.

⚠️ Caution

The settings described here should only be modified when other tuning techniques like remodeling, repartitioning, and query tuning have been applied. Modifying the parallelism settings requires a thorough understanding of the actual workload since they have impact on the overall system behavior. Modify the settings iteratively by testing each adjustment. For more information, see Understand your Workload.

On systems with highly concurrent workload, too much parallelism of single statements may lead to sub-optimal performance. Note also that partitioning tables influences the degree of parallelism for statement execution; in general, adding partitions tends to increase parallelism. You can use the parameters described in this section to adjust the CPU utilization in the system.

Two thread pools control the parallelism of the statement execution. Generally, target thread numbers applied to these pools are soft limits, meaning that additional available threads can be used if necessary and deleted when no longer required:

- SqlExecutor
  This thread pool handles incoming client requests and executes simple statements. For each statement execution, an SqlExecutor thread from a thread pool processes the statement. For simple OLTP-like statements against column store as well as for most statements against row store, this will be the only type of thread involved. With OLTP we mean short running statements that consume relatively little resources, however, even OLTP-systems like SAP Business Suite may generate complex statements.

- JobExecutor
  The JobExecutor is a job dispatching subsystem. Almost all remaining parallel tasks are dispatched to the JobExecutor and its associated JobWorker threads. In addition to OLAP workload the JobExecutor also executes operations like table updates, backups, memory garbage collection, and savepoint writes.
You can set a limit for both SqlExecutor and JobExecutor to define the maximum number of threads. You can use this for example on a system where OLAP workload would normally consume too many CPU resources to apply a maximum value to the JobExecutor to reserve resources for OLTP workload.

⚠️ **Caution**

Lowering the value of these parameters can have a drastic effect on the parallel processing of the servers and reduce the performance of the overall system. Adapt with caution by iteratively making modifications and testing. For more information, see *Understand your Workload and SAP Note 2222250 - FAQ SAP HANA Workload Management* which contains more details of the workload configuration parameters.

A further option to manage statement execution is to apply a limit to an individual user profile for all statements in the current connection using ‘THREADLIMIT’ parameter. This option is described in *Setting User Parameters*.

### Parameters for SqlExecutor

The following SqlExecutor parameters are in the `sql` section of the `indexserver.ini` file.

- `sql_executors` - sets a soft limit on the target number of logical cores for the SqlExecutor pool.
  - This parameter sets the target number of threads that are immediately available to accept incoming requests. Additional threads will be created if needed and deleted if not needed any more.
  - The parameter is initially not set (0); the default value is the number of logical cores in a system. As each thread allocates a particular amount of main memory for the stack, reducing the value of this parameter can help to avoid memory footprint.

- `max_sql_executors` - sets a hard limit on the maximum number of logical cores that can be used.
  - In normal operation new threads are created to handle incoming requests. If a limit is applied here, SAP HANA will reject new incoming requests with an error message if the limit is exceeded.
  - The parameter is initially not set (0) so no limit is applied.

⚠️ **Caution**

SAP HANA will not accept new incoming requests if the limit is exceeded. Use this parameter with extreme care.

### Parameters for JobExecutor

The following JobExecutor parameters are in the `execution` section of the `global.ini` or `indexserver.ini`.

- `max_concurrency` - sets the target number of logical cores for the JobExecutor pool.
  - This parameter sets the size of the thread pool used by the JobExecutor used to parallelize execution of database operations. Additional threads will be created if needed and deleted if not needed any more. You can use this to limit resources available for JobExecutor threads, thereby saving capacity for SqlExecutors.
• The parameter is initially not set (0); the default value is the number of logical cores in a system. Especially on systems with at least 8 sockets consider setting this parameter to a reasonable value between the number of logical cores per CPU up to the overall number of logical cores in the system. In a system that supports tenant databases, a reasonable value is the number of cores divided by the number of tenant databases.

`max_concurrency_hint` - limits the number of logical cores for job workers even if more active job workers would be available.

• This parameter defines the number of jobs to create for an individual parallelized operation. The JobExecutor proposes the number of jobs to create for parallel processing based on the recent load on the system. Multiple parallelization steps may result in far more jobs being created for a statement (and hence higher concurrency) than this parameter.

• The default is 0 (no limit is applied but the hint value is never greater than the value for `max_concurrency`). On large systems (that is more than 4 sockets) setting this parameter to the number of logical cores of one socket may result in better performance but testing is necessary to confirm this.

`default_statement_concurrency_limit` - restricts the actual degree of parallel execution per connection within a statement.

• This parameter controls the maximum overall parallelism for a single database request. Set this to a reasonable value (a number of logical cores) between 1 and `max_concurrency` but greater or equal to the value set for `max_concurrency_hint`.

• The default setting is 0; no limit is applied.

Related Information

Understand your Workload
Example Workload Management Scenarios
SAP Note 2222250
Setting User Parameters for Workload

3.2.6 Controlling CPU Consumption

If the physical hardware on a host is shared between several processes you can use CPU affinity settings to assign a set of logical cores to a specific SAP HANA process. These settings are coarse-grained and apply on the OS and process-level.

Prerequisites

You can use the affinity configuration parameter to restrict CPU usage of SAP HANA server processes to certain CPUs or ranges of CPUs.

Using the configuration option, we firstly analyze how the system CPUs are configured and then, based on the information returned, apply affinity settings in `daemon.ini` to bind specific processes to logical CPU cores.
Processes must be restarted before the changes become effective. This approach applies primarily to the use cases of SAP HANA tenant databases and multiple SAP HANA instances on one server; you can use this, for example, to partition the CPU resources of the system by tenant database.

→ Tip

As an alternative to applying CPU affinity settings you can achieve similar performance gains by changing the parameter [execution] max_concurrency in the global.ini configuration file. This may be more convenient and does not require the system to be offline.

To make the changes described here you require access to the operating system of the SAP HANA instance to run the Linux lscpu command and you require the privilege INIFILE ADMIN.

Information about the SAP HANA system topology is also available from SAP HANA monitoring views as described in a following subsection SAP HANA Monitoring Views for CPU Topology Details. Use of the NUMA NODE clause for SQL statements is described in the following topic. Further information can also be found in KBA 2470289: FAQ: SAP HANA Non-Uniform Memory Access (NUMA).

Context

For Xen and VMware, the users in the VM guest system see what is configured in the VM host. So the quality of the reported information depends on the configuration of the VM guest. Therefore SAP cannot give any performance guarantees in this case.

Procedure

1. Firstly, to confirm the physical and logical details of your CPU architecture, analyze the system using the lscpu command. This command returns a listing of details of the system architecture. The table which follows gives a commentary on the most useful values based on an example system with 2 physical chips (sockets) each containing 8 physical cores. These are hyperthreaded to give a total of 32 logical cores.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>#</th>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Example Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Architecture</td>
<td>x86_64</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>CPU op-mode(s)</td>
<td>32-bit, 64-bit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Byte Order</td>
<td>LittleEndian</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>CPUs</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>On-line CPU(s) list</td>
<td>0-31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Thread(s) per core</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>Core(s) per socket</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#</td>
<td>Feature</td>
<td>Example Value</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>----</td>
<td>--------------------------------</td>
<td>---------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Socket(s)</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>NUMA node(s)</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>NUMA node0 CPU(s)</td>
<td>0-7,16-23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>NUMA node1 CPU(s)</td>
<td>8,15,24-31</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- **4-5**: This example server has 32 logical cores numbered 0 - 31
- **6-8**: Logical cores ("threads") are assigned to physical cores. Where multiple threads are assigned to a single physical core this is referred to as 'hyperthreading'. In this example, there are 2 sockets, each socket contains 8 physical cores (total 16). Two logical cores are assigned to each physical core, thus, each core exposes two execution contexts for the independent and concurrent execution of two threads.
- **9**: In this example there are 2 NUMA (Non-uniform memory access) nodes, one for each socket. Other systems may have multiple NUMA nodes per socket.
- **21-22**: The 32 logical cores are numbered and specifically assigned to one of the two NUMA nodes.

### Note

Even on a system with 32 logical cores and two sockets the assignment of logical cores to physical CPUs and sockets can be different. It is important to collect the assignment in advance before making changes. A more detailed analysis is possible using the system commands described in the next step. These provide detailed information for each core including how CPU cores are grouped as siblings.

2. In addition to the `lscpu` command you can use the set of system commands in the `/sys/devices/system/cpu/` directory tree. For each logical core there is a numbered subdirectory beneath this node (`/cpu12/` in the following examples). The examples show how to retrieve this information and the table gives details of some of the most useful commands available:

#### Example

```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/present
```

```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpu12/topology/thread_siblings_list
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Command</th>
<th>Example Output</th>
<th>Commentary</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>present</td>
<td>0-15</td>
<td>The number of logical cores available for scheduling.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>cpu12/topology/core_siblings_list</td>
<td>4-7, 12-15</td>
<td>The cores on the same socket.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>cpu12/topology/thread_siblings_list</td>
<td>4, 12</td>
<td>The logical cores assigned to the same physical core (hyperthreading).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>cpu12/topology/physical_package_id</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>The socket of the current core - in this case cpu12.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Other Linux commands which are relevant here are `sched_setaffinity` and `numactl`. `sched_setaffinity` limits the set of CPU cores available (by applying a CPU affinity mask) for execution
of a specific process (this could be used, for example, to isolate tenants) and `numactl` controls NUMA policy for processes or shared memory.

3. Based on the results returned you can use the `affinity` setting to restrict CPU usage of SAP HANA server processes to certain CPUs or ranges of CPUs. You can do this for the following servers: nameserver, indexserver, compileserver, preprocessor, and xsengine (each server has a section in the daemon.ini file). The affinity setting is applied by the TresDaemon when it starts the other HANA processes using the command `sched_setaffinity`. Changes to the affinity settings take effect only after restarting the HANA process. The examples and commentary below show the syntax for the `ALTER SYSTEM CONFIGURATION` commands required.

Example

To restrict the nameserver to two logical cores of the first CPU of socket 0 (see line 21 in the example above), use the following affinity setting:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('nameserver', 'affinity') = '0,16'
```

Example

To restrict the preprocessor and the compileserver to all remaining cores (that is, all except 0 and 16) on socket 0 (see line 21 in the example above), use the following affinity settings:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('preprocessor', 'affinity') = '1-7,17-23'
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('compileserver', 'affinity') = '1-7,17-23'
```

Example

To restrict the indexserver to all cores on socket 1 (see line 22 in the example above), use the following affinity settings:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('indexserver', 'affinity') = '8-15,24-31'
```

4. You can assign affinities to different tenants of a multi-tenant database on the same host as shown here. Run these SQL statements on the SYSTEMDB.

Example

In this scenario tenant NM1 already exists, here we add another tenant NM2:

```
CREATE DATABASE NM2 ADD AT LOCATION 'host:30040' SYSTEM USER PASSWORD Manager1;
```

Set the configuration parameter to bind CPUs to specific NUMA nodes on each tenant can use the following notation with a dot to identify the specific tenant:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini','SYSTEM')  SET ('indexserver.NM1', 'affinity') = '0-7,16-23';
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini','SYSTEM')  SET ('indexserver.NM2', 'affinity') = '8-15,24-31';
```
5. To assign affinities to multiple indexservers of the same tenant on the same host execute the following SQL statements on the SYSTEMDB to apply the instance_affinity[port] configuration parameter:

**Example**

In this scenario an indexserver is already running on tenant NM1 on port 30003, here we add another indexserver on a different port:

```
ALTER DATABASE NM1 ADD 'indexserver' AT LOCATION 'host:30040';
```

Set the different instances of the instance_affinity[port] configuration parameter to bind CPUs to specific NUMA nodes on each indexserver. The configuration parameter has a 1-2 digit suffix to identify the final significant digits of the port number, in this example 30003 and 30040:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini','SYSTEM')  SET ('indexserver.NM1', 'instance_affinity[3]')='0-7,16-23';
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini','SYSTEM')  SET ('indexserver.NM1', 'instance_affinity[40]')='8-15,24-31';
```

Restart the indexserver processes to make the affinity settings effective.

6. You can test the settings either in SQL or using hdbcons as shown here:

Run this query on the tenant or SystemDB:

```
select * from M_NUMA_NODES;
```

Using hdbcons the process ID of the indexserver process is required as a parameter:

```
hdbcons -p <PID> "jexec info"
```

**Related Information**

- Configuring Memory and CPU Usage for Tenant Databases
- SAP HANA Monitoring Views for CPU Topology Details
- SQL Statements to Apply NUMA Location Preferences
- SAP Note 2470289

### 3.3 Disk Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section discusses issues related to hard disks and lack of free space.
Low Disk Space

This problem is usually reported by alert 2 which is triggered whenever one of the disk volumes used for data, log, backup or trace files reaches a critical size.

Use the following tools in the SAP HANA cockpit to examine the situation and try to free some disk space:

- Via Alerts tile
- Via Disk Usage tile
- On the Disk Volume Monitor

For high log volume utilizations, refer to SAP KBA 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations. For data volume exhaustions which cannot be explained by the size of the catalog objects (tables etc.) there are a few more mechanisms which utilize the persistency layer (data volume) such as:

- Disk LOBs
- Table Sizes on Disk
- MVCC Mechanism
- Database Snapshots

The following sections will assist you in analyzing these possible problem areas step by step.

Disk LOBs

Large binary objects are usually not optimally compressible in SAP HANA, thus tables with large LOB files may also indicate large memory footprints in SAP HANA. Since SAP HANA also offers the concept of hybrid LOBs (as of SAP HANA SPS07), the majority of the LOB data – larger than a specific threshold - is automatically outsourced to the physical persistence on disk instead. This can lead to the situation that you have a table which is small in memory but large on disk level. The SQL statement `HANA_Tables_DiskSize_1.00.120+`, which you can find in the SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA, may provide further insights on the disk and memory footprint of the largest tables with LOB columns. In the following example, you see tables which utilize large amounts of disk space but effectively no memory due to the nature of the data itself (LOBs):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TABLE_NAME</th>
<th>C</th>
<th>VIRTUAL_FILE_NAME</th>
<th>COUNT</th>
<th>SIZE_GB</th>
<th>SIZE_NOLOB_OB</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SACONT01DIX</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>any</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>42.55</td>
<td>42.55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SACONT01</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>any</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>29.53</td>
<td>29.53</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CS_AUDIT_LOG</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>any</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>10.70</td>
<td>10.70</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OBJECT_HISTORY</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>any</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>2.87</td>
<td>2.87</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For further information on handling LOBs, refer to:

- SAP Note 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs
- SAP Note 1994962 - How-To: Activation of Hybrid LOBs in SAP HANA

If you cannot narrow down the issue to LOBs, check the virtual file containers on persistency level in more detail.
Table Sizes on Disk

A first insight on whether the virtual file containers of the column store tables are responsible for the data volume utilization can be gained by running the following statement:

```
SELECT host, port, sum(physical_size) FROM M_TABLE_VIRTUAL_FILES GROUP BY port, host
```

This will return the sum of the physical size of all virtual file containers on disk level, representing the total size of the catalog objects on disk level. If this deviates drastically from the data volume utilization you observe, there are objects utilizing the data volume other than database tables and indices.

If the sum of the virtual file containers does not match the disk utilization observed on OS level for the data volume, further checks are necessary.

MVCC Mechanism

A blocked garbage collection may also over-utilize the SAP HANA data volume of the indexserver. Proceed as outlined in:

- Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) Issues
- SAP KBA 2169283 - FAQ: SAP HANA Garbage Collection

Run the following query to make sure there are no excessive amounts of undo cleanup files:

```
SELECT SUM(page_count) FROM M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES
```

Undo files contain information needed for transaction rollback and these files are removed when the transaction completes.

Cleanup files contain deleted information which is kept because of MVCC isolation requirements. When the transaction completes garbage collection uses the cleanup files to finally remove data.

For more information, refer to M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES System View in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference guide.

Database Snapshots

In specific cases, for example, if data backups have failed in the past, database snapshots for these backups are not cleaned up. This can be evaluated by the following SQL statements:

```
SELECT page_sizeclass AS "Page Size-class", page_size*used_block_count/(1024*1024*1024) AS "Disk Utilization in GB" FROM M_DATA_VOLUME_PAGE_STATISTICS WHERE volume_id = <volume_id>
```
This statement may show a result like:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Page Size-class</th>
<th>Disk Utilization in %</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>4k</td>
<td>13.33443</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16k</td>
<td>1.016001</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16k-RowStore</td>
<td>1.24971</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>64k</td>
<td>1.857727</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>256k</td>
<td>8.323242</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1M</td>
<td>1.905273</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4M</td>
<td>2.710937</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16M</td>
<td>82.53125</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This leads to the conclusion that the main contributor to the disk utilization are 16MB pages which are mainly used for the main fragment of the column store. To confirm this, check whether snapshots exist which have been created for backups:

```
SELECT * FROM M_SNAPSHOTS
```

In this case, “dangling” database snapshots which are no longer required should be dropped. This happens automatically after a database restart.

**Related Information**

- I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions [page 55]
- SAP Note 1900643
- SAP Note 2083715
- SAP Note 1969700
- SAP Note 2220627
- SAP Note 1994962
- Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) Issues [page 116]
- SAP Note 2169283
- M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES System View
3.3.1 Reclaiming Disk Space

Defragmentation can be carried out as a routine housekeeping operation or to recover disk space in response to a disk full event.

General Information

Reclaiming disk space is necessary because the size allocated to a data file is automatically increased as more space is required, but it is not automatically decreased when less space is required. This may create a difference between allocated size and used size.

For more information on data and log volumes refer to:

- Persistent Data Storage in the SAP HANA Database in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.
- SAP Note 1870858 - HANA Alerts related to file system utilization.

For routine monitoring of disk usage the following scripts from SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA may be helpful:

- HANA_Disks_Overview
- HANA_Disks_SuperblockStatistics
- HANA_Tables_ColumnStore_TableSize
- HANA_Tables_TopGrowingTables_Size_History

Reclaiming Disk Space

The RECLAIM DATAVOLUME statement is described in detail in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference. The following example illustrates the usage:

```
alter system reclaim datavolume 'myhost:30003' 120 defragment
```

The example shows a reasonable payload percentage of 120, that is, an overhead of 20% fragmentation is acceptable. Smaller payload percentage values can significantly increase the defragmentation runtime.

The following example lines from the SuperblockStatistics report show a comparison of disk usage before and after defragmentation:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>SB_SIZE_MB</th>
<th>USED_SB_COUNT</th>
<th>TOT_SB_COUNT</th>
<th>USED_GB</th>
<th>ALLOC_GB</th>
<th>FRAG_PCT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>saphana1</td>
<td>30003</td>
<td>64.00</td>
<td>8945</td>
<td>11514</td>
<td>559</td>
<td>720</td>
<td>28.71</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

After defragmentation the values for used and allocated disk size are much closer together, the total block count is reduced and the fragmentation percentage is much lower:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>SB_SIZE_MB</th>
<th>USED_SB_COUNT</th>
<th>TOT_SB_COUNT</th>
<th>USED_GB</th>
<th>ALLOC_GB</th>
<th>FRAG_PCT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>saphana1</td>
<td>30003</td>
<td>64.00</td>
<td>8146</td>
<td>8604</td>
<td>509</td>
<td>538</td>
<td>5.62</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```
Monitoring the Reclaim Process

No monitoring tool is available to check the progress of the RECLAIM command. The following options may be helpful:

1. Check for savepoint activity to verify that the RECLAIM process is running. This will confirm that savepoints are consistently being written:
   ```sql
   select * from m_savepoints
   ```
2. Enable the indexserver trace to get information about the operation and estimate the job progress:
   ```sql
   set trace "pageaccess = info"
   ```

Reasons Why Reclaim May Fail

In some situations where snapshots are being created RECLAIM may fail:

1. In a high availability scenario RECLAIM may not work because data snapshots which are part of the replication process may conflict with the RECLAIM datavolume command. SAP Note 2332284 - Data volume reclaim failed because of snapshot pages gives details of how to temporarily stop the creation of snapshots to avoid this problem.
2. Snapshots related to backups may also prevent RECLAIM from working. SAP Note 2592369 - HANA DataVolume Full describes steps to investigate the age of snapshots by querying the M_SNAPSHOTS view and, if necessary, to manually delete snapshots using the hdbcons command. It may then be possible to rerun the RECLAIM process.

Related Information

SAP Note 1870858
SAP Note 2332284
SAP Note 2592369

3.3.2 Analyze and Resolve Internal Disk-Full Event (Alert 30)

When it is no longer possible to write to one of the disk volumes used for data, log, backup or trace files, the database is suspended, an internal event is triggered, and alert 30 is generated. A disk-full event must be resolved before the database can resume.

Context

If the disks on which the database data and log volumes are located run full, space on the volumes must be freed or additional space added before the database can resume. In the SAP HANA cockpit, potential disk-full events are displayed in the alerts app.
However, running out of disk space is not the only reason that SAP HANA may be prevented from writing to disk. Other possible causes, all of which lead to a disk-full event and alert 30, include:

- File system quota is exceeded
- File system runs out of inodes
- File system errors (bugs)

### i Note

A number of SAP Notes are available to give troubleshooting advice in specific scenarios. For a log volume full scenario refer first to the note 1679938 - DiskFullEvent on Log Volume to resolve the issue and bring the HANA database back online. Then refer to note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations for root cause analysis to prevent the scenario from happening again. For log volume full in a replication context refer to LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File in this document.

- SAP Note 1898460 - How to Handle Alert 30 'Internal disk-full event'.
- SAP Note 1870858 - HANA Alerts related to file system utilization.
- SAP Note 1679938 - DiskFullEvent on Log Volume.
- SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations.

### Procedure

1. Analyze disk space usage using the standard administration tools in SAP HANA cockpit: **Alerts, Disk Usage, Disk Volume Monitor**.
2. Optional: Perform the following steps if helpful:

### i Note

You must execute the commands from the command line on the SAP HANA server.

a. Determine the file system type:

   `df -T`

b. Check for disk space using file system specific commands:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Option</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>XFS/NFS</td>
<td><code>df</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GPFS</td>
<td><code>mmfscheckquota</code></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

c. Check if the system is running out of inodes (NFS):

   `df -i`

d. Check quota:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Option</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>XFS/NFS</td>
<td><code>quota -v</code></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Next Steps

The most serious system events (including the disk-full event) are logged as internal database events in the table M_EVENTS (see also Alert 21 which is also triggered when an internal event occurs). They are initially logged with a status of ‘NEW’ and, once the issue has been resolved (in this case, free up disk space), the event must be set to ‘HANDLED’ to be able to continue. You can do this by executing the following SQL statements:

- ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT ACKNOWLEDGED '<host>:<port>' <id>
- ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '<host>:<port>' <id>

If you cannot track down the root cause of the alert, contact SAP Support.

Related Information

- SAP Note 1870858
- SAP Note 2083715
- SAP Note 1898460
- SAP Note 1679938
- LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File [page 158]

3.4 I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section covers troubleshooting of I/O performance problems. Although SAP HANA is an in-memory database, I/O still plays a critical role for the performance of the system.

From an end user perspective, an application or the system as a whole runs slowly, is unresponsive or can even seem to hang if there are issues with I/O performance. In the Disk Volume Monitor available in the Disk Usage tile in SAP HANA cockpit you can see the attached volumes and which services use which volumes. For details of the attached volumes, such as files and I/O statistics, select a row.

In certain scenarios data is read from or written to disk, for example during the transaction commit. Most of the time this is done asynchronously but at certain points in time synchronous I/O is done. Even during asynchronous I/O it may be that important data structures are locked.

Examples are included in the following table.
### Scenario | Description
--- | ---
**Savepoint** | A savepoint ensures that all changed persistent data since the last savepoint gets written to disk. The SAP HANA database triggers savepoints in 5 minutes intervals by default. Data is automatically saved from memory to the data volume located on disk. Depending on the type of data the block sizes vary between 4 KB and 16 MB. Savepoints run asynchronously to SAP HANA update operations. Database update transactions only wait at the critical phase of the savepoint, which is usually taking some microseconds.

**Snapshot** | The SAP HANA database snapshots are used by certain operations like backup and system copy. They are created by triggering a system wide consistent savepoint. The system keeps the blocks belonging to the snapshot at least until the drop of the snapshot. Detailed information about snapshots can be found in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

**Delta Merge** | The delta merge itself takes place in memory. Updates on column store tables are stored in the delta storage. During the delta merge these changes are applied to the main storage, where they are stored read optimized and compressed. Right after the delta merge, the new main storage is persisted in the data volume, that is, written to disk. The delta merge does not block parallel read and update transactions.

**Write Transactions** | All changes to persistent data are captured in the redo log. SAP HANA asynchronously writes the redo log with I/O orders of 4 KB to 1 MB size into log segments. Transactions writing a commit into the redo log wait until the buffer containing the commit has been written to the log volume.

**Database restart** | At database startup the services load their persistence including catalog and row store tables into memory, that is, the persistence is read from the storage. Additionally the redo log entries written after the last savepoint have to be read from the log volume and replayed in the data area in memory. When this is finished the database is accessible. The bigger the row store is, the longer it takes until the system is available for operations again.

**Failover (Host Auto-Failover)** | On the standby host the services are running in idle mode. Upon failover, the data and log volumes of the failed host are automatically assigned to the standby host, which then has read and write access to the files of the failed active host. Row as well as column store tables (the latter on demand) must be loaded into memory. The log entries have to be replayed.

**Takeover (System Replication)** | The secondary system is already running, that is the services are active but cannot accept SQL and thus are not usable by the application. Just like in the database restart (see above) the row store tables need to be loaded into memory from persistent storage. If table preload is used, then most of the column store tables are already in memory. During takeover the replicated redo logs that were shipped since the last data transport from primary to secondary have to be replayed.

**Data Backup** | For a data backup the current payload of the data volumes is read and copied to the backup storage. For writing a data backup it is essential that on the I/O connection there are no collisions with other transactional operations running against the database.

**Log Backup** | Log backups store the content of a closed log segment. They are automatically and asynchronously created by reading the payload from the log segments and writing them to the backup area.

**Database Recovery** | The restore of a data backup reads the backup content from the backup device and writes it to the SAP HANA data volumes. The I/O write orders of the data recovery have a size of 64 MB. Also the redo log can be replayed during a database recovery, that is the log backups are read from the backup device and the log entries get replayed.
In the following table the I/O operations are listed which are executed by the above-mentioned scenarios, including the block sizes that are read or written:

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3.4.1 Analyzing I/O Throughput and Latency

When analyzing I/O, the focus is on throughput and latency (time taken). A set of system views (with names beginning M_VOLUME_IO_*) is available to help you analyze throughput and examples are given here to illustrate how they can be used.

You can use the following example query to read I/O statistics data which will help you to analyze the throughput of the system (in this example the index server). The result of this query presents a set of columns including throughput in MB and trigger ratios (the relationship between trigger time and I/O time) for both read and write operations:

```sql
select v.host, v.port, v.service_name, s.type,
    round(s.total_read_size / 1024 / 1024, 3) as "Reads in MB",
    round(s.total_read_size / case s.total_read_time when 0 then -1 else s.total_read_time end, 3) as "Read Throughput in MB",
    round(s.total_read_time / 1000 / 1000, 3) as "Read Time in Sec",
    trigger_read_ratio as "Read Ratio",
    round(s.total_write_size / 1024 / 1024, 3) as "Writes in MB",
    round(s.total_write_size / case s.total_write_time when 0 then -1 else s.total_write_time end, 3) as "Write Throughput in MB",
    round(s.total_write_time / 1000 / 1000, 3) as "Write Time in Sec",
    trigger_write_ratio as "Write Ratio"
from "PUBLIC"."M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET" s, PUBLIC.M_VOLUMES v
where s.volume_id = v.volume_id
and type not in ( 'TRACE' )
and v.volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name = 'indexserver')
order by type, service_name, s.volume_id;
```

Note that some of the system views for I/O can be used with a resettable counter so that you can gather data for just the most recent period since the counter was set. This example is based on the M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS system view but uses the ‘reset’ version of the view.

You can reset the statistics counter to analyze the I/O throughput for a certain time frame by running the following reset command:

```sql
alter system reset monitoring view M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET;
```

Multitier and Replication Scenarios

In a system using replication between primary and secondary sites it is possible to analyze throughput of the secondary remotely by running these queries on the primary site. This method uses the proxy schema of the secondary system on the primary and can be used in a 2-tier system replication setup as well as for multitier landscapes.

The proxy schema follows the naming convention _SYS_SR_SITE_<siteName>, where <siteName> is the name of the secondary site (case-sensitive). In the FROM clause of the example query given above the schema PUBLIC is used. In a system replication landscape replace this with the proxy schema as shown in the following example for a secondary with site name ‘SiteB’:

```sql
from "SYS_SR_SITE_SiteB"."M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET" s, 
    "SYS_SR_SITE_SiteB"."M_VOLUMES" v
```

Trigger Ratios

I/O calls are executed asynchronously, that is, the thread does not wait for the order to return. The trigger-ratio of asynchronous reads and writes measures the trigger time divided by the I/O time. A ratio close to 0 shows...
good performance; it indicates that the thread does not wait at all. A ratio close to 1 means that the thread waits until the I/O request is completed.

Refer to SAP Note 1930979 and SAP Notes for Alerts 60 and 61 for more information about the significance of the trigger ratio values.

Latency

The latency values are important for LOG devices. To analyze the latency, use the following example query which returns the log write wait time (for data of type LOG) with various buffer sizes written by the index server. The time values returned are the number of microseconds between enqueuing and finishing a request.

```sql
select host, port type, 
    round(max_io_buffer_size / 1024, 3) "Maximum buffer size in KB",
    trigger_async_write_count, 
    avg_trigger_async_write_time as "Avg Trigger Async Write Time in Microsecond",
    max_trigger_async_write_time as "Max Trigger Async Write Time in Microsecond",
    write_count, avg_write_time as "Avg Write Time in Microsecond",
    max_write_time as "Max Write Time in Microsecond"
from "PUBLIC"."M_VOLUME_IO_DETAILED_STATISTICS_RESET"
where type = 'LOG'
and volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name = 'indexserver')
and (write_count <> 0 or avg_trigger_async_write_time <> 0);
```

Related Information

SAP Note 1930979

M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET System View

Reference: Alerts [page 243]

3.4.2 Savepoint Performance

To perform a savepoint write operation, SAP HANA needs to take a global database lock. This period is called the “critical phase” of a savepoint. While SAP HANA was designed to keep this time period as short as possible, poor I/O performance can extend it to a length that causes a considerable performance impact.

Savepoints are used to implement backup and disaster recovery in SAP HANA. If the state of SAP HANA has to be recovered, the database log from the last savepoint will be replayed.

You can analyze the savepoint performance with this SQL statement:

```sql
select start_time, volume_id, 
    round(duration / 1000000) as "Duration in Seconds",
    round(critical_phase_duration / 1000000) as "Critical Phase Duration in Seconds",
    round(total_size / 1024 / 1024) as "Size in MB",
    round(total_size / duration) as "Approx. MB/sec",
    round (flushed_rowstore_size / 1024 / 1024) as "Row Store Part MB"
from m_savepoints
```
This statement shows how long the last and the current savepoint writes took/are taking. Especially the critical phase duration, in which savepoints need to take a global database lock, must be observed carefully.

The critical phase duration should not be longer than a second. In the example below the times are significantly higher due to I/O problems.

The following SQL shows a histogram on the critical phase duration:

```sql
select to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd') as "time",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration <= 1000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 1 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 1000000 and critical_phase_duration <=2000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 2 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 2000000 and critical_phase_duration <=3000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 3 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 3000000 and critical_phase_duration <=4000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 4 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 4000000 and critical_phase_duration <=5000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 5 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 5000000 and critical_phase_duration <=10000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 10 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 10000000 and critical_phase_duration <=20000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 20 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 20000000 and critical_phase_duration <=40000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 40 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 40000000 and critical_phase_duration <=60000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "<= 60 s",
       sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 60000000) then 1 else 0 end) as "> 60 s",
       count(critical_phase_duration) as "ALL"
from "_SYS_STATISTICS"."HOST_SAVEPOINTS"
where volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name = 'indexserver')
and weekday (server_timestamp) not in (5, 6)
group by to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd')
order by to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd') desc;
```
The performance of the backup can be analyzed with this statement:

```sql
SELECT mbc.backup_id, 
    SECONDS_BETWEEN (mbc.sys_start_time, mbc.sys_end_time) as seconds, 
    round(sum(backup_size) / 1024 / 1024 / 1024, 2) as size_gb, 
    round(sum(backup_size) / SECONDS_BETWEEN (mbc.sys_start_time, mbc.sys_end_time) / 1024 / 1024 / 2) as speed_mbs 
FROM m_backup_catalog_files mbcf, m_backup_catalog mbc 
WHERE mbc.entry_type_name = 'complete data backup' 
    AND mbc.state_name = 'successful' 
    AND mbcf.backup_id = mbc.backup_id 
GROUP BY mbc.backup_id, mbc.sys_end_time, mbc.sys_start_time 
ORDER BY mbc.sys_start_time
```

3.5 Configuration Parameter Issues

The SAP HANA database creates alerts if it detects an incorrect setting for any of the most critical configuration parameters.

The following table lists the monitored parameters and related alerts.
Alerts related to configuration

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<th>Alert Name</th>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Further Information</th>
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<td>Delta merge (mergedog) configuration</td>
<td>Indexserver.ini – mergedog - active</td>
<td>Delta Merge</td>
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<td>Lock wait timeout configuration</td>
<td>Indexserver.ini – transaction – lock_wait_timeout</td>
<td>Transactional Problems</td>
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<td>32</td>
<td>Log mode legacy</td>
<td>Global.ini – persistence – log_mode</td>
<td>Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)</td>
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<tr>
<td>33</td>
<td>Log mode overwrite</td>
<td>Global.ini – persistence – log_mode</td>
<td>Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)</td>
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</table>

To check for parameters that are not according to the default settings, the following SQL statement can be used.

```sql
select a.file_name, b.layer_name, b.tenant_name, b.host, b.section, b.key, a.value as defaultvalue, b.currentvalue from sys.m_inifile_contents a
join ( select file_name, layer_name, tenant_name, host, section, key, value as currentvalue from sys.m_inifile_contents b where layer_name <> 'DEFAULT' ) b on a.file_name = b.file_name and a.section = b.section and a.key = b.key and a.value <> b.currentvalue
```

**Note**
Default values of parameters may change when updating the SAP HANA database with a new revision. Custom values on the system level and on the host level will not be affected by such updates.

**Correcting Parameter Settings**

You can change configuration parameters using the SAP HANA cockpit or the ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION statement.

All configuration parameters are defined in table CONFIGURATION_PARAMETER_PROPERTIES. You can look up parameter details either in the system using for example SAP HANA cockpit or by referring to the Configuration Parameter Guide in the SAP Help Portal. In addition to basic properties such as data type, unit and a default value the definition includes a flag to indicate if a system restart is required before a changed value becomes effective.

Usually alerts on incorrect parameter settings include information about correct setting of the parameter. So, unless you have received a specific recommendation from SAP to change the parameter to another value, you can fix the issue by changing the parameter from the Configuration of System Properties monitor of SAP HANA cockpit. You can search for a specific parameter by filtering on the parameter name. In most cases the suggested correct value will be the default value. Most of the parameters can be changed online and do not require any further action; exceptions for common parameters are noted in the reference document referred to above. For more information about how to change parameters, see Memory Information from Logs and Traces.

**Note**
Make sure that you change the parameter in the correct ini-file and section, since the parameter name itself may be not unique.
3.5.1 Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)

Alerts 32 and 33 are raised whenever the write mode to the database log is not set correctly for use in production.

Context

To ensure point-in-time recovery of the database the `log_mode` parameter must be set to ‘normal’ and a data backup is required.

The following steps are recommended when facing this alert:

Procedure

1. Change the value of the parameter `log_mode` in SAP HANA cockpit to normal
2. Schedule an initial data backup
3. Test successful completion of the backup
4. Restart the database
5. Backup the database configuration
   - For information on how to perform a backup of database configuration files see SAP Note 1651055 - Scheduling SAP HANA Database Backups in Linux.
6. Schedule a regular data backup

Related Information

- SAP Note 1651055
- SAP Note 1900296
- SAP Note 1900267
3.6 Backup And Recovery

This section discusses issues related to backup and recovery and how to troubleshoot them.

Back and Recovery: Resources

For detailed information on how to perform a backup or recovery of an SAP HANA database please refer to section SAP HANA Database Backup and Recovery of the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Note

Following the configuration information, prerequisites and requirements for your HANA release and revision as documented in the SAP HANA Administration Guide can avoid the most common issues faced by customers when performing a backup or recovery.

Backup and Recovery can be done in SAP HANA studio or in SAP HANA cockpit; refer to the documentation for these administration tools for details.

Videos demonstrating backup and recovery can be found on the SAP HANA Academy YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/saphanaacademy

The following links to the SAP HANA Support Wiki provide a step-by-step description with detailed screenshots of how Backup and Recovery can be executed from SAP HANA studio:

- How to Perform a Backup
- Recovery

In addition to the SAP Notes and Knowledge Base Articles referred to in this section, the following may also be useful:

- SAP Note 1642148 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Backup & Recovery
- SAP Note 2116157 - FAQ: SAP HANA Consistency Checks and Corruptions
- SAP KBA 2101244 - FAQ: SAP HANA Multitenant Database Containers (MDC)
- SAP Note 2096000 - SAP HANA multitenant database containers - Additional Information
- SAP KBA 2486224 - Tenant DB recovery to another system Tenant DB
- SAP Note 2093572 - SAP HANA Migration from Multi-Node to Single-Node
- SAP Note 1730932 - Using backup tools with Backint for HANA
- SAP Note 1651055 - Scheduling SAP HANA Database Backups in Linux
- SAP Note 2044438 - HANA: Backup fails for Out Of Memory error
- SAP Note 2123153 - HANA Recovery Failing with 'recovery strategy could not be determined'
- SAP Note 2063454 - Long running log backups
- SAP KBA 2495074 - Recovery failed with data backup file of higher HANA revision
- SAP KBA 1990971 - HANA backup failed with 'Wrong Checksum' error
- SAP Note 2605215 - Replay of Logs Hanging During Point in Time Recovery or Operations on System Replication Secondary Site
Logs and Trace Files

In most cases for both backup and recovery issues a relevant error message will be written to the following SAP HANA database log or trace files:

- backup.log
- namesever.trc
- backint.log (if using backint and 3rd party tool)

These log and trace files (diagnostic files) can be found using SAP HANA studio, DBA Cockpit, and SAP HANA Database Explorer. The default location for the files is:

/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<host>/trace

You can search for either backup or recovery tasks which generate an error in the backup.log file by referring to the task type and the date and time that the issue occurred:

```
2018-09-26T06:58:11+00:00 16614abbe0 INFO  BACKUP SAVE DATA started
2018-08-29T09:45:52+00:00 1658510b5bb ERROR BACKUP SAVE DATA finished with error: [447] backup could not be completed ...rc=28: No space left
2018-08-29T09:45:52+00:00 1658510b5bb INFO  BACKUP state of service...
```

With the error code and error message you can search for SAP Notes and Knowledge Base Articles in the SAP Knowledge Base using SAP ONE Support Launchpad.

Increasing the trace level

Although in most cases it should not be necessary to use the debug trace level to find the relevant error message, if the standard trace level for the backup.log file does not return a meaningful error message you can temporarily set the level to 'debug' using the following commands:

Enable the trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('global.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('backup', 'trace') = 'debug' with reconfigure;
```

Disable the trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('global.ini', 'SYSTEM') UNSET ('backup', 'trace') with reconfigure;
```

Common Issues Related to Backup and Recovery

Some of the most common issues are described here.

Log Volume Full

The symptoms of a log volume full are:

- Alert #2 is generated, for example: "Alert disk usage" for "storage type: LOG".
- The database cannot be started or does not accept new requests.
- The database trace file of a service contains rc=24 no space left on device errors for the basepath_logvolumes or basepath_logbackup.
Note that when a cluster file system like HP IBRIX or IBM GPFS is used, HANA Studio or OS commands like `df -h` might not detect a problem. In this case use the filesystem specific commands like `mmdf`/`mmrepquota` for IBM GPFS.

In this situation reasons for data and log backups failing may include:

- Backup location for data and log backup is the same location as data and log volumes and space runs out
- Automatic log backup parameter is not enabled (enable_auto_log_backup). If automatic log backup is disabled, the log area grows until the file system is full. If the file system is full, the database will remain frozen until the situation is resolved.

See the following SAP Notes for troubleshooting details in this case:

- 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations.
- 1679938 - Disk Full Event on Log Volume.

### Large Size of Log Backup Files

The backup catalog stores information about the data and log backups that were executed for a database and the catalog is backed up as part of the log backups. If you do not ensure that old backups are deleted in accordance with backup and recovery strategy the log backups can become increasingly large over time.

For information on the clean-up of the backup catalog see the following:

- 'Housekeeping for Backup Catalog and Backup Storage’ in the **SAP HANA Administration Guide**
- KBA 2096851 - Backup Catalog Housekeeping within HANA DB
- KBA 2505218 - Large Log Backups due to large backup catalog

### Regular manual consistency check of backups required for SAP HANA Database Recovery

Although HANA has automatic checks that take place while data and log backups are performed you should manually re-check the integrity of any backup if it is copied or moved to another location or if you need to use the backup files for HANA database recovery. This manual check can be done using `hdbbackupcheck`.

For information on the usage of the `hdbbackupcheck` command see the KBA 1869119 - Checking backups with `hdbbackupcheck`.

### Problems With Backint and 3rd Party Backup Tools

SAP HANA comes with native functionality for backup and recovery but using 3rd party backup tools is an alternative to using the native functionality. SAP HANA database provides a backup interface called Backint which enables 3rd-party backup tool vendors to connect their product to the backup and recovery capabilities of the SAP HANA database. Backint is fully integrated into the SAP HANA database, that is, data and log backups can be individually configured to be created and recovered using the 3rd-party backup tool. Backups are transferred via pipe from the SAP HANA database to the 3rd party backup agent, which runs on the SAP HANA database server and then sends the backups to the 3rd party backup server.

For more information on SAP HANA backup and recovery and the integration of 3rd party backup tools with SAP HANA, please refer to:

- The **SAP HANA Administration Guide**
- The installation documentation for 3rd party backup tools provided by the tool vendor
- SAP Note 2031547 - Overview of SAP-certified 3rd party backup tools and associated support process
If you face an issue with a 3rd party backup tool check SAP Note 2031547 to confirm that the backup tool is supported. If the tool is supported the next step is to check for error messages in the backint.log file as described above. Follow the appropriate support process for the tool as described in the SAP note 2031547.

As a workaround for a problem with a 3rd party backup tool, and if you have the required disk space, you could use the SAP HANA native functionality for backup.

**HANA BACKUP and Recovery Performance**

In many cases, problems with backup and recovery performance are related to non-optimal system I/O or the backup catalog size.

To check the HANA I/O performance refer to the Knowledge Base article 1999930 - FAQ: SAP HANA I/O Analysis. Regarding the backup catalog refer to the subsection above Large size of Log Backup files.

To analyze performance problems related to backup and recovery you can also refer to the guided answer Troubleshooting Performance Issues in SAP HANA, if the guided answer does not provide a solution for further analysis SAP Support would require the information in the SAP Note 1835075 - Analyze backup and recovery performance issues.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 1642148
- SAP Note 1651055
- SAP Note 1679938
- SAP Note 1730932
- SAP Note 1835075
- SAP Note 1869119
- SAP Note 1990971
- SAP Note 1999930
- SAP Note 2031547
- SAP Note 2044438
- SAP Note 2063454
- SAP Note 2083715
- SAP Note 2093572
- SAP Note 2096500
- SAP Note 2096851
- SAP Note 2101244
- SAP Note 2116157
- SAP Note 2123153
- SAP Note 2486224
- SAP Note 2495074
- SAP Note 2505218
3.7 Delta Merge

This section covers troubleshooting of delta merge problems.

The column store uses efficient compression algorithms to keep relevant application data in memory. Write operations on the compressed data are costly as they require reorganizing the storage structure and recalculating the compression. Therefore write operations in column store do not directly modify the compressed data structure in the so called main storage. Instead, all changes are at first written into a separate data structure called the delta storage and at a later point in time synchronized with the main storage. This synchronization operation is called delta merge.

From an end user perspective, performance issues may occur if the amount of data in the delta storage is large, because read times from delta storage are considerably slower than reads from main storage.

In addition the merge operation on a large data volume may cause bottleneck situations, since the data to be merged is held twice in memory during the merge operation.

The following alerts indicate an issue with delta merges:

- Delta merge (mergedog) configuration (Alert 10)
- Size of delta storage of column store tables (Alert 29)

Related Information

SAP Note 1909641
SAP Note 1977314

3.7.1 Inactive Delta Merge

In case the delta merge is set to inactive, Alert 10 Delta merge (mergedog) configuration is raised. In a production system this alert needs to be handled with very high priority in order to avoid performance issues.

Context

Whenever issues with delta merge are suspected, this alert should be checked first. You can do that from the Alerts tile or the Alert Checker Configuration app. An inactive delta merge has a severe performance impact on database operations.
Procedure

1. Check the current parameter value in the Configuration of System Properties page of SAP HANA cockpit and filter for mergedog. Check the value of active in the mergedog section of the indexserver.ini file.

2. To correct the value, click Change Layer and choose Restore Default. This will delete all custom values on system and host level and restore the default value system-wide.

   i Note
   Depending on the check frequency (default frequency: 15 minutes) the alert will stay in the Alert inbox until the new value is recognized the next time the check is run.

Related Information

SAP Note 1909641
Memory Information from Logs and Traces [page 23]

3.7.1.1 Retrospective Analysis of Inactive Delta Merge

Retrospective analysis of the root cause of the parameter change that led to the configuration alert requires the activation of an audit policy in SAP HANA that tracks configuration changes.

Other sources of information are external tools (for example, SAP Solution Manager) that create a snapshot of configuration settings at regular intervals.

For details about configuring security auditing and for analyzing audit logs, refer to the SAP HANA Security Guide.

Related Information

SAP HANA Security Guide
3.7.2 Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables

If the delta storage of a table gets too large, read operations on the table will slow down. This usually results in degraded performance of queries reading from the affected table.

When the delta storage of a table gets too large, the Alert Size of delta storage of column-store tables (Alert 29) can be raised.

Alert 29 is raised when the amount of memory consumed by the delta storage exceeds the configured thresholds. The thresholds can be customized in the SAP HANA cockpit to take into account the configured size of the delta storage. Note that if the alerts are not configured properly, the symptoms can occur without raising an alert, or there may be no symptoms, even though an alert is raised. For each affected table a separate alert is created.

Usually this problem occurs because of mass write operations (insert, update, delete) on a column table. If the total count of records (record count * column count) in the delta storage exceeds the threshold of this alert before the next delta merge, this alert will be triggered.

Corrective action needs to be taken in one of the following areas:

- Change of an application
- Changed partitioning of the table
- Configuration of delta merge

Related Information

SAP Note 1977314

3.7.2.1 Analyze Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables

Analyze and interpret issues related to delta storage with help from alerts in SAP HANA cockpit.

Procedure

1. If an alert was raised, go to the Alerts tile in the SAP HANA cockpit, click Show all and filter for "delta storage".

   Check if the alert is raised for a small number of tables or for many tables. Focus on tables where the alert has high priority. Alerts raised with low or medium priority usually don’t need immediate action, but should be taken as one indicator for checking the sizing. Also these alerts should be taken into account when specific performance issues with end-user operations on these tables are reported, since read-access on delta storage may be one reason for slow performance.
2. Click on an alert and check the alert details about its previous occurrences visible in the graph.
   a. If the alert occurred several times, check since when this started. To monitor a longer period of time, use the drop-down menu on the right.
   b. Check whether it occurs regularly at a certain time.

   This may indicate a specific usage pattern from application side that might have room for optimization. For example, when many inserts and deletes are performed during a load process, it might be possible to replace these operations with a suitable filter in the source system. You can employ the data in the Expensive Statement Trace and the Performance Monitor to determine the usage of the table by applications.

3. Check the timestamp of the alert if it is current, then start with checking current attributes of this table.

   Information regarding the delta merge operation on specific tables can be obtained from the system view M_CS_TABLES.

   ```sql
   SELECT * FROM SYS.M_CS_TABLES where table_name='mytable' and schema_name='myschema';
   ```

   If no alert was raised, you can check for the tables with the most records in the delta.

   ```sql
   SELECT * FROM SYS.M_CS_TABLES where record_count>0 order by raw_record_count_in_delta desc;
   ```

4. Check the following attributes:
   - LAST_MERGE_TIME
   - MERGE_COUNT
   - RECORD_COUNT, WRITE_COUNT
   - RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_MAIN
   - RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA
   - MEMORY_SIZE_IN_MAIN
   - MEMORY_SIZE_IN_DELTA

   a. If MERGE_COUNT is high then this is an indicator that the delta merge works properly, while a low MERGE_COUNT suggests a need for corrective action.

   A large difference between RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_MAIN and RECORD_COUNT suggests that the table has not been compressed properly. Note that compression is not triggered when a merge is triggered from an SQLScript, but only in case of Auto, Smart or Critical Merge.

   A high WRITE_COUNT suggests that many insert, update and delete operations occur. If the occurrence of the delta merge problem is rare, then it usually will be sufficient to trigger the merge for this table manually. See Perform a Manual Delta Merge Operation in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

   b. If there are many deleted records, you can trigger a compress of the table with the following command:

   ```sql
   UPDATE mytable WITH PARAMETERS('OPTIMIZE_COMPRESSION'='YES');
   ```

   c. Confirm the delta merge operation has succeeded in the following ways:
   - LAST_MERGE_TIME
   - MERGE_COUNT
   - RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA
If problems with the delta storage re-occur frequently for a specific table, check the merge statistics for this table. You can do this in the SAP HANA database explorer by executing the Merge Statistics statement in the Statement Library. You can filter by table name and schema name. Alternatively you can run the following SQL statement and perform the following checks:

```sql
SELECT * FROM SYS.M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable' and schema_name='myschema';
```

a. Check column SUCCESS for records with value other than TRUE.
b. Check the column LAST_ERROR for records with value other than 0. A typical error is 2048 and ERROR_DESCRIPTION shows error 2484 which indicates that there was not enough memory to compress the table after the merge.

For other error codes please refer to the SAP HANA Administration Guide.
c. Check the columns START_TIME, EXECUTION_TIME, MOTIVATION and MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS.

For cases where MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS becomes excessively large the trigger function for the MOTIVATION type should be reviewed and the LOAD should be analyzed for that time frame (Performance Monitor). A value of MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS = -1 suggests that no records were merged but that a compression optimization was performed.

If you need to analyze the delta merge statistics for a longer period, use the equivalent select on table HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS of the statistics server:

```sql
SELECT * FROM _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable' and schema_name='myschema';
```

You can check the delta merge configuration in SAP HANA cockpit by opening Configuration of System Properties indexserver.ini mergedog.

Since the default value for the frequency of delta merges is already 1 minute (check_interval = 60.000 ms), optimization with regards to memory consumption can only be done by adjusting the decision function of the corresponding merge type and the corresponding priority function. However, changes should be done very carefully and always with involvement of experts from SAP. Parameters of the functions are documented in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

### Related Information

- M_CS_TABLES
- Work with Alerts
- Inactive Delta Merge [page 68]
- Use the Statement Library to Administer Your Database
- Memory Information from Logs and Traces [page 23]
3.7.3 Failed Delta Merge

If many cases are identified where auto merge has failed, the error codes need to be analyzed in more detail. Note that the merge only failed if SUCCESS is not TRUE. In any other case the error code describes a non-critical condition during a successful merge.

To analyze the error codes, you should increase the trace level to INFO for the components mergedog and mergemonitor in the INDEXSERVER section of the Database Trace.

To change the trace configuration choose Trace Configuration from the database context menu in the SAP HANA database explorer and change the configuration of the Database Trace.

The following table lists error codes and typical corrective actions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Recommended Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1999</td>
<td>General error (no further information available)</td>
<td>Check the indexserver trace for more errors regarding the exception</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2450</td>
<td>Error during merge of delta index occurred</td>
<td>Check in diagnostic files for an Out-Of-Memory dump that occurred during the delta merge operation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2458</td>
<td>Table delta merge aborted as cancel was manually requested by a kill session call.</td>
<td>No action required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2480</td>
<td>The table in question is already being merged.</td>
<td>No action required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2481</td>
<td>There are already other smart merge requests for this table in the queue.</td>
<td>No action required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2482</td>
<td>The delta storage is empty or the evaluation of the smart merge cost function indicated that a merge is not necessary.</td>
<td>No further action required if this occurs occasionally. If it happens frequently: Check M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS and review smart merge cost function with SAP experts. (parameter smart_merge_decision_func)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2483</td>
<td>Smart merge is not active (parameter smart_merge_enabled=no)</td>
<td>Change the parameter smart_merge_enabled=yes)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 3.7.4 Delta Storage Optimization

Table partitioning allows you to optimize the size of tables in memory and their memory consumption as each partition has its own delta storage.

The memory consumption of a table in memory during a merge operation depends on the number of records, the number and memory size of columns and the memory size of the table. While the number of records can be kept low by triggering a smart merge from the application, optimization with regards to the size of the table can be achieved by table partitioning. This is due to the fact that each partition holds a separate delta storage. When a merge is performed, the data from the main storage has to be loaded into memory which is a considerably less amount when only a single partition is handled rather than the full table.

When considering partitioning it is recommended to analyze the typical usage of this table. Partitions should be created in a way that avoids as much as possible that single statements need to access multiple partitions. If no application knowledge is available, then hash partitioning with a partition size of about 500,000,000 records is a good initial choice.

See, Table Partitioning in the SAP HANA Database in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.
3.8 SAP Web IDE

This section covers problems related to SAP Web IDE.

The SAP Web Integrated Development Environment (formerly known as Web Application Toolkit) is a powerful, extensible, web-based tool that simplifies both the development of end-to-end SAP Fiori apps and the full-stack (UI, business logic and database) application lifecycle. It covers development, modeling, debugging, building, testing, extending and deployment of role-based consumer-grade apps. Resources to support rapid development include wizards, templates, samples, code and graphical editors, modelers, and more.

3.8.1 Post-Installation Problems with Web IDE

This section identifies some common post-installation issues which you may encounter when working with WebIDE.

Logging in to Space Enablement UI

Issue: Logging into space enablement UI gives a ‘Forbidden’ error.

Cause: Missing authorizations.

Resolution: Ensure that the user logging into the di-space-enablement-ui app has the proper authorizations as follows:

- The role collection XS_CONTROLLER_USER
- A manually-created role collection containing WebIDE_Administrator and/or WebIDE_Developer role.
- SpaceDeveloper role and/or SpaceManager role.

More Information: For more information see the following documents (depending on your SAP HANA version):

- For SAP HANA version below HANA 2 SPS3 see ‘Post-Installation Administration Tasks’ in SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA - Installation and Upgrade Guide.
- For HANA 2 SPS3 and above see ‘Roles and Permissions for Administration and Development’ in: SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model
Logging into Web IDE

Issue: Logging into WebIDE gives an internal server error or shows a blank page.

Cause: Missing authorizations

Resolution: Ensure the WebIDE User has the correct role collections and is part of space as SpaceDeveloper role.

More Information: For more information see 'Roles and Permissions for Administration and Development' in the SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model.

Unable to access di-local-npm-registry

Issue: When trying to access the URL for di-local-npm-registry to check if a given node module is present and check if the versions are available, the following error message appears:

"Error: web interface is disabled in the config file"

Cause: Access to the web interface of di-local-npm-registry is disabled for security reasons.

Resolution: 1. Run the following command:

    xs env di-local-npm-registry.

2. Copy the path shown in the 'storage-path'. It should look similar to this example:

    /usr/sap/hana/shared/XSA/xs/controller_data/fss/a44ae1be-8fa5-4470-b08a-db0begfs8f9f

3. Run your command-line session as root user and change directory to the storage path you retrieved from the registry.

4. Search the SAP storage directory by first changing directory again and then using the find command:

    cd storage/@sap

    find

Related Information

SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA - Installation and Upgrade Guide
SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model
3.8.2 Web IDE Common Issues with Modeling

This section gives details of some problems you may encounter when modeling with Web IDE.

**Project Build Fails (Configuration Issue)**

**Issue:** When building a Multi-Target Application (MTA) with multiple tenants available and with the Database ID defined in the mta.yaml file, the project build fails with the error:

```
Failed to select a database for instance no database '<DB_SID>' mapped to organization.
```

**Cause:** The tenant’s GUID, not the SID must be entered in the mta.yaml file.

**Resolution:** Find the tenant GUID by running the following command as an admin user (XSA_ADMIN) in the XSA command line interface:

```
xs tenant-databases -guids
```

Once you have the GUID, enter this value in the config parameter “database_id” in the mta.yaml file.

**Project Build Fails (Authorization Issue)**

**Issue:** When building an HDB module with synonyms to access objects in an external schema of HANA DB (that is, the classical schema), you have defined the users, privileges and schemas correctly, but the build fails. You see the error:

```
Error: com.sap.hana.di.synonym: The container's object owner "HDB_HDI_DB_1#OO" is not authorized to access the "SYSTEM.MATERIAL_D" synonym target.
This user needs to be granted "SELECT" ("EXECUTE" for procedures) privileges on the target object. [8250505].
```

**Cause:** When accessing objects from a classical schema, not only the provided database user needs access to the objects, the object owner of the HDI container (<ProjectName>_<HDIname>##OO) also needs access to these objects.

**Resolution:** You can provide access directly to the (<ProjectName>_<HDIname>##OO) user through, for example, HANA Studio -> Security -> Users. It is better, however, to set up authorizations properly. This is done by creating roles in HANA that give access to objects and the HDB Grants file in the XSA Project which the #OO user can use to grant those privileges to other users if needed.
Calculation View (Synonyms missing)

**Issue:** When creating a calculation view, you want to add data sources into one of the nodes in the view and you cannot see any data sources from the HANA schema (synonyms, tables etc).

**Cause:**
1) You cannot see HANA Classical schema objects since you have not defined synonyms in your project. In XSA (HDI Containers), you cannot directly access Classical HANA objects. You need to create synonyms to access these objects.
2) You have configured synonyms and the mta.yaml file properly as per the documentation, but you still cannot find synonym objects when adding data sources in the calculation view. Although you did define the synonyms, the changes are still not saved and compiled.

**Resolution:**
For details of creating synonyms see ‘Database Synonyms in XS Advanced’ in the SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model.

After configuring users, privileges, and schemas with the correct configuration parameters (as described in the documentation), you need to build the HDB module to compile the changes. They will then be visible in your project/DB Explorer.

Calculation View (Authorization Issue)

**Issue:** When you try to data preview a calculation view in your Web IDE project that uses synonyms to access external objects (HDI or HANA), you get the insufficient privilege error.

**Cause:**
The local HDI Containers object owner user (##OO) has the Select privilege on external object(s) but does not have the Grant option. In the indexserver trace file, you also see an error such as:

```
User <Project>name>_ <HDI_name>##OO is not allowed to grant privilege SELECT for VIEW <CV_in_question>
```

**Resolution:**
Provide the object owner Select access to all the external objects with Grant option.

Or you can set up roles and HDB Grants as described in the SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model. Refer to the following topics as appropriate:

‘Enable Access to Objects in a Remote Classic Schema’
‘Enable Access to Objects in Another HDI Container’
Calculation View (Known Bug HANA 2 SPS 03)

Issue: When you try to access a calculation view with joins in your project, you see the error:

```
Cannot read property 'name' of undefined
```

Cause: One possible cause of this is a known bug in HANA 2 SPS 03 which corrupts the calculation view file.

If this is the cause, when you look at the definition of the calculation view, you can see missing mappings for the join condition, for example:

```
<mapping xsi:type="Calculation:AttributeMapping" target="_<Target>"/> // <-- source is missing
</input>
<joinAttribute name="_<Att_name>"/>
```

Workaround: Edit the calculation view in the code editor and manually correct the mappings that contain target and source columns:

```
<mapping xsi:type="Calculation:AttributeMapping" target="<Target>", source="<Source>">
```

Resolution: The permanent solution is to upgrade to HANA 2 SP 04.

Related Information

SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model (Access to Objects)
SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model (Database Synonyms)
SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model (Access to Objects in Other Container)

3.9 Troubleshooting BW on HANA

This section identifies some of the common problem areas for users of Business Warehouse on HANA and points to existing information sources which will help to resolve the issues.

Documentation

All public documentation related to BW on HANA can be found in the SAP Help Portal on the SAP Business Warehouse product page. In the SAP Community Network (SCN) you can find a complete end-to-end collection of detailed BW on HANA related information including presentations, blogs, discussions, how-to
guides, release information, videos, roadmap and so on. An internal WIKI page is also available with additional information on BW on HANA troubleshooting.

- SAP Help Portal: SAP Business Warehouse, powered by SAP HANA.
- SAP Support Community: SAP Business Warehouse on SAP HANA and HANA SQL-based Data Warehousing.
- WIKI: BW on HANA Documentation and Troubleshooting

This section refers to the transaction codes which are used to access each BW function, such as RSRT for the Report Monitor and RSRV for Analysis and Repair of BW Objects. RSA1 is the Data Warehousing Workbench which is the central cockpit used for the administration of almost the entire BW system. A list of the most commonly-used transaction codes is given in a table at the end of this topic: Frequently-used Transaction Codes.

Table Redistribution

BW on HANA Table Redistribution ensures that the tables of a BW system are partitioned correctly according to the SAP recommendations and, in the case of a scale-out system, are defined on the correct database nodes. This is important for the optimal performance of the system.

Refer to the following for details of how to configure table redistribution:

- SAP Note 1908075 - BW on SAP HANA: Table placement and landscape redistribution.
- KBA: 2517621 - After landscape redistribution data does not appear evenly distributed between the slave nodes in terms of memory usage per a HANA node.
- Guided answer with step-by-step description of how to configure the table redistribution: How to carry out preparations for a table redistribution for BW.

If the table placement and table redistribution are done correctly there should be no requirement to make manual changes to the partitioning for BW tables. The expected partitioning for BW objects and associated tables is described in the KBA 2044468 - FAQ: SAP HANA Partitioning (question 17. How should tables be partitioned in BW environments?) and in the SAP Note 2019973 - Handling Very Large Data Volumes in SAP BW on SAP HANA.

- KBA 2044468 - FAQ: SAP HANA Partitioning
- SAP Note 2019973 - Handling Very Large DataVolumes in SAP BW on SAP HANA

Two Billion Record Limit

Tip

It is not possible to partition BW master data SID tables. Irrespective of the underlying database, SID tables of master data InfoObjects already have the upper limit value of 2 billion records imposed by the datatype of the SIDs (INT4). A detailed explanation on this topic and what can be done to avoid this limitation is available in the SAP Note 1331403 - SIDs, Number Ranges and BW InfoObjects

It is possible to proactively monitor the 2 billion table or partition limit on HANA using the SAP EarlyWatch Alert Workspace in the SAP ONE Support Launchpad. Using this application, you get an overview of which tables are approaching the limit including a prediction when the limit is reached, broken down into a mean, best-case and worst-case scenario. By default, the forecast is based on all previous measurements.
Further information is available in the Blog post The New 2 Billion Record Limit in the SAP EarlyWatch Alert Workspace.

Checking Consistency with RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY

You can use the ABAP report RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY to check that the table placement is correct and that the BW objects are located on the correct HANA nodes. A user document for the report is attached to the SAP Note 1937062 - Usage of RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY.

A practical example of where this report can be useful is around DSO activation performance issues. If the DSO activation is in a distributed HANA environment and it takes longer than expected, you should check if the partitioning of DSO tables (Active Data, Activation Queue and Change Log tables) is consistent, that is, same partitioning and same hosts for the related partitions.

The RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY report is only available in BW on HANA systems and not in the next-generation data warehouse product BW/4HANA where most of the checks made by the report are obsolete. Some checks made by the report that are still required will move to transaction RSRV see following section and see also Analysis and Repair Environment in the NetWeaver section of the SAP Help Portal.

Consistency Checks With RSRV Transaction

RSRV consistency checks (Analysis and Repair Environment) are part of the BW application. In the analysis and repair environment, you can perform consistency checks on the data and metadata stored in a BW system. The main purpose of this is to test the foreign key relationships between the individual tables of the enhanced star schema of the BW system. These checks can be useful to solve problems in BW on HANA environments if you are getting unexpected data results. It can happen as well that BW application inconsistencies can cause errors when Converting Standard InfoCubes to SAP HANA-Optimized InfoCubes, the RSRV checks can be used to find and resolve these inconsistencies.

See SAP Netweaver Modeling documentation: Converting Standard InfoCubes to SAP HANA-Optimized InfoCubes.

Delta Merge

The implementation and operation of a SAP BW on HANA system requires a solid understanding of the delta merge process in the database. Understanding this will allow administrators to optimize data loading and can in some cases help improve the performance of BW on HANA queries. Delta merge processing can consume a significant amount of system resources especially for large tables and therefore needs to be understood to manage any system powered by SAP HANA.

For more information please see:

- For detailed information on delta merge configuration for BW: How To Delta Merge for SAP HANA and SAP BW powered by SAP HANA.
- For information on troubleshooting delta merge: KBA 2057046 - FAQ: SAP HANA Delta Merges.
Query execution modes (RSRT)

For query execution BW always checks if optimized operations can be pushed down to the HANA database, the four available execution modes can be seen in RSRT from the query properties:

In some cases, especially where there is no support for push down of BW functionality to HANA Database or where you get an error or have performance problem with HANA operation modes (TREXOPS=6 or TREXOPS=7 or TREXOPS=8) it can make sense to use operation mode 0 (No optimized operations in SAP HANA/no BWA) at least as a workaround to execute the query.

Not all BW queries will benefit from the HANA operation modes that push down BW functionality to the HANA Database. The benefit depends on the exact query definition and the data in the providers. Therefore, it is necessary to test the impact of this feature on the performance of every single query (where the runtime of the query is critical) and then choose the proper query operation mode.
For more information please see:

- For information on the operation modes: Netweaver Generic Tools and Services documentation Operations in SAP HANA / BWA
- For more detail on the process logic: the SAP Blog BW-on-HANA and the Query Execution Mode.
- For a list of the functionality that is currently pushed down to HANA, refer to the SAP Note 2063449 - Push down of BW OLAP functionalities to SAP HANA.
- For information on testing the benefits of pushdown: 2365030 - Bex Query slower with HANA pushdown

Performance issues

There is often the expectation after a BW on HANA migration from another database that all BW queries should be much faster. Of course, if the query was slow already before database migration to HANA due to some calculations happening on the BW application server and these calculations cannot be pushed down to HANA DB then HANA cannot help for these use cases; a redesign of the BW query will be necessary.

The query run time component that we can expect to see significantly improved with HANA is the database time, this is the Event ID 9000 (Data Manager Time) in the BW Query run time statistics. What we can possibly improve with HANA apart from the database time is the time spent in the analytic Manager. The analytic manager in BW (previously known as the OLAP engine) is the brain of BW when it comes to BW query processing, so it is responsible for navigation, filtering and aggregation among other things in the query execution.

For additional information here please refer to the KBA 2122535 - How to determine if a BW on HANA query performance problem is HANA database related.

Before starting performance troubleshooting on HANA, we first need to identify if there is a general performance problem for the BW on HANA system or if the problem is just for one BW query or report.

For information on the steps to verify this, troubleshoot the issue and collect the required logs and traces refer to the HANA WIKI Troubleshooting HANA Performance issues.

Plan Viz Trace generated in RSRT

RSRT can be used to check Business Explorer (BEx) queries. The benefit of using RSRT to check a BW query is that it is independent of the client frontend, so you can eliminate the client frontend tool (Bex, BI frontend tool etc) from the problem analysis. If the issue can be reproduced in RSRT then the issue is not related to the client frontend.

Transaction RSRT provides several debug features that are helpful when analyzing a BW query. With BW on HANA queries are usually executed on the HANA database using stored procedure TrexViaDbsl or TrexViaDbslWithParameter. The call of procedure TrexViaDbsl(withParameter) can be displayed in RSRT if the Debugflag Python Trace or Plan/Performance Trace is set on BW740 systems or Generate Plan Viz File on BW750 systems. You can copy this call and use it in SAP HANA Studio to execute Plan Viz to check the execution plan.

Prerequisites: at least BW 740 SP13 and HANA 1.0 SPS 11
Refer to the Wiki as follows:

- For basic information on transaction RSRT: Query Monitor.
- For the detailed steps on how to do this: BWonHana: PlanViz Trace generated in RSRT.

It is often the case that performance issues for individual BW queries can be resolved with HANA hints. For details of hints refer to the KBA 2142945 - FAQ: SAP HANA Hints.

- Question 4. What are important hints related to SAP HANA?
- Question 3 How can hints be specified? (describes how the hints can be set on the BW application level).

### Composite Provider

One of the most used InfoProviders for BW on HANA reporting is the composite provider which can be created using the BW Modeling tools.

- Refer to the blog SAP BW Modeling tools: Three things to know when using the BW modeling tools in Eclipse.

A Composite Provider is an InfoProvider in which you can combine data from BW InfoProviders such as InfoObjects, DataStore Objects, SPOs and InfoCubes, or SAP HANA views such as Analytical or Calculation Views using join or union operations to make the data available for reporting.

To avoid performance issues with BW queries created on the composite provider, especially related to the use of joins or navigation attributes, it is important that the composite provider is modeled based on the information in the following SAP Notes:

- 2271658 - Design Considerations for Composite Provider
- 2103032 - Long runtimes in query on Composite Provider

### Advanced DSO

The end goal for the advanced DSO (ADSO) is to be the central persistency object in BW-on-HANA replacing the InfoCube, classic DSO, HybridProvider and PSA. While there are still some gaps to cover the complete functionality, we recommend considering the advanced DSO for all new projects as the central (and only) persistency object.

Additional information on the ADSO can be found in the following:

- SCN blog post The "advanced" DataStoreObject – renovating BW’s persistency layer.
- SAP Note 2070577 - (advanced) DataStore Object - availability in BW7.4 SP08, SP09 and SP10

To avoid data loading or reporting performance problems related to ADSO please implement the recommendations and corrections from the below SAP Notes:

- 2185212 - ADSO: Recommendations and restrictions regarding reporting
- 2684950 - 750SP14: Performance problems during access of DTP with source as ADSO
- 2374652 - Handling very large data volumes with advanced DataStore objects in SAP BW on SAP HANA and BW/4HANA
**Column Views**

After you migrate a BW system to a BW on SAP HANA Database all InfoProviders and InfoObjects must have so-called column views. These views are needed for reporting. In case a new BW InfoProvider or InfoObject is created, the associated column view is generated during activation on the SAP HANA database. If column views do not exist or are inconsistent, the associated BW queries based on the view may fail.

Problems with column views on SAP HANA can often be resolved by recreating the column view for the associated InfoProvider, this can be done using the report RSDDBLOGINDEX_CREATE. For further information:

- KBA [2106851](#) - Column Store Error 2048 executing RSDDBLOGINDEX_CREATE on Multiprovider - on symptoms related to these issues and how to use the report to resolve them.
- SAP Note [1695112](#) - Activities in BW after migrating to the SAP HANA database for possible root causes for HANA view inconsistencies especially after the database migration to HANA.

You can use the report RSDDBINDEX_CREATE_MASS to generate views for more than one InfoProvider. Further information can be found in the Wiki:

- BWOnHANA: InfoProvider column views

**Authorization issues related to BW on HANA Generated views**

To ensure that you have the required permissions to access views and data related to BW on HANA please follow the configuration steps in the following:

- Help Portal: [Authorizations for Generating SAP HANA Views](#).
- SAP Community: [SAP FirstGuidance—SAPBW 7.4onSAPHANA-SAP HANA View Generation](#) (contains detailed steps to setup and configure access to BW on HANA Generated views)
- If after doing the above configuration you still get an authorization related error when accessing the BW generated view on HANA you can find the missing privilege(s) using the information in SAP Note: [1809199](#) - SAP HANA DB: Debugging user authorization errors.

**Data loading, sizing and memory usage**

After a BW on HANA migration if you experience high memory usage or OOM dumps on HANA during data loading using Data Transfer Process or info package please check if the below SAP Notes are applicable in your case and applied in your system if relevant:

- [2230080](#) - Consulting: DTP: Out of memory situation during 'SAP HANA Execution' and the 'Request by Request' Extraction
- [2402503](#) - Increased memory requirement of BW objects in SAP HANA
- [2602477](#) - Considerations for packagewise extraction from HANA DataSource based on Calculation Views

If you experience high loads and unloads of column store tables as described in the KBA [2127458](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Loads and Unloads the sizing of the system should be checked.
You can use the program /SDF/HANA_BW_SIZING to size the system either before the database is migrated to HANA to get an estimation of the required hardware and memory requirements, or after the migration when the database is running on HANA to check if the sizing of the BW on HANA system is correct.

Further information on the usage of this program is available in the SAP Note 2296290 - New Sizing Report for SAP BW/4HANA.

To get an overview of the current memory usage in the HANA system you can use the script HANA_Memory_Overview_1.00.90+.txt from the KBA 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA, the script shows the size of the row and column store tables and also the size of the HANA memory HEAP allocators.

If this script shows high memory usage for HANA HEAP allocator(s) you can use the information in question 13. What can I do if a certain heap allocator is unusually large? from the KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory to understand what the purpose of the HEAP allocator is and also to understand what can be done to reduce the memory consumption for the HEAP allocator.

For information on how to do housekeeping for large BW on HANA row store tables refer to the information in the KBA 2388483 - How-To: Data Management for Technical Tables.

**Wrong Data**

As a first step to analyze wrong data or unexpected results, the issue should be checked from the BW application side using the steps given in the BW application KBAs:

- 2271335 - Wrong Data is Read from a HANA InfoProvider,
- 2399752 - Different Results with Operations Mode in BWA/HANA (TREXOPS) in a BW Query
- 1508237 - First Steps to Check Wrong Number in BW Query (Transaction RSFC).

If the BW application KBAs don’t help you to find the root cause of the problem all known reasons why the HANA database could return wrong or unexpected results are explained in the KBA 2222121 - SAP HANA Wrong Result Sets.

**Frequently-used Transaction Codes**

The following table lists (in alphabetical order) the most often used transaction codes when working in a BW on HANA system:

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<th>Tcode</th>
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<tr>
<td>AL11</td>
<td>SAP Directories, you can find trans log under DIR_TRANS, work process log under DIR_HOME, etc. It's useful when you don't have authorization to run st11</td>
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<tr>
<td>DB01</td>
<td>Display blocked transactions, you can find the same information under DBACOCKPI-&gt;Diagnostics-&gt;Locks-&gt;Blocked Transactions</td>
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<td>Tcode</td>
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<tr>
<td>DB02</td>
<td>Display Consistency Check result, help you to find out missing objects in database, unknown objects in ABAP, Index checks etc. It will display the same interface as DBACOCKPIT/ST04-&gt;Diagnostics-&gt;Missing Tables and Indexes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DBCO</td>
<td>Maintain secondary Database connections</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LISTCUBE</td>
<td>List content of an Info Cube</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS01</td>
<td>LAN Check by Ping, can check the connectivity between DB server and Application server</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RS2HANA_CHECK</td>
<td>Check all prerequisites for successful replication of BW authorizations to SAP HANA, it can be used to check if the BW users has authorization to run the HANA views generated from the BW model</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RS2HANA_ADMIN</td>
<td>It can be used as a general entry point where all BW objects with enabled “External SAP HANA View” are visible.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RSA1</td>
<td>Data Warehousing Workbench (&gt;= BI 7.0) / Administrator Workbench (&lt; BI 7.0). The administrator workbench is the central cockpit used for the administration of almost the entire BW system. The RSA1 main screen can be divided into three general areas. The extreme left area, allows us to choose BW modelling components like Infoproviders, InfoObjects, InfoSources and DataSources. Individual BW components represented by different icons:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RSD1</td>
<td>Characteristic maintenance. For issues like InfoObjects cannot be activated, you can use this tcode to activate the infoObjects again to reproduce the issue.</td>
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<td>Code</td>
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<tr>
<td>RSDDB</td>
<td>SAP HANA/BWA index maintenance,</td>
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<tr>
<td>RSLIMOBW</td>
<td>Create/modify Composite Provider</td>
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<tr>
<td>RSPC</td>
<td>Process Chain Maintenance, can be used to find the process chain job logs</td>
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<tr>
<td>RSRQ</td>
<td>Data Load Monitor for a Request</td>
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<td>RSRT</td>
<td>Start of the report monitor, can be used to run Bex queries.</td>
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<tr>
<td>RSRV</td>
<td>Analysis and Repair of BW Objects, can be used to check BW Object consistency</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RSTT</td>
<td>RS Trace Tool</td>
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<td>RZ11</td>
<td>List ABAP profile parameters</td>
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<tr>
<td>SAINT</td>
<td>SAP Add-on Installation Tool</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPAM</td>
<td>SAP Patch Manager</td>
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<tr>
<td>SE01</td>
<td>Transport Organizer Tool, for issues related to BW transports, can be used to find the related transports and find the transport log</td>
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<tr>
<td>SE11</td>
<td>ABAP Dictionary, display the ABAP table/view definition, can be used to find the primary index definition as well</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SE14</td>
<td>ABAP Dictionary Database Utility, can be used to check if ABAP table exist on DB level, recreate table etc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SE16</td>
<td>Display content of an ABAP table/view</td>
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</table>
| SE38     | ABAP Editor, can be used to display/run ABAP programs. If only need to run the ABAP program, can use SA38 instead. Useful ABAP program:  
  - RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY  
  - RSDDB_LOGINDEX_CREATE  
  - RSDDB_MASS_INDEX_CREATE  
  - RS_BW_POST_MIGRATION  
  - RS2HANA_AUTH_RUN  
  - RSPFPAR – Display profile parameter  
  - ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION -- test if the DB connection works  
  - RSDU_EXEC_SQL – if SQL editor is not available through DBACOCKPIT  
  - RSBDCOS0 -- run an OS command |
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<td>RSTRC000</td>
<td>lock a SAP work process for yourself, and increase work process trace level</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SLG1</td>
<td>Analyze Application log. It is useful to get the logs and timestamps for errors on application side</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SMO4</td>
<td>Display all the current ABAP user sessions</td>
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<td>SM12</td>
<td>Display and Delete Locks on ABAP level</td>
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<tr>
<td>SM21</td>
<td>Online System Log Analysis</td>
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<td>SM37</td>
<td>Overview of BW scheduled jobs, for a failed job, you can view the job log and from the job details you will be able to find which work process has been used to run the job.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SM50</td>
<td>Work Process Overview</td>
</tr>
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<td>SM51</td>
<td>List of SAP Systems, it's useful to switch to different application servers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SM59</td>
<td>RFC Destinations (Display/Maintain)</td>
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<tr>
<td>SM66</td>
<td>Global work process Monitor, list all the active work processes on the system</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SNOTE</td>
<td>Check if SAP Note being implemented on the system or not</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST05</td>
<td>Enable SQL trace, which will help you to tell which query cause the long running time.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ST06</td>
<td>Operating System Monitor</td>
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<td>ST11</td>
<td>Check work process log</td>
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<td>ST03</td>
<td>Work load monitor</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST04</td>
<td>DBACOCKPIT-&gt; DB overview</td>
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<tr>
<td>ST12</td>
<td>Single Transaction analysis, only available if the SAP ServiceTools has been installed(component ST-A/PI. SAP Note 69455). It's a combination of the standard ABAP(SE30) and SQL trace(ST05) see SAP Note 755977 for step-by-step instructions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST22</td>
<td>ABAP Runtime Error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SU01</td>
<td>User maintenance, display/Modify BW users</td>
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3.10 Troubleshooting Multi-Dimensional Services Queries

This section describes how to execute, capture and analyze InA queries for SAP Analytics Cloud HANA Multi-Dimensional Service.

Introduction

SAP Analytics Cloud’s query language is called InA (Information Access). InA queries are executed using HANA Multi-Dimensional Service and the result set is returned to SAC front-end for rendering.

InA queries are expressed in JSON which is not designed for human consumption but it is a text format which can at least be read by humans. To analyze an InA query for troubleshooting purposes you can record the query execution using the browser’s development tools and save the query as a file. You can then execute the query in isolation using the EXECUTE_MDS procedure call and analyze the execution plan using visualization tools.

A similar approach can be used for other applications such as Analysis Office and Lumira Designer, but in these cases the third-party tool Fiddler is required.

This section describes how to execute, capture and analyze InA queries in this way and includes an overview of using Fiddler for Analysis Office:

- How to capture InA queries
- How to execute InA queries and visualize the execution plan
- How to execute multiple InA queries in parallel
- Debugging Analysis Office InA queries

More Information

For a general introduction to MDS and frequently-asked questions which may also help with troubleshooting, refer to the SAP Note 2670064 - FAQ: SAP HANA Multi-Dimensional Services (MDS). For details of diagnosis data required by SAP Support refer to SAP Note 2691501 - SAP HANA MDS: Information needed by Development Support.

Other SAP Notes related to MDS include:

- 2550833 - HANA built-in procedure: EXECUTE_MDS
- 2773755 - Guideline for Controlling Server Load with InA/MDS Analytic Requests

How to Capture InA Queries

You can capture InA queries issued by SAC using the browser’s development tools, the following steps and examples are illustrated using Google Chrome.

1. Start the Chrome debugging tool by one of the following methods:
   - From the Customize and Control Google menu, choose More tools ➔ Developer tools (shortcut key Ctrl+Shift+I).
From the menu bar select View > Developer > Developer tools (shortcut key F12).

2. From the panel and console which is opened select the Network tab.

3. Navigate to the problematic page in SAC and when the debug screen has loaded filter for GetResponse as shown here:

To save the network capture:

1. Look for the Record button on the toolbar of the Network tab. It should be red. If it is gray, click it once to start recording.
2. Check the Preserve log checkbox on the toolbar.
3. Click the Clear button to clear out any existing logs from the Network tab.
4. Now try to reproduce the issue that you want to analyze while the network requests are being recorded.
5. Once you have reproduced the issue, right click on a grid line with gray background on the grid of network requests and select Save as HAR with Content, and save the file to your computer. This HAR file can be reopened to analyze and replay the InA queries within.
How to Execute and Visualize InA Queries

InA queries can be individually executed as described here. To execute an InA query the SAC user must have the role INA_ROLE. If the customer is using a technical user to execute InA queries, then the role must also be assigned to the user who wants to troubleshoot the issue.

1. Open the SQL Console in Web IDE (or any other console such as SAP HANA studio).
2. Call built-in stored procedure SYS.EXECUTE_MDS with the InA query that was previously captured as the REQUEST parameter. Both REQUEST and RESPONSE are in JSON format (data type NCLOB):

   ```sql
   CALL SYS.EXECUTE_MDS('Analytics',
   '','','','','REQUEST=>'"Analytics"...',
   'RESPONSE=>?);
   ```

   It is possible to render the RESPONSE into a tabular format, but it is not needed for performance analysis.

1. You can now visualize the execution plan of an InA query by invoking the menu actions shown below:
The result of visualization depends on the query, but it resembles a SQL query visualization plan as shown below:

![SQL query visualization plan](image)

The execution of each step of the plan is identified in this graph. If Execute Model is expanded, it will eventually lead to column store operations that are used to fetch the data from source tables. This method can be used to evaluate the performance of model with respect to the InA queries issued by SAC.

If most of the time is spent in Process Cube and/or Prepare Query, then it is possible that the bottleneck is in MDS engine (see Troubleshooting Tips for the Calculation Engine). But if most of the execution time is spent in Execute Model, then the bottleneck is most probably in the way the model is designed.

The use of workload classes to apply workload settings for your application may be one way of improving performance. If, for example, a single execution of a query in isolation does not take a lot of resources, but there is a degradation in performance in a production environment where many queries are executed simultaneously, a workload class and mapping could be used to manage the allocation of resources. This could, for example, apply a higher priority to the query or apply resource limitations on other queries.

### How to Execute Multiple InA Queries in Parallel

SAC stories contain visualizations and each visualization requires at least one InA query. The InA queries in a story are executed in parallel which will cause more load on a customer’s HANA machine and which may lead to performance degradation.
Customers can test their HANA machine and the model’s performance by opening multiple connections and executing multiple InA queries at once using the EXECUTE_MDS procedure explained above.

**Analysis Office InA Queries**

A similar approach to that described above for SAC can be used to collect InA queries for Analysis Office and Lumira Designer using Fiddler; Fiddler is a freely-available third-party troubleshooting tool that can trace web traffic activity. Once Fiddler is installed you can open the application where the issue occurs and reproduce the problem. The query and response are then visible and, if necessary, you can save these and send them to SAP Support for analysis. Refer to the following SAP Notes for more details:

- How to download, install and run Fiddler is described in SAP Note 1766704 *How to use Fiddler to collect HTTP and HTTPS traces*.
- Details of the procedure to extract the query can be found in SAP Note 2839059 *How To Extract Ina Json Query and Response from Fiddler Traces*.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 2691501
- SAP Note 2550833
- SAP Note 1766704
- SAP Note 2839059
- SAP Note 2773755
- Troubleshooting Tips for the Calculation Engine [page 94]

**3.11 Troubleshooting Tips for the Calculation Engine**

This section gives details of potential problems related to the Calculation Engine and includes tips on modeling.

**Calculation Views**

The calculation engine is the common execution runtime for various design-time objects such as calculation views, some SQL Script procedures, MDX queries, analytic InA queries and planning operations. It was designed to improve performance and to support multi-dimensional reporting. Artifacts of these various programming models are translated into a common representation called a *calculation model* which can then be instantiated, optimized and executed by the calculation engine.

This functional area is in transition as graphical view modeling in HANA repository is replaced by native HANA models in the new HANA Deployment Infrastructure (HDI) using the modeler in SAP Web IDE. Old repository
artifacts attribute views and analytic views are deprecated and should be replaced by graphical calculation views.

These transitions can lead to modeling incompatibilities and although the modeler and the calculation engine provide settings, options and hints to steer the generation process, it is possible that results returned from a query on a calculation view may not be as expected.

In general, native HANA modeling can be used to model complex OLAP business logic and it provides various options to tune performance by, for example, helping to achieve complete unfolding of the query by the calculation engine or modeling join cardinalities between two tables (that is, the number of matching entries (1..n) between the tables) and optimizing join columns. For more information about modeling refer to the SAP HANA Modeling Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced.

Web IDE Performance (Deployment)

If performance is slow when building a calculation view in Web IDE you should review the structure of the model. One possible cause of long build times is a large number of dependent hierarchy views. In general, try to reduce the number of views that are based on the calculation view that you want to build.

For more information, refer to SAP Note 2821857 - Long build times in Web IDE due to many dependent hierarchy views

Query Performance

For graphical calculation views where every node can be translated into SQL, you can use the advanced modeler execution option **Execute in SQL Engine** to enforce execution by the SQL engine. This takes advantage of improved optimization and should give better performance. You can then use the performance query analysis tools (Explain Plan and Visualize Plan) to verify the performance benefit.

For more information, refer to SAP Note 2223597 - Implicit SQL optimization of SAP HANA Calculation Views

If the model is designed to take advantage of union-pruning but the expected benefits are not observed, this may be due to the use of rank nodes in the hierarchy. For more information, refer to SAP Note 2752070 - Union-pruning does not occur when placed below a rank node in a calculation scenario.

Unexpected Results (general):

The following SAP Notes all relate to unexpected query results:

- When mixing SQL and calculation view functionality, refer to SAP Note 2618790 - graphical view modeling in SAP HANA - how to avoid unexpected results
- For modeling tips to avoid an empty result set, refer to SAP Note 1764662 - Select on a calculated attribute returns empty result
- For details of graphical calculation models using the ‘Execute in SQL Engine’ property, refer to:
  - SAP Note 1857202 - SQL Execution of calculation views
SAP Note 2491564 - Different Results When Switching the Execution Engine From or to SQL Optimization

- When using graphical calculation views which cannot be expressed as relational SQL operations, the requested columns on the calculation view can change because the SQL optimizer itself may determine which columns to use, therefore returning correct, but unexpected, results. Refer to SAP Note 1958063 - Unexpected results when mixing complex SQL functionalities with queries on Calculation Views
- For problems related to using input variables (where no default value has been defined) refer to SAP Note 2525644 - Input Variables are set to an Empty String When not Mapped in Top-Level Calculation Scenario.

### Unexpected Results (HDI deployed calculation views):

For models that have been migrated from repository modeling to HDI modeling, you may be able to achieve complete backwards compatibility by using the field “XSC Compatibility Mode” which is available under the Advanced View Properties of migrated views. For more details refer to the following SAP Notes:

- SAP Note 2647957 - Changes to Default Node behavior of old repository Calculation Views in HDI Calculation Views that are relevant in reporting scenarios.
- SAP Note 2465027 - Deprecation of SAP HANA extended application services, classic model and SAP HANA Repository.
- SAP Note 2396214 - Transition to SAP HANA Extended Services Advanced and SAP HANA Cockpit - Fading out XS Classic and HANA Studio.

### Related Information

SAP Note 2821857
SAP Note 2223597
SAP Note 2752070
SAP Note 2618790
SAP Note 1764662
SAP Note 1857202
SAP Note 2491564
SAP Note 1958063
SAP Note 2525644
SAP Note 2647957
SAP Note 2465027
SAP Note 2396214

Tracing for Calculation View Queries [page 223]
SAP HANA Modeling Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced
Native HANA Models [page 97]
3.11.1 Native HANA Models

Creating native HANA models can be one way to improve performance compared to development options outside of the database, or in some cases also compared to pure SQL development.

Native HANA models can be developed in the new XS Advanced (XSA) development environment using SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA. These models supersede older artifacts like Analytic and Attribute Views; these views should now be replaced by graphical Calculation Views which can be used to model complex OLAP business logic. Native HANA modeling provides various options to tune performance by, for example, helping to achieve complete unfolding of the query by the calculation engine or modeling join cardinalities between two tables (that is, the number of matching entries (1...n) between the tables) and optimizing join columns.

For more information about modeling graphical calculation views refer to the SAP HANA Modeling Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced.

A number of blogs are available about the details of modeling:


The following SAP Notes provide further background information:

- [https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2441054](https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2441054) 2441054 - High query compilation times and absence of plan cache entries for queries against calculation views.
- [https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2465027](https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2465027) 2465027 - Deprecation of SAP HANA extended application services, classic model and SAP HANA Repository.

Related Information

SAP HANA Modeling Guide for XS Advanced Model

3.12 License Issues

This section covers license-related issues.

Related Information

System Locked Due to Missing, Expired, or Invalid License [page 98]
License Problem Identification and Analysis [page 98]
3.12.1 System Locked Due to Missing, Expired, or Invalid License

New installations of SAP HANA are equipped with a temporary license that expires after 90 days. To keep the system functional after this period, you have to install a permanent license.

Improper licensing may lead to a lockdown of your SAP HANA system. In this case, the only allowed action is to install a valid license.

The system goes into lockdown in the following situations:

- The permanent license key has expired and either:
  - You did not renew the subsequently installed temporary license key within 28 days, or
  - You did renew the subsequently installed temporary license key but the hardware key has changed
- The installed license key is an enforced license key and the current memory consumption exceeds the licensed amount plus the tolerance.
- You deleted all license keys installed in your database.

For more information, see Managing SAP HANA Licenses in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Related Information

Managing SAP HANA Licenses

3.12.2 License Problem Identification and Analysis

The first signs of problems related to licensing will be visible by Alert 31 or Alert 44 being issued.

You can check your current license using the SAP HANA cockpit: Choose the Manage system licenses link on the Overview page.

Alternatively, you can retrieve the same information using SQL:

```
SELECT * FROM M_LICENSE;
```

iNote

To be able to query license information, you must have the system privilege LICENSE ADMIN.

The M_LICENSE system view includes the following information:

- License data:
  - SID
Hardware key
Installation number
System number
Product limit (licensed amount of memory)
Validity start date
Expiration date - See SAP Note 1899480 - How to handle HANA Alert 31: 'License expiry'
Last successful check date
License status (permanent, valid, enforced, local) See SAP Note 1899511 - How to handle HANA Alert 44: 'Licensed Memory Usage'

Note that in case of system lockdown, only SID and hardware key are displayed. Information on previously installed licenses is available.

SAP HANA licenses can be installed for the system database (global) or for a single tenant database (local). Global licenses are for the system database and all tenants but a license installed in a tenant will govern only the tenant. If the license is installed incorrectly at the local level you can remove the tenant-specific license key to revert the license validity to the global license key installed in the system database.

Related Information

M_LICENSE System View
SAP Note 1899480
SAP Note 1899511

3.12.3 Resolution of License Issues

If your license becomes invalid, you need to install a new license.

You can install a new license either in the SAP HANA cockpit or using SQL.

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<td>To install a license key, you need the LICENSE ADMIN system privilege.</td>
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You install a license key with the following SQL statement:

```sql
SET SYSTEM LICENSE '<license file content goes here, line breaks matter>';```

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<td>Line breaks are essential for interpretation of the license key text, hence they must not be removed. If you use the command line tool SAP HANA HDBSQL to install the license, make sure to enable multi-line statement support (command line option -m or \mu ON when within SAP HANA HDBSQL).</td>
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</table>
The command will fail if the license key has a different installation number or system number than the current ones in the database instance. If you have successfully installed a license but your system is still locked down, check the following:

- The current system time is within the validity period of the license.
- Your installed license key is correct, in particular, the M_LICENSE view displays only one row with a valid license for the product SAP HANA.
- The SAP Notes in the Related Links section.

For more detailed information about how to install a license key, see the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 1704499
- SAP Note 1634687
- SAP Note 1699111
- Managing SAP HANA Licenses
- Run Long Commands in Multiple-Line Mode

### 3.13 Security-Related Issues

This section looks at issues related to authorization and authentication.

**Related Information**

- Troubleshooting Authorization Problems [page 101]
- Troubleshooting Problems with User Name/Password Authentication [page 106]
- Troubleshooting Problems with User Authentication and SSO [page 108]
3.13.1 Troubleshooting Authorization Problems

SAP HANA implements its authorization concept based on the entities user, privilege, and role.

General Analysis

The system view EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES is useful for checking the privileges of a specific user. It includes information about all privileges granted to a specific user (both directly and indirectly through roles), as well as how the privileges were obtained (GRANTOR and GRANTOR_TYPE column).

Output of Effective Privileges

For more information about using this view and other system views related to authorization, see System Views for Verifying Users’ Authorization.

For more information about the authorization concept in SAP HANA, see the SAP HANA Security Guide.

Related Information

System Views for Verifying Users’ Authorization
EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES System View
SAP HANA Security Guide
3.13.1.1 Display Information about an "Insufficient Privilege" Error

If an Insufficient privilege occurs, you can find out more information about the missing privilege by using the associated GUID.

Prerequisites

To identify the missing privilege using a GUID, you need execute privilege for the following procedure:

```sql
SYS.GET_INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGE_ERROR_DETAILS('<GUID>', ?)
```

Context

If you encounter the error Insufficient privilege, you should inform the system administrator. The system administrator first needs to find out which privilege is needed by the user executing the statement. Then, the system administrator can decide whether the missing privilege should be assigned to the user.

Procedure

1. Make a note of the GUID shown in the error message.
   The following is an example of an error message:
   ```plaintext
   insufficient privilege: Detailed info for this error can be found with guid '3DFF7D0CA291F4CA69B327067947BEE'
   ```
2. In SAP HANA cockpit, open the system with the missing privilege, and go to the System Overview.
3. In the Insufficient Privilege Details, specify the GUID and choose Enter.
   The missing privilege is displayed with the session user name and the checked user name. Optionally the object name, schema name, and object type are displayed.
   If the missing privilege is contained in one or more roles, the roles are displayed.

   i Note
   If the missing privilege is an analytical privilege, neither the name of the privilege nor any roles can be displayed.

   For more information, see Resolve Insufficient Privilege Errors in the SAP HANA Administration Guide (Security Administration and User Management).
4. Decide whether to assign the missing privilege or a role to the user.
### Option Description

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<td>To assign the missing privilege to the user...</td>
<td>Choose Assign Privilege... You are prompted to select the privilege, and assign it using the privilege editor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>To assign a role containing the missing privilege...</td>
<td>Choose Assign Role. This function is only available if the current user is able to grant the role to the specified user.</td>
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</table>

### Related Information

- Configure Tracing in the SAP HANA Database Explorer
- View Diagnostic Files in the SAP HANA Database Explorer
- SAP HANA Administration Guide
- Resolve Insufficient Privilege Errors

### 3.13.1.2 Troubleshoot the Display of Unrestricted or Incorrect Results for a View Secured with Analytic Privileges

If a user has unrestricted access to a view or sees results that he should not, even though he has been granted an analytic privilege, you need to determine which privileges have been granted to the user and whether or not they are correct.

### Prerequisites

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the following system privileges:

- CATALOG READ
- TRACE ADMIN

### Procedure

- Check which analytic privileges have been granted to the user using the system view EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES.

Execute the following SQL statement:

```sql
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = 'myuser' AND OBJECT_TYPE = 'ANALYTICALPRIVILEGE'
```
In particular, verify that the user does **not** have the analytic privilege `_SYS_BI_CP_ALL`. This analytic privilege potentially allows a user to access all the data in all activated views, regardless of any other analytic privileges that apply. Usually, the user will have this analytic privilege through a role, for example, MODELING.

⚠️ **Caution**

The MODELING role is very privileged and should not be granted to users, particularly in production systems. The MODELING role should only be used as a template.

- Identify wrong filters specified in the analytic privileges granted to the user.
  
  Information about filter conditions generated from the relevant analytic privileges can be traced in the indexserver trace file. This can help you to identify wrong filters specified in the analytic privileges granted to the user.

  In the *Trace Configuration* monitor of the SAP HANA database explorer, set the database trace level for the component analyticprivilegehandler of the indexserver service to **DEBUG**.

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**Related Information**

**EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES System View**

**System Views for Verifying Users’ Authorization**

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### 3.13.1.3 Troubleshoot the Error "Insufficient privilege: Not authorized" Although User Has Analytic Privileges

Even if a user has the correct analytic privileges for a view, he still may receive the error **Insufficient privilege: Not authorized** if there is an issue with privileges at another level.

**Prerequisites**

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the following system privileges:

- CATALOG READ
- TRACE ADMIN

**Procedure**

- Verify that the _SYS_REPO user has all required privileges (for example, SELECT) with GRANT OPTION on the base tables of the view.
You can do this by selecting from the EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES system view:

```sql
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '_SYS_REPO';
```

- Verify that the analytic privileges required for any underlying views have been granted to the user.
  If the view is a top-level view (calculation view) with underlying views, the granted analytic privilege grants access only to this top-level view. Analytic privileges are required for all underlying views. Note that analytic privileges have to contain at least a view attribute with or without filter condition in order to grant access to the view.

You can verify a user’s privileges by selecting from the EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES system view:

```sql
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '<user>' AND OBJECT_TYPE = 'ANALYTICALPRIVILEGE';
```

- If the analytic privilege uses a database procedure to define dynamic value filters at runtime, check for errors in the execution of the underlying procedure.
  To find out the actual error during procedure execution for analytical privileges, check the `indexserver_alert_<host>.trc` trace file (accessible in the SAP HANA database explorer via the View trace and diagnostic files link in the SAP HANA cockpit).

### 3.13.1.4 Troubleshoot the Error "Invalidated View" During SELECT Statement Execution

A user may receive the error Invalidated view when executing a SELECT statement against a view that was activated from the repository. In addition, the data preview for an activated view does not show any data.

#### Prerequisites

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the following system privileges CATALOG READ.

#### Procedure

- Verify that the _SYS_REPO user has all required privileges (for example, SELECT) on all base objects (for example, tables) of the view.
  You can do this by selecting from the EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES system view:

```sql
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '_SYS_REPO';
```
### 3.13.2 Troubleshooting Problems with User Name/Password Authentication

Common problems with regards to authentication are related to incorrect or expired passwords.

User administrators can change users’ passwords on the Edit User monitor in the Cockpit Manager of the SAP HANA cockpit.

For more information about managing users, see Security Administration and User Management and Reset the SYSTEM User Password of a Tenant Database in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

**Related Information**

- Security Administration and User Management
- Reset the SYSTEM User Password of a Tenant Database

### 3.13.2.1 Resetting the Password for the SYSTEM User

If the password of the SYSTEM user is irretrievably lost, it can be reset.

Follow the procedure as described in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

**i Note**

If you can log on as SYSTEM and you want to change the password, do not use the emergency reset procedure. Simply change the password directly using the SAP HANA cockpit or the ALTER USER SQL statement: `ALTER USER SYSTEM PASSWORD new_password`.

**Related Information**

- Resetting the SYSTEM User Password
3.13.2.2 Troubleshoot the Error "User is locked"

A user receives the error User is locked after too many failed log on attempts.

Prerequisites

You have system privilege USER ADMIN.

Context

An example of this error might look like:

Error "user is locked; try again later: lock time is 1440 minutes; user is locked until 2014-05-28 21:42:24.12214212" (the time is given in UTC).

Most likely, the user logged on too many times with the wrong password. The default maximum number of failed logon attempts is 6. This is defined by the password policy parameter maximum_invalid_connect_attempts.

For more information about this and other password policy parameters, see Password Policy Configuration Options in the SAP HANA Security Guide.

Procedure

Reset the invalid connect attempts with the following SQL statement:

```
ALTER USER <user> RESET CONNECT ATTEMPTS;
```

The user can now log on again.

Related Information

Password Policy Configuration Options
3.13.3 Troubleshooting Problems with User Authentication and SSO

Authentication problems manifest themselves as failed user logon. In many cases, the reason for the failure will not be clear to the user. You need to analyze the database trace to determine the cause of the problem.

For security reasons, no information about error conditions are provided to a user directly after a failed logon attempt, since this could be abused by attackers. In case of authentication problems, the affected user must contact the system administrator, who will then analyze the database trace on the server side.

Tracing for SSO Issues

Logon information is available in the database trace, but by default, it does not log much. The first step in troubleshooting any SSO logon issue therefore is to increase the trace level of the authentication-related components of the database trace. You can do this in the SAP HANA cockpit.

For problems with JDBC/ODBC-based logon, increase the trace level of the authentication for the index sever to DEBUG.

For problems with HTTP-based logon via SAP HANA XS classic, increase the trace level of the authentication, xsession, and xsauthentication components for the xsengine server to DEBUG.

Once you have increased tracing, reproduce the problematic logon. The traces will now contain more descriptive error messages.

→ Remember

After completing troubleshooting, reduce the authentication trace level back to the default.

In some cases, especially for Kerberos and SPNEGO, it is necessary to use other sources of tracing, such as:

- JDBC, ODBC or SQLDB trace
- Windows event log
- Debugger of browser
- SAP Web dispatcher trace
- Network packet sniffer, for example, Wireshark

For more information about tracing in SAP HANA see the section on traces in the SAP HANA Administration Guide and SAP Note 2119087.

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for tracing SSO issues.

Related Information

Traces
Single Sign-On Integration
Kerberos-Related Authentication Issues [page 109]
3.13.3.1 Kerberos-Related Authentication Issues

GSS API Errors

Kerberos authentication is implemented in the SAP HANA database using the Generic Security Services Application Program Interface (GSS API). Since GSS API is an internet standard (RFC 4121), all Kerberos-related errors are traced under the authentication trace component in the following generic way:

\(<\text{SAP HANA DB error text}> (\langle\text{GSS major code}.\langle\text{GSS minor code}\rangle - \langle\text{GSS major text}\rangle \langle\text{GSS minor text}\rangle)\>

GSS API error texts are sometimes difficult to relate to the concrete problem. The following table contains some hints for selected trace messages.

<table>
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<th>Error Text</th>
<th>Hint</th>
<th>Solution</th>
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<td>851968.252963 9142</td>
<td>Minor error text: Key version number for principal in key table is incorrect</td>
<td>The service key table (keytab) in use on the SAP HANA database host does not match the one created on authentication server.</td>
<td>Re-export the keytab file from the authentication server and re-import it into the host's Kerberos installation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>851968.397560 33</td>
<td>SAP HANA database error text: Cannot get keytab entry for host: &lt;FQDN&gt;</td>
<td>Keytab actually used might be different than expected (default: /etc/krb5.keytab).</td>
<td>Check environment variable KR5_KTNAME.</td>
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<td>851968.252963 9136</td>
<td>SAP HANA database error text: Cannot get keytab entry for host: &lt;FQDN&gt;</td>
<td>Configuration file does not specify default realm</td>
<td>Check environment variable KR5_CONFIG.</td>
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Configuration

There are many potential problems setting up a Kerberos infrastructure that are not related to the SAP HANA system in particular, but relevant for any Kerberos-based authentication. For further information, refer to the documentation provided with MIT Kerberos or Microsoft Server/Active Directory.
Useful SAP Notes

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<td>Common errors when executing hdbkrbconf.py</td>
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Related Information

Single Sign-On Using Kerberos

3.13.3.2 SAML Authentication

User cannot connect with SAML assertion

If a user cannot connect to SAP HANA with a SAML assertion, the issuer and subject distinguished names (DNs) in the SAML assertion do not match those configured in the identity provider. Investigate which issuer and subject DNs were used in the SAML assertion. You will find them in the trace file indexserver_alert_<hostname>.trc. Compare these with those configured in the service provider.

Useful SAP Notes

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<td>2284620</td>
<td>HOW-TO HANA DB SSO SAML and BI Platform 4.1 / AO 2.2</td>
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→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for SAML authentication with SAP HANA.

Related Information

Single Sign-On Using SAML 2.0
SAML Authentication for Single Sign-On (Guided Answer)
3.14 Transactional Problems

This section covers troubleshooting of transaction problems. Symptoms seen from an end user perspective may include an application running sluggishly, or not responding or even seeming to hang. These problems may be caused by issues with uncommitted transactions, long-lived cursors blocking garbage collection, a high number of active versions or blocked transactions.

Maximum Transaction Limit

The default system limit for the maximum number of transactions is 64000. If this limit is exceeded, an SQL error message may be returned when submitting queries: “exceed maximum number of transactions”. This may be caused by application programs which are not correctly managing connections/transactions, or a bug within the database engine. This scenario and possible workarounds are described in detail in SAP Note 2368981 - SAP HANA DB: Queries fail with error "exceed maximum number of transaction".

Related Information

SAP Note 2368981

3.14.1 Blocked Transactions

Blocked transactions are write transactions that are unable to be further processed because they need to acquire transactional locks (record or table locks) which are currently held by another write transaction. Note that transactions can also be blocked waiting for physical resources like network or disk. Those situations are not covered in this section.

3.14.1.1 Identify and Assess Blocked Transaction Issues

The first signs of blocked transactions are poor application response or alerts 49 or 59 are raised.

The initial indicators of blocked transactions are given by:

- Users reporting bad application responsiveness
- Alert 49 - Long-running blocking situations
- Alert 59 - Percentage of transactions blocked
To confirm the database performance is harmed by blocked transactions, you should check the following SAP HANA cockpit monitors:

**Performance Monitor**

The *Blocked Transactions* graph shows how many blocked transactions currently exist and existed in the past to a certain extent.

**Workload Analysis Monitor**

To further track down the issue, look at the *Background Jobs* tab in the *Workload Analysis* monitor. It shows currently running SAP HANA background processes like Delta Merge. Since the Delta Merge needs to lock tables to proceed, it is a common cause for blocked transactions. Another job display by this monitor is the savepoint write which needs to pull a global database lock in its critical phase. See *Savepoint Performance*.

**Sessions Monitor**

The *Sessions* monitor lists all currently opened SQL sessions (meaning user connections). In the context of blocked transaction troubleshooting, the columns *Blocked By Connection ID* and *Blocks No. Of Transactions* are of special interest. The first tells you whether the session is blocked by another session and identifies the ID of the blocking one. The latter gives you the corresponding information if a session blocks other sessions, and how many transactions are affected. See *Session Monitoring*. 
Blocked Transactions Monitor

The **Blocked Transactions** monitor is the next drill down step. It only lists those transactions that are currently blocked. The ordering is done via a blocking/blocked relation. That means transactions that are blockers are highlighted. Directly beneath the blocked transactions are displayed:

![Blocked Transactions Monitor](image)

In the figure above, you see transaction 46 blocking multiple other transactions. See *Blocked Transaction Monitoring*.

Threads Monitor

The **Threads** monitor allows the most fine-grained view into the current situation by listing all threads in the system. Note that it is usually not necessary to drill into that level of detail. See *Thread Monitoring*. 
3.14.1.2 Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions

When troubleshooting blocked transactions, it is helpful to differentiate between situations where only single or a few transactions are blocked from the situation where a high percentage of all transactions is blocked.

3.14.1.2.1 Single or Few Transactions are Blocked

If you identified only a single or a few blocking transactions, there is likely an issue on application side.

A usual pattern is a flaw in the application coding that does not commit a write transaction. Such a transaction will be a blocker for any other transaction that needs to access the same database object. To release the situation you have to close the blocking transaction.

There are several possibilities to achieve this:

- **Contact the Application User**
  You can identify the user of the application via the Sessions tile. This information is visible in the “Database User” column or, in case the application has its own user management (for example, SAP BW), in the “Application User” column. Contact the user and ask him whether he can close the application.

- **Contact the Application Developer**
  As a follow-up, the author of the application should be contacted and asked whether such situations can be avoided in the future by changing the application code.

3.14.1.2.1.1 Cancel the Session

If you are not able to contact the user to have them cancel the session, you can also cancel the session from the list of sessions accessed via the Sessions tile. The current transaction will be rolled back.

The session cancellation may take some time to succeed.
3.14.1.2.1.2 Kill the Client Application

In case the session cancellation takes too long or does not complete at all, you can kill the client process that opened the session. This will terminate the blocking transaction as well.

As a prerequisite, you have to have access to the client machine. The information needed for this task can be retrieved from the Sessions tile.

See columns “Client IP” and “Client Process ID” to determine the host and process to be killed. Note that killing the client application is safe from a database consistency standpoint, the current transaction will be rolled back gracefully.

3.14.1.2.2 Many Transactions are Blocked

In the case that a large amount of transactions are blocked, the troubleshooting should take a slightly different approach.

First you need to determine whether there is a single or few blocking transactions that block a large amount of other transactions. For this, open the Blocked Transactions monitor and check the amount of blocking transactions. If you assess there are only a few blocking transactions, use the techniques described in Single of Few Transactions are Blocked to resolve the situation.

If there are many transactions in a blocking state, you need to find out whether a specific access pattern causes the situation. In case that multiple transactions try to access the same database objects with write operations, they block each other. To check if this situation exists, open the Blocked Transactions monitor and analyze the “Waiting Schema Name”, “Waiting Object Name” and “Waiting Record Id” columns. If you find a fair amount of blocking transactions that block many other transactions you need to investigate if the following is possible:

- Change the client applications to avoid the access pattern
- If a background job is running that issues many write transactions (for example, a data load job): Reschedule to a period with a low user load
- Partition tables that are accessed frequently to avoid clashes. See the SAP HANA Administration Guide for more details on partitioning.

In case you cannot identify specific transactions or specific database objects that lead to transactions being blocked, you have to assume a problem with the database itself or its configuration. One example is an issue with long savepoint durations. See Savepoint Performance for troubleshooting such issues.

Related Information

Single or Few Transactions are Blocked [page 114]
Savepoint Performance [page 59]
3.14.2 Troubleshooting Blocked Transaction Issues that Occurred in the Past

Finding the root cause of blocked transaction situations that you have resolved is more difficult than troubleshooting issues that are currently happening. Tools such as the Performance Monitor, system views and the SQL Plan Cache are available to help you.

First use the Performance Monitor to isolate the exact time frame where the issue happened. Using that information, investigate what happened at this specific time frame. You should check the following monitoring and StatisticServer views:

- **_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_BLOCKED_TRANSACTIONS**: Analyze the columns “WAITING_SCHEMA_NAME”, “WAITING_TABLE_NAME” and “WAITING_RECORD_ID” to identify the database objects that lead to blocked transactions.
- **SYS.M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS**: The column “START_TIME” and “EXECUTION_TIME” provide you with the information if there was a Delta Table Merge running. A longer history can be found in the StatisticServer table _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS.
- **SYS.SAVEPOINTS**: Check if a savepoint was written during the time period. A longer history can be found in _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_SAVEPOINTS.

In addition the SAP HANA cockpit SQL Plan Cache monitor may be able to provide information about the statements that were involved in the situation:

Only check entries that have “TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT” > 0. For those entries, compare the column “MAX_CURSOR_DURATION” against “AVG_CURSOR_DURATION”. If there is a significant difference, there was at least one situation where the transactions took much longer than average. This can be an indication that it was involved in the situation.

3.14.3 Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) Issues

In this section you will learn how to troubleshoot issues arising from MVCC.

Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) is a concept that ensures transactional data consistency by isolating transactions that are accessing the same data at the same time.

To do so, multiple versions of a record are kept in parallel. Issues with MVCC are usually caused by a high number of active versions. Old versions of data records are no longer needed if they are no longer part of a snapshot that can be seen by any running transaction. These versions are obsolete and need to be removed from time to time to free up memory.

This process is called Garbage Collection (GC) or Version Consolidation. It can happen that a transaction is blocking the garbage collection. The consequence is a high number of active versions and that can lead to system slowdown or out-of-memory issues.
3.14.3.1 Row Store Tables

Garbage collection is triggered after a transaction is committed and also periodically (every hour by default).

A transaction that is currently committing can be identified in the Threads tile (see System Performance Analysis). The Thread Type will be "SqlExecutor" and the Thread Method "commit".

The periodic garbage collection can be identified by Thread Type "MVCCGarbageCollector".

Note that the periodic garbage collection interval can be configured in the indexserver.ini file transaction section with the parameter gc_interval.

Related Information

System Performance Analysis [page 174]

3.14.3.2 MVCC Problem Identification

You can check for a number of indicators of MVCC problems.

Problems with a high number of active versions can be identified by

- users reporting an increase of response times
- the indexserver trace containing "There are too many un-collected versions. The transaction blocks the garbage collection of HANA database."
- checking Active Versions in the Performance Monitor

Transactions blocking garbage collection can originate from:

- Long-running or unclosed cursors
- Long-running transactions with isolation mode "serializable" or "repeatable read"
- Hanging threads

In order to validate there is a problem with MVCC, check the number of active versions in the Row StoreMVCC manager monitoring view. Note that in a multihost environment, you have to check the master host.

```sql
select * from m_mvcc_tables where host='ld9989' and port='30003' and (name='NUM_VERSIONS' or name='MAX_VERSIONS_PER_RECORD' or name='TABLE_ID_OF_MAX_NUM_VERSIONS');
```

### MVCC Information on a Healthy System

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If the number of active versions (NUM_VERSIONS) is greater than eight million, it is considered a problem and an overall slowdown of the system can be experienced. Similarly, if the maximum number of versions per
record (MAX_VERSIONS_PER_RECORD) exceeds 8,000,000, this should be treated as a problem and a slowdown of accesses to a specific table is expected. Use TABLE_ID_OF_MAX_NUM_VERSIONS and join it against the SYSTABLES system view to determine the table which is having the problem.

Related Information

Performance Trace [page 231]

3.14.3.3 Analysis of MVCC Issues

You have to find out which transactions are blocking the garbage collection and to which connection they are related.

The following queries will return the transaction that may block the garbage collection. You have to check both.

```
SELECT top 1 host, port, connection_id, transaction_id, update_transaction_id, 
primary_transaction_id, transaction_type, isolation_level FROM M_TRANSACTIONS 
WHERE 
MIN_MVCC_SNAPSHOT_TIMESTAMP > 0 order by min_mvcc_snapshot_timestamp ASC;
```

```
SELECT top 1 host, port, connection_id, transaction_id, update_transaction_id, 
primary_transaction_id, transaction_type, isolation_level FROM M_TRANSACTIONS 
WHERE 
MIN_MVCC_SNAPSHOT_TIMESTAMP = (SELECT MIN(VALUE) FROM M_MVCC_TABLES WHERE NAME = 'MIN_SNAPSHOT_TS') order by min_mvcc_snapshot_timestamp ASC;
```

User Transaction Possibly Blocking Garbage Collection

In case of a user transaction being the candidate (TRANSACTION_TYPE='USER TRANSACTION'), you can directly determine the connection ID the transaction belongs to (see an example in the figure above).

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<th>CONNECTION_ID</th>
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<th>PRIMARY_TRANSACTION_ID</th>
<th>TRANSACTION_TYPE</th>
<th>ISOLATION_LEVEL</th>
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<td>59.063</td>
<td>255.224</td>
<td>270</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>USER TRANSACTION</td>
<td>READ COMMITTED</td>
<td></td>
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</table>
```

External Transaction Possibly Blocking Garbage Collection

If the candidate’s transaction type is ‘EXTERNAL TRANSACTION’, use the following query to find out which other transaction spawned the candidate and determine its connection ID.

```
SELECT t.connection_id AS "Kill this connection id", 
  t.transaction_id AS "Belonging to user transaction id", 
  e.transaction_id AS "To get rid of external transaction id" 
FROM m_transactions t 
JOIN m_transactions e ON 
  e.primary_transaction_id = t.transaction_id 
  AND e.volume_id = t.volume_id 
WHERE e.transaction_type = 'EXTERNAL TRANSACTION' and e.transaction_id = <GC blocker transaction id>;
```
3.14.3.4 Solution of MVCC Issues

Solving MVCC issues is similar to solving blocked transaction issues. Use the following approaches in the given order for transactions where you know the connection ID.

1. Contact the user to stop his activity.
2. Cancel the statement/cancel the internal transaction.
3. Cancel the connection.
4. Kill the client application.

**i Note**

There is no guarantee that these measures will stop a transaction which blocks the garbage collection. If necessary contact development support to get further help.

Related Information

Resolving CPU Related Issues [page 41]

3.14.4 Version Garbage Collection Issues

Alert 75 helps you to identify and resolve version space overflow issues.

**Context**

The following steps allow you to check whether or not the issue you have is related to row store version space skew, that is, whether the row store version chain is too long. If you use extended storage, a version space overflow may manifest as an out-of-space error for the delta dbspace, and will not trigger this alert. See Out of Space Errors for Delta Dbspace in SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering: Administration Guide.

**Procedure**

1. The first step is to check the alert.
2. Identify the statement and connection blocking garbage collection.
   
   In the SAP HANA database explorer you can use the following set of predefined statements to display details of blocking connections; these are available in the Statement Library:
   
   - **MVCC Blocker Connection** shows connections that may be blocking garbage collection.
   - **MVCC Blocker Statement** shows statements that may be blocking garbage collection.
- **MVCC Blocker Transaction** shows transactions that may be blocking garbage collection.

  a. Identify the connection or transaction that is blocking version garbage collection.

  Run **MVCC Blocker Statement** to find out which statement is blocking version garbage collection and investigate what the blocker is doing. The following table shows a selection of example values which may be returned by this query followed by some guidance about analyzing the results:

  **Example Values from MVCC Blocker Statement**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>IDLE_TIME_SEC</th>
<th>CONNECTION_ID</th>
<th>START_MVCC_TIMESTAMP</th>
<th>STATEMENT_STRING</th>
<th>INFO</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>GLOBAL</td>
<td>4000</td>
<td>200285</td>
<td>142113</td>
<td>SELECT * FROM TEST1</td>
<td>Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_OVERVIEW</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TABLE</td>
<td>5000</td>
<td>200375</td>
<td>142024</td>
<td>SELECT * FROM TEST2 ORDER BY A</td>
<td>Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TABLE</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>200478</td>
<td>142029</td>
<td>SELECT * FROM TEST0 ORDER BY A</td>
<td>Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

  If the TYPE column is GLOBAL, then it is a global version garbage collection blocker. If there is a global garbage collection blocker whose idle time (IDLE_TIME_SEC) is greater than 3600 seconds (1 hour), investigate what the statement is doing and take the necessary corrective action. See row 1 in the above table.

  If the TYPE is TABLE, then it is a blocker of the specific table. This is shown in the second row of the table above where a table level garbage collection blocker has an idle time greater than 3600 seconds (1 hour). In this case you can query the M_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS monitoring view to check how many versions the related table has (in this example TEST2):

  ```sql
  SELECT * FROM M_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS WHERE TABLE_NAME = 'TEST2' AND START_MVCC_TIMESTAMP = 142024
  ```

  If the result of the query shows that VERSION_COUNT is greater than 1 million, the blocking statement can cause a performance drop for table updates. In this case, investigate what the statement is doing and take the necessary corrective action. However, if VERSION_COUNT is less than 10,000, its impact on performance is negligible.

  b. If no blocker is shown by **MVCC Blocker Statement**, use **MVCC Blocker Transaction** to find out which transaction blocks global version garbage collection and investigate what the blocker is doing. The blocker would most likely be an internal/external/serializable transaction; the lifetime value of the transaction is shown in the column LIFE_TIME_SEC.

  3. Kill the transaction and/or disconnect the connection that is blocking garbage collection.

     a. Disconnect the connection.

        To disconnect the blocking connection use: `ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION 'CONNECTION_ID'`.
b. If disconnecting the connection does not succeed or CONNECTION_ID does not exist, kill the transaction.

In order to do that, look at Blocked Transactions in the Monitoring tile.

Related Information

SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering

3.15 Statement Performance Analysis

This section gives an overview of issues and solutions concerning SQL statement performance.

For more information about optimizing and fine-tuning queries refer to the SAP HANA Performance Guide for Developers which includes sections such as:

Ongoing Development of SQL Query Processing Engines

Starting from HANA 2 SPS 02, two new processing engines to execute SQL queries are being phased in to SAP HANA:

- Extended SQL Executor (ESX)
- HANA Execution Engine (HEX)

The functionality of the product remains the same but these engines offer better performance.

In the SPS 02 release these engines are active by default (no configuration is required) and are considered by the SQL optimizer during query plan generation. In the SPS 02 release, the focus of the HEX engine is on queries that are typical in OLTP scenarios. Queries that are not supported by HEX or where an execution is not deemed beneficial are automatically routed to the standard engine.

If necessary (for example, if recommended by SAP Support), you can set configuration parameters to completely disable these engines. Each engine has a single parameter which can be switched to disable it:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>File</th>
<th>Section</th>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>indexserver.ini</td>
<td>sql</td>
<td>esx_level</td>
<td>Default 1, set to 0 to disable.</td>
<td>Extended SQL executor enabled.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>indexserver.ini</td>
<td>sql</td>
<td>hex_enabled</td>
<td>Default True, set to False to disable.</td>
<td>HANA execution engine enabled.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

These engines should not be disabled permanently because they are being actively developed and improved in each release.
Query Hints

Further control of how these engines are used is available (from SPS 02.01) using hints with queries to explicitly state which engine should be used to execute the query. For each engine two hint values are available to either use or completely ignore the engine. The following table summarizes these and is followed by examples:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hint value</th>
<th>Effect</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>USE_ESX_PLAN</td>
<td>Guides the optimizer to prefer the ESX engine over the standard engine.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NO_USE_ESX_PLAN</td>
<td>Guides the optimizer to avoid the ESX engine.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USE_HEX_PLAN</td>
<td>Guides the optimizer to prefer the HEX engine over the standard engine.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NO_USE_HEX_PLAN</td>
<td>Guides the optimizer to avoid the HEX engine.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Example

```
SELECT * FROM T1 WITH HINT(USE_ESX_PLAN);
```

```
SELECT * FROM T1 WITH HINT(NO_USE_HEX_PLAN);
```

Similar hints are available for the OLAP engine as described later in this section: Using Hints to Alter a Query Plan.

Related Information

Using Hints to Alter a Query Plan

3.15.1 SQL Statement Optimization

This section provides an overview of tools, traces and SAP HANA cockpit areas that can be used to identify critical SQL statements.

SQL statements that are not executed efficiently can cause local and system-wide problems. The most critical are the following areas:

- A long runtime can result in delays of the business activities
- A high CPU consumption can lead to system-wide CPU bottlenecks
- High memory consumption can be responsible for out-of-memory situations and performance penalties due to unload of tables from memory

SQL statements consuming significant resources are called expensive SQL statements.
Identification of Critical SQL Statements

A key step in identifying the source of poor performance is to understand how much time is spent in the SAP HANA engine for query execution. By analyzing SQL statements and calculating their response times, you can better understand how the statements affect application and system performance.

Before you are able to analyze and optimize a SQL statement, you have to identify the critical SQL statements. We can distinguish between the following scenarios:

- SQL statements that have caused problems in the past
- SQL statements that are currently causing problems

3.15.1.1 SQL Statements Responsible for Past Problems

Sometimes it is not possible to identify a critical SQL statement during runtime. In this case you can use the following approaches to identify one or several SQL statements that can have contributed to the problem.

You can identify a SQL statement either by its SQL text (“statement string”) or by the related statement hash that is uniquely linked to an individual SQL text. The mapping of the statement hash to the actual SQL text is described later.

To determine SQL statements with a particularly high runtime you can check for the top SQL statements in terms of TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME on the SQL Plan Cache page in the SAP HANA cockpit.

To determine the top SQL statements that were executed during a dedicated time frame in the past, you can check the SQL plan cache history (HOST_SQL_PLAN_CACHE). You can use the SQL statement: “HANA_SQL_SQLCache” available from SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA in order to check for top SQL statements during a specific time frame:

You have to specify a proper BEGIN_TIME / END_TIME interval and typically use ORDER BY = ‘ELAPSED’, so that the SQL statements with the highest elapsed time from SAP HANA are returned.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATEMENT_HASH</th>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>EXECUTIONS</th>
<th>REC_PER_EXEC</th>
<th>ELAPSED_MS</th>
<th>ETA_ELAPSED_MS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5af7341f568b0a67d370181f1a217f</td>
<td>[various]</td>
<td>1973899</td>
<td>96.51</td>
<td>106895219</td>
<td>99.07</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6af5897d5a13649b7825d26452e2a</td>
<td>[various]</td>
<td>13744</td>
<td>10831385</td>
<td>5436.68</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>f26686c931f9d9b01a5543620d82f</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>39875</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>56034882</td>
<td>144.42</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5af6d4c1a5544d595f353cd2a297</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>95476</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>43722413</td>
<td>453.19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c2e1bca4e6593a1840a079132b8</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>337216</td>
<td>48.59</td>
<td>36678434</td>
<td>43.81</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6af35c8f7746e6f131a22792cc1b</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>245</td>
<td>6.00</td>
<td>26651652</td>
<td>10170.89</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>969df83a69e72b8f2e2192bc2934f</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>3152</td>
<td>5.60</td>
<td>26619663</td>
<td>5196.73</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>102b2f3c9ed2e867f6d03a90c7d</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>37594</td>
<td>41.99</td>
<td>24331672</td>
<td>647.22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7191d35836b04c65e0458e0434</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>674</td>
<td>126.47</td>
<td>23876162</td>
<td>3542.37</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>76034a32446278467113857b082794bf</td>
<td>[saphana1]</td>
<td>676</td>
<td>356.85</td>
<td>2240126</td>
<td>33163.86</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

SQL Statements With Highest Elapsed Time

The thread sample history (tables M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES, HOST_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES), if available, can also be used to determine the top SQL statements. You can use the SQL statement: “HANA_Threads_ThreadSamples_FilterAndAggregation” available from SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA in order to check.

You have to specify a proper BEGIN_TIME / END_TIME interval and use AGGREGATE_BY = ‘STATEMENT_HASH’ to identify the top SQL statements during the time frame.
In this case the SQL statement with hash 51f62795010e922370bf897325148783 is executed most often and so the analysis should be started with it. Often you need to have a look at some more SQL statements, for example the statements related to the next statement hashes fc7de6d7b8942251ee52a5d4e0af728f and 1f8299f6cb5099095ea71882f84e2cd4.

In cases where the M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES / HOST_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES information is not usable you can use the `thrloop.sh` script to regularly collect thread samples as described in SAP Note 1989031 – Scheduling of Shell script “thrloop.sh”.

In case of an out-of-memory (OOM) situation you can determine potentially responsible SQL statements by analyzing the OOM dump file(s) as described in SAP Note 1984422 – Analysis of HANA Out-of-memory (OOM) Dumps.

SAP HANA Alert 39 (“Long-running statements”) reports long-running SQL statements and records them in the table _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_LONG_RUNNING_STATEMENTS. Check the contents of this table to determine details of the SQL statements that caused the alert. See also KBA 1849392 - HANA alerts related to locks, hanging sessions and long runners.

### Related Information

- SAP Note 1969700
- SAP Note 1989031
- SAP Note 1984422
- SAP Note 1849392

### 3.15.1.2 SQL Statements Responsible for Current Problems

If problems like high memory consumption, high CPU consumption or a high duration of individual database requests are currently happening, you can determine the active SQL statements with the help of SAP HANA cockpit.

Check for the currently running SQL statements in SAP HANA cockpit by clicking on the **Threads** tile.
Tracing

You can also activate the following traces to capture more detailed information to help identify critical SQL statements:

- SQL trace can be used to capture performance data for all SQL statements, you can use filter conditions to limit the trace activities.
- Expensive statements trace captures all SQL statements with a runtime beyond a defined threshold.

Further details can be found in *Tools and Tracing*.

Related Information

*Tools and Tracing [page 174]*

3.15.2 Analysis of Critical SQL Statements

When you have identified the SQL text and the related statement hash based on the tools and traces, you can collect more information about the SQL statement in order to identify the root cause of the performance problem and optimize the statement. The available analysis approaches are described here.

From a technical perspective, analyzing query plans allows you to identify long running steps, understand how much data is processed by the operators, and see whether data is processed in parallel.

However, if you understand the idea and purpose behind the query, you can also analyze query plans from a logical perspective and consider the following questions to gain the insight you need:

- Does SAP HANA read data from multiple tables when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read all records when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA start with one table even though another table has a much smaller result set?

The following tools can be used for a more detailed analysis:

- Plan Explanation - used to evaluate the execution plan;
- SQL analyzer - provides a detailed graphical execution plan with a timeline;
- Query optimizer (QO) Trace - an advanced tool that can be useful to understand the decisions of the query optimizer and column searches;
- Join evaluation (JE) Trace - an advanced tool to analyze table join operations;
- Performance trace - this advanced tool should only be used in collaboration with SAP support, it gives low level recording of key performance indicators for individual SQL statement processing steps;
- Kernel profiler - this advanced tool should only be used in collaboration with SAP support, it performs sample based profiling of SAP HANA process activities.
Related Information

Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation [page 191]
Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer [page 195]
Analyzing Column Searches (qo trace) [page 224]
Analyzing Table Joins [page 226]
Performance Trace [page 231]
Kernel Profiler [page 233]

3.15.2.1 SQL Plan Cache Analysis

The SAP HANA SQL plan cache can be evaluated in detail for a particular statement hash.

Various options are available for analyzing the plan cache for a statement. In SAP HANA cockpit the link for SQL Plan Cache is available in the Monitoring tile. The two system views associated with the SQL plan cache are M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE.

Alternatively, SQL statements for this are available in SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA. You can use the “HANA_SQL_StatementHash_Keys” script to check for the SQL plan cache details of a specific SQL statement (the related STATEMENT_HASH has to be maintained as input parameter).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STAT_NAME</th>
<th>VALUE</th>
<th>VALUE_PER_EXEC</th>
<th>MAX_VAL_PER_EXEC</th>
<th>VALUE_PER_ROW</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Statement Hash</td>
<td>59a7341588ba0875d7f81f41182170</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Table type</td>
<td>COLUMN</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Preparation timestamp</td>
<td>2014/03/09 02:58:49</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Last execution timestamp</td>
<td>2014/03/09 22:59:44</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Last connection ID</td>
<td>710862</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Executions</td>
<td>102920</td>
<td>49.62</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Records</td>
<td>5107486</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Preparations</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Metadata cache misses</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cursor duration</td>
<td>3.93 h</td>
<td>137.87 ms</td>
<td>997.22 ms</td>
<td>2.77 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Execution time</td>
<td>3.75 h</td>
<td>131.47 ms</td>
<td>772.88 ms</td>
<td>2.64 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Table load time</td>
<td>0.00 h</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
<td>2.02 ms</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Preparation time</td>
<td>0.00 h</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
<td>159.48 ms</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Open time</td>
<td>0.00 h</td>
<td>0.10 ms</td>
<td>1.64 ms</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fetch time</td>
<td>3.75 h</td>
<td>131.36 ms</td>
<td>772.68 ms</td>
<td>2.64 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Close time</td>
<td>0.00 h</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
<td>0.64 ms</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lock wait time</td>
<td>0.00 h</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
<td>0.95 ms</td>
<td>0.00 ms</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

SQL PLAN Cache Example Output

The historic execution details for a particular SQL statement can be determined with the SQL statement: “HANA_SQL_SQLCache”. Also here the appropriate STATEMENT_HASH has to be specified as input parameter.
Based on the results of this evaluation you can distinguish the following situations:

- If the value for **Executions** is unexpectedly high, further analysis should be done on the application side in order to check if it is possible to reduce the number of executions.
- If the value for **Records** is unexpectedly high, further analysis should be done on the application side in order to check if it is possible to reduce the number of selected records.
- If the value for **Cursor duration** is very high and at the same time significantly higher than the value for **Execution time**, you have to check which processing steps are executed on the application side between the individual fetches. A high value for **Cursor duration** can negatively impact the database in general because open changes may impact the MVCC mechanism.
- If the value for **Preparation time** is responsible for a significant part of the **Execution time** value you have to focus on optimizing the parsing (for example, sufficient SQL plan cache size, reuse of already parsed SQL statements).
- If **Execution time** is much higher than expected (that can be based on the statement complexity and the number of processed rows), the SQL statement has to be checked more in detail on technical layer to understand the reasons for the high runtime. See section **Query Plan Analysis** for more information.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 1969700 [Query Plan Analysis](#)
- Analyzing SQL Execution with the SQL Plan Cache [page 189]
3.15.2.1.1 Example: Reading the SQL Plan Cache

These examples aim to show you how to gain useful insights by analyzing the SQL plan cache.

Execution in a Single-Host System

This example aims to show you how to interpret information about execution time. The following table is sorted by TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>USER_NAME</th>
<th>STATEMENT_STRING</th>
<th>TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME</th>
<th>AVG_EXECUTION_TIME</th>
<th>EXECUTION_COUNT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SYSTEM</td>
<td>SELECT &quot;REQUEST&quot;, &quot;DATAPAKID&quot;, &quot;PARTNO&quot;, &quot;RECORD&quot;, &quot;CALDAY&quot;, ...</td>
<td>774,367,833</td>
<td>181,266</td>
<td>4,272</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SYSTEM</td>
<td>SELECT * FROM &quot;/BIC/AZDSTGODO40&quot; WHERE &quot;SID&quot; = ?</td>
<td>726,672,877</td>
<td>60,556,073</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SYSTEM</td>
<td>SELECT &quot;JOBNAME&quot;, &quot;JOBCOUNT&quot;, &quot;JOBGROUP&quot;, &quot;INTREPORT&quot;, &quot;STEPCOUNT&quot; ...</td>
<td>473,620,452</td>
<td>22,987</td>
<td>20,604</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You could read these top 3 results as follows:

- Statement 1 takes the longest time overall but it is also executed frequently.
- Statement 2 is not executed very frequently but has the second highest total execution time. Why is this simple SQL taking so long? Does it have problems processing?
- The execution times for statement 3 are fine for one-off execution, but it runs too frequently, over 20,000 times. Why? Is there a problem in application code?

Sorting by AVG_EXECUTION_TIME or EXECUTION_COUNT provides a different angle on your analysis.

The following example aims to show you how to interpret information about locking situations. The information in columns TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT and TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_DURATION lets us know which statement is waiting for others and how much time it takes.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>USER</th>
<th>STATEMENT_STRING</th>
<th>TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT</th>
<th>TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_DURATION</th>
<th>TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SYSTEM</td>
<td>SELECT &quot;FROMNUMBER&quot;,&quot;TONUMBER&quot;, &quot;NRLEVEL&quot; FROM &quot;NRIV&quot; ... FOR UPDATE</td>
<td>11,549,961</td>
<td>210,142,307,207</td>
<td>676,473</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Here, it is clear that the first statement is waiting almost all the time. Known as pessimistic/optimistic locking, the SELECT...FOR UPDATE code locks the resulting columns and may be replaced by a non-locking variant, which can result in poor performance. If the application is critical, it may be necessary to revise the SELECT...FOR UPDATE code for better resource utilization and performance.

**Execution in a Distributed System**

In distributed SAP HANA systems, tables and table partitions are located on multiple hosts. The execution of requests received from database clients may potentially have to be executed on multiple hosts, depending on where the requested data is located. The following example illustrates statement routing and how, if it is not enabled, requests from the database client are executed on the contacted index server (in this case the master index server) and the required data is fetched from the index server on the relevant host(s). However, if statement routing is enabled, after initial query compilation, request execution is routed directly to the host on which the required data is located.

**Distributed Execution with Statement Routing Off and On**

![Diagram of SAP HANA database with statement routing off and on](image)

Execution times should be better with statement routing enabled. You can use the SQL plan cache to compare the execution statistics of statements with statement routing enabled and disabled and thus confirm the effect.
Statement routing is controlled by the `client_distribution_mode` parameter in the `indexserver.ini` file. It is enabled by default (value=statement).

The following SQL plan cache examples show the execution times of sample statements based on the scenario illustrated above with hosts A, B and C.

**Note**

The column IS_DISTRIBUTED_EXECUTION indicates whether or not statement execution takes place on more than one host.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>STATEMENT_STRING</th>
<th>IS_DISTRIBUTED_EXECUTION</th>
<th>TABLE_LOCATIONS</th>
<th>EXECUTION_COUNT</th>
<th>TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME</th>
<th>AVG_EXECUTION_TIME</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>33103</td>
<td>UPSERT &quot;RSBMONMESS DT F&quot; (&quot;MSGNO&quot;, &quot;MSGTY&quot;, &quot;MSGID&quot;, ...)</td>
<td>TRUE</td>
<td>(&quot;&quot;33103.5)</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>125085</td>
<td>1374</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>33103</td>
<td>SELECT * FROM &quot;/B49/SCUSTOMER&quot; WHERE &quot;/&quot;</td>
<td>TRUE</td>
<td>(&quot;&quot;33103.6)</td>
<td>12144</td>
<td>142623926</td>
<td>1174</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>33103</td>
<td>UPSERT &quot;RSBMONMESS DT F&quot; (&quot;MSGNO&quot;, &quot;MSGTY&quot;, &quot;MSGID&quot;, ...)</td>
<td>FALSE</td>
<td>(&quot;&quot;33103.2)</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>18192</td>
<td>1044</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>33103</td>
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The **TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME** for a statement is the sum of execution times on all hosts, therefore:

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>Request Path</th>
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<td>UPSERT &quot;RSBMONMESS DT F&quot; (&quot;MSGNO&quot;, &quot;MSGTY&quot;, &quot;MSGID&quot;, ...)</td>
<td>Host A</td>
<td>= execution time on Host A</td>
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<tr>
<td>SELECT * FROM &quot;/B49/SCUSTOMER&quot; WHERE &quot;/&quot;</td>
<td>Host A &gt; Host B</td>
<td>= execution time on Host A + execution time on Host B</td>
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<tr>
<td>SELECT * FROM &quot;/B49/SCUSTOMER&quot; WHERE &quot;/&quot;</td>
<td>Host A &gt; Host B &gt; Host C</td>
<td>= execution time on Host B + execution time on Host C</td>
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### 3.15.3 Optimization of Critical SQL Statements

You can improve the general performance of the SAP HANA database by implementing various best practices, design principles, available features, and add-ons.

To enhance the performance of the SAP HANA database, we recommend you do the following:

- **Optimize outlier queries**
  Queries that sometimes take much longer than expected can be caused by query-external factors (for example, resource bottlenecks) that have to be determined and eliminated.

- **Check data manipulation commands (DML)**
  DML operations like INSERT, UPDATE and DELETE can be impacted by lock waits.

- **Create indexes** for any non-primary key columns that are often queried.
  SAP HANA automatically creates indexes for primary key columns; however, if you need indexes for non-primary key columns, you must create them manually.

- **Use native HANA models**
  Develop native HANA models and graphical calculation views in the SAP Web IDE to take advantage of the latest performance optimization capabilities.

- **Develop procedures to embed data-intensive application logic into the database.**
  With procedures, no large data transfers to the application are required and you can use performance-enhancing features such as parallel execution.
  - If you use SQLScript to create procedures, follow the best practices for using SQLScript.
  - For statistical computing, create procedures using the open source language R.

- **Download and install the available application function libraries**, such as Predictive Analysis Library (PAL) and Business Function Library (BFL).
  Application functions are like database procedures written in C++ and called from outside to perform data intensive and complex operations.

- **Scale SAP HANA to improve performance.**
  SAP HANA’s performance is derived from its efficient, parallelized approach. The more computation cores your SAP HANA server has, the better overall system performance is.

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**i Note**

With SAP HANA, you do not need to perform any tuning to achieve high performance. In general, the SAP HANA default settings should be sufficient in almost any application scenario. Any modifications to the predefined system parameters should only be done after receiving explicit instruction from SAP Support.
3.15.3.1 Outlier Queries

Outlier queries are database statements that take much more time than usual and expected. This usually happens because extra work has to be performed during execution.

Besides heavy load on the machine by non-SAP HANA processes (which should not be the case on production systems) SAP HANA itself can be under heavy load. Reasons include:

- Many users are connected and issue a large amount of statements
- Extraordinary expensive statements are executed
- Background tasks are running

Use the Performance Monitor to determine the number of statements issued and the indexserver CPU usage while the slow statement execution was perceived (see the figure CPU Consumption and SQL Throughput, the lower line (red) is the CPU consumption in percent (%), the upper line (orange) is the SQL throughput / s):

![CPU Consumption and SQL Throughput](image-url)

You can see that during the period in the red rectangle both CPU consumption and SQL throughput decreased. During that time frame you would look for something that consumed a lot of resources or blocked the statements (locking); just after 15:35 you see that the CPU consumption increases while the SQL throughput decreases. Here, a possible case would be a change in usage: instead of many small, fast SQL statements the workload changed to a few “heavy” (complicated calculation requiring many CPU cycles) SQL statements.

If there was a high statement load in the same period when you experienced the slow execution, the root cause is likely a lack of resources. To resolve the situation consider restricting the number of users on SAP HANA or upgrading the hardware. See Getting Support for further help, for example if you need to improve scalability.

If you did not experience a high statement load during the time frame of the problem, check for background activities:

- **Delta Merges**: Use Performance Monitor Merge Requests and the monitoring view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS to check if delta merges happened. In that case try to improve the delta merge strategy to prevent merges happening in phases where users are disturbed (see the SAP HANA Administration Guide for details).
- **Column Unloads**: See Load Monitor Column Unloads and the monitoring view M_CS_UNLOADS to look for signs of column unloads. If a column used in the problematic statement had to be loaded before execution, the execution itself will take significantly longer.
- **Savepoints**: Savepoints consume resources and write-lock the database during their critical phase. Check M_SAVEPOINTS and look for savepoints during the time frame of the problem. If a savepoint slowed down...
your execution, the chance of having the same problem again is very low. If it happens often, see Getting Support for further help.

Related Information

M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS
M_CS_UNLOADS
M_SAVEPOINTS
Getting Support

3.15.3.2 Data Manipulation Language (DML) Statements

Data Manipulation Language (DML) statements are often slowed down by lock-wait situations.

Check under Monitoring SQL Plan Cache and the view M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE to determine such issues:

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<td>Only check entries that have TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT greater than 0. For those entries, compare the column MAX_CURSOR_DURATION against AVG_CURSOR_DURATION. If there is a significant difference, there was at least one situation where the transactions took much longer than average.</td>
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See Transactional Problems for information on how to deal with such issues.

Related Information

M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE
Transactional Problems [page 111]

3.15.3.3 Creation of Indexes on Non-Primary Key Columns

Create indexes on non-primary key columns to enhance the performance of some queries using the index adviser.

SAP HANA automatically creates indexes for all primary key columns.

Indexing the primary key columns is usually sufficient because queries typically put filter conditions on primary key columns. When filter conditions are on non-key fields and tables have many records, creating an index on the non-primary key columns may improve the performance.
To check whether there is an index for a column, in the Plan Graph of the SQL analyzer, in the properties of a column, see the *Inverted Index* entry. Alternatively, you can also see the system view INDEXES.

You can create indexes on non-primary key columns to enhance the performance of some queries, particularly highly selective queries on non-primary key columns.

Use the index adviser to find out for which tables and columns indexing would be most valuable. The indexAdvisor.py script is part of a SAP HANA system installation and runs from the command line. It is located in the `$DIR_INSTANCE/exe/python_support` directory.

There is a trade-off between indexing and memory consumption: While indexing non-primary key columns can make query execution faster, the downside is that memory consumption increases. The index adviser takes this trade-off into account: In dynamic mode, the index adviser looks for the tables and columns that are used most often. The higher the selectivity is, that is, the more different the values are in the column, the higher the performance gains are from indexing the columns.

To create indexes on non-primary columns, use the CREATE INDEX statement as follows:

```
CREATE INDEX <name> ON <table> (<column>)
```

### Related Information

[SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference](#)

#### 3.15.3.4 Developing Procedures

SQL in SAP HANA includes extensions for creating procedures, which enables you to embed data-intensive application logic into the database, where it can be optimized for performance (since there are no large data transfers to the application and features such as parallel execution is possible). Procedures are used when other modeling objects, such as views, are not sufficient; procedures are also often used to support the database services of applications that need to write data into the database.

Reasons to use procedures instead of standard SQL include:

- SQL is not designed for complex calculations, such as for financials.
- SQL does not provide for imperative logic.
- Complex SQL statements can be hard to understand and maintain.
- SQL queries return one result set. Procedures can return multiple result sets.
- Procedures can have local variables, eliminating the need to explicitly create temporary tables for intermediate results.

Procedures can be written in the following languages:

- SQLScript: The language that SAP HANA provides for writing procedures.
- R: An open-source programming language for statistical computing and graphics, which can be installed and integrated with SAP HANA.

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Tip

To check whether there is an index for a column, in the Plan Graph of the SQL analyzer, in the properties of a column, see the *Inverted Index* entry. Alternatively, you can also see the system view INDEXES.
There are additional libraries of procedures, called Business Function Library and Predictive Analysis Library, that can be called via SQL or from within another procedure.

**HANA Database Explorer**

HANA Database Explorer provides a comprehensive set of development tools that allow you to evaluate, revise, and optimize stored procedures. You can browse through the objects in the schema to locate the procedures, from there, a number of options are available from the context menu. Features include a code editor for running and testing procedures as well as debugging and SQLScript analysis tools. Refer to the documentation sections on Database Explorer in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* for more details.

**SQL Extensions for Procedures**

SQL includes the following statements for enabling procedures:

- **CREATE TYPE**: Creates a table types, which are used to define parameters for a procedure that represent tabular results. For example:

  ```sql
  CREATE TYPE tt_publishers AS TABLE (
    publisher INTEGER,
    name VARCHAR(50),
    price DECIMAL,
    cnt INTEGER);
  ```

- **CREATE PROCEDURE**: Creates a procedure. The LANGUAGE clause specifies the language you are using to code the procedure. For example:

  ```sql
  CREATE PROCEDURE ProcWithResultView(IN id INT, OUT o1 CUSTOMER)
  LANGUAGE SQLSCRIPT READS SQL DATA WITH RESULT VIEW ProcView AS
  BEGIN
    o1 = SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER WHERE CUST_ID = :id;
  END;
  ```

- **CALL**: Calls a procedure. For example:

  ```sql
  CALL getOutput (1000, 'EUR', NULL, NULL);
  ```

**Related Information**

Create and Edit Procedures
Open the SAP HANA Database Explorer (SAP HANA Cockpit)
### 3.15.3.5 Application Function Library (AFL)

You can dramatically increase performance by executing complex computations in the database instead of at the application server level.

SAP HANA provides several techniques to move application logic into the database, and one of the most important is the use of application functions. Application functions are like database procedures written in C++ and called from outside to perform data intensive and complex operations. Functions for a particular topic are grouped into an application function library (AFL), such as the Predictive Analytical Library (PAL) or the Business Function Library (BFL).

Currently, all AFLs are delivered in one archive (that is, one SAR file with the name AFL<version_string>.SAR).

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<td>The AFL archive is not part of the SAP HANA appliance, and must be installed separately by an administrator. For more information about installing the AFL archive, see the SAP HANA Server Installation and Update Guide.</td>
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#### Security Considerations

- **User and Schema**
  During startup, the system creates the user _SYS_AFL, whose default schema is _SYS_AFL.

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<td>The user and its schema _SYS_AFL are created during a new installation or update process if they do not already exist.</td>
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  All AFL objects, such as areas, packages, functions, and procedures, are created under this user and schema. Therefore, all these objects have fully specified names in the form of _SYS_AFL.<object name>.

- **Roles**
  For each AFL library, there is a role. You must be assigned to this role to execute the functions in the library. The role for each library is named: AFL__SYS_AFL_<AREA NAME>_EXECUTE. For example, the role for executing PAL functions is AFL__SYS_AFL_AFLPAL_EXECUTE.

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<td>Once a role is created, it cannot be dropped. In other words, even when an area with all its objects is dropped and recreated during system start-up, the user still keeps the role that was previously granted.</td>
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3.15.3.6 Aspects of Scalability

Before you decide how to scale your SAP HANA implementation, there are a number of aspects that need to be considered, such as scaling data, performance, applications, and hardware.

Scaling the Data

One technique you can use to deal with planned data growth is to purchase more physical RAM than is initially required to set the allocation limit according to your needs, and then to increase it over time to adapt to your data. Once you have reached the physical limits of a single server, you can scale out over multiple machines to create a distributed SAP HANA system. You can do this by distributing different schemas and tables to different servers (complete data and user separation). However, this is not always possible, for example, when a single fact table is larger than the server’s RAM size.

The most important strategy for scaling your data is data partitioning. Partitioning supports the creation of very large tables (billions of rows) by breaking them into smaller chunks that can be placed on different machines. Partitioning is transparent for most SQL queries and other data manipulations.

For more information, see the section on managing tables.

Scaling Performance

SAP HANA’s performance is derived from its efficient, parallelized approach. The more computation cores your SAP HANA server has, the better the overall system performance is.

Scaling performance requires a more detailed understanding of your workload and performance expectations. Using simulations and estimations of your typical query workloads, you can determine the expected load that a typical SAP HANA installation may comfortably manage. At the workload level, a rough prediction of scalability can be established by measuring the average CPU utilization while the workload is running. For example, an average CPU utilization of 45% may indicate that the system can be loaded 2X before showing a significant reduction in individual query response time.

For more information, see the sections on workload management and performance analysis.

Scaling the Application

Partitioning can be used to scale the application as it supports an increasing number of concurrent sessions and complex analytical queries by spreading the calculations across multiple hosts. Particular care must be taken in distributing the data so that the majority of queries match partitioning pruning rules. This accomplishes two goals: directing different users to different hosts (load balancing) and avoiding the network overhead related to frequent data joins across hosts.
Scaling Hardware

SAP HANA is offered in a number of ways – in the form of an on-premise appliance, delivered in a number of different configurations and "sizes" by certified hardware partners or by using the tailored data center integration model, and as part of a cloud-based service. This creates different system design options with respect to scale-up and scale-out variations. To maximize performance and throughput, SAP recommends that you scale up as far as possible (acquire the configuration with the highest processor and memory specification for the application workload), before scaling out (for deployments with even greater data volume requirements).

i Note
The SAP HANA hardware partners have different building blocks for their scale-out implementations. Therefore, you should always consult with your hardware partner when planning your scale-out strategy.

Related Information

Table Partitioning
Workload Management
Managing and Monitoring SAP HANA Performance

3.15.3.7 Further Recommendations

In addition to the general recommendations for improving SAP HANA database performance, for specific scenarios, you can use further features and best practices to improve performance.

If appropriate, you can take the following actions to improve performance:

- For any required long-running transactions, you can use the SQL command `ALTER SYSTEM RECLAIM VERSION SPACE` to trigger the row store garbage collector to free up memory space and enhance system responsiveness.
- For multicolomn join scenarios, use dynamic joins rather than standard joins. In a dynamic join, the elements of a join condition between two data sources are defined dynamically based on the fields requested by the client query. It is used to improve the performance by reducing the number of records to be processed by the join node.
- When inserting or loading a large number of rows into a table that has a TEXT or SHORTTEXT column or uses a FULLTEXT INDEX, merge the delta of the table for better search performance.
- When loading data from CSV files using the IMPORT FROM command, use `THREADS` and `BATCH` to enable parallel loading and commit many records at once. In general, for column tables, a good setting to use is 10 parallel loading threads, with a commit frequency of 10,000 records or greater. You can also use `TABLE LOCK`, which locks the entire table and bypasses the delta table. Table locks are only recommended for initial loads.
3.16 Application Performance Analysis

This section provides a high-level guide for analyzing the performance of SAP HANA-based applications.

When you have an SAP HANA-based application with unsatisfying performance, you should start a systematic investigation considering the various layers that are involved. Here we focus on the database layer; approaches for analyzing UI and application server performance are described in the respective documents.

3.16.1 SQL Trace Analysis

The first step in application performance analysis is to figure out if the database layer is causing performance problems for your application at all.

Context

You should analyze how many and which database calls are made and what their contribution to the overall application performance is. This should be done within the context of a given user interface step or transaction.

Procedure

1. Start the tracing of database calls.
2. Run the application from its user interface or with any other driver.
   
   Both, SAP HANA cockpit and SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA provide two main tracing tools, namely SQL trace and Expensive statements trace.
   
   A convenient way to narrow the trace analysis to the scope of a user interface step or transaction is to use the passport-based filtering of Expensive statements trace in the SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA, which also offers aggregated statistics to quickly answer above questions.
   
   Deep tracing (including complete execution plans) is provided by Plan trace in SAP HANA cockpit.
3. Terminate the tracing and review aggregated and individual results.
4. As a result of this investigation you might see some indicators for bad application logic creating excessive load on the database such as:
   
   ○ Too many database calls (per transaction/UI step)
   ○ Many identical executions, for example repeated identical selects
   ○ Too many records returned (per execution or in total)
   ○ Too many columns or all columns of a row selected
   ○ Inefficient statement reuse, that is, statements that need to be optimized over and over again
   ○ One or more database calls with unexpected bad performance, so you should further investigate those calls
3.16.2 Statement Measurement

Once you have determined which SQL statements are problematic you should first perform a sound measurement in order to get reliable performance numbers and to make sure that indeed your statements are causing the issues and not the current state of your SAP HANA system.

Procedure

1. Execute your statements and measure their performance (in particular response time).
   
   SAP HANA cockpit offers basic measurement of SQL statements. In addition, the SAP HANA database explorer and the SQL analyzer support executing and analyzing SQL statements.

2. Check your SAP HANA system status for disturbing conditions, such as high load, high resource usage and so on.

3. In case of disturbing conditions repeat your measurement from step 1.

4. Repeat your measurements until you get stable results without major variations (for example, 3 stable executions in a row).

   i Note
   
   Higher initial response times could be an indicator of caches that are not properly filled. Depending on your business needs you can decide whether this is acceptable or not.

5. Once you have a stable result you may also acquire a detailed SAP HANA engine trace which will allow for a deeper analysis.

Results

As a result of this activity you have reliable data for your query performance, both for initial query execution performance (possibly cold execution) and stabilized execution performance (warm execution).

Related Information

Statement Performance Analysis [page 121]
3.16.3 Data Analysis

The easiest way to analyze a poorly performing SQL statement is to look at the data flow as this can be matched with the understanding of the business/application needs.

**Procedure**

1. Check the result size, that is the number of records and number of columns, returned by your SQL statement and compare it with the actual business needs.
   
   As a result of this investigation you might restrict the result size by changing the application logic (for example, the number of columns selected in the field list or by applying additional filters in the WHERE clause) with regards to its database call.

2. Check the usage of underlying tables, meaning the set of tables used, their size and the number of entries selected from those tables, and compare it with your understanding of the business needs.
   
   As a result of this investigation you might identify tables that should not be involved at all and adapt your statement or the underlying database logic accordingly (for example, by checking joins and join types). SAP HANA cockpit offers data flow analysis with the **Tables Used** view in the SQL analyzer.

3. Check the data flow of your statement, that is, the order in which tables are joined, how filters are applied and the size of intermediate results.
   
   As a result of this investigation you may identify:
   ○ inefficient join orders (starting with table A and not with table B, when that is the much smaller result set)
   ○ unexpectedly missing filters (that is, intermediate selections which seem too broad).
   
   You can then adapt your statement or underlying database logic as necessary.

   SAP HANA cockpit offers data flow analysis with the **Plan Graph** view in the SQL analyzer.

   For detailed information about the SQL analyzer, refer to **Analyzing Statement Performance** in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

**Related Information**

- Tables Used [page 205]
- Analyzing Statement Performance
- SAP Note 2565156
3.16.4 Source Analysis

Before conducting a detailed technical analysis, it is recommended to first analyze source artifacts (models, scripts, views) for possible performance-impacting aspects.

Context

The actual activities depend on the respective artifact (models, scripts, views).

Procedure

1. Graphical Calculation Views
   SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA offers dedicated performance debugging capabilities as part of the modeler for graphical calculation views; furthermore it provides deeper inspection of these views.
   a. Check the effect of the attributes, parameters and filters used in the query on the execution time.
   b. Check that the information is combined and aggregated in the correct way as required by the business scenario, for example:
      ○ Is the aggregation behavior consistent with the intended semantics?
      ○ Is the join cardinality correct for each join?
      ○ Are dynamic joins used?
      ○ Is the result always aggregated?
      ○ Has Join Optimization been enabled?
      ○ Do analytical privileges influence performance?
   c. Check whether any performance-relevant execution hints are activated, for example:
      ○ Enforce execution via a specified database engine
      ○ Enforce upper bound for parallelization
   d. Check whether modeling constructs are used that are known to be costly, for example:
      ○ Calculated join attributes
      ○ Complicated filter expressions
      ○ Mixed models that involve engine switches
   e. Check whether intermediate steps produce reasonable results (in terms of size).

2. SQL Script
   The Statement Statistics view (part of the SQL analyzer) supports analysis of SQLScript.
   a. Check if your procedure fits with the given guidelines
      For example, see Developing Procedures
   b. Analyze your script for most expensive steps / statements

3. Plain SQL
   a. Check if your statement fits with the guidelines for SQL Query Design
      For example, see Optimization of Critical SQL Statements
Results

As a result of this activity you either figured out and solved problems at the source level or you now have to continue with an even deeper technical analysis.

Related Information

Developing Procedures [page 134]
Technical Analysis [page 143]
Statement Statistics [page 199]
Optimization of Critical SQL Statements [page 131]

3.16.5 Technical Analysis

The deepest level of performance analysis addresses the technical details of a database statement execution.

Context

You should follow this in order to track down problematic performance symptoms from which you can derive possible root causes at higher levels.

There are a number of tools that can support you. SAP HANA cockpit offers the SQL analyzer which allows for deep technical analysis. Dedicated views and filters support the analysis along numerous dimensions. For detailed information about the SQL analyzer, refer to Analyzing Statement Performance in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Procedure

1. Inspect aggregated execution KPIs (execution time, resource consumption, distribution characteristics) in order to figure out in which aspect or dimension you might look for possible issues.
2. For any suspicious KPI, track down the KPI to the deepest possible level manifesting the symptom.
3. From there, try to correlate the symptom with the cause, in higher level statement elements.
4. You might restrict the scope of your analysis by focusing on the critical path, or on a specific time interval, system node, engine, or execution plan operator.
Related Information

Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation [page 191]
Analyzing Statement Performance
SAP Note 2565156

3.17 System Hanging Situations

This section explains what checks to carry out and how to perform those checks if your SAP HANA instance is hanging. The database is said to be hanging when it no longer responds to queries that are executed against it.

Context

The source of the system standstill might be related to any of the components involved, for example, the storage, OS and hardware, network, SAP HANA database or the application layer. For troubleshooting it is essential to collect information about the context of the active threads in the SAP HANA database.

As SQL statements cannot usually be executed for analysis, you should perform the following steps if it is still possible to log on to the OS of the master host (for example, as the <sid>adm user). Also see SAP Note 1999020 on “SAP HANA: Troubleshooting when database is no longer reachable” for further specific steps and guidance on proactive or reactive actions you can take.

Procedure

1. Collect a runtime dump (see SAP Note 1813020 - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA).
2. Collect CPU, memory and other information about threads currently running in the system by executing the command `top -H` and taking a screenshot of the output.

   i Note
   Transparent Huge Pages (THP) is only applicable to servers with Intel processors.

3. Please provide this information when logging an incident with SAP support and avoid restarting the database as otherwise retrospective analysis might not always be possible.

Related Information

SAP Note 1999020
SAP Note 1813020
3.17.1 Transparent Huge Pages

Transparent Huge Pages (THP) is a feature that is generally activated for the Linux kernel shipped with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) 11 and Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 6 versions certified for usage with SAP HANA. Due to the special manner of SAP HANA's memory management, using THP may lead to hanging situations and performance degradations.

Context

You experience that your SAP HANA database does not react anymore, that the CPU load is high and/or severe performance issues occur. Additionally, Transparent Huge Pages are activated on your SAP HANA servers. Until further notice, SAP strongly recommends that you disable Transparent Huge Pages on all your SAP HANA servers.

Note

Transparent Huge Pages is supported on Intel-based hardware platforms only.

See the SAP Notes below for further reference:

- SAP Note 2131662 - Transparent Huge Pages (THP) on SAP HANA Servers
- SAP Note 1824819 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP2
- SAP Note 1954788 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP3
- SAP Note 2013638 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.5
- SAP Note 2136965 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.6

Note

The following checks and steps should be performed on all hosts of the affected SAP HANA system. They have to be executed as the root user in the Linux shell.

Procedure

1. To check whether Transparent Huge Pages are activated and currently being used by processes, execute the below commands in the Linux shell:
   a. `cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled`
   b. `cat /proc/meminfo | grep AnonHugePages`
If the first output shows "[always] madvise never", that is "always" is shown inside square brackets, then THPs are activated according to the value of the relevant Linux Kernel parameter. If the second output shows a value greater than 0 Kb (Kilobytes), then this is evidence that some processes use THPs.

2. If both steps show that Transparent Huge Pages are activated or in use, deactivate them by executing the commands below in the Linux shell:
   a. `echo never > /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled`
   b. `cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled`

   The first command will deactivate Transparent Huge Pages by setting the relevant Kernel parameter to "never". Right after executing this command, the hanging situation will be resolved. You can verify whether the Kernel parameter has the correct value by executing the second command which should show the output "always madvise [never]" where the new value is in square brackets.

3. Note that unless the value of the Kernel parameter has not been persisted, it is only set/valid until the host is restarted the next time. To prevent toggling the value from [never] back to [always] causing THPs to be activated again, use one of the below strategies to persist it:
   a. Add the parameter "transparent_hugepage=never" to the kernel boot line in the `/etc/grub.conf` file of the Bootloader.
   b. Integrate the parameter "transparent_hugepage=never" within your system boot scripts (for example,. `/etc/rc.local`).

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 2131662
- SAP Note 1824819
- SAP Note 1954788
- SAP Note 2013638
- SAP Note 2136965

**3.17.2 CPU Power Saving**

The Linux Kernel shipped with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) 11 and Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 6 versions certified for usage with SAP HANA contain a new cpuidle driver for recent Intel CPUs. This driver leads to a different behavior in C-states switching and causes performance degradations.

**Context**

See the SAP Notes below for further reference:

- SAP Note 1824819 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP2
- SAP Note 1954788 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP3
**Procedure**

1. Check if the recommended driver is enabled and whether the CPU power safe mode is activated. Execute the following command as root user in the Linux shell:

   ```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpuidle/current_driver
   
   cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpufreq/scaling_governor
   
   cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpu*/cpufreq/scaling_governor
   ```

   The correct value for the cpuidle driver should be "acpi_idle". If so, no further steps are required. In case the output shows the wrong value "intel_idle", follow the steps in SAP Notes.

2. Check the CPU power save mode by running the following command:

   ```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpu*/cpufreq/scaling_governor
   ```

   The correct value for the CPU power save mode should be "performance". If the output shows at least one line with "ondemand", follow the steps in `SAP Note 1890444 - Slow HANA system due to CPU power save mode`.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 1824819
- SAP Note 1954788
- SAP Note 2013638
- SAP Note 2136965
- SAP Note 1890444

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**3.18 Troubleshoot System Replication**

This section describes how to analyze, avoid and solve problems related to system replication.

The following topics are covered:

- Performance: system replication appears to slow down transaction processing
- Setup and initial configuration problems
- Intermittent connectivity problems
- Managing the size of the log file with logreplay.
Further Resources

System Replication is described in detail in the SAP HANA Administration Guide. Additionally, the following set of documents including illustrated step-by-step procedures is available on the SAP Community Portal:

- SAP HANA – High Availability
- FAQ: High Availability for SAP HANA
- SAP HANA – Host Auto-Failover
- How To Perform System Replication for SAP HANA 2.0
- Network Recommendations for SAP HANA System Replication
- How To Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication

The two FAQ SAP Notes listed here relate to High Availability and Replication:

Related Information

- SAP Note 2057595
- SAP Note 1999880
- SAP HANA Administration Guide

3.18.1 Replication Performance Problems

If system replication appears to slow down transaction processing, you can check the network and disk I/O on the secondary site.

A slow-down related to system replication can occur in the following scenarios:

- ASYNC replication mode is configured over long distances;
- multi-tier system replication is configured and a tier 3 system is attached;
- SYNC/SYNCMEM replication mode is configured over short distances.

The following troubleshooting steps can help you determine and resolve the underlying cause.

Check If Log Can Be Shipped in Time

You can check the system replication KPI values to analyze the problem and verify that it is really related to system replication:

- check if log shipping is significantly slower than local log write (SYNC/SYNCMEM)
- check Async Buffer Full Count (ASYNC)

You can check system replication KPIs in SAP HANA cockpit (see Monitoring SAP HANA System Replication in the SAP HANA Administration Guide). You can also get an overview of basic system replication KPIs by running the query HANA_Replication_SystemReplication_Overview_*_MDC.txt (from SAP KBA 1969700). This query is
based on the system view M_SERVICE_REPLICATION and can be used to compare log shipping time to local log write time. For synchronous replication the following KPIs are shown:

Example output of SQL Statement HANA_Repllication_SystemReplication_Overview.txt

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>KEY</th>
<th>VALUE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Replication mode</td>
<td>SYNC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Secondary connect time</td>
<td>2016/10/18 14:02:36</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Days since secondary connect time</td>
<td>1.26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used persistence size (GB)</td>
<td>205.76</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Log backup size / day (GB)</td>
<td>83.58</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Local log buffer write size (MB)</td>
<td>101130.54</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shipped log buffer size (MB)</td>
<td>100258.52</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Avg. local log buffer write size (KB)</td>
<td>6.14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Avg. shipped log buffer size (KB)</td>
<td>6.14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Avg. local log buffer write time (ms)</td>
<td>0.13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Avg. log buffer shipping time (ms)</td>
<td>0.24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Local log buffer write throughput (MB/s)</td>
<td>44.68</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Log buffer shipping throughput (MB/s)</td>
<td>24.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Initial data shipping size (MB)</td>
<td>0.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Initial data shipping time (s)</td>
<td>0.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Last delta data shipping size (MB)</td>
<td>2736.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Last delta data shipping time (s)</td>
<td>13.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delta data shipping size (MB)</td>
<td>758704.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delta data shipping time (s)</td>
<td>3538.20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delta data shipping throughput (MB/s)</td>
<td>214.43</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delta data shipping size / day (MB)</td>
<td>n/a</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Replication delay (s)</td>
<td>0.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The following KPIs are of particular importance, the shipping time should not be significantly higher than the local write time:

- Avg. local log buffer write time (ms)
You can see a graphical comparison of these local and shipped values in the cockpit System Replication Overview (Network tab). The graph displayed compares the local write wait time with the remote write wait time monitored over the last 24 hours:

For asynchronous replication scenarios the redo log is written into an Asynchronous Log Buffer, which occasionally can run full in case the logs are not shipped in a timely manner to the secondary instance. This can lead to a performance overhead on the primary site as by default it waits with new COMMITS until there is free space in the buffer. This can be avoided by setting the parameter `logshipping_async_wait_on_buffer_full` in the `system_replication` section of the `global.ini` file to `FALSE`.

**Note**

In order to maintain a stable connection during the initial data shipment this parameter should be set to true. This is recommended because if the log shipping connection is reset for any reason the data shipment connection is also reset and the initial data shipment has to start again from the beginning. In multi-tier scenarios a restarted full data shipment from primary to secondary site also results in a completely new full data shipment to a tertiary site. For the duration of the initial shipment, therefore, you may also increase the value of the `logshipping_timeout` parameter on the primary which has a default value of 30 seconds.

The size of the asynchronous log shipping buffer on the primary site is normally adequate; the default value of the `logshipping_async_buffer_size` parameter is 256MB for the indexserver (in the `indexserver.ini`) and 64MB for all other services (maintained in the `global.ini`). However, if additional free memory is available this value can also be increased for specific services with a high log generation (such as the indexserver). You should make such changes only in the service-specific ini files rather than in the `global.ini` file.

Once the asynchronous replication connection is established you can see how much is in the async buffer by checking the value of `BACKLOG_SIZE` in the system view `M_SERVICE_REPLICATION`. If there is no connection this column shows the number of log entries that have been generated on the primary but which have not yet...
reached the secondary. You can also see this information (the backlogSize) by running the following command on the primary with admin rights:

```
hdcons 'replication info'
- backlogSize : 2781184 bytes
```

For further details of the most common performance issues caused by system replication and under which circumstances they occur, please refer to SAP KBA 1999880 - FAQ: SAP HANA System Replication.

### Check If Data Load Can Be Handled by Network Link

To estimate the required bandwidth for Data/Log shipping, use HANA_Repllications_SystemReplication_Bandwidth.txt (from SAP Note 1069700), which is based on the I/O statistics from the primary site. We recommend executing this SQL statement when system replication is disabled. The data returned will help you to estimate the amount of data/log shipped from the primary site and compare this to the available bandwidth.

You can also do a network performance test using, for example, the open source IPERF tool or similar, to measure the real application network performance. The recommended bandwidth is 10 Gbit/s.

If the network bandwidth is not adequate you can activate data and log compression which significantly reduces the shipment size by setting the following parameters in the system_replication section of global.ini:

- `enable_log_compression = TRUE`
- `enable_data_compression = TRUE`

### Check Network Configuration (Long Distance)

Increasing the TCP window size can result in better network utilization and higher throughput. If the bandwidth can handle load, check if the network is shared and whether other applications may be interfering with performance. Collect network information on bandwidth and latency from the Linux kernel parameters as described here. For these values refer also to SAP Note 2382421 - Optimizing the Network Configuration on HANA and OS-Level (Linux Kernel Parameters):

- Check the network utilization profile for the network link to see if the maximum capacity of the network has been reached.
- If the network is not fully utilized, check the linux kernel TCP configuration with `sysctl -a | egrep "net.core|net.ipv4.tcp"`.
- Check that window scaling is set to the default value of `net.ipv4.tcp_window_scaling = 1`.
- Check whether the max size can be increased for `net.ipv4.tcp_wmem` and `net.ipv4.tcp_rmem`.
- Calculate the Bandwidth Delay Product (BDP): Bandwidth * Latency (for example, BDP = 50ms * 3 Gbps = 19.2 MB). The BDP tells you what TCP window size is needed to use the network link fully.
Check Disk I/O on a Secondary Site

Slow disk I/O on the secondary can postpone releasing log buffers on the primary, which results in wait situations on the primary. You can do the following:

- Use a Disk Performance Test Tool
  Execute fsperf on log volume, for example:
  
  ```bash
  $ fsperf /usr/sap/TST/SYS/global/hdb/log/mnt00001/hdb00002
  ```

- Check the Monitoring and Administration area
  If SQL is not available, use command line tools (this has to be done for each individual service), for example:
  
  ```bash
  $ hdbcons "statreg print -n M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS -h"
  ```

  A runtime dump also contains I/O statistics, which you can see with:
  
  ```bash
  $ hdbcons "runtimedump dump"
  ```

  △ Caution
  Technical expertise is required to use hdbcons. To avoid incorrect usage, use hdbcons only with the guidance of SAP HANA development support.

- Check I/O relevant tables in the proxy schema of the corresponding secondary site, which provide SQL access on the primary site on statistic views of the secondary. For more information, see Monitoring Secondary Sites in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Related Information

SAP Note 1969700
SAP Note 1999880
SAP Note 2382421
Monitoring Secondary Systems
Monitoring SAP HANA System Replication with the SAP HANA Cockpit

3.18.2 Setup and Initial Configuration Problems

This section outlines the analysis steps you need to take in case you face configuration problems during the initial HANA System Replication Setup.

The initial SAP HANA System Replication Setup steps are as follows:

- enabling the SAP HANA System Replication on the primary site with `sr_enable`
- registering the secondary system with `sr_register`

While there are no errors to be expected when you enable the primary site, the registration operation on the secondary site can fail due to various errors.
iNote
If you are in the process of setting up HANA System Replication for the first time, please make sure you have met all the prerequisites and performed the necessary preparation steps, outlined in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Pay special attention to the following points:
- Are the primary and secondary sites architecturally identical?
- Are the network interface configurations identical on both sites? (refer to the SCN document How to Configure Network Settings for HANA System Replication for details).
- Are the ports needed for system replication open and reachable from the primary and the secondary site?

Wrong Topology Information

Upon registering the secondary site, the following error is raised:

```
> hdbnsutil -sr_register
--remoteHost=primary_host --remoteInstance=<primary_instance_no> --mode=<replication_mode>
--name=<logical_site_name>
adding site ...
checking for inactive nameserver ...
nameserver primary_host:3xx01 not responding.
collecting information ...
error: source system and target system have overlapping logical hostnames;
each site must have a unique set of logical hostnames.
hdbrename can be used to change names;
failed. trace file nameserver_primary_host.00000.000.trc may contain more error details.
```

The root cause for those issues is usually a wrong topology information. In this case, the secondary site contained the following landscape definition in the nameserver.ini:

```
[landscape]
id = <id>
master = <secondary_host>:3xx01
worker = <primary_host>
active_master = <secondary_host>:3xx01
roles_<primary_host> = worker
```

The worker property contained the hostname of the primary site, which was wrong. Therefore, the registration failed. The problem should disappear once the correct hosts are maintained in the master and worker (if any) properties. You need to check on both sites if the information maintained in the nameserver topology is consistent.
Resyncing the Secondary: Persistence Compatibility Checks

If the primary and secondary systems are disconnected for any reason, they must be resynced. If the persistencies (that is, the data and log volume snapshots) of the primary and secondary are compatible, it is possible to achieve a resync with only a delta data shipment or a log shipment; in this case full data shipping is not necessary. Even if the data snapshots are not compatible, the system will automatically attempt a full data shipment (Resync Optimization). If necessary, a full data shipment can be triggered manually using the following command:

```
hibnsutil -sr_register --force_full_replica
```

Trace messages related to persistence which indicate that this is necessary include the following:

- Secondary persistence is not compatible with primary persistence.
- The persistence of at least one service is not initialized correctly.

Communication Problems with the Primary Site

The `sr_register` command on the secondary site is failing with:

```
> hdbnsutil -sr_register --name=<logical_site_name> --remoteHost=<primary_host> --remoteInstance=<primary_instance_no> --mode=<replication_mode> --force_full_replica --sapcontrol=1 unable to contact primary site host <primary_host>:3xx02. connection refused,location=<primary_host>:3xx02
```

Possible Root Cause 1: Ports Not Open / Blocked by Firewall

This error usually indicates a general communication problem between the primary and secondary site. Mostly, this is caused by the primary host not listening on the required ports for various reasons. You can check whether the required ports `3<instance_number>01` and `3<instance_number>02` (non-MDC scenarios) or `4<instance_number>02` (MDC scenarios) are listening on the required interfaces with the following command on OS level as privileged user (for example, root):

```
> netstat –apn | grep 3<instance_no>02
> netstat –apn | grep 4<instance_no>02
```

If you see that these ports are open and listening on the localhost interface only, you will not be able to reach them from the secondary site. You need to adjust the settings for `listeninterface` in the `global.ini` file from `.local` to `.global`:

```
[communication]
listeninterface=.global
```
With this setting, the following interface:port pairs should be visible in netstat:

```
    tcp  0  0.0.0.0:30101  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  4273/hdbnameserver
    tcp  0  0.0.0.0:30102  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  4273/hdbnameserver
    tcp  0  127.0.0.2:30102  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  4273/hdbnameserver
    tcp  0  127.0.0.1:30102  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  4273/hdbnameserver
    tcp  0  0.0.0.0:30103  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  5278/hdbindexserver
    tcp  0  0.0.0.0:30107  0.0.0.0:*  LISTEN  5280/hdbxsengine
```

**i Note**

If the ports are open, check whether they are not filtered by your firewall. Often it is not sufficient to check the connectivity to remote hosts via ping, because ping uses the ICMP protocol for communication. You can easily verify the accessibility of remote hosts by issuing a telnet call. For example:

```
> telnet <primary_host> 30001
> telnet <primary_host> 30102
```

**Possible Root Cause 2: SSL-Related Problems**

Another cause for this error could be a wrongly implemented SSL configuration.

**i Note**

If you do not secure the HANA network with SSL, do not implement any parameter changes related to SSL.

This can be revealed by activated corresponding traces on the primary site via SAP HANA cockpit:

- [Database Explorer ➤ Trace Configuration ➤ Database Trace ➤ Search for “sr_nameserver” ➤ Change from INFO to DEBUG ➤ OK]
- [Database Explorer ➤ Trace Configuration ➤ Database Trace ➤ Search for “trexnet” ➤ Change from ERROR to INFO ➤ OK]

Alternatively, the traces can be activated in the SQL console by issuing the following statements as a SYSTEM user:

```
alter system alter configuration ('indexserver.ini','SYSTEM') SET ('trace','sr_nameserver')='debug' with reconfigure;
alter system alter configuration ('indexserver.ini','SYSTEM') SET ('trace','trexnet')='info' with reconfigure;
```

After the trace activation, the registration problem needs to be reproduced by re-running the `sr_register` command on the secondary. The nameserver trace on the primary site would reveal the following errors in the CommonCrypto Engine:

```
Crypto/SSL/CommonCrypto/Engine.cpp:563: SSL handshake failed: SSL error [536871970]: Unknown error, General error: 0x20000422 | SAPCRYPTOLIB | SSL accept
SSL API error
Version in SSLPlaintext.version field of currently received record differs from
the one negotiated in the current or currently accomplished handshake.
```
Make sure the following parameters are consistent on both sites in the configuration file `global.ini`:

```ini
[communication]
ssl = systempki
...
...

[system_replication_communication]
enable_ssl = on
```

You need to ensure that the SSFS key and data files are stored on both sites. The following files must exist on both sites:

```
$DIR_INSTANCE/../global/security/rsecssfs/data/SSFS_<SID>.DAT
$DIR_INSTANCE/../global/security/rsecssfs/data/SSFS_<SID>.KEY
```

Possible Root Cause 3: Wrong Configuration of the Internal Hostname Resolution Parameters

Please check whether the internal hostname resolution information is consistent on both sites. The following how-to guides are a good source of information:

- How to Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication
- How to Perform System Replication for SAP HANA.

Possible Root-Cause 4: Wrong MTU Size Configured

A closer look at the nameserver trace file on the secondary site would reveal:

```
error: unable to contact primary site; to <primary_host_ip> (<primary_host>): 3xx01; original error: timeout occurred, location=<primary_host_ip> :3xx02. Was MTU size set to 1500? (https://css.wdf.sap.corp/sap/support/notes/2142892);
```

This problem is discussed in full detail in SAP Note 2166157 - Error: ‘failed to open channel ! reason: connection refused’ when setting up Disaster Recovery.

Possible Root Cause 5: HANA Service Unavailability

Check the availability of the indexserver / nameserver process on the primary site. Often the services faced an intermittent restart, crash or reconfiguration which did not go unrecognized by the secondary site.
Related Information

SAP HANA Administration Guide
Configure Tracing in the SAP HANA Database Explorer
How to Perform System Replication for SAP HANA
How to Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication
SAP Note 2166157

3.18.3 Intermittent Connectivity Problems

This section discusses the mitigation strategies for sporadic network interruptions causing problems in the SAP HANA System Replication mechanism.

A common intermittent error is that the log buffer is not shipped in a timely fashion from the primary to the secondary site.

Log Shipping Timeout

Possible Root Cause 1: Log Area Is Full on the Secondary Site

If the System Replication Mode is set to `SYNC - full sync`, the commits on primary are halted as nothing can be written to the log area on secondary site any longer. On the secondary site, the trace files contain the following error:

```
Output Code

i EventHandler LocalFileCallback.cpp(00455) : [DISKFULL] (1st request) [W], buffer= 0x00007f7eef8ae000, offset= 589299712, size= 0/524288, file= "<root>/logsegment_000_00000508.dat"

" (open, mode= RW, access= rw-rw-r--, flags= DIRECT|LAZY_OPEN), factory= (root= "/hana/log/<SID>/mnt00001/hdb00003/" (access= rw-rw-r--, flags= AUTOCREATE_DIRECTORY, usage= LOG, fs= xfs,

config= (async_write_submit_active=auto,async_write_submit_blocks=new,async_read_submit=off,num_submit_queues=1,num_completion_queues=1,size_kernel_io_queue=512,max_parallel_io_requests=64,

min_submit_batch_size=16,max_submit_batch_size=64))) (shortRetries= 0, fullRetries= 0 (0/10))
```

To quickly mitigate the situation, you can disable the “full sync” option by running the following command:

```
>hdbnsutil -sr_fullsync --disable
```

Afterwards, the log area on the secondary site needs to be analyzed with regard to why the log segments are not freed up. This is usually caused by an erroneous log backup mechanism.
For further details refer to the following SAP Notes:

SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations
SAP Note 1679938 - Log Volume is full

**Possible Root Cause 2: Sporadic Communication Issues on the Network Layer**

For more information about how to deal with communication problems between the primary and the secondary site, see SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems.

**Related Information**

SAP Note 2083715
SAP Note 1679938
SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems [page 166]

### 3.18.4 LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File

There is a risk in replication scenarios which use one of the logreplay operation modes of causing a disk full situation on the primary if the secondary system is not available for any reason; this can potentially lead to a complete freeze of the database.

The logreplay modes (logreplay introduced in HANA 1.0 SPS10 and logreplay_readaccess introduced in HANA 2) require a log history on the primary so that a secondary system can be resynchronized without the need for a full data shipment. As long as a secondary system is registered the log file will continue to grow. When the secondary system synchronizes, then the log is automatically cleared down. However, if the replication environment changes, if for example, the secondary is separated because of network problems, manual intervention may be required to manage the log file or, in the worst case scenario, to recover from a disk full situation. This problem can also happen on a secondary system where a takeover has occurred.

The log replay modes are described in detail in the SAP HANA Administration Guide section System Replication With Operation Mode Logreplay. This section of the SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide describes procedures to firstly prevent problems from occurring and secondly to resolve a disk full situation.

**Log File Retention (RetainedFree Status)**

If the secondary cannot be synchronized for any reason, then log segments continue to be written but are marked as RetainedFree. You can check for RetainedFree log segments either in SAP HANA cockpit or from the command line.
1) To check using SAP HANA cockpit, start from the Disk Usage app and open Monitor Disk Volume. The graph shows usage for log and data volumes; you can filter the display for a specific volume and server (for example indexserver). Check the State column of the log files for RetainedFree log segments as shown here:

![Graph showing disk usage](image)

2) To check using the command line, execute the following command as <sid>adm for a specific log volume (hdb00003 in this example – the log volume of one indexserver):

```
#>hdblogdiag seglist $DIR_INSTANCE/../SYS/global/hdb/log/mnt00001/hdb00003
```

The result shows details of each log segment including status information. Look for any segments with status RetainedFree as shown here:

```
LogSegment[0/2:0xec98740-0xecb6000(0x763000B)/GUID=759DC14B-00D7-20161122-134436-39A00002ED/PrevGUID=759DC14B-00D7-20161122-134436-39A00002EC,TS=2016-11-30 06:55:18.008741,Hole=0xec98740/RetainedFree/0x0]@0x00007f34cb32a010
```

### How to Avoid Log Full Situations

#### Unregister an Unused Secondary

If the secondary is disconnected for a prolonged period and if it is not to be used as a replication server anymore, then unregister the secondary site and disable the primary functionality. This will stop the RetainedFree log entries from being written:

1. Unregister the secondary; this is normally done from the secondary site but can be done from the primary if the secondary is not available anymore:
   ```
hdbnsutil -sr_unregister
   ```
2. Disable the primary (from the primary site):
   
   hdbnsutil -sr_disable

3. Execute reconfigure on the primary site:
   
   hdbnsutil -reconfig

You can use this same procedure for a primary which, after a takeover, will no longer be used for failback.

**Set a Maximum Retention Size**

Another option to manage the log size is to set a value for the `logshipping_maxRetentionSize` parameter. If the log size reaches this limit, then RetainedFree log entries will be overwritten. Note the following points in this case:

- If any RetainedFree log entries are lost, then synchronization by logreplay will no longer be possible and a full data shipment will be necessary to resynchronize the secondary.
- It is not possible to switch back to delta mode to resynchronize - only a full data shipping is possible.

→ **Tip**

As a further general precaution, to prevent any disk full situation from arising you can reserve a portion of the disk with an emergency placeholder file (containing any dummy values), for example, occupying 5 – 10 % of the file system. This file can then be deleted if ever necessary to quickly solve disk full situations.

**How to Recover From Log Full Situations**

**Secondary Has Been Taken out of Service**

If the secondary has been permanently taken out of service, then these log entries will never be required. In this case the secondary can be unregistered and the log volume cleaned up:

1. Unregister the secondary (same steps as previous subsection: unregister, disable and reconfigure).
2. Delete the Free marked log segments from the command line for each of the persistent relevant services (nameserver, indexserver, xsengine, ...). To do this run hdbcons with the `log release` parameter as <sid>adm. In a multi-database system the -p switch is required with the process ID of the service (such as indexserver):
   
   hdbcons -p <PID_of_service> "log release"

**Secondary Still Required**

If the secondary is still required, then restart it and allow it to resynchronize. When this has completed, the RetainedFree log segments on the primary will be marked as Free, you can then clean up the log as described above by running hdbcons with the `log release` parameter.

**Log Full Has Caused Complete Database Freeze**

If the log full has caused a complete database freeze, you can try to move the log to another linked file system and replay the log from there. Essentially, this is a three step procedure, refer to SAP Note 1679938 Log Volume is full for complete details:

- Stop the primary system.
- Mount the log volumes of the primary via symbolic link to another file system.
- Start the primary and the secondary and allow them to resynchronize.
When this has completed, you can then clean up the log by running hdbcons with the \texttt{log release} parameter as described above.

\section*{Related Information}

\textbf{SAP Note 1679938}

\subsection*{3.19 Network Performance and Connectivity Problems}

This section covers the troubleshooting of problems on the network layer.

In cases where a subjectively slow performing system behaviour is experienced, but a first analysis of the SAP HANA resource utilization does not reveal any obvious culprits, it is often necessary to analyze the network performance between the SAP HANA server host(s) and SAP Application Server(s) / Non-ABAP clients, SAP HANA nodes (inter-node communication in SAP HANA scale-out environments), or, in an SAP HANA system replication scenario, between primary and secondary site.

\subsection*{3.19.1 Network Performance Analysis on Transactional Level}

The following section should help you to perform an in-depth investigation on the network performance of specific clients.

\section*{Prerequisites}

SYSTEM administrator access using SAP HANA cockpit or hdbsql.

\section*{Procedure}

1. Use the monitoring view \texttt{M_SQL_CLIENT_NETWORK_IO} to analyse figures about client and server elapsed time as well as message sizes for client network messages.

\texttt{Sample Code}

\begin{verbatim}
SELECT * FROM M_SQL_CLIENT_NETWORK_IO
\end{verbatim}

In case a long execution runtime is observed on the application server side and the corresponding connections on the SAP HANA side do not show expensive operations, an overview of the total processing
time spent on client side and SAP HANA server side can be retrieved by executing the above SQL query. By default, collection of statistics related to client network I/O is regulated by the following parameter sql_client_network_io in the indexeserver.ini file, which must be set to on (true).

Please note that this parameter change implies a certain performance overhead and should only be active for the duration of the troubleshooting activity.

An example result of the above mentioned query is shown here:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>CLIENT_HOST</th>
<th>CONNECTION_ID</th>
<th>MESSAGE_ID</th>
<th>CLIENT_DURATION</th>
<th>SERVER_DURATION</th>
<th>SERVER_RECEIVED_TIME</th>
<th>RECIPIENT_MESSAGE_SIZE</th>
<th>SENT_MESSAGE_SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>s</td>
<td>3040</td>
<td>d</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>214087</td>
<td>3.249</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>435</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>296</td>
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<td>3040</td>
<td>d</td>
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<td>214087</td>
<td>4.171</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>109</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>296</td>
</tr>
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<td>s</td>
<td>3040</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>214087</td>
<td>3.241</td>
<td>704</td>
<td>312</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>232</td>
</tr>
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<td>s</td>
<td>3040</td>
<td>d</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>214087</td>
<td>2.927</td>
<td>1.010</td>
<td>259</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>232</td>
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<td>s</td>
<td>3040</td>
<td>d</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>214087</td>
<td>3.242</td>
<td>7.185</td>
<td>305</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>262</td>
</tr>
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<td>s</td>
<td>3040</td>
<td>d</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>214087</td>
<td>2.998</td>
<td>3.035</td>
<td>226</td>
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<td>226</td>
</tr>
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<td>2.998</td>
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<td>214087</td>
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<td>3.035</td>
<td>226</td>
<td>29.02.2016 15:48:52.526262</td>
<td>226</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CLIENT_DURATION and SERVER_DURATION contain the values in microseconds. The difference between CLIENT_DURATION and SERVER_DURATION makes the total transfer time of the result (SEND_MESSAGE_SIZE in bytes). This allows you to see whether the transfer time from the SAP HANA server to the client host is exceptionally high.

2. Run SQL: “HANA_Network_Clients” from the SQL statement collection attached to SAP Note 1969700.

Another important KPI is the Round Trip Time (RTT) from server to client. In order to analyze this figure the SQL statement "HANA_Network_Clients" from the collection attached to SAP Note 1969700 can be used. As this SQL statement is using the view M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS, the expensive statements trace needs to be active in the SAP HANA database explorer Trace Configuration:

Expensive Statements Trace

Description: If the expensive statements trace is active, all statements that last longer than the specified threshold are traced.

Status: Inactive

Once the trace is activated and the long-running statements are re-executed, the information to be extracted from the M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS view is STATEMENT_HASH:
With the Statement Hash '7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37' (please note that this one is only an example statement hash) of the SQL statement to be analyzed, the SQL “HANA_Network_Clients” can be modified in a way that a corresponding Statement Hash is used to restrict the selection:

```
SELECT /* Modification section */
  TO_TIMESTAMP('1000/01/01 18:00:00', 'YYYY/MM/DD HH24:MI:SS') BEGIN_TIME,
  TO_TIMESTAMP('9999/12/31 18:10:00', 'YYYY/MM/DD HH24:MI:SS') END_TIME,
  '%' HOST,
  '%' PORT,
  '%' SERVICE_NAME,
  '%' CLIENT_HOST,
  '7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37' STATEMENT_HASH,
 FROM DUMMY
```

Which provides the following result:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>PORT</th>
<th>SERVICE</th>
<th>CLIENT</th>
<th>STATEMENT_HASH</th>
<th>ROUNDTRIPS</th>
<th>SERVER_TIME_MS</th>
<th>SUM_RTT_MS</th>
<th>AVG_RTT_MS</th>
<th>SUM_SIZE_KB</th>
<th>AVG_SIZE_KB</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>indeserver</td>
<td>200040</td>
<td>7c413a071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>107.74</td>
<td>0.36</td>
<td>0.39</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>indeserver</td>
<td>30040</td>
<td>7c413a071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0.64</td>
<td>0.36</td>
<td>0.36</td>
<td>0.91</td>
<td>0.91</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>indeserver</td>
<td>30040</td>
<td>7c413a071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0.60</td>
<td>0.33</td>
<td>0.33</td>
<td>0.69</td>
<td>0.69</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>indeserver</td>
<td>30040</td>
<td>7c413a071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0.21</td>
<td>0.82</td>
<td>0.82</td>
<td>0.29</td>
<td>0.29</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The KPI AVG_RTT_MS is of importance and should not show values significantly higher than ~ 1.5 ms.

3. For further options, please refer to SAP KBA 2081065.

**Related Information**

- SAP Note 2081065
- SAP Note 1969700

### 3.19.2 Stress Test with NIPING

The SAP NIPING tool is a powerful tool which can be used to perform specific network stability tests.

**Prerequisites**

You must have OS level access to the SAP HANA host and the client host.
Procedure

Read SAP Note 500235 - Network Diagnosis with NIPING.

A stress test with SAP’s NIPING tool may be performed in order to confirm the high network latency (or bandwidth exhaustion).

Related Information

SAP Note 500235

3.19.3 Application and Database Connectivity Analysis

There are a number of ways to identify possible root causes for network communication issues between your application and the SAP HANA instance it is connecting to.

Prerequisites

You have access to both the application and SAP HANA instance.

Procedure

1. On an ABAP application server, check the following:
   a. Run transaction OS01 - Database - Ping x10
      If a connection to the database cannot be established over a longer period of time by an SAP ABAP application work process, the work process is terminated. First, the work process enters the reconnect state in which it constantly tries to connect to the database, after a predefined amount of retries fail, the work process terminates. In this case the connectivity from the SAP application server to the SAP HANA server must be verified.
   b. Run transaction SE38 - Report ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION
      If a specific database connection is failing, the report ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION offers a connectivity check for each defined database connection.
   c. Check for common errors in SAP KBA 2213725 - How-To: Troubleshooting of -10709 errors
      If an application is facing communication issues with the SAP HANA server, on client side the connectivity issue may be indicated by several 10709-errors, mostly short dumps. The error 10709 is generic but the error text of the short dumps contains the error information that was returned by the server. Some root causes may be found in unfavorable parameter settings, either on client or on server side, some may be caused by a faulty network.
In most cases, a short dump with characteristics is raised:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Installation Errors</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sample Code</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Category</td>
<td>DBSQL_SQL_ERROR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Runtime Errors</td>
<td>CX_SY_OPEN_SQL_DB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Except.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The "Database error text" gives you a first hint as to what might have caused the issue. For an overview of the most common errors in this context and detailed explanations of how to resolve them, see SAP KBA 2213725 - How-To: Troubleshooting of -10709 errors.

2. On non-ABAP applications, check the following SAP Notes and documentation references:
   a. **SAP Note 1577128 - Supported clients for SAP HANA**
      On non-ABAP client connections check that the client you are using is supported.
   b. **Section Troubleshooting: ODBC Tracing in the SAP HANA Client Interface Programming Reference**
      A typical SAP HANA ODBC connection failure is indicated by an error with the following prefix:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sample Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>[LIBODBCCHDB SO][HDBODBC]....</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The most common errors are documented in SAP Notes and KBAs. You can use the search features of the Support portal to find a solution for a specific error. If no specific SAP Note is available, you can record an ODBC trace to gain more detailed insight.

   c. **SAP KBA 2081065 - Troubleshooting SAP HANA Network**
      If the error occurs sporadically, it is useful to perform a long-term stress test between the client and SAP HANA server to confirm the network's stability. For more information, see SAP Note 500235. To examine the exact traffic from the TCP/IP layer, a tcpdump can be recorded which shows what packets are sent and received and which packets were rejected or required a retransmission.

3. Generic Smart Data Access troubleshooting steps are:
   a. To verify that the issue might not be a flaw in the SAP HANA cockpit, always try to connect via the 'isql' tool on the SAP HANA host directly as the SAP HANA<sid>adm.
   b. Make sure all libraries can be accessed on OS level by the SAP HANA<sid>adm user (PATH environment variable).
   c. In the SAP HANA<sid>adm home directory (cd $home) check that the correct host and port, and username and password combinations are used in the .odbc.ini file.
   d. Check that the LD_LIBRARY_PATH environment variable of the SAP HANA<sid>adm user contains the unixODBC and remote DB driver libraries.

      For example, with a Teradata setup, the LD_LIBRARY_PATH should contain the following paths: .../usr/local/unixODBC/lib/:/opt/teradata/client/15.00/odbc_64/lib...

      Connections from the SAP HANA server to remote sources are established using the ODBC interface (unixODBC). For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

4. **Microsoft SQL Server 2012 - Specific Smart Data Access Troubleshooting**
   a. Make sure unixODBC 2.3.0 is used. A higher version leads to a failed installation of the Microsoft ODBC Driver 11 for SQL Server 2012.
b. The version can be verified with the following command executed as the SAP HANA $<sid>$adm user on the SAP HANA host: `isql --version`.

c. You can also refer to the Guided Answers tree Troubleshooting Smart Data Access (SDA) Configuration.

5. Teradata - Specific Smart Data Access Troubleshooting
   a. Check SAP KBA 2078138 - "Data source name not found, and no default driver specified" when accessing a Teradata Remote Source through HANA Smart Data Access.

Under certain circumstances it is necessary to adjust the order of the paths maintained in LD_LIBRARY_PATH.

Related Information

- SAP Note 2213725
- SAP Note 1577128
- SAP Note 2081065
- SAP Note 500235
- SAP Note 2078138
- ODBC Tracing and Trace Options
- SAP HANA Administration Guide
- Troubleshooting Smart Data Access (SDA) Configuration (Guided Answer)

3.19.4 SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems

Problems during initial setup of the system replication can be caused by incorrect configuration, incorrect hostname resolution or wrong definition of the network to be used for the communication between the replication sites.

Context

System replication environments depend on network bandwidth and stability. In case communication problems occur between the replication sites (for example, between SITE A and SITE B), the first indication of a faulty system replication setup will arise.

Procedure

1. Check the nameserver tracefiles.
The starting point for the troubleshooting activity are the nameserver tracefiles. The most common errors found are:

### Sample Code

```
e TNS TNSClient.cpp(00800) : sendRequest dr_secondaryactivestatus to <hostname>:<system_replication_port> failed with NetException. data=(S)host=<hostname>|service=<service_name>|(I)drsender=2|
e sr_nameserver TNSClient.cpp(06787) : error when sending request 'dr_secondaryactivestatus' to <hostname>:<system_replication_port>: connection broken,location=<hostname>:<system_replication_port>
e T RexNetBuffer BufferedIO.cpp(01151) : erroneous channel ### from ##### to <hostname>:<system_replication_port>: read from channel failed; resetting buffer
```

Further errors received from the remote side:

### Sample Code

```
Generic stream error: getsockopt, Event=EPOLLERR - , rc=104: Connection reset by peer
Generic stream error: getsockopt, Event=EPOLLERR - , rc=110: Connection timed out
```

It is important to understand that if those errors suddenly occur in a working system replication environment, they are often indicators of problems on the network layer. From an SAP HANA perspective, there is nothing that could be toggled, as it requires further analysis by a network expert. The investigation, in this case, needs to focus on the TCP traffic by recording a tcpdump in order to get a rough understanding how TCP retransmissions, out-of-order packets or lost packets are contributing to the overall network traffic. How a tcpdump is recorded is described in SAP Note 1227116 - Creating network traces. As these errors are not generated by the SAP HANA server, please consider consulting your in-house network experts or your hardware vendor before engaging with SAP Product Support.

2. Set the parameter `sr_dataaccess` to debug.

In the **DB Administration** area of the SAP HANA cockpit open the **Configuration of System Properties** monitor. In the **[trace]** section of the `indexserver.ini` file set the parameter `sr_dataaccess` = debug.

This parameter enables a more detailed trace of the components involved in the system replication mechanisms. For more information about how to change parameters, see **Memory Information from Logs and Traces**.

### Related Information

- SAP Note 1227116
- Memory Information from Logs and Traces [page 23]
### 3.19.5 SAP HANA Inter-Node Communication Problems

This section contains analysis steps that can be performed to resolve SAP HANA inter-node communication issues.

**Procedure**

1. If communication issues occur between different nodes within an SAP HANA scale-out environment, usually the SAP HANA tracefiles contain corresponding errors.

   A typical error recorded would be:

   ```
   e TrexNet Channel.cpp(00343) : ERROR: reading from channel ####
   <IP_of_remote_host:3xx03> failed with timeout error; timeout=60000 ms elapsed
   e TrexNetBuffer BufferedIO.cpp(01092) : channel #### from : read from channel failed; resetting buffer
   ```

   To understand those errors it is necessary to understand which communication parties are affected by this issue. The `<IP:port>` information from the above mentioned error already contains valuable information. The following shows the port numbers and the corresponding services which are listening on those ports:

   ```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Services</th>
<th>Port Numbers</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Nameserver</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Preprocessor</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Indexserver</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Webdispatcher</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;06</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>XS Engine</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;07</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compileserver</td>
<td>3&lt;instance_no&gt;10</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
   ```

   Interpreting the above error message it is safe to assume that the affected service was failing to communicate with the indexserver of one node in the scale-out system. Please note that these errors are usually caused by network problems and should be analyzed by the person responsible for OS or network or the network team of the hardware vendor.

2. In SAP HANA cockpit go to the **Threads** tile and check the column **Thread Status** for Network Poll, Network Read, Network Write.

   In case the **Threads** tile in the SAP HANA cockpit shows many threads with the state Network Poll, Network Read or Network Write, this is a first indication that the communication (Network I/O) between the SAP HANA services or nodes is not performing well and a more detailed analysis of the possible root causes is necessary. For more information about SAP HANA threads, see **SAP Note 2114710 - FAQ: SAP HANA Threads and Thread Samples**.

3. Run SQL: "HANA_Network_Statistics".

   As of SAP HANA SPS 10 the view M_HOST_NETWORK_STATISTICS provides SAP HANA host related network figures. The SAP HANA SQL statement collection from **SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA** contains SQL: "HANA_Network_Statistics" which can be used to analyze the network traffic between all nodes within a SAP HANA scale-out system.
### Sample Code

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>SEG_RECEIVED</th>
<th>BAD_SEG_RCV</th>
<th>BAD_SEG_PCT</th>
<th>SEG_SENT</th>
<th>SEG_RETRANS</th>
<th>RETRANS_PCT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>hostnam</td>
<td>163965201</td>
<td>282</td>
<td>0.00017</td>
<td>340922924</td>
<td>0.00572</td>
<td>19520</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For a detailed documentation of the figures from this output, please refer to the documentation section of the SQL statement SQL: “HANA_Network_Statistics”.

4. Run SAP HANA Configuration Mini Checks from SAP KBA 1999993 - How-To: Interpreting SAP HANA Mini Check Results.

The "Network" section of the mini-check results contains the following checks:

### Sample Code

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CHID</th>
<th>DESCRIPTION</th>
<th>HOST</th>
<th>VALUE</th>
<th>EXPECTED_VALUE</th>
<th>C</th>
<th>SAP_NOTE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>NETWORK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1510</td>
<td>Avg. intra node send throughput (MB/s)</td>
<td>hostnam</td>
<td>444</td>
<td>&gt;=120</td>
<td></td>
<td>2222000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1512</td>
<td>Avg. inter node send throughput (MB/s)</td>
<td>hostnam</td>
<td>never</td>
<td>&gt;=80</td>
<td></td>
<td>2222000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1520</td>
<td>Retransmitted TCP segments (%)</td>
<td></td>
<td>0.00571</td>
<td>&lt;=0.10000</td>
<td></td>
<td>2222000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1522</td>
<td>Bad TCP segments (%)</td>
<td></td>
<td>0.00017</td>
<td>&lt;=0.010000</td>
<td></td>
<td>2222000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The results usually contain an "expected value" (which provides a certain "rule of thumb" value) and a "value" field which represents the actual value recorded on the system. If the recorded value is breaching the limitations defined by the expected value, the "C" column should be flagged with an 'X'. You can then check the note for this item referenced in the column SAP_NOTE.

### Related Information

- SAP Note 2114710
- SAP Note 1969700
- SAP Note 1999993
3.20 SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering

Identify and resolve specific performance issues and enhance the performance of SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

i Note

Troubleshooting information for SAP HANA dynamic tiering is in the SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering: Administration Guide.

3.20.1 Tools and Tracing

This section gives you an overview of the tools and tracing options available for SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

3.20.1.1 Federation Trace

Federation trace can be turned ON to diagnose most issues with SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

Federation trace generates tracing information in the indexserver.ini trace file.

To enable federation trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('trace', 'fedtrace') = 'debug' WITH RECONFIGURE;
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('trace', 'federationexecution') = 'debug' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

3.20.2 Query Plan Analysis

The query plan shows the various operators involved in the query execution.

Queries referencing both SAP HANA tables and SAP HANA dynamic tiering tables are either:

- Executed in SAP HANA by pulling data from SAP HANA dynamic tiering
- Relocated to SAP HANA dynamic tiering, where the data is pulled from SAP HANA

Generally, since SAP HANA dynamic tiering involves tables with large amounts of data, it may be preferable to use the latter strategy. Another reason to use the latter strategy is when the SAP HANA dynamic tiering table is too large to fit in SAP HANA.

If your query involves both SAP HANA tables and SAP HANA dynamic tiering tables and you are experiencing poor performance, you should review the query plan. Review the visual query plan that shows the timings for various sub-trees. Alternatively, you can query M_REMOTE_STATEMENTS to show timing results for query fragments executed on SAP HANA dynamic tiering. If the timing shown is small, and you think the optimizer is shipping the upper limit of query fragments, then SAP HANA dynamic tiering is probably not the cause of the performance problem.
The Remote Row Scan operator deals with a query fragment executed by an SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. If this operator is directly under the top-level Project node, then the entire query has been either pushed down or relocated to an SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. Generally, relocating the query yields better performance.

Changing the Execution Strategy to Remote

If the execution strategy ‘auto’ mode is not yielding the best plan, try the following procedure to change the execution strategy from ‘auto’ to ‘remote’:

1. Clear the query plan cache.
   ```sql
   ALTER SYSTEM CLEAR SQL PLAN CACHE;
   ```

2. Change the execution strategy from ‘auto’ to ‘remote’:
   ```sql
   ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('row_engine', 'execution_strategies') = 'remote' WITH RECONFIGURE;
   ```

Changing the Execution Strategy to Auto

If the execution strategy is set to ‘auto’, then the optimizer chooses the best strategy for executing the query: either relocating the query to SAP HANA dynamic tiering, or executing the query in SAP HANA. In most cases, ‘auto’ provides best performance.

1. Change the execution strategy from ‘remote’ to ‘auto’:
   ```sql
   ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('row_engine', 'execution_strategies') = 'auto' WITH RECONFIGURE;
   ```

If neither execution strategy improves performance, there may be a capability issue. The query optimizer decides what to push down to SAP HANA dynamic tiering based on the capability supported by the option. If the query deals with some operator, builtin, or other item that SAP HANA dynamic tiering does not understand, then it lets the SAP HANA execution engine compensate for it. Review your query to see if there are any unsupported operators, or builtins and see if you can rewrite the query without them. Finally, you may be missing statistics on the tables that may prevent the optimizer from choosing an optimal query plan.

3.20.2.1 Statistics

Statistics help the query optimizer in choosing the right query plan. Missing statistics may prevent the query optimizer from selecting the optimal query plan.

When no statistics for an extended table are present, the query optimizer assumes the table size to be 1 million rows. If the actual table has significantly different number of rows, then the query plan chosen may not be optimal. To ensure that optimizer has the correct information, we recommend that you create statistics on the extended tables.
SAP HANA currently supports several types of statistics:

- **HISTOGRAM**: Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer estimate the data distribution in a single-column data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects (HISTOGRAM) are created--one per column specified.

- **SIMPLE**: Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer calculate basic statistics, such as min, max, null count, count, and distinct count for a single-column data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects are created--one per column specified.

- **TOPK**: Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer identify the highest-frequency values in a table data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects are created--one per column specified.

- **SKETCH**: Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer estimate the number of distinct values in the data source. A data statistics object is created for the specified `<table_name>` (<column-name>, ...), which approximates the number of distinct tuples in the projection of the table on the set of specified columns.

- **SAMPLE**: Creates a sample of data from `<data_source>` that the SQL optimizer can use during optimization. When beneficial, the SQL optimizer generates system SAMPLE data statistics objects automatically on column and row store tables. However, this behavior can incur a cost to performance. You can avoid this cost by creating SAMPLE data statistics objects explicitly (in advance). Creating them explicitly is especially useful in situations where sampling live table data is expensive (for example, very large tables).

- **RECORD COUNT**: Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer calculate the number of records (rows) in a table data source. The RECORD COUNT type is a table-wide statistic. You do not specify columns in `<data_sources>` when creating a RECORD COUNT data statistics object. When beneficial, the SQL optimizer maintains system RECORD COUNT data statistics objects automatically on column and row store tables.

We recommend that simple statistics, at the very least, are present on key columns of extended tables.

### 3.20.3 Data Loading Performance

SAP HANA dynamic tiering supports all data loading methods for extended tables. This section explores the various mechanisms for inserting data into extended tables, and recommends the optimal loading mechanisms.

In general, SAP HANA dynamic tiering is optimized for batch writes, like SAP HANA. Singleton writes are not the best use case for SAP HANA dynamic tiering, although singleton writes are supported.
3.20.3.1 IMPORT FROM Statement

If you have a CSV file for the data to be loaded, the IMPORT FROM statement is by far the best method for loading data into an SAP HANA dynamic tiering table.

The IMPORT FROM statement is sent directly to the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node for the data load. Currently, IMPORT FROM does not support the THREADS parameter on the import command and hence it is better to break the files into multiple files if you are planning on loading hundreds of millions of rows.

When dealing with a delta-enabled extended table, you can run these IMPORT FROM statements in parallel if required. However, note that this will put heavy demand on the delta memory. Make sure delta memory is appropriately configured. Alternatively, you can do this load serially.

When importing very large amounts of data into an extended table, use multiple files in the same IMPORT FROM statement. Breaking into multiple files for IMPORT FROM yields better performance than a single file import.

3.20.3.2 INSERT Statement with SELECT Statement

If the data is present in another SAP HANA table, then INSERT-SELECT is a better loading method than the IMPORT FROM statement.

The query optimizer tries to relocate the INSERT-SELECT on an extended table to the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. The SAP HANA dynamic tiering node does a parallel fetch from SAP HANA, thereby speeding up the INSERT-SELECT.

3.20.3.3 Parameterized Array Inserts

Array insert is by far the most optimal mechanism to load data into an extended table.

SAP HANA dynamic tiering converts an array-insert into a LOAD statement on the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node.

Bulk load is controlled by the `bulk_inserts_as_load` and `bulk_load_as_binary` parameters. Both parameters are 'true' by default.

If you need to re-enable the defaults:

1. Re-enable the bulk load mechanism for optimizing array inserts:

   ```sql
   ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('row_engine', 'bulk_inserts_as_load') = 'true' WITH RECONFIGURE;
   ```

2. Re-enable binary load (instead of the ASCII load):

   ```sql
   ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('row_engine', 'bulk_load_as_binary') = 'true' WITH RECONFIGURE;
   ```
4 Tools and Tracing

This section gives you an overview of the available tools and tracing options that are available.

4.1 System Performance Analysis

As a first step to resolving SAP HANA performance issues, you can analyze detailed aspects of system performance in the SAP HANA studio on the Performance tab of the Administration editor.

When analyzing system performance issues, the information provided on the Performance tab enables you to focus your analysis on the following questions:

- What and how many threads are running, what are they working on, and are any of these threads blocked?
- Are any sessions blocking current transactions?
- Are any operations running for a significantly long time and consuming a lot of resources? If so, when will they be finished?
- How do different hosts compare in terms of performance?

On the Performance tab, you can take certain actions to improve performance, including canceling the operations that cause blocking situations.

4.1.1 Thread Monitoring

You can monitor all running threads in your system in the Administration editor on the Performance Threads sub-tab. It may be useful to see, for example, how long a thread is running, or if a thread is blocked for an inexplicable length of time.

Thread Display

By default, the Threads sub-tab shows you a list of all currently active threads with the Group and sort filter applied. This arranges the information as follows:

- Threads with the same connection ID are grouped.
- Within each group, the call hierarchy is depicted (first the caller, then the callee).
- Groups are displayed in order of descending duration.

On big systems with a large number of threads, this arrangement provides you with a more meaningful and clear structure for analysis. To revert to an unstructured view, deselect the Group and sort checkbox or change the layout in some other way (for example, sort by a column).
Thread Information

Detailed information available on the Threads sub-tab includes the following:

- The context in which a thread is used
  This is indicated by the thread type. Important thread types are SqlExecutor and PlanExecutor. SqlExecutor threads handle session requests such as statement compilation, statement execution, or result fetching issued by applications on top of SAP HANA. PlanExecutor threads are used to process column-store statements and have an SqlExecutor thread as their parent.

  **Note**
  With revision 56, PlanExecutor threads were replaced by JobWorker threads.

  **Note**
  The information in the Thread Type column is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- What a thread is currently working on
  The information in Thread Detail, Thread Method, and Thread Status columns is helpful for analyzing what a thread is currently working on. In the case of SqlExecutor threads, for example, the SQL statement currently being processed is displayed. In the case of PlanExecutor threads (or JobWorker threads as of revision 56), details about the execution plan currently being processed are displayed.

  **Note**
  The information in the Thread Detail, Thread Method, and Thread Status columns is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- Information about transactionally blocked threads
  A transactionally blocked thread is indicated by a warning icon (⚠️) in the Status column. You can see detailed information about the blocking situation by hovering the cursor over this icon. A transactionally blocked thread cannot be processed because it needs to acquire a transactional lock that is currently held by another transaction. Transactional locks may be held on records or tables. Transactions can also be blocked waiting for other resources such as network or disk (database or metadata locks). The type of lock held by the blocking thread (record, table, or metadata) is indicated in the Transactional Lock Type column.
  The lock mode determines the level of access other transactions have to the locked record, table, or database. The lock mode is indicated in the Transactional Lock Type column. **Exclusive** row-level locks prevent concurrent write operations on the same record. They are acquired implicitly by update and delete operations or explicitly with the SELECT FOR UPDATE statement. Table-level locks prevent operations on the content of a table from interfering with changes to the table definition (such as drop table, alter table). DML operations on the table content require an intentional exclusive lock, while changes to the table definition (DDL operations) require an exclusive table lock. There is also a LOCK TABLE statement for explicitly locking a table. Intentional exclusive locks can be acquired if no other transaction holds an exclusive lock for the same object. Exclusive locks require that no other transaction holds a lock for the same object (neither intentional exclusive nor exclusive).
  For more detailed analysis of blocked threads, information about low-level locks is available in the columns Lock Wait Name, Lock Wait Component and Thread ID of Low-Level Lock Owner. Low-level locks are locks acquired at the thread level. They manage code-level access to a range of resources (for example, internal data structures, network, disk). Lock wait components group low-level locks by engine component or resource.
The *Blocked Transactions* sub-tab provides you with a filtered view of transactionally blocked threads.

**Monitoring and Analysis Features**

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the *Threads* sub-tab:

- See the full details of a thread by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Show Details*.
- End the operations associated with a thread by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Cancel Operations*.

**Note**

This option is not available for threads of external transactions, that is those with a connection ID of -1.

- Jump to the following related objects by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Navigate To* `<related object>`:
  - Threads called by and calling the selected thread
  - Sessions with the same connection ID as the selected thread
  - Blocked transactions with the same connection ID as the selected thread
- View the call stack for a specific thread by selecting the *Create call stacks* checkbox, refreshing the page, and then selecting the thread in question.

**Note**

The information contained in call stacks is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- Activate the expensive statements trace, SQL trace, or performance trace by choosing *Configure Trace* `<required trace>`.

  The *Trace Configuration* dialog opens with information from the selected thread automatically entered (application and user).

**Note**

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

**Related Information**

- [M_SERVICE_THREADS System View](#)
- [M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES System View](#)
- [SQL Trace](page 181)
- [Performance Trace](page 231)
- [Expensive Statements Trace](page 186)
4.1.2 Blocked Transaction Monitoring

Blocked transactions, or transactionally blocked threads, can impact application responsiveness. They are indicated in the Administration editor on the Performance Threads tab. You can see another representation of the information about blocked and blocking transactions on the Blocked Transactions sub-tab.

Information About Blocked Transactions

Blocked transactions are transactions that are unable to be processed further because they need to acquire transactional locks (record or table locks) that are currently held by another transaction. Transactions can also be blocked waiting for other resources such as network or disk (database or metadata locks).

The type of lock held by the blocking transaction (record, table, or metadata) is indicated in the Transactional Lock Type column.

The lock mode determines the level of access other transactions have to the locked record, table, or database. The lock mode is indicated in the Transactional Lock Type column.

Exclusive row-level locks prevent concurrent write operations on the same record. They are acquired implicitly by update and delete operations or explicitly with the SELECT FOR UPDATE statement.

Table-level locks prevent operations on the content of a table from interfering with changes to the table definition (such as drop table, alter table). DML operations on the table content require an intentional exclusive lock, while changes to the table definition (DDL operations) require an exclusive table lock. There is also a LOCK TABLE statement for explicitly locking a table. Intentional exclusive locks can be acquired if no other transaction holds an exclusive lock for the same object. Exclusive locks require that no other transaction holds a lock for the same object (neither intentional exclusive nor exclusive).

For more detailed analysis of blocked transactions, information about low-level locks is available in the columns Lock Wait Name, Lock Wait Component and Thread ID of Low-Level Lock Owner. Low-level locks are locks acquired at the thread level. They manage code-level access to a range of resources (for example, internal data structures, network, disk). Lock wait components group low-level locks by engine component or resource.

Monitoring and Analysis Features

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the Blocked Transactions sub-tab:

- Jump to threads and sessions with the same connection ID as a blocked/blocking transaction by right-clicking the transaction and choosing Navigate To <related object>.
- Activate the performance trace, SQL trace, or expensive statements trace for the blocking transaction (that is the lock holder) by choosing Configure Trace <required trace>.
  The Trace Configuration dialog opens with information from the selected thread automatically entered (application and user).
i Note

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

Related Information

SQL Trace [page 181]
Performance Trace [page 231]
Expensive Statements Trace [page 186]
M_BLOCKED_TRANSACTIONS System View
M_OBJECT_LOCKS System View
M_RECORD_LOCKS System View
M_OBJECT_LOCK_STATISTICS System View

4.1.3 Session Monitoring

You can monitor all sessions in your landscape in the Administration editor on the Performance Sessions sub-tab.

Session Information

The Sessions sub-tab allows you to monitor all sessions in the current landscape. You can see the following information:

- Active/inactive sessions and their relation to applications
- Whether a session is blocked and if so which session is blocking
- The number of transactions that are blocked by a blocking session
- Statistics like average query runtime and the number of DML and DDL statements in a session
- The operator currently being processed by an active session (Current Operator column).

i Note

In earlier revisions, you can get this information from the SYS.M_CONNECTIONS monitoring view with the following statement:

```
SELECT CURRENT_OPERATOR_NAME FROM M_CONNECTIONS WHERE CONNECTION_STATUS = 'RUNNING'
```

→ Tip

To investigate sessions with the connection status RUNNING, you can analyze the SQL statements being processed in the session. To see the statements, ensure that the Last Executed Statement and Current
**Monitoring and Analysis Features**

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the **Sessions** sub-tab:

- Cancel a session by right-clicking the session and choosing **Cancel Session...**
- Jump to the following related objects by right-clicking the session and choosing **Navigate To <related object>:**
  - Threads with the same connection ID as the selected session
  - Blocked transactions with the same connection ID as the selected session
- Activate the performance trace, SQL trace, or expensive statements trace by choosing **Configure Trace <required trace>**.
  
  The **Trace Configuration** dialog opens with information from the selected session automatically entered (application and user).

**Note**

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

**Related Information**

- [SQL Trace](#)
- [Performance Trace](#)
- [Expensive Statements Trace](#)
- [M_CONNECTIONS System View](#)
- [M_TRANSACTIONS System View](#)

### 4.1.4 Job Progress Monitoring

Certain operations in SAP HANA typically run for a long time and may consume a considerable amount of resources. You can monitor long-running jobs in the Administration editor on the **Performance > Job Progress** sub-tab.

By monitoring the progress of long-running operations, for example, delta merge operations and data compression, you can determine whether or not they are responsible for current high load, see how far along they are, and when they will finish.
The following information is available, for example:

- Connection that triggered the operation (CONNECTION_ID)
- Start time of the operation (START_TIME)
- Steps of the operation that have already finished (CURRENT_PROGRESS)
- Maximum number of steps in the operation (MAX_PROGRESS)

For more information about the operations that appear on the Job Progress sub-tab, see system view M_JOB_PROGRESS.

Related Information

M_JOB_PROGRESS System View

4.1.5 Load Monitoring

A graphical display of a range of system performance indicators is available in the Administration editor on the Performance Load sub-tab.

You can use the load graph for performance monitoring and analysis. For example, you can use it to get a general idea about how many blocked transactions exist now and in the past, or troubleshoot the root cause of slow statement performance.

Related Information

SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide [page 6]

4.2 SQL Statement Analysis

A key step in identifying the source of poor performance is understanding how much time SAP HANA spends on query execution. By analyzing SQL statements and calculating their response times, you can better understand how the statements affect application and system performance.

You can analyze the response time of SQL statements with the following traces:

- SQL trace
  From the trace file, you can analyze the response time of SQL statements.
- Expensive statements trace
  On the Performance Expensive Statements Trace tab, you can view a list of all SQL statements that exceed a specified response time.
In addition to these traces, you can analyze the SQL plan cache, which provides a statistical overview of what statements are executed in the system.

4.2.1 Analyzing SQL Traces

The SQL trace allows you to analyze the response time of SQL statements within an object.

Procedure

1. In the Administration editor, choose the Trace Configuration trace and edit the SQL trace.
2. In the Trace Configuration dialog box, specify a name for the trace file, set the trace status to Active, and specify the required trace and user filters.
3. Choose Finish.
4. Run the application or SQL statements you want to trace.
5. Re-open the SQL trace configuration and set the trace status to Inactive.
7. Choose the Diagnosis Files tab and open the trace file you created.
8. Choose Show Entire File.
9. Analyze the response time of the relevant SQL statements to identify which statements negatively affect performance.

   The SQL statements in the trace file are listed in order of execution time. To calculate the response time of a specific SQL statement, calculate the difference between the times given for `# tracing PrepareStatement_execute call` and `# tracing finished PrepareStatement_execute`.

4.2.1.1 SQL Trace

The SQL trace collects information about all SQL statements executed on the index server (tenant database) or name server (system database) and saves it in a trace file for further analysis. The SQL trace is inactive by default.

Information collected by the SQL trace includes overall execution time of each statement, the number of records affected, potential errors (for example, unique constraint violations) that were reported, the database connection being used, and so on. The SQL trace is a good starting point for understanding executed statements and their potential effect on the overall application and system performance, as well as for identifying potential performance bottlenecks at statement level.
SQL Trace Files

SQL trace information is saved as an executable python program (by default sqltrace_<...>.py), which can be used to replay the traced database operations. You can also use the SQL Trace Analyzer tool to automate the analysis of the file.

Enabling and Configuring the SQL Trace

You can enable and configure the SQL trace in the SAP HANA database explorer or SAP HANA studio. Alternatively, you can modify the parameters in the sqltrace section of the indexserver.ini (tenant database) or nameserver.ini (system database).

Example

Use the following statement to enable the SQL trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('sqltrace', 'trace') = 'on' WITH RECONFIGURE
```

Recommendation

Do not leave the SQL trace enabled all the time as writing trace files consumes storage space on the disk and can impact database performance significantly.

Trace Levels

You can set the level for the SQL trace by changing the value of the configuration parameter [sqltrace] level in the indexserver.ini file (tenant database) or nameserver.ini file (system database). Trace information includes details such as executed timestamp, thread ID, connection ID, and statement ID.

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<tr>
<th>Trace Level</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>NORMAL</td>
<td>All statements that have finished successfully are traced.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR</td>
<td>All statements that returned errors are traced.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ERROR_ROLLBACK</td>
<td>All statements that are rolled back are traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ALL</td>
<td>All statements including status of normal, error, and rollback are traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ALL_WITH_RESULTS</td>
<td>In addition to the trace generated with trace level ALL, the result returned by select statements is also included in the trace file.</td>
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</table>

Note

An SQL trace that includes results can quickly become very large.

Caution

An SQL trace that includes results may expose security-relevant data, for example, query result sets.
You can configure trace detail information by setting the parameter [sqltrace] details. You can select one or more categories of information to include in the trace, for example: 'basic,resource_consumption'. Possible values are listed in the following table. Note that for resource consumption information (this is also included in the 'all' option) the following two parameters in the global.ini file [resource_tracking] section, must be set to 'on':

- enable_tracking
- memory_tracking

You may also wish to limit the maximum memory allocation per statement by setting a value for the [memorymanager] statement_memory_limit parameter in the global.ini file. Set this to 5, for example, to apply a limit of 5GB.

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<th>Trace Details</th>
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<td>basic</td>
<td>Connection information and statement information (default)</td>
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<tr>
<td>all</td>
<td>Include all comments of connection and statement</td>
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<tr>
<td>user_variables</td>
<td>User-defined variables in the session context</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>statement</td>
<td>Statement information such as executed timestamp, thread ID, connection ID, statement ID, statement hash and duration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>session_variables</td>
<td>System-defined variables in the session context</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>resource_consumption</td>
<td>Statement resource consumption information such as local (+remote, if available) cpu-time and memory-size.</td>
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<tr>
<td>passport</td>
<td>Decoded passport contents</td>
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<tr>
<td>connection</td>
<td>Connection information such as session ID, transaction ID, client PID, client IP, user name, schema name, and session variable:value pairs</td>
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<td>&quot;empty&quot;</td>
<td>Trace without these comments</td>
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**Additional Configuration Options**

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<th>Option</th>
<th>Configuration Parameter</th>
<th>Default</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Trace file name</td>
<td>tracefile</td>
<td>sqltrace_${HOST}<em>${PORT}</em>${COUNT:3}.py</td>
<td>User-specific name for the trace file</td>
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<td>If you do not enter a user-specific file name, the file name is generated</td>
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<td>according to the following default pattern:</td>
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<td>DB_&lt;dbname&gt;/sqltrace_${HOST}<em>${PORT}</em>${COUNT:3}.py, where:</td>
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<td>● DB_&lt;dbname&gt; is the sub-directory where the trace file is written</td>
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<td>if you are running on a tenant database</td>
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<td>● $HOST is the host name of the service (for example, indexserver)</td>
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<td>● $PORT is the port number of the service</td>
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<td>● $COUNT:3 is an automatically generated 3-digit number starting with 000</td>
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<td>that increments by 1 and serves as a file counter when several files are</td>
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<td>created.</td>
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<td>User, application,</td>
<td>user</td>
<td>Empty string</td>
<td>Filters to restrict traced statements to those of particular database or</td>
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<td>object, and</td>
<td>application_user</td>
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<td>application users and applications, as well as to certain statement types</td>
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<td>statement filters</td>
<td>application</td>
<td></td>
<td>and specific objects (tables, views, procedures).</td>
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<td></td>
<td>object</td>
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<td>All statements matching the filter criteria are recorded and saved to the</td>
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<td></td>
<td>statement_type</td>
<td></td>
<td>specified trace file.</td>
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<td>flush_interval</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>During tracing, the messages of a connection are buffered. As soon as the</td>
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<td>flush limit number of messages is buffered (or if the connection is closed),</td>
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<td>those messages are written to the trace file.</td>
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<td>When set to 0, every SQL trace statement is immediately written to the trace</td>
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</table>

**Using Wildcards**

If you apply filters for the user, application_user, and application parameters, the use of wildcards and exceptions is also supported. The asterisk wildcard character denotes any number of characters and the exclamation mark denotes an exclusion. For example:

user=SM*,JONES,!GREEN,!BRO*

In this case all users starting with SM will be traced, JONES will be traced, user GREEN will not be traced and all users starting with BRO will not be traced. If terms in the string conflict with each other then the sequence in which the terms occur determines the result. In the following example user SMALL will be traced in spite of the exclusion; the exclusion is ignored because it occurs after the first wildcard.

user=SM*,JONES,!SMALL,!BRO*
Trace File Rotation

The size and number of trace files are controlled by the following parameters.

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<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Default</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>max_files</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Sets the maximum number of trace files</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>filesize_limit</td>
<td>1610612736</td>
<td>(or 1.5 GB) Sets the maximum size of an individual trace file in bytes</td>
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</table>

⚠️ Caution

If both the maximum number of files and the maximum file size are reached, SQL tracing stops. If this happens, you can increase the values of `max_files` and `filesize_limit`. See SAP Note 2629103.

SAP HANA SQL Trace Analyzer

SAP HANA SQL trace analyzer is a Python tool you can use to analyze the HANA SQL trace output. The tool gives you an overview of the top SQL statements, the tables accessed, statistical information on different statement types and on transactions executed.

For more information about the installation and usage of SAP HANA SQL trace analyzer, see SAP Knowledge Base Article 2412519 FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Trace Analyzer.

Related Information

Diagnosis Files
SAP Note 2412519
SAP Note 2629103

4.2.2 Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces

The expensive statements trace allows you to identify which SQL statements require a significant amount of time and resources.

Procedure

1. In the Administration editor, choose the `Trace Configuration` trace and edit the expensive statements trace.
2. In the `Trace Configuration` dialog box, set the trace status to `Active` and specify a threshold execution time in microseconds.
The system will identify any statements that exceed this threshold as expensive statements.

3. Choose Finish.

4. Run the application or SQL statements you want to trace.

5. Choose the Performance Expensive Statements Trace tab.

6. Analyze the displayed information to identify which statements negatively affected performance.
   For each SQL statement, the following columns are especially useful for determining the statement’s impact on performance:
   - START_TIME
   - DURATION_MICROSEC
   - OBJECT_NAME (names of the objects accessed)
   - STATEMENT_STRING
   - CPU_TIME

4.2.2.1 Expensive Statements Trace

Expensive statements are individual SQL statements whose execution time exceeds a configured threshold. The expensive statements trace records information about these statements for further analysis and is inactive by default.

If, in addition to activating the expensive statements trace, you enable per-statement memory tracking, the expensive statements trace will also show the peak memory size used to execute the expensive statements.

Expensive Statements Trace Information

If you have the TRACE ADMIN privilege, then you can view expensive statements trace information in the following ways:

- In the Expensive Statements app of the SAP HANA cockpit
- On the Trace Configuration Expensive Statements Trace tab of the SAP HANA database explorer
- On the Performance Expensive Statements tab of the SAP HANA studio
- In the M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS system view

Enabling and Configuring the Expensive Statements Trace

You can enable and activate the expensive statements trace in the SAP HANA cockpit or the SAP HANA database explorer. Alternatively, you can modify the parameters in the expensive_statement section of the global.ini configuration file.
## Configuration Options

The following table shows the configuration parameters which are available; not all of these may be available in the SAP HANA cockpit or the SAP HANA database explorer.

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Trace status</td>
<td>enable</td>
<td><strong>off</strong></td>
<td>Specifies the activation status of the trace.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Threshold CPU time</td>
<td>threshold_cpu_time</td>
<td><strong>-1 (disabled)</strong></td>
<td>Specifies the threshold CPU time of statement execution in microseconds. When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Threshold memory</td>
<td>threshold_memory</td>
<td><strong>-1 (disabled)</strong></td>
<td>Specifies the threshold memory usage of statement execution in bytes. When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Threshold duration</td>
<td>threshold_duration</td>
<td><strong>1000000 ( microseconds = 1 second)</strong></td>
<td>Specifies the threshold execution time in microseconds. When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced. In the SAP HANA database explorer, you can set the threshold duration to be measured in seconds or milliseconds.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User, application, and object filters</td>
<td>user, application_user, application, object</td>
<td>Empty string</td>
<td>Specifies filters to restrict traced statements to those of a particular database, application user, application, or tables/views. For user, application_user, and application, the use of wildcards is supported (see following subsection Using Wildcards).</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Note

Resource tracking and CPU time tracking must also be enabled. You can do this by configuring the corresponding parameters in the `resource_tracking` section of the `global.ini` file.

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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Option</th>
<th>Configuration Parameter</th>
<th>Default Value</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Passport trace level</td>
<td>passport_tracelevel</td>
<td>Empty string</td>
<td>If you are activating the expensive statements trace as part of an end-to-end trace scenario with the Process Monitoring Infrastructure (PMI), you can specify the passport trace level as an additional filter. This means that only requests that are marked with a passport of the specified level are traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trace parameter values</td>
<td>trace_parameter_values</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>In SQL statements, field values may be specified as parameters (using a &quot;?&quot; in the syntax). If these parameter values are not required, then you can disable this setting to reduce the amount of data traced.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trace flush interval</td>
<td>trace_flush_interval</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Specifies the number of records after which a trace file is flushed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Use in-memory tracing</td>
<td>use_in_memory_tracing</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>If in-memory tracing is active, then information is cached in memory. Otherwise, the data is written directly to file.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>In-memory tracing records</td>
<td>in_memory_tracing_records</td>
<td>30000</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum number of trace records (per service) stored in memory. This setting only takes effect when in memory tracing is active.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Using Wildcards

If you apply filters for the user, application_user, and application parameters, the use of wildcards and exceptions is also supported. The asterisk wildcard character denotes any number of characters and the exclamation mark denotes an exclusion. For example:

```
user=SM*, JONES, !GREEN, !BRO*
```

In this case all users starting with SM will be traced. JONES will be traced, user GREEN will not be traced and all users starting with BRO will not be traced. If terms in the string conflict with each other then the sequence in which the terms occur determines the result. In the following example user SMALL will be traced in spite of the exclusion; the exclusion is ignored because it occurs after the first wildcard.

```
user=SM*, JONES, !SMALL, !BRO*
```

### Trace File Rotation

To prevent expensive statement trace information from growing indefinitely, you can limit the size and number of trace files using the following parameters in `expensive_statement` of `global.ini`.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Default</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>maxfiles</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum number of trace files.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>When the maximum number of trace files reached, the oldest trace file is deleted and a new one opened.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>When set to 0, trace file rotation is disabled.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>maxfilesize</td>
<td>10000000 (or 9.5 megabytes)</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum size of an individual trace file in bytes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>When the maximum number of files is greater than 1 and the maximum file size is reached, a new trace file is opened.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>When the maximum number of files is 1, the maximum file size is greater than zero, and the maximum file size is reached, the trace file is deleted and a new one opened.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Related Information**

- Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements [page 35]
- Monitoring and Analyzing Expensive Statements (SAP HANA Cockpit)
- Expensive Statements Monitoring (SAP HANA Studio)
- M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS System View
- SAP Note 2180165

### 4.2.3 Analyzing SQL Execution with the SQL Plan Cache

The SQL plan cache is a valuable tool for understanding and analyzing SQL processing.

Before it is executed, every SQL statement is compiled to a plan. Once a plan has been compiled it is better to reuse it the next time the same statement is executed rather than compiling a new plan every time. The SAP HANA database provides an object, the SQL plan cache, that stores plans generated from previous executions. Whenever the execution of a statement is requested, an SQL procedure checks the SQL plan cache to see if there is a plan already compiled. If a match is found, the cached plan is reused. If not, the statement is compiled and the newly generated plan is cached.

As the SQL plan cache collects statistics on the preparation and execution of SQL statements it is an important tool for understanding and analyzing SQL processing. For example, it can help you to find slow queries as well as to measure the overall performance of your system.
Various options are available for analyzing the plan cache for a statement:

- In SAP HANA cockpit the link for SQL Plan Cache is available in the Monitoring group.
- In SAP HANA studio SQL Plan Cache is a sub-tab of the Performance tab.
- The two system views associated with the SQL plan cache are M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE.

The SQL plan cache contains a lot of information. Filtering according to the following columns can help you identify statements that are more likely to be causing problems and/or could be optimized:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Column</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME</td>
<td>The total time spent for all executions of a plan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>This helps to identify which statements are dominant in terms of time.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AVG_EXECUTION_TIME</td>
<td>The average time it takes to execute a plan execution</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>This can help you identify long-running SQL statements.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EXECUTION_COUNT</td>
<td>The number of times a plan has been executed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>This can help you identify SQL statements that are executed more frequently than expected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT</td>
<td>The total number of waiting locks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>This can help you identify SQL statements with high lock contention.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USER_NAME</td>
<td>The name of the user who prepared the plan and therefore where the SQL originated (ABAP/index server/statistics server)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For a full list of all SQL cache columns including descriptions, see the documentation for the system views M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference. Refer also to the sections on Managing the Performance of SAP HANA in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Related Information

Managing and Monitoring SAP HANA Performance
SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference
SQL Plan Cache Analysis [page 126]

4.3 Query Plan Analysis

In SAP HANA, to identify queries that are inefficiently processed, you can both technically and logically analyze the steps SAP HANA took to process those queries.

From a technical perspective, analyzing query plans allows you to identify long running steps, understand how much data is processed by the operators, and see whether data is processed in parallel. However, if you
understand the idea and purpose behind the query, you can also analyze query plans from a logical perspective and consider questions such as:

- Does SAP HANA read data from multiple tables when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read all records when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read the best table, possibly a large table even though another table has a much smaller result set?

To gain the insight you need to answer such questions, the following tools are available for query plan analysis:

- Plan explanation
- Plan visualization

Both tools are available as SQL commands but are also integrated into administration tools. Refer to SAP Note 2073964 - Create & Export PlanViz in HANA Studio for an introduction to using PlanViz in SAP HANA studio.

Tip

In some releases of HANA 1 and early releases of HANA 2 there were a number of known issues related to the Plan visualization trace, these are documented in the KBA 2119087 - How-To: Configuring SAP HANA Traces (section ‘PlanViz / Execution trace’). To avoid any issues you can use Explain Plan as an alternative to Plan Visualization trace.

Related Information

SAP Note 2119087
SAP Note 2073964

4.3.1 Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation

You can generate a plan explanation for any SQL statement and use this to evaluate the execution plan; you may be able to use this information to optimize the query by reducing the run time or the memory consumption.

The Explain Plan can be collected in several different ways:

- By running the EXPLAIN PLAN SQL statement
- In the SQL console of SAP HANA studio
- From within DBACOCKPIT.

Running EXPLAIN PLAN from the SQL Command Line

The SQL command offers two options: to capture the results directly from the query or capture from an existing entry in the plan cache. The results of these two options may vary because in the first case Explain Plan is based on the prepared SQL statement not on the executed statement. If, on the other hand, you run Explain Plan for a statement which has been executed and is available in the cache, then additional parameter aware optimization will already have been applied. See also SAP Note 2410208 - Collect Explain Plan of a Prepared Statement.
After running Explain Plan, the plan results are saved in the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE. An additional option available is to give the plan details a recognizable name (STATEMENT_NAME value) so that your results are easily identifiable, see the following example.

The SQL syntax for the two options is as follows:

### Code Syntax

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Syntax</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>EXPLAIN PLAN [SET STATEMENT_NAME = '<em>&lt;statement_name&gt;</em>'] FOR SELECT '<em>&lt;subquery&gt;</em>'</td>
<td>Save the execution plan for a SELECT query with a recognizable name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EXPLAIN PLAN [SET STATEMENT_NAME = '<em>&lt;statement_name&gt;</em>'] FOR SQL PLAN CACHE ENTRY '<em>&lt;sql_plan_id&gt;</em>'</td>
<td>Save the execution plan for a specific SQL statement in the SQL plan cache with a recognizable name.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- **<statement_name>** String literal. Used to identify the name of a specific execution plan in the output table for a given SQL statement. It is set to NULL if the STATEMENT_NAME is not specified.
- **<subquery>** An SQL statement.
- **<sql_plan_id>** An SQL plan id (in sql plan cache).

The following illustration shows the usage of the two options and the statement name value:

### Explain Plan in SAP HANA Studio

Enter a statement in the SQL console of SAP HANA studio and before executing the command choose Explain Plan in the context menu. You can enter multiple statements separated by a semicolon to generate several plan explanations at once.

The plan explanation is then displayed on the Result tab and stored in the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE view of the SYS schema for later examination.
**Explain Plan in DBACOCKPIT**

The Explain Plan results can also be collected from transaction DBACOCKPIT on the application server:

**Note**

From DBACOCKPIT you will only see partial information on the explain plan, in the output you will see the Operations executed and the order they were executed in but not the information on cost and table size estimations (OUTPUT_SIZE and SUBTREE_COST). It is possible to get this missing information by taking the executed statement from the plan cache and executing the statement again.

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**How to use the Explain Plan to optimize a query:**

The execution plan shows important detailed information on the query execution and the background operations. Some of the key values are described briefly here and in the examples which follow, refer to the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE system view in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference for full details.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Detail</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Operation details</td>
<td>The OPERATOR_NAME value shows the type of operation which was executed, such as joins, unions, aggregations and so on. Operations depend on the engine used - essentially row engine or column engine. Dependencies are shown by indentation - see examples below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Engine</td>
<td>The type of engine where an operator is executed is shown in the EXECUTION_ENGINE column: ROW, COLUMN, OLAP, HEX, ESX.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Table details</td>
<td>Table details include table name, type, size, tables or objects which were accessed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Estimated cost</td>
<td>Cost values include the estimated output row count (OUTPUT_SIZE) and the estimated time in seconds (SUBTREE_COST).</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Example 1

The following illustrations and commentary show how the information returned can be used.

We can see the OUTPUT_SIZE and SUBTREE_COST estimations for the various operations. The cost value is used for the cost-based optimizer to choose the best plan; generally, the smaller the subtree cost, the better the performance.

We can see that for the operations 1-13 the ROW store engine is used and that the operations 1-5 are executed sequentially (OPERATOR_NAME values indented incrementally) and that operations 6-11 are executed in parallel (left-aligned together):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>OPERATOR_NAME</th>
<th>OPERATOR_DETAILS</th>
<th>EXECUTION_ENGINE</th>
<th>EXECUTION_SIZE</th>
<th>TABLE_TYPE</th>
<th>TABLE_SIZE</th>
<th>OUTPUT_SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ROW_SEARCH</td>
<td>CASE WHEN MNNAME = 'BLANK LINE THEN WHEN MNNAME = '</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WINDOW</td>
<td>WINDOW Func: ROW_Number Partition: CC_DESCRIPTION=SC</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HASH JOIN</td>
<td>HASH_BUILD: RIGHT, JOIN CONDITION: CNM_NAME = 'CC_NAME'</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MATERIALIZED</td>
<td>MONITOR SCAN</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TABLE SCAN</td>
<td>FILTER_CONDITION: M:SYSTEM:OVERVIEW:SECTION = 'Services' AND R</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>51,704,026,787,468</td>
<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
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<td>23,920,781,524,744</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Possible Optimizations

In this example, it may be possible to adjust the query so that more steps can be executed in parallel, or it may be possible to change the query operations so that the column store engine is used instead of the row store engine if a similar operator exists for the column store engine. You can use query hints to influence how a query is executed, for example, the hint `use_olap_plan` will force the HANA database to use the OLAP engine instead of the join engine where this is technically possible. The available hints for the SAP HANA database are described in the [SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference](https://help.sap.com/hana/2.0/user_guide/content/postgresql/prepare_and_use_instructive_hints.htm). Refer also to the knowledge base article 2142945 - FAQ: SAP HANA Hints.

Example 2

In the following example lines we can see the execution engine switching between column and row store:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>OPERATOR_NAME</th>
<th>OPERATOR_DETAILS</th>
<th>EXECUTION_ENGINE</th>
<th>TABLE_TYPE</th>
<th>TABLE_SIZE</th>
<th>OUTPUT_SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>HASH JOIN</td>
<td>HASH_BUILD: RIGHT, JOIN CONDITION: R:ALERT_ID</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>72,084,518,006,1098</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UNION ALL</td>
<td>(STATISTICS:ALERTS:BASE:SNAPSHOT_ID:STATISTI</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>240,000,000,000,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BITREE_INDEX</td>
<td>INDEX_NAME: SYS_TREE_RS_415899_490_01</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>96,999,999,999,999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>COLUMN TABLE</td>
<td>INDEX_NAME: SYS_TREE_RS_415899_490_01</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>96,999,999,999,999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISTINCT</td>
<td>GROUPING:UNION:COL0, UNION:COL1</td>
<td>ROW</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>72,084,518,006,1098</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Where possible an engine switch should be avoided as it requires a materialization of intermediate results and this is expensive in terms of both query performance and memory usage on HANA. It may be possible therefore to optimize this query by adjusting it to avoid the engine switch.
For more information about optimization possibilities refer to:

- The examples given in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference
- Knowledge base article 2000002 - FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Optimization.

Related Information

SAP Note 2142945
SAP Note 2410208
SAP Note 2000002

4.3.2 Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer

To help you understand and analyze the execution plan of an SQL statement, you can generate a graphical view of the plan.

Procedure

1. Visualize the plan of the SQL statement in one of the following ways:
   a. Enter the statement in the SQL console and choose Visualize Plan in the context menu.
   b. On the SQL Plan Cache tab or the Expensive Statements Trace tab of the Performance tab, right-click the statement and choose Visualize Plan.

   A graphical representation of the query, with estimated performance, is displayed.

   Visualized Plan
2. Validate the estimated performance by choosing **Execute Plan** in the context menu. Or use the shortcut key **F8**

Another similar high-level graphic is generated with execution time information for each of the parts.

As of SPS 9, by default, a gray color indicates that the operator is not physical, meaning the operator simply exists to give a more structured graph display.

Almost all of these non-physical operators can be removed from the graph if you prefer, by selecting 'None' for the 'Node Grouping' option provided on the left of the graph.

Note: You can change the colors for each operator type under **Window > Preferences > SAP HANA > PlanViz > Graph > Appearance**
### Results

This graphic is a very powerful tool for studying performance of queries on SAP HANA databases. You can explore the graphic further, for example, you can expand, collapse, or rearrange nodes on the screen. You can also save the graphic as an image or XML file, for example, so you can submit it as part of a support query.

#### 4.3.2.1 Overview Page

Visualization of execution plans will automatically display an 'Overview' page

Starting from SPS 09 (client version), visualization of execution plans will automatically display an 'Overview' page as you can see in the screenshot below. Some important KPIs required to begin a performance analysis are provided so that you can first get a big picture of what is going on before going into the complex details.

The following table describes the nature of each KPI:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>KPI</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Comment</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Compilation</td>
<td>Initial compilation time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 4.3.2.2 Statement Statistics

Visualization of execution plans for procedures displays a set of statistics for each SQL statement involved in a procedure.

**Context**

This set of statistics is automatically visualized when a procedure is executed and it provides a good starting point for analyzing performance of procedures as it lets you easily drill-down into the most expensive SQL statements. Basic information such as execution count, execution/compile time, allocated memory size and so
on are provided for each statement so that you can sort the column (criterion) of interest to find the most expensive statement.

The following pieces of information are available: SQL Statement, Line Number, Execution Count, Execution Times, Compilation Times, Memory Allocated, Result Record Count, Explain Plan Result, and Procedure Comment.

By right-clicking on any element of the SQL statement, you will have access to these menus:

- Show Plan in Graph: Displays the execution plan corresponding to the selected statement in the context of entire plan.
- Show Plan in New Window: Displays the execution plan corresponding to the selected statement ONLY in a separate pop-up window.
- Execute Statement: Enables users to reproduce the execution of a single statement.

**Note**

To use this feature, the 'Keep Temp Tables' button located on the top-right corner of a graph editor (Plan Visualizer) must be toggled before obtaining the executed plan of the procedure under analysis.

**Procedure**

1. Open an SQL Console
2. Enter any procedure into the console and choose Visualize Plan from the context menu.
3. Choose F8 to see executed plan from the visualized plan.
Statement Statistics will be shown automatically and it will list all the statements that were involved in the procedure. You can use this view to drill down to the potential root-cause of a long running procedure. For example you might detect a single statement that takes up most of the time and check whether this is indeed expected or notice that an identical statement is repeatedly executed with varying statistics (for example, big gap between minimum execution time and maximum execution time).

4.3.2.3 Timeline View

The Timeline view provides a complete overview of the execution plan based on visualization of sequential time-stamps.

Context

The following pieces of information are available in the view:

- X-axis: time elapsed since query execution,
- Y-axis: list of operators
- Duration of each operator execution represented by rectangular bars
- The nature of each time-stamp (for example, open, fetch, close, and so on.)

The view supports:

- Synchronized selection with operators in graphical plan
- Hierarchical display of operators based on parent-child relationship
- Re-configuration of scales via a toolbar option

Procedure

1. To see a temporal breakdown of the individual operations processed in the execution of the query, open the Timeline view.

   From the main menu choose Window > Show View > Timeline.

   Timeline View
2. Use this view to drill down to the potential root-cause of a long running query:

   For example you might
   ○ Detect a single operator that takes up most of the time and check whether this is expected
   ○ Notice that some operators are executed sequentially instead of running in parallel, so you might check the system environment

**Next Steps**

However, users should take into account the following point and limitations when analyzing the Timeline view:

- Any gaps or multiple occurrence of 'open', 'fetch', and so on in the Column Search operator invoked by the row engine indicates that there was another operation called by the column engine in the meantime.
- The adjustment for exclusivity of time-stamps as described above is not applicable for column engine operators, meaning some operators may not be actually running in parallel but simply calling one another.
- Logical grouping operators for the column engine (those colored in gray) simply display the aggregated time-stamps of their constituent operators.

### 4.3.2.4 Operator List for Plan Visualizer

The Operator List view is used within the context of the Plan Visualizer perspective. It lists detailed characteristics of all operators within a current plan, both visualized and executed.

The Operator List can be used to dynamically explore the operator set along user defined filters in order to pinpoint specific operators of interest. The view supports:

- Display of various KPIs, for example, isPhysical (meaning whether an operator is a real, physically executed one), offset, execution time, CPU time
- Setting of filters along all the columns and KPIs
- Display of the number of operators within the filtered set
- Immediate aggregated information (max, min, sum, and so on) regarding the same KPIs on the filtered operator set and the remaining set (not within the filter)
Detailed display of all operators within the filtered set (which can be further sorted)
Export of the (filtered) operator list to a CSV file
Forwards and backwards browsing through the history of applied filters.

As of SPS 09 the following features are supported:

- Show or hide columns using the preferences dialog (preferences icon next to save button)
- Change the order of columns using drag and drop
- Order and column visibility are stored in users workspace
- Remote search functionality. Press Ctrl+F when displaying an executed plan and specify search parameters. When you carry out a search the operator list is updated accordingly

You can use the Operator List view to analyze the set of operators within a plan for the occurrence of specific conditions, even before looking into the visualized plan. For example, you might

1. Filter all operators that process a certain number of (input) rows
2. Further restrict the filter to physical operators (using "x" as the search criteria in filter column "Physical")
3. Display the executed plan, press Ctrl+F and set "Execution Time - At least" to 50
4. Finally, double click on an operator you are interested in to check its positioning within a visualized plan.

4.3.2.5 Network View

The Network View can visualize sequential network data transfers between different servers based on their given timestamps when an execution plan is based on a distributed query.

Context

The following pieces of information are available in the view:

- X-axis: servers involved.
- Y-axis: time elapsed since query execution
- Duration of each operator represented by rectangular bars
- Size of data transferred in bytes

The view supports:
You may use this view to discover any issues related to a distributed environment.

**Procedure**

1. Open the view
2. Check the results
   
   For example you might notice that an unusually long time is spent on a particular network data transfer, so you might check the data size and/or network condition and see that network data transfers occur too frequently between a particular set of servers, so you might improve the distribution set-up.
3. Optimize your distributed landscape based on the results.
4.3.2.6 Tables Used

The table usage view provides an overview on which tables have been used during the processing of a statement.

Context

The Tables Used view can be used to cross-check your business understanding about which tables are needed to fulfill a given SQL statement.

The view displays 3 metrics per table:

- Maximum number of entries processed, that is the overall output cardinality of any processing step on that table in the statement execution.
- Number of accesses, meaning how often a table has been accessed during statement execution
- Maximum processing time, that is the maximum processing time across the possibly multiple table accesses

The view content can be sorted along any column; double-clicking on any row (table) leads to a corresponding operator list filtered for physical operators accessing the selected table.

You may use this view to understand whether the data processing of your statement matches your business expectations.

Procedure

1. Review the tables used in your SQL.
   You may detect a table that has been processed which should not be needed from a business perspective, so you might modify your SQL in a way that this table is no more used.
2. Review the number of times a table is accessed.
You may see that the number of processed entries is far higher than expected, so you can check if it is possible to improve the filtering in your SQL statement.

### 4.3.2.7 Performance Trace

The Performance Trace view displays the list of operators that have performance trace data. The data can be viewed by selecting any of the operator shown in the list.

**Context**

The view consists of two main sections:

- The left panel shows list of operators you can select to view performance trace data
- The right panel shows the performance trace data for the operator you have selected

The view supports:

- synchronized selection between operators visualized in the graph
- double-clicking on a particular data to view its full-text

**Note**

This view is mainly targeted towards advanced users who are well acquainted with the core details of SAP HANA.
**Procedure**

1. Look for any additional properties relevant to a particular operator that you cannot find from other views.
2. Fill in missing gaps in the Timeline view by deducing from the sequential list of activities.
3. Further break-down a specific operation into core engine-level details.

**4.3.2.8 Plan Trace**

Plan trace enables you to collect SQL queries and their execution plans, executed in a given time frame for a particular application session.

**Context**

You can access the plan trace configuration wizard in SAP HANA studio in two ways:

- By right-clicking on a particular session you wish to trace in the Administration editor -> Performance -> Sessions
- Going to Administration editor -> Trace Configuration tab

For each SQL query that has been traced, you will be able to visualize the execution plan for performance analysis.

Once you stop an active trace, a Plan Trace Editor will be automatically opened displaying the queries that have been traced.

As of SPS 09, only 'SELECT' statements are traced with Plan trace. You can double-click a particular statement or open "Visualize Plan" from the context menu to get the execution plan.

![Plan Trace Editor Screenshot](image-url)
Procedure

1. Open the SQL Console
2. Open Administration editor ➤ Performance tab ➤ Sessions tab
3. Right-click on the session which corresponds to the SQL Console that you opened in step 1.
   The column Application Source will contain the keyword ‘SQLExecuteFormEditor’
4. From the context menu, choose Configure Trace Plan Trace
5. Press ‘Finish’ in the pop-up configuration wizard
6. Execute some SELECT queries in the SQL Console
   Only SELECT queries are supported with SPS 09.
7. After execution, go back to the sessions list and deactivate ‘Plan Trace’ via configuration wizard (as in steps 4 to 6)
8. An editor (Plan Trace editor) will open automatically showing the list of queries that you have executed in ‘SQL Console’
9. Each item (query) can be double-clicked for visualization of its execution plan
4.3.2.9 Calculation Scenario Visualization

By navigating to a particular calculation view in the Systems view, you can access the Visualize View context menu, which will visualize the calculation scenario associated with the view.

The calculation scenario visualizer consists of the following three main sections:

- **Left**: an overview which provides a list of calculation nodes involved in the scenario with their main properties
- **Middle**: the visualized graph of calculation scenario
- **Right**: an input tab which provides mapping information of the selected node, an output tab which provides attributes of a selected node, and a source tab which shows the raw JSON data of the selected node

The visualizer supports:

- Link with ‘Properties’ view for each selected node
- Double-clicking on a particular data source to drill down to its calculation scenario

You may use this visualizer to check whether the scenario is designed according to your understanding, and, if not, find potential tweaking points.
4.4 Result Cache

The static result cache and the dynamic result cache are configurable applications of caching query results to gain performance benefits.

Caching is used widely in SAP HANA as a strategy to improve performance by re-using queried data rather than re-reading and processing the data every time it is requested. The static result cache (sometimes referred to as cached views) and the dynamic result cache are applications of this. The static result cache is created for a specific view and remains valid for the duration of a user-defined retention period. The dynamic result cache is similar but does not have a retention period; it guarantees transactional consistency by maintaining delta records of all changes applied to the underlying table.

The following table gives a comparative overview of essential details of the static and dynamic result cache features, these are described in detail in the subsections which follow:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Static Result Cache</th>
<th>Dynamic Result Cache</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Target Scenario</td>
<td>Scalability enhancement for query on complex view (usually top-level view) from an application which can accept stale data.</td>
<td>Scalability enhancement for heavy aggregation workload on big tables which are frequently updated (for example ACDOCA).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Query result</td>
<td>Stale data</td>
<td>Non-Stale data</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scope</td>
<td><strong>Target objects</strong>: SQL View, User-defined table function (w/o imperative logic), Calculation view with some limitation. <strong>Aggregation types</strong>: SUM, MIN, MAX, COUNT.</td>
<td><strong>Target objects</strong>: SQL Views on the aggregation of a single column table. <strong>Aggregation types</strong>: SUM, COUNT, AVG - fully supported. MIN, MAX - partially supported for insert only table.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Cache Maintenance        | Whenever the cache period becomes older than the retention period then the cache is fully refreshed. | At each query execution:  
- If updated records are identifiable then the cache is incrementally updated with updated records.  
- If no update is identifiable (due to MVCC garbage collection) then the cache is fully refreshed. |
| Implicit view matching   | Not supported                                                                      | Supported with hint / configuration.                                                 |
| Adoption effort: defining cache | Usually static result cache is enabled on existing CDS view or calculation view. In the case of a CDS view without aggregation the result cache should be defined with expected aggregation type from target queries. | If the target aggregation is already defined as a view, dynamic result cache can be enabled on the existing view (explicit usage). Otherwise, a new view definition is required and dynamic result cache can be used with implicit view matching. |
4.4.1 Static Result Cache

Complex SQL views and calculation views place a heavy load on the system. You may be able to use the static result cache to reduce CPU consumption (and thus to increase overall system throughput) or to reduce the response time of queries.

Frequently accessed views may consume an excessive amount of CPU. Cached views can trade this CPU consumption for an increased memory consumption by caching the result of evaluating a view and reusing this cached data when the view is accessed by a query.

Using the static result cache the query result of a view is cached in memory and refreshed only periodically. On the one hand, this avoids having to reevaluate the view each time the view is accessed, on the other hand, the cached data might be stale if the tables used by the view are updated after the last refresh. However, the data retention period which determines how old the data may become is configurable and the age of the cached data is also returned to the database client.

Cached views must be implemented in combination with careful testing to validate that correct results are returned, that the cached views are actually used, and that indeed the CPU consumption is reduced. Tools which can help with this are available in SAP HANA cockpit and SAP HANA studio such as Explain Plan and Visualize Plan (see separate sections of this document).

Scope

Generally, caching can be used for calculation views, SQL views, table functions which return the result of a single SQL SELECT statement, and CDS views (which are translated into table functions). To save memory, cached views store aggregated values (aggregation types SUM, MIN, MAX, and COUNT are supported).

Not all views may be suitable for caching (for example views using time functions which depend upon the current time would not be suitable). Caching cannot be used for scripted views, join views, OLAP views, and hierarchy views. Other limitations may apply, for example, if analytic privileges have been applied to the data.

Configuring the Memory Budget

A maximum cache size (a memory budget) must be defined to manage the maximum amount of memory available to cache cached views. This is configured in the indexserver.ini file in the total_size parameter in the result_cache section of the file.
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<th>Parameter</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>total_size</td>
<td>10000</td>
<td>The memory budget in MB available for cached views.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If the memory consumed for caching views exceeds this threshold an alert is raised and, where necessary, cached views will be dropped from memory resulting in higher response times for previously cached data. In this case administrators may increase the memory budget size or create capacity in the budget by, for example, dropping cached views which are rarely used.

If a view fails to be created then it is added to an exclusion list of views which have not been successfully cached (view M_VIEW_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS). There are two common cases where this occurs:

- If the time to calculate the result of the view is longer than the retention time.
- If the memory required to cache the result of the view is larger than the memory budget.

The following example query selects basic details of failed cached views:

```
SELECT SCHEMA_NAME, OBJECT_NAME, REASON, EXCLUDE_TIME
FROM M_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS
```

Hints to Enable the Result Cache

The static result cache feature is disabled by default and is only considered when explicitly invoked by using one of the following RESULT_CACHE hints in the SQL statement:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>HINT(RESULT_CACHE)</td>
<td>Always use the result cache if it is available.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HINT(RESULT_CACHE_MAX_LAG(seCONDS))</td>
<td>Sets the retention period of the result cache to this value (or the value set in the ADD CACHE configuration).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HINT(RESULT_CACHE_NON_TRANSACTIONAL)</td>
<td>Allows join or union operations using the result cache entries and disregards possible transaction inconsistencies.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HINT(RESULT_CACHE_NO_REFRESH)</td>
<td>Access existing cached data without refreshing it even if its retention period is over.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note that the hint class for result cache is also supported: RESULT_LAG('result_cache'[, seconds])

4.4.1.1 Creating and Using the Static Result Cache

This topic gives a number of examples to illustrate how you can use the result cache.

To save memory cached SQL views are based on aggregated results (SUM, MIN, MAX and COUNT are supported); only the aggregated values are stored. The SQL optimizer uses the aggregation type of each column in the top-most select statement as the basis for the cached result.
When a user submits a query to a cached view a matching process analyzes the request and the definition of the query to see if the cached data can be used or if the request must read the data from the database.

To exploit the cached data the query must match with the definition of the result cache and a number of matching rules apply:

- The query must reference the same columns (or a subset of the columns) in the cache.
- The query must explicitly reference the view or a sub view referenced by the view.
- The predicate in the query must be the same as that used in creating the view, any additional conditions which are added must be more restrictive filters.

**Examples**

**Aggregation (OF clause)**

For SQL views / functions, you can explicitly state the aggregation type as part of the ADD cache clause, then the cache will be defined with an additional aggregation operation on the top for the view definition. This is shown in the following example which creates a view and then uses the alter view syntax to add the view to the cache with a retention period of 120 minutes.

```sql
CREATE VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW AS
(SELECT A, SUM(KF1) AS KF1, MIN(KF2) AS KF2, MAX(KF3) AS KF3
FROM SIMPLE_TABLE GROUP BY A)

ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120 OF A, SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2), MAX(KF3), KF4;
```

The cache contents will be created from the result of the query:

```
SELECT A, SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2), MAX(KF3) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW GROUP BY A;
```

In the following example queries, the first two statements consistently use the same aggregated values as defined in the query and can exploit the cache. The third example cannot use the cached data because it requests unaggregated details which are not included in the cache:

```sql
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);

SELECT SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2), MAX(KF3) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW GROUP BY A WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);

/* only aggregated data is cached - cannot use the cached data*/
SELECT KF1, KF2, KF3 FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);
```

If the user does not state the aggregation option in the ALTER VIEW statement, the cache will be defined the same as the view definition:

```sql
ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120;
```

In this case, the cache contents will be created from result of the query:

```
SELECT * FROM SIMPLE_VIEW;
```

There is then no limitation of cache utilization for queries on SIMPLE_VIEW (as long as RESULT_CACHE hint is used) and the cache would be utilized for all of above three queries.
**Filters (FILTER clause)**

This example illustrates filtering. If the user states the additional filter option, the cache will be defined with an additional filter on the top of the view definition:

```sql
ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120 FILTER B > 3;
```

The cache contents will be created from the result of the query: `SELECT * FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3;

In the following example queries the first two statements will exploit the cache as those queries requires cache data (B > 3) only. The third example cannot use the cached data because the query requests data which is not a part of cached data.

```sql
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3 AND B < 10 WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3 AND A = 1 WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);
/* only B > 3 data is cached - cannot use the cached data*/
SELECT KF1, KF2, KF3 FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE A = 1 WITH HINT(RESULT_CACHE);
```

**Cached Views and Analytic Privileges**

By default a cache entry is created for each analytic privilege which in some cases may lead to a large number of cache entries. To avoid this situation and to provide some flexibility an alternative scheme is available which can be applied by using a hint. This option must first be enabled using a configuration parameter but once it is enabled, one cache entry is created without applying analytic privileges and the privilege is then applied on top of the cache for every query execution. Additionally, the coverage of analytic privilege type is also changed with the alternative approach. By default, only static XML analytic privileges are supported, but using the configuration and hint this limitation is removed and dynamic XML analytic privileges and SQL analytic privileges are also supported.

This feature is enabled using the following configuration setting in the `indexserver.ini` file:

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<th>Default</th>
<th>Detail</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>before_analytic_privilege</td>
<td>False</td>
<td>Set this to <strong>True</strong> to enable the option of caching the result before applying analytic privileges.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Once the feature is enabled the following hints are supported:

- **HINT(RESULT_CACHE_BEFORE_ANALYTIC_PRIVILEGE)** - this hint builds the cache before the authorization restrictions are applied (that is, read all the data and apply the restrictions when the data is queried so that only authorized data is selected for each user).
- **HINT(RESULT_CACHE_AFTER_ANALYTIC_PRIVILEGE)** - this hint builds the cache in the normal way by applying analytic privileges first. This option is more efficient in terms of memory usage since less data is cached but is only suitable for views where static XML privileges have been applied.
Result Cache HDI Plugin

To transform and deploy design time DDL-based result cache definitions the result cache plugin is available. The following example defines a result cache for the view named "A_Sql_View":

```sql
RESULT CACHE "_SYS_CACHE#sap::A_Sql_View" ON VIEW "sap::A_Sql_View" WITH RETENTION 30
```

This DDL-style syntax is the same as SQL except that no CREATE / ADD keyword is required. The complete name of the cache is specified as: "_SYS_CACHE#<view name>".

To cache a table function use ON FUNCTION instead of ON VIEW. Any values after the keyword WITH are copied to the corresponding SQL statement, so other parameters such as defining a projection list, a filter or the force flag are also supported.

Refer to the SAP HANA Developer Guide For SAP HANA XS Advanced Model for further details.

4.4.1.2  Resources for Testing the Result Cache

This topic uses an example calculation view to illustrate how you can work with tools to test the result cache.

After caching a view it is important to verify that the view has been successfully cached, that correct results are returned, that the cached views is actually used and is effectively reducing CPU consumption. The following example uses the ALTER VIEW syntax to add a calculation view result to the cache with a retention period of 60 minutes:

```sql
ALTER VIEW "_SYS_BIC"."sap.hba.ecc/CostCenterPlanActualCommitmentQuery" ADD CACHE RETENTION 60;
```

Note that the top-most node of a calculation view should be an aggregation type node. If it is not but the calculation view does implicit grouping then caching will fail.

Carry out the following checks:

1) Check the system view RESULT_CACHE:

   ```sql
   select schema_name, object_name, cache_type
   from RESULT_CACHE
   where object_name = 'my_view';
   ```

   If the query on system view RESULT_CACHE returns a record, it indicates the successful creation of the cached view.

2) After running a query against the cached view, use the Explain Plan tool (context menu in the SQL Console) to confirm the source of the query result. The OPERATOR_NAME value should show RESULT_CACHE.

3) Continue to test the cached view by monitoring the execution times of queries based on the view. Expect the first execution of the query to be slow and look for performance improvements on subsequent runs. If there is no reduction in response time or CPU consumption when the cached view is used then it is not beneficial.

4) Use monitoring views M_RESULT_CACHE and M_HEAP_MEMORY to see more details of the cached view such as memory consumption and data refresh details.
**4.4.2 Dynamic Result Cache**

The dynamic result cache may be used to improve the performance of queries which are frequently executed.

In comparison to the static result cache, running queries against a dynamic result cache may be a better option for increasing the performance of queries. The dynamic result cache offers improved throughput and response time but most importantly it eliminates the risk of querying stale data and will always return transactionally consistent data. However, dynamic caches are not suitable for all views, the performance gains depend very much upon the nature of the data, the query, and how frequently the cache is read.

Optimal scenarios where the dynamic result cache can dramatically improve performance include the following characteristics:

- Intensive parallel querying of large tables
- Extensive use of aggregation
- Tables are regularly updated and up-to-date query results are essential.

An SAP Note about the Dynamic Result Cache is available: SAP Note 2506811 - FAQ: SAP HANA Dynamic Result Cache.

**Overview**

You specify the cache type when you create the cache; only one type of cache can be applied to a view, either static or dynamic. A key difference is that the dynamic result cache has no retention period:

```sql
ALTER VIEW V ADD STATIC CACHE RETENTION 10;
ALTER VIEW V ADD DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

Dynamic result caches require no retention period because up-to-date query results are guaranteed. When a query is executed against a dynamic result cache there are two possible responses:

- In the best-case scenario up-to-date results are returned by firstly incrementally updating the cache with delta records of newly inserted, updated or deleted data and then returning the query result from the cache.
- In some situations an incremental update of the cache is no longer possible as delta records are not identifiable due to version garbage collection; in this case the ‘fallback’ option is then invoked and the query runs against the database. A full refresh of the cache is then executed in the background in a separate thread.

The decision to either read from the cache or the database is taken during execution of the query. Events which invalidate and prevent use of the cache include the following:

- The cached data has been invalidated by garbage collection (see details below).
The volume of delta records has reached its maximum permitted size of 10,000,000 (planned to be changed in a future release).

In any of these cases the fallback option is used instead of the cache.

**Scope**

Dynamic result caches are only supported for SQL views defined as aggregation on single column tables; aggregation types sum, count, and avg are supported. MIN and MAX aggregation is partially supported for INSERT (see below).

**Benefits and Limitations**

Some of the factors influencing the benefits gained from using dynamic result cache are discussed in more detail here:

**Query Execution Frequency:** A side-effect of the version garbage collection process is that it may clear data from the cache. To a certain extent the frequency of the garbage collection can be controlled by setting the blocking period (see configuration below), but you should consider the negative impact this will have on the general performance of all SELECT and UPDATE statements accessing the target table. If the cache is not used within the blocking period then the cache will be invalidated by garbage collection and must be refreshed. A querying frequency against the cached view of less than the garbage collection blocking period (default 1 minute) is therefore essential.

**Table Size and Cache Size:** Performance of the dynamic result cache is proportional to the cache size. A performance gain can only be expected if the dynamic result cache has a significantly smaller cache size than the base table.

**Aggregation:** One of the greatest benefits of cached views is in reducing the need for expensive aggregation processes. If your data has a high degree of aggregation then using cached views may be beneficial. Queries with highly-selective filters, on the other hand, requiring only a few milliseconds for aggregation processing should expect no benefit from using dynamic result cache.

**Base Table Characteristics:** If the base table of the view is mostly used to INSERT data then a dynamic result cache can be defined effectively in combination with all supported aggregation types: SUM, COUNT, AVG, MIN, MAX. However, DELETE and UPDATE operations on the base table in combination with MIN or MAX aggregation invalidate the cache and reduce the potential performance improvement. It is therefore not recommended to use dynamic result cache with MIN/MAX aggregation if the target table is not an INSERT only table.

**Related Information**

*SAP Note 2506811*

*SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide*

*Tools and Tracing*

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4.4.2.1 Working With The Dynamic Result Cache

This section includes examples of creating the cache and the configuration parameters available to modify the operation of caches and monitoring usage.

SQL Syntax

The OPTIMIZER ADMIN privilege is required to execute commands to configure the dynamic result cache.

You can add a dynamic cache to a view using either the CREATE VIEW or ALTER VIEW statements. Optionally, a filter condition can be applied to the view. The basic syntax is shown here:

```
CREATE VIEW <view_name> [(column_name_list)] AS <subquery>
WITH DYNAMIC CACHE [FILTER <filter_condition>];
```

The option to DROP a cache is also available. Commands for use with ALTER SYSTEM are:

- CLEAR (remove all cache entries)
- REMOVE (remove a single named cache entry)

Refer to the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference for full details.

Examples

The basic usage with ALTER VIEW is shown in this example:

```
ALTER VIEW MyView ADD DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

To create a view with a dynamic result cache the syntax is:

```
CREATE VIEW MyView as (...) WITH DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

The following examples show how the dynamic result cache is used when a filter condition is applied:

1. You can apply a filter using the parameterized filter condition (with a question mark):

```
ALTER VIEW view1 ADD DYNAMIC CACHE FILTER MANDT = ?;
```

Only the equals comparator is permitted but multiple conditions can be used with the AND operator. For example: MANDT = ? AND RLDNR = ?

2. If the cache is defined with a filter then a condition must be applied in the query:

```
SELECT * FROM view1 WHERE MANDT = 300;
```

3. The filter value can also be provided as a runtime parameter using the question mark syntax:

```
SELECT * FROM view1 WHERE MANDT = ?;
```
## Configuration

Dynamic result caches are enabled by default. A number of configuration parameters are available to manage this feature in the 'dynamic_result_cache' section of the ini file:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>enabled</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Purpose</td>
<td>Enable the dynamic cached views feature. If this is set as false then any cached data will be ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Additional information</td>
<td>This functionality is available at run-time using the following two hints: DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE - Select data from the dynamic result cache NO_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE - Explicit instruction not to use the cache</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>total_size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Purpose</td>
<td>Apply a memory budget, that is, the maximum memory allocation which is available for all dynamic result cache entries.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default</td>
<td>10000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
<td>MB</td>
</tr>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>max_cache_entry_size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Purpose</td>
<td>Apply a memory budget for individual cache entries, that is, the maximum memory allocation which is available for a single dynamic result cache.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unit</td>
<td>MB</td>
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</table>

Exceptions: Caches which exceed this size limitation are not used, they are registered on the exclusion list and the fallback query will be used in future. The monitoring view M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS shows a single entry for each cache which has been excluded.

Note that for caches where a filter has been applied exclusion depends on the parameter used and the total size of the result. If the result using one parameter is excluded it may still be possible to use the cache with a different parameter which returns results within the memory budget.

You can remove a cache key from the exclusion list by any of the following:

1. Disable dynamic result cache on the view: ALTER VIEW ... DROP DYNAMIC CACHE;
2. Drop the view: DROP VIEW...;
3. Use the clear command: ALTER SYSTEM CLEAR DYNAMIC RESULT CACHE;
Parameter: version_garbage_collection_blocking_period

Purpose
This parameter is used to prevent garbage collection from running against the view’s base table.

Default 60

Unit Seconds

Additional information
A side-effect of the version garbage collection process is that it may invalidate the cache which must then be refreshed. To prevent this from frequently happening, you can use this parameter to control the garbage collection process of the base table to block garbage collection for a limited period of time.

Note that if the cache is not used within this period it will be invalidated and must be refreshed.

Parameter: enable_auto_delta_refresh

Purpose
Controls automatic delta refresh of dynamic result cache. Use this feature to minimize the possibility of cache invalidation by garbage collection. If this is turned on a background job triggers a refresh of the cache entry’s delta whenever it is required. The feature is turned off by default.

Default FALSE

Parameter: enable_implicit_match

Purpose
Controls implicit matching which automatically attempts to match queries with the dynamic result cache. The feature is enabled by default.

Default TRUE

Monitoring

Two views are available to analyze the operation of the cache:

M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE Every cache has its own ID and this view gives full details of each cache including memory size, record count and timestamps for cache and delta store. It also includes the timestamp of the last cached MVCC snapshot which is the basis of the garbage collection process.

This view only shows data for a cache once a query has been executed against the view.

M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_Exclusions Usage of views which cannot be cached is logged and details can be seen in this view. Typically, this is caused by a data selection which exceeds the size defined in max_cache_entry_size (by default 1GB). This view includes memory size, record count and timestamp of the data.
Implicit Matching

In order to extend the usage of the dynamic result cache to other queries, implicit matching automatically attempts to match queries with cached views.

Using implicit matching the SQL optimizer reads the query plan of the current statement and analyzes the structure to check if the requested data can be retrieved from cached data. If a suitable cache is available and all the checks for data compatibility and user privileges are successful then the SQL optimizer rewrites the execution plan to utilize the existing dynamic result cache.

Implicit matching may incur a slight overhead in query compilation times and although the feature is enabled by default it can be turned off by setting the configuration parameter `enable_implicit_match` to `FALSE`.

Hints for Enabling Implicit Matching

If implicit view matching is disabled it can be used on an ad hoc basis using the following hint:

```
DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH
```

Or, conversely, use this hint if necessary to manually turn it off:

```
NO_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH
```

Optionally, implicit matching can be used with a named specific view, or a selection of preferred views:

```
DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH(<schema_name1>.<view_name1>, <schema_name2>.<view_name2>, ...)
```

4.4.2.2 Testing the Dynamic Result Cache

You will need to test queries using a dynamic result cache to verify the performance benefit. Some general guidance to support testing is given here.

Testing and Verification

Important resources for testing include Explain Plan and Plan Visualization, and the monitoring view `M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE`. You should be able to step through the complete process of creating and querying the view and measuring the performance. This may include the following actions:

- Building and querying the cache
- Updating the target table and seeing an increase in the delta record count
- Seeing the selection of the appropriate query plan (both reading from the cache and reading from the database) using Plan Visualization.
- Testing the effects of version garbage collection.
- Measuring performance (using hints to turn cache usage on or off).
Create and Verify the View and Cache

Create the view and user ALTER VIEW to add the dynamic cache. You can then confirm that the cached view was created by checking the system view DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE:

```
select schema_name, object_name, cache_type, cache_filter, cache_locations
from DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE;
```

The expected return values are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CACHE_TYPE</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>'DYNAMIC, FULL'</td>
<td>(for a dynamic result cache without a filter)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>'DYNAMIC, PARTIAL'</td>
<td>(for a cache with a filter).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CACHE_FILTER</td>
<td>Filter shown if specified.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CACHE_LOCATIONS</td>
<td>Location of cache entry if specified.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Verify the Query Plan

Run a test query against the cached view. You can now use Explain Plan (either within SAP HANA Studio or from the SQL command line) to verify that the query plan for a dynamic cached view has been created. In the output, search for the operator name property HAVING - DYNAMIC VIEW CACHE. This is only created when the dynamic result cache is active.

For further testing, note that if implicit matching was used using the hint DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH the operator name CONTROL SWITCH will include "AUTO VIEW MATCH" details as one of its properties.

Build and Monitor the Cache

The cache is built for the first time when you first run the query.

Firstly, you can use the Visualize Plan tool to see which alternative plans are built for the query and which one is executed. Note also the detailed execution times in the tool.

Secondly, you can see full details of the cache refresh process in the monitoring view M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE. Select all details for the view:

```
select * from m_dynamic_result_cache where object_name = 'MyView';
```

Key values include: Refresh reason (initially 'Cache Creation'), Duration, State, Refresh_Count, Memory_Size, Record_Count.

Measure the Delta Record Count After Updates

After executing some INSERT operations in the target table you can monitor how the cache is used in this situation.

1. Use Visualize Plan to see which plan is executed. Check the row count numbers to see the effects of adding new data to the table.
2. In the M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE view, the Delta Refresh_Count shows an increase in how often delta records have been added to the cache.
Monitor Version Garbage Collection

Verify the effects of garbage collection by holding queries back for one minute until after the garbage collection process has run.

In the M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE view, check the value of the last refresh reason time. This will show 'MVCC_GARBAGE_COLLECTION'.

Test Implicit Matching

To test Implicit Matching you can use the Explain Plan tool in SAP HANA Studio to analyze the details of the execution and optimization processes. You can see which views have been considered by the optimization process by looking at the result value returned by the following procedure:

GET_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH_CANDIDATES_IN_STATEMENT

The views that passed the checking phase, but were not selected in the rewriting phase of the process will be marked as 'CANDIDATE MATCH'. Explain Plan will show the rewritten plan with the selected view name replacing the original table(s) specified in the statement.

4.5 Tracing for Calculation View Queries

Additional tracing options are available for the calculation engine in SQL.

The tracing level for the calculation engine can be set for individual queries from the SQL command line using support mode tracing. This uses a placeholder parameter $$CE_SUPPORT$$ which can be appended to an SQL query. The parameter takes one or more value pairs specifying the trace level and the name of the trace you wish to activate. The following example has three pairs which set the calcengine to debug, the optimizer to information and the instantiate level to warning:

```
SELECT * FROM "<CALC_VIEW_SCHEMA>"."<CALC_VIEW_NAME>" WITH PARAMETERS ('PLACEHOLDER' = $$CE_SUPPORT$$,'d_calcengine, i_ceoptimizerinfo, w_ceinstantiate'))
```

The possible values for the trace component identifiers are:

- calcengine
- calcenginect
- ceexecute
- ceinstantiate
- cejoin
- cemonitor
- ceoptimizer
- ceoptimizerinfo
- ceoptimizerperf
- ceplanexec
- ceqetree
- ceqetils
- ceqe

For full details of this option refer to SAP Note 2594739 - HANA Calculation Engine support mode tracing.
Related Information

SAP Note 2594739

4.6 Advanced Analysis

If you have an advanced knowledge of SAP HANA and SQL databases and you suspect that automated processes are making poor decisions that have negative impacts on query performance, you can perform advanced analyses to better understand how those decisions were made.

In SAP HANA cockpit you can use specific tracing features to generate detailed trace information to help analyze the following processes:

- Table joins using the join evaluation (je) trace
- Column searches using the query optimizer (qo) trace

Recommendation

Perform these types of analysis only if analyses of query plans and SQL statements were not enough to find the root cause of slow query performance.

Exporting SQL Plans

In the SAP HANA backend, the SQL Query Processor parses the SQL query statements and generates optimized SQL Query Execution plans. As the Query Processor and the Query Optimizer continue to be developed the resultant execution plans for a given query may change. All developments are of course intended to improve performance but if you suspect that performance of a query might be worse after an upgrade, the Abstract SQL Plan feature makes it possible to export an abstracted version of an execution plan and reuse it in a different target system.

4.6.1 Analyzing Column Searches (qo trace)

In SAP HANA, if a column search takes a long time, you can analyze how the query-optimizer performed the column search. A query-optimizer (qo) trace of a single SAP HANA table search provides the details you need for such an analysis.

Context

The qo trace provides a lot of detailed information that is hard to analyze if you are not an SAP HANA query-optimizer expert; however, it provides very useful information for performance analysis. From the information within the trace files, you can see which column the query-optimizer decided to use as the first column in the column search and you can determine whether that decision negatively impacted the performance of the column search.
To start a user-specific qo trace in SAP HANA cockpit and analyze the relevant trace information, proceed as follows.

**Procedure**

1. In SAP HANA Database Explorer choose *Trace Configuration* from the database context menu and create a new user-specific trace. The *Trace Configuration* dialog box opens.
2. Specify a context name. The context name appears as part of the trace file name and should be easy for you to recognize and later find.
3. Specify your database user or application user.
4. Enter *qo* as filter text and search for the *trex_qo* component.
5. For the *trex_qo* component, select DEBUG as the system trace level.
6. Choose *OK*.
7. Run the query you want to trace.
8. Switch off the trace by deleting the user-specific trace configuration.
9. Search through the *Database Diagnostic Files* folder and locate the trace file. The file opens on a new tab page.
10. In the trace section, analyze the trace information for each term (WHERE condition).
   a. Find the sections detailing the estimated results for the terms. These sections are marked with *GetEstimation.cpp*.
   b. Find the sections detailing the actual search results for the terms. These sections are marked with *Evaluate.cpp*.
   c. Compare the estimated results with the actual search results. The query-optimizer selects which column to use as the first column of the search based on the term with the lowest estimated number of results.

**Results**

If the actual results indicate that a different term should have been used to start the column search, then this may represent the source of poor performance. For more detailed analysis, you can send the trace file to SAP Support.
4.6.2 Analyzing Table Joins

In SAP HANA, if a query on joined tables takes a long time, you can analyze how the tables are joined and in what order. A join evaluation (je) trace of joined SAP HANA tables provides the details you need for such an analysis.

Context

The je trace provides a lot of detailed information that is hard to analyze if you are not an SAP HANA join engine expert; however, it provides very useful information for performance analysis. From the information within the trace files, you can see which table is used as the first table when processing a join and how the order of tables in the join is defined. You can use this information to determine whether query performance is negatively impacted by the table join.

To start a je trace in SAP HANA cockpit and analyze the relevant trace information, proceed as follows:

Procedure

1. In SAP HANA Database Explorer choose Trace Configuration from the database context menu and create a new user-specific trace. The Trace Configuration dialog box opens.
2. Specify a context name. The context name appears as part of the trace file name and should be easy for you to recognize and later find.
3. Specify your database user or application user.
4. Enter join as filter text and search for the join_eval component.
5. For the join_eval component, select DEBUG as the system trace level.
6. Choose OK.
7. Run the query you want to trace.
8. Switch off the trace by deleting the user-specific trace configuration.
9. Search through the Database Diagnostic Files folder and locate the trace file. The file opens on a new tab page.
10. From the end of the file, search backwards for the beginning of the trace section. The trace section starts with i TraceContext TraceContext.cpp.
11. In the trace section, analyze the following trace information:
   ○ Estimations for the WHERE conditions
   ○ Table size and join conditions
   ○ Join decision
4.6.3 SQL Plan Stability

SQL Plan Stability is a feature to protect the performance of queries by capturing query plans in a source system and reusing them in a target system to regenerate the original query plan.

In SAP HANA, the SQL query processor parses SQL statements and generates SQL query execution plans. As the query processor and the query optimizer continue to be developed (in, for example, the new HANA Execution Engine - HEX) the resultant execution plans for a given query may change from one HANA release to another and it is possible that some SQL query statements do not show equivalent performance in the new system.

In order to guarantee the performance of a query after new system upgrades, the plan stability feature offers the option to preserve a query’s execution plan by capturing an abstraction of the plan and reusing it after the upgrade to regenerate the original plan and retain the original performance. In some cases using statement hints may provide a solution to a loss of performance; hints are available, for example, to control which optimizing engine is used; refer to Statement Performance Analysis for details.

HANA 1 to HANA 2 Upgrade Scenario

The Plan Stability feature could be used, for example, when upgrading from SAP HANA 1 to SAP HANA 2. The feature is available in SAP HANA 1.0 SPS 12 for capture purposes and from HANA 2.0 SPS01 for both capturing and regenerating execution plans.

Use Cases and Process Overview

Plan Stability is currently only effective for SELECT queries and can be used in two situations; to capture abstract SQL plans from queries:
- which are executed at the command line
- which are already stored in the plan cache.

Plan Stability requires the OPTIMIZER_ADMIN privilege. The feature is enabled by default and a two-stage process (capture and regenerate from captured plans) is used based on the following SQL statements:
- Start / stop CAPTURE (optionally, capture cached statements)
- Start / stop APPLY, that is, start the process of matching executed queries with captured abstract plans.

Abstract SQL plans are visible in view ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS and cached plans can be queried in M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_. The plan cache includes a value COMPILATION_OPTIONS which indicates what type of plan was used (either normal query optimizer or abstract SQL plan) to create the cached statement. By referring to these two views you can follow the stages of the capture and regeneration process and verify the results of each step.

SQL statements are also available to enable, disable or remove abstract SQL plans from the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table.

The following section gives an overview of the process with examples of the main SQL commands used. Full details of the SQL commands are available in the SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference Guide.

Applying Workload Class Filters to the Capture Process

You can use filtering to limit the capture process to specific targets. You can filter either by user name or by workload class property. Filtering by user name is done at run time as the capture process is initiated (an example is given below), but to filter by workload class property the filters must be set in advance so that they apply permanently; they can be removed when no longer required.
The workload class properties are the following mapping property-value pairs that an application can set in the client interface (see also Workload Management in the SAP HANA Administration Guide):

- APPLICATION USER NAME
- APPLICATION NAME
- USER NAME
- SCHEMA
- XS APPLICATION USER NAME

Filters which have been applied can be seen in the _SYS_PLAN_STABILITY view, they are shown in JSON format in the FILTERS column.

The following examples illustrate the basic syntax and usage of this feature:

**Example**

This example sets two filter conditions. The filters are applied when the capture process is run and captures only plans for App2 where the application user name is 'Test':

```
ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'MyFilter01' SET 'application name'='App2', 'application user name'='TEST';
```

The following example shows how a named filter can be removed; the keyword 'ALL' is also available to remove all filters:

```
ALTER SYSTEM REMOVE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'MyFilter01';
```

**Example**

Queries are tested against all existing filters to find a match. In the following example two filters have been defined, if the conditions of the first filter match with a query plan it will be captured, if not, the conditions of the next filter will be tested:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'filter01' SET 'application name' in ['MyStudio', 'MyBiz'], 'application user name'='TEST';

ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'filter02' SET 'User name'='SYSTEM' 'application name'='MyShop' 'application user name'='Employee25', 'Employee26';
```

This means Plan Stability will capture only queries with application properties where:

- Application name is "MyStudio" OR "MyBiz" AND application user name is "TEST"
- User name is "SYSTEM" AND application name is "MyShop" AND application user name is "Employee25" OR "Employee26".
Using Plan Stability

Capture

The capture process must be explicitly started and stopped manually. The view M_ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_OVERVIEW shows high-level details of activity related to abstract plans for each instance of host and port, this includes current state (ready, capture, apply), the number of plans, memory consumption and timestamps of the last capture period (start/stop time).

SQL filter keywords are available to restrict the capture to individual users; this example starts the capture process for queries submitted by two named users:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START CAPTURE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FOR USER TESTUSER1, TESTUSER2;
```

The capture process runs in the background while selected queries are executed. During the capture period an abstract plan will be created for any newly submitted queries. The abstracted plan is in JSON format, it is not a complete plan but contains logical plans and essential properties such as join algorithms and table locations.

Once all required queries are captured, stop the capture process by executing the CAPTURE command again with the keyword STOP. Verify that the abstract plans have been created by referring to system view ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS. This view shows key details including the following:

Key Values in ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Column</th>
<th>Example / Detail</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_ID</td>
<td>10003, 20003 etc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HOST, PORT</td>
<td>Abstract plans are saved on the basis of locations (host and port). These details can be updated using the SQL statement UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STATEMENT_STRING</td>
<td>SQL SELECT statement.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLAN_KEY</td>
<td>Text string.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN</td>
<td>JSON formatted string.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IS_ENABLED</td>
<td>Abstract plans can be enabled or disabled as required - see below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IS_VALID</td>
<td>If FALSE the captured plan cannot be used - see validity details below.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The following example uses the JSON_VALUE() function to select abstract plans for a given schema (the variable $\.session_user could be used to select plans for a given user):

```
SELECT * FROM ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS WHERE JSON_VALUE(PLAN_KEY, '$.schema') = 'mySchema';
```

Capture WITH CACHE Option

An additional option is available to capture an abstraction of plans which are already cached. For this, the keywords WITH SQL PLAN CACHE are required with the START statement:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START CAPTURE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN WITH SQL PLAN CACHE;
```
This triggers a job (JOB_NAME Plan Stability) which runs and stops when complete. You can monitor its progress in view M_JOB_PROGRESS. On completion you can verify that abstract plans have been stored in ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS using the select statement given in the example above.

### Regenerating Plans (Apply)

To apply the plan stability feature and use the abstract SQL plans run the START APPLY statement:

```sql
ALTER SYSTEM START APPLY ABSTRACT SQL PLAN;
```

Now any newly compiled SELECT queries will be based, wherever possible, on the abstract SQL plans: queries are checked against the stored abstract plans and used to generate an execution plan. You can stop the apply period with the STOP APPLY statement.

**Verification:** In the plan cache you can see the source of a cached statement by referring to the COMPILATION_OPTIONS value, this will be either empty (compiled by HANA SQL query optimizer) or 'ABSTRACT SQL PLAN' to indicate that the plan was regenerated from an abstract plan.

### Enabling and Disabling

Abstract SQL plans can be enabled, disabled or removed from the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table by referring to the ID value. The following example uses a list of plan IDs, the keyword ALL is also available to enable all plans (this sets IS_ENABLED to true):

```sql
ALTER SYSTEM ENABLE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN ENTRY FOR MyPlanID01, MyPlanID02;
```

If a plan is invalid (IS_VALID= FALSE) it will not be used even if it is selected; the query will be compiled using the current version of the optimizer instead of the captured abstract plan. Reasons for invalidation include failed checks on related objects and JSON deserialization failure. The reason is saved in the NOTES column of the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table.

The cache is automatically cleared in the background when certain events take place, that is, when the apply phase is either started or stopped, when one or more plans are enabled or disabled or when one or more plans are removed.

### Changing Locations

If it is necessary to change the location details (host and port) of the server you can use the SQL statement UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN. One scenario where this might be required is in high availability systems after a failover when the secondary data center performs a takeover and becomes the production system. In this case, it would be necessary to update the locations of all nodes. The following example illustrates a multi-node scaleout scenario with two hosts, and uses the keyword ALL to update the location information of all plans:

```sql
ALTER SYSTEM UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN
SET LOCATION sitelhost1:30040 to site2host1:30040, sitelhost2:30040 to site2host2:30040
FOR ALL;
```

### Migrating Abstract SQL Plan After an Upgrade

When the system is upgraded, there might be changes to the internal structure of how the Abstract SQL Plan is captured and stored. So, a migration is needed to the current structure after the upgrade. The migration can be done using the following SQL statement:

```sql
ALTER SYSTEM MIGRATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN;
```
Tracing

The trace level for this feature is configurable by setting a configuration parameter in the [trace] section of the indexserver.ini file. The default value of the PlanStability parameter is ‘error’, set this to ‘debug’ if necessary for detailed trace information.

Related Information

Statement Performance Analysis [page 121]

4.7 Additional Analysis Tools for Support

To complement the standard tools for performance analysis, SAP HANA provides additional analysis tools that SAP Support can use to help determine the cause of performance issues.

The following analysis tools are available in SAP HANA; however, these tools are intended only for use when requested by SAP Support:

- Performance trace
  This tool records performance indicators for individual query processing steps in database kernel.
- Kernel profiler
  This tool provides information about hotspots and expensive execution paths during query processing.

4.7.1 Performance Trace

The performance trace is a performance tracing tool built into the SAP HANA database. It records performance indicators for individual query processing steps in the database kernel. You may be requested by SAP Support to provide a performance trace.

Information collected includes the processing time required in a particular step, the data size read and written, network communication, and information specific to the operator or processing-step-specific (for example, number of records used as input and output). The performance trace can be enabled in multiple tenant databases at the same time to analyze cross-database queries.

Performance Trace Files

Performance trace results are saved to the trace files with file extension *.tpt or *.cpt, which you can access with other diagnosis files. To analyze these files, you need a tool capable of reading the output format (*.tpt and *.cpt). SAP Support has tools for evaluating performance traces.
Enabling and Configuring the Performance Trace

You can enable and configure the performance trace in the SAP HANA studio or using the `ALTER SYSTEM * PERFTTRACE` SQL statements.

Example
To start the performance trace execute `ALTER SYSTEM START PERFTTRACE`.

Configuration Options

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Option</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Trace file name</td>
<td>The name of the file to which the trace data is automatically saved after the performance trace is stopped</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User and application filters</td>
<td>Filters to restrict the trace to a single specific database user, a single specific application user, and a single specific application</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trace execution plans</td>
<td>You can trace execution plans in addition to the default trace data.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Function profiler</td>
<td>The function profiler is a very fine-grained performance tracing tool based on source code instrumentation. It complements the performance trace by providing even more detailed information about the individual processing steps that are done in the database kernel.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Duration</td>
<td>How long you want tracing to run</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>If a certain scenario is to be traced, ensure that you enter a value greater than the time it takes the scenario to run. If there is no specific scenario to trace but instead general system performance, then enter a reasonable value. After the specified duration, the trace stops automatically.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Additional filter options are available in extended mode to restrict the trace data further.

For more information about how to configure the performance trace using SQL, see the **SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference**.

Related Information

- `ALTER SYSTEM (START | STOP) PERFTTRACE Statement (System Management)`
- `ALTER SYSTEM SAVE PERFTTRACE Statement (System Management)`
- `ALTER SYSTEM LOAD PERFTTRACE Statement (System Management)`
- `M_PERFTTRACE System View`
4.7.2 Kernel Profiler

The kernel profiler is a sampling profiler built into the SAP HANA database. It can be used to analyze performance issues with systems on which third-party software cannot be installed, or parts of the database that are not accessible by the performance trace. It is inactive by default.

The kernel profile collects, for example, information about frequent and/or expensive execution paths during query processing.

Kernel Profiler Traces

Profiling results are saved to the trace files CPU_<service>_<host>_<port>_<timestamp>_<format>. and WAIT_<service>_<host>_<port>_<timestamp>_<format>, where <format> is either dot or kcachegrind. You can access the profiling results with other diagnosis files. To analyze these trace files meaningfully you need a tool capable of reading the configured output format, that is KCacheGrind or DOT (default format). Alternatively, send the files to SAP Support.

Enabling and Configuring the Kernel Profiler

You enable and configure the kernel profile in the SAP HANA studio or the SAP HANA database explorer. It is recommended that you start kernel profiler tracing immediately before you execute the statements you want to analyze and stop it immediately after they have finished. This avoids the unnecessary recording of irrelevant statements. It is also advisable as this kind of tracing can negatively impact performance.

**Note**

To enable the kernel profile, you must have the SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT role. This role is intended only for SAP HANA development support.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Option</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Service(s) to profile</td>
<td>The service(s) that you want to profile</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wait time</td>
<td>The amount of time the kernel profiler is to wait between call stack retrievals</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>When you activate the kernel profiler, it retrieves the call stacks of relevant threads several times. If a wait time is specified, it must wait the specified time minus the time the previous retrieval took.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Memory limit</td>
<td>Memory limit that will stop tracing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The kernel profiler can potentially use a lot a memory. To prevent the SAP HANA database from running out of memory due to profiling, you can specify a memory limit that cannot be exceeded.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Option</td>
<td>Description</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>------------------------------------------------</td>
<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Database user, application user</td>
<td>The database user or application user you want to profile</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Use KCachegrind format to write trace files</td>
<td>Output format of trace files (configurable when you stop tracing)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Related Information

**Diagnosis Files**

### 4.7.3 Diagnosis Information

You can collect diagnosis information (a full system info dump) in the SAP HANA studio, in SAP HANA cockpit or using command line scripts.

To collect this information in SAP HANA studio open the Administration Editor and navigate to `Diagnosis Files` > `Diagnosis Information`. Use the `Collect` function to run the system dump and use the `List` function to download the dump to a local file.

To collect this information in SAP HANA cockpit, on the system overview page, under `Alerting & Diagnostics`, select `Manage full system information dumps`. On the `Diagnosis Files` page, choose a zip file from the list or click `Collect Diagnostics` to create a new zip file.

The SQL variant can be used when SAP HANA is online, otherwise you can use the Python script `fullSystemInfoDump.py` in the python_support directory (shortcut `cdpy`):

```bash
python fullSystemInfoDump.py
```

When the dump has completed you can download the file from the snapshots directory: `/usr.sap/HAN/sys/global/sapcontrol/snapshots`

All options related to getting a system dump are fully described in SAP Note 1732157. This note also includes a video demonstration of the process.

**Tip**

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available on *How to generate a runtime dump*.

### Related Information

**SAP Note 1732157**

How to generate a runtime dump (Guided Answer)
4.7.4 Analysis Tools in SAP HANA Web-based Developer Workbench

There are a number of tools available for application performance analysis in the SAP HANA Web-based Developer Workbench.

SQL Console

The extended SQL Console (part of the Catalog perspective) supports implicit and explicit performance measurement while executing a SQL statement. It allows you to easily acquire sound measurement data and to assess whether a SQL statement is problematic.

Implicit performance measurement can be triggered via F9 run command and provides execution time information for the database, XS, and UI layers. Additional information to judge the measurement quality like table locks and system alerts is also provided. Detailed performance analysis supports the repeated execution of statements thus allows you to check whether performance characteristics are stable.

You can use this feature to quickly check SQL performance and to determine whether the observed poor performance is caused by system load or variability.
Expensive Statements Trace

The expensive statements trace in the Trace perspective allows you to quickly analyze how the SQL layer of your SAP HANA system is used (globally or within a specific session/application). It allows you to analyze if the SAP HANA database is used effectively and efficiently for a given application.

The expensive statement view supports filtering for passport-based application sessions - if the trace is configured accordingly by the system administrator and you run your application with SAP passport. For each statement you can see metrics such as start time, number of processed records and many more.

Furthermore, a statistical summary is provided that gives insight on the overall SQL load. It details metrics such as:

- Number of statements executed
- Number of unique statements executed
- Number of result records

Last, for each unique statement summary statistics are shown that detail the frequency of their usage as well as aggregated duration metrics.

You can use the expensive statement trace to analyze:

- the overall SQL load in your current system
- the SQL interaction of a specific application, for example, to figure out if an application that is not currently performing well due to an issue on the application layer or on the database layer.

Immediate Database Performance Feedback

This feature is part of the Immediate Feedback context in WebIDE. It provides a performance overview of all SQL statements which are executed during an Immediate Feedback session, thus helps application developers to immediately understand the number and performance of their DB-related statements.
The Database Performance overview provides 3 metrics for each SQL statement: step, statement and execution.

- Step: the actual immediate feedback step in which a SQL statement was executed
- Statement: the SQL statement
- Execution time: the execution time of the statement (in milliseconds)

You can use this feature to understand the performance behavior of the SQL statements (for example, finding expensive statements that belong to a particular function) and exploit this understanding for possible further performance investigations, like subsequently taking a dedicated measurement using the SQL Console.
5 SAP HANA Database monitoring with Solution Manager

This topic gives information about SAP HANA database monitoring with Solution Manager.

Setting up Solution Manager

SAP Solution Manager can be used to monitor one or more SAP HANA databases. A starting point to find all the information you require for the setup and configuration of the SAP HANA database monitoring using solution manager can be found on the WIKI page SAP HANA Operations with SAP Solution Manager.

A detailed step by step description of the configuration and setup is given in the WIKI subpage Managed System Setup for SAP HANA. The configuration and setup have different steps depending on the SAP HANA database architecture and environment you have, for example, you may have Multitenant Database Containers (MDC) and/or system replication may be enabled in your environment.

There are two main steps:
1. You need to register the SAP HANA system you want to monitor in SLD
2. You need to do the managed system configuration steps for the HANA Database in the solution manager system.

The Resolution part of the KBA 2436986 - Registration and Managed System Setup of SAP HANA in SAP Solution Manager links you to the correct steps to follow depending on your HANA Architecture.

Troubleshooting when registering an SAP HANA Database in SLD

Before starting troubleshooting please double check that you have done the required configuration on the SAP HANA database side and that you are aware of known documented issues. For this please refer to the SAP HANA Database Administration Guide that is relevant for your HANA release and the notes referenced below:

In the SAP HANA Administration guide see the section Configuring a SAP HANA System to Connect to the System Landscape Directory (SLD).

If you are following the documentation above and the SLD registration is not successful please then check the steps in the Resolution part of the KBA 2537537 - SLD does not update after registering HANA using HDBLCM.

If you still face a problem with the registration of the SAP HANA database in SLD please review the known issues described in the below notes as they may be relevant for the issue that you face:

Important Notes for SAP HANA SLD Registration:
- 2729787 - FAQ: HANA Data Supplier for System Landscape Directory (SLD) and Focused Run (FRUN)
- 2697518 - Patch Level in LMDB and SLD show the HANA DB Service Pack Number and not its Patch Level
- 2688902 - LMDB Shows Invalid Instance and Version Information for Products Installed on a SAP HANA
- 2607076 - Support of SLD Registration of an SAP HANA System Using Fully Qualified Domain Names (FQDN) in SLDSYSTEMHOME and SLDVIRTDBHOME
- 2646035 - SLD Registration: The Former Primary Site of a System Replication Still Show the old Values in SLD and Solution Manager After a Takeover
- 2577511 - Support of SLD Registration of a HANA System Replication or Multi Database Container Setup

If you are not successful in resolving the problem with the above information, SAP Support would require the following tracing and logs to further analyse issue:

**Log files required for SAP HANA Database SLD registration problems**

**MDC Environment:**

1. Increase the trace level on SYSTEMDB by executing the following SQL:

   ```sql
   alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini', 'SYSTEM')
   SET ('trace', 'sldconfig') = 'debug', ('trace', 'sldcollect') = 'debug',
   ('trace', 'sldsend') = 'debug' with reconfigure;
   ```

2. Trigger the SLD data supplier by executing the following SQL on SYSTEMDB:

   ```sql
   alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini', 'SYSTEM')
   SET ('sld', 'enable') = 'false' with reconfigure;
   alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini', 'SYSTEM')
   SET ('sld', 'enable') = 'true' with reconfigure;
   ```

3. Reset the trace level on SYSTEMDB to default:

   ```sql
   alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini', 'SYSTEM')
   UNSET ('trace', 'sldconfig'), ('trace', 'sldcollect'), ('trace', 'sldsend') with reconfigure;
   ```

4. Create a full system info dump of SYSTEMDB (1732157 - Collecting diagnosis information for SAP HANA [VIDEO])

5. Provide the files `slddest.cfg`, `sldreg.log` and `sldreg.xml` from the HANA server:

   `/usr.sap/<SID>/HDB<instance>/<host>/trace/sldreg.xml sldreg.log
   /usr.sap/<sid>/SYS/global/slddest.cfg`

   Additionally, from every HANA host on primary and in case of a system replication environment from every host on secondary side:

   `/usr.sap/<SID>/profile/DEFAULT.PFL`

6. Provide the content of the `global.ini` file by executing the sql command on SYSTEMDB and every tenant DB. Provide the result as .csv file Select * from `sys.m_inifile_contents`

   Where `file_name = 'global.ini'` and `layer_name = 'SYSTEM'`;

**What information is captured in the above SAP tracing?**
nameserver.ini . > [trace]:

<table>
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<td><code>sldcollect = 'debug'</code></td>
<td>lists every step of the data collection</td>
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<td><code>sldconfig = 'debug'</code></td>
<td>lists the initial registration to SLD done by hdblcm</td>
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<tr>
<td><code>sldsend = 'debug'</code></td>
<td>lists the path to the log file sldreg.log of the last data transfer</td>
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### Managed system configuration of the SAP HANA Database in Solution Manager

To perform the second step: managed system setup of the SAP HANA Database in solution manager please refer to the following section of the SAP HANA Administration guide:

**Connecting SAP Solution Manager to SAP HANA**

Additional troubleshooting information for the SLD registration and the managed system setup of the SAP HANA database in solution manager is available in the Wiki [Trouble Shooting Guide for SAP Solution Manager Operations for SAP HANA](#).

Please be aware of the below knowledge repositories that described common issues and questions that come up when using Solution Manager to monitor SAP HANA databases:

**Important KBAs and Notes related to Solution Manager and HANA monitoring:**

- [2374090 - SOLMAN_SETUP - BW Content Activation fails "ERROR: EC:2048" column store error: in Solution Manager 7.2](#)
- [2264627 - How to Troubleshoot Grey HANA Metrics in Technical Monitoring - SAP Solution Manager](#)
- [2711824 - High Number of Prepared Statements Causing High Usage of Memory Allocator Pool/Statistics](#)
- [2211415 - SAP HANA alerting composite SAP Note](#)
- [2147247 - FAQ: SAP HANA Statistics Server](#)
- [1991615 - Configuration options for the Embedded Statistics Service](#)

Technical requirements for setting up secondary database connection from Solution Manager to SAP HANA Database:

- [1597627 - SAP HANA connection](#)

**Important changes regarding how Solution Manager collects monitoring information from SAP HANA Database:**

With SAP HANA Revisions >= 122.02 the method used by Solution manager to collect the alerting relating information from a managed SAP HANA Database has been changed and optimized in such a way that it reduces the workload on the SAP HANA Database for the statistics collection. To use this new HANA Monitoring mechanism changes may be required on the solution manager system and the SAP HANA Database, further information can be found in the SAP note [2374272 - Enabling new HANA Monitoring mechanism for Solution Manager](#)

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You observe differences in parameter value recommendations coming from a solution manager generated EWA report, HANA Parameter check script HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+.txt script from KBA 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA and/or EWA workspace tool (ewaviewer) . The root cause is often that the EWA report generated from a customer’s solution manager system does not have the latest information on the parameter value recommendations due to outdated version of solution manager system or ST-SER Release installed. Further information is available in the KBA: 2749491 - Differences in EWA report for HANA Parameter recommendations when compared with output of HANA parameter check script HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+.txt.
Alerts and the Statistics Service

Alert checkers are part of the statistics service which is a central element of SAP HANA's internal monitoring infrastructure.

The statistics service is a key administration resource which notifies you when potentially critical situations arise in your systems. The statistics service is described in detail in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

**i Note**
The statistics service was redeveloped and relaunched in SAP HANA 01 SPS 07. Users of older releases may need to migrate and activate the new service as described in SAP Note 1917938 - Migration of the statistics server for Revision 74 or higher.

**Alert Checkers**
A set of over 100 scheduled alert checkers run in the background monitoring the system for specific events. Details of all these alerts are given in the reference table which follows.

Alerts are defined in the following two tables:
- _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERT_INFORMATION
- _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERT_THRESHOLDS

Each alert also has a corresponding entry in the following statistics scheduling tables:
- _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_OBJECTS
- _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_SCHEDULE

**Configurable Severity Levels**
Some alert checkers are defined with threshold values so that a degree of severity can be indicated if the alert is triggered. Default values are available for all severity thresholds and these can be over-ridden by user-defined values using the administration tools SAP HANA Studio and SAP HANA Cockpit. The scale of severity values is from one to four (1 = Information, 2 = Low, 3 = Medium, 4 = High) and alerts can use any, none or all of these as required depending on the event which is being monitored and the unit of measurement. The following examples illustrate this:

**Alert 31 License expiry.** This alert checker is scheduled to run every 24 hours and counts the days remaining until your license expires. It has three default threshold values Low (30 days), Medium (14 days), High (when only 7 days are remaining).

**Alert 99 Maintenance Status.** This alert checker is scheduled to run every 720 hours and checks the installed HANA version. It has a single Information-level threshold value which retrieves the installed support package number (therefore no severity value is possible). This is referred to as an ‘Information-only’ type of alert.

**Alert 22 Notification of all alerts.** This alert checker is scheduled to run every 24 hours and sends an email if any alerts have been raised in the last 24 hours. This type of ‘boolean’ alert does not retrieve any information value which can be displayed and does not use any configurable severity value.

A history of changes made to threshold levels for each alert is maintained and can be seen in system view STATISTICS_ALERT_THRESHOLDS_HISTORY.
**Configuration Tools**

Alerts are configurable in either SAP HANA Studio or SAP HANA Cockpit:

- **Studio:** [Administration] > [Alerts tab]
- **Cockpit:** [Alerting and Diagnostics] > [Configure Alerts]

Configuration activities and administration features for both Studio and Cockpit are described in the SAP HANA Administration Guide. You are recommended to use Cockpit which provides more options; it includes, for example, the ability to disable alerts and to trigger an alert manually on demand. A limitation in Studio is that only alerts with threshold values can be maintained; information-only alerts and the boolean-type are excluded from the list of configurable alerts.

If an alert check fails for any reason it is automatically de-activated by the system for a period of at least 60 minutes (1 hour + the interval length). This is done by setting the value of the schedule status to 'Inactive' (_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_SCHEDULE_STATUS). Alert checkers are re-enabled automatically after the timeout period by setting the schedule status to 'Idle' (this restart feature was introduced in HANA 01 SPS 09 Revision 93).

Refer to SAP Note 1991615 - *Configuration options for the Embedded Statistics Service* for more details of the statistics service and examples of managing the service from the SQL command line.

**Related Information**

- SAP HANA Administration Guide
- SAP Note 1917938
- SAP Note 1991615

### 6.1 Reference: Alerts

This reference section gives details of all alerts and includes links to any related SAP Notes.

All alerts include a recommended user action and for many alerts a corresponding SAP Note is available. In column 4 of the following table ('Configuration') an asterisk '*' identifies alerts which have multiple configurable severity thresholds. Info-only alerts are flagged by 'Info', and those with only a single configurable value with '1'.

#### Alerts

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<td>0</td>
<td>Internal statistics server problem</td>
<td>Identifies internal statistics server problem.</td>
<td>Cfg</td>
<td>Resolve the problem. For more information, see the trace files. You may need to activate tracing first.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Host physical memory usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of total physical memory available on the host is used. All processes consuming memory are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate memory usage of processes.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1898317, 1840954</td>
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<td>shows wrong information</td>
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<td>Disk usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of each disk containing data, log, and trace files is used. This includes space used by non-SAP HANA files.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate disk usage of processes. Increase disk space, for example by shrinking volumes, deleting diagnosis files, or adding additional storage.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1900643</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Inactive services</td>
<td>Identifies inactive services.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the service is inactive, for example, by checking the service’s trace files.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1902033</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Restarted services</td>
<td>Identifies services that have restarted since the last time the check was performed.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate why the service had to restart or be restarted, for example, by checking the service’s trace files.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909660</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Host CPU Usage</td>
<td>Determines the percentage CPU idle time on the host and therefore whether or not CPU resources are running low.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate CPU usage.</td>
<td>CPU</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909670</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Delta merge (mergedog) configuration</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the 'active' parameter in the 'mergedog' section of system configuration file(s) is 'yes'. mergedog is the system process that periodically checks column tables to determine whether or not a delta merge operation needs to be executed.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Change in SYSTEM layer the parameter active in section(s) mergedog to yes</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909641</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Memory usage of name server</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of allocated shared memory is being used by the name server on a host.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Increase the shared memory size of the name server. In the 'topology' section of the nameserver.ini file, increase the value of the 'size' parameter.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>Lock wait time-out configuration</td>
<td>Determines whether the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter in the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file is between 100,000 and 7,200,000.</td>
<td></td>
<td>In the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file, set the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter to a value between 100,000 and 7,200,000 for the System layer.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909707</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>Record count of non-partitioned column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines the number of records in non-partitioned column-store tables. Current table size is not critical. Partitioning need only be considered if tables are expected to grow rapidly (a non-partitioned table cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows).</td>
<td>Info</td>
<td>Consider partitioning the table only if you expect it to grow rapidly.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Table Partitioning, SAP Note:1909763</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>Table growth of non-partitioned column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines the growth rate of non-partitioned columns.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Consider partitioning the table. See also: Guided Answer: How to reduce the size of a table.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Table Partitioning, SAP Note:1910140</td>
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<td>21</td>
<td>Internal event</td>
<td>Identifies internal database events.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Resolve the event and then mark it as resolved by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '&lt;host&gt;;&lt;port&gt;' '&lt;id&gt;'. Note that this is not necessary for INFO events.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977252</td>
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<td>Notification of all alerts</td>
<td>Determines whether or not there have been any alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.</td>
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<td>Investigate the alerts.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>Notification of medium and high priority alerts</td>
<td>Determines whether or not there have been any medium and high priority alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.</td>
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<td>Investigate the alerts.</td>
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<td>24</td>
<td>Notification of high priority alerts</td>
<td>Determines whether or not there have been any high priority alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.</td>
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<td>Investigate the alerts.</td>
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<td>Open connections</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of the maximum number of permitted SQL connections are open. The maximum number of permitted connections is configured in the &quot;session&quot; section of the indexserver.ini file.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate why the maximum number of permitted open connections is being approached.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1910159</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>Unassigned volumes</td>
<td>Identifies volumes that are not assigned a service.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate why the volume is not assigned a service. For example, the assigned service is not active, the removal of a host failed, or the removal of a service was performed incorrectly.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1910169</td>
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<td>27</td>
<td>Record count of column-store table partitions</td>
<td>Determines the number of records in the partitions of column-store tables. A table partition cannot contain more than 2,000,000,000 (2 billion) rows.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Consider repartitioning the table.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Table Partitioning, SAP Note: 1910188</td>
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<td>28</td>
<td>Most recent savepoint operation</td>
<td>Determines how long ago the last savepoint was defined, that is, how long ago a complete, consistent image of the database was persisted to disk.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate why there was a delay defining the last savepoint and consider triggering the operation manually by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM SAVEPOINT.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977291</td>
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<td>29</td>
<td>Size of delta storage of column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines the size of the delta storage of column tables.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the delta merge history in the monitoring view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS. Consider merging the table delta manually.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977314</td>
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<td>30</td>
<td>Check internal disk full event</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the disks to which data and log files are written are full. A disk-full event causes your database to stop and must be resolved.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Resolve the disk-full event as follows: In the Administration Editor on the Overview tab, choose the &quot;Disk Full Events&quot; link and mark the event as handled. Alternatively, execute the SQL statements ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT ACKNOWLEDGED '&lt;host&gt;:&lt;port&gt;' &lt;id&gt; and ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '&lt;host&gt;:&lt;port&gt;' &lt;id&gt;.</td>
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<td>License expiry</td>
<td>Determines how many days until your license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer use the system, except to install a new license.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSE.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>Security, Authorization and Licensing, SAP Note:1899480</td>
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<td>32</td>
<td>Log mode LEGACY</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the database is running in log mode “legacy”. Log mode “legacy” does not support point-in-recovery and is not recommended for productive systems.</td>
<td></td>
<td>If you need point-in-time recovery, reconfigure the log mode of your system to “normal”. In the “persistence” section of the global.ini configuration file, set the parameter “log_mode” to “normal” for the System layer. When you change the log mode, you must restart the database system to activate the changes. It is also recommended that you perform a full data backup.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>Configuration Parameter Issues. SAP Note: 1900296</td>
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<td>Log mode OVERWRITE</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the database is running in log mode “overwrite”. Log mode “overwrite” does not support point-in-recovery (only recovery to a data backup) and is not recommended for productive systems.</td>
<td></td>
<td>If you need point-in-time recovery, reconfigure the log mode of your system to “normal”. In the “persistence” section of the global.ini configuration file, set the parameter “log_mode” to “normal” for the System layer. When you change the log mode, you must restart the database system to activate the changes. It is also recommended that you perform a full data backup.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database. SAP Note: 1900267</td>
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<td>34</td>
<td>Unavailable volumes</td>
<td>Determines whether or not all volumes are available.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the volume is not available.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900682</td>
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<td>35</td>
<td>Existence of data backup</td>
<td>Determines whether or not a data backup exists. Without a data backup, your database cannot be recovered.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Perform a data backup as soon as possible.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900728</td>
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<td>Status of most recent data backup</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the most recent data backup was successful.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the last data backup failed, resolve the problem, and perform a new data backup as soon as possible.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900795</td>
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<td>37</td>
<td>Age of most recent data backup</td>
<td>Determines the age of the most recent successful data backup.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Perform a data backup as soon as possible.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900730</td>
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<td>38</td>
<td>Status of most recent log backups</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the most recent log backups for services and volumes were successful.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the log backup failed and resolve the problem.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900730</td>
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<td>39</td>
<td>Long-running statements</td>
<td>Identifies long-running SQL statements.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the statement. For more information, see the table _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_LONG_RUNNING_STATEMENTS.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1849392</td>
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<td>Total memory usage of column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by individual column-store tables as a whole (that is, the cumulative size of all of a table’s columns and internal structures)</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Consider partitioning or repartitioning the table.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977268</td>
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<td>41</td>
<td>In-memory DataStore activation</td>
<td>Determines whether or not there is a problem with the activation of an in-memory DataStore object.</td>
<td></td>
<td>For more information, see the table _SYS_STATISTICS.GLOBAL_DECTRACTOR_STATUS and SAP Note 1665553.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1665553</td>
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<td>42</td>
<td>Long-running / idling cursors.</td>
<td>Identifies long-running / idling cursors.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Close the cursor in the application, or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION &lt;LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID&gt;. For more information, see the table HOST_LONG_IDLE_CURSOR (_SYS_STATISTICS).</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1900261</td>
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<td>43</td>
<td>Memory usage of services</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of its effective allocation limit a service is using.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check for services that consume a lot of memory.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1900257</td>
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<td>44</td>
<td>Licensed memory usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of licensed memory is used.</td>
<td>Info</td>
<td>Increase licensed amount of main memory. You can see the peak memory allocation since installation in the system view M_LICENSE (column PRODUCT_USAGE).</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1899511</td>
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<td>45</td>
<td>Memory usage of main storage of column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by the main storage of individual column-store tables.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Consider partitioning or re-partitioning the table.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977269</td>
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<td>46</td>
<td>RTEdump files</td>
<td>Identifies new runtime dump files (<em>rtedump</em>) have been generated in the trace directory of the system. These contain information about, for example, build, loaded modules, running threads, CPU, and so on.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check the contents of the dump files.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977099</td>
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<td>47</td>
<td>Long-running serializable trans- actions</td>
<td>Identifies long-running serializable transactions.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Close the serializable transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION &lt;LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID&gt;. For more information, see the table HOST_LONG_SERIALIZABLE_TRANSACTION (_SYS_STATISTICS).</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
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<td>48</td>
<td>Long-running uncommitted write transactions</td>
<td>Identifies long-running uncommitted write transactions.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Close the uncommitted transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION &lt;LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID&gt;. For more information, see the table HOST_UNCOMMITTED_WRITE_TRANSACTION (.<em>SYS</em>.STATISTICS).</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977276</td>
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<td>49</td>
<td>Long-running blocking situations</td>
<td>Identifies long-running blocking situations.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel one of them.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2079396</td>
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<td>50</td>
<td>Number of diagnosis files</td>
<td>Determines the number of diagnosis files written by the system (excluding zip-files). An unusually large number of files can indicate a problem with the database (for example, problem with trace file rotation or a high number of crashes).</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate the diagnosis files.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>See KBA 1977162, SAP Note:1977162</td>
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<td>51</td>
<td>Size of diagnosis files</td>
<td>Identifies large diagnosis files. Unusually large files can indicate a problem with the database.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check the diagnosis files in the SAP HANA studio for details.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>See KBA 1977208, SAP Note:1977208</td>
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<td>52</td>
<td>Crashdump files</td>
<td>Identifies new crashdump files that have been generated in the trace directory of the system.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check the contents of the dump files.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977218</td>
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<td>53</td>
<td>Pagedump files</td>
<td>Identifies new pagedump files that have been generated in the trace directory of the system.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check the contents of the dump files.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977242</td>
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<td>54</td>
<td>Savepoint duration</td>
<td>Identifies long-running savepoint operations.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check disk I/O performance.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions, I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note:1977220</td>
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<td>55</td>
<td>Columnstore unloads</td>
<td>Determines how many columns in columnstore tables have been unloaded from memory. This can indicate performance issues.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check sizing with respect to data distribution.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977207</td>
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<td>56</td>
<td>Python trace activity</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the python trace is active and for how long. The python trace affects system performance.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>If no longer required, deactivate the python trace in the relevant configuration file.</td>
<td>Diagnosis Files</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977098</td>
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<td>57</td>
<td>Instance secure store file system (SSFS) inaccessible</td>
<td>Determines if the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system is accessible to the database.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check and make sure that the instance SSFS is accessible to the database.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977221</td>
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<td>58</td>
<td>Plan cache size</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the plan cache is too small.</td>
<td>Info</td>
<td>Currently Alert 58 is inactive and replaced by Alert 91. Please activate Alert 91 - Plan Cache Hit Ratio</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1977253</td>
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<td>59</td>
<td>Percentage of transactions blocked</td>
<td>Determines the percentage of transactions that are blocked.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel some of them.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2081856</td>
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<td>60</td>
<td>Sync/Async read ratio</td>
<td>Identifies a bad trigger asynchronous read ratio. This means that asynchronous reads are blocking and behave almost like synchronous reads. This might have negative impact on SAP HANA I/O performance in certain scenarios.</td>
<td>Info</td>
<td>Please refer to SAP note 1930979.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note: 1965379</td>
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<td>61</td>
<td>Sync/Async write ratio</td>
<td>Identifies a bad trigger asynchronous write ratio. This means that asynchronous writes are blocking and behave almost like synchronous writes. This might have negative impact on SAP HANA I/O performance in certain scenarios.</td>
<td>Info</td>
<td>Please refer to SAP note 1930979.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note: 1965379</td>
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<td>62</td>
<td>Expiration of database user passwords</td>
<td>Identifies database users whose password is due to expire in line with the configured password policy. If the password expires, the user will be locked. If the user in question is a technical user, this may impact application availability. It is recommended that you disable the password lifetime check of technical users so that their password never expires (ALTER USER &lt;username&gt; DISABLE PASSWORD LIFETIME).</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Change the password of the database user.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2082406</td>
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<td>63</td>
<td>Granting of SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT role</td>
<td>Determines if the internal support role (SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT) is currently granted to any database users.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Check if the corresponding users still need the role. If not, revoke the role from them.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2081857</td>
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<td>64</td>
<td>Total memory usage of table-based audit log</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of the effective memory allocation limit is being consumed by the database table used for table-based audit logging. If this table grows too large, the availability of the database could be impacted.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Consider exporting the content of the table and then truncating the table.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2081869</td>
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<td>65</td>
<td>Runtime of the log backups currently running</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the most recent log backup terminates in the given time.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate why the log backup runs for too long, and resolve the issue.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: 2081845</td>
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<td>66</td>
<td>Storage snapshot is prepared</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the period, during which the database is prepared for a storage snapshot, exceeds a given threshold.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate why the storage snapshot was not confirmed or abandoned, and resolve the issue.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: 2081405</td>
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<td>67</td>
<td>Table growth of rowstore tables</td>
<td>Determines the growth rate of rowstore tables</td>
<td></td>
<td>Try to reduce the size of rowstore table by removing unused data</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2054411</td>
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<td>68</td>
<td>Total memory usage of row store</td>
<td>Determines the current memory size of a row store used by a service</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate memory usage by row store tables and consider cleanup of unused data</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2050579</td>
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<td>Enablement of automatic log backup</td>
<td>Determines whether automatic log backup is enabled.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Enable automatic log backup. For more details please see SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: 2081360</td>
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<td>70</td>
<td>Consistency of internal system components after system upgrade</td>
<td>Verifies the consistency of schemas and tables in internal system components (for example, the repository) after a system upgrade.</td>
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<td>Contact SAP support.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>Row store fragmentation</td>
<td>Check for fragmentation of row store.</td>
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<td>Implement SAP Note 1813245.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1813245</td>
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<td>72</td>
<td>Number of log segments</td>
<td>Determines the number of log segments in the log volume of each service.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Make sure that log backups are being automatically created and that there is enough space available for them. Check whether the system has been frequently and unusually restarting services. If it has, then resolve the root cause of this issue and create log backups as soon as possible.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
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<td>75</td>
<td>Rowstore version space skew</td>
<td>Determines whether the rowstore version chain is too long.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Identify the connection or transaction that is blocking version garbage collection. You can do this in the SAP HANA studio by executing &quot;MVCC Blocker Statement&quot; and &quot;MVCC Blocker Transaction&quot; available on the System Information tab of the Administration editor. If possible, kill the blocking connection or cancel the blocking transaction. For your information, you can find table information by using query &quot;SELECT * FROM TABLES WHERE TABLE_OID = &lt;table object ID&gt;&quot;.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>Transactional Problems</td>
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<td>76</td>
<td>Discrepancy between host server times</td>
<td>Identifies discrepancies between the server times of hosts in a scale-out system.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check operating system time settings.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>77</td>
<td>Database disk usage</td>
<td>Determines the total used disk space of the database. All data, logs, traces and backups are considered.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the disk usage of the database. See system view M_DISK_USAGE for more details.</td>
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<td>78</td>
<td>Connection between systems in system replication setup</td>
<td>Identifies closed connections between the primary system and a secondary system. If connections are closed, the primary system is no longer being replicated.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate why connections are closed (for example, network problem) and resolve the issue.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide</td>
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<td>79</td>
<td>Configuration consistency of systems in system replication setup</td>
<td>Identifies configuration parameters that do not have the same value on the primary system and a secondary system. Most configuration parameters should have the same value on both systems because the secondary system has to take over in the event of a disaster.</td>
<td></td>
<td>If the identified configuration parameter(s) should have the same value in both systems, adjust the configuration. If different values are acceptable, add the parameter(s) as an exception in <code>global.ini/[inifile_checker]</code>.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide</td>
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<td>80</td>
<td>Availability of table replication</td>
<td>Monitors error messages related to table replication.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Determine which tables encountered the table replication error using system view <code>M_TABLE_REPLICAS</code>, and then check the corresponding indexserver alert traces.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>81</td>
<td>Cached view size</td>
<td>Determines how much memory is occupied by cached view.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Increase the size of the cached view. In the &quot;result_cache&quot; section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the &quot;total_size&quot; parameter.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
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<td>82</td>
<td>Timezone conversion</td>
<td>Compares SAP HANA internal timezone conversion with Operating System timezone conversion.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Update SAP HANA internal timezone tables (refer to SAP note 1932132).</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1932132</td>
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<td>83</td>
<td>Table consistency</td>
<td>Identifies the number of errors and affected tables detected by _SYS_STATISTICS.Collector_Global_Table_Consistency.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Contact SAP support.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>84</td>
<td>Insecure instance SSFS encryption configuration</td>
<td>Determines whether the master key of the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Change the instance SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>85</td>
<td>Insecure systemPKI SSFS encryption configuration</td>
<td>Determines whether the master key of the secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your system's internal public key infrastructure (system PKI) has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.</td>
<td>Cfg</td>
<td>Change the system PKI SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide</td>
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<td>86</td>
<td>Internal communication is configured too openly</td>
<td>Determines whether the ports used by SAP HANA for internal communication are securely configured. If the &quot;listeninterface&quot; property in the &quot;communication&quot; section of the global.ini file does not have the value &quot;.local&quot; for single-host systems and &quot;.all&quot; or &quot;.global&quot; for multiple-host systems, internal communication channels are externally exploitable.</td>
<td>User Action</td>
<td>The parameter [communication] listeninterface in global.ini is not set to a secure value. Please refer to SAP Note 2183363 or the section on internal host name resolution in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2183363</td>
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<td>87</td>
<td>Granting of SAP HANA DI support privileges</td>
<td>Determines if support privileges for the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) are currently granted to any database users or roles.</td>
<td>User Action</td>
<td>Check if the corresponding users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td></td>
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<td>88</td>
<td>Auto merge for column-store tables</td>
<td>Determines if the delta merge of a table was executed successfully or not.</td>
<td></td>
<td>* The delta merge was not executed successfully for a table. Check the error description in view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS and also Indexserver trace.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td></td>
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<td>89</td>
<td>Missing volume files</td>
<td>Determines if there is any volume file missing.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Volume file missing, database instance is broken, stop immediately all operations on this instance.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>90</td>
<td>Status of HANA platform lifecycle management configuration</td>
<td>Determines if the system was not installed/updated with the SAP HANA Database Lifecycle Manager (HDBLCM). Implement SAP note 2078425</td>
<td>User Action</td>
<td>Install/Update SAP HANA Database Lifecycle Manager (HDBLCM). Implement SAP note 2078425</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2078425</td>
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<td>Plan cache hit ratio</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the plan cache hit ratio is too low.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Increase the size of the plan cache. In the &quot;sql&quot; section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the &quot;plan_cache_size&quot; parameter.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
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<td>92</td>
<td>Root keys of persistent services are not properly synchronized</td>
<td>Not all services that persist data could be reached the last time the root key change of the data volume encryption service was changed. As a result, at least one service is running with an old root key.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Trigger a savepoint for this service or flush the SSFS cache using hdbcons.</td>
<td>Security</td>
<td></td>
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<td>93</td>
<td>Streaming License expiry</td>
<td>Determines how many days until your streaming license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer start streaming projects.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSES.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>94</td>
<td>Log replay backlog for system replication secondary</td>
<td>System Replication secondary site has a higher log replay backlog than expected.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Investigate on secondary site, why log replay backlog is increased.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>95</td>
<td>Availability of Data Quality reference data (directory files)</td>
<td>Determine the Data Quality reference data expiration dates.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Download the latest Data Quality reference data files and update the system. (For more details about updating the directories, see the Installation and Configuration Guide for SAP HANA Smart Data Integration and SAP HANA Smart Data Quality.)</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>96</td>
<td>Long-running tasks</td>
<td>Identifies all long-running tasks.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the long-running tasks. For more information, see the task statistics tables or views in _SYS_TASK schema and trace log.</td>
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<td>97</td>
<td>Granting of SAP HANA DI container import privileges</td>
<td>Determines if the container import feature of the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) is enabled and if import privileges for SAP HANA DI containers are currently granted to any database users or roles.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check if the identified users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them and disable the SAP HANA DI container import feature.</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>98</td>
<td>LOB garbage collection activity</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the lob garbage collection is activated.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Activate the LOB garbage collection using the corresponding configuration parameters.</td>
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<td>99</td>
<td>Maintenance Status</td>
<td>Checks the installed SP version against the recommended SP version.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Please consider upgrading to the recommended SP version.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>100</td>
<td>Unsupported operating system in use</td>
<td>Determines if the operating system of the SAP HANA Database hosts is supported.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Upgrade the operating system to a supported version (see SAP HANA Master Guide for more information).</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>101</td>
<td>SQL access for SAP HANA DI technical users</td>
<td>Determines if SQL access has been enabled for any SAP HANA DI technical users. SAP HANA DI technical users are either users whose names start with &quot;.SYS_Di&quot; or SAP HANA DI container technical users (&lt;container name&gt;, &lt;container name&gt;Dl, &lt;container name&gt;OO).</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check if the identified users (&quot;.SYS_Di&quot; users or SAP HANA DI container technical users) still need SQL access. If not, disable SQL access for these users and deactivate the users.</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>102</td>
<td>Existence of system database backup</td>
<td>Determines whether or not a system database backup exists. Without a system database backup, your system cannot be recovered.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Perform a backup of the system database as soon as possible.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
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<td>103</td>
<td>Usage of deprecated features</td>
<td>Determines if any deprecated features were used in the last interval.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Check the view M_FEA-TURE_USAGE to see which features were used. Refer to SAP Note 2425002 for further information.</td>
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<td>104</td>
<td>System replication: increased log shipping backlog</td>
<td>Monitors log shipping backlog. Alert is raised when threshold value is reached (priority dependent on threshold values).</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>To identify the reason for the increased system replication log shipping backlog, check the status of the secondary system. Possible causes for the increased system replication log shipping backlog can be a slow network performance, connection problems, or other internal issues.</td>
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<td>105</td>
<td>Total Open Transactions Check</td>
<td>Monitors the number of open transactions per service.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Double check if the application is closing the connection correctly, and whether the high transaction load on the system is expected.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
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<td>106</td>
<td>ASYNC replication in-memory buffer overflow</td>
<td>Checks if local in-memory buffer in ASYNC replication mode runs full.</td>
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<td>Check buffer size, peak loads, network, IO on secondary.</td>
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<td>107</td>
<td>Inconsistent fallback snapshot</td>
<td>Checks for inconsistent fallback snapshots.</td>
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<td>Drop the inconsistent snapshot</td>
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<td>108</td>
<td>Old fallback snapshot</td>
<td>Checks for out of date fallback snapshots (older than the defined thresholds).</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Check the age and possibly drop the snapshot</td>
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<td>109</td>
<td>Backup history broken</td>
<td>Checks if the backup history is incomplete or inconsistent (the log_mode is internally set to overwrite, it is not ensured that the service is fully recoverable via backup).</td>
<td></td>
<td>Perform a data backup as soon as possible to ensure that the service is fully recoverable.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
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<td>110</td>
<td>Catalog Consistency</td>
<td>An alert is raised if the Catalog Consistency Check detects errors (identifies the number of errors and affected objects).</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Contact SAP support.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>111</td>
<td>Replication status of replication log</td>
<td>Check whether the status of replication log is disabled.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Truncate replication log table and enable replication log</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>112</td>
<td>Missing STONITH with shared storage</td>
<td>Check whether a STONITH provider is configured in a scale-out system with shared basepaths.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Implement a STONITH provider.</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>See Implementing a HA/DR Provider in the SAP HANA System Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>113</td>
<td>Open file count</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of total open file handles are in use. All processes are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>You can configure the Linux <code>file-max</code> parameter using the following commands:</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1868829</td>
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<td>1. Check the current maximum number of allowed file handles: <code>cat /proc/sys/fs/file-max</code></td>
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<td>2. Extend maximum number of file handles in `/etc/sysctl.conf: fs.file-max = 20000000</td>
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<td></td>
<td>3. Activate changes for operating system: <code>sysctl -p /etc/sysctl.conf</code></td>
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<td>114</td>
<td>Active async IO count</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of total asynchronous input/output requests are in use. All processes are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>You can increase the size of the Linux I/O queue (<code>aio-max-nr</code> parameter) as described in SAP Note 1868829.</td>
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<td>115</td>
<td>Timezone environment variable verification</td>
<td>Determines if the timezone environment variable TZ can be interpreted. See <code>M_TIMEZONE_ALERTS</code>. Otherwise HANA falls back to a system call which can cause significant performance issues.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Please set the timezone environment variable TZ to a valid value according to the POSIX documentation and restart the HANA database. See also SAP Note 2100040.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 2100040</td>
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<td>116</td>
<td>Transparent huge pages status</td>
<td>Determines if Transparent Huge Pages (THP) are activated which can cause issues for the database.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Deactivate THP by setting the kernel parameter to &quot;[never]&quot;.</td>
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<td>SAP Notes: 2031375</td>
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<td>118</td>
<td>Port ephemeral max count</td>
<td>Checks for free local ports by referring to following kernel parameters: <code>net.ipv4.ip_local_port_range</code> and <code>net.ipv4.ip_local_reserved_ports</code>. The alert is raised if the number of free local ports is below the configured minimum.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Increase the local port range by setting profile parameters as described in SAP Note 401162, or free ports which do not have to be reserved.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 401162. See also SAP Host Agent and Linux kernel parameters in the SAP HANA System Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>119</td>
<td>Required local SAP HANA port ranges</td>
<td>Checks for local ports which are required but which have not been reserved (see Alert 118). If not reserved there is a risk that these ports could be automatically assigned to other applications. The alert is raised if any ports in the local ports range are not reserved.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Reserve ports by setting profile parameters as described in SAP Note 401162.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>SAP Note: 401162. See also SAP Host Agent and Linux kernel parameters in the SAP HANA System Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>128</td>
<td>LDAP Enabled Users without SSL</td>
<td>Checks for the vulnerability where users may be enabled for LDAP Authentication but SSL is not enabled.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Configure SSL to reduce risk of man-in-the-middle attacks and privacy protection.</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>129</td>
<td>Check trusted certificate expiration date</td>
<td>Determines if there are any trusted certificates that will expire soon or have already expired.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Replace the certificates that are expiring or are already expired with new ones.</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>130</td>
<td>Check own certificate expiration date</td>
<td>Determines if there are any own or chained certificates that will expire soon or have already expired.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Replace the certificates that are expiring or are already expired.</td>
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<td>131</td>
<td>Session requests queued by admission control</td>
<td>Determines the number of session requests waiting in the admission control queue. This can indicate an issue with the response time of the request.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the session requests newly queued by admission control. Refer to M_ADMISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS for more information.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
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<td>132</td>
<td>Session requests rejected by admission control</td>
<td>Determines the number of session requests newly rejected by admission control. This can indicate an issue with the availability of the database.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the session requests newly rejected by admission control. Refer to M_ADMISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS for more information.</td>
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<td>135</td>
<td>Checks configuration for SAP HANA SLD Data Supplier</td>
<td>For system replication, virtual and physical databases must be configured to send the correct landscape data to the Landscape Management Database via the System Landscape Directory (SLD).</td>
<td></td>
<td>Configure SAP HANA SLD Data Supplier as documented in SAP HANA System Administration Guide (see link in Further Information).</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>Configuring SAP HANA for System Replication Technical Scenario in SAP Solution Manager</td>
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<td>136</td>
<td>Unsupported Parameter Values Set</td>
<td>Checks if configuration parameters are set to an unsupported value.</td>
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<td>Correct the values of configuration parameters as necessary.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>137</td>
<td>Restart Required for Configuration Change</td>
<td>Check if a restart is required for a configuration change to become effective.</td>
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<td>If necessary, restart the system.</td>
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<td>500</td>
<td>Dbspace usage</td>
<td>Checks for the dbspace size usage.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate the usage of dbspace and increase the size.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
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<td>Dbspace status</td>
<td>Determines whether or not all dbspaces are available.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the dbspace is not available.</td>
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<td>Dbspace file status</td>
<td>Determines whether or not all dbspace files are available.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the dbspace file is not available.</td>
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<td>Inactive Streaming applications</td>
<td>Identifies inactive Streaming applications.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the Streaming application is inactive, for example, by checking the Streaming application’s trace files.</td>
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<td>601</td>
<td>Inactive Streaming project managed adapters</td>
<td>Identifies inactive Streaming project managed adapters.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the Streaming project managed adapter is inactive, for example, by checking the trace files.</td>
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<td>Streaming project physical memory usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of total physical memory available on the host is used for the streaming project.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate memory usage of the streaming project.</td>
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<td>Streaming project CPU usage</td>
<td>Determines the percentage CPU usage for a streaming project on the host and therefore whether or not CPU resources are running out.</td>
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<td>Investigate CPU usage.</td>
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<td>Number of publishers of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify the large publishers of streaming project. Make sure that they will not break the streaming project.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate whether these publishers are created intentionally.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>605</td>
<td>Number of subscribers of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify the large subscribers of streaming project. Make sure that they will not break the streaming project.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate whether these subscribers are created intentionally.</td>
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<td>606</td>
<td>Row throughput of subscriber of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which subscriber of streaming project has low throughput measured in rows per second.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the subscriber works slowly.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>Transaction throughput of subscriber of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which subscriber of streaming project has transaction throughput measured in transactions per second.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the subscriber works slowly.</td>
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<td>Row throughput of publisher of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which publisher of streaming project has low throughput measured in rows per second.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the publisher works slowly.</td>
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<td>609</td>
<td>Transaction throughput of publisher of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which publisher of streaming project has transaction throughput measured in transactions per second.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the publisher works slowly.</td>
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<td>Bad rows of project managed adapter</td>
<td>Identify which project managed adapter has much rows with error.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the adapter has such much rows with error.</td>
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<td>High latency of project managed adapter</td>
<td>Identify which project managed adapter has high latency.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the adapter has high latency.</td>
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<td>612</td>
<td>Large queue of stream of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which stream of streaming project has large queue.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Investigate why the stream has large queue.</td>
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<td>Large store of stream of streaming project</td>
<td>Identify which stream of streaming project has large store.</td>
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<td>Investigate why the stream has large store.</td>
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<td>700</td>
<td>Agent availability</td>
<td>Determines how many minutes the agent has been inactive.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate connection of agent and check if agent is up and running.</td>
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<td>701</td>
<td>Agent memory usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of total available memory on agent is used.</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Investigate which adapter or processes use a lot of memory.</td>
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<td>710</td>
<td>Remote Subscription exception</td>
<td>Checks for recent exceptions in remote subscriptions and remote sources.</td>
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<td>Investigate the error message and the error code and restart the remote subscription if necessary.</td>
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ID: 0

Name: Internal statistics server problem

Description: Identifies internal statistics server problem.

Category: Availability

User Action: Resolve the problem. For more information, see the trace files. You may need to activate tracing first.

Further information: SAP Note: 1803039

ID: 1

Name: Host physical memory usage

Description: Determines what percentage of total physical memory available on the host is used. All processes consuming memory are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes.

Category: Memory

Unit: percent
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<td>Disk usage</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of each disk containing data, log, and trace files is used. This includes space used by non-SAP HANA files.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>percent</td>
<td>90; 95; 98 (2; 3; 4)</td>
<td>Investigate disk usage of processes. Increase disk space, for example by shrinking volumes, deleting diagnosis files, or adding additional storage.</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1900643</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Inactive services</td>
<td>Identifies inactive services.</td>
<td>Availability</td>
<td>seconds</td>
<td>600 (4)</td>
<td>Investigate why the service is inactive, for example, by checking the service’s trace files.</td>
<td>Inactive &gt; 600 seconds. SAP Note: 1902033</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Restarted services</td>
<td>Identifies services that have restarted since the last time the check was performed.</td>
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### User Action:
Investigate why the service had to restart or be restarted, for example, by checking the service's trace files.

### Further information:
SAP Note: 1909660

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<td>5</td>
<td>Host CPU Usage</td>
<td>Determines the percentage CPU idle time on the host and therefore whether or not CPU resources are running low.</td>
<td>CPU</td>
<td>percent</td>
<td>25; 15; 10 (2; 3; 4)</td>
<td>Investigate CPU usage.</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909670</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Delta merge (mergedog) configuration</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the 'active' parameter in the 'mergedog' section of system configuration file(s) is 'yes'. mergedog is the system process that periodically checks column tables to determine whether or not a delta merge operation needs to be executed.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
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<td>Change in SYSTEM layer the parameter active in section(s) mergedog to yes</td>
<td>SAP Note: 1909641</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Memory usage of name server</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of allocated shared memory is being used by the name server on a host.</td>
<td>Memory</td>
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Default threshold(s) (Severity): 70; 80 (3; 4)

User Action: Increase the shared memory size of the name server. In the 'topology' section of the nameserver.ini file, increase the value of the 'size' parameter.

Further information: SAP Note: 1977101

ID: 16
Name: Lock wait timeout configuration
Description: Determines whether the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter in the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file is between 100,000 and 7,200,000.
Category: Configuration
User Action: In the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file, set the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter to a value between 100,000 and 7,200,000 for the System layer.
Further information: SAP Note: 1909707

ID: 17
Name: Record count of non-partitioned column-store tables
Description: Determines the number of records in non-partitioned column-store tables. Current table size is not critical. Partitioning need only be considered if tables are expected to grow rapidly (a non-partitioned table cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows).
Category: Memory
Unit: records
Default threshold(s) (Severity): 300000000 (1)
User Action: Consider partitioning the table only if you expect it to grow rapidly.
Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide > Table Partitioning, SAP Note: 1909763

ID: 20
Name: Table growth of non-partitioned column-store tables
Description: Determines the growth rate of non-partitioned columns tables.
Category: Memory
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<td>Internal event</td>
<td>Identifies internal database events.</td>
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<td>HANDLED; INFO; NEW (2; 3; 4)</td>
<td>Resolve the event and then mark it as resolved by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYS- TEM SET EVENT HANDLED '&lt;host&gt;:&lt;port&gt;' &lt;id&gt;. Note that this is not necessary for INFO events.</td>
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<td>Determines whether or not there have been any alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.</td>
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<td>Investigate the alerts.</td>
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<td>Notification of medium and high priority alerts</td>
<td>Determines whether or not there have been any medium and high priority alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.</td>
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<td>Notification of high priority alerts</td>
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<td>Open connections</td>
<td>Determines what percentage of the maximum number of permitted SQL connections are open. The maximum number of permitted connections is configured in the “session” section of the indexserver.ini file.</td>
<td>Sessions/Transactions</td>
<td>Investigate why the maximum number of permitted open connections is being approached.</td>
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<td>Unassigned volumes</td>
<td>Identifies volumes that are not assigned a service.</td>
<td>Configuration</td>
<td>Investigate why the volume is not assigned a service. For example, the assigned service is not active, the removal of a host failed, or the removal of a service was performed incorrectly.</td>
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<td>Record count of column-store table partitions</td>
<td>Determines the number of records in the partitions of column-store tables. A table partition cannot contain more than 2,000,000,000 (2 billion) rows.</td>
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<td>Description</td>
<td>Determines how long ago the last savepoint was defined, that is, how long ago a complete, consistent image of the database was persisted to disk.</td>
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<td>User Action</td>
<td>Investigate why there was a delay defining the last savepoint and consider triggering the operation manually by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM SAVEPOINT.</td>
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<td>User Action</td>
<td>Investigate the delta merge history in the monitoring view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS. Consider merging the table delta manually.</td>
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<td>Check internal disk full event</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the disks to which data and log files are written are full. A disk-full event causes your database to stop and must be resolved.</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Resolve the disk-full event as follows: In the Administration Editor on the Overview tab, choose the &quot;Disk Full Events&quot; link and mark the event as handled. Alternatively, execute the SQL statements ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT ACKNOWLEDGED 'host:&lt;port&gt;'</td>
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<td>Determines how many days until your license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer use the system, except to install a new license.</td>
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<td>30; 14; 7 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td>Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSE.</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines whether or not the database is running in log mode &quot;legacy&quot;. Log mode &quot;legacy&quot; does not support point-in-recovery and is not recommended for productive systems.</td>
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<td>If you need point-in-time recovery, reconfigure the log mode of your system to &quot;normal&quot;. In the &quot;persistence&quot; section of the global.ini configuration file, set the parameter &quot;log_mode&quot; to &quot;normal&quot; for the System layer. When you change the log mode, you m</td>
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<td>Determines whether or not the most recent data backup was successful.</td>
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<td>User Action</td>
<td>Investigate why the last data backup failed, resolve the problem, and perform a new data backup as soon as possible.</td>
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<td>SAP HANA Administration Guide &gt; Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900795</td>
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| ID:                           | 37                                                                                                 |
| Name                          | Age of most recent data backup                                                                      |
| Description                   | Determines the age of the most recent successful data backup.                                      |
| Category                      | Backup                                                                                             |
| Unit                          | day                                                                                                |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 5; 7; 20 (2; 3; 4)                                                                                  |
| User Action                   | Perform a data backup as soon as possible.                                                          |
| Further information           | SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900730 |

| ID:                           | 38                                                                                                 |
| Name                          | Status of most recent log backups                                                                  |
| Description                   | Determines whether or not the most recent log backups for services and volumes were succes- successful. |
| Category                      | Backup                                                                                             |
| User Action                   | Investigate why the log backup failed and resolve the problem.                                     |
| Further information           | SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900788 |

<p>| ID:                           | 39                                                                                                 |
| Name                          | Long-running statements                                                                            |
| Description                   | Identifies long-running SQL statements.                                                            |</p>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Investigate the statement. For more information, see the table _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_LONG_RUNNING_statements.</td>
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| ID:        | 40                                      |
| Name:      | Total memory usage of column-store tables |
| Description: | Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by individual column-store tables as a whole (that is, the cumulative size of all of a table’s columns and internal structures) |
| Category:  | Memory                                   |
| Unit:      | percent                                  |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 20; 25; 30 (1; 2; 3) |
| User Action: | Consider partitioning or repartitioning the table. |
| Further information: | SAP Note: 1977268                           |

| ID:        | 41                                      |
| Name:      | In-memory DataStore activation          |
| Description: | Determines whether or not there is a problem with the activation of an in-memory DataStore object. |
| Category:  | Availability                            |
| User Action: | For more information, see the table _SYS_STATISTICS.GLOBAL_DEC_EXTRACTOR_STATUS and SAP Note 1665553. |
| Further information: | SAP Note: 1665553, SAP Note: 1977230 |

<p>| ID:        | 42                                      |
| Name:      | Long-idling cursors                     |</p>
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<td><strong>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</strong></td>
<td>0.5; 0.7; 0.9 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td><strong>User Action:</strong></td>
<td>Close the cursor in the application, or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION &lt;LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID&gt;. For more information, see the table HOST_LONG_IDLE_CURSOR (_SYS_STATISTICS).</td>
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| **ID:** | 43 |
| **Name:** | Memory usage of services |
| **Description:** | Determines what percentage of its effective allocation limit a service is using. |
| **Category:** | Memory |
| **Unit:** | percent |
| **Default threshold(s) (Severity):** | 80; 90; 95 (2; 3; 4) |
| **User Action:** | Check for services that consume a lot of memory. |
| **Further information:** | SAP Note: 1900257 |

<p>| <strong>ID:</strong> | 44 |
| <strong>Name:</strong> | Licensed memory usage |
| <strong>Description:</strong> | Determines what percentage of licensed memory is used. |
| <strong>Category:</strong> | Memory |
| <strong>Unit:</strong> | percent |
| <strong>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</strong> | 98 (1) |
| <strong>User Action:</strong> | Increase licensed amount of main memory. You can see the peak memory allocation since installation in the system view M_LICENSE (column PRODUCT_USAGE). |
| <strong>Further information:</strong> | SAP Note: 1899511 |</p>
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<td>Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by the main storage of individual column-store tables.</td>
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<td>Identifies new runtime dump files (<em>rtdump</em>) have been generated in the trace directory of the system. These contain information about, for example, build, loaded modules, running threads, CPU, and so on.</td>
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<td>Close the serializable transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION &lt;LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID&gt;. For more information, see the table HOST_LONG_SERIALIZABLE_TRANSACTION (_SYS_STATIST)</td>
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**Name:** Long-running uncommitted write transactions  
**Description:** Identifies long-running uncommitted write transactions.  
**Category:** Sessions/Transactions  
**Unit:** ratio  
**Default threshold(s) (Severity):** 0.7; 0.9 (3; 4)  
**User Action:** Close the uncommitted transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION <LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID>. For more information, see the table HOST_UNCOMMITTED_WRITE_TRANSACTION (_SYS_STATISTI).  
**Further information:** SAP Note: 1977276

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**Name:** Long-running blocking situations  
**Description:** Identifies long-running blocking situations.  
**Category:** Sessions/Transactions  
**Unit:** minutes  
**Default threshold(s) (Severity):** 15; 20; 25 (2; 3; 4)  
**User Action:** Investigate the blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel one of them.  
**Further information:** SAP Note: 2079396

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**Name:** Number of diagnosis files  
**Description:** Determines the number of diagnosis files written by the system (excluding zip-files). An unusually large number of files can indicate a problem with the database (for example, problem with trace file rotation or a high number of crashes).  
**Category:** Diagnosis Files  
**Unit:** files  
**Default threshold(s) (Severity):** 200 (2)
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| ID:                    | 55                  |
| Name:                  | Columnstore unloads |
| Description:           | Determines how many columns in columnstore tables have been unloaded from memory. This can indicate performance issues. |
| Category:              | Memory              |
| Unit:                  | tables              |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 1000; 10000; 100000 (1; 2; 3) |
| User Action:           | Check sizing with respect to data distribution. |
| Further information:   | SAP Note: 1977207   |

<p>| ID:                    | 56                  |
| Name:                  | Python trace activity |
| Description:           | Determines whether or not the python trace is active and for how long. The python trace affects system performance. |
| Category:              | Diagnosis Files     |
| Unit:                  | minutes             |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 20; 60; 300 (1; 2; 3) |
| User Action:           | If no longer required, deactivate the python trace in the relevant configuration file. |
| Further information:   | SAP Note: 1977098   |</p>
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<td>Instance secure store file system (SSFS) inaccessible</td>
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<td>Determines if the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system is accessible to the database.</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Check and make sure that the instance SSFS is accessible to the database.</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Currently Alert 58 is inactive and replaced by Alert 91. Please activate Alert 91 - Plan Cache Hit Ratio</td>
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<td>Percentage of transactions blocked</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines the percentage of transactions that are blocked.</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
<td>5; 10; 20 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Investigate blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel some of them.</td>
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<td>Identifies database users whose password is due to expire in line with the configured password policy. If the password expires, the user will be locked. If the user in question is a technical user, this may impact application availability. It is recommended that you disable the password lifetime check of technical users so that their password never expires (ALTER USER &lt;username&gt; DISABLE PASSWORD LIFETIME).</td>
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**Category:** Memory  
**Unit:** percent  
**Default threshold(s) (Severity):** 70; 80; 90 (2; 3; 4)  
**User Action:** Investigate memory usage by row store tables and consider cleanup of unused data  
**Further information:** SAP Note: 2050579  

**ID:** 69  
**Name:** Enablement of automatic log backup  
**Description:** Determines whether automatic log backup is enabled.  
**Category:** Backup  
**User Action:** Enable automatic log backup. For more details please see SAP HANA Administration Guide.  
**Further information:** SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: 2081360  

**ID:** 70  
**Name:** Consistency of internal system components after system upgrade  
**Description:** Verifies the consistency of schemas and tables in internal system components (for example, the repository) after a system upgrade.  
**Category:** Availability  
**User Action:** Contact SAP support.  

**ID:** 71  
**Name:** Row store fragmentation  
**Description:** Check for fragmentation of row store.  
**Category:** Memory  
**User Action:** Implement SAP Note 1813245.  
**Further information:** SAP Note: 1813245  

**ID:** 72  
**Name:** Number of log segments
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<th>Determines the number of log segments in the log volume of each service. Check for the number of log segments.</th>
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<td><strong>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</strong></td>
<td>5000; 7000; 9000 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td><strong>User Action:</strong></td>
<td>Make sure that log backups are being automatically created and that there is enough space available for them. Check whether the system has been frequently and unusually restarting services. If it has, then resolve the root cause of this issue and create</td>
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<td><strong>Name:</strong></td>
<td>Rowstore version space skew</td>
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<td><strong>Description:</strong></td>
<td>Determines whether the rowstore version chain is too long.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Category:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</strong></td>
<td>10000; 100000; 1000000 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td><strong>User Action:</strong></td>
<td>Identify the connection or transaction that is blocking version garbage collection. You can do this in the SAP HANA studio by executing &quot;MVCC Blocker Statement&quot; and &quot;MVCC Blocker Transaction&quot; available on the System Information tab of the Administration e</td>
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| **ID:** | 76 |
| **Name:** | Discrepancy between host server times |
| **Description:** | Identifies discrepancies between the server times of hosts in a scale-out system. |
| **Category:** | Configuration |
| **Unit:** | minutes |
| **Default threshold(s) (Severity):** | 1; 2; 3 (2; 3; 4) |
| **User Action:** | Check operating system time settings. |

<p>| <strong>ID:</strong> | 77 |
| <strong>Name:</strong> | Database disk usage |
| <strong>Description:</strong> | Determines the total used disk space of the database. All data, logs, traces and backups are considered. |
| <strong>Category:</strong> | Disk |
| <strong>Unit:</strong> | GB |
| <strong>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</strong> | 300; 400; 500 (2; 3; 4) |</p>
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<th>Investigate the disk usage of the database. See system view M_DISK_USAGE for more details.</th>
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<td>Name</td>
<td>Connection between systems in system replication setup</td>
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| Description | Identifies closed connections between the primary system and a secondary system. If connec-
|             | tions are closed, the primary system is no longer being replicated.                          |
| Category    | Availability                                                                                  |
| User Action | Investigate why connections are closed (for example, network problem) and resolve the is-
|             | suet.                                                                                         |
| Further information | SAP HANA Administration Guide                                                                |

| ID          | 79                                                                                          |
| Name        | Configuration consistency of systems in system replication setup                           |
| Description | Identifies configuration parameters that do not have the same value on the primary system
|             | and a secondary system. Most configuration parameters should have the same value on both
|             | systems because the secondary system has to take over in the event of a disaster.          |
| Category    | Configuration                                                                                |
| User Action | If the identified configuration parameter(s) should have the same value in both systems, ad-
|             | just the configuration. If different values are acceptable, add the parameter(s) as an excep-
|             | tion in global.ini/[inifile_checker].                                                        |
| Further information | SAP HANA Administration Guide                                                                |

| ID          | 80                                                                                          |
| Name        | Availability of table replication                                                           |
| Description | Monitors error messages related to table replication.                                        |
| Category    | Availability                                                                                |
| Unit        | number of deactivated tables                                                                |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity) | 1 (4)                                         |
| User Action | Determine which tables encountered the table replication error using system view M_TABLE-
<p>|             | REPLICAS, and then check the corresponding indexserver alert traces.                      |</p>
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<td>Cached view size</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines how much memory is occupied by cached view</td>
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<td>Category:</td>
<td>Memory</td>
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<td>Unit:</td>
<td>percent</td>
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<tr>
<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
<td>50; 75; 90 (1; 2; 3)</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Increase the size of the cached view. In the “result_cache” section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the “total_size” parameter.</td>
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<td>Timezone conversion</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Compares SAP HANA internal timezone conversion with Operating System timezone conversion.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Category:</td>
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<td>days</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
<td>999999999; 100; 10 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<tr>
<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Update SAP HANA internal timezone tables (refer to SAP note 1932132).</td>
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<td>Table consistency</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Identifies the number of errors and affected tables detected by _SYS_STATISTICS.Collector_Global_Table_Consistency.</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
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<td>Contact SAP support.</td>
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<td>Insecure instance SSFS encryption configuration</td>
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<tr>
<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines whether the master key of the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Category:</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Change the instance SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>Insecure systemPKI SSFS encryption configuration</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines whether the master key of the secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your system's internal public key infrastructure (system PKI) has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Change the system PKI SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>Internal communication is configured too openly</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines whether the ports used by SAP HANA for internal communication are securely configured. If the &quot;listeninterface&quot; property in the &quot;communication&quot; section of the global.ini file does not have the value &quot;.local&quot; for single-host systems and &quot;.all&quot; or &quot;.global&quot; for multiple-host systems, internal communication channels are externally exploitable.</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>The parameter [communication] listeninterface in global.ini is not set to a secure value. Please refer to SAP Note 2183363 or the section on internal host name resolution in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Determines if support privileges for the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) are currently granted to any database users or roles.</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Check if the corresponding users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them.</td>
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<td>Determines if the delta merge of a table was executed successfully or not.</td>
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<td>1; 5; 10 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>The delta merge was not executed successfully for a table. Check the error description in view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS and also Indexserver trace.</td>
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<td>Volume file missing, database instance is broken, stop immediately all operations on this instance.</td>
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<td>Determines if the system was not installed/updated with the SAP HANA Database Lifecycle Manager (HDBLCM).</td>
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<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Install/update SAP HANA Database Lifecycle Manager (HDBLCM). Implement SAP note 2078425</td>
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| ID: | 91 |
| Name: | Plan cache hit ratio |
| Description: | Determines whether or not the plan cache hit ratio is too low. |
| Category: | Memory |
| Unit: | ratio |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 0.95; 0.90 (1;2) |
| User Action: | Increase the size of the plan cache. In the "sql" section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the "plan_cache_size" parameter. |

| ID: | 92 |
| Name: | Root keys of persistent services are not properly synchronized |
| Description: | Not all services that persist data could be reached the last time the root key change of the data volume encryption service was changed. As a result, at least one service is running with an old root key. |
| Category: | Security |
| User Action: | Trigger a savepoint for this service or flush the SSFS cache using hdbcons |

<p>| ID: | 93 |
| Name: | Streaming License expiry |
| Description: | Determines how many days until your streaming license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer start streaming projects. |
| Category: | Availability |
| Unit: | day |
| Default threshold(s) (Severity): | 30; 14; 7 (2; 3; 4) |</p>
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<td>System Replication secondary site has a higher log replay backlog than expected.</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
<td>10240; 51200; 512000 (2; 3; 4)</td>
<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Investigate on secondary site, why log replay backlog is increased</td>
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<td>Determine the Data Quality reference data expiration dates.</td>
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<td>Default threshold(s) (Severity):</td>
<td>30; 7; 1 (2; 3; 4)</td>
<td>User Action:</td>
<td>Download the latest Data Quality reference data files and update the system. (For more details about updating the directories, see the Administration Guide.)</td>
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<td>3600; 21600; 43200 (2; 3; 4)</td>
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**User Action:** Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSES.
User Action: Investigate the long-running tasks. For more information, see the task statistics tables or views in _SYS_TASK schema and trace log.

ID: 97
Name: Granting of SAP HANA DI container import privileges
Description: Determines if the container import feature of the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) is enabled and if import privileges for SAP HANA DI containers are currently granted to any database users or roles.
Category: Security
Unit: users
User Action: Check if the identified users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them and disable the SAP HANA DI container import feature.

ID: 98
Name: LOB garbage collection activity
Description: Determines whether or not the lob garbage collection is activated.
Category: Configuration
User Action: Activate the LOB garbage collection using the corresponding configuration parameters.

ID: 99
Name: Maintenance Status
Description: Checks the installed SP version against the recommended SP version.
Category: Configuration
Unit: support package
User Action: Please consider upgrading to the recommended SP version.

ID: 100
Name: Unsupported operating system in use
Description: Determines if the operating system of the SAP HANA Database hosts is supported.
Category: Configuration
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<td>101</td>
<td>SQL access for SAP HANA DI technical users</td>
<td>Determines if SQL access has been enabled for any SAP HANA DI technical users. SAP HANA DI technical users are either users whose names start with '_SYS_DI' or SAP HANA DI container technical users (&lt;container name&gt;, &lt;container name&gt;#DI, &lt;container name&gt;#OO).</td>
<td>Security</td>
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<td>Check if the identified users ('_SYS_DI*' users or SAP HANA DI container technical users) still need SQL access. If not, disable SQL access for these users and deactivate the users.</td>
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<td>102</td>
<td>Existence of system database backup</td>
<td>Determines whether or not a system database backup exists. Without a system database backup, your system cannot be recovered.</td>
<td>Backup</td>
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<td>Perform a backup of the system database as soon as possible.</td>
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<td>Usage of deprecated features</td>
<td>Determines if any deprecated features were used in the last interval.</td>
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<td>calls</td>
<td>Check the view M_FEATURE_USAGE to see which features were used. Refer to SAP Note 2425002 for further information.</td>
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<td>Statistics New in SPS03 Takt 1</td>
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<td>Dbspace usage</td>
<td>Checks for the dbspace size usage.</td>
<td>Disk</td>
<td>Investigate the usage of dbspace and increase the size.</td>
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<td>Dbspace status</td>
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<td>Dbspace file status</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Configuration between HANA and HANA Extended Storage do not match. Data may not be completely protected.</td>
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