Ackwarius
Open Source OS cluster for RedHat Linux

Setup & Configuration

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1. Pre-requisites

Following are the pre-requisites for Ackwarius.

Please note that there should be a separate node for Heartbeat / Monitoring which should be in different subnet than the nodes participating in a cluster.

a. Hostnames of all servers including the Heartbeat node should not have "_" (underscore).

b. Create a 5GB filesystem for cluster configuration named as "/clus_logs".

c. Add user "uxadm" to manage the cluster
   [- Cluster management will be done by this user. Please make sure the spelling is correct as it is hardcoded in the scripts.]

   #useradd -c "Cluster Manager" uxadm

d. Set password for user "uxadm"

   #passwd uxadm

e. Set permission & ownership of "/clus_logs"

   #chmod 755 /clus_logs
   #chown uxadm:uxadm /clus_logs

f. Enable password-less login for all the nodes in the cluster including the HB node for "uxadm"

   #su - uxadm
   #mkdir .ssh
   #ssh-keygen -t rsa

g. Allow crontab access to "uxadm"
   [- This should be done via root]

   #vi /etc/cron.allow

    h. Create the clustered filesystem using LVM - NOT ON HB NODE
[- Make sure the disk is sharable across the nodes in the cluster. Run the LVM commands ONLY on one server in the cluster. PV, VG and LV definitions will be populated automatically on second server]

#pvcreate /dev/sdX
#vgcreate /dev/sdX <vgname>
#lvcreate -L 50G -n <lvname> <vgname>
#mkfs.ext4 /dev/<vgname>/<lvname>

[- Create the mount point directory on both the cluster nodes]

#mkdir <mount-point name>

2. Setup & Configuration

    a. Download the file "ackwarius.tar.pdf". Place it on server and rename it to "ackwarius.tar". Untar it and place it accordingly on servers in the cluster and the Heartbeat node.
[- There will be two tar files
nodes.tar - it should be placed on the servers participating in the cluster at /clus_logs filesystem
HB.tar - It should be placed on Heartbeat node at /clus_logs filesystem]

    b. Untar the files on respective nodes

#cd /clus_logs
#tar -xvf nodes.tar   #RUN ONLY ON SERVERS NOT ON HB NODE
#tar -xvf HB.tar   #RUN ONLY ON HB NODE

c. Run the setup using below command and follow the instructions

```
#/clus_logs/scripts/manage
        then
#Enter 1 to Cluster Configuration & Setup
```

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 1. Cluster Configuration & Setup
 2. Cluster Management


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 Enter your choice: 1

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d. Confirm if all pre-requisites are completed

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PRE-REQUISITES - Please follow them seriously
----------------------------------------------------
1. Add user uxadm
     # This user is used in cluster management.

2. Passwordless login to all the nodes in the cluster
     # This will be used as communication between the nodes and for heartbeat

3. Ensure HB node is in different subnet with all other nodes in cluster
     # To Mitigate SPLIT-BRAIN SYNDROME

4. Cluster Filesystem is created on both nodes
     # This is a cluster filesystem which will move with the cluster services


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Confirm if done [y/n]:          y
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e. Give all inputs correctly and follow the instructions

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              Ackwarius -   Cluster Setup
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  Total number of nodes ( Excluding Heartbeat node ):
  2
  Hostname of server 1 :
  ▊
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f. Once Cluster is successfully setup on both the servers, set the priority in both the servers
   [- We are setting the priority of the node on which the cluster services will come up first once both are restarted.]

   # vi /clus_logs/scripts/priority
   Make an entry as below. There must be same entries in both servers.

   <hostname>_<IP>

```
[root@node1 scripts]# cat priority
node1_192.168.1.46
[root@node1 scripts]# ▊
```

```
[root@node2 scripts]# cat priority
node1_192.168.1.46
[root@node2 scripts]# ▊
```

g. Run the setup using below command and follow the instructions

    #/clus_logs/scripts/manage
      then
    #Enter 1 to Cluster Configuration & Setup

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1. HB Configuration & Setup


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Enter your choice: 1 █

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h. Confirm if all pre-requisites are completed

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        Ackwarious - The HB node

PRE-REQUISITES - Please follow them seriously
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3. Ensure HB node is in different subnet with all other nodes in cluster
    # To Mitigate SPLIT-BRAIN SYNDROME


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Confirm if done [y/n]:        y█
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i.   Give all inputs correctly and follow the instructions to complete the setup

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              Ackwarius - HB Setup
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   Total number of nodes ( Excluding Heartbeat node ):
   2
   Hostname of server 1 :
   █
```

j.   Make crontab entries for "uxadm"

        #su - uxadm
        #crontab -e

```
crontab: installing new crontab
[uxadm@HB ~]$ crontab -l
*/1 * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/ping
*/1 * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/ssh
* * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/monitor_status
[uxadm@HB ~]$ █
```

RUN below ON SERVERS which are part of cluster . DONOT RUN ON HB NODE

k. Make crontab entries for "uxadm"

> #su - uxadm
> #crontab -e

```
crontab: installing new crontab
[uxadm@node1 ~]$ crontab -l
*/1 * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/ping
*/1 * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/ssh
*/1 * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/fetch_status
[uxadm@node1 ~]$
```

l. Make crontab entries for "root"

```
[root@node1 ~]# crontab -l
* * * * * /clus_logs/scripts/monitor
[root@node1 ~]#
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m. Start the cluster on any one of the node
[- via root]

#/clus_logs/scripts/manage

Select 2

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   1. Cluster Configuration & Setup
   2. Cluster Management


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   Enter your choice: 2 █
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Select 1

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---------------- Cluster Management ---------------

      1. Start the cluster on this node
      2. Stop the cluster
      3. Cluster Status


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      Enter your Choice:    1 █
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