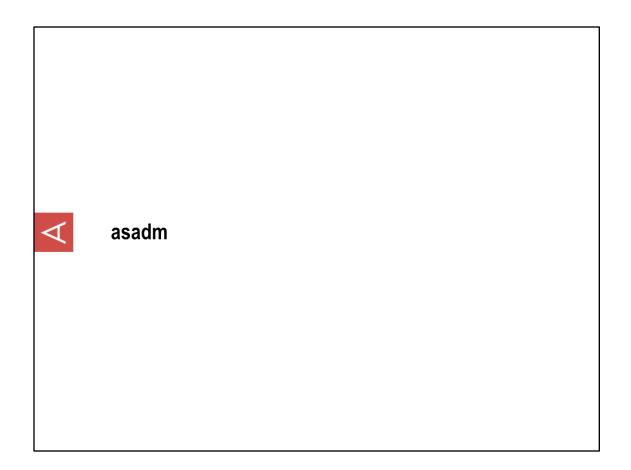


# **Exercises and Tools**



### asadm

asadm is a command line tool used to track the health of an Aerospike cluster.

### Typical syntax:

```
asadm [-h <host>[:<port>]] [-p <port>]
```

This will put you into the asadm command line which looks like this:

### Admin>

Hitting <TAB> will show you possible options.

Command: help

Displays the full syntax of the asadm command.

While there are other options for asadm we will just try connecting to an instance.

The asadm does not need to be on the same host. You need only give asadm one host/IP address and it will connect to the other nodes in the cluster.

Just entering asadm without any parameters will put you into the local Aerospike node on port 3000.

Command: info

Displays cluster info similar to the dashboard on the AMC.

Node	Build (	Cluster	Cluster	Clust	er F	ree F	ree M	igrates	Pri	ncipal	Objec	ets	Uptime	
		Size	Visibility	Integri	ty Di	sk% M	em%							
i	3.5.9	1	True	True		0	99 (	0,0)	i		248.787	7 K	24:18:09	
Number	of rows:	1												
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Node		Node				Fqdn			Ιp	Client	Curi	rent	HB	H
		Id								Conns	3	ime	Self	Foreign
i	*BB94FB6	A4647106	ip-172-31	-59-3.ec2.	interna	1:3000	172.3	1.59.3:3	000	2	170552	2385	581239	(
Number	of rows:	1												
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	Namespace			~~~~~Name	space I Repl	nformat Stop	ion~~~ HWM		Mem	Mem	HWM		Stop	
~~~~ Node	Namespace			jects	Repl		HWM					:		
Node	Namespace	e Evicti	ions Ob	jects	Repl	Stop	HWM Disk%		Mem Used	Mem	HWM	:	Stop	

The most important things to note here are:

- The number of object are replicated.
- If the number of migrates is non-zero, the cluster is in a dynamic state.
- There are counters for the number of evicted objects, if this is increasing, the system is short on configured resources.

Command: show stat

Displays node stats for each node in the cluster. You can select for a single set of statistics by choosing the statistic type:

- bins
- namespace
- service
- sets
- xdr (for Enterprise Edition)

There are hundreds of possible variables and just entering "stat" will show all values for all nodes in the cluster.

Command: show stat

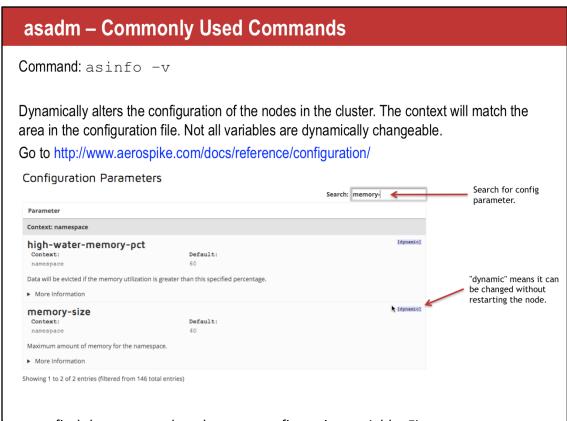
Displays node stats for each node in the cluster. The output can be very long, so filter with the "like" modifer.

Admin> show stat lik	e total		
~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	~~~Service Stati	istics~~~~~	~~~~~~~
NODE :	u10	u12	u13
total-bytes-disk :	800197705728	800197705728	948214693888
total-bytes-memory:	25769803776	25769803776	25769803776
~~~~~~ t	est Namespace St	tatistics~~~~~	~~~~~~~
NODE :	u10	u12	u13
total-bytes-disk :	800197705728	800197705728	948214693888
total-bytes-memory:	25769803776	25769803776	25769803776

It is often easier to filter for just the variables you are interested in. Use the "like" will limit the variables to those that contain the string.

### asadm - Commonly Used Commands Command: show config Displays node configurations for each node in the cluster. The output can be made specific to specific areas: namespace network service xdr (for Enterprise Edition) Admin> show config namespace NODE : u12 allow\_versions : false cold-start-evict-ttl : 4294967295 conflict-resolution-policy generation data-in-memory : false default-ttl : 345600 false 4294967295 generation false 345600 defrag-lwm-pct 50 defrag-queue-min 1000 defrag-sleep defrag-startup-minimum 1000 /dev/sdb,/dev/sdc,/dev/sdd,/dev/sde /dev/sdb,/dev/sdc,/dev/sdd,/dev/sde disallow-null-setname false false enable-xdr true true evict-tenths-pct 17179869184 17179869184 filesize flush-max-ms 1000 1000 fsync-max-sec 50 50 high-water-disk-pct high-water-memory-pct 70 70 true true max-ttl 0 67108864 67108864 max-write-cache 25769803776 memory-size

Elach area contains a different set of configuration variables specific to the different contexts in the configuration file.



You may find that you need to change a configuration variable. First, you may want to determine if it can be changed without restarting the node.

While this is often true, it is not always true. You can find out if the parameter you want to change is by looking at the Aerospike web site.

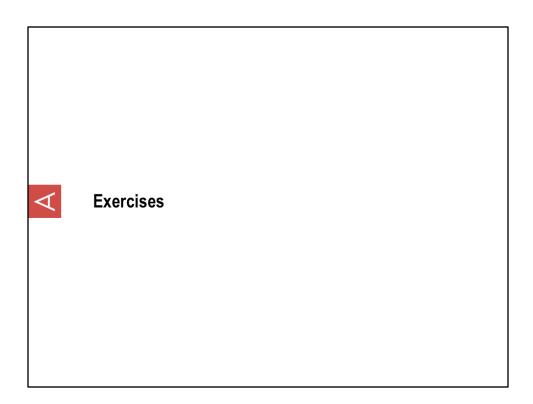
### Example

Command: asinfo -v

To update the amount of memory (RAM) used by the namespace "test" to 2 GB without restarting the nodes in the cluster. Issue the following command. Note that all nodes will be changed. The configuration file will NOT be altered.

```
Admin> asinfo -v "set-config:context=namespace;id=test;memory-size=2G" u12 (192.168.120.112) returned: ok u13 (192.168.120.113) returned: ok u10 (192.168.120.110) returned: ok
```

In this example we have now dynamically changed the amount of RAM used in the namespace "test" to 2 GB. Note that shrinking memory can have bad side effects.



# **Exercise 1: Namespace**

- Add a namespace with data persisted on file. Here are the requirements:
  - Total number of records: 300,000.
  - Average record size: 2048B.
  - Let's keep it simple, only 1 bin per record.
- Insert all those records in your new namespace using the Java Benchmark tool.
- Verify RAM and Disk usage
  - Using AMC
  - Using asadm

Reminder - Capacity Planning – Quick Estimate							
Area	How stored	Formula	Note				
Primary Index	RAM	n*r*64	The amount of RAM needed for the primary index is fixed at 64 bytes.				
Data storage	RAM	n * r * (2 + (17 * b) + v)	Every objects needs 2 bytes for overhead, 17 bytes per bin, and the actual data				
Data storage	Flash/SSD	n * r * p  Where p is ((64 + (9 + s) + (28 * b) + 5 + v) -> round up to nearest 128 bytes	Every object needs to store thindex (64 bytes), set overhead (9 +s bytes), general overhead (28 bytes), type info (5 bytes for strings - 2 for int), and the actual data. Because Aerospike stores data in 128 byte blocks, you must round up to the nearest 128 byte amount.				
<ul> <li>n = number of records</li> <li>r = replication factor</li> <li>v = average size of records</li> <li>b = number of bins</li> <li>s = average set name size</li> </ul> <ul> <li>Exercise:</li> <li>300,000 records</li> <li>2048B per record</li> <li>Data on persisted on disk only</li> <li>1 bin per record</li> </ul>							

For the exercise: 2048 + 5 + 28 +64 = 2145, closest 128 bytes is 17 \* 128 = 2176.

### Sizing

- Sizing
  - RAM
    - = (300,000 \* 64) / (1024\*1024) = ~ 18.3MiB
    - Replication factor \*2: 36.6MiB
    - Memory High Water Mark 60%: 61MiB (36.6/0.6)
    - Let's be generous, and go with 100MiB ©
    - Also, in this special case, as we are running on a single node, we would be defaulting to replication factor 1.
  - SSD
    - = p = (64 + (9 + 7) + (28 \* 1) + 5 + 2048 = 2161 rounded up to next 128 bytes -> 2176
    - $= (300,000 * 2176) / (1024*1024*1024) = \sim 0.61GiB$
    - \* 2 (rep. factor) = 1.2GiB
    - \* 2 (defrag) = 2.4GiB
    - Again, replication factor 1, so we should be using ~0.61GiB, so to avoid evictions, we should size for 1.2GiB. But let's be generous again and give it 1.5GiB ©

Why \*2 for defrag? At defrag\_lwm\_pct 50, to write 1 new block, would need to defrag 2 blocks at 50% each, so, you would need to read 2 such blocks, write 1 resulting block after defrag, and then the block holding new records. Would end up writing 2 blocks (1 new data, 1 for having defragged 2 blocks at 50% each) and reading 2 blocks. So write amplification is 2X. At 75% defrag\_lwm\_pct, write amplification is 4X. Disk will wear faster and performance will be impacted too.

Real sizing would also need to account for read/write peak tps and potential secondary index using more RAM.

# Configuration

Configuration:

```
namespace ns1 {
    replication-factor 2
    memory-size 100M
    default-ttl 30m # 30minutes

    storage-engine device {
        file /opt/aerospike/data/ns1.dat
        filesize 1500M
        # write-block-size 1M
    }
}
```

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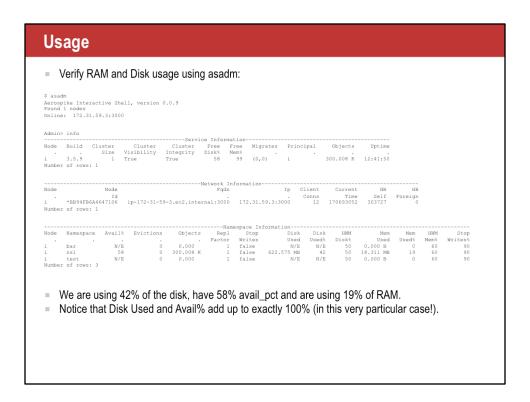
Real sizing would also need to account for read/write peak tps and potential secondary index using more RAM.

# **Exercise 2: Change TTL**

Let's spread those records, 1 hour apart, for the sake of the exercise.

- asinfo
  - Tool to dynamically change configuration (among other things).
  - 2 useful links to bookmark:
    - Info commands reference: <a href="http://www.aerospike.com/docs/reference/info/">http://www.aerospike.com/docs/reference/info/</a>
    - Configuration reference: <a href="http://www.aerospike.com/docs/reference/configuration/">http://www.aerospike.com/docs/reference/configuration/</a>
- We will change the default-ttl for the namespace between each 100,000 records insert.

```
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;default-ttl=1h'
./run_benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 100000 -S 1 -o S:2048 -w I -z 8
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;default-ttl=2h'
./run_benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 100000 -S 100001 -o S:2048 -w I -z 8
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;default-ttl=3h'
./run_benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 100000 -S 200001 -o S:2048 -w I -z 8
```



Disk Used and Avail% do add up because we only inserted new records and never updated/deleted any of them. So all blocks are full, no fragmentation.

### **Histograms**

- Let's check a couple of histograms:
- ttl histogram:

- As expected, records spread in 3 buckets. 102s is the 'width' of each bucket.
- = (102\*100) / 3600 = 2.8 hrs.
- object size histogram:

- Bucket #17 has all the records.
- 17 \* 128 = 2176 (2048 + 113B overhead rounded up to next 128B)

Firs number of buckets 2<sup>nd</sup> bucket width = 102 second The the buckets = the number of records to expire in each bucket

Number of buckets Always 1 : record block = 128b Always 0

# **Exercise 3: Breach high water mark**

- Add another 100,000 records (same size 2048B).
- Let's separate them again by adding them with a 4 hour ttl.

```
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;default-ttl=4h' ./run_benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 100000 -S 300001 -o S:2048 -w I -z 8
```

- Observe what happened when looking at asadm or AMC.
  - Look at the Used Disk column in asadm.
  - AMC throws an alert notification.
- Let's check the ttl histogram again:

# **Evictions in the Log**

- Let's take a look at the logs to see how many records are evicted during each nsup cycle:
  - grep thr nsup /var/log/aerospike/aerospike.log

May 30 2015 14:58:28 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 400008, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 2040(2040) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2574,2717,0.020. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 386 ms

- 2040 records evicted in this cycle, 2040 total (first cycle).
- Evict ttls:
  - = 2574: lower bound of bucket being evicted.
  - = 2717: higher bound of bucket being evicted.
  - 0.020: % of records randomly evicted in that bucket.

May 30 2015 15:00:28 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 397968, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 2123(4163) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2414,2556,0.021. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 394 ms

2123 records evicted in this cycle, 4163 total (second cycle).

# **Eviction time**

- This is slow... how long is it going to take?
  - 1500MiB / 2 = 750MiB which represent (750 \*1024 \*1024) / 2176 = 361,411 records.
  - Would need to evict ~40,000 records.
- Each cycle has a limit for how many records can be evicted:
  - = evict-tenths-pct: default value is 5 (5/10 = 0.5%)
  - **=** 400,000 \* 0.5% **=** 2000
- Would take (40000 / 2000) \* 120 s = 40minutes.
- Let's speed this up!
- Reduce the nsup-period to 30 seconds:

```
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=service;nsup-period=30'
```

Increase the evict-tenths-pct to 20:

asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;evict-tenths-pct=20'

Do the math Speed it up

### **Review** May 30 2015 15:02:58 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 393851, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 7890(14047) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2240,2380,0.439. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 372 ms May 30 2015 15:03:28 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 385961, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 7768(21815) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2240,2380,0.090. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 356 ms May 30 2015 15:03:58 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 378193, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 7585(29400) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2224,2363,0.097. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 359 ms . . . May 30 2015 15:04:58 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 363201, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 7314(44121) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 2224,2363,0.115. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 339 ms May 30 2015 15:05:27 GMT: INFO (nsup): (thr\_nsup.c::1237) {ns1} Records: 355887, 0 0-vt, 0(0) expired, 0(44121) evicted, 0(0) set deletes, 0(0) set evicted. Evict ttls: 0,0,0.000. Waits: 0,0,0. Total time: 181 ms

### Notes here

```
Exercise 4: Defrag

Look at disk used and available percent (avail_pct).

Notice they don't add up to 100% anymore.

44 + 54 = 98%

Why?

Sasadm
Aerospike Interactive Shell, version 0.0.9
Found I nodes
Online: 172.31.59.321000

Admin-info

Service Information

Node Build Cluster Cluster Cluster Free Free Migrates Principal Objects Uptime

1 3.5.9 1 True 46 99 (0,0) 1 385.961 K 13:00:51

Number of rows: 1

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```

2 shells run benchmark and watch defrag

### Exercise 4 cont..

- Evictions have fragmented the storage.
- Let's look at some info in the logs again about defrag:

grep defrag /var/log/aerospike/aerospike.log

May 30 2015 15:10:10 GMT: INFO (drv\_ssd): (drv\_ssd.c::2436) device /opt/aerospike/data/bar.dat: used 774410112, contig-free 687M (687 wblocks), swb-free 10, n-w 0, w-q 0 w-tot 851 (0.0/s), defrag-q 0 defrag-tot 40 (0.0/s)

- We have written 851 wblocks, and defragged 40.
- Let's see what happens when we start updating the records in our namespace.
  - Start a Read/Update workload at 50/50 using the Java Benchmark Tool.

```
./run_benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 400000 -S 1 -o S:2048 -w RU,50 -z 8
```

Let's look at the logs for speed of writes vs. speed of defrag.

May 30 2015 15:14:11 GMT: INFO (drv\_ssd): (drv\_ssd.c::2436) device /opt/aerospike/data/bar.dat: used 804317056, contig-free 409M (409 wblocks), swb-free 10, n-w 0, w-q 0 w-tot 2227 (9.2/s), defrag-q 0 defrag-tot 1138 (7.1/s)

- At this point in the system this log line is copied from, defrag is not keeping up (9.2 > 7.1).
- Let's stop the benchmark.

In this particular example, defrag may not be keeping up simply because we may not have reached equilibrium yet. So there isn't enough blocks to defrag yet as updates are happening.

# **Exercise 4 Cont...**

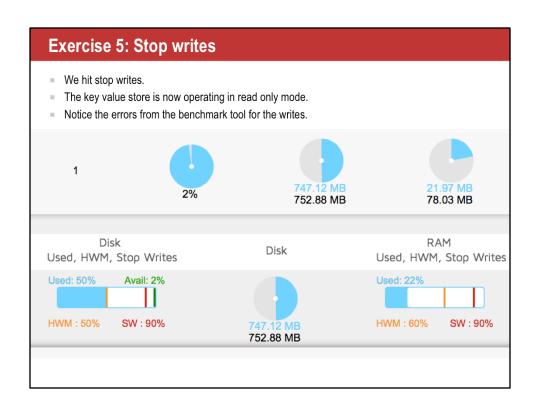
- We can speed defrag by tuning defrag-sleep.
  - defrag-sleep: how much to sleep in between each block being consumed out of the defrag queue.
  - Default: 1000µs (micro seconds). May impact performance if decreased too much.
- Let's misconfigure the server to pretty much stop defrag.
  - = defrag-lwm-pct: default 50%.
  - Let's make it 5%:

```
asinfo -v 'set-config:context=namespace;id=ns1;defrag-lwm-pct=5'
```

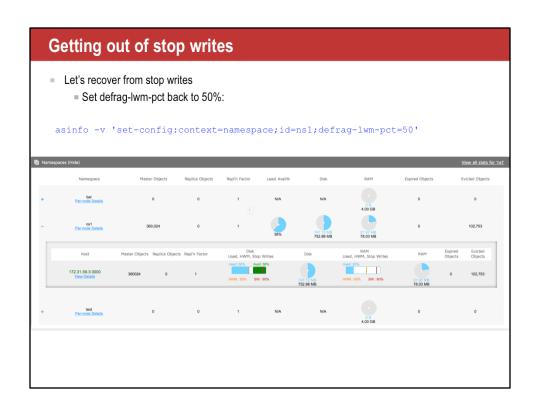
Let's continue our benchmark workload:

```
./run benchmarks -n ns1 -s testset -k 400000 -S 1 -o S:2048 -w RU,50 -z 8
```

- Observe the avail % in asadm or AMC.
- What happens after a few moments?



# ### Same state now from asadm: ### asadm Aerospike Interactive Shell, version 0.0.9 Found 1 nodes Online: 172.31.59.3:3000 ### Admin's info \*\*\* Sire Visibility Integrity Disk Memi\*\* 1 3.5.9 1 True True 50 99 (0,0) 1 360.024 K 14:00:45 Nurber of rows: 1 \*\*\* Nurber of rows: 3 \*\*\* Nurber of rows: 3



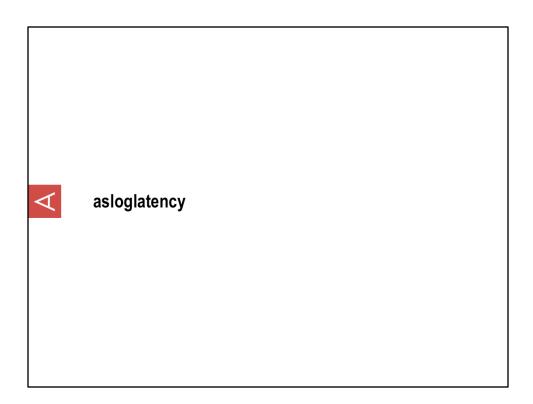
### **Exercise 6: Insights**

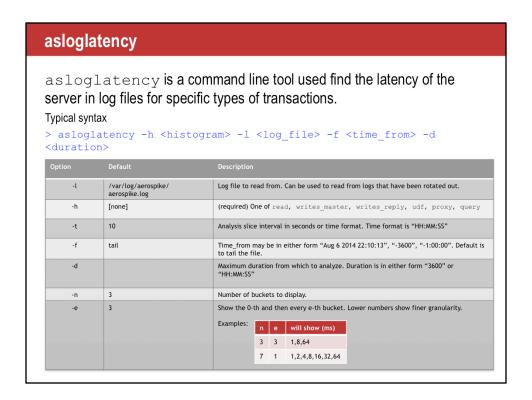
- More insights from the logs:
  - Cache-read pct: percentage of reads served from memory and not hitting the disk.
  - Post write queue keeps some records (blocks to be precise) in memory.

grep cache /var/log/aerospike/aerospike.log

May 30 2015 15:14:23 GMT: INFO (info): (thr\_info.c::4833) namespace ns1: disk inuse: 811939584 memory inuse: 23880576 (bytes) sindex memory inuse: 0 (bytes) avail pct 25 cache-read pct 30.36

- Post write queue:
  - After flushing swb blocks to the device, this config parameters tunes how many such blocks to keep in memory for fast read access.
  - Will help any use case where records are read soon after they are inserted/updated.
  - Very beneficial if XDR is running.
  - Default: 256. This is per device and measured in number of blocks (write-block-size will impact how much memory will be used by the post write queue).
  - Blocks still referenced in post write queue are not eligible to be defragged.





asloglatency will show the latencies taken from log files. These may be a considerable time in the past. This is very useful for seeing:

- when a problem started
- · did the problem occur suddenly or over a long period of time

### asloglatency - example

Suppose there was an issue in read latency 12 hours ago that lasted for an hour. You wish to review the read latencies from 12 hours ago to 10 hours ago. You can issue the command:

asloglatency can also be run without -f and -d argument to see current latency. Try it!

asloglatency – micro / storage benchmarks	
Details on our documentation site:	
http://www.aerospike.com/docs/tools/asloglatency/	
	_

# asadm - show latency

asadm can also be used to show current latencies for the main histograms across all nodes in the cluster.

Command: show latency

Displays latency stats for how long requests take to be filled as measured on the server. This may differ significantly from the client latency measures. There are additional parameters to take a look back at a specific time or gather other metrics. Useful for determining throughput.

	show latency	Latency~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~
Node		Ops/Sec			
	Span 22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43				
u10	22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
u12	22:59:30-GMT->22:59:40	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
u13	22:59:35-GMT->22:59:45	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Number	of rows: 3				
~~~~	quer				
Node	Time	Ops/Sec	>1Ms	>8Ms	>641
	Span				
u10	22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43	1661.7	99.99	52.3	38.
u12	Time Span 22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43 22:59:35-GMT->22:59:40 22:59:35-GMT->22:59:45	1332.5	100.0	13.75	1.
		1398.5	100.0	22.53	0
Number	of rows: 3				
	reads				
Node		Ops/Sec			
	Span 22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43				
	22:59:30-GMT->22:59:40				
	22:59:35-GMT->22:59:45	157.8	47.59	0.0	0.0
Number	of rows: 3				
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	writes_m				
Node	Time Span	Ops/Sec	>1Ms	>8Ms	>641
u10	22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43	4.0	100.0	100.0	100
u12	Span 22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43 22:59:30-GMT->22:59:40	357.9	76.73	2.1	0.
u13	22:59:35-GMT->22:59:45	334.8	75.84	1.67	0.1
Number	of rows: 3				
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Node		Ops/Sec			
	Span				
u10	22:59:33-GMT->22:59:43	4.0	100.0	100.0	100
u12	22:59:30-GMT->22:59:40	357.8	76.69	2.07	0.
u13	22:59:35-GMT->22:59:45	334.8	75.84	1.67	0.

one of the most commonly used asadm commands is to measure latency.

Note that these are latencies as measured on the server, it is not possible to measure the

client latencies from the Aerospike nodes. This command also shows the throughput for each node/type.

This command gives you the latencies for all nodes in the cluster for different measures:

writes\_master: These are the latency times for responds to writes from the master. Unless you have actively configured for asynchronous writes, this will be the same as the latency to any replica.

writes\_reply: These are the latency times for replica writes. This is normally the same as for writes\_master, unless you have configured differently.

reads: These are the latency times for reads. Aerospike does reads from a single node.

udf: The latency times for UDFs to run.

proxy: In cases where the cluster state is dynamic (nodes added/removed) it is possible that the node not have the data. Aerospike will automatically proxy the request for the client. These latency times are just for proxied requests.

query: The latency times for queries using secondary indexes.

# Collectinfo

Sometimes you need to gather information for Aerospike support. This can be done using the collectinfo command. Note that you must have sudo/root privileges. This command still uses the precursor to asadm called asmonitor.

```
Enter help for commands

3 hosts in cluster: 192.168.120.143:3000,192.168.120.144:3000,192.168.120.145:3000
Data collection for collect_asdcheck in progress..
Data collection for collect_params in progress..
Data collection for collect_loginfo in progress..
Data collection for collect_readlogs in progress..
Data collection for collect_readlogs in progress..
Data collection for collect_sys in progress..
Data collection for collect_sys in progress..
Tunning shell command: tar -czvf /tmp/as_log_1408404265.16.log.tgz /tmp/as_log_1408404265.16.log
tar: Removing leading '/' from member names
/tmp/as_log_1408404265.16.log

FILE /tmp/as_log_1408404265.16.log and /tmp/as_log_1408404265.16.log.tgz saved. Please send it to support@aerospike.com
END OF ASCOLLECTINFO
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This is in the process of being moved to asadm with the same parameters.