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## HBase HA Cluster – Mini Documentation

### Overview

This project sets up a **high availability HBase cluster** with a highly available Hadoop backend using Docker. The cluster includes:

- Hadoop HA (NameNode + JournalNode + ZooKeeper)
- HBase Masters (active-standby mode)
- 3 RegionServers colocated with HDFS DataNodes
- HBase configured to use ZooKeeper for failover and coordination

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### Architecture Summary

#### Services:

Node	Roles
hmaster1-3	ZooKeeper + JournalNode + NameNode + ResourceManager

Node	Roles
hbase1 , hbase2	HBase Master (Active/Standby via ZooKeeper)
hworker	RegionServer + DataNode + NodeManager
regionserver1/2	RegionServer + DataNode + NodeManager


## Setup Steps

### 1. Base Docker Image

- Started with a functional **Hadoop Docker image**
- Added HBase 2.4.18 installation to the image (copied HBase binaries and configs)

### 2. Configuration Files

- Created and configured:
  - `hbase-site.xml` : defined `hbase.rootdir` , ZK quorum, backup masters, and regionserver handlers
  - `core-site.xml` , `hdfs-site.xml` , `yarn-site.xml` inherited from Hadoop image

 Configuration allows HBase to connect with the Hadoop NameNodes and ZooKeeper quorum correctly.

### 3. Entrypoint Script

- Edited `entrypoint.sh` to:
  - Start SSH
  - Format NameNode and start ZKFC when needed
  - Start HDFS services on `hmaster` nodes
  - Start `datanode + nodemanager + regionserver` on all worker and regionserver nodes
  - Start HBase Master/RegionServer roles based on the container hostname

### 4. Docker Compose

- Defined 9 containers:
  - 3 for `hmaster` (HA Hadoop/ZK)
  - 2 for HBase Masters

- 1 for general worker node
  - 2 dedicated RegionServers (now running DataNode as well)
  - Attached all containers to a custom Docker network ( `mynetwork` )
  - Mounted volumes for HDFS and ZooKeeper data persistence
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## Failover Support

### HBase Master Failover

- Configured ZooKeeper quorum for master election
- When the active master fails, a standby takes over
- Verified via `status 'detailed'` in HBase shell and `docker logs`

### RegionServer Failover

- 3 RegionServers run on independent nodes
  - If one fails, HBase master detects the failure and reassigns regions
  - Verified using test table + `get` after RegionServer stop
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