The cassandra-stress tool

The cassandra-stress tool is a Java-based stress testing utility for basic benchmarking and load testing a Cassandra cluster.

Use cassandra-stress to:

- Quickly determine how a schema performs.
- Understand how your database scales.
- Optimize your data model and settings.
- Determine production capacity.

The cassandra-stress tool also supports a YAML-based profile for defining specific schemas with various compaction strategies, cache settings, and types.

Sample files are located in:

- Cassandra package installations: /usr/share/docs/cassandra/examples
- Cassandra tarball installations: install location/tools/

Simple read and write examples

Insert (write) ten million rows

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cassandra-stress write n=10000000 -rate threads=500 -node 206.189.128.248,159.89.164
.94,159.89.167.98,139.59.30.118,159.65.144.109,159.65.159.5
Connected to cluster: MyCassandraCluster, max pending requests per connection 128, m
ax connections per host 8
Datatacenter: dc2; Host: /139.59.30.118; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc2; Host: /159.65.159.5; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /206.189.128.248; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /159.89.164.94; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /159.89.167.98; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc2; Host: /159.65.144.109; Rack: rack1
Created keyspaces. Sleeping 6s for propagation.
Sleeping 2s...
Warming up WRITE with 300000 iterations...
Failed to connect over JMX; not collecting these stats
com.datastax.driver.core.exceptions.UnavailableException: Not enough replicas availa
ble for query at consistency LOCAL ONE (1 required but only 0 alive)
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.94,159.89.167.98,139.59.30.118,159.65.144.109,159.65.159.5
Running with 4 threadCount
Running WRITE with 4 threads for 10000000 iteration
Failed to connect over JMX; not collecting these stats
type total ops, op/s, pk/s, row/s, mean, med, .95, .99,
   .999,
         max, time, stderr, errors, gc: #, max ms, sum ms, sdv ms,
mb
         6270, 6270, 6270,
                                 6270, 0.6, 0.4, 0.8,
total,
  44.5, 56.1, 1.0, 0.00000,
                                0, 0,
                                              0,
                                                     0,
          14349, 8079, 8079,
                                        0.5,
total,
                                                0.4,
                                 8079,
                                                       0.7,
 16.2,
                                       0,
                                                      0,
          48.3, 2.0, 0.08627,
                                               0,
                                0,
 0
          23628, 9279, 9279,
total,
                                 9279, 0.4, 0.4, 0.7, 0.9,
   2.0, 4.8, 3.0, 0.07934, 0, 0,
                                              0,
                                                     0,
                                                             0,
 0
. . .
         9948126, 29696, 29696, 29696, 17.0, 9.7,
                                                       62.7,
                                                              170.8,
total.
                                0, 0, 0,
                                                     0,
 191.1, 197.3, 240.0, 0.00551,
                                                             0,
 0
total,
         9985436, 37310, 37310, 37310, 13.5,
                                                9.5,
                                                       40.0,
                                                              75.0.
 107.0, 135.7, 241.0, 0.00550,
                                              0,
                                 0, 0,
                                                      0,
     10000000, 40366, 40366, 40366, 12.4,
total.
                                                7.6, 38.2, 70.3,
                                                            0,
                                0, 0, 0,
 121.1, 139.5, 241.4, 0.00571,
                                                     0,
Results:
                    : 41,432 op/s [WRITE: 41,432 op/s]
Op rate
Partition rate
                        41,432 pk/s [WRITE: 41,432 pk/s]
                    :
Row rate
                    : 41,432 row/s [WRITE: 41,432 row/s]
Latency mean
                    : 12.0 ms [WRITE: 12.0 ms]
                       8.6 ms [WRITE: 8.6 ms]
Latency median
                    :
Latency 95th percentile : 35.5 ms [WRITE: 35.5 ms]
Latency 99th percentile : 69.3 ms [WRITE: 69.3 ms]
Latency 99.9th percentile: 109.6 ms [WRITE: 109.6 ms]
                    : 376.7 ms [WRITE: 376.7 ms]
Latency max
Total partitions
                    : 10,000,000 [WRITE: 10,000,000]
Total errors
                    :
                          0 [WRITE: 0]
                    : 0
Total GC count
                    : 0.000 KiB
Total GC memory
Total GC time
                    : 0.0 seconds
Avg GC time
                    :
                       NaN ms
StdDev GC time
                         0.0 ms
                    :
                   : 00:04:01
Total operation time
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```
cqlsh
cqlsh> use keyspace1;
cqlsh:keyspace1> DESCRIBE table standard1;
CREATE TABLE keyspace1.standard1 (
    key blob PRIMARY KEY,
    "C0" blob,
    "C1" blob,
    "C2" blob,
    "C3" blob,
    "C4" blob
) WITH COMPACT STORAGE
    AND bloom_filter_fp_chance = 0.01
    AND caching = {'keys': 'ALL', 'rows per partition': 'NONE'}
    AND comment = ''
    AND compaction = {'class': 'org.apache.cassandra.db.compaction.SizeTieredCompact
ionStrategy', 'max threshold': '32', 'min threshold': '4'}
    AND compression = {'enabled': 'false'}
    AND crc check chance = 1.0
    AND dclocal_read_repair_chance = 0.1
    AND default time to live = 0
    AND gc_grace_seconds = 864000
    AND max index interval = 2048
    AND memtable flush period in ms = 0
    AND min index interval = 128
    AND read_repair_chance = 0.0
    AND speculative_retry = '99PERCENTILE';
cqlsh:keyspace1> SELECT COUNT(*) FROM standard1;
 count
 1000000
(1 rows)
Warnings:
Aggregation query used without partition key
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Read ten million rows

```
cassandra-stress read n=10000000 -rate threads=500 -node 206.189.128.248,159.89.164.
94,159.89.167.98,139.59.30.118,159.65.144.109,159.65.159.5

Sleeping 2s...
Warming up READ with 300000 iterations...
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Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /206.189.128.248; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /159.89.164.94; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc1; Host: /159.89.167.98; Rack: rack1
Datatacenter: dc2; Host: /159.65.144.109; Rack: rack1
Failed to connect over JMX; not collecting these stats
Running READ with 500 threads for 10000000 iteration
Failed to connect over JMX; not collecting these stats
type total ops, op/s, pk/s, row/s, mean, med, .95, .99,
         max, time, stderr, errors, gc: #, max ms, sum ms, sdv ms,
         44497, 44497, 44497, 44497, 6.4, 4.1, 18.5, 39.0,
total,
127.5, 154.3, 1.0, 0.00000,
                                0, 0, 0,
                                                     0, 0,
total, 109769, 65272, 65272, 65272, 7.7, 4.7, 21.4,
                                                              41.0,
                                        0, 0,
 144.0, 164.9, 2.0, 0.13813,
                                0,
                                                     0, 0,
 0
       190948, 81179, 81179, 81179, 6.2, 3.7, 19.1,
 71.8,
         118.9, 3.0, 0.12716, 0, 0, 0, 0,
       9870019, 74515, 74515, 74515, 6.7, 4.8,
                                                       18.7,
                                                              46.4,
 69.9, 90.6, 119.0, 0.00549, 0, 0, 0, 0,
 0
         9950523, 80504, 80504, 80504, 6.1, 4.2, 18.5,
total,
                                                              38.0,
                                0, 0, 0,
                                                     0,
 63.9, 73.2, 120.0, 0.00545,
 0
total, 10000000, 68430, 68430, 7.3, 5.5, 19.7, 45.8,
                                0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
 71.4, 81.9, 120.7, 0.00554,
Results:
                    : 82,834 op/s [READ: 82,834 op/s]
Op rate
                    : 82,834 pk/s [READ: 82,834 pk/s]
Partition rate
                    : 82,834 row/s [READ: 82,834 row/s]
Row rate
                       6.0 ms [READ: 6.0 ms]
Latency mean
                    :
                       4.1 ms [READ: 4.1 ms]
                    :
Latency median
Latency 95th percentile : 18.1 ms [READ: 18.1 ms]
Latency 99th percentile : 36.0 ms [READ: 36.0 ms]
Latency 99.9th percentile: 61.0 ms [READ: 61.0 ms]
                    : 172.1 ms [READ: 172.1 ms]
Latency max
                    : 10,000,000 [READ: 10,000,000]
Total partitions
Total errors
                       0 [READ: 0]
                    :
                    : 0
Total GC count
Total GC memory
                    : 0.000 KiB
Total GC time
                    : 0.0 seconds
Avg GC time
                    :
                       NaN ms
StdDev GC time
                        0.0 ms
                    :
Total operation time : 00:02:00
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