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Overview

All hadoop commands are invoked by the bin/hadoop script. Running the hadoop script without any arguments prints the description for all commands.

Usage: hadoop [--config confdir] [--loglevel loglevel] [COMMAND] [GENERIC_OPTIONS] [COMMAND_OPTIONS]

FIELD	Description
config confdir	Overwrites the default Configuration directory. Default is \${HADOOP_HOME}/conf.
loglevel loglevel	Overwrites the log level. Valid log levels are FATAL, ERROR, WARN, INFO, DEBUG, and TRACE. Default is INFO.
GENERIC_OPTIONS	The common set of options supported by multiple commands.
COMMAND_OPTIONS	Various commands with their options are described in this documention for the Hadoop common sub-project. HDFS and YARN are covered in other documents.

Generic Options

Many subcommands honor a common set of configuration options to alter their behavior:

GENERIC_OPTION	Description
-archives <comma archives="" list="" of="" separated=""></comma>	Specify comma separated archives to be unarchived on the compute machines. Applies only to job.
-conf <configuration file=""></configuration>	Specify an application configuration file.
-D <pre>-D <pre>cyalue></pre></pre>	Use value for given property.
<pre>-files <comma files="" list="" of="" separated=""></comma></pre>	Specify comma separated files to be copied to the map reduce cluster. Applies only to job.
<pre>-fs <file:></file:> or <hdfs: namenode:port=""></hdfs:></pre>	Specify default filesystem URL to use. Overrides 'fs.defaultFS' property from configurations.
<pre>-jt <local> or <resourcemanager:port></resourcemanager:port></local></pre>	Specify a ResourceManager. Applies only to job.
<pre>-libjars <comma jars="" list="" of="" seperated=""></comma></pre>	Specify comma separated jar files to include in the classpath. Applies only to job.

Hadoop Common Commands

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All of these commands are executed from the hadoop shell command. They have been broken up into User Commands and Administration Commands.

User Commands

Commands useful for users of a hadoop cluster.

archive

Creates a hadoop archive. More information can be found at Hadoop Archives Guide.

checknative

Usage: hadoop checknative [-a] [-h]

COMMAND_OPTION	Description
-a	Check all libraries are available.
-h	print help

This command checks the availability of the Hadoop native code. See Native Libaries for more information. By default, this command only checks the availability of libhadoop.

classpath

Usage: hadoop classpath [--glob |--jar <path> |-h |--help]

COMMAND_OPTION	Description
glob	expand wildcards
jar <i>path</i>	write classpath as manifest in jar named $path$
-h,help	print help

Prints the class path needed to get the Hadoop jar and the required libraries. If called without arguments, then prints the classpath set up by the command scripts, which is likely to contain wildcards in the classpath entries. Additional options print the classpath after wildcard expansion or write the classpath into the manifest of a jar file. The latter is useful in environments where wildcards cannot be used and the expanded classpath exceeds the maximum supported command line length.

credential

Usage: hadoop credential <subcommand> [options]

COMMAND_OPTION	Description
create alias [-provider provider-path] [-strict] [-value credential-value]	Prompts the user for a credential to be stored as the given alias. The hadoop.security.credential.provider.path within the core-site.xml file will be used unless a -provider is indicated. The -strict flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password. Use -value flag to supply the credential value (a.k.a. the alias password) instead of being prompted.
delete <i>alias</i> [-provider <i>provider-path</i>] [-strict] [-f]	Deletes the credential with the provided alias. The hadoop.security.credential.provider.path within the core-site.xml file will be used unless a -provider is indicated. The -strict flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password. The command asks for confirmation unless -f is specified

COMMAND_OPTION	Description
list [-provider <i>provider- path</i>] [-strict]	Lists all of the credential aliases The <i>hadoop.security.credential.provider.path</i> within the core-site.xml file will be used unless a -provider is indicated. The -strict flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password.

Command to manage credentials, passwords and secrets within credential providers.

The CredentialProvider API in Hadoop allows for the separation of applications and how they store their required passwords/secrets. In order to indicate a particular provider type and location, the user must provide the <code>hadoop.security.credential.provider.path</code> configuration element in core-site.xml or use the command line option <code>-provider</code> on each of the following commands. This provider path is a commaseparated list of URLs that indicates the type and location of a list of providers that should be consulted. For example, the following path: user:///,jceks://file/tmp/test.jceks,jceks://hdfs@nn1.example.com/my/path/test.jceks

indicates that the current user's credentials file should be consulted through the User Provider, that the local file located at /tmp/test.jceks is a Java Keystore Provider and that the file located within HDFS at nn1.example.com/my/path/test.jceks is also a store for a Java Keystore Provider.

When utilizing the credential command it will often be for provisioning a password or secret to a particular credential store provider. In order to explicitly indicate which provider store to use the <code>-provider</code> option should be used. Otherwise, given a path of multiple providers, the first non-transient provider will be used. This may or may not be the one that you intended.

Providers frequently require that a password or other secret is supplied. If the provider requires a password and is unable to find one, it will use a default password and emit a warning message that the default password is being used. If the <code>-strict</code> flag is supplied, the warning message becomes an error message and the command returns immediately with an error status.

Example: hadoop credential list -provider jceks://file/tmp/test.jceks

distcp

Copy file or directories recursively. More information can be found at Hadoop DistCp Guide.

fs

This command is documented in the File System Shell Guide. It is a synonym for hdfs dfs when HDFS is in use.

jar

Usage: hadoop jar <jar> [mainClass] args...

Runs a jar file.

Use ${\tt yarn \ jar}$ to launch YARN applications instead.

key

Usage: hadoop key <subcommand> [options]

COMMAND_OPTION

Description

create keyname [-cipher cipher]
[-size size] [-description
description] [-attr

Creates a new key for the name specified by the *keyname* argument within the provider specified by the <code>-provider</code> argument. The <code>-strict</code> flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password. You may

COMMAND_OPTION	Description	
attribute=value] [-provider provider] [-strict] [-help]	specify a cipher with the <code>-cipher</code> argument. The default cipher is currently "AES/CTR/NoPadding". The default keysize is 128. You may specify the requested key length using the <code>-size</code> argument. Arbitrary attribute=value style attributes may be specified using the <code>-attr</code> argument. <code>-attr</code> may be specified multiple times, once per attribute.	
roll <i>keyname</i> [-provider <i>provider</i>] [-strict] [-help]	Creates a new version for the specified key within the provider indicated using the -provider argument. The -strict flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password.	
delete <i>keyname</i> [-provider <i>provider</i>] [-strict] [-f] [-help]	Deletes all versions of the key specified by the <i>keyname</i> argument from within the provider specified by -provider. The -strict flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password. The command asks for user confirmation unless -f is specified.	
list [-provider <i>provider</i>] [-strict] [-metadata] [-help]	Displays the keynames contained within a particular provider as configured in core-site.xml or specified with the <code>-provider</code> argument. The <code>-strict</code> flag will cause the command to fail if the provider uses a default password. <code>-metadata</code> displays the metadata.	
-help	Prints usage of this command	

Manage keys via the KeyProvider. For details on KeyProviders, see the Transparent Encryption Guide.

Providers frequently require that a password or other secret is supplied. If the provider requires a password and is unable to find one, it will use a default password and emit a warning message that the default password is being used. If the <code>-strict</code> flag is supplied, the warning message becomes an error message and the command returns immediately with an error status.

NOTE: Some KeyProviders (e.g. org.apache.hadoop.crypto.key.JavaKeyStoreProvider) do not support uppercase key names.

NOTE: Some KeyProviders do not directly execute a key deletion (e.g. performs a soft-delete instead, or delay the actual deletion, to prevent mistake). In these cases, one may encounter errors when creating/deleting a key with the same name after deleting it. Please check the underlying KeyProvider for details.

trace

View and modify Hadoop tracing settings. See the Tracing Guide.

version

Usage: hadoop version

Prints the version.

CLASSNAME

Usage: hadoop CLASSNAME

Runs the class named CLASSNAME.

Administration Commands

Commands useful for administrators of a hadoop cluster.

daemonlog

Usage:

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hadoop daemonlog -getlevel <host:httpport> <classname> hadoop daemonlog -setlevel <host:httpport> <classname> <level>
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COMMAND_OPTION -getlevel host:httpport classname Prints the log level of the log identified by a qualified classname, in the daemon running at host:httpport. This command internally connects to http://<host:httpport>/logLevel?log=<classname> Sets the log level of the log identified by a qualified classname, in the daemon running at host:httpport. This command internally connects to http://<host:httpport>/logLevel?log=<classname>&level> level>

Get/Set the log level for a Log identified by a qualified class name in the daemon.

Example: \$ bin/hadoop daemonlog -setlevel 127.0.0.1:50070 org.apache.hadoop