

Our cluster is on an IBM Blade Center H solution:



It has capacity for 14 nodes. We are using 12 of those 14 nodes for the Guoda cluster.

Each node (which is a vertical slice) has capacity for 2 SATA drives.

At present, each node has installed 2 x 500 GB drives, occupying both slots.

A logical partition is installed on top of both drives

Disk /dev/sda: 929.5 GiB

Operating System:

Ubuntu 5.4.0-6ubuntu1~16.04.5 (Ubuntu Xenial)

Kernel: Linux version 4.4.0-112-generic

Space Requirements

<https://github.com/bio-guoda/guoda-services/issues/10>

The answer to this is Yes, as soon as the cluster is online.

We are using 7 TB, ~2 of which are devoted 2018 iDigBio backups. (see

<https://github.com/bio-guoda/guoda-services/issues/68>)

If we think that the useful data can double in these next two years => 10 TB of data

We need to leave space for temporary computations and backups => 4 TB.

14 TB in total.

But 20% is lost or dedicated to system files. => $1.2 \times 14 \text{ TB} = 16.8 \text{ TB}$

At present, we have 1 TB per machine: 2 x 512GB drives working in a single logical drive.

I believe this configuration is not optimal.

Nodes	Slot	System Board	
mesos01			
mesos02	3	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos03	4	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos04	5	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos05	6	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos06	8	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos07	9	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos08	10	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos09	11	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos10	12	68Y8075 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos11	13	94Y8600 -> HS22 (5600)	
mesos12	14	68Y8161 -> HS22 (5600)	

There was a problem last time salt-minion was installed:

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root@mesos12:~# apt-get install sdparm
```

E: dpkg was interrupted, you must manually run 'dpkg --configure -a' to correct the problem.

```
root@mesos12:~# dpkg --configure -a
```

dpkg: error processing package salt-minion (--configure):

package is in a very bad inconsistent state; you should
reinstall it before attempting configuration

Errors were encountered while processing:

salt-minion

<https://docs.saltstack.com/en/latest/>

```
sudo dpkg --remove --force-remove-reinstreq salt-minion
```

```
sudo apt-get install salt-minion
```

I "solved" this way, keeping previous configuration (option N). But I do not about Salt and I have not tried if the services are correctly running.

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root@mesos12:~# lsblk
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NAME MAJ:MIN RM SIZE RO TYPE MOUNTPOINT
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sda 8:0 0 929.5G 0 disk
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├─sda1 8:1 0 905.5G 0 part /
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├─sda2 8:2 0 1K 0 part
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└─sda5 8:5 0 24G 0 part [SWAP]
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root@mesos12:~# fdisk -l
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Disk /dev/sda: 929.5 GiB, 997998985216 bytes, 1949216768 sectors

Units: sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disklabel type: dos
Disk identifier: 0xd7ad0ea0

Device	Boot	Start	End	Sectors	Size	Id	Type
/dev/sda1	*	2048	1898907647	1898905600	905.5G	83	Linux
/dev/sda2		1898909694	1949214719	50305026	24G	5	Extended
/dev/sda5		1898909696	1949214719	50305024	24G	82	Linux swap / Solaris

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root@mesos12:~# sdparm -a /dev/sda2
/dev/sda2: LSILOGIC Logical Volume 3000
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```
root@mesos12:~# sdparm -a /dev/sda5
/dev/sda5: LSILOGIC Logical Volume 3000
```

Therefore, we see a logical of 905 GB created with the BladeCenter LSI Logic Volume Configuration Utility:

https://bladecenter.lenovofiles.com/help/index.jsp?topic=%2Fcom.lenovo.bladecenter.hs22.doc%2Fdw1iu_t_configuring_a_sas_raid_array.html

Cheap/Not that bad option:

- Keep one of the 512 GB drives, install:
 - A 1TB drive Part Number 81Y9730. In ebay these drives are "too" cheap (\$160):
<https://www.ebay.com/p/IBM-1000GB-Internal-7200RPM-2-5-81Y9730-HDD/109470503>
 - IBM SAS 1.2 TB 00AD075, 10K rpm.
- The 512 GB drive would run the OS and the 1TB drive would be entirely dedicated to data. (Better performance).
- This will give us 12 TB of the optimal 17 TB we want.
- Considering new collections and data sets are not added so fast, it may be an enough option
- Mesos01 and mesos02 are running as namenodes and datanodes. But we need them to do this double work.
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Cheapest/Riskiest option:

- Do not buy anything.
- Space: After deleting 2018 data, we have 50% utilization.
 - Not much growing/temporary storage capacity (2.5 TB).
 - Data is usually not perfectly balanced
- Performance: OS and Data live in the same physical drive/controller.

Ideal:

- SSD for OS. Model 49Y6129, 200 GB, ~\$1,200 each
- SSD for Data. Model 49Y6195, 1.6 TB, ~\$2,000 each.

Problems in mesos11

root@mesos11:~# fsck -A /dev/sda1

fsck from util-linux 2.27.1

e2fsck 1.42.13 (17-May-2015)

/dev/sda1: recovering journal

ext2fs_check_desc: Corrupt group descriptor: bad block for block bitmap

fsck.ext4: Group descriptors look bad... trying backup blocks...

/dev/sda1: ***** FILE SYSTEM WAS MODIFIED *****

root@mesos11:~# dmesg | tail

[623516.421517] sd 0:1:4:0: [sda] tag#1 Add. Sense: Unrecovered read error

[623516.421523] sd 0:1:4:0: [sda] tag#1 CDB: Read(10) 28 00 69 bf bb a8 00 00 08 00

[623516.421529] blk_update_request: critical medium error, dev sda, sector 1774173096

[623516.421585] Buffer I/O error on dev sda1, logical block 221771381, async page read

[623516.421730] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (12 items, 367 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system

[623516.421882] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (12 items, 348 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system

[623516.422032] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (12 items, 347 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system

[623516.422181] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (12 items, 356 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system

[623516.422254] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (9 items, 287 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system

[623516.422330] systemd-journald[315]: Failed to write entry (9 items, 288 bytes), ignoring: Read-only file system