CS300 Couchbase NoSQL Server Administration

Lab 4 Exercise Manual



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Lab #4: Gracefully removing nodes, replication, failover, MISC commands

Objective: This 90 min lab will cover some of the most important and common administrative features of couchbase, such as removing nodes, replication concepts, failover and rebalancing.

Overview: The following high-level steps are involved in this lab:

- Configure the linux .bash_profile for Couchbase commands
- Write 100,000 items to the 6-node Couchbase cluster using cbworkloadgen
- Change the workload balance between reads vs. writes in cbworkloadgen
- Increase the # of threads in cbworkloadgen
- Use the Web UI's performance metrics, to determine whether all nodes in the cluster are getting a balanced amount of i/o (with no skews towards certain nodes)
 - Display individualized metrics for each node in the Web UI
 - Delete Couchbase buckets
 - Gracefully decommission and re-commission a node from the cluster
 - Fail over a node in the cluster
- Replica management: Write 10 keys to Couchbase and track down which vBucket each key landed in using the 'cbc hash' command
 - Use the REST API to check auto-failover settings and disable auto-failover



You are going to set Autofailover to off on your cluster(in a subsequent step)

Write data to the 6-node Couchbase Cluster and benchmark each node:

Now that the 6-node cluster is set up, let's try writing 100,000 items from the App Server to the 6-node cluster.

Switch over to the Black App Client(AppServer) PuTTY/Terminal shell



The next command will insert 100,000 items of size 10 bytes with 95% of the workload set to writes. This is the same test we did from our AppServer with just a 1-node Couchbase cluster, which resulted in about 151,400 operations per second (your mileage may have varied depending on cloud conditions).

Notice that in the above output, the cluster is handling 202401.9 bytes of I/O per second. Try running the same command with the '-v' option added to the end of the command for verbose mode:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbworkloadgen -n $NODE1:8091 -i 100000 -r .95 -s 10 -v 2019-03-18 21:57:29,967: mt cbworkloadgen... 2019-03-18 21:57:29,967: mt source : gen:json=0,max-items=100000,low-compression=False,prefix=pymc,ratio-sets=0.95,exit-after-creates=1,min-value-size=10
```

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```
: http://ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
2019-03-18 21:57:29,967: mt sink
1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091
2019-03-18 21:57:29,967: mt opts : {'username': '<xxx>', 'destination vbucket state':
'active', 'verbose': 1, 'extra': {'max_retry': 10.0, 'rehash': 0.0, 'dcp_consumer_queue_length':
1000.0, 'data_only': 0.0, 'uncompress': 0.0, 'nmv_retry': 1.0, 'conflict_resolve': 1.0, 'cbb_max_mb': 100000.0, 'report': 5.0, 'mcd_compatible': 1.0, 'try_xwm': 1.0, 'backoff_cap': 0.1,
'batch max bytes': 400000.0, 'report full': 2000.0, 'flow control': 1.0, 'batch max size':
1000.0, 'seqno': 0.0, 'design_doc_only': 0.0, 'allow_recovery_vb_remap': 0.0, 'recv_min_bytes':
4096.0}, 'collection': None, 'ssl': False, 'threads': 1, 'key': None, 'password': '<xxx>', 'id':
None, 'destination_operation': None, 'source_vbucket_state': 'active', 'silent': False,
'dry_run': False, 'single_node': False, 'bucket_destination': 'default', 'vbucket_list': None,
 'separator': '::', 'bucket source': None}
2019-03-18 21:57:29,975: mt Starting new HTTP connection (1): ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com
2019-03-18 21:57:30,016: mt bucket: default
2019-03-18 21:57:35,029: w0 source : gen:json=0,max-items=100000,low-
\verb|compression=False,prefix=pymc,ratio-sets=0.95,exit-after-creates=1,min-value-size=10 (default@N/A-creates=1) (default@N/A-
2019-03-18 21:57:35,030: w0 sink : http://ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091(default@N/A-0)
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  byte :
                                                105264 |
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done
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You can see at the end of the above output, that the App Server was sending 20181 messages per second into the cluster for a total of about 105263 messages.

```
We can also redo the test with purely 100% writes (notice that we changed the -r to 1):
```

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~] $ cbworkloadgen -n ec2-54-85-43-x.compute-
1.amazonaws.com:8091 -u Administrator -p couchbase -i 100000 -r 1 -s
10 -v
<output truncated>
[###################] 100.0% (100000/estimated 100000 msqs)
bucket: default, msgs transferred...
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                        total |
                                                per sec
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                                       100 I
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batch :
                      1000000 I
                                   1000000 |
                                               192240.4
byte :
                       100000 |
                                    100000 I
                                                19224.0
msq
done
```

When running purely write workloads, the cluster is handling about 19224. Owrite operations per second.

Note: this will vary depending on number of Vcpu's

Try running the same command as above with an increased number of threads to 10 on the App Server to see if we can get better performance:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbworkloadgen -n $NODE1:8091 -i 100000 -r 1 -s 10 -t 10 -v 2015-08-06 16:49:34,469: mt cbworkloadgen...
```

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<output truncated>
2015-08-06 16:50:14,478: w0 sink : http://ec2-52-6-74-39.compute-
1.amazonaws.com:8091(default@N/A-1)
<output truncated>
2015-08-06 16:50:14,744: w2 source : gen:json=0,max-items=100000,low-
compression=False, prefix=pymc, ratio-sets=1.0, exit-after-creates=1, min-value-size=10 (default@N/A-
2)
2015-08-06 16:50:14,744: w2 sink : http://ec2-52-6-74-39.compute-
1.amazonaws.com:8091(default@N/A-2)
2015-08-06 16:50:14,745: w2
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byte :
2015-08-06 16:50:14,746: w2
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,746: w2
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,780: w5 source : gen:json=0,max-items=100000,low-
compression=False,prefix=pymc,ratio-sets=1.0,exit-after-creates=1,min-value-size=10(default@N/A-
2015-08-06 16:50:14,781: w5 sink : http://ec2-52-6-74-39.compute-
1.amazonaws.com:8091(default@N/A-6)
2015-08-06 16:50:14,781: w5
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,781: w5
                                                         batch :
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,781: w5
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,782: w5 msg
2015-08-06 16:50:14,818: w4 source : gen:json=0, max-items=100000, low-
\verb|compression=False|, \verb|prefix=pymc|, \verb|ratio-sets=1.0|, \verb|exit-after-creates=1|, \verb|min-value-size=10| (default@N/A-text-after-creates=1) (default@N/A-tex
4)
<output truncated>
-size=10(default@N/A-0)
2015-08-06 16:50:14,907: w1 sink : http://ec2-52-6-74-39.compute-
<output truncated>
2015-08-06 16:50:14,910: w9 source : gen:json=0,max-items=100000,low-
compression=False,prefix=pymc,ratio-sets=1.0,exit-after-creates=1,min-value-size=10(default@N/A-
2015-08-06 16:50:14,910: w9 sink : http://ec2-52-6-74-39.compute-
1.amazonaws.com:8091(default@N/A-5)
2015-08-06 16:50:14,910: w9 : 2015-08-06 16:50:14,910: w9 batch : 2015-08-06 16:50:14,911: w9 byte :
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2015-08-06 16:50:14,911: w9
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   [###################] 99.9% (999000/estimated 1000000 msgs)
bucket: default, msgs transferred...
                                          total |
                                                                                      per sec
                                                                       1000 |
  batch :
                                              1000 I
                                                                                              24.4
                                    10000000 | 10000000 |
  byte :
                                                                                        244138.6
                                       1000000 | 1000000 | 24413.9
  msq
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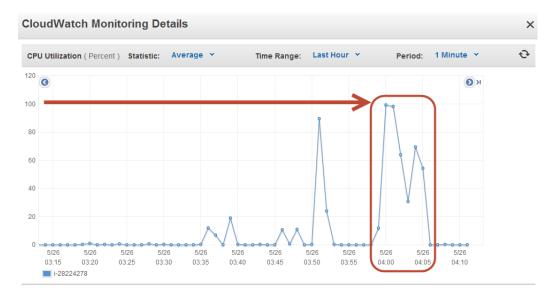
The above output will print out the statistics from each thread individually, so above you can see the 2^{nd} (w2) and 5^{th} (w5) threads.

However, notice that the overall write throughput was actually reduced down to 24413.9 per second. Increasing the number of threads beyond a certain amount doesn't help performance, but actually hinders it.

The following screenshot was taken from Amazon CloudWatch dashboard and shows the CPU utilization of the App Server while the above command that generated 10 writer threads is running (see red circled area of the graph). (Note that students will not have access to the CloudWatch metrics, however in the performance lab, different tools will be used to capture similar metrics.)

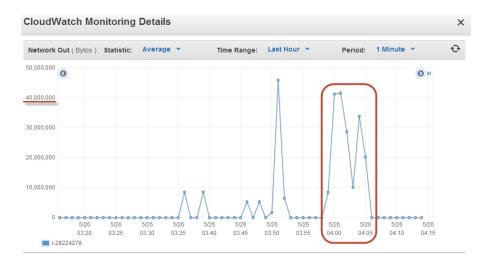


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Notice above that the CPU of the App Server is approaching 100% utilization when 10 threads are spawned.

The next screenshot from CloudWatch shows the Network out traffic in bytes on the App Server during the 10 thread write test. At its peak the App Server pushed 40,000,000 bytes or 305 Megabits of traffic (which is 38 Megabytes of traffic) out to the cluster.



Is there a way to find out how those roughly 13,000 - 14,000 writes per second are being distributed across the 4 nodes? It would be good to investigate whether any of the servers are getting a skewed amount of the incoming writes, so that some nodes are working harder than others.



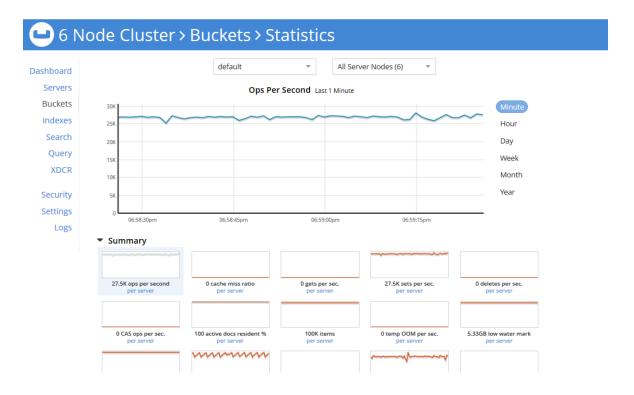
First, start a continuous stream of 100% writes from the App Server to the 6-node cluster. Use just 2 threads and write 10 byte sized items. The –I option in the command instructs the work load generator to loop forever until interrupted by the user:

While the above command is running in a loop, switch over to the Couchbase Web UI to look at some statistics to answer our question.

Click on Buckets link and the statistics link on the right hand side for the default bucket. to launch the graphs page:



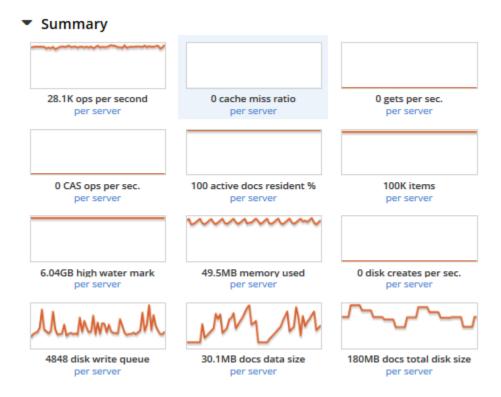
On the next statistics page, for the default data bucket on All Server Nodes: You should be seeing approximately 20-30,000 operations per second:



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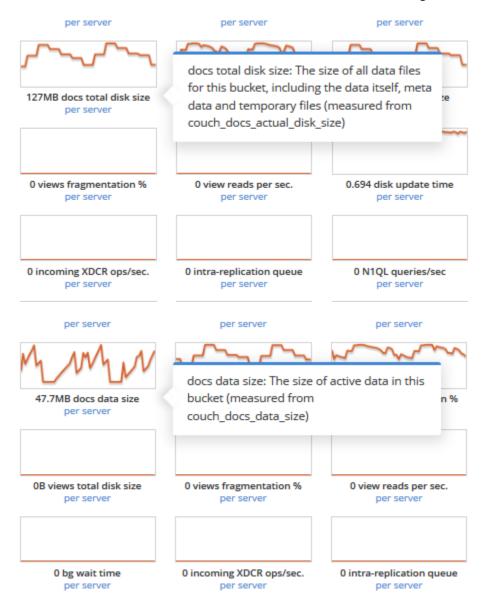
Scroll down and expand the SUMMARY section to notice the same 20-30,000 ops per second metric displayed again:



In the SUMMARY section, notice that the total disk size chart and docs data size charts show how much space the default bucket is taking up on disk: Your size may vary.



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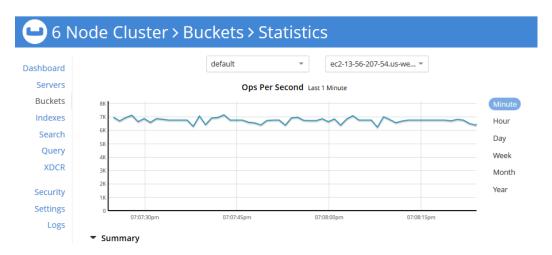


The total docs size is relatively low at 91 MB even though we are repeatedly inserting 30,000 items per second at a rate of about 40 MB per second. This is because the workload generator is re-writing 100,000 keys of size 10 bytes over and over again and not necessarily inserting fresh, new keys. Keep in mind that 10 bytes for each key multiplied by 100,000 is only 976 Kilobytes.

Scroll back up on this page and choose one of the 4 data service nodes in the cluster to display individualized metrics for:



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You should see roughly 6,000-8000 write operations being conducted on each of the 4 nodes. 6-8,000 ops per second multiplied by 4 nodes equals roughly 30,000 ops per second.

In the drop down, repeat the above step to verify that the other 3 nodes are also receiving about 6,000-8,000 ops per sec.

[Screenshots from the other 3 nodes not shown in lab]

Switch to the 1st node (Couchbase01) in the cluster and run the workload generator in a loop.

```
ec2-user@Couchbase01:~

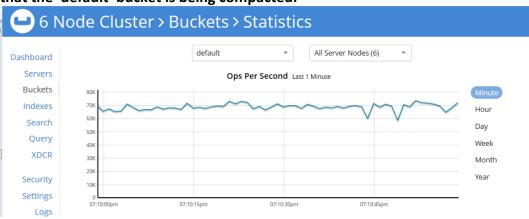
[ec2-user@Couchbase01 ~]$ [
```

We will use the 1st Couchbase cluster node in a dual role to generate more writes for the cluster, and see how many more writes we can push into it. Perhaps the bottleneck currently is the App Server itself which cannot push any more than 30,000 items per second from its NIC in the cloud.

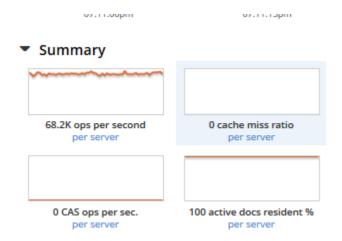
Run the workload generator from the 1st node with the exact same parameters as we ran it in a loop on the App Server:



From the Web UI, you should now see the cluster handling about 30,000 – 50,000 write operations per second across 4 data service nodes. You will also occasionally see a message that the 'default' bucket is being compacted:



Anyway, the SUMMARY section will show an exact count such as ~68.2 ops per second:

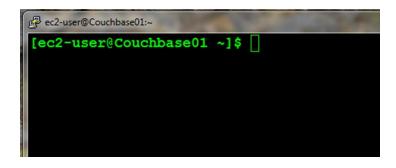


Using two machines to push the writes demonstrates that the App Server by itself is not capable of saturating the cluster with the amount of traffic that it can handle.

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Return to the 1st Couchbase node (Couchbase01 dark blue VM) and hit CTRL + C to stop the cbworkloadgen command:



You will see a message such as this and be returned back to the command line:

.....^Cinterrupted. [ec2-user@Couchbase01 ~]\$

In the Web UI you will see the cluster go back down to 15-20,000 write operations per second:



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Gracefully decommission and recommission a node from the cluster:

Suppose you have to upgrade some hardware on a Couchbase cluster node and need to temporarily remove it from the cluster, power it down to upgrade the hardware and then start the server back up and re-join it to the cluster.

In scenarios like these, where you can plan your outage ahead of time, you should "remove", "rebalance" and later on "add" the affected node back into the cluster.

In this section, we will walk through the correct method for removing a node from the cluster and adding the node back into the cluster. There is no disruption in data service or no loss of data that can occur when you remove a node then rebalance the cluster. If you need to remove a functioning node for administration purposes, you should use the remove and rebalance functionality not failover.

Switch over to the App Server (AppServer black VM) and stop the cbworkloadgenerator by hitting CTRL + C:



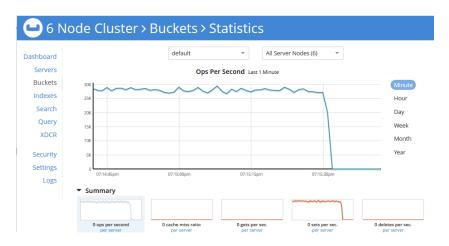
You will see a message such as this and be returned back to the command line:
.....^Cinterrupted.

[ec2-user@AppServer ~]\$

In the Web UI you will see the cluster go back down to 0 write operations per second:



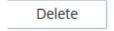
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Switch to the Web UI and click on "Buckets" at the top and then expand the beer-sample



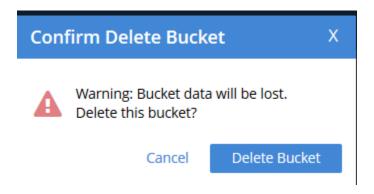
Once the details under beer-sample are expanded, click on Delete:



Click Delete on the Removing popup as well:



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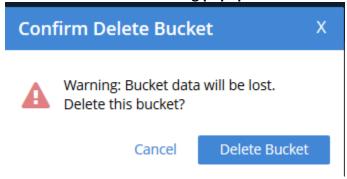


In a few seconds, the bucket will be deleted:

Delete the gamesim-sample bucket next. Expand the gamesim-sample details and then click "Delete":



Click Delete on the Removing popup as well:







When completed will only have the default bucket left.

Finally, we will flush all of the contents in the default bucket. However, we will not delete the default bucket! Expand the default bucket and click Flush:



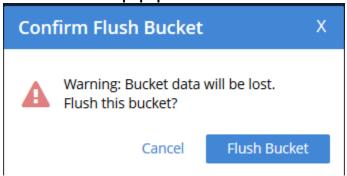
Flush

NOTE: You have to first enable the Flush feature on the bucket(should have been done during setup in lab 2), before being able to flush it to empty it.

If not done, then click "edit" button>Advanced settings>

Scroll down and place a check next to Enable and then click Save:

Click Flush on the popup as well:





You should now see that the Item Count in the default bucket is 0:



Switch over to the App Server (AppServer black VM) and generate a 100% write load against the default bucket. Use 1 million unique items, item size of 20 bytes, 2 threads and loop forever until interrupted. Note that this is about 150 MB of unique data.

[ec2-user@AppServer ~]\$ while true; do cbworkloadgen -n \$NODE1:8091 -i
1000000 -r 1 -s 20 -t 2 -v; sleep 2; done

NOTE: this will be in your command line history (up and down arrow keys) and can be edited for the correct item count

If you refresh the Web UI, you should see the Item Count for the default bucket increase:



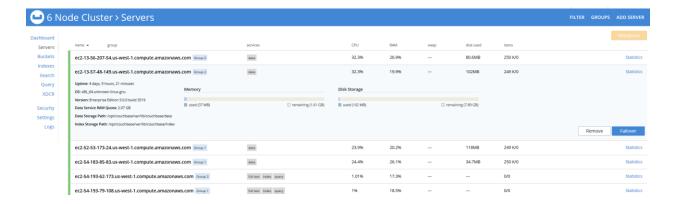
Eventually, the Item Count will hit 1 million:



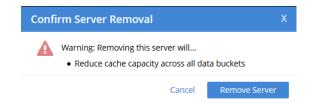
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Click on "Servers" at the right hand of the page and identify the 4th machine in the cluster. This should be in Group 2. Note, that the 4th machine will not necessarily be the last server in the list. Use the Cluster-IPs spreadsheet to match the public hostname of the 4th machine to one of the machines in this list. Then click Remove for that machine:



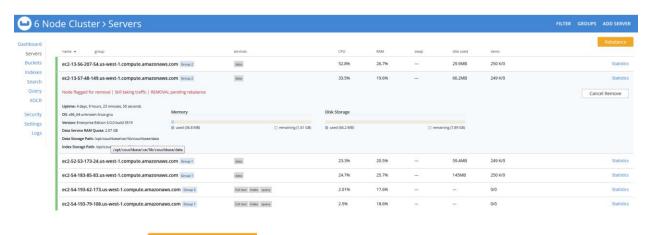
Confirm the server removal by clicking "Remove":



It will now appear with "removal Pending Rebalance". The 4th node will technically not be removed from the cluster, until a rebalance.



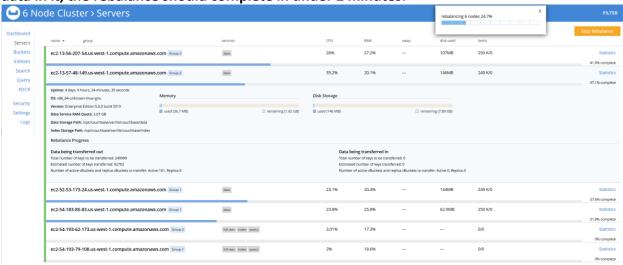
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Click on Rebalance:

Rebalance

The Rebalance operation will start. Since there is only one bucket with around 150 MB of data in it, the rebalance should complete in under 2 minutes:



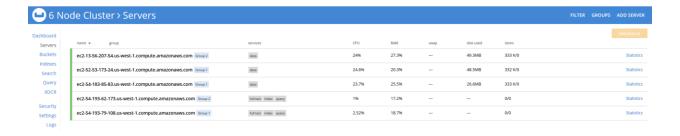
Switch to the App Server (black VM) and you will notice some warnings generated on the App Server such as:

2017-10-29 03:49:42,117: s0 warning: received NOT_MY_VBUCKET; perhaps the cluster is/was rebalancing; vbucket_id: 342, key: pymc832873, spec: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-13-57-48-149.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210 2017-10-29 03:49:42,117: s2 warning: received NOT_MY_VBUCKET; perhaps the cluster is/was rebalancing; vbucket_id: 439, key: pymc859387, spec: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-13-57-48-149.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210

After the rebalance is complete, the above warning messages will stop appearing. When the rebalance is finished, you will see only 5 nodes displayed under Server Nodes.

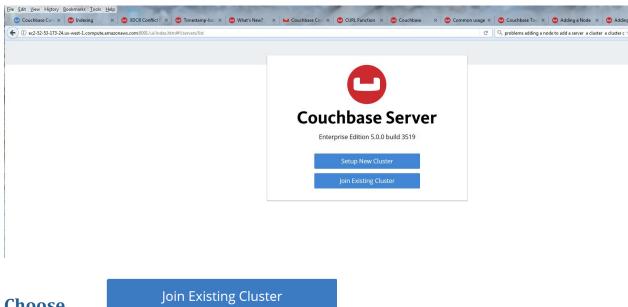


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Next point your browser at **node 4** to obtain a setup splash screen

http://ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091



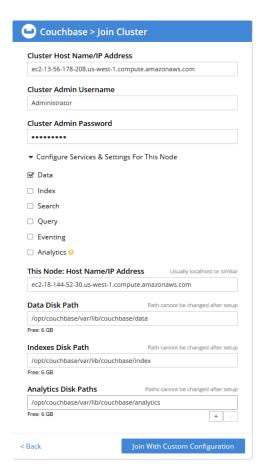
Choose

Fill in the information required making sure to use the Amazon ec2 address for both cluster and joining node name.

Select data service(deselect other services)



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Edit index path to /opt/couchbase/var/lib/couchbase/index



Join With Custom Configuration

Rebalancing the cluster:

On the servers tab click on the GROUPS link and move the new joining node to $\mbox{\rm Group2}$



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The UI should then look like this



The UI should then appear as follows:

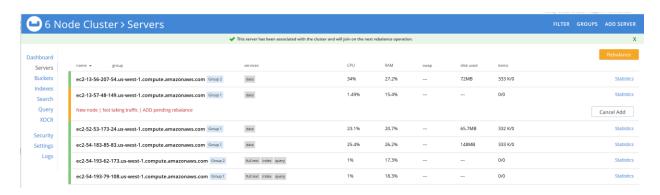


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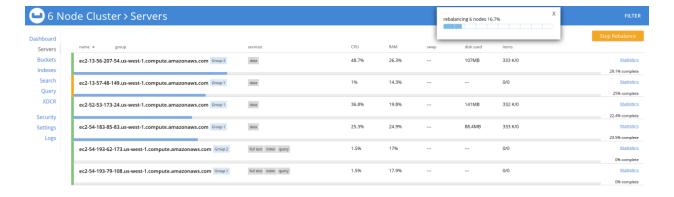


Go back to the Servers link

You should see the 4th node in a Pending Add state. Click on Rebalance:



Within 2 minutes, the rebalance operation should finish and the 4th node will be successfully added back into the cluster.





During this last rebalance, you will notice that the cbworkloadgen application on the App Server will continue to run:

```
2017-10-29 04:02:47,923: s0 warning: received NOT_MY_VBUCKET; perhaps the cluster is/was rebalancing; vbucket_id: 683, key: pymc482114, spec: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210 2017-10-29 04:02:47,923: s0 warning: received NOT_MY_VBUCKET; perhaps the cluster is/was rebalancing; vbucket_id: 683, key: pymc482666, spec: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210 2017-10-29 04:02:47,934: s0 refreshing sink map: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091 2017-10-29 04:02:47,938: s0 Starting new HTTP connection (1): ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com 2017-10-29 04:02:48,001: s1 warning: received NOT_MY_VBUCKET; perhaps the cluster is/was rebalancing; vbucket_id: 683, key: pymc492819, spec: http://ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091, host:port: ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210error: MCSink exception:
```

To stop the loop in your appserver window do the following:

```
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ [Cntrl] + [z] (keys to background process)
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ ps -elf (to identify cbworkloadgen process id)
UID PID PPID
ec2-user 24193 22920
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ kill -9 24193
```

Failing over a node in the cluster:

If a node in a cluster is unable to serve data you can failover that node. Failover means that Couchbase Server removes the node from a cluster and makes replicated data at other nodes available for client requests. As long as you have a sufficient number of replicas configured in Couchbase, the cluster can handle failure of one or more nodes without affecting your ability to access the stored data. Failover can be initiated manually via the Web UI, REST API or Couchbase CLI.

Alternatively, you can configure Couchbase server to automatically remove a failed node from a cluster and have the cluster operate in a degraded mode. If you choose this automatic option,



the workload for functioning nodes that remain the cluster will increase. You will still need to address the node failure, return a functioning node to the cluster and then rebalance the cluster in order for the cluster to function as it did prior to node failure. Automatically failing components in any distributed system can cause problems. If you cannot identify the cause of failure, and you do not understand the load that will be placed on the remaining system, then automated failover can cause more problems than it is designed to solve.

Keep in mind that if you try to failover a functioning node it may result in data loss. This is because failover will immediately remove the node from the cluster and any data that has not yet been replicated to other nodes may be permanently lost if it had not been persisted to disk.

Be aware that failover is a distinct operation compared to removing/rebalancing a node. Typically you remove a functioning node from a cluster for maintenance, or other reasons; in contrast you perform a failover for a node that does not function. If you need to remove a functioning node for administration purposes, you should use the remove and rebalance functionality not failover.

Before we trigger an actual Failover, let's understand the set up and configuration of the default bucket, where its vBuckets are stored and whether autoFailover is turned on for our lab cluster.

Run the next set of commands from the App server (Black VM):

```
ec2-user@AppServer ~]$
```

Run the cbstats command against the 1st node's public hostname and grep for active_num and replica num:

Notice that the 1st node is only hosting 256 active vBuckets and no replica vBuckets.



Each bucket in Couchbase is made of 1024 individual vBuckets (virtual buckets). The 1024 vBuckets are distributed throughout the cluster evenly so each node is hosting a somewhat fair load of the bucket.

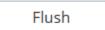
Try running the same command against the 2nd node's public hostname (get this from the Cluster-IPs spreadsheet):

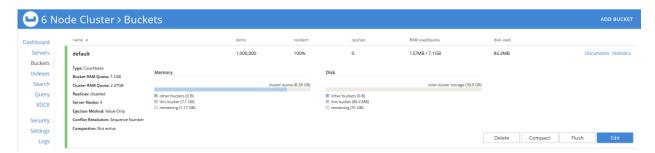
You should see 256 active-num on the 2nd node as well.

Note that since we don't have any replicas configured for the default bucket, we are not utilizing the Rack Awareness/Server Groups feature to distribute replica vBuckets to different Server Groups.

Let's switch to the Web UI and enable 1 replica for the default bucket. But first flush the default bucket to delete all of the data within it.

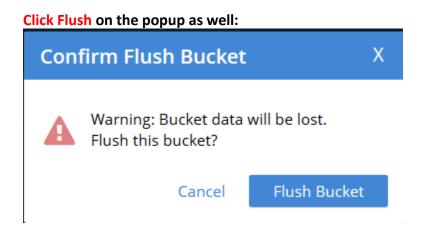
Click on Buckets at the left hand side of the Web UI, notice the Item Count in the bucket (your item count # may differ than the # in the screenshot below) and then click on Flush:



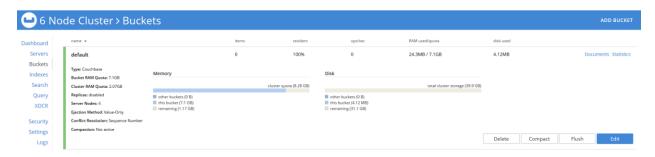


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You will now see that the item count is 0 and that Replicas are still disabled for this bucket:



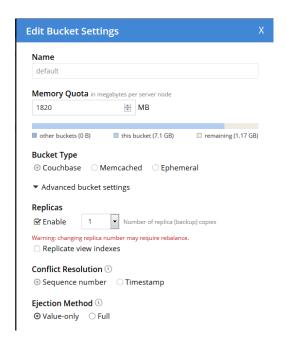
Enable one replica for the default bucket next. Click on Edit again:



Expand "Advanced bucket settings" you should see a setting for Replicas. Place a check mark next to Enable and ensure that the Number of replica copies is set to 1:



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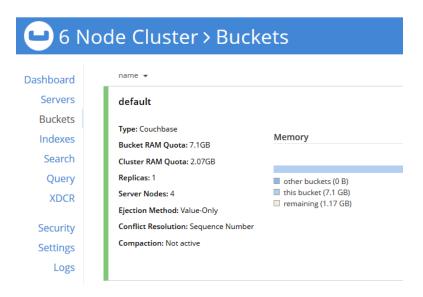


Click Save:

Save Changes

You should now see 1 replica copy configured:





In the Couchbase Web UI, click on "Servers" page ,Notice that there are no specific nodes that need to be rebalanced at this time, even though we added a replica to the default bucket. This is because the default bucket is empty and contains zero keys since we flushed it earlier. However, also notice that there is a orange bar with a message Warning: Rebalance required, some data is not currently replicated.

DO NOT click on "Rebalance" just yet... Instead switch over to the App Server cmd line...the next few commands will explain why a rebalance is required at this point.



Run the next set of commands from the App Server (Black VM):

Once again, run the cbstats command against the 1st node's public hostname and grep for active_num and replica_num:



Notice that the 1st node is still only hosting 256 active vBuckets and no replica vBuckets.

Prior to the rebalance is occurring, try running the cbstats command against the 1st node in a loop and you should see the # of replica vBuckets on this node increase slowly to a max of 256 vBuckets:

[ec2-user@AppServer ~]\$ while true; do cbstats \$NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica_num; sleep 2;
done

Return to the Couchbase Web UI.



to create the replica vBuckets:



The rebalance operation should take about 1-2 minutes to complete:

Rebalance



Observe the 1st node in the loop and you should see the # of replica vBuckets on this node increase slowly to a max of 256 vBuckets:

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```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~] $ while true; do cbstats $NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num; sleep 2;
vb replica num non resident:
                                                          0
vb replica num:
                                                          5
vb replica num non resident:
                                                          0
vb replica num:
                                                          42
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          81
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          122
vb replica num non resident:
vb_replica num:
                                                          163
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          201
vb replica num non resident:
                                                          252
vb replica num:
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          256
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          256
vb replica num non resident:
vb replica num:
                                                          256
```

You will finally see 256 replica vBuckets on the 1st node.

Once the Rebalance operation is complete, the orange Warning message on the Servers page will disappear. Also notice that currently, 2 data nodes are under Server Group 1 and 2 data nodes are under Server Group 2(not counting the Query and index service nodes):



Before we actually trigger a failover, let's write 10 keys to the default bucket.

But where will the 10 keys be distributed within the 4-node cluster's active vBuckets?



The following cbc hash command's output will display 10 lines, each line will identify which of the 4-data-service nodes in the cluster the key will be directed to if a write were to occur(using the cbc-create command in the following lab steps).

Run this command on the App Server (black VM) against the 1st node's public IP(remember we don't have to pass a userID, password or IP address since it was set earlier):

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~] $ cbc-hash key-1 key-2 key-3 key-4 key-5 key-6
key-7 key-8 key-9 key-10
key-1: [vBucket=748, Index=2] Server: ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=1, Host=ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-2: [vBucket=997, Index=3] Server: ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=1, Host=ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-3: [vBucket=226, Index=1] Server: ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=3, Host=ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-4: [vBucket=646, Index=2] Server: ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=1, Host=ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-5: [vBucket=385, Index=0] Server: ec2-54-172-130-15.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-15.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=3, Host=ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-6: [vBucket=136, Index=1] Server: ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=3, Host=ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-7: [vBucket=911, Index=3] Server: ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=1, Host=ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-8: [vBucket=816, Index=3] Server: ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-8.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=0, Host=ec2-54-172-130-15.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-9: [vBucket=55, Index=1] Server: ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
http://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=2, Host=ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
key-10: [vBucket=5, Index=1] Server: ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI:
\verb|http://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8092/default|
Replica #0: Index=2, Host=ec2-54-172-130-69.compute-1.amazonaws.com:11210
```

Note that running the above command against any of the 4 nodes' public hostnames would result in the same, identical output.

Since we have Server Groups configured, we should see that if active data lands one of the first 2 nodes (Group 1), its replica ends up on one of the second 2 nodes (Group 2).

In other words, in my specific lab environment, I have the following two nodes configured in Server Group #1:

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Node #1: ec2-54-85-43-128 Node #2: ec2-54-86-106-120

Server Group #2 contains:

Node #3: ec2-54-86-243-136 Node #4: ec2-54-85-206-193

So, in my example, any of the active data that lands in Node #1 or #2, should have its replica stored on Node #3 or #4.

If you scroll back up 1 or 2 pages to the output of where the 10 keys will be stored, this pattern should now become more apparent.

For example, in my environment:

key-1: Active: Node #4 / Replica: Node #2

key-2: Active: Node # 4 / Replica: Node #2

key-3: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #3

key-4: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #3

key-5: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #4

key-6: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #3

key-7: Active: Node # 3 / Replica: Node #2

key-8: Active: Node # 3 / Replica: Node #2

key-9: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #4

key-10: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #4

Notice above that Node #1 is holding 4 Active keys and 0 Replica keys.

At this time, please take a few minutes to make a quick document similar to the 10 lines I have above using your cluster's custom configuration. You should also see in your specific lab environment, that replicas for the active data are being placed in a different Server Group.



Switch to the App Server (black VM) and insert the following 10 keys with 10 values into the cluster. You can use the public hostname of any of the 4 nodes in the next two pages for the 'cbc create' and 'cbc cat' commands (note, you may need to hit CTRL + D a few times below before it takes effect):

[ec2-user@AppServer ~]\$ for num in {1..10}; do cbc-create key-\$num -V
"{\"value\":\"\${num}\"}"; done

key-1	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fab370000
key-2	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fac0f0000
key-3	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fac9a0000
key-4	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fad6a0000
key-5	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fae410000
key-6	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749faef30000
key-7	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fafb10000
key-8	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fb0640000
key-9	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fb1210000
key-10	Stored.	CAS=0x15a3749fb1e00000

Switch to the Web UI and click on Data Buckets at the top to verify that there are now 10 items in the default bucket.



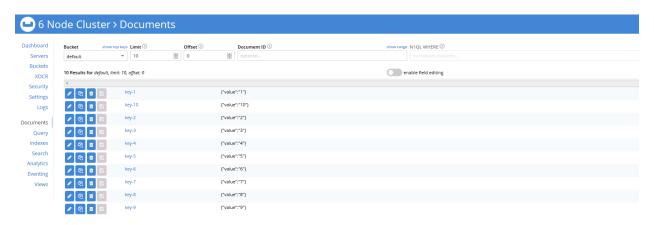
Documents !

Then click on Documents:

On the next page, you should see all 10 keys sorted in lexographical order(change page view to 10):



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Switch back to the App Server (black VM) and check the Auto-failover settings on the default bucket via the REST API (you can use the public hostname of any of the 4 nodes in this command):

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ curl -u Administrator:couchbase -n
http://$NODE1:8091/settings/autoFailover
{"enabled":true, "timeout":120, "count":0, "failoverOnDataDiskIssues":{"e
nabled":false, "timePeriod":120}, "failoverServerGroup":false, "maxCount"
:1}
```

The following parameters and settings appear in the output above:

enabled: either true if auto-failover is enabled or false if it is not.

timeout: seconds that must elapse before auto-failover executes on a cluster.

count: can be 0,1,2, or 3. Number of times any node in a cluster can be automatically failed-over. After one autofailover occurs, count is set to 1

maxCount: can be set to 1,2 or 3

The following command disables auto-failover and then next verifies that it is disabled: Note: The default setting of enabled

```
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ curl -u Administrator:couchbase -n
http://$NODE1:8091/settings/autoFailover -i -d 'enabled=false'
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block
X-Permitted-Cross-Domain-Policies: none
X-Frame-Options: DENY
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
Server: Couchbase Server
Pragma: no-cache
Expires: Thu, 01 Jan 1970 00:00:00 GMT
Date: Tue, 19 Mar 2019 17:12:47 GMT
Content-Length: 0
Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store, must-revalidate
```



[ec2-user@appserver ~]\$ curl -u Administrator:couchbase -n
http://\$NODE1:8091/settings/autoFailover
{"enabled":false, "timeout":120, "count":0, "failoverOnDataDiskIssu
es":{"enabled":false, "timePeriod":120}, "failoverServerGroup":fal
se, "maxCount":1}

Note that the autoFailover settings can also be configured using the Couchbase CLI as described here: http://docs.couchbase.com/admin/admin/CLI/CBcli/cbcli-commands.html

Switch back to the Web UI and click on Servers:

name ▼ group	services	CPU	RAM	swap	disk used	items
ec2-13-56-207-54.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	data	1.51%	25.4%		6.08MB	4/1
ec2-13-57-48-149.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	data	2.5%	15.8%		6.07MB	2/3
ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 1	data	1%	18.4%		6.09MB	2/2
ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 1	data	5%	24.1%		6.1MB	2/4
ec2-54-193-62-173.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com	full text index query	1.5%	17.1%			0/0
ec2-54-193-79-108.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com	full text index query	2.01%	17.9%			0/0

In the column for Items (Active/Replica) you should see the 10 keys that we created and 10 replica keys for them also, so the total count should be 20.

The numbers that you see here should correlate to the chart that you created for the 10 keys earlier in this lab.

For example, Node #1 in my cluster starts with the Public hostname "ec2-54-85-43-128", which also just happens to be the 1st node in the screenshot above. This node is holding 4 active keys and 0 replica keys. This matches what I was expecting after creating the chart earlier. Perform the same check for a few of the nodes in your environment.

Next we will stop the Couchbase service on both nodes in Server Group 2. Note by looking at the screenshot below, in my specific cluster, I will lose 6 active keys by doing this (4 active keys on one node and 2 active on the other node).

name ▼ group	services	CPU	RAM	swap	disk used	items
ec2-13-56-207-54.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com	data	1.5%	25.3%		6.08MB	4/1
ec2-13-57-48-149.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	data	3%	15.8%		6.07MB	2/3



More specifically for my specific installation, active key-4 and key-6 will no longer be available on Node #3 and active key-1 and key-2 will no longer be available on Node #4.

After stopping the Couchbase process on Nodes 3 and 4, we will need to failover Node 3 and Node 4 before the replicas get activated and we can read those 4 keys from the activated replicas.

Warning: The keys that you will need to test for your specific installation will differ from the keys that I will be using. Use the chart that you created earlier to figure out which keys are active on Node 3 and Node 4 and those are the keys that you will be reading below. You may want to write down which active keys are hosted on Node 3 and which active keys are hosted on Node 4 before continuing:

Fill out this form:	
Active Keys hosted on Node #3: _	
Active Keys hosted on Node # 4: _	

First read an active key from Node #3. Use the form you filled right above to pick a key from Node #3. In my specific lab, I have picked key-6. You may have to pick a different key. Run the following command from the App Server (use the 1st node's public hostname for the command below):

[ec2-user@AppServer ~]\$ cbc-cat -u Administrator -P couchbase -U couchbase://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com/default key-6 key-6 CAS=0x1da067b2e1920400, Flags=0x0, Datatype=0x0 value-6

So far so good.

Next, switch to the 3rd node's (Green VM/Couchbase03) PuTTY window and stop the Couchbase service on the node:



```
ec2-user@Couchbase03:~

[ec2-user@Couchbase03 ~]$
```

[ec2-user@Couchbase03 ~]\$ sudo systemctl stop couchbase-server
Stopping couchbase-server

[ec2-user@Couchbase03 ~]\$ sudo systemctl status couchbase-server Aug 10 13:37:11 node3 systemd[1]: Stopped LSB: couchbase server.

Switch over to the App Server (black VM) and try to read the key you just read from Node #3 again. I will attempt reading key-7 again for my specific environment. All of the following commands will be run from the App Server, until noted otherwise:

```
ec2-user@AppServer ~]$
```

[ec2-user@AppServer ~] \$ cbc-cat -U \$NODE3/default key-6

Failed to bootstrap instance. libcouchbase error: LCB_ECONNREFUSED (0x2C): The remote host refused the connection. Is the service up?

or you can re-run the previous cbc-cat command from your buffer(command history)

NOTE: this is using \$NODE1 variable setting from your .cbcrc file

cbc-cat key-1 key-2 key-3 key-4 key-5 key-6 key-7 key-8 key-9 key-10

```
key-5
                      CAS=0x158dbe3cb8ce0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
value-5
                      {\tt CAS=0x158dbe4c2b3f0000,\ Flags=0x0,\ Size=7,\ Datatype=0x00}
kev-9
value-9
key-10
                      CAS=0x158dbe4f7deb0000, Flags=0x0, Size=8, Datatype=0x00
value-10
                      CAS=0x158dbe2f32620000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-2
value-2
                      CAS=0x158dbe43625d0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-7
value-7
key-8
                      CAS=0x158dbe46c9f60000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
value-8
key-1
                      {\tt CAS=0x158dbe1058080000,\ Flags=0x0,\ Size=7,\ Datatype=0x00}
value-1
```



key-3	CAS=0x158dbe323e320000,	Flags=0x0,	Size=7,	Datatype=0x00
value-3				
key-4	LCB_ECONNREFUSED (0x2C)			
key-6	LCB_ECONNREFUSED (0x2C)			

Reading key-4 will also fail on my cluster since that was another key located on Node #3:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbc-cat -U $NODE3/default key-4
```

```
Failed to bootstrap instance. libcouchbase error: LCB_ECONNREFUSED (0x2C): The remote host refused the connection. Is the service up?
```

However reading key-1 and key-2 will work successfully, since those keys are stored on Node #4 in my environment. Run a similar test in your environment to ensure that you can still read the active keys from Node #4:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbc-cat -U $NODE4/default key-1 key-2 key-3
key-4 key-5 key-6 key-7 key-8 key-9 key-10
```

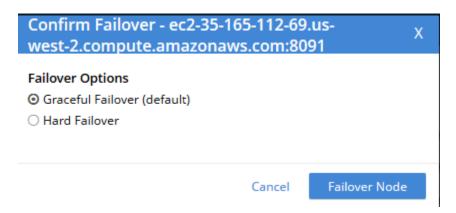
```
CAS=0x158dbe2f32620000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
kev-2
value-2
                     CAS=0x158dbe43625d0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-7
value-7
key-8
                     CAS=0x158dbe46c9f60000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
value-8
                     CAS=0x158dbe1058080000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
kev-1
value-1
key-3
                     CAS=0x158dbe323e320000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
value-3
                     CAS=0x158dbe3cb8ce0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-5
value-5
                     CAS=0x158dbe4c2b3f0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-9
value-9
key-10
                     CAS=0x158dbe4f7deb0000, Flags=0x0, Size=8, Datatype=0x00
value-10
key-4
                     LCB ECONNREFUSED (0x2C)
                     LCB ECONNREFUSED (0x2C)
key-6
```

Switch over to the Web UI and under Server Nodes, you should see the 3rd node marked as Down. Click on Fail Over for the 3rd/Down node:



On the Confirm Node Failover popup, place a check mark next to "Please confirm Failover" and click on Fail Over:





Run cbstats against all four data service nodes(Couch01,02,04 and 03 last)

```
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
vb active num:
                                                         384
vb active num non resident:
                                                         U
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE2:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
                                                         384
vb active num:
vb active num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE4:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
 vb active num:
                                                         256
vb active num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
vb replica num:
                                                         128
 vb replica num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE2:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
vb replica num:
                                                         128
vb replica num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE4:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
                                                         256
vb replica num:
vb replica num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE3:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
Exception AttributeError: "'MemcachedClient' object has no
attribute 's'" in <bound method MemcachedClient. del of
```



<mc_bin_client.MemcachedClient object at 0x7f4ceb83f910>>
ignored
No response.

Note: Couch03 couchservice is dead

Do the math.... how many active vbuckets are there? (1024)

How many replica vbuckets are there? (512)

Why?

Run the following command.

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbc-cat key-1 key-2 key-3 key-4 key-5
key-6 key-7 key-8 key-9 key-10
                     CAS=0x158dbe1058080000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-1
value-1
                    CAS=0x158dbe323e320000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-3
value-3
kev-6
                    CAS=0x158dbe4065800000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
value-6
                    CAS=0x158dbe37fe890000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-4
value-4
                    CAS=0x158dbe3cb8ce0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-5
value-5
                    CAS=0x158dbe4c2b3f0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-9
value-9
key-10
                    CAS=0x158dbe4f7deb0000, Flags=0x0, Size=8, Datatype=0x00
value-10
                    CAS=0x158dbe2f32620000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-2
value-2
                    CAS=0x158dbe43625d0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-7
value-7
                    CAS=0x158dbe46c9f60000, Flags=0x0, Size=7, Datatype=0x00
key-8
value-8
```

notice it now returns all 10 keys?

Summary. You can read all ten keys now but there is no backup if there was a second failure of another node.

A Rebalance will now be required. Click on "Rebalance":



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							Rebalance
name ▼ group	services	CPU	RAM	swap	disk used	items	
ec2-13-56-207-54.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	data	196	23.9%		11.2MB	4/1	Statistics
ec2-13-57-48-149.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	data	14.196	16.1%	***	9.13MB	2/3	
Node unresponsive, failed-over Not taking traffic REMOVAL pending rebalance							
ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com @roup1	data	1.5%	18.5%	22	9.98MB	2/2	Statistics
ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com @roup1	data	2.5%	23.9%		10MB	4/2	Statistics
ec2-54-193-62-173.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	full text index query	1.0196	17.2%			0/0	Statistics
ec2-54-193-79-108.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 1	full text index query	0.5%	17.6%	227	120	0/0	Statistics

The Rebalance will now start and will take about 2 – 3 minutes to complete and you should see only 5 nodes in the cluster:



After the Rebalance query for the active keys that were on Node #3 (key-4 and key-6 in my environment) and you should successfully see them again since their replicas have been activated:

Reading key-8 will also work on my cluster since this was another key located on Node #3 and now has its replica activated:

```
[ec2-user@ AppServer ~] $ cbc-cat -u Administrator -P couchbase -U couchbase://ec2-54-172-130-66.compute-1.amazonaws.com/default key-6 key-8 CAS=0x713bce5b3e930400, Flags=0x0, Size=7 value-8
```

By looking at the chart I created earlier, I can assume that the key-4 and key-6 are being served from Node #2 as this was the node holding the replica for the data. Here is the chart reprinted for my environment:

```
key-1: Active: Node #4 / Replica: Node #2
key-2: Active: Node #4 / Replica: Node #2
key-3: Active: Node #1 / Replica: Node #3
```



```
key-4: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #3
key-5: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #4
key-6: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #3
key-7: Active: Node # 3 / Replica: Node #2
key-8: Active: Node # 3 / Replica: Node #2
key-9: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #4
key-10: Active: Node # 1 / Replica: Node #4
```

Look at the chart for your environment and figure out which node would be hosting the replicas for the active keys that were originally on Node #3.

Check which nodes are hosting those keys now (I will check for key-4 and key-6 myself):

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbc-hash key-4 key-6
```

```
key-4: [vBucket=646, Index=2] Server: ec2-18-144-49-199.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI: http://ec2-18-144-49-199.us-
west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=0, Host=ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210

key-6: [vBucket=136, Index=0] Server: ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI: http://ec2-13-56-188-91.us-
west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=1, Host=ec2-13-56-209-124.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210
```

For my cluster, the above output translates to:

```
key-4: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #1 key-6: Active: Node # 2 / Replica: Node #1
```

At this point, it makes sense that Node #2 is hosting the active replica.

You may find it odd that the Replicas for key-4 and key-6 are may be hosted in the same server group as the active data (both are in Group #1 in my specific environment, but this may not be true for your environment). This can occur in very small Couchbase clusters which have an uneven number of nodes in each server group. The best practice in Couchbase is to replace a failed hardware node in a server group with a working node and *then* run rebalance across all the nodes.

Notice that in the 'cbc-hash' command above, key-4's active copy is currently in vBucket 646 on the server with the public hostname starting with 'ec2-18-144-49-199.us-west, which translates to Node #4 in my environment (it may be on another machine in your specific lab).



Finding key-4's active replica in your cluster:

Let's try to find the data file containing key-4 in the Couchbase cluster. Regardless of which keys you were working with (that were originally active on Node #3) in the previous section, in this section try to find key-4.

Run the following cbc hash command from the App Server (black VM) against any node's public hostname in the cluster to find where key-4 is active:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ cbc-hash key-4
```

```
key-4: [vBucket=646, Index=2] Server: ec2-18-144-49-199.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210, CouchAPI: http://ec2-18-144-49-199.us-
west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8092/default
Replica #0: Index=0, Host=ec2-13-56-188-91.us-west-
1.compute.amazonaws.com:11210
```

Since key-4 appears to be on Node #4 in my environment in vBucket 646, I will switch to the PuTTY window for Node #4 (Couchbase04/Light Blue PuTTY window) to verify that key-4 is indeed on Node #4.

```
ec2-user@Couchbase02:~

[ec2-user@Couchbase02 ~]$
```

Warning: For your specific lab, switch over to the node where the Active copy of key-4 is located. This may not be Node #4in your environment!

Let's go to the node where key-4 is located and actually locate it in a vBucket data file.

First switch to the root user:

```
[ec2-user@Couchbase02 ~]$ sudo -s
```

Change directories to the default bucket's data files:

```
[root@ Couchbase02 ec2-user]# cd
/opt/couchbase/var/lib/couchbase/data/default/
```

Search for vBucket # 646 (note, in your environment, this may be a different numbered bucket!):

```
[root@ Couchbase02 default]# ls | grep 646
646.couch.1
```



Once you've located the relevant bucket, print its contents with the couch_dbdump command:

```
[root@ Couchbase02 default] # /opt/couchbase/bin/couch_dbdump
./646.couch.1

Dumping "./646.couch.1":
Doc seq: 1
    id: key-4
    rev: 1
    content_meta: 131
    size (on disk): 17
    cas: 1553106594215559168, expiry: 0, flags: 0, datatype: 0x00 (raw)
    size: 7
    data: (snappy) value-4

Total docs: 1

Exit root:
[root@Couchbase02 default] # exit
```

Excellent! You've successfully located key-4 in the underlying data files.

Next, run the cbstats command against the 1st 2nd, and 4th Node's public hostname to see how many vBuckets are currently assigned to it (this command should be run from the App Server/black node):

```
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
                                                         341
vb active num:
                                                         0
vb active num non resident:
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE2:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
vb active num:
                                                         341
vb active num non resident:
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE4:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep active num
vb active num:
                                                         342
                                                         0
vb active num non resident:
```

After Checking on active vBucket numbers, check on replica numbers.



```
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE1:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
vb replica num:
                                                         342
vb replica num non resident:
                                                         0
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE2:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
vb replica num:
                                                         341
vb replica num non resident:
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbstats $NODE4:11210 all -u
Administrator -p couchbase -b default | grep replica num
                                                         341
vb replica num:
vb replica num non resident:
                                                         0
```

The 1st node in the cluster now has about 342 active vBuckets and 341 replica vBuckets buckets. This makes sense because 342 vBuckets * 3 nodes = 1,026. There are a total of 1024 vBuckets in Couchbase, but when there is an odd number of nodes, Couchbase will make a best effort to distribute the vBuckets evenly. In this case, the other 2 remaining nodes will have 341 active vBuckets, so 342 + 341 + 341 = 1024. The number of vBuckets you see on the 1st node in your environment could vary slightly.

Failover the 4th node in your cluster:

Finally, let's stop the Couchbase service on the 4th Node as well, so that all of the servers in Server Group #2 will be decommissioned.

Switch to the 4th node's (Yellow VM) PuTTY window and stop the Couchbase service on the node:

```
ec2-user@ip-172-31-0-127:~

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-0-127 ~]$
```

Run the following commands to stop Couchbase and check its status:

```
[ec2-user@Couchbase04 ~]$ sudo systemctl stop couchbase-server
[ec2-user@Couchbase04 ~]$ sudo systemctl status couchbase-server
Aug 10 13:53:09 node4 systemd[1]: Stopped LSB: couchbase server.
```



This time, we'll fail over Node #4 using the Couchbase CLI. Switch to the App Server (black VM):

```
ec2-user@ip-172-31-23-211:~

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-23-211 ~]$
```

Run the following Couchbase CLI failover command to failover Node #4 (yellow VM). Note that in this command there are two public hostname's provided. For the --cluster hostname use the public hostname of Node #1. For the --server-failover hostname, provide the public hostname for Node #4:

```
[ec2-user@AppServer ~]$ couchbase-cli failover --cluster=$NODE1:8091 --
server-failover=$NODE4:8091 --force
SUCCESS: Server failed over

FYI NOTE: This is what the command would look like if all variables had to be specified at the command line

[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ couchbase-cli failover --cluster=http://ec2-
54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091 --server-
failover=ec2-13-56-207-54.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com:8091 --
user=Administrator --password=couchbase --force
```

Once you see a success message, switch over to the Web UI and you should see a Down node #4 with a Rebalance pending:





Switch back to the App Server's command line and trigger a Rebalance operation using the Couchbase CLI as well.

(Note that the –cluster parameter should provide the public hostname of Node #1 and the <mark>– server-remove</mark> parameter should provide the public hostname for Node #4 (the node we want to remove)

ALSO... Run next two commands with in a few seconds of each other.

One command on appserver and one command on Couchbase01

(you may want to type commands on each VM before executing them):

While the rebalance is running, quickly switch to Node #1 (dark blue) and run the following command to check the status of the Rebalance operation:

```
ec2-user@ip-172-31-23-209;~

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-23-209 ~]$
```

```
[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
{
    "status": "running",
    "msg": "Rebalance is running",
    "details": {
        "totalBuckets": 1,
        "curBucket": 1,
        "refresh": 0.25,
        "docsRemaining": 14,
        "curBucketName": "default",
        "progress": 1.326701539572522
    }
}
```



```
[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
  "status": "running",
  "msg": "Rebalance is running",
  "details": {
    "totalBuckets": 1,
    "curBucket": 1,
    "refresh": 0.25,
    "docsRemaining": 10,
    "curBucketName": "default",
    "progress": 10.73084561083574
  }
}
[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
  "status": "running",
  "msg": "Rebalance is running",
  "details": {
    "totalBuckets": 1,
    "curBucket": 1,
    "refresh": 0.25,
    "docsRemaining": 6,
    "curBucketName": "default",
   "progress": 24.36932829664365
  }
}
[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
{
  "status": "running",
  "msg": "Rebalance is running",
  "details": {
    "totalBuckets": 1,
    "curBucket": 1,
    "refresh": 0.25,
    "docsRemaining": 6,
    "curBucketName": "default",
    "progress": 33.09052558450966
  }
[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
  "status": "running",
  "msg": "Rebalance is running",
  "details": {
    "totalBuckets": 1,
    "curBucket": 1,
```



```
"refresh": 0.25,
   "docsRemaining": 2,
   "curBucketName": "default",
   "progress": 42.37983587338805
}

[ec2-user@couchbase01 ~]$ couchbase-cli rebalance-status
--cluster=$NODE1:8091
{
   "status": "notRunning",
   "msg": "Rebalance is not running",
   "details": {}
```

Great, the rebalance operation is definitely complete. The web UI should also reflect the change:

name ▼ group	services	CPU	RAM	swap	disk used	items
ec2-52-53-173-24.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group I	data	1.5%	15.5%		19MB	5/5
ec2-54-183-85-83.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 1	data	2.98%	24.196		22.7MB	5/5
ec2-54-193-62-173.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 2	full text index query	2.02%	1796	***	***	0/0
ec2-54-193-79-108.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Group 1	full text index query	1.01%	17.8%			0/0

Notice that in the Web UI, now there are 5 active items and 5 replica(possibly 6/4) items on each of the 2 remaining nodes in Server Group #1.

Run the cbstats command from the App Server (black VM) and provide the first Node's public hostname:

You can see that the rebalance operation has placed 512 active vBuckets and 512 replica vBuckets on each of the remaining 2 nodes.



Finally, try querying for the 10 keys we originally inserted to verify that they are still available after a loss of an entire Server Group. You can run all of the remaining commands on the App Server and provide it with the 1st node's public hostname:

```
[ec2-user@appserver ~] $ cbc-cat key-1 key-2 key-3 key-4 key-5 key-6
key-7 key-8 key-9 key-10
key-3
                     CAS=0x158dbe323e320000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
Datatype=0x00
value-3
                     CAS=0x158dbe37fe890000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
key-4
Datatype=0x00
value-4
                     CAS=0x158dbe4065800000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
key-6
Datatype=0x00
value-6
key-9
                     CAS=0x158dbe4c2b3f0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
Datatype=0x00
value-9
                     CAS=0x158dbe4f7deb0000, Flags=0x0, Size=8,
key-10
Datatype=0x00
value-10
key-1
                     CAS=0x158dbe1058080000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
Datatype=0x00
value-1
                     CAS=0x158dbe2f32620000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
key-2
Datatype=0x00
value-2
                     CAS=0x158dbe3cb8ce0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
kev-5
Datatype=0x00
value-5
                     CAS=0x158dbe43625d0000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
key-7
Datatype=0x00
value-7
key-8
                     CAS=0x158dbe46c9f60000, Flags=0x0, Size=7,
Datatype=0x00
value-8
[ec2-user@appserver ~]$ cbc-cat key-11
                     LCB KEY ENOENT (0 \times 0 D)
key-11
```

In the above output, you will see that all of the 10 keys are successfully found. If a key was not found (as in key-11), you would have seen a "LCB_KEY_ENOENT" error message.

This concludes Lab #4.0

In the next lab, we will rejoin Nodes #3 and #4 back into the cluster.