In this document, I record the 'Oracle cloud specific' issues that I encountered while configuring our Hadoop cluster.

Only private IP addresses

Public elastic IP addresses won't work for Hadoop connections on Oracle cloud instances.

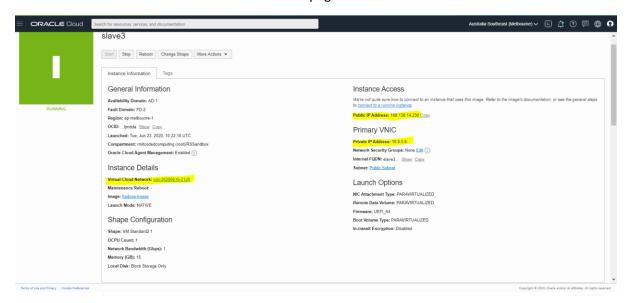
(Keeping public IP address was making the name node unable to bind on port 9000, throwing java.net.BindException).

I struggled with this for a couple of days until finally got a hint from apache's wiki on Hadoop exceptions:

https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/display/HADOOP2/BindException

I tried changing public IP addresses to private IPs in /etc/hosts file, and it worked.

Private IPs can be found on the instance's details page as shown below:



No 127.0.1.1 entry in /etc/hosts file

Also, delete the default entry 127.0.1.1 from /etc/hosts file on master and slaves.

(Keeping it was making master node listen on 127.0.1.1 instead of its IP)

Hint from this stack overflow discussion:

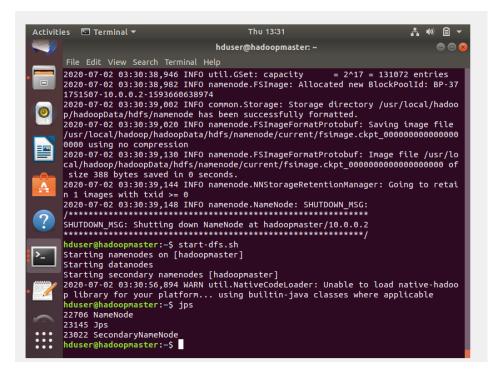
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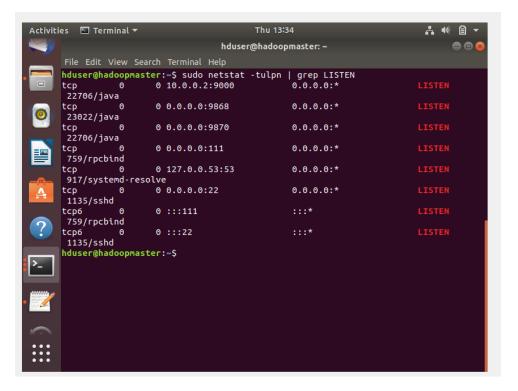
Snap shot of the /etc/hosts file (same for all nodes)



Data nodes unable to connect to master node on port 9000

Name node on the master was up and listening on port 9000, but slave nodes were not able to connect to it. (see the screenshots)





I first tried creating security rules in the VCN, enabling the ports that Hadoop uses.

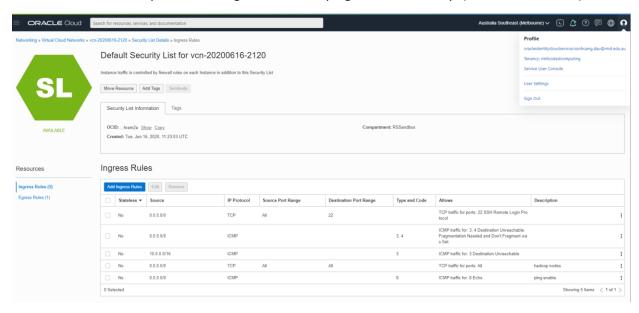
Ingress rules specify rules for letting in incoming traffic through the boundary of a network and egress rules are for network traffic going out.

By default, egress is enabled for all traffic for all ports on Oracle. So, we don't have to change anything with egress.

I added an Ingress rule first, enabling specific ports needed by the master node and slave nodes.

It did not sort the connectivity issue.

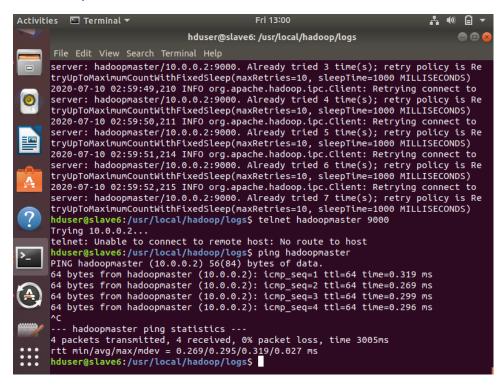
Then, I enabled all TCP ports for all ingress traffic, hoping it works this way. (see the screenshot)



Still, the issue persisted.

Telnet and traceroute from datanode to master were not working as well.

See the output of TELNET below:



Reporting the issue via an SR to Oracle cloud support team

I decided to contact tech support and they suggested to file a Service Request (SR).

Before raising a technical SR, I posted this question to the Oracle community. I did not get a reply.

I decided to file a technical SR, uploading as much as detail as possible so that I am explaining my issue clearly to the SR team.

After about a week, they got back saying that since Oracle doesn't own the product Hadoop, they cant provide support with this issue.

They gave me an option to redirect the request to another team to check if there is a better team to help with this issue. I went with that option.

'iptables' is the solution!

Finally, one support guy asked me to check the entries in the 'iptables' of the master node.

Kindly note: 'iptables' is a command-line firewall utility in which one can specify policies to allow or reject network traffic.

Commands for working with 'iptables' in Ubuntu:

https://help.ubuntu.com/community/lptablesHowTo

I added a new rule to permit port 9000 TCP traffic.

(see the screenshot after adding the rule)

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Even after this, the connectivity issue was still there.

I deleted the highlighted entires (2 REJECT rules) assuming that they might be causing the issue.

Still, no success. I was reporting this to the tech support.

I was then suggested to shift the rule for port 9000 to before the REJECT rule.

To insert a rule to the top of a chain, please see the web page:

https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/linux-iptables-insert-rule-at-top-of-tables-prepend-rule/

I did this. Like a magic, now data nodes started connecting to the namenode.

Later, I also added rules for enabling extra ports on the masternode for yarn, mapreduce and web UI (8025, 8030, 8050, 54311, 9870) and some ports (9864, 9865, 9866, 9867) on the data node.

See the below web site for the default ports used by Hadoop 3:

https://www.stefaanlippens.net/hadoop-3-default-ports.html

We need to have all nodes that are needed by master and data nodes to be enabled separately on their respective iptables.

New separate images for Hadoop master node and Hadoop slave node have been created on our Oracle cloud tenancy.

(Earlier, we had a single Hadoop image)

These can be used for spawning new master nodes and data nodes as and when we require.