How to find why a database restore failed in Managed Instance

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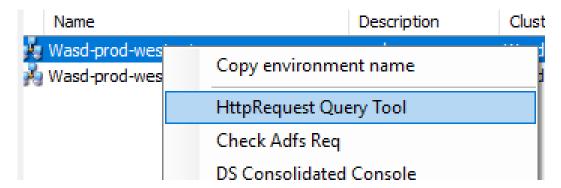
Issue

The PITR was failing with the following error message:

"No backups were found to restore the database to the point in time 11/12/2018 2:21:16 PM (UTC). Please contact support to restore the database."

Investigation/Analysis

1. Open XTS and access the CMS database (per region via) HttpRequest Query Tool as shown below:



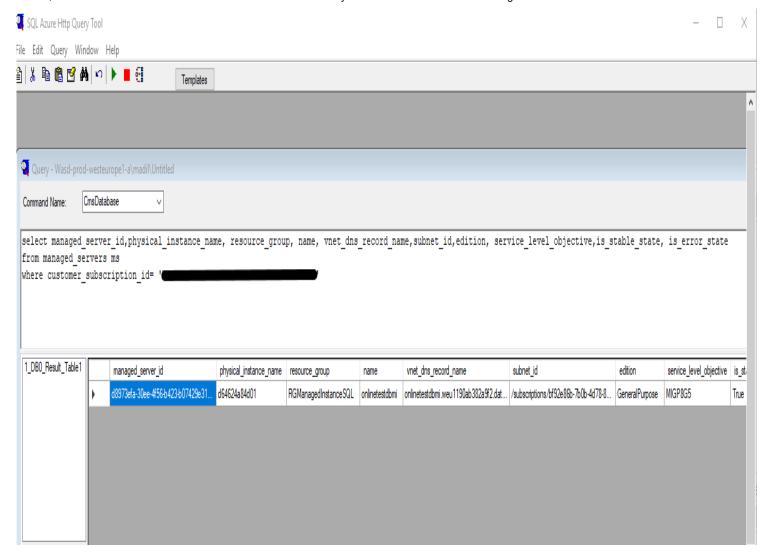
The tool is a simple SSMS like query editor that runs T-SQL against CmsDatabase

2. Run the following query, using the customer's subscription ID:

select managed_server_id,physical_instance_name, resource_group, name, vnet_dns_record_name,subnet_id,edition, service_level_objective,is_stable_state, is_error_state

from managed_servers ms

where customer_subscription_id= 'Input Subscription Id here'



- 3. Identify the managed instance server on which they had the problem and get its ID.
- 4. Run the following query (using the managed_server_id)

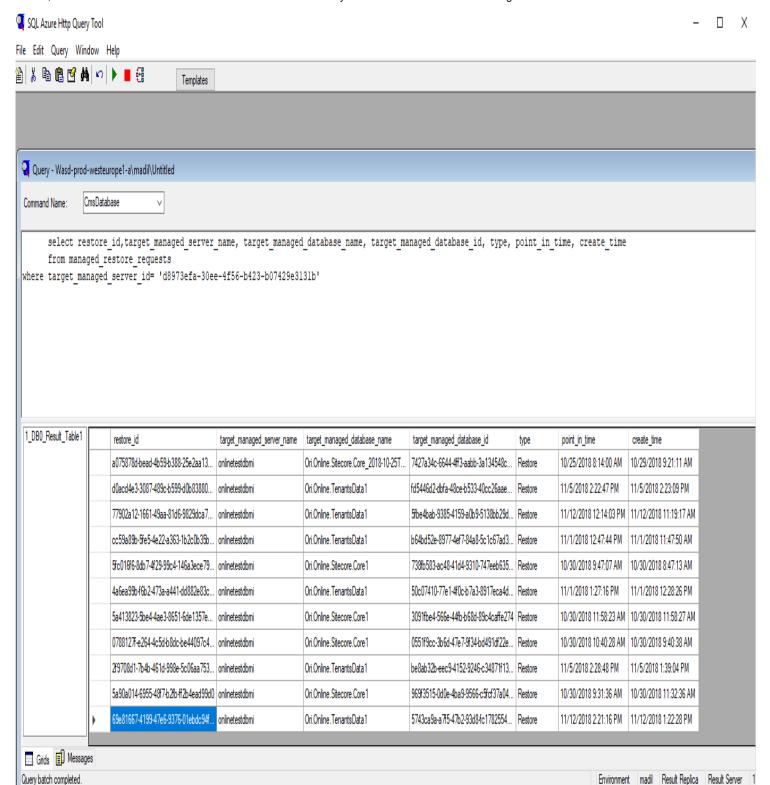
select restore_id,target_managed_server_name, target_managed_database_name, target_managed_database_id, type, point_in_time, create_time

from managed_restore_requests

where target_managed_server_id= 'd8973efa-30ee-4f56-b423-b07429e3131b'

This will allow you to find the restores that were initiated on this server. We will check the one with the point_in_time that we saw in the customer error message:

11/12/2018 2:21:16 PM



5. After we get the restore_id, we open Kusto and run the following query:

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| where tolower(restore_request_id) == "69e81667-4199-47e6-9376-01ebdc94f8d4" | project originalEventTimestamp, event, restore_database_progress, message, restore_configuration_info, restore_database_result, exception_type, stack_trace, level

originalEventTimestamp event restore_database_progress message

2018-11-12 13:53:01.5913808 restoring_database_failure No backups were found to restore the database to the point in time 11/12/2018 2:21:16 PM (UTC). Please contact support to restore the database.

In the results, we can see that the customer initiated the restore at 1:53 PM and chose a PITR from the future 2:21 PM, therefore this is the reason why the restore failed.

More details: this type of restore failure could only appear when using PowerShell. The portal does not allow choosing an incorrect PIT.

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