A Step-by-step Tutorial to Reproduce MonEx Use Case Experiments

This file contains the experimental artifacts of the use case experiments of the MonEx paper. In the same folder of this file, you can find the experiments folders that contain the datasets and some dependent scripts.

1 Disk & Power Usage of a MongoDB Cluster

1.1 Objective

Using MonEx framework to monitor the disk & the power usage of a MongoDB cluster while running an indexation workload.

1.2 Requirements

The experiment has an automated script to run on the *Grid'5000* testbed, but we list the necessary steps to allow repeating it elsewhere.

1.2.1 Hardware Requirements

This experiment needs a cluster of at least five nodes. Three nodes serve as shard nodes while another node holds the configuration server and the *mongo* router daemons. The last node is reserved for installing the *MonEx* framework. Additionally, the main point during reproducing this experiment is on the way we monitor the experiment using *MonEx* but not its results, so any hardware specifications could be used. Thus, the only impact is that you might obtain a different execution time.

1.2.2 Software Requirements

Many software are necessary:

- MonEx configured with Prometheus as a data collector.
- Prometheus default node exporter
- MongoDB version 3.2
- WiredTiger search engine
- Ruby (1.9 or above)
- \bullet mongo(v1.1), yaml ruby-gems to generate data for MongoDB

1.3 Installation

For simplicity reasons, we refers to the experiment nodes as follows:

- node_[1-3]: the first, second & third shard nodes of MongoDB
- node_4: the node that holds the config. server and the router of MongoDB
- node_monex: the node that will be used to hold the MonEx framework.

1.3.1 MongoDB Installation & Configuration

- \Rightarrow Please refer to the MongoDB official webpage to install MongoDB on the nodes_[1-4] and make sure to stop the mongod service on all nodes after the installation:
 - https://docs.mongodb.com/v3.2/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-debian/
- ⇒ Configure the WiredTiger to be used as the default storage engine in MongoDB. This is done by editing the file /etc/mongod.conf on the nodes_[1-4], by adding the following line:

storage.engine: wiredTiger

 \Rightarrow Configure the MongoDB cluster as the following:

- run the follwing commands on the node_4:

```
nohup mongod --configsvr --port 27019 & // to start a config serv. daemon nohup mongos --configdb [node_4_IP:27019] // to start a mongo router daemon
```

- run the following command on the nodes_[1-3]:

```
nuhup mongod --config /etc/mongod.conf --shardsvr --port 27017 &
```

⇒ We need to configure the cluster and to have a sharded data collection, so we run the following commands on the node_4 using mongo daemon:

⇒ Create and inject a data into the configured cluster. To do so, we need to use the provided file (index-ing_on_MongoDB/generateDumpsDataForMongoDB.rb) for generating data (20 million documents by default, about 80Gbyte). The script could be run on a standalone *MongoDB* and then we could create a dump of the generated data in order to be injected into our cluster using the *mongo* router. The commands on this steps are as follows:

```
ruby generateDumpsDataForMongoDB.rb // on a machine running a mongod daemon mongodump --db db1 --collection c1 // export the collection data into a bson file

On the node_4, we execute the following command to inject the created data into our cluster

mongorestore -d db1 -c c1 [bson file] // inject and evenly distribute the data
```

At the end of this step, MongoDB is installed and configured correctly.

1.3.2 MonEx installation

Clone the MonEx github project into the node_monex and install its dependencies as explained in the project page (https://github.com/madynes/monex). This step implies installing the default exporter of Promtheus into all the data nodes (nodes_[1-3]), and configuring Prometheus to regularly scrape those data nodes at the rate of 1 second.

1.4 Experiment workflow

We suppose that MongoDB is installed correctly and that MonEx server is started as explained in the previous steps. Then, we execute the following steps.

1. Before running the main workload of the experiment, notify *MonEx* that the indexation workload is to be started in a moment. Thus, the following command must be run on the node_4:

```
curl -X POST MonEx_IP:5000/exp/mongoXP
```

2. We then run the workload from the same node as follows:

```
$mongos
mongos> use db1
mongos> db.c1.createIndex({randNum:1})
```

This will take several minutes regarding the hardware specification of the shard nodes, and the size of the generated data

3. When the workload is accomplished, we should notify *MonEx* that the experiment is terminated. So, the following command is run dynamically from the experiment script (you can run it manually when you the previous command is terminated):

```
curl -X PUT MonEx_IP:5000/exp/mongoXP
```

4. We can query the *MonEx* server to obtain a dataset containing the target metrics of the experiment. The commands to obtain the disk usage, and the power usage metrics are as follows:

```
curl -X GET -H "Content-Type: application/json" IP:5000/exp/mongoXP \
-d '{"query":"rate(node_disk_io_time_ms{device=\"sda1\", \
"server":"prometheus","type":"duration","labels":["instance"]}' > dataset_hdd.csv

curl -X GET -H "Content-Type: application/json" IP:5000/exp/mongoXP \
-d '{"query":"pdu","server":"prometheus","type":"duration", \
"labels":["outlet","instance"]}' > dataset_pdu.csv
```

5. The obtained datasets from the previous step are available in the experiment folder. So if it is not possible to repeat the experiment, you can use the *MonEx*-draw over the obtained datasets to produce the figures of this experiment as follows:

```
./monex-draw -F2 dataset_pdu.csv -F dataset_hdd.csv
-c node1,node2,node3
-c2 node1,node2,node3
-x "Time (sec)" -y "Disk utilization (%)" -y2 "Power usage (W)" -l
```

This command produces the Fig. 2-b that is appeared in the MonEx paper.

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3 Input/output offset sequences experiment

3.1 Objective

Using MonEx framework to monitor how the access patterns over a given file are uncovered when applying a random access workload. An eBPF program is used to uncover the access patterns, while Fio benchmark is used to generate the random access workload. The eBPF program is out of scope of this tutorial as its paper is not yet submitted. Thus, it is only possible to repeat the analysis of this experiment.

3.2 Requirements

3.2.1 Hardware Requirements

The experiment must run on any Linux distribution with a kernel version greeter than v3.4 to allow running eBPF virtual machine. Additionally, no special hardware is needed.

3.2.2 Software Requirements

- Fio Benchmark v2.1.3
- eBPF virtual machine
- MonEx configured with InfluxDB as a data collector

3.3 Installations

• Fio can be installed using apt on debian:

```
apt-get install -y fio
```

• eBPF virtual machine could be installed as a part of the IOvisor BCC project: https://github.com/iovisor/bcc (see install.md inside the project page).

3.4 Experiment workflow

The experiment is performed as follows:

1. We create a file using dd command as follows:

```
dd if=/dev/zero of=testFile bs=16 count=9175040 // create 147 MByte file
```

2. We start our eBPF program that listens inside the kernel to new I/O requests accessing the target file

3. Notify MonEx that the experiment will begin in a moment:

```
\begin{verbatim} curl -X PUT MonEx_IP:5000/exp/accessPattern
```

4. Start the main workload of accessing testFile randomly:

```
fio --name=testFile --iodepth=16 --rw=read --direct=0 --numjobs=1 --group_reporting
```

5. After the termination of the workload, notify MonEx that the experiment is finished.

```
curl -X PUT MonEx_IP:5000/exp/accessPattern
```

6. MonEx could be then quired to obtain a dataset of the target metrics as follows:

```
curl -X GET 127.1:5000/exp/myxp -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d \
'{"measurement":"ebpf","server":"influx","database":"monex","type":"sample"}' > dataset.csv
```

7. Use MonEx-draw to produce a publishable figure of the experiment, by consuming the provided dataset file:

```
./monex-draw -F dataset.csv -x "Time (sec)" -y "Offset (bytes)" -p -r "random" -n -s ';'
```

This command is used to produce the Fig. 4 of the MonEx paper.