ONTAP Select 9.6 performance: Premium HA direct-attached SSD storage

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Performance information for the reference platform.

Reference platform

ONTAP Select 9.6 (Premium XL) Hardware (per Node)

- FUJITSU PRIMERGY RX2540 M4:
 - Intel® Xeon® Gold 6142b CPU at 2.6 GHz
 - 32 physical cores (16 x 2 sockets), 64 logical
 - · 256 GB RAM
 - Drives per host: 24 960GB SSD
 - ESX 6.5U1

Client hardware

• 5 x NFSv3 IBM 3550m4 clients

Configuration information

- SW RAID 1 x 9 + 2 RAID-DP (11 drives)
- 22+1 RAID-5 (RAID-0 in ONTAP) / RAID cache NVRAM
- No storage efficiency features in use (compression, deduplication, Snapshot copies, SnapMirror, and so on)

The following table lists the throughput measured against read/write workloads on an HA pair of ONTAP Select Premium nodes using both software RAID and hardware RAID. Performance measurements were taken using the SIO load-generating tool.

Performance results for a single node (part of a four-node medium instance) ONTAP Select 9.5 cluster on DAS (SSD) with software RAID and hardware RAID

Description	Sequential	Sequential	Random Read	Random Write	Random WR/
	Read 64KiB	Write 64KiB	8KiB	8KiB	RD (50/50) 8KiB
ONTAP 9.6 Select Large instance with DAS (SSD) software RAID	2171 MiBps	559 MiBps	954 MiBps	394 MiBps	564 MiBps

Description	Sequential Read 64KiB	Sequential Write 64KiB	Random Read 8KiB	Random Write 8KiB	Random WR/ RD (50/50) 8KiB
ONTAP 9.6 Select Medium instance with DAS (SSD) software RAID	2090 MiBps	592 MiBps	677 MiBps	335 MiBps	441 3MiBps
ONTAP 9.6 Select Medium instance with DAS (SSD) hardware RAID	2038 MiBps	520 MiBps	578 MiBps	325 MiBps	399 MiBps

64K sequential read

Details:

- SIO direct I/O enabled
- 2 nodes
- 2 x data NIC per node
- 1 x data aggregate per node (2TB hardware RAID), (8TB software RAID)
- 64 SIO procs, 1 thread per proc
- 32 volumes per node
- 1 x files per proc; files are 12000MB each

64K sequential write

Details:

- SIO direct I/O enabled
- 2 nodes
- 2 x data NIC per node
- 1 x data aggregate per node (2TB hardware RAID), (4TB software RAID)
- 128 SIO procs, 1 thread per proc
- volumes per node 32 (hardware RAID), 16 (software RAID)
- 1 x files per proc; files are 30720MB each

8K random read

Details:

- SIO direct I/O enabled
- 2 nodes
- 2 x data NIC per node
- 1 x data aggregate per node (2TB hardware RAID), (4TB software RAID)
- 64 SIO procs, 8 threads per proc
- volumes per node 32
- 1 x files per proc; files are 12228MB each

8K random write

Details:

- SIO direct I/O enabled
- 2 nodes
- 2 x data NIC per node
- 1 x data aggregate per node (2TB hardware RAID), (4TB software RAID)
- 64 SIO procs, 8 threads per proc
- volumes per node 32
- 1 x files per proc; files are 8192MB each

8K random 50% write 50% read

Details:

- SIO direct I/O enabled
- 2 nodes
- 2 x data NIC per node
- 1 x data aggregate per node (2TB hardware RAID), (4TB software RAID)
- 64 SIO proc208 threads per proc
- volumes per node 32
- 1 x files per proc; files are 12228MB each

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