Administration

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Administration

Creating a common Snapshot copy

In addition to the regularly scheduled Snapshot copy operations, you can manually create a common Snapshot copy between the volumes in the primary SnapMirror consistency group and the volumes in the secondary SnapMirror consistency group.

Before you begin

The SnapMirror group relationship must be in sync.

Steps

1. Create a common Snapshot copy:

```
destination::>snapmirror update -destination-path vs1_dst:/cg/cg_dst
```

2. Monitor the progress of the update:

```
destination::>snapmirror show -fields -newest-snapshot
```

Performing a planned failover

You can perform a planned failover to test your disaster recovery configuration or to perform maintenance on the primary cluster.

Before you begin

- The relationship must be in sync
- · Nondisruptive operations must not be running
- The ONTAP Mediator must be configured, connected, and in quorum

About this task

A planned failover is initiated by the administrator of the secondary cluster. The operation requires switching the primary and secondary roles so that the secondary cluster takes over from the primary. The new primary cluster can then begin processing input and output requests locally without disrupting client operations.

Steps

1. Start the failover operation:

```
destination::>snapmirror failover start -destination-path vs1_dst:/cg/cg_dst
```

2. Monitor the progress of the failover:

destination::>snapmirror failover show

3. When the failover operation is complete, you can monitor the Synchronous SnapMirror protection relationship status from the destination:

destination::>snapmirror show

What happens during an automatic unplanned failover

An automatic unplanned failover (AUFO) operation occurs when the primary cluster is down or isolated. When this occurs, the secondary cluster is converted to the primary and begins serving clients. This operation is performed only with assistance from the ONTAP Mediator.



After the automatic unplanned failover, it is important to rescan the host LUN I/O paths so that there is no loss of I/O paths.

You can monitor the status of the automatic unplanned failover by using the snapmirror failover show command.

Basic monitoring

There are several SM-BC components and operations you can monitor.

ONTAP mediator

During normal operation, the Mediator state should be connected. If it is in any other state, this might indicate an error condition. You can review the EMS messages to determine the error and appropriate corrective actions.

EMS Name	Description
sm.mediator.added	Mediator is added successfully
sm.mediator.removed	Mediator is removed successfully
sm.mediator.unusable	Mediator is unusable due to a corrupted mediator server
sm.mediator.misconfigured	Mediator is repurposed or the Mediator package is no longer installed on the Mediator server
sm.mediator.unreachable	Mediator is unreachable
sm.mediator.removed.force	Mediator is removed from the cluster using the "force" option

EMS Name	Description
sm.mediator.cacert.expiring	Mediator certificate authority (CA) certificate is due to expire in 30 days or less
sm.mediator.serverc.expiring	Mediator server certificate is due to expire in 30 days or less
sm.mediator.clientc.expiring	Mediator client certificate is due to expire in 30 days or less
sm.mediator.cacert.expired	Mediator certificate authority (CA) certificate has expired
sm.mediator.serverc.expired	Mediator server certificate has expired
sm.mediator.clientc.expired	Mediator client certificate has expired
sm.mediator.in.quorum	All the SM-BC records are resynchronized with Mediator

Planned failover operations

You can monitor status and progress of a planned failover operation using the snapmirror failover show command. For example:

```
ClusterB::> snapmirror failover start -destination-path vs1:/cg/dcg1
```

Once the failover operation is complete, you can monitor the Synchronous SnapMirror protection status from the new destination cluster. For example:

```
ClusterA::> snapmirror show
```

Automatic unplanned failover operations

During an unplanned automatic failover, you can monitor the status of the operation using the snapmirror failover show command. For example:

ClusterB::> snapmirror failover show -instance

Start Time: 9/23/2020 22:03:29

Source Path: vs1:/cg/scg3 Destination Path: vs3:/cg/dcg3 Failover Status: completed

Error Reason:

End Time: 9/23/2020 22:03:30

Primary Data Cluster: cluster-2

Last Progress Update: -

Failover Type: unplanned

Error Reason codes: -

SM-BC availability

You can check the availability of the SM-BC relationship using a series of commands, either on the primary cluster, the secondary cluster, or both.

Commands you use include the snapmirror mediator show command on both the primary and secondary cluster to check the connection and quorum status, the snapmirror show command, and the volume show command. For example:

```
SMBC_A::*> snapmirror mediator show
Mediator Address Peer Cluster Connection Status Quorum Status
10.236.172.86 SMBC_B connected true
SMBC_B::*> snapmirror mediator show
Mediator Address Peer Cluster Connection Status Quorum Status
10.236.172.86 SMBC_A connected true
SMBC_B::*> snapmirror show -expand
                                                              Progress
               Destination Mirror Relationship Total
Source
                                                              Last
Path Type Path State Status Progress Healthy Updated
vs0:/cg/cg1 XDP vs1:/cg/cg1_dp Snapmirrored InSync - true - vs0:vol1 XDP vs1:vol1_dp Snapmirrored InSync - true -
2 entries were displayed.
SMBC_A::*> volume show -fields is-smbc-master,smbc-consensus,is-smbc-failover-capable
-volume vol1
vserver volume is-smbc-master is-smbc-failover-capable smbc-consensus
______
vs0 vol1 true false
                                                Consensus
SMBC_B::*> volume show -fields is-smbc-master,smbc-consensus,is-smbc-failover-capable
-volume vol1_dp
vserver volume is-smbc-master is-smbc-failover-capable smbc-consensus
vs1 vol1_dp false
                      true
                                                 No-consensus
```

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