MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3 Release Notes

Abstract

This document contains information about changes in successive versions of MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3, starting with the most recent release (MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.2). Changes in previous MySQL Cluster Manager releases can be found afterwards, ordered from newest to oldest.

For additional MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3 documentation, see http://dev.mysql.com/doc/mysql-cluster-manager/1.3/en/.

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For legal information, see the Legal Notices.

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Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.2 (2014-08-15)

This section documents all changes and bug fixes that have been applied in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.2 since the release of MySQL Cluster Manager version 1.3.0.

Functionality Added or Changed

- Agent; Client: In order to improve execution robustness, MySQL Cluster Manager now fails any commands that reconfigure a cluster with the message ERROR 5027 Unable to perform command due to utility cproc_name with pid <ospid</p> on <host</p> if any utility process (for example, mysql_upgrade, mysql_install_db, or ndb_restore) that was started by a previous command is still remaining (running or hung) on any host when the command is issued. (Bug #18966650)
- Client: MySQL Cluster Manager now throws an error if the user tries to import a cluster or a cluster
 configuration using the import cluster or import config command while the user who runs the mcmd
 process does not have permissions to the cluster processes' PID files. This happens typically when
 mcmd is started with the user "mysql" while the cluster is started with "root." (Bug #18887139)

Bugs Fixed

- Agent; Client: On Windows platforms, when a data node could not be restarted during a rolling restart of the cluster, it was not reported to the user. With this fix, the user now gets a report when a maintenance restart of a data node failed. (Bug #19227535)
- Agent; Client: The import config command did not import configuration settings from a cluster's my.cnf file properly; problems included:
 - Some settings in the [mysqld] section were left out (for example, key_buffer_size and query_cache_type).
 - Some options in the [client] section were included by mistake.
 - The !include and !includedir statements for including settings from other files were ignored
 - Quoted values were not handled properly—the quotes were taken literally.
 - Lines starting with ";" were not treated as comments.
 - The option modifiers loose_ and maximum_ were not recognized.
 - Option group for specific release series (for example, [mysqld-5.6]) were not imported. (Bug #19078129)
- Agent; Client: When the configuration of a running cluster was being imported using the import config command, even if the parameter ThreadConfig was not defined in the config.ini file, its value could be imported from the running node's setting for it. The imported value overrode the configuration prescribed by the MaxNoOfExecutionThreads parameter in config.ini, which is supposed to set the thread configuration when ThreadConfig is not specified in config.ini. This fix prevents the

import of the value for ThreadConfig from the running node, making MySQL Cluster Manager rely on the config.ini file for the thread configuration. (Bug #19032714)

- Agent; Client: The import config command sometimes imported MySQL server default values that
 were not specified in the cluster's configuration files. With this fix, no such values are imported. (Bug
 #18651301)
- Agent; Client: When using the import config command, the format of an imported configuration setting was sometimes changed from that which was used in the config.ini file—for example, a value in megabytes was imported as a value in bytes and then shown as such by the get command. That made it more difficult for the user to compare the original and the imported value. This fix makes MySQL Cluster Manager follow the original format in the config.ini file when importing a cluster's configuration. (Bug #18651726)
- Agent: The MySQL Cluster Manager agent might crash when running an import config command if it was managing more than one cluster at the time. (Bug #19380825)
- Agent: During a recovery for a MySQL Cluster Manager agent that uses IP addresses instead of
 hostnames, the agent sent out an excessive amount of information, the processing of which slowed
 down the restart process considerably. This fix changes the way the IP addresses are handled, reducing
 the amount of sent information to a much more reasonable level. (Bug #19269735)
- Agent: Upgrade from MySQL Cluster Manager 1.2.4 (to 1.3.1) failed if the last command executed before the upgrade was any one of backup cluster, restore cluster, abort backup, or import cluster. This has been fixed, and users of version 1.2.4 can now upgrade to version 1.3.2. (Bug #19199645)
- Agent: The MySQL Cluster Manager agent sometimes got SIGABRT errors while executing SQL statements. (Bug #19032927)
- Agent: mamd crashed due to an out-of-memory error after a combination of the following conditions:
 - An abrupt failure of one of the site machines, instead of a clean stop.
 - Only a minority of the agents are available.
 - Some unmanaged SQL slots came into use and changed their states to "connected," and the changes are reported by a ndb_mgmd process.
 (Bug #18781345)
- Client: Restoration of a cluster failed when the cluster contained both API nodes with and without specified hostnames. (Bug #19313429)
- Client: If a mysqld process was specified in a create cluster statement using the mysqld@* syntax (with no host specified), the show status --process commands would never show the process as connected, even when it was. (Bug #19152161)
- Client: When using the show status command with the --backup option, the MySQL Cluster Manager client sometimes accepted an additional option, which was actually meaningless. This fix makes the client throw an error when any other option is used in combination with --backup. (Bug #19032714)
- Client: MySQL Cluster Manager threw an error when the add package command was run with the argument for the --basedir option being double quoted, complaining the path did not exist. It was because MySQL Cluster Manager took the double quotes literally, as parts of the path name. (Bug #18973711)
- Client: On Windows platforms, the MySQL Cluster Manager client's response to the list hosts command was very slow when any one of the MySQL Cluster Manager agents was down. (Bug #18966650)

- Client: When using the import config command, some process level settings in the cluster's config.ini file were imported as instance level settings. (Bug #18651663)
- Client: When the configuration of a running cluster was being imported, the import config command took the settings from the global session variables instead of the configuration files of the cluster and the MySQL servers. This fix makes MySQL Cluster Manager import the settings from the configuration files, and only use values of the global session variables when it cannot find, open, or access the configuration files. (Bug #18652366)

Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.1 (2014-04-30)

This section documents all changes and bug fixes that have been applied in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.1 since the release of MySQL Cluster Manager version 1.3.0.

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change; Client: Added the import config command. This command simplifies the process of importing a previously autonomous MySQL Cluster into MySQL Cluster Manager by importing automatically most of the cluster's configuration data into the cluster definition that has been created as part of the import process, eliminating the need for reading of configuration files and SHOW VARIABLES output and issuing of most set commands needed to prepare a cluster for import.

This command also supports a --dryrun option (short form: -y) for testing purposes.

You should note that any nonstandard ports used by ndb_mgmd or mysqld processes in the existing MySQL Cluster must be configured manually (using set) for the corresponding processes in the target cluster before trying to use import cluster to import the wild cluster's data.

For more information, see The import config Command, and Importing MySQL Clusters into MySQL Cluster Manager.

• Client: The --import option for create cluster now enables assignment of node ID values less than 49 for ndb_mgmd, mysqld, and ndbapi processes. The create cluster command used without this option continues to enforce the rule that processes that are not data node processes must have node IDs greater than 48. (Bug #18181039)

Bugs Fixed

- Agent: When executing backup cluster and abort backup with --waitstarted commands in succession, it was possible in some circumstances for the agent to use the wrong backup ID internally. (Bug #18027413)
- Client: After performing an initial start of a cluster, the cluster is no longer aware of any backup IDs that have previously been used. If you take a new backup of the cluster afterwards without specifying a backup ID, the cluster tries to use 1 as the ID for the first such backup, even if you restored the cluster from a backup having 1 as its ID, which results in an error. This is expected behavior, for which there are at least 2 workarounds:
 - 1. Move or rename the backup files following the restoration.
 - 2. Execute the backup cluster command using the --backupid option, to specify a backup ID that is not already in use.

Issues arose in such cases because the error message returned was not sufficiently descriptive, and it could be difficult to determine the true nature of the problem without reading the management server and cluster log files. Now the error message returned in the mcm client makes it clear that the backup failed due to collision with an existing backup ID. (Bug #18465705)

- Client: Executing the create site command using the names of one more hosts on which the MySQL Cluster Manager Agent was not running returned ERROR 1002 (00MGR): Agent on host <UNKNOWN>: (delivery status does not match current view) is unavailable. Now in such cases, the name of each host lacking an agent is included as part of the error message. (Bug #18200900)
- Client: Attempting to set any of the mysqld configuration attributes relating to the thread pool plugin (see Thread Pool Components and Installation)—including thread_pool_algorithm, thread_pool_high_priority_connection, thread_pool_max_unused_threads, thread_pool_prio_kickup_timer, thread_pool_size, and thread_pool_stall_limit—failed with the error No such configuration parameter ... for process mysqld. (Bug #18127968)

Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.0 (2014-01-13)

This section documents all changes and bug fixes that have been applied in MySQL Cluster Manager 1.3.0 since the final release of MySQL Cluster Manager 1.2.

Collect log and other files for offline/offsite analysis

• Client: In the event of major problems with a MySQL Cluster, it is often necessary to collect all of the cluster's log and configuration files and to send or to copy these off-site for analysis. Formerly, this had to be done manually, or by using the ndb_error_reporter utility included with the MySQL Cluster distribution, but it is now possible to accomplish this task from within the mcm client, using the collect logs command added in this release. (Bug #11757603)

Import of standalone clusters

• Agent; Client: MySQL Cluster Manager can now take a standalone MySQL Cluster under its own control using the import cluster command implemented in this release, and manage this cluster just as if it had been created in the mcm client.

In addition, the create cluster command has been enhanced with an --import option, which identifies the cluster as having been created as a target for importing a cluster; such a target cluster can be identified in the output of show status --process as import; in addition, none of the commands start cluster, restart cluster, start process, or stop process can be used with this cluster until the cluster has been prepared using import cluster.

For more information about these commands, see The import cluster Command, and The create cluster Command. For information about the process required for importing a new MySQL Cluster into MySQL Cluster Manager, see Importing MySQL Clusters into MySQL Cluster Manager. (Bug #17480585)

Obtain next reserved node IDs

• Client: MySQL Cluster Manager normally assigns IDs to new node processes automatically (although this can be overridden when issuing create cluster or add process). The list nextnodeids command added in this release prints the next node ID that has been reserved for the next new process of each type added to the cluster named cluster_name.

Log Rotation for mcmd

• Agent; Client: A new rotate log command for the mcm client has been added in this release, to enable and configure log rotation for mcmd. (Bug #16982252)

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change; Packaging: The directory structure of the MySQL Cluster Manager distribution archive has changed. The top level within the archive now contains a single directory named mcm-x.y.z, where x.y.z is the version number of the current release. The former top-level directories such as bin, libexec, and etc are now found within this mcm-x.y.z directory.

For more information, see Installing MySQL Cluster Manager on Unix Platforms.

Bugs Fixed

- Important Change; Client: The delete cluster command no longer removes configuration or data directories for cluster processes by default. Now, such directories are removed only when this command is invoked with the --removedirs option added in this release. (Bug #17455398)
- Agent: Using hosts with different package locations in the same cluster did not work. (Bug #17491230)
- Client: Setting the user or password option (or both) in a my.cnf file caused the MySQL Cluster Manager client to fail on startup with the error Illegal username or password. As part of the fix for this issue, the MySQL Cluster Manager client now reads only the [mcm] section of any option files, and ignores all other sections. (Bug #17540585)
- **Client:** It was possible to start an SQL node, using the start process command, in an otherwise stopped cluster. In addition, the node could not be stopped using stop process afterwards.
 - Now when you attempt to start a mysqld process in a cluster that is stopped, or in which the data nodes are otherwise unavailable, start process fails with an error. (Bug #17073352)
- Client: The mcm client tried to add mysql client options which must be specified first on the command line in the wrong order. Now the mcm client checks for such options and makes sure that they are passed to mysql first. (Bug #16598776)

