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Starting with SAP HANA 1.0 SPS10, SAP introduced parameters to adjust the I/O behavior and optimize the database for the file and storage systems used.

NetApp conducted performance tests to define the ideal values. The following table lists the optimal values inferred from the performance tests.

Parameter	Value
max_parallel_io_requests	128
async_read_submit	on
async_write_submit_active	on
async_write_submit_blocks	all

For SAP HANA 1.0 versions up to SPS12, these parameters can be set during the installation of the SAP HANA database, as described in SAP note [2267798: Configuration of the SAP HANA Database During Installation Using hdbparam](#).

Alternatively, the parameters can be set after SAP HANA database installation by using the `hdbparam` framework.

```
nf2adm@sapcc-hana-tst-06:/usr/sap/NF2/HDB00> hdbparam --paramset
fileio.max_parallel_io_requests=128
nf2adm@sapcc-hana-tst-06:/usr/sap/NF2/HDB00> hdbparam --paramset
fileio.async_write_submit_active=on
nf2adm@sapcc-hana-tst-06:/usr/sap/NF2/HDB00> hdbparam --paramset
fileio.async_read_submit=on
nf2adm@sapcc-hana-tst-06:/usr/sap/NF2/HDB00> hdbparam --paramset
fileio.async_write_submit_blocks=all
```

Starting with SAP HANA 2.0, `hdbparam` was deprecated and the parameters were moved to `global.ini`. The parameters can be set using SQL commands or SAP HANA Studio. For more details, see SAP note [2399079: Elimination of hdbparam in HANA 2](#). The parameters can also be set within the `global.ini` as shown below:

```
nf2adm@stlrx300s8-6: /usr/sap/NF2/SYS/global/hdb/custom/config> cat
global.ini
...
[fileio]
async_read_submit = on
async_write_submit_active = on
max_parallel_io_requests = 128
async_write_submit_blocks = all
...
```

As of SAP HANA 2.0 SPS5, you can use the `setParameter.py` script to set the correct parameters:

```
nf2adm@sapcc-hana-tst-03:/usr/sap/NF2/HDB00/exe/python_support>
python setParameter.py
-set=SYSTEM/global.ini/fileio/max_parallel_io_requests=128
python setParameter.py -set=SYSTEM/global.ini/fileio/async_read_submit=on
python setParameter.py
-set=SYSTEM/global.ini/fileio/async_write_submit_active=on
python setParameter.py
-set=SYSTEM/global.ini/fileio/async_write_submit_blocks=all
```

Next: [SAP HANA data volume size](#).

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