Configure the MetroCluster software in ONTAP

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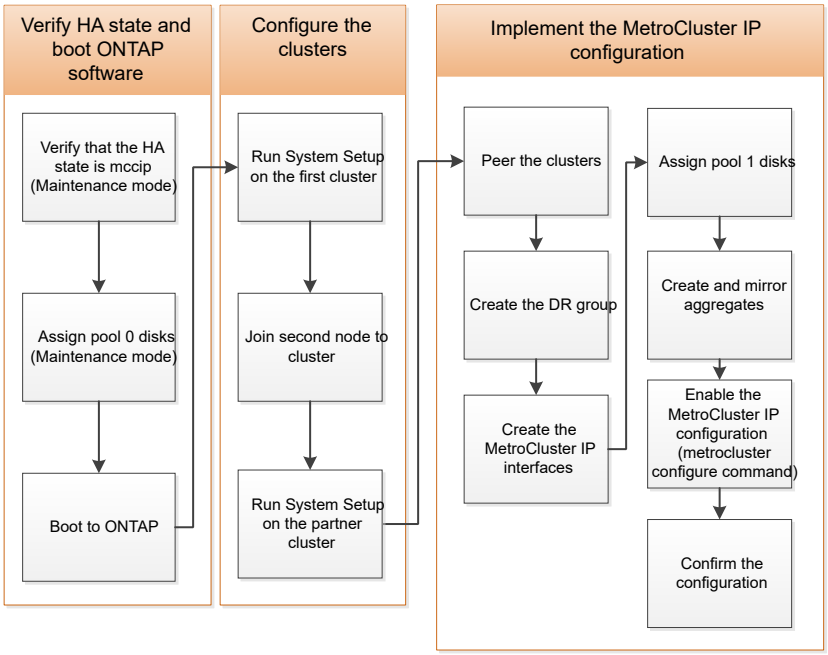
Configure the MetroCluster software in ONTAP

Configure the MetroCluster software using the CLI

Set up the ONTAP nodes and clusters in the MetroCluster IP configuration

You must set up each node in the MetroCluster configuration in ONTAP, including the node-level configurations and the configuration of the nodes into two sites. You must also implement the MetroCluster relationship between the two sites.

If a controller module fails during configuration, refer to Controller module failure scenarios during MetroCluster installation.



Configure eight-node MetroCluster IP configurations

An eight-node MetroCluster configuration consists of two DR groups. To configure the first DR group, complete the tasks in this section. After you have configured the first DR group, you can follow the steps to expand a four-node MetroCluster IP configuration to an eight-node configuration.

Gather the required information for your MetroCluster IP configuration

You need to gather the required IP addresses for the controller modules before you begin the configuration process.

You can use these links to download csv files and fill in the tables with your site-specific information.

MetroCluster IP setup worksheet, site_A

MetroCluster IP setup worksheet, site_B

Compare ONTAP standard cluster and MetroCluster configurations

The configuration of the nodes in each cluster in a MetroCluster configuration is similar to that of nodes in a standard cluster.

The MetroCluster configuration is built on two standard clusters. Physically, the configuration must be symmetrical, with each node having the same hardware configuration, and all of the MetroCluster components must be cabled and configured. However, the basic software configuration for nodes in a MetroCluster configuration is the same as that for nodes in a standard cluster.

Configuration step	Standard cluster configuration	MetroCluster configuration
Configure management, cluster, and data LIFs on each node.	Same in both types of clusters	
Configure the root aggregate.	Same in both types of clusters	
Set up the cluster on one node in the cluster.	Same in both types of clusters	
Join the other node to the cluster.	Same in both types of clusters	
Create a mirrored root aggregate.	Optional	Required
Peer the clusters.	Optional	Required
Enable the MetroCluster configuration.	Does not apply	Required

Verify the HA configuration state of your controller and chassis components in a MetroCluster IP configuration

In a MetroCluster IP configuration, you must verify that the ha-config state of the controller and chassis components is set to “mccip” so that they boot up properly. Although this value should be preconfigured on systems received from the factory, you should still verify the setting before proceeding.

If the HA state of the controller module and chassis is incorrect, you cannot configure the MetroCluster without re-initializing the node. You must correct the setting using this procedure, and then initialize the system by using one of the following procedures:

- In a MetroCluster IP configuration, follow the steps in Restore system defaults on a controller module.
- In a MetroCluster FC configuration, follow the steps in Restore system defaults and configuring the HBA type on a controller module.

Before you begin

Verify that the system is in Maintenance mode.

Steps

1. In Maintenance mode, display the HA state of the controller module and chassis:

   ```
   ha-config show
   ```

   The correct HA state depends on your MetroCluster configuration.

MetroCluster configuration type	HA state for all components…
Eight or four node MetroCluster FC configuration	mcc
Two-node MetroCluster FC configuration	mcc-2n
Eight or four node MetroCluster IP configuration	mccip

2. If the displayed system state of the controller is not correct, set the correct HA state for your configuration on the controller module:

MetroCluster configuration type	Command
Eight or four node MetroCluster FC configuration	`ha-config modify controller mcc`
Two-node MetroCluster FC configuration	`ha-config modify controller mcc-2n`
Eight or four node MetroCluster IP configuration	`ha-config modify controller mccip`

3. If the displayed system state of the chassis is not correct, set the correct HA state for your configuration on the chassis:

MetroCluster configuration type	Command
Eight or four node MetroCluster FC configuration	`ha-config modify chassis mcc`
Two-node MetroCluster FC configuration	`ha-config modify chassis mcc-2n`
Eight or four node MetroCluster IP configuration	`ha-config modify chassis mccip`

4. Boot the node to ONTAP:

   ```
   boot_ontap
   ```

5. Repeat this entire procedure to verify the HA state on each node in the MetroCluster configuration.

Restore system defaults on a controller module before setting up a MetroCluster IP configuration

Reset and restore defaults on the controller modules.

1. At the LOADER prompt, return environmental variables to their default setting: `set-defaults`
2. Boot the node to the boot menu: `boot_ontap menu`

   After you run this command, wait until the boot menu is shown.

3. Clear the node configuration:

   ◦ If you are using systems configured for ADP, select option `9a` from the boot menu, and respond `no` when prompted.

   This process is disruptive.

   The following screen shows the boot menu prompt:

```
Please choose one of the following:

(1) Normal Boot.
(2) Boot without /etc/rc.
(3) Change password.
(4) Clean configuration and initialize all disks.
(5) Maintenance mode boot.
(6) Update flash from backup config.
(7) Install new software first.
(8) Reboot node.
(9) Configure Advanced Drive Partitioning.
(10) Set Onboard Key Manager recovery secrets.
(11) Configure node for external key management.
Selection (1-11)? 9a
...

########## WARNING: AGGREGATES WILL BE DESTROYED ##########
This is a disruptive operation that applies to all the disks
that are attached and visible to this node.

Before proceeding further, make sure that:

The aggregates visible from this node do not contain
data that needs to be preserved.
This option (9a) has been executed or will be executed
on the HA partner node (and DR/DR-AUX partner nodes if
applicable), prior to reinitializing any system in the
HA-pair or MetroCluster configuration.
The HA partner node (and DR/DR-AUX partner nodes if
applicable) is currently waiting at the boot menu.
Do you want to abort this operation (yes/no)? no
```

- If your system is not configured for ADP, type `wipeconfig` at the boot menu prompt, and then press Enter.

  The following screen shows the boot menu prompt:

```
Please choose one of the following:

    (1) Normal Boot.
    (2) Boot without /etc/rc.
    (3) Change password.
    (4) Clean configuration and initialize all disks.
    (5) Maintenance mode boot.
    (6) Update flash from backup config.
    (7) Install new software first.
    (8) Reboot node.
    (9) Configure Advanced Drive Partitioning.
    Selection (1-9)?  wipeconfig
This option deletes critical system configuration, including cluster
membership.
Warning: do not run this option on a HA node that has been taken
over.
Are you sure you want to continue?: yes
Rebooting to finish wipeconfig request.
```

Manually assign drives to pool 0 in a MetroCluster IP configuration

If you did not receive the systems pre-configured from the factory, you might have to manually assign the pool 0 drives. Depending on the platform model and whether the system is using ADP, you must manually assign drives to pool 0 for each node in the MetroCluster IP configuration. The procedure you use depends on the version of ONTAP you are using.

Manually assigning drives for pool 0 (ONTAP 9.4 and later)

If the system has not been pre-configured at the factory and does not meet the requirements for automatic drive assignment, you must manually assign the pool 0 drives.

About this task

This procedure applies to configurations running ONTAP 9.4 or later.

To determine if your system requires manual disk assignment, you should review Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later.

You perform these steps in Maintenance mode. The procedure must be performed on each node in the configuration.

Examples in this section are based on the following assumptions:

- node_A_1 and node_A_2 own drives on:
  - site_A-shelf_1 (local)
  - site_B-shelf_2 (remote)
- node_B_1 and node_B_2 own drives on:
  - site_B-shelf_1 (local)
  - site_A-shelf_2 (remote)

Steps

1. Display the boot menu:

   `boot_ontap menu`

2. Select Option 9a and respond `no` when prompted.

   The following screen shows the boot menu prompt:

```
Please choose one of the following:

(1) Normal Boot.
(2) Boot without /etc/rc.
(3) Change password.
(4) Clean configuration and initialize all disks.
(5) Maintenance mode boot.
(6) Update flash from backup config.
(7) Install new software first.
(8) Reboot node.
(9) Configure Advanced Drive Partitioning.
(10) Set Onboard Key Manager recovery secrets.
(11) Configure node for external key management.
Selection (1-11)? 9a

...

########## WARNING: AGGREGATES WILL BE DESTROYED ##########
This is a disruptive operation that applies to all the disks
that are attached and visible to this node.

Before proceeding further, make sure that:

The aggregates visible from this node do not contain
data that needs to be preserved.
This option (9a) has been executed or will be executed
on the HA partner node (and DR/DR-AUX partner nodes if
applicable), prior to reinitializing any system in the
HA-pair or MetroCluster configuration.
The HA partner node (and DR/DR-AUX partner nodes if
applicable) is currently waiting at the boot menu.
Do you want to abort this operation (yes/no)? no
```

3. When the node restarts, press Ctrl-C when prompted to display the boot menu and then select the option for **Maintenance mode boot**.
4. In Maintenance mode, manually assign drives for the local aggregates on the node:

   `disk assign` *`disk-id`* `-p 0 -s` *`local-node-sysid`*

   The drives should be assigned symmetrically, so each node has an equal number of drives. The following steps are for a configuration with two storage shelves at each site.

   a. When configuring node_A_1, manually assign drives from slot 0 to 11 to pool0 of node A1 from site_A-shelf_1.
   b. When configuring node_A_2, manually assign drives from slot 12 to 23 to pool0 of node A2 from site_A-shelf_1.

c. When configuring node_B_1, manually assign drives from slot 0 to 11 to pool0 of node B1 from site_B-shelf_1.

d. When configuring node_B_2, manually assign drives from slot 12 to 23 to pool0 of node B2 from site_B-shelf_1.

5. Exit Maintenance mode:

```
halt
```

6. Display the boot menu:

```
boot_ontap menu
```

7. Repeat these steps on the other nodes in the MetroCluster IP configuration.
8. Select Option **4** from the boot menu on both nodes and let the system boot.
9. Proceed to Setting up ONTAP.

Manually assigning drives for pool 0 (ONTAP 9.3)

If you have at least two disk shelves for each node, you use ONTAP's auto-assignment functionality to automatically assign the local (pool 0) disks.

About this task

While the node is in Maintenance mode, you must first assign a single disk on the appropriate shelves to pool 0. ONTAP then automatically assigns the rest of the disks on the shelf to the same pool. This task is not required on systems received from the factory, which have pool 0 to contain the pre-configured root aggregate.

This procedure applies to configurations running ONTAP 9.3.

This procedure is not required if you received your MetroCluster configuration from the factory. Nodes from the factory are configured with pool 0 disks and root aggregates.

This procedure can be used only if you have at least two disk shelves for each node, which allows shelf-level autoassignment of disks. If you cannot use shelf-level autoassignment, you must manually assign your local disks so that each node has a local pool of disks (pool 0).

These steps must be performed in Maintenance mode.

Examples in this section assume the following disk shelves:

- node_A_1 owns disks on:
  - site_A-shelf_1 (local)
  - site_B-shelf_2 (remote)
- node_A_2 is connected to:
  - site_A-shelf_3 (local)
  - site_B-shelf_4 (remote)
- node_B_1 is connected to:
  - site_B-shelf_1 (local)
  - site_A-shelf_2 (remote)

- node_B_2 is connected to:
  - site_B-shelf_3 (local)
  - site_A-shelf_4 (remote)

Steps

1. Manually assign a single disk for root aggregate on each node:

   `disk assign` *`disk-id`* `-p 0 -s` *`local-node-sysid`*

   The manual assignment of these disks allows the ONTAP autoassignment feature to assign the rest of the disks on each shelf.

   a. On node_A_1, manually assign one disk from local site_A-shelf_1 to pool 0.
   b. On node_A_2, manually assign one disk from local site_A-shelf_3 to pool 0.
   c. On node_B_1, manually assign one disk from local site_B-shelf_1 to pool 0.
   d. On node_B_2, manually assign one disk from local site_B-shelf_3 to pool 0.
2. Boot each node at site A, using option 4 on the boot menu:

   You should complete this step on a node before proceeding to the next node.

   a. Exit Maintenance mode:

      `halt`

   b. Display the boot menu:

      `boot_ontap menu`

   c. Select option 4 from the boot menu and proceed.
3. Boot each node at site B, using option 4 on the boot menu:

   You should complete this step on a node before proceeding to the next node.

   a. Exit Maintenance mode:

      `halt`

   b. Display the boot menu:

      `boot_ontap menu`

   c. Select option 4 from the boot menu and proceed.

Set up ONTAP nodes in a MetroCluster IP configuration

After you boot each node, you are prompted to perform basic node and cluster configuration. After configuring the cluster, you return to the ONTAP CLI to create aggregates and create the MetroCluster configuration.

Before you begin

- You must have cabled the MetroCluster configuration.

If you need to netboot the new controllers, see Netboot the new controller modules.

About this task

This task must be performed on both clusters in the MetroCluster configuration.

Steps

1. Power up each node at the local site if you have not already done so and let them all boot completely.

   If the system is in Maintenance mode, you need to issue the halt command to exit Maintenance mode, and then issue the `boot_ontap` command to boot the system and get to cluster setup.

2. On the first node in each cluster, proceed through the prompts to configure the cluster.
   a. Enable the AutoSupport tool by following the directions provided by the system.

      The output should be similar to the following:

```
Welcome to the cluster setup wizard.

    You can enter the following commands at any time:
    "help" or "?" - if you want to have a question clarified,
    "back" - if you want to change previously answered questions, and
    "exit" or "quit" - if you want to quit the cluster setup wizard.
    Any changes you made before quitting will be saved.

    You can return to cluster setup at any time by typing "cluster
setup".
    To accept a default or omit a question, do not enter a value.

    This system will send event messages and periodic reports to
NetApp Technical
    Support. To disable this feature, enter
    autosupport modify -support disable
    within 24 hours.

    Enabling AutoSupport can significantly speed problem
determination and
    resolution should a problem occur on your system.
    For further information on AutoSupport, see:
    http://support.netapp.com/autosupport/

    Type yes to confirm and continue {yes}: yes
.
.
.
```

b. Configure the node management interface by responding to the prompts.

   The prompts are similar to the following:

```
Enter the node management interface port [e0M]:
Enter the node management interface IP address: 172.17.8.229
Enter the node management interface netmask: 255.255.254.0
Enter the node management interface default gateway: 172.17.8.1
A node management interface on port e0M with IP address 172.17.8.229
has been created.
```

c. Create the cluster by responding to the prompts.

   The prompts are similar to the following:

```
Do you want to create a new cluster or join an existing cluster?
{create, join}:
create


Do you intend for this node to be used as a single node cluster?
{yes, no} [no]:
no

Existing cluster interface configuration found:

Port MTU IP Netmask
e0a 1500 169.254.18.124 255.255.0.0
e1a 1500 169.254.184.44 255.255.0.0

Do you want to use this configuration? {yes, no} [yes]: no

System Defaults:
Private cluster network ports [e0a,e1a].
Cluster port MTU values will be set to 9000.
Cluster interface IP addresses will be automatically generated.

Do you want to use these defaults? {yes, no} [yes]: no

Enter the cluster administrator's (username "admin") password:

Retype the password:


Step 1 of 5: Create a Cluster
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.

List the private cluster network ports [e0a,e1a]:
Enter the cluster ports' MTU size [9000]:
Enter the cluster network netmask [255.255.0.0]: 255.255.254.0
Enter the cluster interface IP address for port e0a: 172.17.10.228
Enter the cluster interface IP address for port e1a: 172.17.10.229
Enter the cluster name: cluster_A

Creating cluster cluster_A

Starting cluster support services ...

Cluster cluster_A has been created.
```

d. Add licenses, set up a Cluster Administration SVM, and enter DNS information by responding to the prompts.

The prompts are similar to the following:

```
Step 2 of 5: Add Feature License Keys
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.

Enter an additional license key []:


Step 3 of 5: Set Up a Vserver for Cluster Administration
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.


Enter the cluster management interface port [e3a]:
Enter the cluster management interface IP address: 172.17.12.153
Enter the cluster management interface netmask: 255.255.252.0
Enter the cluster management interface default gateway: 172.17.12.1

A cluster management interface on port e3a with IP address
172.17.12.153 has been created. You can use this address to connect
to and manage the cluster.

Enter the DNS domain names: lab.netapp.com
Enter the name server IP addresses: 172.19.2.30
DNS lookup for the admin Vserver will use the lab.netapp.com domain.

Step 4 of 5: Configure Storage Failover (SFO)
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.


SFO will be enabled when the partner joins the cluster.


Step 5 of 5: Set Up the Node
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.

Where is the controller located []: svl
```

e. Enable storage failover and set up the node by responding to the prompts.

The prompts are similar to the following:

```
Step 4 of 5: Configure Storage Failover (SFO)
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.


SFO will be enabled when the partner joins the cluster.


Step 5 of 5: Set Up the Node
You can type "back", "exit", or "help" at any question.

Where is the controller located []: site_A
```

f. Complete the configuration of the node, but do not create data aggregates.

You can use ONTAP System Manager, pointing your web browser to the cluster management IP address (https://172.17.12.153).

Cluster management using System Manager (ONTAP 9.7 and earlier)

ONTAP System Manager (Version 9.7 and later)

g. Configure the Service Processor (SP):

Configure the SP/BMC network

Use a Service Processor with System Manager - ONTAP 9.7 and earlier

3. Boot the next controller and join it to the cluster, following the prompts.
4. Confirm that nodes are configured in high-availability mode:

```
storage failover show -fields mode
```

If not, you must configure HA mode on each node, and then reboot the nodes:

```
storage failover modify -mode ha -node localhost
```

The expected configuration state of HA and storage failover is as follows:

- HA mode is configured but storage failover is not enabled.
- HA takeover capability is disabled.
- HA interfaces are offline.
- HA mode, storage failover, and interfaces are configured later in the process.

5. Confirm that you have four ports configured as cluster interconnects:

```
network port show
```

The MetroCluster IP interfaces are not configured at this time and do not appear in the command output.

The following example shows two cluster ports on node_A_1:

```
cluster_A::*> network port show -role cluster


Node: node_A_1


Ignore

                                                  Speed(Mbps) Health
Health

Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU  Admin/Oper  Status
Status

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------

e4a       Cluster      Cluster          up   9000  auto/40000 healthy
false

e4e       Cluster      Cluster          up   9000  auto/40000 healthy
false


Node: node_A_2


Ignore

                                                  Speed(Mbps) Health
Health

Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link MTU  Admin/Oper  Status
Status

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e4a       Cluster      Cluster          up   9000  auto/40000 healthy
false

e4e       Cluster      Cluster          up   9000  auto/40000 healthy
```

```
false


4 entries were displayed.
```

6. Repeat these steps on the partner cluster.

What to do next

Return to the ONTAP command-line interface and complete the MetroCluster configuration by performing the tasks that follow.

Configure ONTAP clusters in a MetroCluster IP configuration

You must peer the clusters, mirror the root aggregates, create a mirrored data aggregate, and then issue the command to implement the MetroCluster operations.

About this task

Before you run `metrocluster configure`, HA mode and DR mirroring are not enabled and you might see an error message related to this expected behavior. You enable HA mode and DR mirroring later when you run the command `metrocluster configure` to implement the configuration.

Disabling automatic drive assignment (if doing manual assignment in ONTAP 9.4)

In ONTAP 9.4, if your MetroCluster IP configuration has fewer than four external storage shelves per site, you must disable automatic drive assignment on all nodes and manually assign drives.

About this task

This task is not required in ONTAP 9.5 and later.

This task does not apply to an AFF A800 system with an internal shelf and no external shelves.

Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later

Steps

1. Disable automatic drive assignment:

```
storage disk option modify -node <node_name> -autoassign off
```

2. You need to issue this command on all nodes in the MetroCluster IP configuration.

Verifying drive assignment of pool 0 drives

You must verify that the remote drives are visible to the nodes and have been assigned correctly.

About this task

Automatic assignment depends on the storage system platform model and drive shelf arrangement.

Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later

Steps

1. Verify that pool 0 drives are assigned automatically:

```
disk show
```

The following example shows the "cluster_A" output for an AFF A800 system with no external shelves.

One quarter (8 drives) were automatically assigned to "node_A_1" and one quarter were automatically assigned to "node_A_2". The remaining drives will be remote (pool 1) drives for "node_B_1" and "node_B_2".

```
cluster_A::*> disk show
                  Usable      Disk      Container           Container
Disk              Size        Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_A_1:0n.12   1.75TB     0     12  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.13   1.75TB     0     13  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.14   1.75TB     0     14  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.15   1.75TB     0     15  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.16   1.75TB     0     16  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.17   1.75TB     0     17  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.18   1.75TB     0     18  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.19   1.75TB     0     19  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_A_1
node_A_2:0n.0    1.75TB     0     0   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.1    1.75TB     0     1   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.2    1.75TB     0     2   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.3    1.75TB     0     3   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.4    1.75TB     0     4   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.5    1.75TB     0     5   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.6    1.75TB     0     6   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.7    1.75TB     0     7   SSD-NVM shared      -
node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.24   -          0     24  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
```

```
node_A_2:0n.25   -          0     25  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.26   -          0     26  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.27   -          0     27  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.28   -          0     28  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.29   -          0     29  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.30   -          0     30  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.31   -          0     31  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.36   -          0     36  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.37   -          0     37  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.38   -          0     38  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.39   -          0     39  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.40   -          0     40  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.41   -          0     41  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.42   -          0     42  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0n.43   -          0     43  SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
32 entries were displayed.
```

The following example shows the "cluster_B" output:

```
cluster_B::> disk show
                 Usable     Disk              Container   Container
Disk             Size       Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
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Info: This cluster has partitioned disks. To get a complete list of
spare disk
capacity use "storage aggregate show-spare-disks".
node_B_1:0n.12   1.75TB     0     12  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.13   1.75TB     0     13  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.14   1.75TB     0     14  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.15   1.75TB     0     15  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.16   1.75TB     0     16  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.17   1.75TB     0     17  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.18   1.75TB     0     18  SSD-NVM shared      aggr0
node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.19   1.75TB     0     19  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_1
```

```
node_B_2:0n.0    1.75TB     0      0   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.1    1.75TB     0      1   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.2    1.75TB     0      2   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.3    1.75TB     0      3   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.4    1.75TB     0      4   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.5    1.75TB     0      5   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.6    1.75TB     0      6   SSD-NVM shared
aggr0_node_B_1_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.7    1.75TB     0      7   SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.24   -          0     24   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.25   -          0     25   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.26   -          0     26   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.27   -          0     27   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.28   -          0     28   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.29   -          0     29   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.30   -          0     30   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.31   -          0     31   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.36   -          0     36   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.37   -          0     37   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.38   -          0     38   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.39   -          0     39   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.40   -          0     40   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.41   -          0     41   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.42   -          0     42   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
node_B_2:0n.43   -          0     43   SSD-NVM unassigned  -         -
32 entries were displayed.

cluster_B::>
```

Peering the clusters

The clusters in the MetroCluster configuration must be in a peer relationship so that they can communicate with each other and perform the data mirroring essential to MetroCluster disaster recovery.

Related information

Cluster and SVM peering express configuration

Considerations when using dedicated ports

Considerations when sharing data ports

Configuring intercluster LIFs for cluster peering

You must create intercluster LIFs on ports used for communication between the MetroCluster partner clusters. You can use dedicated ports or ports that also have data traffic.

Configuring intercluster LIFs on dedicated ports

You can configure intercluster LIFs on dedicated ports. Doing so typically increases the available bandwidth for replication traffic.

Steps

1. List the ports in the cluster:

   ```
   network port show
   ```

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example shows the network ports in "cluster01":

   ```
   cluster01::> network port show
                                                                  Speed
   (Mbps)
   Node   Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link   MTU    Admin/Oper
   ------ --------- ------------ ---------------- ----- -------
   ------------
   cluster01-01
          e0a       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0b       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0c       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0d       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0e       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0f       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
   cluster01-02
          e0a       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0b       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0c       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0d       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0e       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
          e0f       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
   ```

2. Determine which ports are available to dedicate to intercluster communication:

   ```
   network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
   ```

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example shows that ports "e0e" and "e0f" have not been assigned LIFs:

```
cluster01::> network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
vserver lif                  home-port curr-port
------- -------------------- --------- ---------
Cluster cluster01-01_clus1   e0a       e0a
Cluster cluster01-01_clus2   e0b       e0b
Cluster cluster01-02_clus1   e0a       e0a
Cluster cluster01-02_clus2   e0b       e0b
cluster01
        cluster_mgmt         e0c       e0c
cluster01
        cluster01-01_mgmt1   e0c       e0c
cluster01
        cluster01-02_mgmt1   e0c       e0c
```

3. Create a failover group for the dedicated ports:

   `network interface failover-groups create -vserver <system_svm> -failover-group <failover_group> -targets <physical_or_logical_ports>`

   The following example assigns ports "e0e" and" e0f" to failover group "intercluster01" on system "SVMcluster01":

```
cluster01::> network interface failover-groups create -vserver cluster01
-failover-group
intercluster01 -targets
cluster01-01:e0e,cluster01-01:e0f,cluster01-02:e0e,cluster01-02:e0f
```

4. Verify that the failover group was created:

   `network interface failover-groups show`

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```
cluster01::> network interface failover-groups show
                                  Failover
Vserver          Group            Targets
---------------- ----------------
-----------------------------------------
Cluster
                 Cluster
                                  cluster01-01:e0a, cluster01-01:e0b,
                                  cluster01-02:e0a, cluster01-02:e0b
cluster01
                 Default
                                  cluster01-01:e0c, cluster01-01:e0d,
                                  cluster01-02:e0c, cluster01-02:e0d,
                                  cluster01-01:e0e, cluster01-01:e0f
                                  cluster01-02:e0e, cluster01-02:e0f
                 intercluster01
                                  cluster01-01:e0e, cluster01-01:e0f
                                  cluster01-02:e0e, cluster01-02:e0f
```

5. Create intercluster LIFs on the system SVM and assign them to the failover group.

In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

```
network interface create -vserver <system_svm> -lif <lif_name> -service
-policy default-intercluster -home-node <node_name> -home-port <port_name>
-address <port_ip_address> -netmask <netmask_address> -failover-group
<failover_group>
```

In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

```
network interface create -vserver <system_svm> -lif <lif_name> -role
intercluster -home-node <node_name> -home-port <port_name> -address
<port_ip_address> -netmask <netmask_address> -failover-group
<failover_group>
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example creates intercluster LIFs "cluster01_icl01" and "cluster01_icl02" in failover group "intercluster01":

```
cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl01 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-01 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.201
-netmask 255.255.255.0 -failover-group intercluster01

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl02 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-02 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.202
-netmask 255.255.255.0 -failover-group intercluster01
```

6. Verify that the intercluster LIFs were created:

In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

```
network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
```

In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

```
network interface show -role intercluster
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
            Logical    Status     Network            Current
Current Is
Vserver     Interface  Admin/Oper Address/Mask       Node          Port
Home
----------- ---------- ---------- ------------------ -------------
------- ----
cluster01
            cluster01_icl01
                       up/up      192.168.1.201/24   cluster01-01  e0e
true
            cluster01_icl02
                       up/up      192.168.1.202/24   cluster01-02  e0f
true
```

7. Verify that the intercluster LIFs are redundant:

In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

```
network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster -failover
```

In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

```
network interface show -role intercluster -failover
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that the intercluster LIFs "cluster01_icl01", and "cluster01_icl02" on the "SVMe0e" port will fail over to the "e0f" port.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
-failover
         Logical         Home                  Failover        Failover
Vserver  Interface       Node:Port             Policy          Group
-------- --------------- --------------------- --------------- --------
cluster01
         cluster01_icl01 cluster01-01:e0e   local-only
intercluster01
                           Failover Targets:  cluster01-01:e0e,
                                              cluster01-01:e0f
         cluster01_icl02 cluster01-02:e0e   local-only
intercluster01
                           Failover Targets:  cluster01-02:e0e,
                                              cluster01-02:e0f
```

Related information

Considerations when using dedicated ports

Configuring intercluster LIFs on shared data ports

You can configure intercluster LIFs on ports shared with the data network. Doing so reduces the number of ports you need for intercluster networking.

Steps

1. List the ports in the cluster:

   ```
   network port show
   ```

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example shows the network ports in "cluster01":

```
cluster01::> network port show
                                                                  Speed
(Mbps)
Node   Port      IPspace      Broadcast Domain Link   MTU    Admin/Oper
------ --------- ------------ ---------------- ----- -------
------------
cluster01-01
       e0a       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0b       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0c       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0d       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
cluster01-02
       e0a       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0b       Cluster      Cluster          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0c       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
       e0d       Default      Default          up     1500   auto/1000
```

2. Create intercluster LIFs on the system SVM:

In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

```
network interface create -vserver <system_svm> -lif <lif_name> -service
-policy default-intercluster -home-node <node_name> -home-port <port_name>
-address <port_ip_address> -netmask <netmask>
```

In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

```
network interface create -vserver <system_svm> -lif <lif_name> -role
intercluster -home-node <node_name> -home-port <port_name> -address
<port_ip_address> -netmask <netmask>
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example creates intercluster LIFs "cluster01_icl01" and "cluster01_icl02":

```
cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl01 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-01 -home-port e0c
-address 192.168.1.201
-netmask 255.255.255.0

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl02 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-02 -home-port e0c
-address 192.168.1.202
-netmask 255.255.255.0
```

3. Verify that the intercluster LIFs were created:

   In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

   `network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster`

   In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

   `network interface show -role intercluster`

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
            Logical    Status     Network            Current
Current Is
Vserver     Interface  Admin/Oper Address/Mask       Node          Port
Home
----------- ---------- ---------- ------------------ -------------
------- ----
cluster01
            cluster01_icl01
                       up/up      192.168.1.201/24   cluster01-01  e0c
true
            cluster01_icl02
                       up/up      192.168.1.202/24   cluster01-02  e0c
true
```

4. Verify that the intercluster LIFs are redundant:

   In ONTAP 9.6 and later, run:

   `network interface show –service-policy default-intercluster -failover`

   In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier, run:

   `network interface show -role intercluster -failover`

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example shows that intercluster LIFs "cluster01_icl01" and "cluster01_icl02" on the "e0c" port will fail over to the "e0d" port.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
-failover
         Logical         Home                  Failover        Failover
Vserver  Interface       Node:Port             Policy          Group
-------- --------------- --------------------- --------------- --------
cluster01
         cluster01_icl01 cluster01-01:e0c   local-only
192.168.1.201/24
                            Failover Targets: cluster01-01:e0c,
                                              cluster01-01:e0d
         cluster01_icl02 cluster01-02:e0c   local-only
192.168.1.201/24
                            Failover Targets: cluster01-02:e0c,
                                              cluster01-02:e0d
```

Related information

Considerations when sharing data ports

Creating a cluster peer relationship

You can use the cluster peer create command to create a peer relationship between a local and remote cluster. After the peer relationship has been created, you can run cluster peer create on the remote cluster to authenticate it to the local cluster.

About this task

- You must have created intercluster LIFs on every node in the clusters that are being peered.
- The clusters must be running ONTAP 9.3 or later.

Steps

1. On the destination cluster, create a peer relationship with the source cluster:

   `cluster peer create -generate-passphrase -offer-expiration <MM/DD/YYYY HH:MM:SS|1…7days|1…168hours> -peer-addrs <peer_lif_ip_addresses> -ipspace <ipspace>`

   If you specify both `-generate-passphrase` and `-peer-addrs`, only the cluster whose intercluster LIFs are specified in `-peer-addrs` can use the generated password.

   You can ignore the `-ipspace` option if you are not using a custom IPspace. For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example creates a cluster peer relationship on an unspecified remote cluster:

```
cluster02::> cluster peer create -generate-passphrase -offer-expiration
2days

                     Passphrase: UCa+6lRVICXeL/gq1WrK7ShR
                Expiration Time: 6/7/2017 08:16:10 EST
  Initial Allowed Vserver Peers: -
            Intercluster LIF IP: 192.140.112.101
              Peer Cluster Name: Clus_7ShR (temporary generated)

Warning: make a note of the passphrase - it cannot be displayed again.
```

2. On the source cluster, authenticate the source cluster to the destination cluster:

   `cluster peer create -peer-addrs <peer_lif_ip_addresses> -ipspace <ipspace>`

   For complete command syntax, see the man page.

   The following example authenticates the local cluster to the remote cluster at intercluster LIF IP addresses "192.140.112.101" and "192.140.112.102":

```
cluster01::> cluster peer create -peer-addrs
192.140.112.101,192.140.112.102

Notice: Use a generated passphrase or choose a passphrase of 8 or more
characters.
        To ensure the authenticity of the peering relationship, use a
phrase or sequence of characters that would be hard to guess.

Enter the passphrase:
Confirm the passphrase:

Clusters cluster02 and cluster01 are peered.
```

   Enter the passphrase for the peer relationship when prompted.

3. Verify that the cluster peer relationship was created:

   `cluster peer show -instance`

```
cluster01::> cluster peer show -instance

                      Peer Cluster Name: cluster02
                          Cluster UUID: b07036f2-7d1c-11f0-bedb-
d039ea48b059
           Remote Intercluster Addresses: 192.140.112.101,
192.140.112.102
      Availability of the Remote Cluster: Available
                    Remote Cluster Name: cluster02
                    Active IP Addresses: 192.140.112.101,
192.140.112.102
                  Cluster Serial Number: 1-80-123456
                   Remote Cluster Nodes: cluster02-01, cluster02-02,
                  Remote Cluster Health: true
                Unreachable Local Nodes: -
             Operation Timeout (seconds): 60
          Address Family of Relationship: ipv4
    Authentication Status Administrative: use-authentication
       Authentication Status Operational: ok
                 Timeout for RPC Connect: 10
               Timeout for Update Pings: 5
                       Last Update Time: 10/9/2025 10:15:29
            IPspace for the Relationship: Default
Proposed Setting for Encryption of Inter-Cluster Communication: -
Encryption Protocol For Inter-Cluster Communication: tls-psk
  Algorithm By Which the PSK Was Derived: jpake
```

4. Check the connectivity and status of the nodes in the peer relationship:

   ```
   cluster peer health show
   ```

```
cluster01::> cluster peer health show
Node       cluster-Name                Node-Name
             Ping-Status               RDB-Health Cluster-Health  Avail…
---------- --------------------------- ---------  ---------------
--------
cluster01-01
           cluster02                   cluster02-01
             Data: interface_reachable
             ICMP: interface_reachable true       true            true
                                       cluster02-02
             Data: interface_reachable
             ICMP: interface_reachable true       true            true
cluster01-02
           cluster02                   cluster02-01
             Data: interface_reachable
             ICMP: interface_reachable true       true            true
                                       cluster02-02
             Data: interface_reachable
             ICMP: interface_reachable true       true            true
```

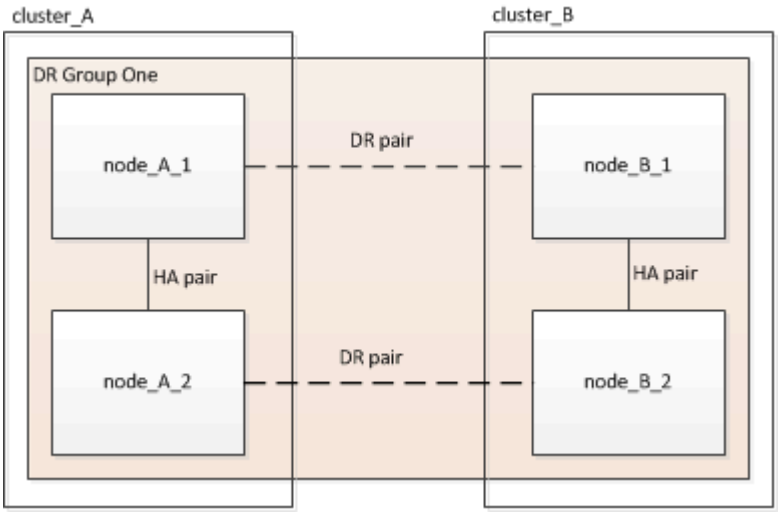
Creating the DR group

You must create the disaster recovery (DR) group relationships between the clusters.

About this task

You perform this procedure on one of the clusters in the MetroCluster configuration to create the DR relationships between the nodes in both clusters.

The DR relationships cannot be changed after the DR groups are created.



Steps

1. Verify that the nodes are ready for creation of the DR group by entering the following command on each

node:

```
metrocluster configuration-settings show-status
```

The command output should show that the nodes are ready:

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings show-status
Cluster                   Node          Configuration Settings Status
------------------------- -------------
-------------------------------
cluster_A                 node_A_1      ready for DR group create
                          node_A_2      ready for DR group create
2 entries were displayed.
```

```
cluster_B::> metrocluster configuration-settings show-status
Cluster                   Node          Configuration Settings Status
------------------------- -------------
-------------------------------
cluster_B                 node_B_1      ready for DR group create
                          node_B_2      ready for DR group create
2 entries were displayed.
```

2. Create the DR group:

```
metrocluster configuration-settings dr-group create -partner-cluster
<partner_cluster_name> -local-node <local_node_name> -remote-node
<remote_node_name>
```

This command is issued only once. It does not need to be repeated on the partner cluster. In the command, you specify the name of the remote cluster and the name of one local node and one node on the partner cluster.

The two nodes you specify are configured as DR partners and the other two nodes (which are not specified in the command) are configured as the second DR pair in the DR group. These relationships cannot be changed after you enter this command.

The following command creates these DR pairs:

- node_A_1 and node_B_1
- node_A_2 and node_B_2

```
Cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings dr-group create
-partner-cluster cluster_B -local-node node_A_1 -remote-node node_B_1
[Job 27] Job succeeded: DR Group Create is successful.
```

Configuring and connecting the MetroCluster IP interfaces

You must configure the MetroCluster IP interfaces that are used for replication of each node's storage and nonvolatile cache. You then establish the connections using the MetroCluster IP interfaces. This creates iSCSI connections for storage replication.

> The MetroCluster IP and connected switch ports do not come online until after you create the MetroCluster IP interfaces.

About this task

- You must create two interfaces for each node. The interfaces must be associated with the VLANs defined in the MetroCluster RCF file.
- You must create all MetroCluster IP interface "A" ports in the same VLAN and all MetroCluster IP interface "B" ports in the other VLAN. Refer to Considerations for MetroCluster IP configuration.
- Beginning with ONTAP 9.9.1, if you are using a layer 3 configuration, you must also specify the `-gateway` parameter when creating MetroCluster IP interfaces. Refer to Considerations for layer 3 wide-area networks.

  Certain platforms use a VLAN for the MetroCluster IP interface. By default, each of the two ports use a different VLAN: 10 and 20.

  If supported, you can also specify a different (non-default) VLAN higher than 100 (between 101 and 4095) using the `-vlan-id` parameter in the `metrocluster configuration-settings interface create` command.

  The following platforms do **not** support the `-vlan-id` parameter:

  - FAS8200 and AFF A300
  - AFF A320
  - FAS9000 and AFF A700
  - AFF C800, ASA C800, AFF A800 and ASA A800

    All other platforms support the `-vlan-id` parameter.

    The default and valid VLAN assignments depend on whether the platform supports the `-vlan-id` parameter:

Platforms that support `-vlan-id`

Default VLAN:

- When the `-vlan-id` parameter is not specified, the interfaces are created with VLAN 10 for the "A" ports and VLAN 20 for the "B" ports.
- The VLAN specified must match the VLAN selected in the RCF.

Valid VLAN ranges:

- Default VLAN 10 and 20
- VLANs 101 and higher (between 101 and 4095)

Platforms that do not support `-vlan-id`

Default VLAN:

- Not applicable. The interface does not require a VLAN to be specified on the MetroCluster interface. The switch port defines the VLAN that is used.

Valid VLAN ranges:

- All VLANs not explicitly excluded when generating the RCF. The RCF alerts you if the VLAN is invalid.

- The physical ports used by the MetroCluster IP interfaces depends on the platform model. Refer to Cable the MetroCluster IP switches for the port usage for your system.
- The following IP addresses and subnets are used in the examples:

Node	Interface	IP address	Subnet
node_A_1	MetroCluster IP interface 1	10.1.1.1	10.1.1/24
	MetroCluster IP interface 2	10.1.2.1	10.1.2/24
node_A_2	MetroCluster IP interface 1	10.1.1.2	10.1.1/24
	MetroCluster IP interface 2	10.1.2.2	10.1.2/24
node_B_1	MetroCluster IP interface 1	10.1.1.3	10.1.1/24
	MetroCluster IP interface 2	10.1.2.3	10.1.2/24

node_B_2	MetroCluster IP interface 1	10.1.1.4	10.1.1/24
	MetroCluster IP interface 2	10.1.2.4	10.1.2/24

- This procedure uses the following examples:

  The ports for an AFF A700 or a FAS9000 system (e5a and e5b).

  The ports for an AFF A220 system to show how to use the `-vlan-id` parameter on a supported platform.

  Configure the interfaces on the correct ports for your platform model.

Steps

1. Confirm that each node has disk automatic assignment enabled:

   `storage disk option show`

   Disk automatic assignment will assign pool 0 and pool 1 disks on a shelf-by-shelf basis.

   The Auto Assign column indicates whether disk automatic assignment is enabled.

```
Node        BKg. FW. Upd.  Auto Copy   Auto Assign  Auto Assign Policy
----------  -------------  ----------  -----------  ------------------
node_A_1             on           on           on           default
node_A_2             on           on           on           default
2 entries were displayed.
```

2. Verify you can create MetroCluster IP interfaces on the nodes:

   `metrocluster configuration-settings show-status`

   All nodes should be ready:

```
Cluster       Node         Configuration Settings Status
----------    -----------  ---------------------------------
cluster_A
              node_A_1     ready for interface create
              node_A_2     ready for interface create
cluster_B
              node_B_1     ready for interface create
              node_B_2     ready for interface create
4 entries were displayed.
```

3. Create the interfaces on node_A_1.

a. Configure the interface on port "e5a" on "node_A_1":

> Do not use 169.254.17.x or 169.254.18.x IP addresses when you create MetroCluster IP interfaces to avoid conflicts with system auto-generated interface IP addresses in the same range.

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5a -address <ip_address>
-netmask <netmask>
```

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5a" on "node_A_1" with IP address "10.1.1.1":

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_1 -home-port e5a -address
10.1.1.1 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
cluster_A::>
```

On platform models that support VLANs for the MetroCluster IP interface, you can include the `-vlan -id` parameter if you don't want to use the default VLAN IDs. The following example shows the command for an AFF A220 system with a VLAN ID of 120:

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_2 -home-port e0a -address
10.1.1.2 -netmask 255.255.255.0 -vlan-id 120
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
cluster_A::>
```

b. Configure the interface on port "e5b" on "node_A_1":

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5b -address <ip_address>
-netmask <netmask>
```

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5b" on "node_A_1" with IP address "10.1.2.1":

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_1 -home-port e5b -address
10.1.2.1 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
cluster_A::>
```

You can verify that these interfaces are present using the `metrocluster configuration-settings interface show` command.

4. Create the interfaces on node_A_2.
   a. Configure the interface on port "e5a" on "node_A_2":

      ```
      metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
      <cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5a -address <ip_address>
      -netmask <netmask>
      ```

      The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5a" on "node_A_2" with IP address "10.1.1.2":

      ```
      cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
      -cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_2 -home-port e5a -address
      10.1.1.2 -netmask 255.255.255.0
      [Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
      cluster_A::>
      ```

   b. Configure the interface on port "e5b" on "node_A_2":

      ```
      metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
      <cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5b -address <ip_address>
      -netmask <netmask>
      ```

      The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5b" on "node_A_2" with IP address "10.1.2.2":

      ```
      cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
      -cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_2 -home-port e5b -address
      10.1.2.2 -netmask 255.255.255.0
      [Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
      cluster_A::>
      ```

      On platform models that support VLANs for the MetroCluster IP interface, you can include the `-vlan -id` parameter if you don't want to use the default VLAN IDs. The following example shows the command for an AFF A220 system with a VLAN ID of 220:

      ```
      cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
      -cluster-name cluster_A -home-node node_A_2 -home-port e0b -address
      10.1.2.2 -netmask 255.255.255.0 -vlan-id 220
      [Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
      cluster_A::>
      ```

5. Create the interfaces on "node_B_1".

a. Configure the interface on port "e5a" on "node_B_1":

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5a -address <ip_address>
-netmask <netmask>
```

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5a" on "node_B_1" with IP address "10.1.1.3":

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_B -home-node node_B_1 -home-port e5a -address
10.1.1.3 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.cluster_B::>
```

b. Configure the interface on port "e5b" on "node_B_1":

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5b -address <ip_address>
-netmask <netmask>
```

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5b" on "node_B_1" with IP address "10.1.2.3":

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_B -home-node node_B_1 -home-port e5b -address
10.1.2.3 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.cluster_B::>
```

6. Create the interfaces on "node_B_2".

a. Configure the interface on port e5a on node_B_2:

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5a -address <ip_address>
-netmask <netmask>
```

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5a" on "node_B_2" with IP address "10.1.1.4":

```
cluster_B::>metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_B -home-node node_B_2 -home-port e5a -address
10.1.1.4 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.cluster_A::>
```

b. Configure the interface on port "e5b" on "node_B_2":

```
metrocluster configuration-settings interface create -cluster-name
<cluster_name> -home-node <node_name> -home-port e5b -address <ip_address>
```

`-netmask <netmask>`

The following example shows the creation of the interface on port "e5b" on "node_B_2" with IP address "10.1.2.4":

```
cluster_B::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface create
-cluster-name cluster_B -home-node node_B_2 -home-port e5b -address
10.1.2.4 -netmask 255.255.255.0
[Job 28] Job succeeded: Interface Create is successful.
cluster_A::>
```

7. Verify that the interfaces have been configured:

`metrocluster configuration-settings interface show`

The following example shows that the configuration state for each interface is completed.

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings interface show
DR                                                                Config
Group Cluster Node    Network Address Netmask         Gateway   State
----- ------- ------- --------------- --------------- --------- ----------
1     cluster_A  node_A_1
                  Home Port: e5a
                       10.1.1.1     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  Home Port: e5b
                       10.1.2.1     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  node_A_2
                  Home Port: e5a
                       10.1.1.2     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  Home Port: e5b
                       10.1.2.2     255.255.255.0   -         completed
      cluster_B  node_B_1
                  Home Port: e5a
                       10.1.1.3     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  Home Port: e5b
                       10.1.2.3     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  node_B_2
                  Home Port: e5a
                       10.1.1.4     255.255.255.0   -         completed
                  Home Port: e5b
                       10.1.2.4     255.255.255.0   -         completed
8 entries were displayed.
cluster_A::>
```

8. Verify that the nodes are ready to connect the MetroCluster interfaces:

   `metrocluster configuration-settings show-status`

   The following example shows all nodes in the "ready for connection" state:

```
Cluster       Node          Configuration Settings Status
----------    -----------   --------------------------------
cluster_A
              node_A_1      ready for connection connect
              node_A_2      ready for connection connect
cluster_B
              node_B_1      ready for connection connect
              node_B_2      ready for connection connect
4 entries were displayed.
```

9. Establish the connections: `metrocluster configuration-settings connection connect`

   If you are running a version earlier than ONTAP 9.10.1, the IP addresses cannot be changed after you issue this command.

   The following example shows cluster_A is successfully connected:

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster configuration-settings connection connect
[Job 53] Job succeeded: Connect is successful.
cluster_A::>
```

10. Verify that the connections have been established:

    `metrocluster configuration-settings show-status`

    The configuration settings status for all nodes should be completed:

```
Cluster       Node          Configuration Settings Status
----------    -----------   --------------------------------
cluster_A
              node_A_1      completed
              node_A_2      completed
cluster_B
              node_B_1      completed
              node_B_2      completed
4 entries were displayed.
```

11. Verify that the iSCSI connections have been established:
    a. Change to the advanced privilege level:

```
set -privilege advanced
```

You need to respond with `y` when you are prompted to continue into advanced mode and you see the advanced mode prompt (`*>`).

b. Display the connections:

```
storage iscsi-initiator show
```

On systems running ONTAP 9.5, there are eight MetroCluster IP initiators on each cluster that should appear in the output.

On systems running ONTAP 9.4 and earlier, there are four MetroCluster IP initiators on each cluster that should appear in the output.

The following example shows the eight MetroCluster IP initiators on a cluster running ONTAP 9.5:

```
cluster_A::*> storage iscsi-initiator show
Node Type Label    Target Portal           Target Name
Admin/Op
---- ---- -------- ------------------
--------------------------------- --------

cluster_A-01
     dr_auxiliary
               mccip-aux-a-initiator
                    10.227.16.113:65200     prod506.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-aux-a-initiator2
                    10.227.16.113:65200     prod507.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-aux-b-initiator
                    10.227.95.166:65200     prod506.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-aux-b-initiator2
                    10.227.95.166:65200     prod507.com.company:abab44
up/up
     dr_partner
               mccip-pri-a-initiator
                    10.227.16.112:65200     prod506.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-pri-a-initiator2
                    10.227.16.112:65200     prod507.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-pri-b-initiator
                    10.227.95.165:65200     prod506.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-pri-b-initiator2
```

```
                    10.227.95.165:65200     prod507.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
cluster_A-02
     dr_auxiliary
               mccip-aux-a-initiator
                    10.227.16.112:65200     prod506.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-aux-a-initiator2
                    10.227.16.112:65200     prod507.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-aux-b-initiator
                    10.227.95.165:65200     prod506.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
               mccip-aux-b-initiator2
                    10.227.95.165:65200     prod507.com.company:cdcd88
up/up
     dr_partner
               mccip-pri-a-initiator
                    10.227.16.113:65200     prod506.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-pri-a-initiator2
                    10.227.16.113:65200     prod507.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-pri-b-initiator
                    10.227.95.166:65200     prod506.com.company:abab44
up/up
               mccip-pri-b-initiator2
                    10.227.95.166:65200     prod507.com.company:abab44
up/up
16 entries were displayed.
```

c. Return to the admin privilege level:

```
set -privilege admin
```

12. Verify that the nodes are ready for final implementation of the MetroCluster configuration:

```
metrocluster node show
```

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster node show
DR                               Configuration  DR
Group Cluster Node               State          Mirroring Mode
----- ------- ------------------ -------------- --------- ----
-     cluster_A
              node_A_1           ready to configure -     -
              node_A_2           ready to configure -     -
2 entries were displayed.
cluster_A::>
```

```
cluster_B::> metrocluster node show
DR                               Configuration  DR
Group Cluster Node               State          Mirroring Mode
----- ------- ------------------ -------------- --------- ----
-     cluster_B
              node_B_1           ready to configure -     -
              node_B_2           ready to configure -     -
2 entries were displayed.
cluster_B::>
```

Verifying or manually performing pool 1 drives assignment

Depending on the storage configuration, you must either verify pool 1 drive assignment or manually assign drives to pool 1 for each node in the MetroCluster IP configuration. The procedure you use depends on the version of ONTAP you are using.

Configuration type	Procedure
The systems meet the requirements for automatic drive assignment or, if running ONTAP 9.3, were received from the factory.	Verifying disk assignment for pool 1 disks
The configuration includes either three shelves, or, if it contains more than four shelves, has an uneven multiple of four shelves (for example, seven shelves), and is running ONTAP 9.5.	Manually assigning drives for pool 1 (ONTAP 9.4 or later)
The configuration does not include four storage shelves per site and is running ONTAP 9.4	Manually assigning drives for pool 1 (ONTAP 9.4 or later)
The systems were not received from the factory and are running ONTAP 9.3Systems received from the factory are pre-configured with assigned drives.	Manually assigning disks for pool 1 (ONTAP 9.3)

Verifying disk assignment for pool 1 disks

You must verify that the remote disks are visible to the nodes and have been assigned correctly.

Before you begin

You must wait at least ten minutes for disk auto-assignment to complete after the MetroCluster IP interfaces and connections were created with the `metrocluster configuration-settings connection connect` command.

Command output will show disk names in the form: node-name:0m.i1.0L1

Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later

Steps

1. Verify pool 1 disks are auto-assigned:

   `disk show`

   The following output shows the output for an AFF A800 system with no external shelves.

   Drive autoassignment has assigned one quarter (8 drives) to "node_A_1" and one quarter to "node_A_2". The remaining drives will be remote (pool 1) disks for "node_B_1" and "node_B_2".

```
cluster_B::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -owner node_B_2
                     Usable     Disk              Container   Container
Disk                 Size       Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
----------------     ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_B_2:0m.i0.2L4   894.0GB    0     29  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.2L10 894.0GB    0     25  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L3   894.0GB    0     28  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L9   894.0GB    0     24  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L11 894.0GB    0     26  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L12 894.0GB    0     27  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L15 894.0GB    0     30  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L16 894.0GB    0     31  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_2
8 entries were displayed.

cluster_B::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -owner node_B_1
                     Usable     Disk              Container   Container
```

```
Disk                Size       Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
----------------    ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L19 1.75TB     0     42  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L20 1.75TB     0     43  SSD-NVM spare       Pool1
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L23 1.75TB     0     40  SSD-NVM shared       -
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L24 1.75TB     0     41  SSD-NVM spare       Pool1
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L29 1.75TB     0     36  SSD-NVM shared       -
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L30 1.75TB     0     37  SSD-NVM shared       -
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L31 1.75TB     0     38  SSD-NVM shared       -
node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L32 1.75TB     0     39  SSD-NVM shared       -
node_B_1
8 entries were displayed.

cluster_B::> disk show
                    Usable     Disk              Container   Container
Disk                Size       Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
----------------    ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_B_1:0m.i1.0L6  1.75TB     0     1   SSD-NVM shared      -
node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i1.0L8  1.75TB     0     3   SSD-NVM shared      -
node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i1.0L17 1.75TB     0     18  SSD-NVM shared      -
node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i1.0L22 1.75TB     0     17 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i1.0L25 1.75TB     0     12 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L2  1.75TB     0     5 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L7  1.75TB     0     2 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L14 1.75TB     0     7 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L21 1.75TB     0     16 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L27 1.75TB     0     14 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i1.2L28 1.75TB     0     15 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.1L1  1.75TB     0     4 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i2.1L5  1.75TB     0     0 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i2.1L13 1.75TB     0     6 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0m.i2.1L18 1.75TB     0     19 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
```

```
node_B_1:0m.i2.1L26 1.75TB     0     13 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L19 1.75TB     0 42 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L20 1.75TB     0 43 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L23 1.75TB     0 40 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L24 1.75TB     0 41 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L29 1.75TB     0 36 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L30 1.75TB     0 37 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L31 1.75TB     0 38 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0m.i2.3L32 1.75TB     0 39 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.12      1.75TB     0 12 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.13      1.75TB     0 13 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.14      1.75TB     0 14 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.15      1.75TB 0 15 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.16      1.75TB 0 16 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.17      1.75TB 0 17 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.18      1.75TB 0 18 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.19      1.75TB 0 19 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_B_1:0n.24      894.0GB 0 24 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.25      894.0GB 0 25 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.26      894.0GB 0 26 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.27      894.0GB 0 27 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.28      894.0GB 0 28 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.29      894.0GB 0 29 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.30      894.0GB 0 30 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.31      894.0GB 0 31 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_B_1:0n.36      1.75TB 0 36 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.37      1.75TB 0 37 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.38      1.75TB 0 38 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.39      1.75TB 0 39 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.40      1.75TB 0 40 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.41      1.75TB 0 41 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.42      1.75TB 0 42 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_1:0n.43      1.75TB 0 43 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_B_2:0m.i0.2L4  894.0GB 0 29 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.2L10 894.0GB 0 25 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L3  894.0GB 0 28 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L9  894.0GB 0 24 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L11 894.0GB 0 26 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L12 894.0GB 0 27 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L15 894.0GB 0 30 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0m.i0.3L16 894.0GB 0 31 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.0       1.75TB 0 0 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0
node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.1 1.75TB 0 1 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.2 1.75TB 0 2 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.3 1.75TB 0 3 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
```

```
node_B_2:0n.4 1.75TB 0 4 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.5 1.75TB 0 5 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.6 1.75TB 0 6 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_rha12_b1_cm_02_0 node_B_2
node_B_2:0n.7 1.75TB 0 7 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
64 entries were displayed.

cluster_B::>


cluster_A::> disk show
Usable Disk Container Container
Disk Size Shelf Bay Type Type Name Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_A_1:0m.i1.0L2 1.75TB 0 5 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.0L8 1.75TB 0 3 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.0L18 1.75TB 0 19 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i1.0L25 1.75TB 0 12 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i1.0L27 1.75TB 0 14 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L1 1.75TB 0 4 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L6 1.75TB 0 1 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L7 1.75TB 0 2 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L14 1.75TB 0 7 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L17 1.75TB 0 18 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i1.2L22 1.75TB 0 17 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.1L5 1.75TB 0 0 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i2.1L13 1.75TB 0 6 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0m.i2.1L21 1.75TB 0 16 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.1L26 1.75TB 0 13 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.1L28 1.75TB 0 15 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L19 1.75TB 0 42 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L20 1.75TB 0 43 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L23 1.75TB 0 40 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L24 1.75TB 0 41 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L29 1.75TB 0 36 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L30 1.75TB 0 37 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L31 1.75TB 0 38 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0m.i2.3L32 1.75TB 0 39 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.12 1.75TB 0 12 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.13 1.75TB 0 13 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.14 1.75TB 0 14 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.15 1.75TB 0 15 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.16 1.75TB 0 16 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.17 1.75TB 0 17 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.18 1.75TB 0 18 SSD-NVM shared aggr0 node_A_1
node_A_1:0n.19 1.75TB 0 19 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_1
```

```
node_A_1:0n.24 894.0GB 0 24 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.25 894.0GB 0 25 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.26 894.0GB 0 26 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.27 894.0GB 0 27 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.28 894.0GB 0 28 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.29 894.0GB 0 29 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.30 894.0GB 0 30 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.31 894.0GB 0 31 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_2
node_A_1:0n.36 1.75TB 0 36 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.37 1.75TB 0 37 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.38 1.75TB 0 38 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.39 1.75TB 0 39 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.40 1.75TB 0 40 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.41 1.75TB 0 41 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.42 1.75TB 0 42 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_1:0n.43 1.75TB 0 43 SSD-NVM shared - node_B_1
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L3 894.0GB 0 28 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L4 894.0GB 0 29 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L9 894.0GB 0 24 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L10 894.0GB 0 25 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L11 894.0GB 0 26 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L12 894.0GB 0 27 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L15 894.0GB 0 30 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0m.i2.3L16 894.0GB 0 31 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.0 1.75TB 0 0 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.1 1.75TB 0 1 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.2 1.75TB 0 2 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.3 1.75TB 0 3 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.4 1.75TB 0 4 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.5 1.75TB 0 5 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.6 1.75TB 0 6 SSD-NVM shared aggr0_node_A_2_0 node_A_2
node_A_2:0n.7 1.75TB 0 7 SSD-NVM shared - node_A_2
64 entries were displayed.

cluster_A::>
```

Manually assigning drives for pool 1 (ONTAP 9.4 or later)

If the system was not preconfigured at the factory and does not meet the requirements for automatic drive assignment, you must manually assign the remote pool 1 drives.

About this task

This procedure applies to configurations running ONTAP 9.4 or later.

Details for determining whether your system requires manual disk assignment are included in Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later.

When the configuration includes only two external shelves per site, pool 1 drives for each site should be shared from the same shelf as shown in the following examples:

- node_A_1 is assigned drives in bays 0-11 on site_B-shelf_2 (remote)
- node_A_2 is assigned drives in bays 12-23 on site_B-shelf_2 (remote)

Steps

1. From each node in the MetroCluster IP configuration, assign remote drives to pool 1.
   a. Display the list of unassigned drives:

      `disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned`

      ```
      cluster_A::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
                           Usable           Disk    Container   Container
      Disk                   Size Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
      Owner
      ---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
      --------
      6.23.0                    -    23   0 SSD     unassigned  -         -
      6.23.1                    -    23   1 SSD     unassigned  -         -
      .
      .
      .
      node_A_2:0m.i1.2L51       -    21  14 SSD     unassigned  -         -
      node_A_2:0m.i1.2L64       -    21  10 SSD     unassigned  -         -
      .
      .
      .
      48 entries were displayed.

      cluster_A::>
      ```

   b. Assign ownership of remote drives (0m) to pool 1 of the first node (for example, node_A_1):

      `disk assign -disk <disk-id> -pool 1 -owner <owner_node_name>`

      `disk-id` must identify a drive on a remote shelf of `owner_node_name`.

   c. Confirm that the drives were assigned to pool 1:

      `disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned`

      The iSCSI connection used to access the remote drives appears as device 0m.

      The following output shows that the drives on shelf 23 were assigned because they no longer appear in the list of unassigned drives:

```
cluster_A::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
                     Usable           Disk    Container   Container
Disk                   Size Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L51       -    21  14 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L64       -    21  10 SSD     unassigned  -         -
.
.
.
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L90       -    21  19 SSD     unassigned  -         -
24 entries were displayed.

cluster_A::>
```

d. Repeat these steps to assign pool 1 drives to the second node on site A (for example, "node_A_2").

e. Repeat these steps on site B.

Manually assigning disks for pool 1 (ONTAP 9.3)

If you have at least two disk shelves for each node, you use ONTAP's auto-assignment functionality to automatically assign the remote (pool1) disks.

Before you begin

You must first assign a disk on the shelf to pool 1. ONTAP then automatically assigns the rest of the disks on the shelf to the same pool.

About this task

This procedure applies to configurations running ONTAP 9.3.

This procedure can be used only if you have at least two disk shelves for each node, which allows shelf-level auto-assignment of disks.

If you cannot use shelf-level auto-assignment, you must manually assign your remote disks so that each node has a remote pool of disks (pool 1).

The ONTAP automatic disk assignment feature assigns the disks on a shelf-by-shelf basis. For example:

- All the disks on site_B-shelf_2 are auto-assigned to pool1 of node_A_1
- All the disks on site_B-shelf_4 are auto-assigned to pool1 of node_A_2
- All the disks on site_A-shelf_2 are auto-assigned to pool1 of node_B_1
- All the disks on site_A-shelf_4 are auto-assigned to pool1 of node_B_2

You must "seed" the auto-assignment by specifying a single disk on each shelf.

Steps

1. From each node in the MetroCluster IP configuration, assign a remote disk to pool 1.

a. Display the list of unassigned disks:

```
disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
```

```
cluster_A::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
                     Usable           Disk    Container   Container
Disk                   Size Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
6.23.0                    -    23   0 SSD     unassigned  -         -
6.23.1                    -    23   1 SSD     unassigned  -         -
.
.
.
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L51       -    21  14 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L64       -    21  10 SSD     unassigned  -         -
.
.
.
48 entries were displayed.

cluster_A::>
```

b. Select a remote disk (0m) and assign ownership of the disk to pool 1 of the first node (for example, "node_A_1"):

```
disk assign -disk <disk_id> -pool 1 -owner <owner_node_name>
```

The `disk-id` must identify a disk on a remote shelf of `owner_node_name`.

The ONTAP disk auto-assignment feature assigns all disks on the remote shelf that contains the specified disk.

c. After waiting at least 60 seconds for disk auto-assignment to take place, verify that the remote disks on the shelf were auto-assigned to pool 1:

```
disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
```

The iSCSI connection used to access the remote disks appears as device 0m.

The following output shows that the disks on shelf 23 have now been assigned and no longer appear:

```
cluster_A::> disk show -host-adapter 0m -container-type unassigned
                     Usable           Disk    Container   Container
Disk                   Size Shelf Bay Type    Type        Name
Owner
---------------- ---------- ----- --- ------- ----------- ---------
--------
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L51       -    21  14 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L64       -    21  10 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L72       -    21  23 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L74       -    21   1 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L83       -    21  22 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.2L90       -    21   7 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L52       -    21   6 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L59       -    21  13 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L66       -    21  17 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L73       -    21  12 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L80       -    21   5 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L81       -    21   2 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L82       -    21  16 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i1.3L91       -    21   3 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.0L49       -    21  15 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.0L50       -    21   4 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L57       -    21  18 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L58       -    21  11 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L59       -    21  21 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L65       -    21  20 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L72       -    21   9 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L80       -    21   0 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L88       -    21   8 SSD     unassigned  -         -
node_A_2:0m.i2.1L90       -    21  19 SSD     unassigned  -         -
24 entries were displayed.

cluster_A::>
```

d. Repeat these steps to assign pool 1 disks to the second node on site A (for example, "node_A_2").

e. Repeat these steps on site B.

Enabling automatic drive assignment in ONTAP 9.4

About this task

In ONTAP 9.4, if you disabled automatic drive assignment as directed previously in this procedure, you must reenable it on all nodes.

Considerations for automatic drive assignment and ADP systems in ONTAP 9.4 and later

Steps

1. Enable automatic drive assignment:

   ```
   storage disk option modify -node <node_name> -autoassign on
   ```

   You must issue this command on all nodes in the MetroCluster IP configuration.

Mirroring the root aggregates

You must mirror the root aggregates to provide data protection.

About this task

By default, the root aggregate is created as RAID-DP type aggregate. You can change the root aggregate from RAID-DP to RAID4 type aggregate. The following command modifies the root aggregate for RAID4 type aggregate:

```
storage aggregate modify –aggregate <aggr_name> -raidtype raid4
```

> On non-ADP systems, the RAID type of the aggregate can be modified from the default RAID-DP to RAID4 before or after the aggregate is mirrored.

Steps

1. Mirror the root aggregate:

   ```
   storage aggregate mirror <aggr_name>
   ```

   The following command mirrors the root aggregate for "controller_A_1":

   ```
   controller_A_1::> storage aggregate mirror aggr0_controller_A_1
   ```

   This mirrors the aggregate, so it consists of a local plex and a remote plex located at the remote MetroCluster site.

2. Repeat the previous step for each node in the MetroCluster configuration.

Related information

Logical storage management

Creating a mirrored data aggregate on each node

You must create a mirrored data aggregate on each node in the DR group.

About this task

- You should know what drives will be used in the new aggregate.
- If you have multiple drive types in your system (heterogeneous storage), you should understand how you can ensure that the correct drive type is selected.
- Drives are owned by a specific node; when you create an aggregate, all drives in that aggregate must be owned by the same node, which becomes the home node for that aggregate.

  In systems using ADP, aggregates are created using partitions in which each drive is partitioned in to P1, P2 and P3 partitions.

- Aggregate names should conform to the naming scheme you determined when you planned your MetroCluster configuration.

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- Aggregate names must be unique across the MetroCluster sites. This means that you cannot have two different aggregates with the same name on site A and site B.

Steps

1. Display a list of available spares:

   ```
   storage disk show -spare -owner <node_name>
   ```

2. Create the aggregate:

   ```
   storage aggregate create -mirror true
   ```

   If you are logged in to the cluster on the cluster management interface, you can create an aggregate on any node in the cluster. To ensure that the aggregate is created on a specific node, use the `-node` parameter or specify drives that are owned by that node.

   You can specify the following options:

   - Aggregate's home node (that is, the node that owns the aggregate in normal operation)
   - List of specific drives that are to be added to the aggregate
   - Number of drives to include

     > In the minimum supported configuration, in which a limited number of drives are available, you must use the force-small-aggregate option to allow the creation of a three disk RAID-DP aggregate.

   - Checksum style to use for the aggregate
   - Type of drives to use
   - Size of drives to use
   - Drive speed to use
   - RAID type for RAID groups on the aggregate
   - Maximum number of drives that can be included in a RAID group
   - Whether drives with different RPM are allowed For more information about these options, see the storage aggregate create man page.

   The following command creates a mirrored aggregate with 10 disks:

   ```
   cluster_A::> storage aggregate create aggr1_node_A_1 -diskcount 10
   -node node_A_1 -mirror true
   [Job 15] Job is queued: Create aggr1_node_A_1.
   [Job 15] The job is starting.
   [Job 15] Job succeeded: DONE
   ```

3. Verify the RAID group and drives of your new aggregate:

```
storage aggregate show-status -aggregate <aggregate-name>
```

Implementing the MetroCluster configuration

You must run the `metrocluster configure` command to start data protection in a MetroCluster configuration.

About this task

- There should be at least two non-root mirrored data aggregates on each cluster.

  You can verify this with the `storage aggregate show` command.

  > If you want to use a single mirrored data aggregate, then see Step 1 for instructions.

- The ha-config state of the controllers and chassis must be "mccip".

You issue the `metrocluster configure` command once on any of the nodes to enable the MetroCluster configuration. You do not need to issue the command on each of the sites or nodes, and it does not matter which node or site you choose to issue the command on.

The `metrocluster configure` command automatically pairs the two nodes with the lowest system IDs in each of the two clusters as disaster recovery (DR) partners. In a four-node MetroCluster configuration, there are two DR partner pairs. The second DR pair is created from the two nodes with higher system IDs.

> You must **not** configure Onboard Key Manager (OKM) or external key management before you run the command `metrocluster configure`.

Steps

1. Configure the MetroCluster in the following format:

If your MetroCluster configuration has…	Then do this…
Multiple data aggregates	From any node's prompt, configure MetroCluster: `metrocluster configure <node_name>`

A single mirrored data aggregate	a. From any node's prompt, change to the advanced privilege level:
	
	`set -privilege advanced`
	
	You need to respond with `y` when you are prompted to continue into advanced mode and you see the advanced mode prompt (*>).
	
	b. Configure the MetroCluster with the `-allow-with-one-aggregate true` parameter:
	
	`metrocluster configure -allow-with-one-aggregate true <node_name>`
	
	c. Return to the admin privilege level:
	
	`set -privilege admin`

The best practice is to have multiple data aggregates. If the first DR group has only one aggregate and you want to add a DR group with one aggregate, you must move the metadata volume off the single data aggregate. For more information on this procedure, see Moving a metadata volume in MetroCluster configurations.

The following command enables the MetroCluster configuration on all of the nodes in the DR group that contains "controller_A_1":

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster configure -node-name controller_A_1

[Job 121] Job succeeded: Configure is successful.
```

2. Verify the networking status on site A:

   `network port show`

   The following example shows the network port usage on a four-node MetroCluster configuration:

```
cluster_A::> network port show
                                                                 Speed (Mbps)
Node   Port      IPspace   Broadcast Domain Link   MTU    Admin/Oper
------ --------- --------- ---------------- ----- ------- ------------
controller_A_1
       e0a       Cluster   Cluster          up     9000  auto/1000
       e0b       Cluster   Cluster          up     9000  auto/1000
       e0c       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0d       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0e       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0f       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0g       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
controller_A_2
       e0a       Cluster   Cluster          up     9000  auto/1000
       e0b       Cluster   Cluster          up     9000  auto/1000
       e0c       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0d       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0e       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0f       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
       e0g       Default   Default          up     1500  auto/1000
14 entries were displayed.
```

3. Verify the MetroCluster configuration from both sites in the MetroCluster configuration.
   a. Verify the configuration from site A:

      `metrocluster show`

      ```
      cluster_A::> metrocluster show

      Configuration: IP fabric

      Cluster                   Entry Name          State
      ------------------------- ------------------- -----------
       Local: cluster_A         Configuration state configured
                                Mode                normal
      Remote: cluster_B         Configuration state configured
                                Mode                normal
      ```

   b. Verify the configuration from site B:

      `metrocluster show`

```
cluster_B::> metrocluster show

Configuration: IP fabric

Cluster                   Entry Name          State
------------------------- ------------------- -----------
 Local: cluster_B         Configuration state configured
                          Mode                normal
Remote: cluster_A         Configuration state configured
                          Mode                normal
```

4. To avoid possible issues with nonvolatile memory mirroring, reboot each of the four nodes:

   `node reboot -node <node_name> -inhibit-takeover true`

5. Issue the `metrocluster show` command on both clusters to again verify the configuration.

Configuring the second DR group in an eight-node configuration

Repeat the previous tasks to configure the nodes in the second DR group.

Creating unmirrored data aggregates

You can optionally create unmirrored data aggregates for data that does not require the redundant mirroring provided by MetroCluster configurations.

About this task

- Verify that you know what drives will be used in the new aggregate.
- If you have multiple drive types in your system (heterogeneous storage), you should understand how you can verify that the correct drive type is selected.

> In MetroCluster IP configurations, remote unmirrored aggregates are not accessible after a switchover

> The unmirrored aggregates must be local to the node owning them.

- Drives are owned by a specific node; when you create an aggregate, all drives in that aggregate must be owned by the same node, which becomes the home node for that aggregate.
- Aggregate names should conform to the naming scheme you determined when you planned your MetroCluster configuration.
- *Disks and aggregates management* contains more information about mirroring aggregates.

Steps

1. Enable unmirrored aggregate deployment:

   `metrocluster modify -enable-unmirrored-aggr-deployment true`

2. Verify that disk autoassignment is disabled:

```
disk option show
```

3. Install and cable the disk shelves that will contain the unmirrored aggregates.

   You can use the procedures in the Installation and Setup documentation for your platform and disk shelves.

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4. Manually assign all disks on the new shelf to the appropriate node:

   ```
   disk assign -disk <disk_id> -owner <owner_node_name>
   ```

5. Create the aggregate:

   ```
   storage aggregate create
   ```

   If you are logged in to the cluster on the cluster management interface, you can create an aggregate on any node in the cluster. To verify that the aggregate is created on a specific node, you should use the -node parameter or specify drives that are owned by that node.

   You must also ensure that you are only including drives on the unmirrored shelf to the aggregate.

   You can specify the following options:

   - Aggregate's home node (that is, the node that owns the aggregate in normal operation)
   - List of specific drives that are to be added to the aggregate
   - Number of drives to include
   - Checksum style to use for the aggregate
   - Type of drives to use
   - Size of drives to use
   - Drive speed to use
   - RAID type for RAID groups on the aggregate
   - Maximum number of drives that can be included in a RAID group
   - Whether drives with different RPM are allowed

     For more information about these options, see the storage aggregate create man page.

     The following command creates a unmirrored aggregate with 10 disks:

     ```
     controller_A_1::> storage aggregate create aggr1_controller_A_1
     -diskcount 10 -node controller_A_1
     [Job 15] Job is queued: Create aggr1_controller_A_1.
     [Job 15] The job is starting.
     [Job 15] Job succeeded: DONE
     ```

6. Verify the RAID group and drives of your new aggregate:

   ```
   storage aggregate show-status -aggregate <aggregate_name>
   ```

7. Disable unmirrored aggregate deployment:

   ```
   metrocluster modify -enable-unmirrored-aggr-deployment false
   ```

8. Verify that disk autoassignment is enabled:

   ```
   disk option show
   ```

Related information

Disk and aggregate management

Checking the MetroCluster configuration

You can check that the components and relationships in the MetroCluster configuration are working correctly.

About this task

You should do a check after initial configuration and after making any changes to the MetroCluster configuration.

You should also do a check before a negotiated (planned) switchover or a switchback operation.

If the `metrocluster check run` command is issued twice within a short time on either or both clusters, a conflict can occur and the command might not collect all data. Subsequent `metrocluster check show` commands do not show the expected output.

Steps

1. Check the configuration:

   ```
   metrocluster check run
   ```

   The command runs as a background job and might not be completed immediately.

   ```
   cluster_A::> metrocluster check run
   The operation has been started and is running in the background. Wait
   for
   it to complete and run "metrocluster check show" to view the results. To
   check the status of the running metrocluster check operation, use the
   command,
   "metrocluster operation history show -job-id 2245"
   ```

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster check show

Component           Result
------------------- ---------
nodes               ok
lifs                ok
config-replication  ok
aggregates          ok
clusters            ok
connections         ok
volumes             ok
7 entries were displayed.
```

2. Display more detailed results from the most recent metrocluster check run command:

```
metrocluster check aggregate show

metrocluster check cluster show

metrocluster check config-replication show

metrocluster check lif show

metrocluster check node show
```

> The `metrocluster check show` commands show the results of the most recent `metrocluster check run` command. You should always run the `metrocluster check run` command prior to using the `metrocluster check show` commands so that the information displayed is current.

The following example shows the `metrocluster check aggregate show` command output for a healthy four-node MetroCluster configuration:

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster check aggregate show



Node                  Aggregate                 Check
Result
---------------       --------------------      ----------------------
---------
controller_A_1        controller_A_1_aggr0
                                                mirroring-status
ok
                                                disk-pool-allocation
ok
```

```
                                                    ownership-state
ok
                      controller_A_1_aggr1
                                                    mirroring-status
ok
                                                    disk-pool-allocation
ok
                                                    ownership-state
ok
                      controller_A_1_aggr2
                                                    mirroring-status
ok
                                                    disk-pool-allocation
ok
                                                    ownership-state
ok


controller_A_2        controller_A_2_aggr0
                                                    mirroring-status
ok
                                                    disk-pool-allocation
ok
                                                    ownership-state
ok
                      controller_A_2_aggr1
                                                    mirroring-status
ok
                                                    disk-pool-allocation
ok
                                                    ownership-state
ok
                      controller_A_2_aggr2
                                                    mirroring-status
ok
                                                    disk-pool-allocation
ok
                                                    ownership-state
ok

18 entries were displayed.
```

The following example shows the `metrocluster check cluster show` command output for a healthy four-node MetroCluster configuration. It indicates that the clusters are ready to perform a negotiated switchover if necessary.

```
cluster_A::> metrocluster check cluster show

Cluster                  Check                          Result
------------------------ ------------------------------ ---------
mccint-fas9000-0102
                         negotiated-switchover-ready    not-applicable
                         switchback-ready               not-applicable
                         job-schedules                  ok
                         licenses                       ok
                         periodic-check-enabled         ok
mccint-fas9000-0304
                         negotiated-switchover-ready    not-applicable
                         switchback-ready               not-applicable
                         job-schedules                  ok
                         licenses                       ok
                         periodic-check-enabled         ok
10 entries were displayed.
```

Related information

Disk and aggregate management

Network and LIF management

Completing ONTAP configuration

After configuring, enabling, and checking the MetroCluster configuration, you can proceed to complete the cluster configuration by adding additional SVMs, network interfaces and other ONTAP functionality as needed.

Configure end-to-end encryption in a MetroCluster IP configuration

Beginning with ONTAP 9.15.1, you can configure end-to-end encryption on supported systems to encrypt back-end traffic, such as NVlog and storage replication data, between the sites in a MetroCluster IP configuration.

About this task

- You must be a cluster administrator to perform this task.
- Before you can configure end-to-end encryption, you must Configure external key management.
- Review the supported systems and minimum ONTAP release required to configure end-to-end encryption in a MetroCluster IP configuration:

Minimum ONTAP release	Supported systems
ONTAP 9.17.1	• AFF A800, AFF C800 • AFF A20, AFF A30, AFF C30, AFF A50, AFF C60 • AFF A70, AFF A90, AFF A1K, AFF C80 • FAS50, FAS70, FAS90
ONTAP 9.15.1	• AFF A400 • AFF C400 • FAS8300 • FAS8700

Enable end-to-end encryption

Perform the following steps to enable end-to-end encryption.

Steps

1. Verify the health of the MetroCluster configuration.
   a. Verify that the MetroCluster components are healthy:

      ```
      metrocluster check run
      ```

      ```
      cluster_A::*> metrocluster check run
      ```

      The operation runs in the background.

   b. After the `metrocluster check run` operation completes, run:

      ```
      metrocluster check show
      ```

      After approximately five minutes, the following results are displayed:

```
cluster_A:::*> metrocluster check show

Component           Result
------------------- ---------
nodes               ok
lifs                ok
config-replication  ok
aggregates          ok
clusters            ok
connections         ok
volumes             ok
7 entries were displayed.
```

c. Check the status of the running MetroCluster check operation:

```
metrocluster operation history show -job-id <id>
```

d. Verify that there are no health alerts:

```
system health alert show
```

2. Verify that external key management is configured on both clusters:

```
security key-manager external show-status
```

3. Enable end-to-end encryption for each DR group:

```
metrocluster modify -is-encryption-enabled true -dr-group-id
<dr_group_id>
```

Example

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster modify -is-encryption-enabled true -dr-group
-id 1
Warning: Enabling encryption for a DR Group will secure NVLog and
Storage
         replication data sent between MetroCluster nodes and have an
impact on
         performance. Do you want to continue? {y|n}: y
[Job 244] Job succeeded: Modify is successful.
```

Repeat this step for each DR group in the configuration.

4. Verify that end-to-end encryption is enabled:

```
metrocluster node show -fields is-encryption-enabled
```

Example

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster node show -fields is-encryption-enabled

dr-group-id cluster    node      configuration-state is-encryption-
enabled
----------- ---------- --------  ------------------- -----------------
1           cluster_A  node_A_1  configured          true
1           cluster_A  node_A_2  configured          true
1           cluster_B  node_B_1  configured          true
1           cluster_B  node_B_2  configured          true
4 entries were displayed.
```

Disable end-to-end encryption

Perform the following steps to disable end-to-end encryption.

Steps

1. Verify the health of the MetroCluster configuration.
   a. Verify that the MetroCluster components are healthy:

```
metrocluster check run
```

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster check run
```

   The operation runs in the background.

   b. After the `metrocluster check run` operation completes, run:

```
metrocluster check show
```

   After approximately five minutes, the following results are displayed:

```
cluster_A:::*> metrocluster check show

Component           Result
------------------- ---------
nodes               ok
lifs                ok
config-replication  ok
aggregates          ok
clusters            ok
connections         ok
volumes             ok
7 entries were displayed.
```

c. Check the status of the running MetroCluster check operation:

```
metrocluster operation history show -job-id <id>
```

d. Verify that there are no health alerts:

```
system health alert show
```

2. Verify that external key management is configured on both clusters:

```
security key-manager external show-status
```

3. Disable end-to-end encryption on each DR group:

```
metrocluster modify -is-encryption-enabled false -dr-group-id
<dr_group_id>
```

Example

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster modify -is-encryption-enabled false -dr-group
-id 1
[Job 244] Job succeeded: Modify is successful.
```

Repeat this step for each DR group in the configuration.

4. Verify that end-to-end encryption is disabled:

```
metrocluster node show -fields is-encryption-enabled
```

Example

```
cluster_A::*> metrocluster node show -fields is-encryption-enabled

dr-group-id cluster    node      configuration-state is-encryption-
enabled
----------- ---------- --------  ------------------- -----------------
1           cluster_A  node_A_1  configured          false
1           cluster_A  node_A_2  configured          false
1           cluster_B  node_B_1  configured          false
1           cluster_B  node_B_2  configured          false
4 entries were displayed.
```

Set up MetroCluster Tiebreaker or ONTAP Mediator for a MetroCluster IP configuration

You can download and install on a third site either the MetroCluster Tiebreaker software, or, beginning with ONTAP 9.7, the ONTAP Mediator.

Before you begin

You must have a Linux host available that has network connectivity to both clusters in the MetroCluster configuration. The specific requirements are in the MetroCluster Tiebreaker or ONTAP Mediator documentation.

If you are connecting to an existing Tiebreaker or ONTAP Mediator instance, you need the username, password, and IP address of the Tiebreaker or Mediator.

If you must install a new instance of the ONTAP Mediator, follow the directions to install and configure the software.

Configure ONTAP Mediator for unplanned automatic switchover

If you must install a new instance of the Tiebreaker software, follow the directions to install and configure the software.

About this task

You cannot use both the MetroCluster Tiebreaker software and the ONTAP Mediator with the same MetroCluster configuration.

Considerations for using ONTAP Mediator or MetroCluster Tiebreaker

Step

1. Configure ONTAP Mediator or the Tiebreaker software:
   - If you are using an existing instance of the ONTAP Mediator, add ONTAP Mediator to ONTAP:

```
metrocluster configuration-settings mediator add -mediator-address ip-address-of-mediator-host
```

- If you are using the Tiebreaker software, refer to the Tiebreaker documentation.

Backup cluster configuration files in a MetroCluster IP configuration

You can provide additional protection for the cluster configuration backup files by specifying a remote URL (either HTTP or FTP) where the configuration backup files will be uploaded in addition to the default locations in the local cluster.

Step

1. Set the URL of the remote destination for the configuration backup files:

```
system configuration backup settings modify URL-of-destination
```

The Cluster Management with the CLI contains additional information under the section *Managing configuration backups*.

Configure the MetroCluster software using System Manager

Set up a MetroCluster IP site with ONTAP System Manager

Beginning with ONTAP 9.8, you can use System Manager to set up a MetroCluster IP site.

A MetroCluster site consists of two clusters. Typically, the clusters are located in different geographical locations.

Before you begin

- Your system should already be installed and cabled according to the Installation and Setup Instructions that came with the system.
- Cluster network interfaces should be configured on each node of each cluster for intra-cluster communication.

Assign a node-management IP address

Windows System

You should connect your Windows computer to the same subnet as the controllers. This automatically assigns a node-management IP address to your system.

Steps

1. From the Windows system, open the **Network** drive to discover the nodes.
2. Double-click the node to launch the cluster setup wizard.

Other systems

You should configure the node-management IP address for one of the nodes in your cluster. You can use this node-management IP address to launch the cluster set up wizard.

See Creating the cluster on the first node for information about assigning a node-management IP address.

Initialize and configure the cluster

You initialize the cluster by setting an administrative password for the cluster and setting up the cluster management and node management networks. You can also configure services like a domain name server (DNS) to resolve host names and an NTP server to synchronize time.

Steps

1. On a web browser, enter the node-management IP address that you have configured: "https://node-management-IP"

   System Manager automatically discovers the remaining nodes in the cluster.

2. In the **Initialize Storage System** window, perform the following:
   a. Enter cluster management network configuration data.
   b. Enter Node management IP addresses for all the nodes.
   c. Provide DNS details.
   d. In the **Other** section, select the check box labeled **Use time service (NTP)** to add the time servers.

When you click **Submit**, wait for the cluster to be created and configured. Then, a validation process occurs.

What's Next?

After both clusters have been set up, initialized, and configured, perform the Set up MetroCluster IP peering procedure.

Configure ONTAP on a new cluster video

Set up MetroCluster IP peering with ONTAP System Manager

Beginning with ONTAP 9.8, you can manage MetroCluster IP configuration operations with System Manager. After setting up two clusters, you set up peering between them.

Before you begin

Set up two clusters. See the Set up a MetroCluster IP site procedure.

Certain steps of this process are performed by different system administrators located at the geographical sites of each cluster. For the purposes of explaining this process, the clusters are called "Site A cluster" and "Site B cluster".

Perform the peering process from Site A

This process is performed by a system administrator at Site A.

Steps

1. Log in to Site A cluster.
2. In System Manager, select **Dashboard** from the left navigation column to display the cluster overview.

   The dashboard shows the details for this cluster (Site A). In the **MetroCluster** section, Site A cluster is shown on the left.

3. Click **Attach Partner Cluster**.
4. Enter the details of the network interfaces that allow the nodes in Site A cluster to communicate with the nodes in Site B cluster.
5. Click **Save and Continue**.
6. On the **Attach Partner Cluster** window, select **I do not have a passphrase**. This lets you generate a passphrase.
7. Copy the generated passphrase and share it with the system administrator at Site B.
8. Select **Close**.

Perform the peering process from Site B

This process is performed by a system administrator at Site B.

Steps

1. Log in to Site B cluster.
2. In System Manager, select **Dashboard** to display the cluster overview.

   The dashboard shows the details for this cluster (Site B). In the MetroCluster section, Site B cluster is shown on the left.

3. Click **Attach Partner Cluster** to start the peering process.
4. Enter the details of the network interfaces that allow the nodes in Site B cluster to communicate with the nodes in Site A cluster.
5. Click **Save and Continue**.
6. On the **Attach Partner Cluster** window, select **I have a passphrase**. This lets you enter the passphrase that you received from the system administrator at Site A.

7. Select **Peer** to complete the peering process.

What's next?

After the peering process successfully completes, you configure the clusters. See Configure a MetroCluster IP site.

Configure a MetroCluster IP site with ONTAP System Manager

Beginning with ONTAP 9.8, you can manage MetroCluster IP configuration operations with System Manager. This involves setting up two clusters, performing cluster peering, and configuring the clusters.

Before you begin

Complete the following procedures:

- Set up a MetroCluster IP site
- Set up MetroCluster IP peering

Configure the connection between clusters

Steps

1. Log in to System Manager on one of the sites, and select **Dashboard**.

   In the **MetroCluster** section, the graphic shows the two clusters that you set up and peered for the MetroCluster sites. The cluster you are working from (local cluster) is shown on the left.

2. Click **Configure MetroCluster**. From this window, perform the following steps:
   a. The nodes for each cluster in the MetroCluster configuration are shown. Use the drop-down lists to select the nodes in the local cluster that will be disaster recovery partners with the nodes in the remote cluster.
   b. Click the check box if you want to configure ONTAP Mediator. See Configure ONTAP Mediator.
   c. If both clusters have a license to enable encryption, the **Encryption** section is displayed.

      To enable encryption, enter a passphrase.

   d. Click the check box if you want to configure MetroCluster with a shared layer 3 network.

      The HA partner nodes and network switches connecting to the nodes must have a matching configuration.

3. Click **Save** to configure the MetroCluster sites.

   On the **Dashboard**, in the **MetroCluster** section, the graphic shows a check mark on the link between the two clusters, indicating a healthy connection.

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