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1 SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide

With SAP HANA, you can analyze data at incredible speeds, for example, with scans of 1 billion rows per second per core and join performance of 10 million rows per second. However, such results are only possible if the system is monitored and performance issues are kept to a minimum.

This guide describes the measures you can take to identify and resolve specific performance issues and shows you how to enhance the performance of your SAP HANA database in the following areas:

- Host resources (CPU, memory, disk)
- Size and growth of data structures
- Transactional problems
- SQL statement performance
- Security, authorization, and licensing
- Configuration.

Prerequisites

- This guide assumes knowledge of the relevant functionality of the SAP HANA database (knowledge which can be gained from HANA training courses such as HA100, HA200).
- Access to the administration tool SAP HANA cockpit (or alternatively SAP HANA studio) is required.

Overview

Analyzing Generic Symptoms

This section of the troubleshooting guide helps you to find out about causes of generic problems such as:

- slow system-wide performance
- slow individual SQL statements
- frequent out-of-memory (OOM) situations

Furthermore, you are directed to sections of this guide that contain more specific root causes.

SAP Note references lead you to possible solutions.

[Analyzing Generic Symptoms \[page 8\]](#)

Root Causes & Solutions

In this section of the troubleshooting guide you find concrete root causes for problems together with possible solutions. Some of the areas covered are:

- Memory Problems
- CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions
- License Issues
- Statement Performance Analysis

You may find the SAP Notes very useful for solving your issue as they contain detailed explanations and step-by-step instructions, for example.

[Root Causes and Solutions \[page 58\]](#)

Tools and Tracing

This section of the troubleshooting guide presents monitoring tools which can be used for analyzing and tracing certain issues.

[Tools and Tracing \[page 221\]](#)

Apart from those more specific monitoring tools discussed here, there are important tools for administrators and developers in general:

- **SAP HANA cockpit**

→ Tip

For the documentation of the latest SAP HANA cockpit support package (SP), see https://help.sap.com/viewer/p/SAP_HANA_COCKPIT

- **SAP HANA database explorer**
[SAP HANA Database Explorer](#)

- **SQL analyzer**
[Analyzing Statement Performance](#)

- **Support Log Assistant**

The Support Log Assistant is a tool that allows you to automatically scan and analyze text files such as logs, configuration files or traces. The tool will then suggest solutions to known issues found in the files and highlight important details that it finds. The tool is integrated into the incident logging procedure and is also available as a standalone tool; the following link is to a Support Portal getting started page which also gives direct access to the Support Log Assistant.

[Support Log Assistant](#) 



Alerts

Alert checkers run in the background and you are notified in case of potentially critical situations arising in your system. In the SAP HANA cockpit, you can easily see in which areas you might need to take some action.

[Alerts Reference \[page 291\]](#)

SAP Notes

SAP Notes are used to give detailed supplementary customer support information in addition to the formal set of published documents. This troubleshooting guide includes many references to relevant SAP Notes. The Alerts reference section, for example, gives links to corresponding notes for each system alert. Some other FAQ-format SAP Notes which you may find useful are listed here:

- SAP Note [2000003](#)  - FAQ: SAP HANA
- SAP Note [1999997](#)  - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory

- SAP Note [2186744](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Parameters

Guided Answers

Guided Answers is an interactive online support tool to help users to diagnose and solve problems using decision trees. It covers many SAP products including SAP HANA and offers a set of step-by-step problem-solving online documents each one designed to address a specific topic. Guided Answers is available in the SAP Support portal at the following address:

<https://ga.support.sap.com/dtp/viewer/>

This troubleshooting guide includes links to specific trees where relevant. The following tree is a general high-level troubleshooting tree for SAP HANA:

<https://gad5158842f.us2.hana.ondemand.com/dtp/viewer/#/tree/1623/actions/21021>

Further Resources

The following **SAP HANA documents** are important resources for working with SAP HANA and are often referred to in this guide:

- [SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)
- [SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference](#)

In particular, the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* gives general details on using the administration tools SAP HANA cockpit and SAP HANA studio.

There is a central online portal for a variety of support resources for SAP products which is available from the [SAP ONE Support Launchpad > Software Downloads](#): <https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/softwarecenter>

In the **SAP Community Network (SCN)** you can find many support resources online including wikis, blogs, reference materials and so on. This SCN wiki page, for example, provides links to many specialist topics: [SAP HANA In-Memory Troubleshooting Guide](#).

Both **SAP HANA Academy** and **SAP Support** offer YouTube channels with a wide range of support materials in video format:

- <https://www.youtube.com/user/saphanaacademy>
- <http://www.youtube.com/user/SAPSupportInfo>

2 Analyzing Generic Symptoms

The purpose of this section of the document is to help you to find the probable root cause of some generic problems and refer you to more detailed sections of the SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide to proceed with your analysis.

Performance issues may be difficult to diagnose; problems may be rooted in a number of seemingly unrelated components. Checking for system alerts is a good starting point if you experience any trouble with your SAP HANA system. If the system issues an alert, refer to the *Reference: Alerts* section to find the part of this guide, an SAP Note or Knowledge Base Article which addresses the problem.

However, alerts are configurable (see *Memory Problems* for information on configuring alerts) and do not cover all aspects of the system, problems can still occur without triggering an alert. This section therefore describes some generic symptoms which you may observe and helps you to analyze the underlying problem.

Related Information

[Memory Problems \[page 58\]](#)

[Alerts Reference \[page 291\]](#)

2.1 Using the SQL Statement Collection for Analysis and Health Checks

A collection of predefined customizable statements is available for checking the database.

An extensive SQL statement collection is available for analyzing the SAP HANA database, this can be used to examine specific problems or for routine monitoring. Several scripts are referred to in this Troubleshooting Guide but a general starting point for system analysis is to check the overall health of the SAP HANA database by running the script *HANA_Configuration_MiniChecks* as illustrated below.

Many of the statements are version specific you must therefore choose the correct version of the script for the version and database revision of SAP HANA you are running. Where relevant, the scripts contain sections which can be easily customized to enter your own parameter values, these are marked with the comment `/* Modification section */`, for example:

```
( SELECT                                /* Modification section */
  '%' HOST,
  '%' PORT,
  '%' OBJECT_TYPE, ...
)
```

The script collection is attached to the SAP Note *1969700 SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*.

Script HANA_Configuration_MiniChecks

The output of the *HANA_Configuration_MiniChecks* script is illustrated here; the output report gives an overview of the overall health of the SAP HANA database. The report covers various aspects of the system including Memory, CPU, I/O, locks and other issues that may cause a performance problem. If a potentially critical issue is found the column 'C' is marked with an 'X'. The last column of the report references relevant SAP notes or Knowledge Base Articles that will help you to resolve the issues.

	CHID	DESCRIPTION	HOST	VALUE	EXPECTED_VALUE	C	SAP_NOTE
1	****	SAP HANA MINI CHECKS					1999993
2							
3	M0009	Mini check version		2.00.010+ / 2.1.63 (2019/10/05)			
4	M0010	Analysis date		2019/11/25 15:56:21 (UTC)			
5	M0011	Database name		M22			
6	M0012	Revision level		24.08	>= 0.00		2378962
7	M0013	Version		2.0			2378962
8	M0110	Everything started		yes	yes		2177064
9	M0111	Host startup time variation (s)		0	<= 600		2177064
10	M0115	Service startup time variation (s)	mo-...	163086	<= 600	X	2177064
11							
12	****	OPERATING SYSTEM					
13							
14	M0207	Recommended bigmem kernel flavor not used		no	no		2240716
15	M0208	Supported operating system	mo-...	yes	yes		2235581
16	M0209	Recommended operating system kernel version	mo-...	no (3.12.62-60.64.8-default instead of >= 60.64.40)	yes	X	2235581
17	M0211	Hosts with varying CPU rates		no	no		2235581
18	M0215	Hosts with outdated CPU type		1	0	X	2399995
19	M0222	Time since CPU utilization > 95 % (h)		never	>= 12.00		2100040
20	M0227	External CPU utilization (% last hour)	mo-...	4	<= 10		2100040
21	M0228	Erroneous system CPU calculation	mo-...	no	no		2222110
22	M0232	Hypervthreading active in critical context		no	no		2711650

Example Output of the Configuration_MiniChecks Script

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

2.2 Handling SQL Errors

Errors generated when executing SQL statements are identified by a code number which may be helpful to find an explanation and solution to the problem.

This section gives some recommended solutions to help solve problems related to SQL errors. The topic which follows 'SQL Error Reference' is a table of error codes which includes links to other sources of information for many of the most frequently occurring errors.

Error messages returned when executing SQL statements are identified by a number, type and description, for example:

```
ERROR [SQL-608] exceed maximum number of prepared statements
```

There are currently over 5700 SQL errors; all error codes and types are listed in the monitoring view M_ERROR_CODES. To get a complete list of errors and their descriptions you can execute the following query:

```
SELECT * FROM M_ERROR_CODES ORDER BY CODE ASC;
```

All SQL error messages are also listed in the help topic 'SQL Error Codes' in the *SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide for SAP HANA Platform* (link in Related Information below).

Knowledge Base Search

You can search for existing support documentation on a specific error in the SAP HANA Support Knowledge Base and the SAP Support community (see links in Related Information below). For example, the search results for the description of the SQL-608 error given above includes references to many *HAN-DB (SAP HANA Database)* knowledge base articles such as:

- 2464140 - Longer running realtime replication may provide errors like "exceed maximum number of prepared statements"
- 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations

SQL errors may also be related to third party SAP tools, middleware or application clients that use HANA, and information may therefore be available under other component IDs (not only 'HAN-DB*'). The following error, for example, may occur in the context of 'SAP Access Control 12.0' between SPRO and HANA:

```
ERROR_CODE : 4.229 - ERR_PROVIDER_INVALID_PROVIDER_NAME - 'Invalid provider name'
```

The following KBA (under the component *Access Request GRC-SAC-ARQ*) may be relevant but may not be immediately visible in the search results:

- 3002042 - Invalid provider name: 'SAP_PI_GRC'. 'Create_User': line xx col xx (at pos xx): line x col xx (at pos xx)

If no solution can be found you may need to open a support ticket under the HAN-DB* component with the example system trace files, logs and screenshots of the error(s) for further analysis.

Search Trace Files

You can also search the HANA service trace and service alert files (see also 'Analyzing SQL Traces') for example: 'indexserver_saphana01.30003.024.trc', 'indexserver_alert_saphana01.trc'.

For errors in BW on HANA, the values of the following transaction codes may also be helpful:

- The ABAP Dumps in transaction code ST22
- The work process trace entry from transaction code ST11

The following articles may also be helpful when analyzing trace files:

- 2194685 - How to find work process trace for SM21 System Log or ST22 dump
- 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
- 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments

Related Information

[SQL Error Codes \(SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide\)](#)

[SQL Error Reference \[page 11\]](#)

[Analyzing SQL Traces \[page 228\]](#)

[SAP HANA Support Knowledge Base](#)

Links to Knowledge Base Articles :

[SAP Note 2194685 - How to find work process trace for SM21 System Log or ST22 dump](#)

[SAP Note 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace](#)

[SAP Note 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments](#)

[SAP Note 2464140 - Longer running realtime replication may provide errors like "exceed maximum number of prepared statements"](#)

[SAP Note 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations](#)

[SAP Note 3002042 - Invalid provider name: 'SAP_PI_GRC'. 'Create_User': line xx col xx \(at pos xx\): line x col xx \(at pos xx\)](#)

2.2.1 SQL Error Reference

The following reference table provides links to sources of troubleshooting information for many frequently occurring SQL errors.

Additional information references for some many SQL errors are provided here where helpful support information is available.

Code	Type	Description	More information
4	FATAL_OUT_OF_MEMORY	Cannot allocate enough memory	This error indicates an out-of-memory (OOM) situation. KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory
8	ERR_INV_ARGUMENT	Invalid argument	3104969 - DBSQL_SEMREQ_ERROR . 22 Invalid argument. (Internal KBA)
10	ERR_AUTHENTICATION_FAILED	Authentication failed	This error indicates a failure during user authentication See KBA 2399990 See section '11. How can tracing be activated for

Code	Type	Description	More information
			security topics like authorization, authentication and login?' 2159014 - FAQ: SAP HANA Security
11	ERR_INV_STATE	Invalid state	2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments.
12	ERR_FILE_OPEN_FAILED	Cannot open file	Issue with a backup file in the backup catalog or a data / redo log file in the persistence directory on the HANA data and log volumes. Check the underlying HANA services that use persistence and their trace files for more information on the error.
15	ERR_FILE_NOT_FOUND	Cannot find file	Typically an issue with a third party backup tool: 2801380 - ERROR: [110063] The backup destination header is corrupt 2541007 - Not able to restore database from Symantec NetBackup if the backup file name contains square brackets
18	ERR_SERVICE_SHUTDOWN	Service shutting down	Indicates that a HANA service has been sent a shutdown command either manually from <sid>adm, or a parent process like the sapstart service, daemon or nameserver. Check the HANA service trace files for the events leading up to the error.

Code	Type	Description	More information
19	ERR_INV_LICENSE	Invalid license	19: invalid license' is described in more detail in SAP KBA 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
20	ERR_CON_OUTSIDE_VALIDITY_PERIOD	Connect attempt outside user's validity period	Connect attempt outside user's validity period' is described in more detail in SAP KBA 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
21	ERR_PERSISTENCE	Persistence error	Persistence error' is described in more detail in SAP KBA 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
128	ERR_TX	Transaction error	SQL error 128: transaction error: exceed maximum number of transactions' is described in further detail in KBA: 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations
129	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK	Transaction rolled back by an internal error	This is a quite generic message that something went wrong and the transaction had to be rolled back. Check the HANA service trace files for related detailed error messages.
131	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK_LOCK_TIMEOUT	Transaction rolled back by lock wait timeout	SAP KBAs: 3066406 - SQL code: 131" occurred while accessing table 1999998 - FAQ: SAP

Code	Type	Description	More information
			HANA Lock Analysis 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
132	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK_RESOURCE	Transaction rolled back due to unavailable resource	SAP KBAs: 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations
133	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK_DEADLOCK	Transaction rolled back by detected deadlock	This type of short dump indicates a deadlock, so a cross-wise transactional lock. In most cases deadlocks are caused by inadequate application coding that results in risk of cross-wise locking of different transactions. See 1999998 - FAQ: SAP HANA Lock Analysis
138	ERR_TX_SERIALIZATION	Transaction serialization failure	This error indicates that a retry for a database request was triggered, but the request is not retrievable. This trace error can be linked to "138: transaction serialization failure: Serialization failure" errors observed on client side (SAP KBA 2399990)
139	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK_QUERY_CANCEL	Current operation canceled by request and transaction rolled back	SAP Note 2931813 - Memory Related Error or Warning Trace Messages when Cancelling a Query

Code	Type	Description	More information
142	ERR_TX_EXCEED_MAX_TX_NUM	Exceed max num of concurrent transactions	This error is generated if the limit of configured external connections is reached. See SAP KBAs: 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations 1910159 - How to handle HANA Alert 25: 'Check number of connections'
144	ERR_TX_ROLLBACK_UNIQUE_VIOLATED	Transaction rollback unique constraint violated	See '19. Which error messages exist in the context of indexes?' 2160391 - FAQ: SAP HANA Indexes
145	ERR_TX_DIST_FAILURE	Transaction distribution work failure	Multiple , generic causes. See KBAs: 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
146	ERR_TX_LOCK_ACQUISITION_FAIL	Resource busy and NOWAIT specified	This error indicates that an operation is performed with a NOWAIT option and so it terminates immediately in case the transactional object or record lock can't be acquired. See KBAs for more information: 1999998 - FAQ: SAP HANA Lock Analysis 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
149	ERR_TX_DIST_2PC_FAILURE	Distributed transaction commit failure	This error indicates major problems on server side,

Code	Type	Description	More information
			so the SAP HANA database should be investigated.
154	ERR_TX_INDEX_HANDLE_A CQUISITION_FAIL	failure in acquiring index handle	This error indicates an index handle contention issue (SAP Note 1999998 ) accessing a monitoring view like M_CS_NSE_ADVISOR. SAP Note - 3125519  - Querying M_CS_NSE_ADVISOR Might Fail and Not Produce Any Recommendation
256	ERR_SQL	sql processing error	[256]: sql processing error:' is a generic error and needs further investigation via the HANA service traces. 2073630  - DBIF_RSQSQL_ERROR SQL error 256 when access table 2380176  - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
257	ERR_SQL_PARSE	sql syntax error	This error indicates a wrong syntax and you need to check the related SQL statement for correctness. In rare cases the issue can also be a consequence of problems on lower layers (infrastructure / hardware) erroneously modifying SQL statement strings. SAP KBA 2399990  - How-To: Analyzing ABAP

Code	Type	Description	More information
			Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
258	ERR_SQL_INSUFF_PRIV	insufficient privilege	<p>Authorization / permission problems. This termination indicates missing privileges. Make sure that proper roles and privileges are assigned.</p> <p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p> <p>2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace</p> <p>2159014 - FAQ: SAP HANA Security</p>
259	ERR_SQL_INV_TABLE	invalid table name	<p>This error indicates that the table or view <object> isn't found.</p> <p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p>
260	ERR_SQL_INV_COLUMN	invalid column name	<p>This error indicates that column <column> doesn't exist in table <table> and so the database operation <op> (e.g. 'INS' for INSERT) fails.</p> <p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p>
261	ERR_SQL_INV_INDEX	invalid index name	<p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p> <p>2142945 - FAQ: SAP HANA Hints</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			2800008 - FAQ: SAP HANA Fulltext Indexes
262	ERR_SQL_INV_QUERY	invalid query name	ODBC_SQL* queries are built-in database queries (installed when the SAP HANA database is created) that are used for certain ODBC driver related actions, e.g. ODBC_SQL_COLUMNS for retrieving column metadata. The error indicates that the query isn't available. Check why it is missing or not properly accessible.
264	ERR_SQL_INV_DATATYPE	invalid datatype	21. Are there restrictions in processing LOB columns? 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs 2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes 2765864 - Update Statement Fails With Error "invalid datatype: \$rowid\$ of invalid data types"
266	ERR_SQL_INCNST_DATATYPE	inconsistent datatype	2486755 - "inconsistent datatype: lob type comparison" when selecting from a column with type TEXT - HANA DB 2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes

Code	Type	Description	More information
268	ERR_SQL_AMBG_COLUMN	column ambiguously defined	2695943 - SQL failed with error "column ambiguously defined" 2552712 - The Error "column ambiguously defined" May Occur When a Statement is Executed
269	ERR_SQL_MANY_VALUES	too many values	This error indicates that a database operation is executed with a wrong number of arguments, e.g.: SAP KBA 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
270	ERR_SQL_FEW_VALUES	not enough values	This error indicates that a database operation is executed with a wrong number of arguments, e.g.: SAP KBA 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
274	ERR_SQL_INS_LARGE_VAL UE	inserted value too large for column	This error indicates that a value was inserted in a column that is larger than the maximum column value size, e.g.: 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace 2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes 3018823 - Inserted Value Too Large For

Code	Type	Description	More information
			Column 2725050 - SqlScript Execution Fails With "[274]: inserted value too large for column"
286	ERR_SQL_LONG_IDENTIFIER	identifier is too long	Identifier are names for SAP HANA objects like table, column or user. 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations 2170441 - Query on SDA object fails with Error "ORA-00972: identifier is too long"
287	ERR_SQL_NOT_NULL	cannot insert NULL or update to NULL	This error happens when a NULL value is inserted into a column that doesn't allow NULL values, e.g. because of a NOT NULL or primary key constraint. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
288	ERR_SQL_EXST_TABLE	cannot use duplicate table name	2800007 - FAQ: SAP HANA Temporary Tables 2562930 - SAP HANA Local Temporary Table existence boundaries
292	ERR_SQL_FEW_ARGUMENT	wrong number of arguments	This error indicates that a database operation is executed with a wrong number of arguments, e.g.: 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short

Code	Type	Description	More information
			Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
293	ERR_SQL_INV_ARGUMENT	argument type mismatch	<p>Can occur during catalog consistency checks and during HAN service removal from the topology:</p> <p>2116157 - FAQ: SAP HANA Consistency Checks and Corruptions</p> <p>2342394 - Unable to remove additional index server</p> <p>2504698 - Removing additional indexserver services fails with error on a SAP HANA system</p>
301	ERR_SQL_UNIQUE_VIOLATED	unique constraint violated	<p>This error indicates that a modification isn't possible because the key already exists. Check the existing unique and primary keys and make sure that duplicates aren't processed.</p> <p>2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace</p> <p>2572224 - How-To: Repairing SAP HANA Tables</p> <p>2160391 - FAQ: SAP HANA Indexes</p>
302	ERR_SQL_INV_CHAR_VAL	invalid CHAR or VARCHAR value	<p>This error indicates a wrong character encoding and is typically caused by a data corruption. See SAP Note 2116157 in order to check the consistency of the database (with a particular focus on the table returning the error)</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			and take appropriate actions to repair inconsistencies.
303	ERR_SQL_INV_DATETIME_VAL	"invalid DATE TIME or TIMESTAMP value"	<p>This error indicates that a value <value> can't be parsed as date, time or timestamp. This problem can be caused by wrong data in underlying tables or inadequate application design.</p> <p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p> <p>2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace</p> <p>2361364 - [303]: invalid DATE, TIME or TIMESTAMP value: search table error: [6931] attribute value is not a date or wrong syntax</p>
304	ERR_SQL_DIV_BY_ZERO	division by zero undefined	<p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p> <p>2945199 - search table error: [6859] AttributeEngine: divide by zero</p> <p>2548692 - Alert in HANA Studio '[3] 304 division by zero undefined: search table error: [6859] AttributeEngine: divide by zero'</p>
305	ERR_SQL_SINGLE_ROW	single-row query returns more than one row	<p>This termination indicates that more than 1 record is returned although only a single row can be used. It</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			is typically caused by a coding error on application side. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
306	ERR_SQL_INV_CURSOR	invalid cursor	These termination indicates a lack of memory on SAP HANA server side. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
307	ERR_SQL_NUM_OUT_OF_RANGE	numeric value out of range	This termination indicates an overflow while processing decimal numbers. Adjust the application, data or column precision in order to make sure that overflows no longer happen. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
308	ERR_SQL_EXST_COLUMN	column name already exists	A CREATE or ALTER statement processing an existing table column may encounter this during a DDL operation.
310	ERR_SQL_IN_PROC	sql error in procedure	2647960 - Checks after phase MAIN_NEWBAS/ JOB_RS_DMO_HDB_CON

Code	Type	Description	More information
			TENT_ACTIVATE were negative for Delivery Unit A2EESNHI_DELIVERY_UNIT
311	ERR_SQL_DROP_ALL_COLUMNS	cannot drop all columns in a table	Restriction for issuing a DROP command for all columns in a database table
313	ERR_SQL_INV_SEQ	invalid sequence	6. Which problems exist in context of sequences?' 2600095 - FAQ: SAP HANA Sequences
314	ERR_SQL_OVERFLOW_NUMERIC	numeric overflow	This error is returned if you use a higher number precision than defined for the column. Either reduce the precision on application side or increase the precision in the database. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
320	ERR_SQL_LOB_INDEX	cannot create index on expression with datatype LOB	21. Are there restrictions in processing LOB columns?' 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs
324	ERR_SQL_EXST_SEQ	cannot use duplicate sequence name	2134323 - Nesting error in SQLRUN_ISU_TRIGGERS: maximum depth 8
325	ERR_SQL_ESC_SEQ	invalid escape sequence	2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments

Code	Type	Description	More information
328	ERR_SQL_INV_FUNC_PROC	invalid name of function or procedure	<p>This error indicates that an object (e.g. table) accessed in a database request doesn't exist. Make sure that the application only accesses objects that exist on SAP HANA level.</p> <p>2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments</p> <p>2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace</p>
332	ERR_SQL_INV_USER	invalid user name	<p>2433879 - Restricted User getting "Invalid User Name/Password"</p> <p>2354866 - "Could Not Save the Connection Data; Invalid User Name or Password"</p> <p>2506777 - Unable to login after resetting the SYSTEM user's password for HANA</p> <p>2538907 - Error "Logon to SAP System Host failed" when using updated password to log on HANA system</p> <p>2764976 - 10: authentication failed: ERR_AUTHENTICATION_FAILED SQLSTATE: 28000</p>
338	ERR_SQL_ZERO_LEN_NOT_ALLOWED	zero-length columns are not allowed	<p>HANA does not support zero-length columns.</p> <p>2674281 - Error "SAP DBTech JDBC: [338]: zero-length columns are not allowed:"</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
339	ERR_SQL_INV_NUMBER	invalid number	This termination indicates that a number was expected but something else was found. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2972659 - Reason for error "339: invalid number"
340	ERR_SQL_VAR_NOT_BOUND	not all variables bound	This termination indicates an issue with bind variable processing. See SAP Note 2380176 -> "unbound parameter: <cnt> of <total>, <cnt> out of <total_batch> batches" for more details. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace
348	ERR_SQL_INV_DATETIME_FORMAT	invalid datetime format	2271717 - SAP HANA SDA: Error executing query [Oracle] [ODBC]Invalid datetime format. 2933606 - SDA Oracle Remote Query Fails With [Oracle][ODBC]Invalid datetime format
349	ERR_SQL_CREATE_UNIQUE_INDEX	cannot CREATE UNIQUE INDEX; duplicate key found	2838779 - Error "duplicate key found" when trying to recreate a missing primary index
359	ERR_SQL_STR_LENGTH_TOO_LARGE	string is too long	2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA

Code	Type	Description	More information
			<p>Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace 2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations 2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes</p>
361	ERR_SQL_VIEW_UPDATE_VI OLATION	data manipulation operation not legal on this view	<p>2738610 - How to truncate or delete rows from sys.table_placement - SAP HANA 2638028 - Behavior Correction of Invalid Updatable View Creation</p>
362	ERR_SQL_INV_SCHEMA	invalid schema name	<p>This error indicates that the specified schema name is invalid. Make sure that you specify an existing schema name and that you are authorized to access the schema. 2535951 - FAQ: SAP HANA Users and Schemas 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace</p>
378	ERR_SQL_INV_COLUMN_VI EW	invalid column view	<p>This error is known in the context of BW tables: 2134076 - Report RS_BW_POST_MIGRATION failing after migrating to the SAP HANA database 2315758 - Error 2048</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			creation of column view failed when executing report RSDDDB_LOGINDEX_CREATE 2114556 - Error 2999 has occurred in the BWA/SAP HANA server
382	ERR_SQL_COLLECT_ALL_VERSIONS	fail to collect all version garbage	Indicates blocked garbage collection issues. See KBA 2169283 - FAQ: SAP HANA Garbage Collection
383	ERR_SQL_INV_IDENTIFIER	invalid identifier	This error indicates that a wrong identifier was used. Check the related SQL statement for correctness. 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2572224 - How-To: Repairing SAP HANA Tables 2160391 - FAQ: SAP HANA Indexes 2606638 - How to deal with error "invalid identifier: _sys_ prefix not allowed" 2728304 - "ALTER SEQUENCE" command fails with error: "invalid identifier: _sys_ prefix not allowed"
384	ERR_SQL_TOO_LONG_CONSTANT	string is too long	2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace

Code	Type	Description	More information
			2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations 2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes
391	ERR_SQL_INV_USABLE_VIEW	invalidated view	<p>This error indicates that the view <view> is invalid. This can e.g. happen if the definition of an underlying object changed or an object was dropped. You have to make sure that the view is consistent and valid or avoid accesses / drop the view.</p> 2985592 - Database returned the SQL code 391. Error text: invalidated view
396	ERR_SQL_EXST_USER_DEFINED_TYPE	cannot use duplicate user-defined type name	2223237 - Troubleshooting HANA Embedded Statistics Server Migration - decision tree 2122188 - ESS disabled due to duplicate creation of TT_MAIL_COLLECTOR
397	ERR_SQL_INV_OBJ_NAME	invalid object name	<p>This error indicates that an object isn't found with the specified name (and schema).</p> 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2380176 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Trace

Code	Type	Description	More information
398	ERR_SQL_MANY_ORDER_BY	cannot have more than one order by	Only one ORDER BY clause is allowed in a statement
402	ERR_SQL_DROPPED_USER	the user was already dropped before query execution	2819401 - Errors Related to the _SYS_XB User and Schema When Running the SAP HANA System Migration Tool to Migrate From SAP HANA 1.0 to SAP HANA 2.0 on IBM Power
403	ERR_SQL_INTERNAL_ERROR	internal error	Generic preamble. Check the HANA service traces and ABAP dump traces for further information on the error.
406	ERR_SQL_CANT_UPDATE_GENERATED_COL	"INSERT UPDATE and UPSERT are disallowed on the generated field"	3070791 - INSERT, UPDATE and UPSERT are disallowed on the generated field
410	ERR_SQL_INV_PRIVILEGE_NAMESPACE	invalid privilege namespace	2428863 - Unable to view any package inside Content Folder of HANA Studio
411	ERR_SQL_INV_TABLE_TYPE	invalid table type	2280915 - CREATE procedure gives error "258 - insufficient privilege: Not authorized error".
412	ERR_SQL_INV_PASSWORD_LAYOUT	invalid password layout	2895515 - Mismatch password_layout error occurred in HANA.
414	ERR_SQL_ALTER_PASSWORD_NEEDED	user is forced to change password	Provide a new password for <user> or disable the password life time if it isn't required (e.g. because it is a pure

Code	Type	Description	More information
			<p>technical user): 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments 2137351 - Error: 414 user is forced to change password for SAPDBCTRL (or SAPHANADBSHD) 2386570 - SAP DBTech JDBC: [591]: internal error: internal error: user is forced to change password 2136604 - Error Installing PO on a SAP HANA Multi-tenant Database</p>
415	ERR_SQL_USER_DEACTIVATED	user is deactivated	<p>2574644 - SAP HANA database user is deactivated 2452650 - User password expired with maximum_unused_initial_password_lifetime set at shot time 2681997 - You have reached maximum number of invalid password entry attempts. User is locked until ... 3066561 - Parameter detailed_error_on_connect controls what messages are returned during error connect attempt</p>
416	ERR_SQL_USER_LOCKED	user is locked; try again later	<p>This error is typically caused because the maximum number of invalid connect attempts has been reached. It is</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			controlled by the following SAP HANA parameter: indexserver.ini -> [password policy] -> maximum_invalid_connection_attempts (default: 6) 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
420	ERR_SQL_ALTER_PASSWORD_NOT_ALLOWED	password change currently not allowed	2765239 - Password change currently not allowed: minimal password lifetime is x days.
423	ERR_SQL_LVC	AFL error	Multiple causes, review KBA 2399990 - How-To: Analyzing ABAP Short Dumps in SAP HANA Environments
424	ERR_SQL_INV_PACKAGE	invalid name of package	1891017 - Grant Repository Access to Root Package in SAP HANA Studio
430	ERR_SQL_INV_USABLE_PROC	invalidated procedure	2935599 - SQL error 430 (invalidated procedure) 2196359 - Limitations for cross-database access in an SAP HANA MDC environment
431	WRN_SQL_NEARLY_EXPIRE_PASSWORD	user's password will expire within few days	1752349 - DB connection fails with SQL error 431 - user's password will expire within few days 1702224 - Disable password lifetime for technical users

Code	Type	Description	More information
435	ERR_SQL_INV_EXP	invalid expression	2222219 - SAP HANA Errors and different Results due to Design Changes 2044468 - FAQ: SAP HANA Partitioning
436	ERR_SQL_SET_SYSTEM_LICENSE	could not set system license	2263579 - "could not set system license: 5503: nameserver failed to process the request" error during HANA license key installation 2311999 - Permanent license import failed via HDBSQL 2772760 - Unable to apply the permanent license to SYSTEMDB
437	ERR_SQL_ONLY_LICENSE_HANDLING	only commands for license handling are allowed in current state	2728984 - System Has No Valid License. Execute failed (437) - Instance is registered with permanent license 2781578 - "License Expired" error when enabling HDI container in MDC HANA environments 2670267 - Error: Get server node failed on connection 0: rc=437
440	ERR_SQL_TABLE_TYPE_CONVERSION_ERROR	table type conversion error	2397189 - SAP DBTech JDBC: [440]: Table Type Conversion Error During SUM Upgrade in The Phase MAIN_SHDIMP/PARMVNT_SHD
442	ERR_SQL_MAX_NUM_COLUMNS	number of columns exceeds its maximum	2154870 - How-To: Understanding and defining SAP HANA Limitations

Code	Type	Description	More information
444	ERR_SQL_PACKMAN	package manager error	2936298 - SAP HANA External Machine Learning Library 2.0 requires libssl 1.0.x
446	ERR_SQL_EXST_TRIGGER	cannot use duplicate trigger name	2911708 - ERROR [SQL-301] unique constraint violated: Table(STATISTICS_PROPERTIES)
447	ERR_SQL_BACKUP_FAILED	backup could not be completed	<p>backup could not be completed:' is a preamble to the actual root cause for the error. Please check the HANA service trace files for more information on the error.</p> <p>Example scenarios:</p> <p>2472144 - HANA Backup Using Backint fails with the error: [447] backup could not be completed, [110203] Not all data could be written</p> <p>2500531 - Error "ERROR BACKUP SAVE DATA terminated with error: [447] backup could not be completed, [2000004] Can not open file" when doing a backup</p> <p>2399786 - Backup could not be completed: Error calling io_setup</p> <p>2623425 - Backup could not be completed</p> <p>2310262 - Error [110026] - Backup could not be completed on HANA</p> <p>2723171 - [447] backup could not be completed,</p>

Code	Type	Description	More information
			[3000116] Could not acquire savepoint lock
448	ERR_SQL_RECOVERY_FAILED	recovery could not be completed	recovery could not be completed: ' is a preamble to the actual root cause for the error. Please check the HANA service trace files for more information on the error. Example scenarios: 2728068 - HANA Point in time recovery fails - [448] recovery could not be completed 2688972 - Recovery Error: [448] recovery could not be completed, [110021] Object O with the value 1024 does not exist - SAP HANA
449	ERR_SQL_RECOVERY_STRATEGY	recovery strategy could not be determined	recovery strategy could not be determined: ' is a preamble to the actual root cause for the error. Please check the HANA service trace files for more information on the error. Example scenarios: 2123153 - [449] recovery strategy could not be determined [110512] Backint during HANA Recovery 2610577 - Backup destination header is corrupt [110063] 2736164 - recovery strategy could not be determined - BK11214E: TSM Error for session to server

2.3 Performance and High Resource Utilization

By observing the general symptoms shown by the system such as poor performance, high memory usage, paging or column store unloads we can start to narrow down the possible causes as a first step in analyzing the issue.

High Memory Consumption

You observe that the amount of memory allocated by the SAP HANA database is higher than expected. The following alerts indicate issues with high memory usage:

- Memory usage of name server (Alert 12)
- Total memory usage of Column Store tables (Alert 40)
- Memory usage of services (Alert 43)
- Memory usage of main storage of Column Store tables (Alert 45)
- Runtime dump files (Alert 46)

See the section *Memory Problems* for information on analyzing the root cause.

Out-of-Memory Situations

You observe trace files or error messages indicating an Out-of-Memory (OOM) situation.

See the section *Memory Problems* for information on analyzing the root cause.

Paging on Operating System Level

You observe that paging is reported on operating system level.

See the section *Memory Problems* for information on analyzing the root cause.

Column Store Unloads

You observe unloads in the column store. The following alerts indicate issues with high memory usage:

- Column store unloads (Alert 55)

See the section *Memory Problems* for information on analyzing the root cause.

Permanently Slow System

Issues with overall system performance can be caused by a number of very different root causes. Typical reasons for a slow system are resource shortages of CPU, memory, disk I/O and, for distributed systems, network performance.

Check [► Overview](#) [► Monitoring and Administration](#) [► Performance Monitor](#) [►](#) for either *Memory*, *CPU* or *Disk Usage*. If you see a constant high usage of memory or CPU, proceed with the linked sections *Memory Problems* or *CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions* respectively. *I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions* provides ways to check for disk I/O related problems. In case of network performance issues, have a look at the *Monitor Network* page accessible from the *Monitoring* group in the SAP HANA cockpit.

Note that operating system tools can also provide valuable information on disk I/O load. Basic network I/O data is included in the Load graph and in the M_SERVICE_NETWORK_IO system view, but standard network analysis tools can also be helpful to determine whether the network is the main bottleneck. If performance issues only appear sporadically, the problem may be related to other tasks running on the database at the same time.

These include not only maintenance related tasks such as savepoints (disk I/O, see *I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions*) or remote replication (network I/O), but also SQL statements dispatched by other users, which can block a lot of resources. In the case of memory, this can lead to unloads of tables, which affects future SQL statements, when a table has to be reloaded into memory. In this case, see *Memory Problems* as well. Another reason for poor performance, which in many cases cannot be detected by the SAP HANA instance itself, are other processes running on the same host that are not related to SAP HANA. You can use the operating system tools to check for such processes. Note that SAP only supports production systems running on validated hardware.

Slow Individual SQL Statements or with Increasingly Long Runtimes

Issues with the performance of a particular statement can be caused by a number of very different root causes. In principle, a statement can trigger all the resource problems that also lead to an overall slowdown of the system, so most of the previous information also applies to statement performance. In addition, statement performance can suffer from transactional problems, that is, blocked transactions. Blocked transactions can be checked in the *Threads* tile or on the *Blocked Transactions* page accessible from the *Monitoring* group. For troubleshooting, proceed with *Transaction Problems*.

If the runtime of a statement increases steadily over time, there could be an issue with the delta merge operation. Alerts should be issued for most problems occurring with the delta merge, but since they depend on configurable thresholds, this is not always the case. For troubleshooting, proceed with *Delta Merge*. If you have none of the above problems, but the statement is still too slow, a detailed *Statement Performance Analysis* might reveal ways to optimize the statement. However, some queries are inherently complex and require a lot of computational resources and time.

Related Information

[Memory Problems \[page 58\]](#)

[CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions \[page 75\]](#)

[Disk Related Root Causes and Solutions \[page 99\]](#)

[I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions \[page 106\]](#)

[M_SERVICE_NETWORK_IO](#)

[Transactional Problems \[page 157\]](#)

[Delta Merge \[page 119\]](#)

[Statement Performance Analysis \[page 167\]](#)

2.4 Common Symptoms and Troubleshooting

Typical symptoms and the related troubleshooting information are described in this section.

System-side slow performance, slow individual statement performance, and OOM problems are issues that you might experience while using the SAP HANA database. For each section, this document will cover the known symptoms and the corresponding troubleshooting steps to follow depending on the causes.

2.4.1 Slow System-wide Performance

Slow system-wide performance issues are problems that could be caused by excessive use of CPU, database resource locks or incorrect configuration of OS parameters.

Generally, when you encounter a performance issue, you may see these symptoms in SAP HANA cockpit:

- Continually high CPU usage according to OS commands or load graph (visible from [CPU Usage](#) tile - [Performance Monitor](#))
- Many pending or waiting threads in the thread view (details visible from the [Threads](#) tile).

To look for the cause at the operating system level refer to the topic *System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage*.

If the performance issue persists or if it recurs sporadically you may need to contact Support to analyze the root cause. In this case please generate at least two runtime dumps at 3 minute intervals while the system performance is slow for further investigation. For details refer to [SAP Note 1813020 - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA](#) or the Guided Answer [How to generate a runtime dump](#).

Related Information

[System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage \[page 47\]](#)

[SAP Note 1813020](#)

[How to generate a runtime dump \(Guided Answer\)](#)

2.4.1.1 HANA System-wide Performance Analysis

This topic describes solutions for both current and former system performance problems.

Analysis of Current Performance Problems

Before taking any other action while the problem is present it is of utmost importance to capture a few HANA runtime environment (RTE) dump files and a Kernel Profiler Trace to collect information about the database's internal processes. Proceed as follows:

Generating a Runtime Dump

Capture a number (3-5) of RTE dumps. There are several options for recording runtime dumps as described in the KBA 1813020 - *How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA*.

If the problem occurs randomly and you cannot predict when it will happen you can automate the collection of the runtime dumps with the `SAP_HANASitter` tool which can be used, for example, to trigger methods such as the creation of traces and dumps when specific conditions are met. Refer to KBA 2399979 - *How-To: Configuring automatic SAP HANA Data Collection with SAP_HANASitter*.

Kernel Profiler Trace

Create a Kernel Profiler Trace, either:

- via the SQL console (see `ALTER SYSTEM START KERNEL PROFILER` statement)
- in `hdbcons` as described in KBA 1804811 *SAP HANA Database: Kernel Profiler Trace*.

Analysis

Once the RTE Dumps are ready use an automated analysis tool such as the HANA Dump Analyzer to spot obvious problems. Refer to SAP Note 2498739 - *How-To: Analyzing Runtime Dumps with SAP HANA Dump Analyzer*. Most known problem situations are recognizable by the tool and you should then be able to take the first mitigation steps. Using the 'Auto Analyzer' option in the HANA Dump Analyzer the following summaries might be shown in the result:

- High Workload
- High CPU
- Waitgraph detected

Each of the identified issues require specific steps to perform an in-depth analysis and gain further insight on what potential culprits are.

High workload / High CPU

This indicates that most of the active / running threads are in ownership of one specific application workload; if the HANA instance is configured according to official SAP guidance this should not happen under normal circumstances. It is important to understand which application user is responsible for the workload. If the situation is disruptive, ask the user to refrain from any further actions until the exact root cause is identified to avoid worsening the situation.

As a second step, check whether HANA Workload Management is configured according to SAP recommendations. Refer to KBA 2222250 – *FAQ: HANA Workload Management*. Pay particular attention to the appropriate configuration of the following workload related parameters:

- default_statement_concurrency_limit
- max_concurrency*
- max_concurrency_hint*
- num_cores*

(*not necessarily required as of HANA SPS3) Refer to KBA 2600030 – *Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments*.

Waitgraph detected

This situation indicates that threads are not able to efficiently acquire locks on objects as they are already held by other threads (see Thread investigation below). The waitgraph is a directed graph depicting which threads are waiting for which locks and in turn which threads are holding the locks to be acquired. It is a good practice here to investigate what exactly the lock-holding threads (not the lock acquiring threads) are busy with. If no insights can be gained during this analysis and the problem requires an immediate mitigation, consider canceling the session responsible for the lock-holding threads by:

1. Identifying the corresponding connection ID of the problematic thread by examining the runtime dump; search the file for the thread ID identified, for example:

```
1348967027[thr=<thread_id>]: SqlExecutor, TID: 34, UTID: 364438059, CID: <conn_id>,...
```

2. Cancel the session with:

```
ALTER SYSTEM CANCEL SESSION '<conn_id>';
```

Threads

A next step is to check what threads are currently running on the database while the performance issue exists. You can check this in SAP HANA cockpit from the Threads card of the System Overview or from the Performance tab in SAP HANA Studio which is illustrated here:

Host	Port	Service	Thread ID	Calling	Caller	Thread Type	Thread Method	Thread Detail	Duration (ms)	User	Application User	Thread Status
mo-...	30...	xsengine	0			Main			493,510,580			Semaphore Wait
mo-...	30...	docstore	0			Main			493,508,164			Semaphore Wait
mo-...	30...	docstore	8048	8096@mo-64f0...		GroupMulticastExe...			493,469,703			Sleeping
mo-...	30...	diserver	0			Main			493,443,993			Semaphore Wait
mo-...	30...	indexserver	36768	8302		SqlExecutor	ExecuteStatement	SELECT "THREADS"."HOST" AS HOST,"...	260	SYSTEM	I022481	Job Exec Waiting
mo-...	30...	indexserver	8302	6922	36768	JobWorker	PlanExecutor calc	plan34066@mo-64f0156e1.mo.sap.cor...	113	SYSTEM	I022481	Semaphore Wait
mo-...	30...	indexserver	6922	6974@mo-64f...	8302	RemoteService			2	SYSTEM	I022481	Network Poll
mo-...	30...	xsengine	8564		mo-6...	Request	core/stat		1	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	scriptserver	8589		mo-6...	Request	core/stat		1	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	docstore	52122		mo-6...	Request	core/stat		0	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	xsengine	52005		mo-6...	Request	core/stat		0	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	xsengine	8570		21919...	Request	core/stat		101	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	indexserver	7924		6922...	Request	core/stat		1	SYSTEM	I022481	Running
mo-...	30...	diserver	3114		6970...	Request	core/stat		0	SYSTEM	I022481	Running

Threads Overview

Refer to KBA 2114710 - *FAQ: SAP HANA Threads and Thread Samples* for tips on how to identify and solve problems with running and blocked threads. The information given for the following frequently-asked questions, for example, will be helpful:

- What kind of information is available for the SAP HANA threads?
- How can I interpret the thread state?
- What are the main thread types, methods and details?

HANA Database Parameters

Check that the database parameters are configured as recommended. You can do this by running the script *HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+*, or *HANA_Configuration_Parameters_Values_1.00.90+_MDC* attached to the KBA 1969700 *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*. The script can be executed in the system database as well as at the tenant database level. Recommended parameter values are discussed in more detail in the KBA 2600030 *Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments*.

FILE_NAME	SECTION	PARAMETER_NAME	P	DEFAULT_VALUE	CONFIGURED_VALUE	RECOMMENDED_VALUE	SAP_NOTE	CONFIG_LAYER	IMPLEMENTATION_COMMAND	UNDO_COMMAND	
1	Evaluation time:	2019/11/26 08:21:17									
2	Statement version:	3.3.22 (2019/11/21)									
3	SAP Note:	2600030									
4	Revision:	2.00.024.08									
5	Environment:	BW,ERP,MDCTEN...									
6	CPU threads:	20									
7	CPU frequency (...):	2493									
8	NUMA nodes:	1									
9	GAL (GB):	24									
10	Slave nodes:	0									
11	Log volume size ...:	295									
12											
13	global.ini	communication	tcp_backlog	2	128	-- not set --	2048	2382421	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
14	global.ini	execution	default_statement_concurrency_limit	1	0	16	6 to 10	2222250	DATABASE	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
15	global.ini	execution	max_concurrency	1	0	-- not set --	7 to 20	2222250	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
16	global.ini	execution	max_concurrency_hint	1	0	-- not set --	4 to 10	2222250	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
17	global.ini	memorymanager	statement_memory_limit	1		10	2 to 7	1999997	DATABASE	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
18	global.ini	persistence	log_backup_timeout_s	3	900	15	300 to 3600	1645183	DATABASE	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
19	global.ini	persistence	max_gc_parallelity	2	0	-- not set --	10	2222250	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
20	global.ini	persistence	non_trans_cch_block_size	2	-- HANA inter...	-- not set --	16777216 to 134217728	1999998	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
21	global.ini	resource_tracking	enable_tracking	1	off	-- not set --	on	1999997	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...
22	global.ini	resource_tracking	memory_tracking	1	off	-- not set --	on	1999997	-- not set --	ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIG...	ALTER SYSTEM A...

Example Output of the *HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+* Script

Analysis of Former Performance Problems

You can also analyze system-wide performance problems that occurred in the past using the methods described here.

Thread Sample Analysis

When the issue is no longer present, a HANA Thread Sample analysis can be conducted to identify potential culprits. Proceed as follows using the scripts in the SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA (attached to SAP Note 1969700 - see link in Further Information below):

1. Define a problematic time-period: be as accurate as possible here to avoid distortion of the statistical data by workloads not directly related. Use scripts *TimeFrameReport* (*HANA_Global_TimeFrameReport_2.00.043+.txt*) and *LoadHistory* (*HANA_LoadHistory_Services_2.00.030+.txt*) to do the following:
 - o Evaluate CPU / Memory / Disk
 - o Check Running vs. Waiting Threads
 - o Check on MVCC Versions
 - o Check Blocked Transactions / Locking Issues
2. Use the above information to identify the most active application workload for a defined time-period using the script *HANA_Threads_ThreadSamples_FilterAndAggregation_**.

If you had a high CPU utilization in the past, use the script *HANA_LoadHistory_Services_2.00.*.txt* (or *HANA_LoadHistory_Services_1.00.120+.txt* for HANA 1) to find a time-period where the CPU was high. If a problematic time-period is identified run the *HANA_Threads_ThreadSamples_FilterAndAggregation_** script for this specific period. For example, if you have identified the period 10:00-11:00 a.m. on the 25th April, go to the modification section of the script and enter the following values:

```
'2021/04/07 10:00:00' BEGIN_TIME,
```

```
'2021/04/07 11:00:00' END_TIME,
```

If the issue lies further in the past (older than few hours), you have to switch the DATA_SOURCE to 'HISTORY':

```
'HISTORY' DATA_SOURCE,
```

You can use the AGGREGATE_BY filter, for example, to see which threads have been consuming most of the CPU time:

```
'HASH, THREAD_STATE, THREAD_DETAIL, THREAD_METHOD' AGGREGATE_BY
```

Use the AGGREGATE_BY filter with the following values if you want to see which application user and component was actively consuming most of the CPU time:

```
'HASH, THREAD_STATE, APP_SOURCE, APP_USER' AGGREGATE_BY
```

Additionally, if you are only looking for the threads actively consuming CPU, you can set a filter in the modification section for THREAD_STATE:

```
'RUNNING' THREAD_STATE,
```

For further information refer to KBA 2114710 - FAQ: SAP HANA Threads and Thread Samples.


Log Files for OS and Network

If the steps already described do not help to identify the performance problem, then it may be that the issue is not related to the SAP HANA database but could be an operating system, hardware, or network-related problem. In this case you can check the messages file for the time of the performance issue from the directory VAR/LOG for the HANA nodes. Check the messages for any indication of OS, hardware or network-related problems.

If necessary you can collect a runtime dump when the performance issue happens again and is live on the system as described above.

Known Performance issues and How to Resolve Them

The following table identifies some specific known problems with links to KBAs which give technical details about how to resolve them.

Symptom	Solution
After migration to HANA DB for ECC or Suite on HANA system reports and transactions are slow.	Check that you are using HANA optimized transactions and applications, some optimizations may need to be explicitly switched on via the switch framework (transaction SFW5). Refer to SAP Note 1761546 - SAP ERP powered by SAP HANA - Optimizations and the attached document (Suite on HANA Optimizations) which lists optimized objects (reports and transactions). 1761546  SAP ERP powered by SAP HANA - Optimizations

Symptom	Solution
After migration to HANA DB custom transactions or ABAP programs are slow.	<p>You may need to optimize custom programs and transactions by using the code inspector tool and SQL monitor. Refer to the note 1912445 - <i>ABAP custom code migration for SAP HANA - recommendations and Code Inspector variants for SAP HANA migration</i>.</p> <p>See also the blog post 'ABAP on HANA - from analysis to optimization' which includes, for example, a section on <i>The Golden Rules: Five performance guidelines for ABAP database operations</i>.</p>
The system is slow with a lot of statements running. Statements of the type SELECT TOP X cause a performance problem on SAP HANA.	Refer to the SAP Note 2238679 - <i>High CPU Consumption Caused by UnifiedTable::MVCCObject::generateOLAPBitmapMVCC</i> .
After a HANA upgrade the performance of calculation views is poor.	<p>Refer to the following SAP Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2441054 - <i>High query compilation times and absence of plan cache entries for queries against calculation views</i> • 2291812 - <i>SAP HANA DB: Disable/Enable CalculationEngine Feature - Calc-View Unfolding</i>.
In an ABAP environment you are using the fast data access (FDA) protocol and the performance of queries is poor.	Refer to the KBA 2399993 - <i>FAQ: SAP HANA Fast Data Access</i> . Question 6 identifies a list of possible problems which may occur with FDA.
Using fast data access the HANA system has poor performance. In the HANA trace files you see entries like: <i>Destroying allocator 'Connection/xxxxx/Pool/RowEngine/Session' with x blocks and x bytes still allocated</i> .	This known issue is related to memory management of FDA queries and is described in SAP Note 2580435 - <i>Memory Leak in Pool/RowEngine/Session</i> . This may be solved by upgrading to a higher version of SAP HANA: HANA 01 SPS12 Revision 122.15 or higher, or, HANA 02 SPS01 Revision 012.04 or higher.

Further Information

Links to KBAs and SAP Notes which may be helpful :

- [1969700](#) - SAP HANA Statement Collection
- [1813020](#) - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA
- [2399979](#) - How-To: Configuring automatic SAP HANA Data Collection with SAP HANASitter
- [2498739](#) - How-To: Analyzing Runtime Dumps with SAP HANA Dump Analyzer.
- [2000000](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Performance Optimization
- [2222217](#) - How-To: Troubleshooting SAP HANA Startup Times
- [2222250](#) - FAQ: HANA Workload Management
- [2600030](#) - Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments
- [2114710](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Threads and Thread Samples

You can also use Guided Answers to analyze performance problems. The following Guided Answer trees are focused on the SAP NetWeaver product:

- [Master Guided Answer: Performance issues](#)

- [How to perform a Network analysis \(Using Operation System Monitor - ST06\)](#) 📄
- [Analysis of Hardware Bottlenecks for Performance \(Using Operation System Monitor - ST06\)](#) 📄
- [Performance Analysis Procedure for an ABAP Program \(Using SAP Workload Monitor - ST03\)](#) 📄

Related Information

[ALTER SYSTEM {START | STOP | SAVE | CLEAR} KERNEL PROFILER Statement \(System Management\)](#)

2.4.1.2 System Appears to Hang with no new Connections and no Response from the SAP HANA Database

In cases where logs cannot be written, all DML statement will fall into wait status. This can lead to a failure of opening new connections because the system internally executes DML statements during the process. Typically, a full log volume is the cause for this.

Basic System Checks

In cases where the SAP HANA database is no longer responding to any requests it is advisable to follow a bottom up approach to quickly identify the root cause of the problem. The following system checks will eliminate common operating system related problems which often lead to system hanging situations:

Firstly, check the system resources at the operating system level, by using the `TOP` command:

```
top - 08:47:05 up 74 days, 23:49, 2 users, load average: 0.47, 0.39, 0.39
Tasks: 473 total, 1 running, 472 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 0.6 us, 0.3 sy, 0.0 ni, 99.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.1 si, 0.0 st
KiB Mem: 21460868+total, 15772006+used, 56888624 free, 262236 buffers
KiB Swap: 0 total, 0 used, 0 free. 53557760 cached Mem
```

PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR	S	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+	COMMAND
20380		20	0	14.626g	0.012t	1.737g	S	4.636	5.898	3559:45	hdbindexserver
20386		20	0	15.152g	0.012t	2.467g	S	2.980	6.088	4489:02	hdbindexserver
7023		20	0	13.458g	0.011t	1.141g	S	2.649	5.428	5014:32	hdbindexserver
20383		20	0	13.793g	0.010t	1.883g	S	2.649	5.165	2457:50	hdbindexserver
30616		20	0	15.590g	0.013t	1.016g	S	2.649	6.362	912:55.26	hdbindexserver
7017		20	0	10.718g	8.237g	1.090g	S	2.318	4.025	4571:59	hdbindexserver
7020		20	0	10.470g	8.021g	1.093g	S	2.318	3.919	4569:43	hdbindexserver
12158		20	0	9842.9m	6.848g	753400	S	1.656	3.346	539:02.04	hdbnameserver
20076		20	0	10.605g	6.842g	1.120g	S	1.656	3.343	1312:59	hdbnameserver
6763		20	0	9.992g	6.391g	845748	S	1.325	3.123	2156:52	hdbnameserver
7026		20	0	7789504	1.805g	742136	S	1.325	0.882	1554:58	hdbxsengine

Check the values for CPU and MEM to make sure that these resources are not exhausted.

Secondly, check the disk utilization by running the disk free command: `df -h` and verify that no volume has reached 100% utilization (see example below).

Check whether you are able to connect to the indexserver process locally by using hdbsql to run a test-query, for example:

```
SELECT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP FROM DUMMY;
```

If this is successful then check the network stability between the clients facing the issue and the SAP HANA database host.

Possible Root Causes

Some common situations which cause a system to freeze are given here with remedial actions to take:

Root cause: Log volume full either caused by disk full or quota setting

Required action:

1. Check for the DISKFULL event in the indexserver trace or
2. Run the disk free command: `df -h` in the OS shell (the `-h` option is more readable and displays the output in units of 1024). A result such as the following with a value of 100% will immediately identify the culprit as a full log area:

```
/dev/mapper/vg_hana-log      102G   102G    0G   100%  /hana/log
```

3. Check the quota setting in the file system.
4. If you have verified that the log volume is full then follow the procedure described in *SAP Note 1679938 - Log Volume is full*.

You can find additional information in *SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations*.

Root cause: Log volume full caused by failure of log backup

Required action:

1. Check `backup.log` (located at `/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<Host>/trace`) to see whether it includes ERROR in log backup. Check `M_BACKUP_CATALOG`, `M_LOG_SEGMENTS`.
2. If log backup uses `backint`, please check `backint.log` (located at `/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<Host>/trace`) to see whether it includes ERROR information, and contact `backint` vendor support.

Admission Control

Note that if statements are rejected with SQL Error 1038 this is related to the Admission Control feature which is designed to prevent the system from being overloaded by defining thresholds and either queuing or rejecting statements when necessary. You can check whether admission control is preventing new sessions from being established due to low system resources by querying the monitoring view `M_ADMISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS`:

```
SELECT * FROM M_ADMISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS;
```

If many events are raised during the problematic time-period you should investigate which SAP HANA resources were exhausted making it necessary for admission control to intervene. For more information about Admission Control see the *KBA 2222250 FAQ: SAP HANA Workload Management*

Before SAP HANA 2 SPS05 Revision 056 there is a known coding issue where the Admission Control feature could generate the SQL Error 1038 when there is no overloading of resources. For more information about this issue see the KBA 3061965 - *Unexpected Error "rejected as server is temporarily overloaded"*.

Configuration Parameters for Admission Control

You should apply the recommended settings for all admission control configuration parameters located under `indexserver.ini > [admission_control]`. You can check the parameter settings using the script 'HANA_Configuration_Parameters_2.00.040+' from the SAP Note 1969700 - *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*. The example output below from this script shows a discrepancy for the setting `queue_memory_threshold` which is set to a value of 90 when on a SAP HANA Database with Revision \leq 2.00.053 it should be zero. The explanation for this setting is to avoid queuing in case of high memory consumption that is often harmless (e.g. caused by a large page cache). The latest information about recommended configuration parameter settings is maintained in SAP note 2600030 - *Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments*.

	FILE_NAME	SECTION	PARAMETER_NAME	P	CONFIGURED_VALUE	RECOMMENDED_VALUE
20	global.ini	resource_tracking	enable_tracking	1	false	on
21	global.ini	resource_tracking	memory_tracking	1	false	on
22	global.ini	resource_tracking	service_thread_sampling_monitor_e...	2	false	true
23	global.ini	system_replication	logshipping_max_retention_size	3	1048576	0 to 83517 [83517]
24	global.ini	table_placement	max_rows_per_partition	2	-- not set --	1500000000
25	indexserver.ini	admission_control	queue_memory_threshold	1	90	0

Where Admission Control is functioning correctly the root cause for the Admission Control event(s) is often high CPU, this can be confirmed for current Admission Control events using the script 'HANA_Workload_AdmissionControlEvents' or for historic Admission Control events using the script 'HANA_LoadHistory_Services' from the SAP Note 1969700 - *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*.

For troubleshooting steps for high CPU analysis please see *Analysis of CPU Related Issues*.

Related Information

[Analysis of CPU Related Issues \[page 75\]](#)

[SAP Note 1679938 Log Volume is full](#)

[SAP Note 2083715 Analyzing log volume full situations](#)

[SAP Note 2222250 FAQ: SAP HANA Workload Management](#)

[SAP Note 3061965 - Unexpected Error "rejected as server is temporarily overloaded"](#)

[SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA](#)

[SAP Note 2600030 - Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments](#)

2.4.1.3 System Appears to Hang with High System CPU Usage

The SAP HANA database is an in-memory database and by its nature it consumes large amounts of memory. Some performance issues of SAP HANA can be caused by the operating system's memory management features.

For this case, you can see high usage of SYSTEM CPU that can be monitored in the [Performance Monitor](#), available from [▶ SAP HANA cockpit ▶ Monitoring and Administration ▶ CPU Usage ▶](#).

You can begin an analysis of CPU related problems by running a Kernel Profile trace either:

- via the SQL console (see ALTER SYSTEM START KERNEL PROFILER statement)
- in hdbcons as described in [KBA 1804811 SAP HANA Database: Kernel Profiler Trace](#).

The kernel profiler trace is required for analysis by SAP Support. Refer to the topic HANA System-wide Performance Analysis for how to analyze the kernel profiler trace. Refer to [KBA 2222250 – FAQ: HANA Workload Management](#) which gives guidance on CPU-related configuration settings.

Root cause: Problem caused by the configuration of transparent huge page

Required action:

1. Check Transparent Huge Page whether it is set to [never] by running the command `cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled`.
2. Apply [KBA 2031375 - SAP HANA: Transparent HugePages \(THP\) setting on Linux](#).

Root cause: Problem caused by the configuration of OS page cache

Required action:

1. Check sar file (/var/log/sa) whether kbcached usage (sar -r) is higher than 10% of physical memory and high page in/out occurred.
2. Check and apply [SAP Note 1557506 - Linux paging improvements](#).

Root cause: Problem caused by translation lookaside buffer (TLB) shutdown

Required action:

1. Check plan trace.

Root cause: Due to high context switches (High SYS CPU) by many SqlExecutor threads

Required action:

1. Check [Performance Monitor](#) and indexserver.ini -> sql -> sql_executors / max_sql_executors and refer to [Controlling Parallelism of SQL Statement Execution](#).

Related Information

[Transparent Huge Pages on Linux \[page 191\]](#)

[System Hanging Situations \[page 190\]](#)

[HANA System-wide Performance Analysis \[page 39\]](#)

[Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements \[page 80\]](#)

[SAP Note 2031375](#)

[SAP Note 1557506](#)

[SAP Note 2222250](#)

[SAP Note 1804811 SAP HANA Database: Kernel Profiler Trace](#)

2.4.1.4 Slower Response with High User CPU Usage

The performance may degrade with increased usage of the CPU and applications.

Root cause: Not many executor threads but high CPU in a few nodes and a few tables accessed

Required Action: In an SAP Business Warehouse system, check for non-even partitioning of huge column tables. For more information, see *SAP Note 1819123 - BW on SAP HANA SP5: landscape redistribution and Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables*.

Root Cause: Performance degradation by huge MVCC versions

Required Action: Check for `KPI Active Version` in the *Performance Monitor* to find the MVCC garbage blocker, then kill it via the *Threads* tile on the *Overview* page. For more information, see *Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions*.

Refer also to the section 'Analysis of Former Performance Problems' in the topic HANA System-wide Performance Analysis.

Related Information

[Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables \[page 121\]](#)

[Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions \[page 160\]](#)

[HANA System-wide Performance Analysis \[page 39\]](#)

[SAP Note 1819123 - BW on SAP HANA SP5: landscape redistribution](#)

2.4.2 Slow Individual SQL Statements

This section looks at the causes of slow individual SQL statements although there is no significant performance issue on system level and the associated troubleshooting steps.

If the following doesn't help to resolve the problem, see *Getting Support*. In this case, to analyze further, collect the explain plan, plan visualizer file, performance trace and catalog export. Also refer to *SQL Statement Analysis* and *Query Plan Analysis* for more information. *SAP KBA 2000002 - FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Optimization* explains general information about SQL optimization.

Related Information

[SQL Statement Analysis \[page 227\]](#)

[Query Plan Analysis \[page 237\]](#)

[SAP Note 2000002](#)

[Getting Support](#)

2.4.2.1 A Statement is Sometimes Slow and Sometimes Fast

There are a number of things to check when you experience inconsistent query execution time.

Check the following possibilities:

Root Cause: Same query shows different execution plans according to the HANA SQL Plan Cache.

Required Action: Analyze the difference in the execution plan by using the Explain Plan tool as outlined in SAP Note 2410208 - *Collect Explain Plan of a Prepared Statement*.

Once you have found the corresponding statement hash for a problematic query, you can check how many different plans are stored in the Plan Cache by running the following query:

```
SELECT PLAN_ID, STATEMENT_HASH FROM M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE WHERE STATEMENT_HASH = '<statement_hash>'
```

Typically, the result will show multiple rows for a single statement hash value each with a different PLAN_ID value. Using the Plan IDs listed in the result you can execute the statements given in SAP Note 2410208 to display the execution plan and identify the differences there.

Additionally, you can check why a new execution plan was generated by selecting the column LAST_INVALIDATION_REASON. The reasons mentioned there are discussed in SAP KBA 2124112 - *FAQ: SAP HANA Parsing ('How can I determine the reason for a statement recompilation?')*

If you want to prevent this from happening consider using the Plan Stability feature which captures the execution plans of the SQL statements and applies them later when the statements are compiled again. In this way Plan Stability can provide consistent performance across different revisions. You can use Plan Stability in SAP HANA Cockpit or from the command line as described in the *SQL Plan Stability* section of this guide. The following SAP Note gives additional information: 2639193 - *SAP HANA SQL Plan Stability*.

Root Cause: If a related table was unloaded, it takes some time to load tables

Required Action: Check unload trace and execute after table loaded fully. You can refer to LOADED column of M_CS_TABLES.

Root Cause: Query compilation time is long.

Required Action: Check the execution time after adding 'with hint (ignore_plan_cache)' at the end of query. This hint will always cause the query to be compiled. If a long running compiled query plan has been evicted frequently from the plan cache, increase the query cache size. For more information, see *SQL Plan Cache Analysis*.

Root Cause: Merge status of column table can affect query plan

Required Action: Check MEMORY_SIZE_IN_DELTA, RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA, and LAST_MERGE_TIME columns of M_CS_TABLES whether there is large amount of data in delta. Check M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS to see when the last merge occurred. For more information, see *Delta Merge*.

Related Information

[SQL Plan Cache Analysis \[page 172\]](#)

[Delta Merge \[page 119\]](#)

[SQL Plan Stability \[page 273\]](#)

[SQL Plan Stability \(SAP HANA Cockpit\)](#)

[SAP Note 2410208](#)

[SAP Note 2124112](#)

[SAP Note 2639193](#)

2.4.2.2 A Statement is Slower After an Upgrade

After upgrade, the query execution time can be different because of changes in the query execution plan.

Root cause: After an upgrade, a query can have a different plan, which leads to a different execution time.

Required Action: If you have an instance running on an older revision, compare the plan and collect the plan visualizer file. See *Getting Support* for further help.

Refer also to the *SQL Plan Stability* section of this guide; this feature offers the option to preserve a query's execution plan by capturing an abstraction of the plan and reusing it after the upgrade to regenerate the original plan and retain the original performance.

For more information, see *Expensive SQL Statements*.

Related Information

[Expensive SQL Statements \[page 69\]](#)

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer \[page 242\]](#)

[SQL Plan Stability \[page 273\]](#)

[Getting Support](#)

2.4.2.3 A Query on Multiple Nodes Can Be Slower

In distributed systems, query execution can be routed to other nodes for better performance. However, there is a chance of having slow performance in the case where the network used for transferring intermediate results generated during query execution is slow or where there is an inefficient network configuration.

Root cause: A misconfigured network can lead to slow queries.

Required Action: Check your network configuration and its bandwidth/latency among SAP HANA servers. For more information see *Network View* and *SAP Note 2183363 - Configuration of SAP HANA internal network*.

Root cause: Statement routing and huge data transfer among distributed nodes can cause differences of query execution times due to the difference of anchor nodes.

Required Action: Check how much data is transferred among distributed nodes and the network performance. You can use the PlanViz Tool to check which nodes in the network are involved during the execution of the query and how much data is transferred (see Overview Page, Plan Viz). The KPI values for the distribution show:

- Number of nodes
- Number of network transfers
- Network traffic

Consider the locations of joined tables to reduce transferred intermediate result size.

Related Information

[Network View \[page 250\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[Overview Page \[page 245\]](#)

[SAP Note 2183363](#)

2.4.2.4 Slow Select for all Entries (FAE) Query

There are a number of points to check if you have performance issues with SELECT FOR ALL ENTRIES (FAE) from an ABAP query.

For FAE on SAP HANA, please generally refer to *SAP Note 1662726 - Optimization of select with FOR ALL ENTRIES on SAP HANA database*.

Root cause: Indexes are missing.

Required Action: Check WHERE clause and check concat indexes for all fields used in WHERE clause.

Root cause: Due to DBSL behavior, slower operator can be chosen.

Required Actions: Apply parameters for ABAP optimization. For more information, see *SAP Note 1987132 - SAP HANA: Parameter setting for SELECT FOR ALL ENTRIES*.

Root cause: When using less than or greater than ('<' or '>') filters in FAE query, it can be slower than having no filter.

Required Actions: Do not use less than or greater than ('<' or '>') filters in an FAE query.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1662726](#)

[SAP Note 1987132](#)

2.4.2.5 All Statements Accessing a Specific Table are Slow

In case queries run on specific tables are slow, check if there are too many versions.

Root cause: If there are too many versions of single records, accessing the table can be slow. In this case, the number of system-wide MVCC versions is in acceptable range. To verify further whether there are too many versions for a specific table, check the result of this query:

```
SELECT * FROM M_RS_TABLE_VERSION_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable';
```

This can be caused by a cursor unnecessarily being held on a query result or a long-lived transaction without a commit/rollback.

Required Action: Applications should commit as early as possible or close any cursors that are not needed. Check the application logic to see whether it really needs to update single records frequently.

2.4.3 Frequent Out of Memory (OOM)

If Out Of Memory situations happen frequently, it can also lead to performance drop by unloading tables or shrinking memory jobs.

First check *Memory Problems* and *SAP KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory* as they provide information on SAP HANA memory and its problems.

This section introduces common problems and their troubleshooting steps.

Related Information

[Memory Problems \[page 58\]](#)

[SAP Note 1999997](#)

2.4.3.1 Out of Memory Caused by Sudden Increased Memory Usage

Check the memory consumption of statements in the event of OOMs caused by suddenly increased memory usage.

Root cause: Huge intermediate results during query processing.

Required Actions: Enable memory tracking by setting the following parameters to **on** in the `global.ini` file `resource_tracking` section.

- `enable_tracking = on`
- `memory_tracking = on`

Enable the *Expensive Statement Trace* by setting the status to **Active**.

Then, check the memory consumption of statements using `M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS.MEMORY_SIZE`. After your analysis you can optimize any problematic queries that were found.

2.4.3.2 Out of Memory Caused by Continuously Increased Memory Usage

Check if many statements trigger an Out Of Memory in a system where used memory is continuously increased.

Root cause: Commit/rollback within stored procedure can lead to memory leakages. Do not use `exec("commit")` or `exec("rollback")` within a stored procedure. If this syntax is used, the system cannot reclaim the memory used for query execution because its related transactions are left hanging.

Required Actions: Remove `exec("commit")` or `exec("rollback")`. If you would like to use commit/rollback within stored procedure, see *SAP HANA SQLScript Reference* for more information.

Root cause: Due to memory leakage caused by a programming error

Required Action: Check the *Performance Monitor* in ► *SAP HANA cockpit* ► *Overview* ► *Memory Usage* ► to determine whether used memory continuously increases without a significant increase in data size. If you find a suspicious component which keeps allocating memory, create a support ticket attaching a full system dump, mm trace, and the output of `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_HEAP_ALLOCATORS_BASE`.

Related Information

[SAP HANA SQLScript Reference](#)

2.4.3.3 Out of Memory While High Usage Of Column Store Components' Allocators

If a system is undersized, Out Of Memory (OOM) can happen frequently.

Root cause: Undersized memory

Required Action:

1. Check top allocators in [MEMORY_OOM] section of OOM dump to see whether they are for column store components as described in section 13 of *KBA 1999997 - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory*.
2. Check the unload trace whether frequent unloading of tables took place.
3. Reduce the amount of data in column store or increase physical memory.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1999997](#) 

2.4.3.4 Out of Memory Caused by Large Memory Usage of Statistics Server

This case can happen if the majority of memory used by the statisticsserver is due to many alerts or undersized memory.

Root cause: Due to big STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE table size, an OOM can occur.

Required Action: Check table size of _SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE and truncate STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE from hdbsql based on solution from *SAP Note 2170779 - SAP HANA DB: Big statistics server table leads to performance impact on the system*.

Root cause: Big Pool/Statistics allocator size

Required Action: Check *SAP Note 2147247 - FAQ: SAP HANA Statistics Server* first.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2170779](#) 

[SAP Note 2147247](#) 

2.4.3.5 Out of Memory Occurs due to High Usage of Shared Memory

Shared memory is space where system information and row store tables are stored.

Check the following if the used amount of shared memory is high.

Root cause: Severely fragmented row store tables

Required action:

1. Check whether SHARED_MEMORY in [MEMORY_OOM] -> IPMM short info of OOM dump is unusually high.
2. Apply *SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row store reorganization*.

Root cause: Memory shortage is caused by high usage of memory of row store tables in an SAP Business Warehouse (BW) system

Required action: In an SAP Business Warehouse system the used amount of shared memory is high and *SAP Note 1813245* doesn't recommend row store reorganization, first apply *SAP Note 706478 - Preventing Basis tables from increasing considerably*, then apply *SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row store reorganization* again.

Root cause: Memory shortage is caused by high usage of memory of row store tables in non-SAP Business Warehouse (BW) systems

Required Action: Check if you can convert some row store tables into column store tables or archive old data to reduce the memory size, or else increase the system memory.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1813245](#)

[SAP Note 706478](#)

2.4.4 Table Consistency Check

This section gives basic information for solving problems related to the Table Consistency Check.

The table consistency check is a procedure available in the SAP HANA database that performs a range of consistency check actions on database tables. It can be run from the command line or scheduled within the statistics service. Alert #83 Table Consistency, is only generated if the consistency check was scheduled in the statistics service, not if it was executed manually.

Monitoring Views

Results of all consistency checks, whether executed manually or scheduled in the statistics service, are available in two monitoring views:

- M_CONSISTENCY_CHECK_HISTORY
- M_CONSISTENCY_CHECK_HISTORY_ERRORS

The first view gives high level information about parameters used for the check, runtime duration and the total number of tables with errors; each run is identified by a CHECK_EXECUTION_ID value. The errors table lists and gives details of all errors found within each check run.

Additionally, the monitoring view M_CS_TABLES, holds values for: LAST_CONSISTENCY_CHECK_TIME, LAST_CONSISTENCY_CHECK_ERROR_COUNT.

Common Errors

If you encounter errors when running the table consistency check you should first try to rerun the check as some errors may only be due to timing issues related to the current workload and would not occur again if the table consistency check is repeated.

If the same error does recur check the following trace files:

- Database trace file available in SAP HANA Studio or Database Explorer:
<service>_<host>.<port>.<counter>.trc
- Dedicated trace file: <service>_<host>.<port>.table_consistency_check.<timestamp>.trc. For this trace file the parameter enable_table_consistency_check_trace must be enabled.

If necessary, increase the trace level to debug to get sufficient diagnostic information:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM')
SET ('trace', 'table_consistency_check') = 'debug'
```

Search the trace file for any errors and make a note of the error code. This information will be helpful if it is finally necessary to contact SAP Support for assistance.

More Information

For background information see Table Consistency Check in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*. Refer also to the following SAP Notes:

- 2116157 - FAQ: SAP HANA Consistency Checks and Corruptions
- 1977584 - Technical Consistency Checks for SAP HANA Databases

Related Information

[SAP Note 2116157](#) 

[SAP Note 1977584](#) 

3 Root Causes and Solutions

This section provides detailed information on the root causes of problems and their solutions.

System alerts are a good indicator for the underlying problem. The SAP Notes you will be directed to are a source of background information, explanations, alternative options, FAQs or useful SQL statements, for example. Detailed monitoring and administration of the SAP HANA databases is possible via the SAP HANA cockpit and the SAP HANA database explorer.

3.1 Memory Problems

This section discusses the analysis steps that are required to identify and resolve memory related issues in the SAP HANA database.

For general information on SAP HANA memory management see the SAP HANA Academy video *SAP HANA Memory Management* which discusses the memory concept and comments on the difference between used, allocated, and resident Memory.

Alerts related to memory problems and corresponding SAP Notes are documented in the Alerts reference table (see category 'Memory'). *SAP Note 1840954 – Alerts related to HANA memory consumption* includes information on how to analyze out-of-memory (OOM) dump files.

The *SAP HANA Administration Guide* gives details on using the tool SAP HANA cockpit to analyze memory problems.

In order to understand the current and historic SAP HANA memory consumption you can use the following tools and approaches:

- Memory information in SAP HANA cockpit
- Memory information from logs and traces
- Memory information from SQL commands
- Memory information from other tools (see the tools overview in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*).

Related Information

[SAP Note 1840954](#) 

[Alerts Reference \[page 291\]](#)

[SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)

[Video HANA Academy: SAP HANA Memory Management](#) 

3.1.1 Memory Information in SAP HANA Cockpit

There are a number of sources of information in SAP HANA cockpit that can assist you in understanding memory utilization.

- Open the [Manage Services](#) page from the [Overall Database Status](#) tile for high-level information about physical memory, allocation limit, and used memory for each service.
- To get a graphical overview about physical memory, allocation limit, used memory, and resident memory open the [Performance Monitor](#) from the [Memory Usage](#) tile.
- Open the [Memory Analysis](#) app from the [Memory Usage](#) tile for details about memory utilization as well as history information. For example, click the [Components](#) tab in the [Memory Analysis](#) app to view the used memory grouped by different components like "Statement Execution & Intermediate Results" or "Column Store Tables". When you choose a component, the corresponding historic information of memory usage is displayed by a graph.

3.1.2 Memory Information from Logs and Traces

In case of critical memory issues you can often find more detailed information in logs and trace files.

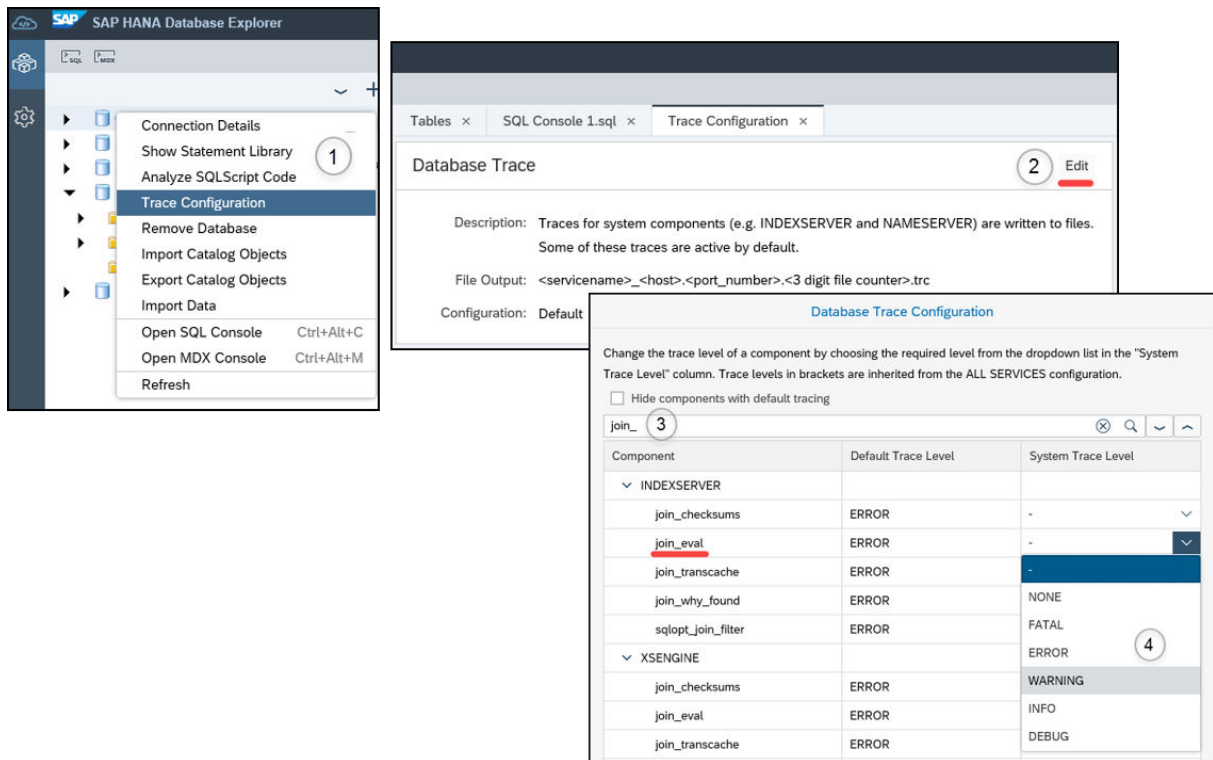
- Try to identify memory-related errors in the alert trace files in the SAP HANA database explorer (accessible via the [View trace and diagnostic files](#) link). Search for the strings "memory", "allocat", or "OOM" (case-insensitive).
- Check if an out-of-memory (OOM) trace file was created.
- Investigate error messages seen on the application side that occurred at times of high memory usage. If the application is an SAP NetWeaver system, good starting points for analysis are System Log (SM21), ABAP Runtime Error (ST22), and Job Selection (SM37).

If help from SAP Customer Support is needed to perform an in-depth analysis, the following information is valuable and should be added to the ticket:

- Diagnosis information (full system info dump). To collect this information, see section [Diagnosis Information](#).
- Performance trace provides detail information on the system behavior, including statement execution details. The trace output is written to a trace file `perftrace.tpt`, which must be sent to SAP Customer Support. Please note that the trace must be captured while the issue is present or while reproducing the issue. To enable this trace, see section [Performance Trace](#) under Additional Analysis Tools for Support.

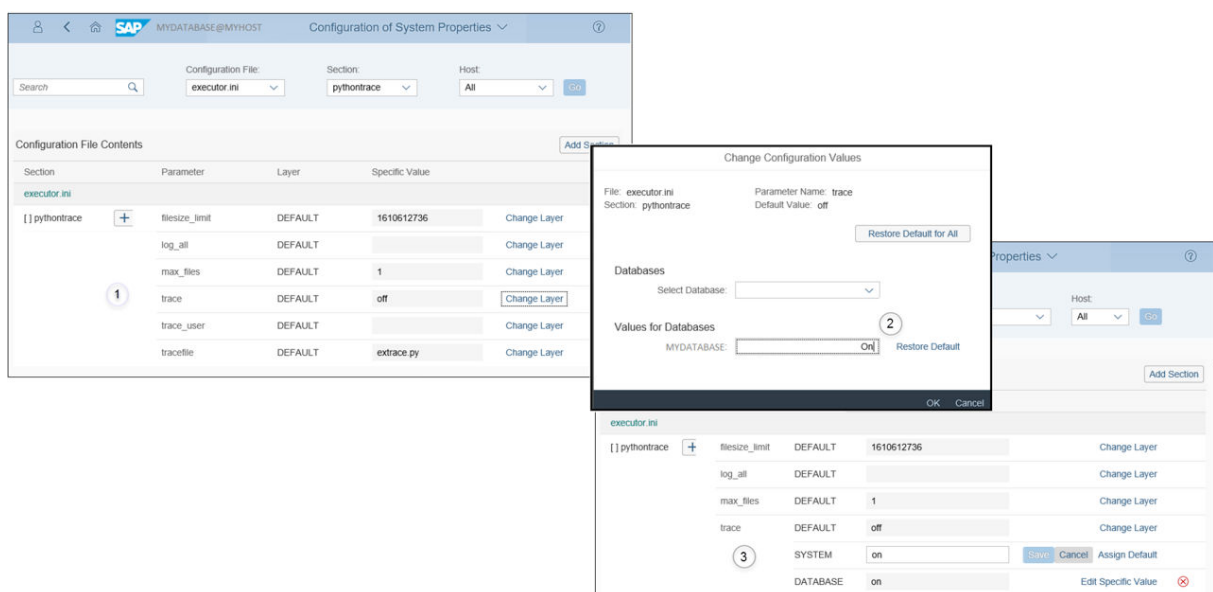
If specific SAP HANA system components need deeper investigation, SAP Customer Support can ask you to raise the corresponding trace levels to INFO or DEBUG, rerun the query and then send the `indexserver` trace files to SAP Customer Support.

To do so choose [Trace Configuration](#) in the SAP HANA database explorer and launch the [Database Trace](#) wizard. The following illustration shows the example of enabling the join engine trace (`join_eval`). You can enter a search string and then select the component in the `indexserver.ini` file and change the [System Trace Level](#) to the appropriate value. Some trace components (such as debug trace details for join engine) can create many megabytes of trace information and may also require an increase of the values `maxfiles` and `maxfilesize` in the `[trace]` section of the `global.ini` file (see also SAP Note 2629103 - [SQL Traces Stop Writing When it Exceeds the Maximum Filesize](#)).



Internal details about SQL statement execution can be collected by enabling the Executor Trace; this provides the highest level of detail and should only be activated for the short time of query execution. After capturing the trace details you can upload the trace file (extrace.py) to SAP Customer Support. This trace is enabled by activating a configuration parameter as described and illustrated here.

Open the *Configuration of System Properties* view, edit the parameter `trace` in the `[pythontrace]` section of the `executor.ini` file, and change its value to `on`. When you change the default value, you have the option to set values at each specific layer. The `trace` parameter is off by default. Click *Change Layer* to turn the parameter on. You can then change the configuration value for a selected database and for a selected layer:



Related Information

[Diagnosis Information \[page 281\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[SAP Note 2629103](#)

3.1.3 Memory Information from SQL Commands

There are a number of ways to analyze memory usage based on pre-defined and modifiable SQL queries.

The *Statement Library* of SAP HANA database explorer provides a set of tabular views to display the memory consumption of loaded tables based on pre-defined SQL queries:

- The view *Component Memory Usage* shows the aggregated memory consumption in bytes for different heap memory service components, services, and ports. Order by the used memory size column and find the largest consumers. The following heap memory service components are available: 1) Column Store Tables, 2) Row Store Tables, 3) Statement Execution & Intermediate Results, 4) Monitoring & Statistical Data, 5) Caches, 6) System, 7) Code Size, 8) Stack Size.
- The view *Schema Size of Loaded Tables* displays the aggregated memory consumption of loaded tables in MB for different database schemas. The aggregation comprises both column store and row store tables. Order by the schema size column and find the largest consumers.
- The view *Used Memory by Tables* shows two values: the total memory consumption of all column store tables in MB and the total memory consumption of all row store tables in MB.

i Note

You can find this and other information in the *Memory Analysis* app of the SAP HANA cockpit. For more information, see *Analyze Memory Statistics* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

SQL Statement Collection

SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA contains several commands that are useful to analyze memory-related issues. Based on your needs you can configure restrictions and parameters in the sections marked with `/* Modification section */`.

Some of the memory-related statements which you may find useful are described here:

- HANA_Memory_Overview
- HANA_Memory_TopConsumers* - available in two versions depending on the release. The output of the statement is the same in both cases:
 - HANA_Memory_TopConsumers_History (available in older versions of the statement collection)
 - HANA_Memory_TopConsumers_TimeSlices (supersedes 'Consumers History' in versions SPS 04 and above)
- HANA_Tables_LargestTables
- HANA_Memory_SharedMemory

HANA_Memory_Overview

This query gives an overview of current memory information showing key values in the following columns:

- NAME: Description
- TOTAL_GB: Total size (GB)
- DETAIL_GB: Size on detail level (GB) – this is shown at two levels with a breakdown at a second level – see the following table:

NAME	TOTAL_GB	DETAIL_GB	DETAIL2_GB
User-defined global allocation limit	not set		
License memory limit	256		
License usage	143	124 (2014/03/01-2014/03/31)	
		143 (2014/04/01-2014/04/30)	
		113 (2014/05/01-2014/05/09)	
Physical memory	256	256 (vhbshk0sdb)	
HANA instance memory (allocated)	113	113 (vhbshk0sdb)	
HANA instance memory (used)	85	85 (vhbshk0sdb)	
HANA shared memory	23	23 (vhbshk0sdb)	
HANA heap memory (used)	52	52 (vhbshk0sdb)	10 (Pool/NamedMapping/RoDict)

HANA_Memory_TopConsumers_History / HANA_Memory_TopConsumers_TimeSlices

The output shows the areas in history with the highest memory requirements (column store and row store tables, heap, code, stack). The following columns contain the key values:

- SAMPLE_TIME: Timestamp
- KEY_FIGURE: Memory key figure
- VALUE_TOTAL: Total value of memory key figure
- DETAIL_<n>: Top <n> detail area related to memory key figure
- VALUE_<n>: Memory key figure value of top <n> detail area
- PCT_<n>: Fraction of overall value occupied by top <n> detail area (%)

SAMPLE_TIME	KEY_FIGURE	VALUE_TOT		VALUE_1	PCT_1
		AL	DETAIL_1		
2014/04/22(TUE)	Space used (GB)	408.55	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	85.94	21
2014/04/21(MON)	Space used (GB)	382.82	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	90.44	24
2014/04/20(SUN)	Space used (GB)	437.76	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	126.20	29

SAMPLE_TIME	KEY_FIGURE	VALUE_TOT		VALUE_1	PCT_1
		AL	DETAIL_1		
2014/04/19(SAT)	Space used (GB)	513.70	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	133.29	26
2014/04/18(FRI)	Space used (GB)	445.53	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	112.35	25
2014/04/17(THU)	Space used (GB)	363.30	Pool/RowEngine/QueryExecution	72.54	20
2014/04/16(WED)	Space used (GB)	487.59	Pool/RowEngine/QueryExecution	104.39	21
2014/04/15(TUE)	Space used (GB)	588.56	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	168.21	29
2014/04/14(MON)	Space used (GB)	3484.97	Pool/JoinEvaluator/ JERequestedAttributes/Results	2795.20	80
2014/04/13(SUN)	Space used (GB)	572.90	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	175.60	31
2014/04/12(SAT)	Space used (GB)	477.98	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	111.76	23
2014/04/11(FRI)	Space used (GB)	491.72	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	119.74	24
2014/04/10(THU)	Space used (GB)	463.47	Pool/PersistenceManager/ PersistentSpace(0)/DefaultLPA/Page	100.82	22

HANA_Tables_LargestTables

This query provides an overview of current memory allocation by tables. The following list explains the columns displayed in the table:

- OWNER: Name of the table owner
- TABLE_NAME: Name of the table
- S: Table store ('R' for row store, 'C' for column store)
- HOST: Host name ('various' in case of partitions on multiple hosts)
- U: 'X' if at least one unique index exists for the table
- POS: Position of table in top list
- COLS: Number of table columns
- RECORDS: Number of table records
- SUM_DISK_GB: Total size on disk (in GB, table + indexes + LOB segments)
- SUM_MEM_GB: Total potential maximum size in memory (in GB, table + indexes + LOB segments)

OWNER	TABLE_NAME	S	HOST	U	POS	COLS	RECORDS	SUM_DIS K_GB	SUM_ME M_GB
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCEU00500	C	various	X	1	16	877829360	63.90	76.15
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCZZ00400	C	various	X	2	33	965035392	63.45	70.10
SAPSR3	RSMONMESS	R	erslha33	X	3	19	170801504	27.92	54.21
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZFIGLO1300	C	various	X	4	60	652633189	47.20	53.23
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX04400	C	various	X	5	26	1251448665	47.78	53.04
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCEU00800	C	various	X	6	17	911830438	37.86	52.42
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCZZ02000	C	various	X	7	34	1200422292	46.50	50.08
SAPSR3	RSWR_DATA	R	erslha33	X	8	10	20471	36.88	36.88
SAPSR3	RSRWBSTORE	C	erslha33	X	9	5	14483956	36.18	36.20
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZMIEU00200	C	various	X	10	52	403915330	28.58	33.05
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX02900	C	various	X	11	275	183029330	30.82	29.26
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX04700	C	various	X	12	42	648103462	27.38	28.83
SAPSR3	/BIC/FZRREUC16B	C	erslha35		13	122	258261262	26.43	24.99
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCEU09000	C	various	X	14	16	251896248	20.53	23.71
SAPSR3	RSBMNODES	R	erslha33	X	15	12	130344869	13.67	20.25
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX01400	C	various	X	16	279	164509638	18.49	19.82
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCEU00300	C	various	X	17	27	577787981	17.95	19.60
SAPSR3	EDI40	R	erslha33	X	18	7	5733625	18.26	18.40
SAPSR3	/BIC/FZOCZZC20	C	various		19	34	1427403108	18.97	17.80
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX02600	C	various	X	20	306	95251083	16.65	16.97
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSCXX00800	C	various	X	21	266	120598787	18.76	15.62
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSPXX00200	C	various	X	22	48	270975902	12.63	15.30
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCZZ05000	C	various	X	23	33	215732874	14.16	14.92
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZSPXX00300	C	various	X	24	56	275036362	13.09	14.77
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCEU00600	C	various	X	25	16	663581081	12.29	14.34

OWNER	TABLE_NAME	S	HOST	U	POS	COLS	RECORDS	SUM_DIS K_GB	SUM_ME M_GB
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZOCZZ00700	C	various	X	26	41	350819182	15.00	14.32
SAPSR3	/BIC/FZRREUC16D	C	erslha40		27	122	146620284	15.39	14.06
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZMDEU00800	C	various	X	28	246	151145647	15.39	14.00
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZMIEU01300	C	various	X	29	16	406548712	11.52	13.35
SAPSR3	/BIC/AZRREU00100	C	various	X	30	167	202422848	15.36	13.24

HANA_Memory_SharedMemory

This query shows currently used and allocated shared memory per host and service. The following list explains the columns displayed in the table:

- HOST: Host name
- PORT: Port name
- SERVICE_NAME: Service name
- SHM_ALLOC_GB: Allocated shared memory (GB)
- SHM_USED_GB: Used shared memory (GB)
- SHM_USED_PCT: Percentage of allocated memory used

HOST	PORT	SERVICE_NAME	SHM_ALLOC_GB	SHM_USED_GB	SHM_USED_PCT
MyHost01	31001	nameserver	0.13	0.02	18.64
MyHost01	31002	preprocessor	0.00	0.00	0.00
MyHost01	31003	indexserver	24.50	11.21	45.76
MyHost01	31005	statisticsserver	0.14	0.03	22.98
MyHost01	31006	webdispatcher	0.00	0.00	0.00
MyHost01	31007	xsengine	0.14	0.03	22.96
MyHost01	31010	compileserver	0.00	0.00	0.00

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[Memory Analysis](#)

[Using the SQL Statement Collection for Analysis and Health Checks \[page 8\]](#)

3.1.4 Memory Information from Other Tools

Other tools are also available to analyze high memory consumption and out-of-memory situations.

A number of SAP Notes and 'How-to' documents are available to provide help with some of the most common questions and difficulties related to memory. The tool `hdbcons` provides expert functionality to analyze memory issues. You can use this tool (typically with guidance from the SAP Product Support team) to create runtime dump files and analyze the details of memory consumption. If necessary, dump files can be sent to Product Support for further analysis.

The following SAP Notes may be helpful in solving some problems and when analyzing memory issues with `hdbcons`.

- [1999997 FAQ: SAP HANA Memory](#)
- [2400007 FAQ: SAP HANA Runtime Dumps](#)
- [2222218 FAQ: SAP HANA Database Server Management Console \(hdbcons\)](#)
- [1786918 Required information to investigate high memory consumption \(hdbcons\)](#)
- [1813020 How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA](#)
- [1984422 How-To: Analyzing SAP HANA Out-of-memory \(OOM\) Dumps](#)
- [How to troubleshoot HANA High Memory Consumption \(Guided Answer\)](#)

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for *How to troubleshoot HANA High Memory Consumption*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1999997](#) 

[SAP Note 2400007](#) 

[SAP Note 2222218](#) 

[SAP Note 1786918](#) 

[SAP Note 1813020](#) 

[SAP Note 1984422](#) 

[How to troubleshoot HANA High Memory Consumption \(Guided Answer\)](#) 

3.1.5 Root Causes of Memory Problems

Once you have completed your initial analysis, you have the information required to start the next phase of your analysis.

Based on the results from the analysis approaches you are now able to answer the following questions:

- Is it a permanent or a sporadic problem?
- Is the memory consumption steadily growing over time?

- Are there areas with critical memory consumption in heap, row store or column store?
- Is there a big difference between used memory and allocated memory?

In the following you can find typical root causes and possible solutions for the different scenarios.

A valuable tool for analyzing memory problems is the Expensive Statements Trace which is useful in cases where individual statements seem to exhaust the system's memory. This is described separately in the Tools and Tracing section: Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces.

Related Information

[Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces \[page 232\]](#)

3.1.5.1 Significant External Memory Consumption

If the database resident memory of all SAP HANA databases on the same host is significantly smaller than the total resident memory, you have to check which processes outside of the SAP HANA databases are responsible for the additional memory requirements.

Typical memory consumers are:

- Operating system (for example, caches, mapping structures)
- Third party tools (for example, backup, virus scanner)

How to identify top memory consumers from non-SAP HANA processes is out of scope of this guide. However, when you are able to identify the reason for the increased memory consumption of the external program, you can check if it is possible to optimize its configuration.

3.1.5.2 Space Consumed by Large Tables

If particularly large tables consume significant amounts of space in the row store or column store, you should check if the amount of data can be reduced.

The following references will be helpful:

- *SAP Note 2388483 - How To: Data Management for Technical Tables* describes archiving and deletion strategies for typical SAP tables with a technical background; for example, tables required for communication, logging or administration.
- General recommendations for managing data can be found on the *Information Lifecycle Management* page.

For more information on memory management for resident table data, see *Managing Tables* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* and the following SAP Notes:

- SAP Note 2222277 - FAQ: SAP HANA Column Store and Row Store
- SAP Note 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs
- SAP Note 2388483 - How-To: Data Management for Technical Tables

Related Information

<https://www.sap.com/products/information-lifecycle-management.html>

[Managing Tables](#)

[SAP Note 2222277](#)

[SAP Note 2220627](#)

[SAP Note 2388483](#)

3.1.5.3 Internal Columns in the Column Store

For several reasons, SAP HANA creates internal columns in the column store. Some column store tables are automatically loaded into memory.

Internal Columns

You may be able to optimize or remove internal columns in order to reduce memory usage. In some situations a cleanup is possible, for example, in the case of CONCAT attribute columns that were created in order to support joins. For more information see *SAP Note 1986747: How-To: Analyzing Internal Columns in SAP HANA Column Store*.

Column Store Table Loads and Unloads

The SAP HANA system dynamically loads column store tables into memory during system restart and when required by the application. You may be able to optimize the number of pre-loaded tables. For more information, see *SAP Note 2127458: FAQ: SAP HANA Loads and Unloads*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2127458](#)

[SAP Note 1986747](#)

3.1.5.4 Memory Leaks

A memory leak is a memory area (typically a heap allocator) that grows over time without any apparent reason.

If you have identified a suspicious area, proceed as follows:

- Check for SAP Notes that describe the memory leak and provide a solution.
- Check if the problem is reproducible with a recent SAP HANA revision.
- If you can't resolve the problem yourself, open an SAP customer message and use the component HAN-DB.

Before you open a Support incident refer to *SAP Note 1786918 - Required information to investigate high memory consumption*.

Information about a specific memory area can be obtained from the output of the following hdbcons command giving the name of the heap allocator as a parameter. This information is also particularly helpful to the Support team when analyzing memory problems.

```
hdbcons "mm -bl <allocator_name>"
```

Related Information

[SAP Note 1786918](#)

[Problem Analysis Using hdbcons](#)

3.1.5.5 Large Heap Areas

Some heap areas can be larger than necessary without being a memory leak.

SAP Note 1840954 – Alerts Related to HANA Memory Consumption contains an overview of heap allocators with a potentially large memory consumption and possible resolutions.

Refer also to *SAP Note 1999997 – FAQ: SAP HANA Memory*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1840954](#)

[SAP Note 1999997](#)

3.1.5.6 Expensive SQL Statements

SQL statements processing a high amount of data or using inefficient processing strategies can be responsible for increased memory requirements.

See *SQL Statement Analysis* for information on how to analyze expensive SQL statements during times of peak memory requirements.

Related Information

[SQL Statement Analysis \[page 227\]](#)

[Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements \[page 72\]](#)

[Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces \[page 232\]](#)

3.1.5.7 Memory Consumption Related to Transactional Problems

High memory consumption can be caused by problems with transactions.

In some cases, high memory consumption is caused by wait situations, which can have different reasons:

- Long-running or unclosed cursors,
- Blocked transactions,
- Hanging threads.

As one of the negative impacts, used memory is not released any more. In particular, the number of table versions can grow up to more than 8,000,000 which is considered the amount where an action is required.

For more information, see the separate section *Transactional Problems*.

Related Information

[Transactional Problems \[page 157\]](#)

3.1.5.8 Used Space Much Smaller than Allocated Space

In order to optimize performance by minimizing the memory management overhead or due to fragmentation, SAP HANA may allocate additional memory rather than reusing free space within the already allocated memory.

This can lead to undesired effects that the SAP HANA memory footprint increases without apparent need.

The SAP HANA license checks against allocated space, so from a licensing perspective it is important to keep the allocated space below the license limit.

In order to limit the amount of allocated space, you can set the parameter `global_allocation_limit` to a value not larger than the maximum memory that should be allocated.

See *Set the `global_allocation_limit` Parameter* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[Change the Global Memory Allocation Limit](#)

3.1.5.9 Fragmentation

Fragmentation effects are responsible for inefficiently used memory. They can occur in different areas.

In order to minimize fragmentation of row store tables you can proceed as follows:

- If the fragmentation of row store tables in the shared memory segments of indexserver processes reaches 30% and the allocated memory size is greater than 10GB, a table redistribution operation is needed.

SAP Note 1813245 - SAP HANA DB: Row Store reorganization describes how to determine fragmentation and perform a table redistribution.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1813245](#) 

3.1.5.10 Large Memory LOBs

LOB (Large Object) columns can be responsible for significant memory allocation in the row store and column store if they are defined as memory LOBs.

To check for memory LOBs and switch to hybrid LOBs see *SAP Note 1994962 – Activation of Hybrid LOBs in SAP HANA*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1994962](#) 

3.1.5.11 Large Delta Store

The delta store can allocate a significant portion of the column store memory.

You can identify the current size of the delta store by running the SQL command:

`HANA_Tables_ColumnStore_Overview` (*SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*). If the delta store size is larger than expected, proceed as described in the section *Delta Merge*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#) 

3.1.5.12 Undersized SAP HANA Memory

If a detailed analysis of the SAP HANA memory consumption didn't reveal any root cause of increased memory requirements, it is possible that the available memory is not sufficient for the current utilization of the SAP HANA database.

In this case you should perform a sizing verification and make sure that sufficient memory is installed on the SAP HANA hosts.

3.1.5.13 Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements

You can set a statement memory limit to prevent single statements from consuming too much memory.

Prerequisites

To apply these settings you must have the system privilege INIFILE ADMIN.

For these options, `enable_tracking` and `memory_tracking` must first be enabled in the `global.ini` file. Additionally, `resource_tracking` must be enabled in this file if you wish to apply different settings for individual users (see Procedure below).

Context

You can protect an SAP HANA system from uncontrolled queries consuming excessive memory by limiting the amount of memory used by single statement executions per host. By default, there is no limit set on statement memory usage, but if a limit is applied, statement executions that require more memory will be aborted when they reach the limit. To avoid canceling statements unnecessarily you can also apply a percentage threshold value which considers the current statement allocation as a proportion of the global memory currently available. Using this parameter, statements which have exceeded the hard-coded limit may still be executed if the memory allocated for the statement is within the percentage threshold. The percentage threshold setting is also effective for workload classes where a statement memory limit can also be defined.

You can also create exceptions to these limits for individual users (for example, to ensure an administrator is not prevented from doing a backup) by setting a different statement memory limit for each individual.

These limits only apply to single SQL statements, not the system as a whole. Tables which require much more memory than the limit applied here may be loaded into memory. The parameter `global_allocation_limit` limits the maximum memory allocation limit for the system as a whole.

You can view the (peak) memory consumption of a statement in `M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS.MEMORY_SIZE`.

Procedure

1. Enable statement memory tracking.

In the `global.ini` file, expand the `resource_tracking` section and set the following parameters to **on**:

- `enable_tracking = on`
- `memory_tracking = on`

2. `statement_memory_limit` - defines the maximum memory allocation per statement in GB. The parameter is not set by default.

- In the `global.ini` file, expand the `memorymanager` section and locate the parameter. Set an integer value in GB between 0 (no limit) and the value of the global allocation limit. Values that are too small can block the system from performing critical tasks.
- When the statement memory limit is reached, a dump file is created with 'compositelimit_oom' in the name. The statement is aborted, but otherwise the system is not affected. By default only one dump file is written every 24 hours. If a second limit hits in that interval, no dump file is written. The interval can be configured in the `memorymanager` section of the `global.ini` file using the `oom_dump_time_delta` parameter, which sets the minimum time difference (in seconds) between two dumps of the same kind (and the same process).
- The value defined for this parameter can be overridden by the corresponding workload class property `STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT`.

After setting this parameter, statements that exceed the limit you have set on a host are stopped by running out of memory.

3. `statement_memory_limit_threshold` - defines a percentage of the global allocation limit. Parameter `statement_memory_limit` is respected only if total used memory exceeds the global allocation limit by this threshold percentage. The default value is 0% (of the `global_allocation_limit`) so `statement_memory_limit` is always respected.

- In the `global.ini` file, expand the `memorymanager` section and set the parameter as a percentage of the global allocation limit.
- This parameter provides a means of controlling when the `statement_memory_limit` is applied. If this parameter is set, when a statement is issued the system will determine if the amount of memory it consumes exceeds the defined percentage value of the overall `global_allocation_limit` parameter setting. The statement memory limit is only applied if the current SAP HANA memory consumption exceeds this statement memory limit threshold as a percentage of the global allocation limit.
- This is a way of determining if a particular statement consumes an inordinate amount of memory compared to the overall system memory available. If so, to preserve memory for other tasks, the statement memory limit is applied and the statement fails with an exception.
- Note that the value defined for this parameter also applies to the workload class property `STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT`.

4. `total_statement_memory_limit` - a value in gigabytes to define the maximum memory available to all statements running on the system. The default value is 0 (no limit).

- This limit does not apply to users with the administrator role `SESSION ADMIN` or `WORKLOAD ADMIN` who need unrestricted access to the system. However, a check of the user's privileges allowing the administrator to by-pass the limit is only made for the first request when a connection is made. The privileged user would have to reconnect to be able to bypass the statement memory limit again (see also Admission Control).

- The value defined for this parameter cannot be overridden by the corresponding workload class property TOTAL_STATEMENT_MEMORY_LIMIT.
 - There is a corresponding parameter for use with system replication on an Active/Active (read enabled) secondary server. This is required to ensure that enough memory is always available for essential log shipping activity. See also `sr_total_statement_memory_limit` in section *Memory Management*.
5. User parameters can limit memory for statements. For further information, refer to *Setting User Parameters for Workload*.

Results

The following example and scenarios show the effect of applying these settings:

Example showing statement memory parameters

Parameter	Value
Physical memory	128 GB
<code>global_allocation_limit</code>	The unit used by this parameter is MB. The default value is: 90% of the first 64 GB of available physical memory on the host plus 97% of each further GB; or, in the case of small physical memory, physical memory minus 1 GB.
<code>statement_memory_limit</code>	1 GB (the unit used by this parameter is GB.)
<code>statement_memory_limit_threshold</code>	60%

Scenario 1:

A statement allocates 2GB of memory and the current used memory size in SAP HANA is 50GB.

- $0,9 * 128\text{GB} = 115,2$ (global allocation limit)
- $0,6 * 115,2 = 69,12$ (threshold in GB)
- $50\text{ GB} < 69,12\text{ GB}$ (threshold not reached)

The statement is executed, even though it exceeds the 1GB `statement_memory_limit`.

Scenario 2:

A statement allocates 2GB and the current used memory size in SAP HANA is 70GB

- $70\text{ GB} > 69,12\text{ GB}$ (threshold is exceeded)

The statement is cancelled, as the threshold is exceeded, the `statement_memory_limit` is applied.

Related Information

[Change the Global Memory Allocation Limit](#)
[Memory Management](#)
[Setting User Parameters for Workload](#)

3.2 CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section covers the troubleshooting of high CPU consumption on the system.

A constantly high CPU consumption will lead to a considerably slower system as no more requests can be processed. From an end user perspective, the application behaves slowly, is unresponsive or can even seem to hang.

Note that a proper CPU utilization is actually desired behavior for SAP HANA, so this should be nothing to worry about unless the CPU becomes the bottleneck. SAP HANA is optimized to consume all memory and CPU available. More concretely, the software will parallelize queries as much as possible in order to provide optimal performance. So if the CPU usage is near 100% for a query execution, it does not always mean there is an issue. It also does not automatically indicate a performance issue.

3.2.1 Indicators of CPU Related Issues

CPU related issues are indicated by alerts issued or in views in the SAP HANA cockpit.

The following alerts may indicate CPU resource problems:

- Host CPU Usage (Alert 5)
- Most recent savepoint operation (Alert 28)
- Savepoint duration (Alert 54)

You notice very high CPU consumption on your SAP HANA database from one of the following:

- Alert 5 (Host CPU Usage) is raised for current or past CPU usage
- The CPU usage displayed in the [CPU Usage](#) tile on the [Overview](#) screen
- The [Performance Monitor](#) shows high current or past CPU consumption. Furthermore, the CPU usage of the host as well as the individual servers is displayed.

3.2.2 Analysis of CPU Related Issues

This section describes how to analyze high CPU consumption using tools in the SAP HANA cockpit and the command line.

When analyzing high CPU consumption, you need to distinguish between the CPU resources consumed by HANA itself and by other, non-SAP HANA processes on the host. While the CPU consumption of SAP HANA will be addressed here in detail, the CPU consumption of other processes running on the same host is not covered. Such situations are often caused by additional programs running concurrently on the SAP HANA appliance such as anti-virus and backup software. For more information see [SAP Note 1730928 - Using external software in a HANA appliance](#).

Analyzing CPU Consumption in Cockpit

A good starting point for the analysis is the [Overview](#) page in the SAP HANA cockpit. It contains a tile that displays CPU usage. If you click on that tile, the [Performance Monitor](#) opens and you can view the SAP HANA CPU usage versus total CPU usage. If SAP HANA CPU usage is low while total CPU usage is high, the issue is most likely related to a non-SAP HANA process.

To find out what is happening in more detail, open the [Threads](#) tile (see [Thread Monitoring](#)). In order to prepare it for CPU time analysis, perform the following steps:

- To switch on resource tracking open the [Configuration of System Properties](#) monitor and in the `resource_tracking` section of the `global.ini` file set the `enable_tracking` parameter to **on**. See [Memory Information from Logs and Traces](#).
- Display the [CPU Time](#) column in the Thread Monitor.

The Thread Monitor shows the CPU time of each thread running in SAP HANA in microseconds. A high CPU time of related threads is an indicator that an operation is causing the increased CPU consumption.

In order to identify expensive statements causing high resource consumption, turn on the [Expensive Statement Trace](#) and specify a reasonable runtime (see [Expensive Statements Trace](#)). If possible, add further restrictive criteria such as database user or application user to narrow down the amount of information traced. Note that the CPU time for each statement is shown in the column `CPU_TIME` if `resource_tracking` is activated.

General Analysis Resources

The topic 'HANA System-wide Performance Analysis' describes a general approach which can also be applied for CPU related issues. This includes the following actions:

- Generating a runtime dump
- Creating a kernel profiler trace
- Using the HANA Dump Analyzer tool

You can enable and configure the kernel profiler in the SAP HANA Database Explorer (Trace Configuration) or you can manage the kernel profiler from the SQL command line using the `ALTER SYSTEM` command. In both cases `RESOURCE ADMIN` or `TRACE ADMIN` privileges are required. Note that setting a maximum duration or memory limit for profiling is good practice and should be used if appropriate values can be estimated. More information about this tool can be found in [Kernel Profiler](#).

In addition to the runtime dump it may be possible to capture the current state of the system in a full system information dump for later analysis. However, this in itself requires resources and may therefore worsen the situation. To get a Full System Info Dump using SAP HANA cockpit, open [Diagnosis Files](#) via the link [Manage full system information dumps](#) under Alerting & Diagnostics and choose either a zip file from the list or create a new one via [Collect Diagnostics](#). See also the topic 'Diagnosis Information' in the Tools and Tracing section.

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for [How to troubleshoot HANA High CPU Utilization](#).

Related Information

[SAP Note 1730928 - 1730928 - Using external software in a HANA appliance](#)

[Thread Monitoring \[page 221\]](#)

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

[Expensive Statements Trace \[page 233\]](#)

[HANA System-wide Performance Analysis \[page 39\]](#)

[Kernel Profiler \[page 279\]](#)

[Collect and Download Diagnosis Information in SAP HANA Cockpit](#)

[Diagnosis Information \[page 281\]](#)

[How to troubleshoot HANA High CPU Utilization \(Guided Answer\)](#)

3.2.3 Resolving CPU Related Issues

The first priority in resolving CPU related issues is to return the system to a normal operating state, which may complicate identifying the root cause.

Immediate Remedial Action

Issue resolution should aim to bring the system back to a functional state by stopping the operation that causes the high CPU consumption. However, after resolving the situation it might not be possible to find out the actual root cause, you should therefore consider recording a HANA Runtime Dump before taking any countermeasures. See SAP Note 1813020 *How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA and Analysis of CPU Related Issues*.

You can identify and stop the specific operation causing high CPU consumption using the Threads Monitor in SAP HANA Cockpit (see Thread Monitoring). Use the values in the columns Client Host, Client IP, Client PID and Application User to identify the user that triggered the operation. Contact the user to confirm what actions are currently being performed and agree on how to resolve the situation; two options are available:

- On the client side, end the process calling the affected threads
- Cancel the operation by selecting the thread in the Threads Monitor and choose Cancel Operation.

For further analysis of the root cause, you may need to open a ticket to SAP HANA Development Support and attach the Full System Info Dump.

Analysis of the System Configuration

Under normal circumstances when the SAP HANA Database instance is correctly configured, exhaustion of CPU resources should not occur. Firstly, therefore, verify that the configuration conforms to SAP recommendations using the script HANA_Configuration_Parameters_2.00.040+ in the SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA (attached to SAP Note 1969700). The output of this script will list all parameters

deviating from recommended settings. In this situation pay particular attention to the workload management related parameters such as `default_statement_concurrency_limit` as outlined in section 'Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements'.

Scenario Illustrating Unusual Load Peaks

Even if the workload management related parameters are set as recommended, CPU resources may still be exhausted by unusual peaks in the workload. Considering the following scenario:

- A system is configured with 144 CPU cores
- The `default_statement_concurrency_limit` is set to 48 - therefore an application workload may consume 33.3% of the available CPU resources
- An application submits an OLAP workload request to the HANA database (with a higher degree of parallelism) which, within the foreseen workload management boundaries, requires 33% of the available resources.

If, however, the application submits 3 such requests via 3 different sessions simultaneously this workload may easily exhaust the CPU resources. This illustrates the importance of finding the right workload management balance for your individual system; there is no "one-configuration-fits-all" approach and you may therefore need to change the workload management related configuration parameters to fit your own specific application requirements. In the given scenario, for example, the solution may be to further decrease the concurrency degree of individual database requests by adjusting `default_statement_concurrency_limit` to even lower levels.

Related Information

[Analysis of CPU Related Issues \[page 75\]](#)

[Thread Monitoring \[page 221\]](#)

[Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements \[page 80\]](#)

[SAP Note 1969700 - SAP HANA Statement Collection](#)

[SAP Note 1813020 - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA](#)

3.2.4 Retrospective Analysis of CPU Related Issues

There are a number of options available to analyze what the root cause of an issue was after it has been resolved.

A retrospective analysis of high CPU consumption should start by checking the *Performance Monitor* and the *Alerts* tile in SAP HANA cockpit. Using the alert time or the graph in the *Performance Monitor*, determine the time frame of the high CPU consumption.

If you are not able to determine the time frame because the issue happened too long ago, check the following scripts in the SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA (attached to SAP Note 1969700):

- HANA_LoadHistory_Services_*
- HANA_Resources_CPUAndMemory_History*

Once a problematic time-period is identified you can proceed with thread sample analysis as described in the section 'Analysis of Former Performance Problems' in *HANA System-wide Performance Analysis*.

Monitoring Views and Trace Files

You can search through the trace files of the process causing high consumption if you can narrow down the time period when the event happened. The following views

If you are not able to determine the time frame because the issue happened too long ago, check the following statistics server table which includes historical host resource information up to 30 days:

HOST_RESOURCE_UTILIZATION_STATISTICS (_SYS_STATISTICS schema). A longer history can be found in the statistics server table HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS.

With this information, search through the trace files of the responsible process. Be careful to choose the correct host when SAP HANA runs on a scale-out landscape. The information contained in the trace files will give indications on the threads or queries that were running during the affected time frame.

If the phenomenon is recurrent due to a scheduled batch job or data loading processes, turn on the *Expensive Statement Trace* during that time to record all involved statements (see *Expensive Statements Trace*).

Furthermore, check for concurrently running background jobs like backups and Delta Merge that may cause a resource shortage when run in parallel. Historical information about such background jobs can be obtained from the system views:

- M_BACKUP_CATALOG
- M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS

Related Information

[HANA System-wide Performance Analysis \[page 39\]](#)

[The Performance Monitor \(SAP HANA Cockpit\)](#)

[Expensive Statement Trace \(SAP HANA Cockpit\) \[page 233\]](#)

[Alerts \(SAP HANA Cockpit\)](#)

[SAP Note 1969700 - SAP HANA Statement Collection](#)

[M_BACKUP_CATALOG](#)

[M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS](#)

[HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS](#)

3.2.5 Controlling Parallel Execution of SQL Statements

You can apply ini file settings to control the two thread pools SqlExecutor and JobExecutor that control the parallelism of statement execution.

⚠ Caution

The settings described here should only be modified when other tuning techniques like remodeling, repartitioning, and query tuning have been applied. Modifying the parallelism settings requires a thorough understanding of the actual workload since they have impact on the overall system behavior. Modify the settings iteratively by testing each adjustment. For more information, see *Understand your Workload*.

On systems with highly concurrent workload, too much parallelism of single statements may lead to sub-optimal performance. Note also that partitioning tables influences the degree of parallelism for statement execution; in general, adding partitions tends to increase parallelism. You can use the parameters described in this section to adjust the CPU utilization in the system.

Two thread pools control the parallelism of the statement execution. Generally, target thread numbers applied to these pools are soft limits, meaning that additional available threads can be used if necessary and deleted when no longer required:

- **SqlExecutor**
This thread pool handles incoming client requests and executes simple statements. For each statement execution, an SqlExecutor thread from a thread pool processes the statement. For simple OLTP-like statements against column store as well as for most statements against row store, this will be the only type of thread involved. With OLTP we mean short running statements that consume relatively little resources, however, even OLTP-systems like SAP Business Suite may generate complex statements.
- **JobExecutor**
The JobExecutor is a job dispatching subsystem. Almost all remaining parallel tasks are dispatched to the JobExecutor and its associated JobWorker threads.
In addition to OLAP workload the JobExecutor also executes operations like table updates, backups, memory garbage collection, and savepoint writes.

You can set a limit for both SqlExecutor and JobExecutor to define the maximum number of threads. You can use this for example on a system where OLAP workload would normally consume too many CPU resources to apply a maximum value to the JobExecutor to reserve resources for OLTP workload.

⚠ Caution

Lowering the value of these parameters can have a drastic effect on the parallel processing of the servers and reduce the performance of the overall system. Adapt with caution by iteratively making modifications and testing. For more information, see *Understand your Workload* and *SAP Note 2222250 - FAQ SAP HANA Workload Management* which contains more details of the workload configuration parameters.

A further option to manage statement execution is to apply a limit to an individual user profile for all statements in the current connection using 'THREADLIMIT' parameter. This option is described in *Setting User Parameters*.

Parameters for SqlExecutor

The following SqlExecutor parameters are in the `sql` section of the `indexserver.ini` file.

`sql_executors` - sets a soft limit on the target number of logical cores for the SqlExecutor pool.

- This parameter sets the target number of threads that are immediately available to accept incoming requests. Additional threads will be created if needed and deleted if not needed any more.
- The parameter is initially not set (0); the default value is the number of logical cores in a system. As each thread allocates a particular amount of main memory for the stack, reducing the value of this parameter can help to avoid memory footprint.

`max_sql_executors` - sets a hard limit on the maximum number of logical cores that can be used.

- In normal operation new threads are created to handle incoming requests. If a limit is applied here, SAP HANA will reject new incoming requests with an error message if the limit is exceeded.
- The parameter is initially not set (0) so no limit is applied.

⚠ Caution

SAP HANA will not accept new incoming requests if the limit is exceeded. Use this parameter with extreme care.

Parameters for JobExecutor

The following JobExecutor parameters are in the `execution` section of the `global.ini` or `indexserver.ini`.

`max_concurrency` - sets the target number of logical cores for the JobExecutor pool.

- This parameter sets the size of the thread pool used by the JobExecutor used to parallelize execution of database operations. Additional threads will be created if needed and deleted if not needed any more. You can use this to limit resources available for JobExecutor threads, thereby saving capacity for SqlExecutors.
- The parameter is initially not set (0); the default value is the number of logical cores in a system. Especially on systems with at least 8 sockets consider setting this parameter to a reasonable value between the number of logical cores per CPU up to the overall number of logical cores in the system. In a system that supports tenant databases, a reasonable value is the number of cores divided by the number of tenant databases.

`max_concurrency_hint` - limits the number of logical cores for job workers even if more active job workers would be available.

- This parameter defines the number of jobs to create for an individual parallelized operation. The JobExecutor proposes the number of jobs to create for parallel processing based on the recent load on the system. Multiple parallelization steps may result in far more jobs being created for a statement (and hence higher concurrency) than this parameter.
- The default is 0 (no limit is applied but the hint value is never greater than the value for `max_concurrency`). On large systems (that is more than 4 sockets) setting this parameter to the number of logical cores of one socket may result in better performance but testing is necessary to confirm this.

`default_statement_concurrency_limit` - restricts the actual degree of parallel execution per connection within a statement.

- This parameter controls the maximum overall parallelism for a single database request. Set this to a reasonable value (a number of logical cores) between 1 and `max_concurrency` but greater or equal to the value set for `max_concurrency_hint`.
- The default setting is 0; no limit is applied. Note, however, that a new default value for this parameter may also be set during installation using the SAP HANA database lifecycle manager (HDBLCM) tool. In this case, a limit may already be in force. See also SAP Note 3011356 - Default Value of `global.ini` [execution] `default_statement_concurrency_limit` Changed.

Related Information

[Understand your Workload](#)

[Example Workload Management Scenarios](#)

[Setting User Parameters for Workload](#)

[SAP Note 2222250](#)

[SAP Note 3011356](#)

3.2.6 Applying NUMA Node Affinity Settings

If the physical hardware on a host is shared between several processes, you can use CPU affinity settings to assign a set of logical cores to a specific SAP HANA process. These settings are coarse-grained and apply on the OS and process-level.

Prerequisites

You can use the `affinity` configuration parameter to restrict CPU usage of SAP HANA server processes to certain CPUs or ranges of CPUs.

Start by analyzing how the system CPUs are configured using the Linux `lscpu` command and then, based on the information returned, apply affinity settings in `daemon.ini` to bind specific processes to logical CPU cores. Processes must be restarted before the changes become effective. This approach applies primarily to the use cases of SAP HANA tenant databases and multiple SAP HANA instances on one server; you can use this approach, for example, to partition the CPU resources of the system by tenant database.

To make the changes described here, you require access to the operating system of the SAP HANA instance to run the `lscpu` command and you require the privilege INIFILE ADMIN.

Context

For Xen and VMware, the users in the VM guest system see what is configured in the VM host. So, the quality of the reported information depends on the configuration of the VM guest. Therefore, SAP can't give any performance guarantees in this case.

Procedure

1. Firstly, to confirm the physical and logical details of your CPU architecture, analyze the system using the `lscpu` command. This command returns a listing of details of the system architecture. The following table gives a commentary on the most useful values based on an example system with 2 physical chips (sockets), each containing 8 physical cores. These cores are hyperthreaded to give a total of 32 logical cores.

#	Feature	Example Value
1	Architecture	x86_64
2	CPU op-modes	32-bit, 64-bit
3	Byte Order	LittleEndian
4	CPUs	32
5	On-line CPUs list	0-31
6	Threads per core	2
7	Cores per socket	8
8	Sockets	2
9	NUMA nodes	2
21	NUMA node0 CPUs	0-7,16-23
22	NUMA node1 CPUs	8-15,24-31

- 4-5: This example server has 32 logical cores numbered 0-31
- 6-8: Logical cores ("threads") are assigned to physical cores. Hyperthreading is where multiple threads are assigned to a single physical core. In this example, there are 2 sockets, with each socket containing 8 physical cores (total 16). Two logical cores (#6) are assigned to each physical core, thus, each core exposes two execution contexts for the independent and concurrent execution of two threads.
- 9: In this example there are 2 NUMA nodes, one for each socket. Other systems may have multiple NUMA nodes per socket.
- 21-22: The 32 logical cores are numbered and assigned to one of the two NUMA nodes.

i Note

Even on a system with 32 logical cores and two sockets the assignment of logical cores to physical CPUs and sockets can be different. It's important to collect the assignment in advance before making changes. A more detailed analysis is possible using the system commands described in the next step. These provide detailed information for each core including how CPU cores are grouped as siblings.

2. In addition to the `lscpu` command, you can use the set of system commands in the `/sys/devices/system/cpu/` directory tree. For each logical core, there is a numbered subdirectory beneath this node (`/cpu12/` in the following examples). The examples show how to retrieve this information and the table gives details of some of the most useful commands available:

❁ Example

```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/present
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpu12/topology/thread_siblings_list
```

Command	Example Output	Commentary
present	0-15	The number of logical cores available for scheduling.
cpu12/topology/core_siblings_list	4-7,12-15	The cores on the same socket.
cpu12/topology/thread_siblings_list	4, 12	The logical cores assigned to the same physical core (hyperthreading).
cpu12/topology/physical_package_id	1	The socket of the current core - in this case cpu12.

Other Linux commands that are relevant here are `sched_setaffinity` and `numactl`. `sched_setaffinity` limits the set of CPU cores available (by applying a CPU affinity mask) for execution of a specific process (this can be used, for example, to isolate tenants) and `numactl` controls NUMA policy for processes or shared memory.

3. Based on the results returned you can use the `affinity` setting to restrict CPU usage of SAP HANA server processes to certain CPUs or ranges of CPUs. You can set restrictions for the following servers: `nameserver`, `indexserver`, `compileserver`, `preprocessor`, and `xsengine` (each server has a section in the `daemon.ini` file). The affinity setting is applied by the `TrexDaemon` when it starts the other HANA processes using the command `sched_setaffinity`. Changes to the affinity settings take effect only after restarting the HANA process. The following examples and commentary show the syntax for the `ALTER SYSTEM CONFIGURATION` commands required.

❁ Example

To restrict the `nameserver` to two logical cores of the first CPU of socket 0 (see line 21 in the previous example), use the following affinity setting:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('nameserver', 'affinity') = '0,16'
```

❁ Example

To restrict the preprocessor and the compileserver to all remaining cores (that is, all except 0 and 16) on socket 0 (see line 21 in the previous example), use the following affinity settings:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('preprocessor', 'affinity') = '1-7,17-23'
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('compileserver', 'affinity') = '1-7,17-23'
```

❁ Example

To restrict the indexserver to all cores on socket 1 (see line 22 in the previous example), use the following affinity settings:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('indexserver', 'affinity') = '8-15,24-31'
```

4. You can assign affinities to different tenants of a multi-tenant database on the same host as shown here. Run these SQL statements on the SYSTEMDB.

❁ Example

In this scenario tenant NM1 already exists, here we add another tenant NM2:

```
CREATE DATABASE NM2 ADD AT LOCATION 'host:30040' SYSTEM USER PASSWORD
Manager1;
```

Set the configuration parameter to bind CPUs to specific NUMA nodes on each tenant. You can use the following notation with a dot to identify the specific tenant:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('indexserver.NM1', 'affinity') = '0-7,16-23';
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('indexserver.NM2', 'affinity') = '8-15,24-31';
```

5. To assign affinities to multiple indexservers of the same tenant on the same host, execute the following SQL statements on the SYSTEMDB to apply the `instance_affinity[port]` configuration parameter:

❁ Example

In this scenario, an indexserver is already running on tenant NM1 on port 30003. Here we add another indexserver on a different port:

```
ALTER DATABASE NM1 ADD 'indexserver' AT LOCATION 'host:30040';
```

Set the different instances of the `instance_affinity[port]` configuration parameter to bind CPUs to specific NUMA nodes on each indexserver. The configuration parameter has a 1–2 digit suffix to identify the final significant digits of the port number, in this example 30003 and 30040:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('indexserver.NM1', 'instance_affinity[3]') = '0-7,16-23';
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('daemon.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('indexserver.NM1', 'instance_affinity[40]') = '8-15,24-31';
```

Restart the indexserver processes to make the affinity settings effective.

6. You can test the settings either in SQL or using hdbcons as shown here:

Run this query on the tenant or SystemDB:

```
select * from M_NUMA_NODES;
```

Using hdbcons the process ID of the indexserver process is required as a parameter:

```
hdbcons -p <PID> "jexec info"
```

Related Information

[Memory and CPU Usage for Tenant Databases](#)

[SAP HANA Monitoring Views for CPU Topology Details](#)

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[SAP Note 2470289](#) 

3.2.7 Basic NUMA Analysis

In this section we present a basic workflow for analyzing performance issues, especially on large scale-up systems running SAP HANA.

Introduction

Server machines with many CPU cores which are packed in multiple sockets today follow a Non-Uniform Memory Architecture (NUMA). A NUMA node comprises the CPU cores that access a set of DRAM DIMMs via a memory controller as a NUMA node. In most systems a NUMA node and a socket refer to the same packaging of these hardware components, see SAP Notes 2470289 and 2632231. Hence, the access to some physical memory address can be to locally attached DRAM DIMMs or DRAM DIMMs attached to another NUMA node. While the hardware hides the complexities of accessing the memory attached to different NUMA nodes, it may still result in different (that is, non-uniform) bandwidth and latency when accessing some memory address.

When SAP HANA is deployed on systems with many NUMA nodes an analysis of the NUMA effects for a given workload may be needed. This topic explains the basic steps for collecting information required for identifying NUMA-related problems. This will be the typical information requested by the SAP HANA quality team when NUMA-related problems are suspected. This topic focuses on the SAP HANA Cockpit as the administration interface because it should be available to every SAP HANA customer. A more detailed analysis may be possible when access to the operating system is available (see also the topic 'Memory Information from Other Tools').

This analysis has the following three sections:

- Collect System Information
- Examine the Workload
- Tuning for Better NUMA Behavior

The analysis should be complemented by a general analysis of performance problems; see related topics in the *SAP HANA Performance Guide for Developers*.

Related Information

[Indicators of CPU Related Issues \[page 75\]](#)

[Statement Performance Analysis \[page 167\]](#)

[Memory Information from Other Tools \[page 66\]](#)

[SAP HANA Performance Guide for Developers](#)

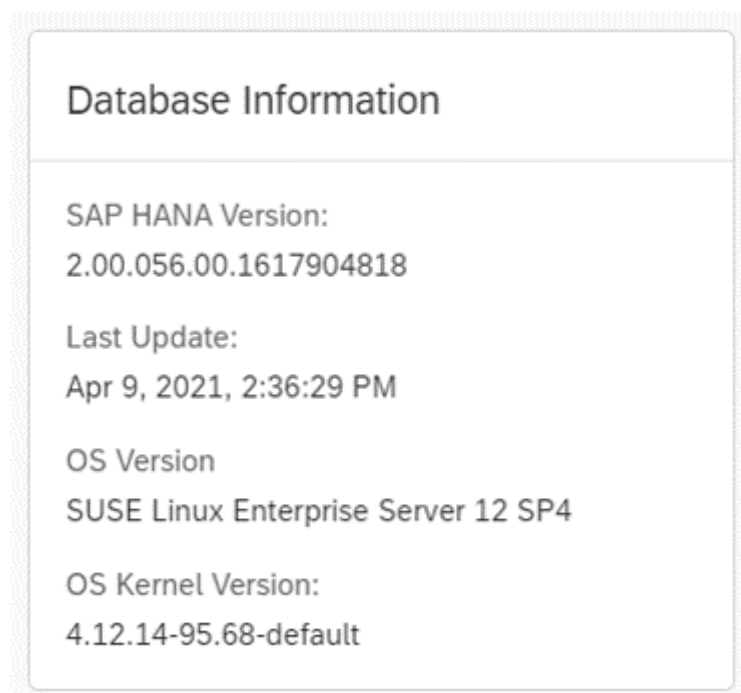
[SAP Note 2470289 FAQ: SAP HANA Non-Uniform Memory Access \(NUMA\)](#) 

[SAP Note 2632231 - SAP HANA and Non-Uniform Memory Access \(NUMA\)](#) 

3.2.7.1 Collect System Information

The initial step is to collect information about the system and its topology.

Basic system information may be needed to identify available features in SAP HANA. In the SAP HANA Cockpit, the tile *Database Information* provides the initial information. This information is also accessible via the view (or public synonym) M_HOST_INFORMATION.



The example system shown here uses SAP HANA version HANA2, Rev 56 using SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP4 as operating system version (using Linux kernel 4.12.14-95.68-default).

The next step is to **collect system topology information** using the SAP HANA Database Explorer. The view M_HOST_INFORMATION delivers relevant information on the system topology. In this example, the system is equipped as below:

Key	Value	Explanation
cpu_cores	88	The number of physical CPUs in the system.
cpu_threads	176	The number of logical CPU cores. Consequently, there are 2 hyperthreads per physical core on this system. Note on the IBM Power platform there can be up to 8 hyperthreads.
cpu_model	Intel Xeon Gold 6152 CPU	Refer to hardware vendors' internet sites for specific details, for example: Intel Xeon Gold 6152 CPU 🖱️
mem_phys	405394542592	This corresponds to approximately 400GB DRAM physically available on the system.
os_name	SUSE Linux Enterprise 12 SP04	The operating system used on this host. Refer to the internet sites of operating system vendors for more specific details and to the SAP Note 2235581 - <i>SAP HANA: Supported Operating Systems</i> .
build_version	2.00.056.00.1617904818	This is HANA 2, Rev 56.

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Raw Data Analysis

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	HOST	KEY	VALUE
6	ld5866	cpu_summary	88 (176) * 2100MHz
7	ld5866	net.ipv4.tcp_syn_retries	6
8	ld5866	build_githeadcount	503001
9	ld5866	os_name	SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 SP4
10	ld5866	os_cpe_name	cpe:/o:suse:sles:12:sp4
11	ld5866	net_domain	wdf.sap.corp
12	ld5866	mem_swap	34359734272
13	ld5866	memory_map_area_limit	2147483647
14	ld5866	os_user	...
15	ld5866	hw_model	ThinkSystem SR950-[7X12CTO1WW]-
16	ld5866	net_realhostname	-
17	ld5866	sid	NM0
18	ld5866	os_ppms_name	LINUX_X86_64
19	ld5866	sapsystem	00
20	ld5866	topology_mem_info	<ok>
21	ld5866	build_gitmergetime	2021-04-08 20:00:18
22	ld5866	cpu_cores	88
23	ld5866	net_publicports	-
24	ld5866	os_rlimit_nofile	1048576
25	ld5866	cpu_threads	176
26	ld5866	net_publicname	...
27	ld5866	timezone_offset	7200
28	ld5866	timezone_name	CEST
29	ld5866	ssfs_masterkey_systempki_changed	2021-04-09 14:35:41
30	ld5866	build_compiler	gcc (SAP release 20200227, based on SUSE gcc9-9.2.1+r275327-1.3.7) 9.2.1 20190903 [gcc-9-
31	ld5866	net.ipv4.tcp_max_syn_backlog	8192
32	ld5866	build_gen	rel
33	ld5866	net.core.somaxconn	4096
34	ld5866	crypto_provider_version	CommonCryptoLib 8.5.36 (Nov 5 2020) [AES-NI,CLMUL,SSE3,SSSE3]
35	ld5866	build_cloud_edition	0000.00.00
36	ld5866	build_version	2.00.056.00.1617904818
37	ld5866	topology_mem_type	shared
38	ld5866	open_file_limit	39526120
39	ld5866	daemon_active	yes
40	ld5866	crypto_fips_version	none
41	ld5866	crypto_provider	commoncrypto
42	ld5866	mem_phys	405394542592
43	ld5866	cpu_model	Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6152 CPU @ 2.10GHz

To **understand the NUMA topology** in more detail, the monitoring views NUMA_NODES and NUMA_RESOURCES are available. SAP Note 2470289 mentions further options to analyze the NUMA topology and memory usage.

Monitoring Views NUMA_RESOURCES

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Raw Data Analysis

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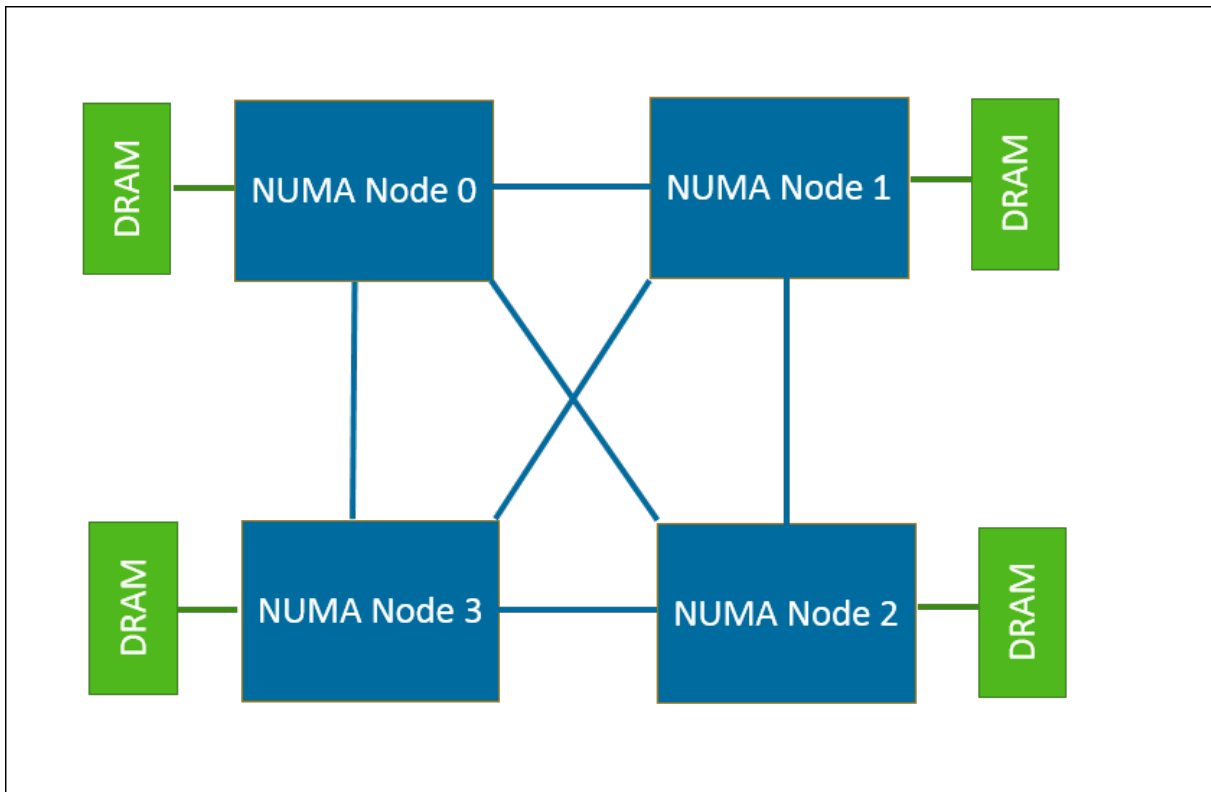
	HOST	MAX_NUMA_NODE_COUNT	MAX_LOGICAL_CORE_COUNT
1	...	4	176
2	...	4	176

Monitoring View NUMA_NODES

NUMA_NODE_ID	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	ACTIVE_LOGICAL_CORE_COUNT	LOGICAL_CORE_IDS	MEMORY_SIZE	NUMA_NODE_DISTANCES	NEIGHBOUR_NUMA_NODE_IDS
0	0	44	0-21,88-109	101046943744	10,21,21,21	1,2,3
1	1	44	22-43,110-131	101429354496	21,10,21,21	0,2,3
2	2	44	44-65,132-153	101459906560	21,21,10,21	0,1,3
3	3	44	66-87,154-175	101458337792	21,21,21,10	0,1,2

From these views one can learn that the system has four NUMA nodes with NUMA_NODE_IDs 0, 1, 2 and 3. Every NUMA node has 44 logical cores, and as every physical core has two hyperthreads every NUMA node has 22 physical cores. The system memory is evenly distributed across these four NUMA nodes with 100GB of DRAM attached to every NUMA node. From M_NUMA_NODES.NUMA_NODE_DISTANCES or M_NUMA_NODES.NEIGHBOUR_NUMA_NODE_IDS one can reconstruct the NUMA node topology, that is how the cores of every NUMA node can communicate with other NUMA nodes to fetch data from another NUMA node or for work stealing.

As illustrated below, in this system every NUMA node has all the other NUMA nodes as neighbors, that is fully meshed via the blue connections between the NUMA nodes.



The system used in this analysis likely does not have strong NUMA effects because all NUMA nodes are directly connected with each other. When memory of one NUMA node can only be reached via multiple hops in the NUMA topology, we can expect a stronger NUMA effect. This is the case when certain NUMA nodes are not listed as neighbors of some NUMA node in view M_NUMA_NODES. Furthermore, systems with many NUMA nodes may require a dedicated "NUMA node controller" to connect islands of NUMA nodes which are connected with fast UPI links (as in the example above). This information is provided by the hardware partner or from the system specification.

It is important to analyze performance issues related to the system setup before proceeding with the analysis of the workload. Refer to the sections in this *SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide* and SAP Notes for a starting point. The SAP HANA hardware partners also offer support in this step.

Related Information

[Examine the Workload \[page 91\]](#)

[SAP HANA Administration Guide: SAP HANA Cockpit](#)

[Getting Started With the SAP HANA Database Explorer](#)

[SAP Note 2470289 FAQ: SAP HANA Non-Uniform Memory Access \(NUMA\)](#)

[SAP Note 2235581 - FAQ: SAP HANA: Supported Operating Systems](#)

[M_HOST_INFORMATION](#)

[M_NUMA_NODES System View](#)

[M_NUMA_RESOURCES System View](#)

[Certified and Supported SAP HANA Hardware Partners](#)

3.2.7.2 Examine the Workload

We can now examine the workload in detail including: CPU utilization, table distribution and the plan cache.

The system information you have collected helps to understand the system behavior given a workload of interest. For the illustration given here we run the TPC-H workload including updates using scale factor 100 and 40 concurrent streams. You can use this example to help to understand similar NUMA related problems when examining any customer workload.

For more information on the latest TPC benchmarks (versions two and three) refer to the Transaction Processing Performance Council web site: <http://tpc.org/tpch>.

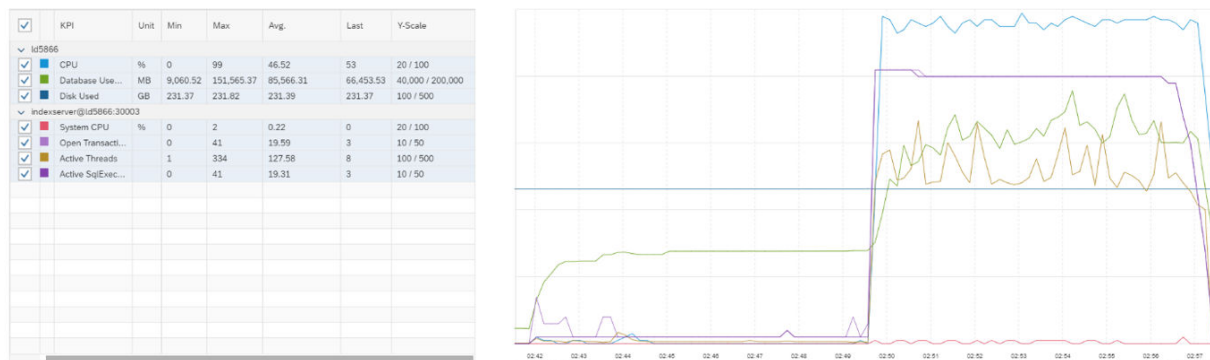
The first step is to **examine the CPU utilization and thread activity**. The SAP HANA Cockpit provides the tile *Threads*. In the example shown below there are 230 active threads, that is threads scheduled for running on a CPU core, and no blocked threads. As there are only 176 logical cores on the system, the system's CPUs are highly contended.

Threads	
Active	230
Blocked	0

More information on the thread activity can be found when navigating to the details of the tile as shown below or by examining the view M_SERVICE_THREADS. In this example it is evident that the thread with id 167942 calls many other threads, that is, the operations are heavily parallelized.

Blocked Transaction	Duration (ms)	Host	Port	Service	Connection ID	Hierarchy	Thread ID	Calling	Caller	Thread Type	Thread Method	Thread Detail
	203,790			indexserver	-1		169084			JobWorker		
	57,980			indexserver	302135	302135/-1/43	167851	167942		SqlExecutor	ExecutePrepared	-- Q21 TP... More
	3,010			indexserver	302135	302135/-1/43	167942	68130, 68145, 68202, 68216, 68497, 69523, 167785, 167912, 167946, 168026, 168044, 168247, 168485, 168497, 168498, 168523, 168602, 168727, 169080, 169085, 169427, 169637, 169627, 169852, 169947, 169960, 169974, 170246, 170369, 170437, 170468, 170477	167851	JobWorker	PlanExecutor calc	plan#8909... More
	28			indexserver	302135	302135/-1/43	68130		167942	JobWorker	UnifyJob	job# 5 fro... More

Further general information on the system's resource utilization can be gathered from the SAP HANA Cockpit [Performance Monitor](#). It confirms the high CPU utilization close to 99%. The number of active threads and active SQL Executors confirm the large number of concurrently active threads.



In the above diagram the test first loads the input data with relatively low CPU resource consumption - up to the middle of the graph, and the query and update workload is then executed with high CPU resource consumption.

The view M_JOBEXECUTORS can provide some system-wide indication on CPU-related contention while being monitored during the runtime of the workload. The column FREE_WORKER_COUNT indicates if newly arriving work can be handled by free available worker threads. In this workload the FREE_WORKER_COUNT was mostly at zero which is consistent with the high CPU utilization from the performance monitor. High values of SYS_WAITING_JOB_COUNT and JOB_WAITING_JOB_COUNT can be caused by jobs waiting for other jobs to finish, for example due to high CPU utilization, or it could be related to general lock contention. High values in the QUEUED_WAITING_JOB_COUNT can be related to high CPU load resulting in jobs being queued for execution when job workers become available to process these jobs.

To drill down further into this analysis, the following statement can be used to detect NUMA nodes with high CPU utilization by counting the number of active threads. When at the same time other NUMA nodes keep having many fewer active threads, it can be an indication of a skewed distribution of load across the NUMA nodes that should be analyzed in more detail.

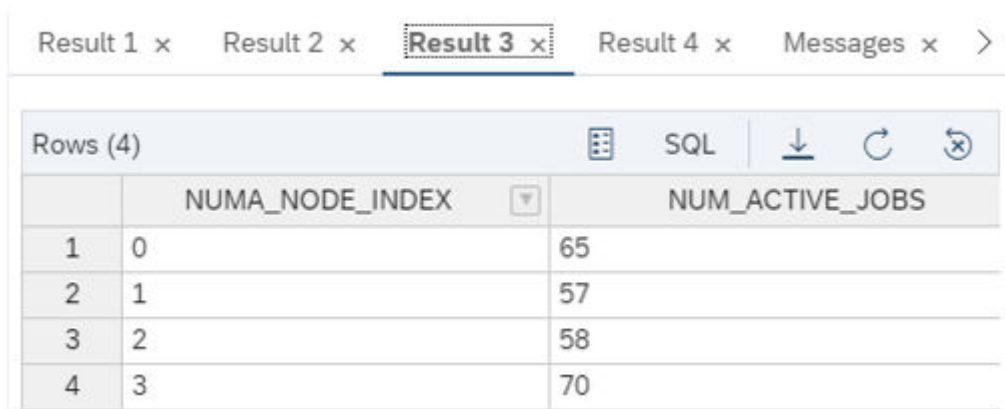
```
select numa_node_index, count(0) num_active_jobs
```

```

from sys.m_service_threads
where statement_hash <> '' and is_active = 'TRUE'
group by numa_node_index order by numa_node_index;

```

With 44 logical cores per NUMA node in this system the results below indicate that NUMA node 3 has significantly more active threads than the other NUMA nodes. Still, all NUMA nodes seem to be highly utilized with more than 44 active threads per NUMA node. It should be noted that the fully meshed topology of NUMA nodes of this system allows for flexible stealing of jobs from highly utilized NUMA nodes. A highly skewed work distribution can be an indication of NUMA node contention.



Rows (4)	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	NUM_ACTIVE_JOBS
1	0	65
2	1	57
3	2	58
4	3	70

The SAP HANA kernel profiler can be used to collect information about which code causes high CPU consumption. It requires expert knowledge of the SAP HANA code. Additionally, the files generated by the kernel profiler contain system-level statistics on the memory allocation of the system.

Complementing the analysis of CPU utilization and thread activity, we also **analyze the table distribution across NUMA nodes**. In general SAP HANA will try to evenly distribute tables or table partitions across the NUMA nodes in the system. However, multiple hot tables may be allocated to the same NUMA node, and this may result in high contention accessing this data only on this NUMA node. At the same time other NUMA nodes can have low or no load, which might lead to a low overall system usage.

For this analysis we execute the following query in the SQL Console of the SAP HANA Database Explorer to get an overview of the tables and table partitions and how their columns are assigned to NUMA nodes.

```

select table_name, column_name, part_id,
       string_agg(numa_node_index, ',') as numa_nodes
from m_cs_columns
where schema_name like '%TPC%' and numa_node_index >= 0
group by table_name, column_name, part_id
order by table_name, column_name, part_id;

```

In our example we see that the columns of the largest table, LINEITEM, are all allocated on NUMA node 3.

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Rows (375)

	TABLE_NAME	COLUMN_NAME	PART_ID	NUMA_NODES
320	INS_ORDERS_9	O_TOTALPRICE	0	0
321	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	0	3
322	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	0	3
323	LINEITEM	L_DISCOUNT	0	3
324	LINEITEM	L_EXTENDEDPRICE	0	3
325	LINEITEM	L_LINENUMBER	0	3
326	LINEITEM	L_LINESTATUS	0	3
327	LINEITEM	L_ORDERKEY	0	3
328	LINEITEM	L_PARTKEY	0	3
329	LINEITEM	L_QUANTITY	0	3
330	LINEITEM	L_RECEIPTDATE	0	3
331	LINEITEM	L_RETURNFLAG	0	3
332	LINEITEM	L_SHIPDATE	0	3
333	LINEITEM	L_SHIPINSTRUCT	0	3

Furthermore, the following query reports how much memory the columns of all column tables in the system consume per NUMA node. Adding the value for `<persistent_memory_size_in_total>` also includes tempfs and non-volatile memory:

```
select numa_node_index, sum(memory_size_in_total
+persistent_memory_size_in_total) as
      memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes
from m_cs_columns
group by numa_node_index;
```

The result of this query is shown below where the first column is the NUMA node index and the second column the number of bytes consumed by column store tables on that NUMA node. On NUMA node 3 almost 17GB of memory are allocated for column tables, while on NUMA nodes 0 and 2 only roughly 8.5GB of memory are allocated. Also, on NUMA node 2 only 967MB of memory are allocated, that is much less than for the other NUMA nodes. A negative value for NUMA_NODE_INDEX (for example -1) has a technical interpretation that the target column is not loaded into memory.

Result x Messages x History

Rows (5)

	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	MEMORY_CONSUMPTION_PER_NUMA_NODE_IN_BYTES
1	-1	0
2	0	8439586815
3	1	967156779
4	2	8456433594
5	3	16872842281

The following query includes the table name and gives more insight:

```
select numa_node_index, table_name, sum(memory_size_in_total +
persistent_memory_size_in_total)
      as memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes
from m_cs_columns
group by numa_node_index, table_name
order by memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes desc;
```

This result further explains why NUMA node 1 has much less memory allocated than the other NUMA nodes: among the six largest tables only table PART is allocated on that NUMA node. In addition to table data, memory allocation and de-allocation for transient objects can also be a source of contention or skewed memory allocation across NUMA nodes which can be analyzed with advanced profiling tools, for example Intel PCM, Intel VTune, or the SAP HANA kernel profiler.

	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	TABLE_NAME	MEMORY_CONSUMPTION_PER_NUMA_NODE_IN_BYTES
1	3	LINEITEM	16701954123
2	2	PARTSUPP	8336740054
3	0	ORDERS	6623835525
4	0	CUSTOMER	1631935938
5	1	PART	718598828
6	3	SUPPLIER	108209870
7	1	INS_LINEITEM_7	33455064
8	1	INS_LINEITEM_6	33452606

A final important step of the initial analysis is to **check the SQL Plan Cache**. In the SAP HANA Cockpit one can navigate to the monitoring of *Statements* and from there to the analysis of the *SQL Plan Cache* which shows the content of view M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE. When sorting the content of the SQL plan cache by the total execution time in descending order, one can get the statements with the highest contribution to CPU consumption in the system. It is probable that these statements are the most performance-critical statements because they are executed with very high frequency or every single statement execution is very expensive. The accessed tables are also available from the SQL plan cache. In this example it is evident that table LINEITEM is used in all of the expensive statements:

Vo...	Statement String	Statement...	User N...	Accessed Table Names	Plan ID	Execution Count	Total Execution Time
3	-- Q9 TPC-H/TPC-R Product Type Profit Measure Query SELECT nation_o_year, Sum(...	4b9747a...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.ORDERS(7), TPCH_100GB.NATIO...	19850003	40	50 Minutes
3	-- Q18 TPC-H/TPC-R Large Volume Customer Query ' SELECT TOP 100 c_name, c_c...	140740f...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.OR...	19940003	40	38 Minutes
3	-- Q21 TPC-H/TPC-R Suppliers Who Kept Orders Waiting Query select TOP 100 s_na...	89f20a2...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.ORDERS(7), TPCH_100GB.NATIO...	19970003	40	38 Minutes
3	-- Q10 TPC-H/TPC-R Returned Item Reporting Query SELECT TOP 20 c_custkey, c_n...	b19535c...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.OR...	19860003	40	20 Minutes
3	-- Q7 TPC-H/TPC-R Volume Shipping Query SELECT supp_nation, cust_nation, l_year...	c37b1a5...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.OR...	19810003	40	19 Minutes
3	-- Q3 TPC-H/TPC-R Shipping Priority Query SELECT TOP 10 l_orderkey, sum(l_extend...	6a883d6...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.OR...	19760003	40	18 Minutes

It needs to be emphasized, that optimizing the SQL statements is a critical step before further optimizing the NUMA behavior. It may be the case that optimizing the SQL statements resolves all major performance issues. The section Statement Performance Analysis in this guide and the SAP Notes mentioned there provide further information.

Related Information

[Tuning for Better NUMA Behavior \[page 96\]](#)

[SAP HANA Cockpit - Threads](#)

[SAP HANA Cockpit - The Performance Monitor](#)

[SAP HANA Cockpit - Statements](#)

[SAP HANA Cockpit - Monitor and Analyze Statements with SQL Plan Cache](#)

[M_SERVICE_THREADS System View](#)

[M_JOBEXECUTORS System View](#)

[M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE System View](#)

[Kernel Profiler](#)

3.2.7.3 Tuning for Better NUMA Behavior

This section shows the performance benefits which can be achieved by partitioning tables.

One option to distribute the contention for memory accesses and potentially also CPU consumption across more NUMA nodes is to partition tables. By default, SAP HANA would calculate the NUMA node of the first partition of a table with a hashing scheme and then distribute subsequent partitions on a round-robin basis across the NUMA nodes. In this example we consider a (hash-)range partitioning of the two largest tables as shown below because it is a commonly used partitioning option for TPC-H. As discussed in the FAQ SAP Note 2044468, table partitioning needs to be done with care considering the application characteristics and related workload.

```
ALTER TABLE "TPCH_100GB"."LINEITEM"  
PARTITION BY HASH (L_ORDERKEY, L_LINENUMBER) PARTITIONS 1,  
              RANGE (L_SHIPDATE) (PARTITION '1992-01-02' <= VALUES < '1993-01-01',  
                                  PARTITION '1993-01-02' <= VALUES < '1994-01-01',  
                                  ...  
                                  PARTITION '1997-01-02' <= VALUES < '1998-01-01',  
                                  PARTITION OTHERS);
```

```
ALTER TABLE "TPCH_100GB"."ORDERS"  
PARTITION BY HASH (O_ORDERKEY) PARTITIONS 1,  
              RANGE (O_ORDERDATE) (PARTITION '1992-01-02' <= VALUES <  
'1993-01-01',  
                                  PARTITION '1993-01-02' <= VALUES < '1994-01-01',  
                                  ...  
                                  PARTITION '1997-01-02' <= VALUES < '1998-01-01',  
                                  PARTITION OTHERS);
```

From the figure below one can see that all columns of the largest table, LINEITEM, are distributed across all four NUMA nodes.

SQL Console 4.sql x SQL Console 1.sql x

Analyze v SQL Current schema: SYSTEM Connected to: NM0@NM0 (Id5866:0)

```

36 select table_name, column_name, part_id, string_agg(numa_node_index, ',') as numa_nodes
37 from m_cs_columns
38 where schema_name like '%TPC%' and numa_node_index >= 0
39 group by table_name, column_name, part_id
40

```

Result x Messages x History

Rows (525)

	TABLE_NAME	COLUMN_NAME	PART_ID	NUMA_NODES
321	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	1	2
322	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	2	3
323	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	3	0
324	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	4	1
325	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	5	2
326	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	6	3
327	LINEITEM	L_COMMENT	7	0
328	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	1	2
329	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	2	3
330	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	3	0
331	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	4	1
332	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	5	2
333	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	6	3
334	LINEITEM	L_COMMITDATE	7	0
335	LINEITEM	L_DISCOUNT	1	2

Looking at the distribution of memory consumption for the tables across the NUMA nodes it is evident that NUMA node 3 still has a larger share of data assigned. But overall, one can see a more even distribution of memory allocations.

SQL Console 4.sql x SQL Console 1.sql x

Analyze v SQL Current schema: SYSTEM Connected to: NM0@NM0 (Id5866:0)

```

43 select numa_node_index, sum(memory_size_in_total) as memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes
44 from m_cs_columns group by numa_node_index order by numa_node_index;
45

```

Result x Messages x History

Rows (5)

	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	MEMORY_CONSUMPTION_PER_NUMA_NODE_IN_BYTES
1	-1	0
2	0	7105814306
3	1	7015118340
4	2	7918291248
5	3	16481334012

This analysis is confirmed when looking at the largest table partitions and on which NUMA nodes they are allocated. The report below shows how the tables LINEITEM and ORDERS are now distributed across all NUMA nodes.

SQL Console 4.sql x SQL Console 1.sql x

Analyze v Download Up Arrow Left Arrow Right Arrow Copy

Current schema: SYSTEM Connected to: NM0@NM0 (ld5866:0)

```

45
46 select numa_node_index, table_name, sum(memory_size_in_total) as memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes
47 from m_cs_columns
48 group by numa_node_index, table_name
49 order by memory_consumption_per_numa_node_in_bytes desc;
50

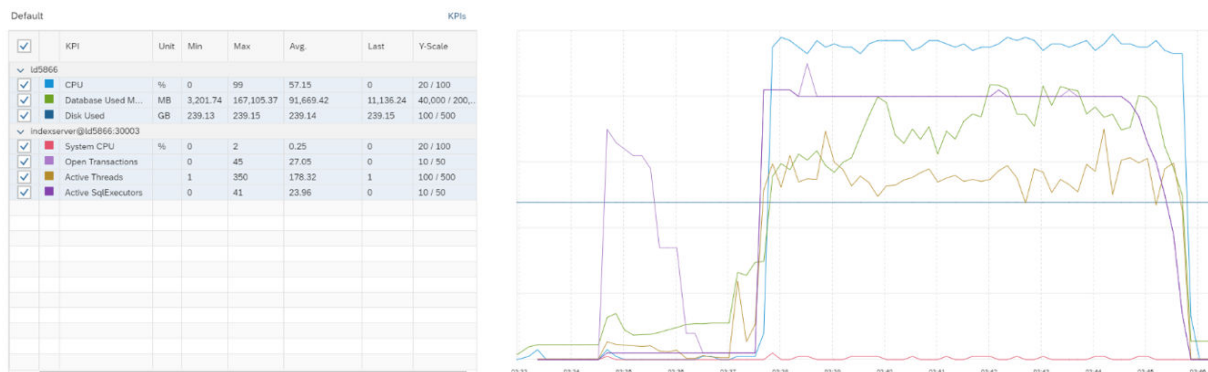
```

Result x Messages x History

Rows (376)

	NUMA_NODE_INDEX	TABLE_NAME	MEMORY_CONSUMPTION_PER_NUMA_NODE_IN_BYTES
1	3	PARTSUPP	8336740054
2	3	LINEITEM	5693849145
3	2	LINEITEM	5266423536
4	0	LINEITEM	5083648462
5	1	LINEITEM	2838462109
6	1	ORDERS	2483105637
7	2	ORDERS	2477313594
8	3	ORDERS	2021499942
9	1	CUSTOMER	1631935938
10	0	ORDERS	1245097622
11	0	PART	718598828
12	3	SUPPLIER	108209870
13	0	INS_LINEITEM_7	33455064
14	2	INS_LINEITEM_6	33452606
15	2	INS_LINEITEM_5	32450212

In these exemplary measurements the throughput increased by 3%. At the same time, an increase in the CPU time (+2.3%) and peak memory (+20%) could be observed. These effects are due to a higher degree of parallelism when working on the large partitioned tables, and it is also confirmed by looking at the number of active threads in the performance monitor which shows higher values for the average and maximum number of active threads and also average CPU consumption.



Looking at the SQL plan cache we see that the most expensive query – Q9 – has a reduced total execution time. However, for Q10 a higher total execution time is reported indicating some trade-offs when partitioning the tables.

2		1		274			
Overview		Active Statements		SQL Plan Cache		Expensive Statements	
SQL Plan Cache (25/274)							
				View Details		Save As... Configure Clear all plan cache	
Vo...	Statement String	Statement...	User N...	Accessed Table Names	Plan ID	Execution Count	Total Execution Time
3	--Q9 TPC-H/TPC-R Product Type Profit Measure Query SELECT nation, o_year, Sum(... More	4b9747a...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.NATION(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.ORDER...	8510003	40	42 Minutes
3	--Q18 TPC-H/TPC-R Large Volume Customer Query ' ' SELECT TOP 100 c_name, c_c... More	140740f...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.OR...	8600003	40	36 Minutes
3	--Q21 TPC-H/TPC-R Suppliers Who Kept Orders Waiting Query select TOP 100 s_na... More	85f20a2...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.NATION(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEITEM(7), TPCH_100GB.ORDER...	8630003	40	35 Minutes
3	--Q10 TPC-H/TPC-R Returned Item Reporting Query SELECT TOP 20 c_custkey ,c_n... More	b19535c...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.NATION(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEI...	8520003	40	22 Minutes
3	--Q13 TPC-H/TPC-R Customer Distribution Query SELECT c_count, count(*) AS custd... More	6039ca8...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.ORDERS(7)	8550003	40	22 Minutes
3	--Q5 TPC-H/TPC-R Local Supplier Volume Query SELECT n_name, sum(l_extendedp... More	7a8111c...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.NATION(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEI...	8470003	40	17 Minutes
3	--Q7 TPC-H/TPC-R Volume Shipping Query SELECT supp_nation ,cust_nation ,l_year... More	c3f7b1a5...	SYSTEM	TPCH_100GB.CUSTOMER(7), TPCH_100GB.NATION(7), TPCH_100GB.LINEI...	8490003	40	16 Minutes

Related Information

[SAP Note 2044468 - FAQ: SAP HANA Partitioning](#)

3.3 Disk Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section discusses issues related to hard disks and lack of free space.

Low Disk Space

This problem is usually reported by alert 2 which is triggered whenever one of the disk volumes used for data, log, backup or trace files reaches a critical size.

Use the following tools in the SAP HANA cockpit to examine the situation and try to free some disk space:

- Via [Alerts](#) tile
- Via [Disk Usage](#) tile
- On the [Disk Volume Monitor](#)

For high log volume utilizations, refer to [SAP KBA 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations](#). For data volume exhaustions which cannot be explained by the size of the catalog objects (tables etc.) there are a few more mechanisms which utilize the persistency layer (data volume) such as:

- Disk LOBs
- Table Sizes on Disk
- MVCC Mechanism
- Database Snapshots

The following sections will assist you in analyzing these possible problem areas step by step.

Disk LOBs

Large binary objects are usually not optimally compressible in SAP HANA, thus tables with large LOB files may also indicate large memory footprints in SAP HANA. Since SAP HANA also offers the concept of hybrid LOBs (as of SAP HANA SPS07), the majority of the LOB data – larger than a specific threshold - is automatically outsourced to the physical persistence on disk instead. This can lead to the situation that you have a table which is small in memory but large on disk level. The SQL statement `HANA_Tables_DiskSize_1.00.120+`, which you can find in the *SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*, may provide further insights on the disk and memory footprint of the largest tables with LOB columns. In the following example, you see tables which utilize large amounts of disk space but effectively no memory due to the nature of the data itself (LOBs):

TABLE_NAME	S	VIRTUAL_FILE_N...	COUNT	SIZE_GB	SIZE_NOLOB_GB
SACONT01DI	C	any	13	42.55	42.55
SACONT01	C	any	10	29.63	29.63
CS_AUDIT_LOG_	C	any	36	18.70	0.35
OBJECT_HISTORY	C	any	26	2.87	0.01

For further information on handling LOBs, refer to:

- *SAP Note 2220627 - FAQ: SAP HANA LOBs*
- *SAP Note 1994962 - How-To: Activation of Hybrid LOBs in SAP HANA*

If you cannot narrow down the issue to LOBs, check the virtual file containers on persistency level in more detail.

Table Sizes on Disk

A first insight on whether the virtual file containers of the column store tables are responsible for the data volume utilization can be gained by running the following statement:

```
SELECT host, port, sum(physical_size) FROM M_TABLE_VIRTUAL_FILES GROUP BY port, host
```

This will return the sum of the physical size of all virtual file containers on disk level, representing the total size of the catalog objects on disk level. If this deviates drastically from the data volume utilization you observe, there are objects utilizing the data volume other than database tables and indices.

If the sum of the virtual file containers does not match the disk utilization observed on OS level for the data volume, further checks are necessary.

MVCC Mechanism

A blocked garbage collection may also over-utilize the SAP HANA data volume of the indexserver. Proceed as outlined in:

- *Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) Issues*
- *SAP KBA 2169283 - FAQ: SAP HANA Garbage Collection*

Run the following query to make sure there are no excessive amounts of undo cleanup files:

```
SELECT SUM(page_count) FROM M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES
```

Undo files contain information needed for transaction rollback and these files are removed when the transaction completes.

Cleanup files contain deleted information which is kept because of MVCC isolation requirements. When the transaction completes garbage collection uses the cleanup files to finally remove data.

For more information, refer to *M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES System View* in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference* guide.

Database Snapshots

In specific cases, for example, if data backups have failed in the past, database snapshots for these backups are not cleaned up. This can be evaluated by the following SQL statements:

```
SELECT page_sizeclass AS "Page Size-class", page_size*used_block_count/  
(1024*1024*1024) AS "Disk Utilization in GB" FROM M_DATA_VOLUME_PAGE_STATISTICS  
WHERE volume_id = <volume_id>
```

This statement may show a result like:

^{RB} Page Size-class	¹² Disk Utilization in ...
4k	13.33443
16k	1.016601
16k-RowStore	1.24971
64k	1.857727
256k	8.323242
1M	1.905273
4M	2.710937
16M	82.53125

This leads to the conclusion that the main contributor to the disk utilization are 16MB pages which are mainly used for the main fragment of the column store. To confirm this, check whether snapshots exist which have been created for backups:

```
SELECT * FROM M_SNAPSHOTS
```

^{RB} HOST	¹² PORT	¹² VOLUME_ID	¹² ID	¹⁹ TIMESTAMP	^{RB} FOR_BACKUP	¹² ANCHOR
MyHost	30003	3	76482	2018-05-29T13:10:52.90	TRUE	123145317236028
MyHost	30007	2	74857	2018-05-29T13:10:52.90	TRUE	123145302360068

In this case, "dangling" database snapshots which are no longer required should be dropped. This happens automatically after a database restart.

Related Information

[I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions \[page 106\]](#)

[SAP Note 1900643](#)

[SAP Note 2083715](#)

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[SAP Note 2220627](#)

[SAP Note 1994962](#)

[Multiversion Concurrency Control \(MVCC\) Issues \[page 162\]](#)

[SAP Note 2169283](#)

[M_UNDO_CLEANUP_FILES System View](#)

3.3.1 Reclaiming Disk Space

Defragmentation can be carried out as a routine housekeeping operation or to recover disk space in response to a disk full event.

General Information

Reclaiming disk space is necessary because the size allocated to a data file is automatically increased as more space is required, but it is not automatically decreased when less space is required. This may create a difference between allocated size and used size.

For more information on data and log volumes refer to:

- *Persistent Data Storage in the SAP HANA Database* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.
- SAP Note 1870858 - *HANA Alerts related to file system utilization*.

For routine monitoring of disk usage the following scripts from SAP Note 1969700 – *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA* may be helpful:

- HANA_Disks_Overview
- HANA_Disks_SuperblockStatistics
- HANA_Tables_ColumnStore_TableSize
- HANA_Tables_TopGrowingTables_Size_History

Reclaiming Disk Space

The RECLAIM DATAVOLUME statement is described in detail in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference*. The following example illustrates the usage:

```
alter system reclaim datavolume 'myhost:30003' 120 defragment
```

The example shows a reasonable payload percentage of 120, that is, an overhead of 20% fragmentation is acceptable. Smaller payload percentage values can significantly increase the defragmentation runtime.

The following example lines from the SuperblockStatistics report show a comparison of disk usage before and after defragmentation:

```
-----  
|HOST      |PORT |SB_SIZE_MB|USED_SB_COUNT|TOT_SB_COUNT|USED_GB|ALLOC_GB|FRAG_PCT|  
|saphana1|30003|    64.00|          8945|         11514|    559|    720|   28.71|  
-----
```

After defragmentation the values for used and allocated disk size are much closer together, the total block count is reduced and the fragmentation percentage is much lower:

```
-----  
|HOST      |PORT |SB_SIZE_MB|USED_SB_COUNT|TOT_SB_COUNT|USED_GB|ALLOC_GB|FRAG_PCT|  
|saphana1|30003|    64.00|          8146|          8604|    509|    538|    5.62|  
-----
```

Monitoring the Reclaim Process

No monitoring tool is available to check the progress of the RECLAIM command. The following options may be helpful:

1. Check for savepoint activity to verify that the RECLAIM process is running. This will confirm that savepoints are consistently being written:

```
select * from m_savepoints
```
2. Enable the indexserver trace to get information about the operation and estimate the job progress:

```
set trace "pageaccess = info"
```

Reasons Why Reclaim May Fail

In some situations where snapshots are being created RECLAIM may fail:

1. In a high availability scenario RECLAIM may not work because data snapshots which are part of the replication process may conflict with the RECLAIM datavolume command. SAP Note 2332284 - *Data*

volume reclaim failed because of snapshot pages gives details of how to temporarily stop the creation of snapshots to avoid this problem.

2. Snapshots related to backups may also prevent RECLAIM from working. SAP Note 2592369 - *HANA DataVolume Full* describes steps to investigate the age of snapshots by querying the M_SNAPSHOTS view and, if necessary, to manually delete snapshots using the `hdbcons` command. It may then be possible to rerun the RECLAIM process.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1870858](#)

[SAP Note 2332284](#)

[SAP Note 2592369](#)

3.3.2 Analyze and Resolve Internal Disk-Full Event (Alert 30)

When it is no longer possible to write to one of the disk volumes used for data, log, backup or trace files, the database is suspended, an internal event is triggered, and alert 30 is generated. A disk-full event must be resolved before the database can resume.

Context

If the disks on which the database data and log volumes are located run full, space on the volumes must be freed or additional space added before the database can resume. In the SAP HANA cockpit, potential disk-full events are displayed in the alerts app.

However, running out of disk space is not the only reason that SAP HANA may be prevented from writing to disk. Other possible causes, all of which lead to a disk-full event and alert 30, include:

- File system quota is exceeded
- File system runs out of inodes
- File system errors (bugs)

i Note

A number of SAP Notes are available to give troubleshooting advice in specific scenarios. For a log volume full scenario refer first to the note *1679938 - DiskFullEvent on Log Volume* to resolve the issue and bring the HANA database back online. Then refer to note *2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations* for root cause analysis to prevent the scenario from happening again. For log volume full in a replication context refer to *LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File* in this document.

- SAP Note 1898460 - How to Handle Alert 30 'Internal disk-full event'.
- SAP Note 1870858 - HANA Alerts related to file system utilization.
- SAP Note 1679938 - DiskFullEvent on Log Volume.

- SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations.

Procedure

1. Analyze disk space usage using the standard administration tools in SAP HANA cockpit: [Alerts](#), [Disk Usage](#), [Disk Volume Monitor](#).
2. Optional: Perform the following steps if helpful:

i Note

You must execute the commands from the command line on the SAP HANA server.

- a. Determine the file system type:

```
df -T
```

- b. Check for disk space using file system specific commands:

Option	Description
XFS/NFS	df
GPFS	mmfscheckquota

- c. Check if the system is running out of inodes (NFS):

```
df -i
```

- d. Check quota:

Option	Description
XFS/NFS	quota -v
GPFS	mmfscheckquota

Next Steps

The most serious system events (including the disk-full event) are logged as internal database events in the table M_EVENTS (see also Alert 21 which is also triggered when an internal event occurs). They are initially logged with a status of 'NEW' and, once the issue has been resolved (in this case, free up disk space), the event must be set to 'HANDLED' to be able to continue. You can do this by executing the following SQL statements:

- ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT ACKNOWLEDGED '<host>:<port>' <id>
- ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '<host>:<port>' <id>

If you cannot track down the root cause of the alert, contact SAP Support.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1870858](#)

[SAP Note 2083715](#)

[SAP Note 1898460](#)

[SAP Note 1679938](#)

[LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File \[page 204\]](#)

3.4 I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions

This section covers troubleshooting of I/O performance problems. Although SAP HANA is an in-memory database, I/O still plays a critical role for the performance of the system.

From an end user perspective, an application or the system as a whole runs slowly, is unresponsive or can even seem to hang if there are issues with I/O performance. In the *Disk Volume Monitor* available in the *Disk Usage* tile in SAP HANA cockpit you can see the attached volumes and which services use which volumes. For details of the attached volumes, such as files and I/O statistics, select a row.

In certain scenarios data is read from or written to disk, for example during the transaction commit. Most of the time this is done asynchronously but at certain points in time synchronous I/O is done. Even during asynchronous I/O it may be that important data structures are locked.

Examples are included in the following table.

Scenario	Description
Savepoint	A savepoint ensures that all changed persistent data since the last savepoint gets written to disk. The SAP HANA database triggers savepoints in 5 minutes intervals by default. Data is automatically saved from memory to the data volume located on disk. Depending on the type of data the block sizes vary between 4 KB and 16 MB. Savepoints run asynchronously to SAP HANA update operations. Database update transactions only wait at the critical phase of the savepoint, which is usually taking some microseconds.
Snapshot	The SAP HANA database snapshots are used by certain operations like backup and system copy. They are created by triggering a system wide consistent savepoint. The system keeps the blocks belonging to the snapshot at least until the drop of the snapshot. Detailed information about snapshots can be found in the <i>SAP HANA Administration Guide</i> .
Delta Merge	The delta merge itself takes place in memory. Updates on column store tables are stored in the delta storage. During the delta merge these changes are applied to the main storage, where they are stored read optimized and compressed. Right after the delta merge, the new main storage is persisted in the data volume, that is, written to disk. The delta merge does not block parallel read and update transactions.
Write Transactions	All changes to persistent data are captured in the redo log. SAP HANA asynchronously writes the redo log with I/O orders of 4 KB to 1 MB size into log segments. Transactions writing a commit into the redo log wait until the buffer containing the commit has been written to the log volume.

Scenario	Description
Database restart	At database startup the services load their persistence including catalog and row store tables into memory, that is, the persistence is read from the storage. Additionally the redo log entries written after the last savepoint have to be read from the log volume and replayed in the data area in memory. When this is finished the database is accessible. The bigger the row store is, the longer it takes until the system is available for operations again.
Failover (Host Auto-Failover)	On the standby host the services are running in idle mode. Upon failover, the data and log volumes of the failed host are automatically assigned to the standby host, which then has read and write access to the files of the failed active host. Row as well as column store tables (the latter on demand) must be loaded into memory. The log entries have to be replayed.
Takeover (System Replication)	The secondary system is already running, that is the services are active but cannot accept SQL and thus are not usable by the application. Just like in the database restart (see above) the row store tables need to be loaded into memory from persistent storage. If table preload is used, then most of the column store tables are already in memory. During takeover the replicated redo logs that were shipped since the last data transport from primary to secondary have to be replayed.
Data Backup	For a data backup the current payload of the data volumes is read and copied to the backup storage. For writing a data backup it is essential that on the I/O connection there are no collisions with other transactional operations running against the database.
Log Backup	Log backups store the content of a closed log segment. They are automatically and asynchronously created by reading the payload from the log segments and writing them to the backup area.
Database Recovery	The restore of a data backup reads the backup content from the backup device and writes it to the SAP HANA data volumes. The I/O write orders of the data recovery have a size of 64 MB. Also the redo log can be replayed during a database recovery, that is the log backups are read from the backup device and the log entries get replayed.

In the following table the I/O operations are listed which are executed by the above-mentioned scenarios, including the block sizes that are read or written:

I/O pattern	Data Volume	Log Volume (redo log)	Backup Medium
Savepoint,	WRITE		
Snapshot,	4 KB – 16 MB asynchronous		
Delta merge	bulk writes, up to 64 MB (clustered Row Store super blocks)		
Write transactions		WRITE	
		OLTP – mostly 4 KB log write I/O performance is relevant	
		OLAP – writes with larger I/O order sizes	

I/O pattern	Data Volume	Log Volume (redo log)	Backup Medium
Table load:	READ	READ	
DB Restart, Failover, Takeover	4 KB – 16 MB blocks, up to 64 MB (clustered Row Store super blocks)		
Data Backup	READ 4 KB – 16 MB blocks, up to 64 MB (clustered Row Store super blocks) are asynchronously copied to "[data] backup buffer" of 512 MB		WRITE in up to 64 MB blocks from "[data] backup buffer"
Log Backup		READ asynchronously copied to "[data] backup buffer" of 128 MB	WRITE in up to 64 MB blocks from "[data] backup buffer"
Database Recovery	WRITE 4 KB – 16 MB blocks, up to 64 MB (clustered Row Store super blocks)	READ Read block sizes from backup file headers and copy blocks into "[data] backup buffer" of size 512 MB	READ Read block sizes from backup file headers and copy blocks into "[data] backup buffer" of size 128 MB

3.4.1 Analyzing I/O Throughput and Latency

When analyzing I/O, the focus is on throughput and latency (time taken). A set of system views (with names beginning M_VOLUME_IO_*) is available to help you analyze throughput and examples are given here to illustrate how they can be used.

You can use the following example query to read I/O statistics data which will help you to analyze the throughput of the system (in this example the index server). The result of this query presents a set of columns including throughput in MB and trigger ratios (the relationship between trigger time and I/O time) for both read and write operations:

```
select v.host, v.port, v.service_name, s.type,
       round(s.total_read_size / 1024 / 1024, 3) as "Reads in MB",
       round(s.total_read_size / case s.total_read_time when 0 then -1 else
s.total_read_time end, 3) as "Read Throughput in MB",
       round(s.total_read_time / 1000 / 1000, 3) as "Read Time in Sec",
       trigger_read_ratio as "Read Ratio",
       round(s.total_write_size / 1024 / 1024, 3) as "Writes in MB",
       round(s.total_write_size / case s.total_write_time when 0 then -1 else
s.total_write_time end, 3) as "Write Throughput in MB",
       round(s.total_write_time / 1000 / 1000, 3) as "Write Time in Sec" ,
       trigger_write_ratio as "Write Ratio"
from "PUBLIC"."M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET" s, PUBLIC.M_VOLUMES v
where s.volume_id = v.volume_id
```

```
and type not in ( 'TRACE' )
and v.volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name =
'indexserver')
order by type, service_name, s.volume_id;
```

Note that some of the system views for I/O can be used with a resettable counter so that you can gather data for just the most recent period since the counter was set. This example is based on the M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS system view but uses the 'reset' version of the view.

You can reset the statistics counter to analyze the I/O throughput for a certain time frame by running the following reset command:

```
alter system reset monitoring view M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET;
```

Multitier and Replication Scenarios

In a system using replication between primary and secondary sites it is possible to analyze throughput of the secondary remotely by running these queries on the primary site. This method uses the proxy schema of the secondary system on the primary and can be used in a 2-tier system replication setup as well as for multitier landscapes.

The proxy schema follows the naming convention `_SYS_SR_SITE_<siteName>`, where `<siteName>` is the name of the secondary site (case-sensitive). In the FROM clause of the example query given above the schema PUBLIC is used. In a system replication landscape replace this with the proxy schema as shown in the following example for a secondary with site name 'SiteB':

```
from "_SYS_SR_SITE_SiteB"."M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET" s,
"_SYS_SR_SITE_SiteB"."M_VOLUMES" v
```

Trigger Ratios

I/O calls are executed asynchronously, that is, the thread does not wait for the order to return. The trigger-ratio of asynchronous reads and writes measures the trigger time divided by the I/O time. A ratio close to 0 shows good performance; it indicates that the thread does not wait at all. A ratio close to 1 means that the thread waits until the I/O request is completed.

Refer to SAP Note 1930979 and SAP Notes for Alerts 60 and 61 for more information about the significance of the trigger ratio values.

Latency

The latency values are important for LOG devices. To analyze the latency, use the following example query which returns the log write wait time (for data of type LOG) with various buffer sizes written by the index server. The time values returned are the number of microseconds between enqueueing and finishing a request.

```
select host, port type,
       round(max_io_buffer_size / 1024, 3) "Maximum buffer size in KB",
       trigger_async_write_count,
       avg_trigger_async_write_time as "Avg Trigger Async Write Time in
Microsecond",
       max_trigger_async_write_time as "Max Trigger Async Write Time in
Microsecond",
       write_count, avg_write_time as "Avg Write Time in Microsecond",
       max_write_time as "Max Write Time in Microsecond"
from "PUBLIC"."M_VOLUME_IO_DETAILED_STATISTICS_RESET"
where type = 'LOG'
and volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name =
'indexserver')
and (write_count <> 0 or avg_trigger_async_write_time <> 0);
```

Related Information

[SAP Note 1930979](#)

[M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS_RESET System View](#)

[Alerts Reference \[page 291\]](#)

3.4.2 Savepoint Performance

To perform a savepoint write operation, SAP HANA needs to take a global database lock. This period is called the “critical phase” of a savepoint. While SAP HANA was designed to keep this time period as short as possible, poor I/O performance can extend it to a length that causes a considerable performance impact.

Savepoints are used to implement backup and disaster recovery in SAP HANA. If the state of SAP HANA has to be recovered, the database log from the last savepoint will be replayed.

You can analyze the savepoint performance with this SQL statement:

```
select start_time, volume_id,
       round(duration / 1000000) as "Duration in Seconds",
       round(critical_phase_duration / 1000000) as "Critical Phase Duration in
Seconds",
       round(total_size / 1024 / 1024) as "Size in MB",
       round(total_size / duration) as "Appro. MB/sec",
       round (flushed_rowstore_size / 1024 / 1024) as "Row Store Part MB"
from m_savepoints
where volume_id in ( select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name =
'indexserver' ) ;
```

This statement shows how long the last and the current savepoint writes took/are taking. Especially the critical phase duration, in which savepoints need to take a global database lock, must be observed carefully.

The critical phase duration should not be longer than a second. In the example below the times are significantly higher due to I/O problems.

	START_TIME	VOLUME_ID	Duration in Seconds	Critical Phase Duration in Seconds	Size in MB	Appro. MB/sec	Row Store Part MB
1	Dec 16, 2013 9:28:38.469738 AM	2	23	3	3,822	177	874
2	Dec 16, 2013 9:23:17.984555 AM	2	20	3	3,845	197	796
3	Dec 16, 2013 9:17:49.383506 AM	2	29	3	3,910	143	1,065
4	Dec 16, 2013 9:11:33.777138 AM	2	76	3	10,072	140	1,957
5	Dec 16, 2013 9:05:57.694349 AM	2	36	2	3,879	113	1,362
6	Dec 16, 2013 9:00:38.347428 AM	2	19	2	3,321	180	1,026
7	Dec 16, 2013 8:56:23.056008 AM	2	69	4	4,226	64	1,324
8	Dec 16, 2013 8:48:07.902735 AM	2	154	3	11,558	79	4,650
9	Dec 16, 2013 8:09:16.575288 AM	2	167	4	20,150	127	5,032
10	Dec 16, 2013 8:05:58.861928 AM	2	49	4	2,762	59	809
11	Dec 16, 2013 8:01:32.889947 AM	2	7	3	1,253	201	161

Savepoints

The following SQL shows a histogram on the critical phase duration:

```
select
```

```

to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd') as "time",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration <= 1000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 1 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 1000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=2000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 2 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 2000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=3000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 3 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 3000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=4000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 4 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 4000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=5000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 5 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 5000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=10000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 10 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 10000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=20000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 20 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 20000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=40000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 40 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 40000000 and critical_phase_duration
<=60000000) then 1 else 0
end) as "<= 60 s",
sum(case when (critical_phase_duration > 60000000 ) then 1 else 0
end) as "> 60 s",
count(critical_phase_duration) as "ALL"
from "_SYS_STATISTICS"."HOST_SAVEPOINTS"
where volume_id in (select volume_id from m_volumes where service_name =
'indexserver')
and weekday (server_timestamp) not in (5, 6)
group by to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd')
order by to_char(SERVER_TIMESTAMP,'yyyy.mm.dd') desc;

```

	time	<= 1 s	<= 2 s	<= 3 s	<= 4 s	<= 5 s	<= 10 s	<= 20 s	<= 40 s	<= 60 s	> 60 s	ALL
1	2013.10.17	0	0	0	3	12	56	32	3	0	0	106
2	2013.10.16	5	0	1	5	15	90	97	9	0	0	222
3	2013.10.15	1	0	3	9	6	56	25	1	2	1	104
4	2013.10.14	1	1	7	25	20	115	67	3	1	3	243
5	2013.10.11	21	1	2	0	3	15	85	12	2	4	145
6	2013.10.09	0	0	0	0	0	4	25	12	1	0	42
7	2013.10.08	0	0	0	0	2	27	133	34	1	2	199
8	2013.10.07	2	0	6	3	20	89	72	15	4	3	214
9	2013.10.04	1	0	0	1	0	16	45	21	1	1	86
10	2013.10.03	1	0	2	2	6	37	52	18	1	0	119
11	2013.10.02	2	2	9	5	2	24	53	19	1	0	117
12	2013.10.01	1	0	0	0	2	28	62	15	1	0	109
13	2013.09.30	1	1	6	16	15	61	35	7	0	0	142
14	2013.09.27	2	2	5	9	11	83	33	7	0	1	153
15	2013.09.26	1	0	3	3	6	24	47	17	1	0	102
16	2013.09.25	1	0	0	3	4	38	61	21	2	0	130
17	2013.09.24	1	0	1	4	7	51	71	13	1	0	149
18	2013.09.23	3	5	8	10	8	55	46	7	1	0	143
19	2013.09.20	4	28	30	18	28	71	4	2	0	0	185
20	2013.09.19	1	6	10	24	28	98	7	0	1	0	175

Savepoint Histogram

The performance of the backup can be analyzed with this statement:

```
select mbc.backup_id,
SECONDS_BETWEEN (mbc.sys_start_time, mbc.sys_end_time) seconds,
round(sum(backup_size) / 1024 / 1024 / 1024, 2) size_gb,
round(sum(backup_size) / SECONDS_BETWEEN (mbc.sys_start_time, mbc.sys_end_time) /
1024 / 1024, 2) speed_mbs
from m_backup_catalog_files mbcf , m_backup_catalog mbc
where mbc.entry_type_name = 'complete data backup'
and mbc.state_name = 'successful'
and mbcf.backup_id = mbc.backup_id
group by mbc.backup_id, mbc.sys_end_time, mbc.sys_start_time order by
mbc.sys_start_time
```

3.5 Configuration Parameter Issues

The SAP HANA database creates alerts if it detects an incorrect setting for any of the most critical configuration parameters.

The following table lists the monitored parameters and related alerts.

Alerts related to configuration

Alert ID	Alert Name	Parameter	Further Information
10	Delta merge (mergedog) configuration	Indexserver.ini – mergedog - active	<i>Delta Merge</i>
16	Lock wait timeout configuration	Indexserver.ini – transaction – lock_wait_timeout	<i>Transactional Problems</i>
32	Log mode legacy	Global.ini – persistence – log_mode	<i>Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)</i>
33	Log mode overwrite	Global.ini – persistence – log_mode	<i>Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)</i>

To check for parameters that are not set according to the default values you can use the following SQL statement:

```
select a.file_name, b.layer_name, b.tenant_name, b.host, b.section, b.key,
       a.value as defaultvalue, b.currentvalue from sys.m_inifile_contents a
       join ( select file_name, layer_name, tenant_name, host, section, key,
                   value as currentvalue from sys.m_inifile_contents b where layer_name
                   <> 'DEFAULT' )
       b on a.file_name = b.file_name and a.section = b.section and a.key = b.key
       and a.value <> b.currentvalue
```

Alternatively, use the script 'HANA_Configuration_Parameters_2.00.040+' in the SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA (see SAP Note 1969700). The output of this script will list all parameters deviating from recommended settings.

i Note

Default values of parameters may change when updating the SAP HANA database with a new revision. Custom values on the system level and on the host level will not be affected by such updates.

Correcting Parameter Settings

You can change configuration parameters using the SAP HANA cockpit or the ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION statement.

All configuration parameters are defined in table CONFIGURATION_PARAMETER_PROPERTIES. You can look up parameter details either in the system using for example SAP HANA cockpit or by referring to the *Configuration Parameter Reference Guide* in the SAP Help Portal. In addition to basic properties such as data type, unit and a default value the definition includes a flag to indicate if a system restart is required before a changed value becomes effective.

The SAP Note 2600030 - Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments is updated regularly with version-specific information covering cases where configuration parameter settings other than the default values are recommended.

Usually alerts on incorrect parameter settings include information about correct setting of the parameter. So, unless you have received a specific recommendation from SAP to change the parameter to another value, you can fix the issue by changing the parameter from the *Configuration of System Properties* monitor of SAP HANA cockpit. You can search for a specific parameter by filtering on the parameter name. In most cases the

suggested correct value will be the default value. Most of the parameters can be changed online and do not require any further action; exceptions for common parameters are noted in the reference document referred to above. For more information about how to change parameters, see *Memory Information from Logs and Traces*.

i Note

Make sure that you change the parameter in the correct ini-file and section, since the parameter name itself may be not unique.

Related Information

[Delta Merge \[page 119\]](#)

[Transactional Problems \[page 157\]](#)

[Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode \(Alert 32 and 33\) \[page 114\]](#)

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

[SAP Note 2600030 - Parameter Recommendations in SAP HANA Environments](#)

[SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA](#)

[SAP HANA Configuration Parameter Reference](#)

3.5.1 Issues with Configuration Parameter log_mode (Alert 32 and 33)

Alerts 32 and 33 are raised whenever the write mode to the database log is not set correctly for use in production.

Context

To ensure point-in-time recovery of the database the `log_mode` parameter must be set to 'normal' and a data backup is required.

The following steps are recommended when facing this alert:

Procedure

1. Change the value of the parameter `log_mode` in SAP HANA cockpit to normal
2. Schedule an initial data backup
3. Test successful completion of the backup
4. Restart the database

5. Backup the database configuration

For information on how to perform a backup of database configuration files see *SAP Note 1651055 - Scheduling SAP HANA Database Backups in Linux*.

6. Schedule a regular data backup

Related Information

[SAP Note 1651055](#)

[SAP Note 1900296](#)

[SAP Note 1900267](#)

3.6 Backup And Recovery

This section discusses issues related to backup and recovery and how to troubleshoot them.

Back and Recovery: Resources

For detailed information on how to perform a backup or recovery of an SAP HANA database please refer to section SAP HANA Database Backup and Recovery of the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

i Note

Following the configuration information, prerequisites and requirements for your HANA release and revision as documented in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* can avoid the most common issues faced by customers when performing a backup or recovery.

Backup and Recovery can be done in SAP HANA studio or in SAP HANA cockpit; refer to the documentation for these administration tools for details.

Videos demonstrating backup and recovery can be found on the SAP HANA Academy YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/saphanaacademy>

The following links to the SAP HANA Support Wiki provide a step-by-step description with detailed screenshots of how Backup and Recovery can be executed from SAP HANA studio:

- [How to Perform a Backup](#)
- [Recovery](#)

In addition to the SAP Notes and Knowledge Base Articles referred to in this section, the following may also be useful:

- SAP Note 1642148 - FAQ: SAP HANA Database Backup & Recovery
- SAP Note 2116157 - FAQ: SAP HANA Consistency Checks and Corruptions

- SAP KBA 2101244 - FAQ: SAP HANA Multitenant Database Containers (MDC)
- SAP Note 2096000 - SAP HANA multitenant database containers - Additional Information
- SAP KBA 2486224 - Tenant DB recovery to another system Tenant DB
- SAP Note 2093572 - SAP HANA Migration from Multi-Node to Single-Node
- SAP Note 1730932 - Using backup tools with Backint for HANA
- SAP Note 1651055 - Scheduling SAP HANA Database Backups in Linux
- SAP Note 2044438 - HANA: Backup fails for Out Of Memory error
- SAP Note 2123153 - HANA Recovery Failing with 'recovery strategy could not be determined'
- SAP Note 2063454 - Long running log backups
- SAP KBA 2495074 - Recovery failed with data backup file of higher HANA revision
- SAP KBA 1990971 - HANA backup failed with 'Wrong Checksum' error
- SAP Note 2605215 - Replay of Logs Hanging During Point in Time Recovery or Operations on System Replication Secondary Site

Logs and Trace Files

In most cases for both backup and recovery issues a relevant error message will be written to the following SAP HANA database log or trace files:

- backup.log
- namesever.trc
- backint.log (if using backint and 3rd party tool)

These log and trace files (diagnostic files) can be found using SAP HANA studio, DBA Cockpit, and SAP HANA Database Explorer. The default location for the files is:

```
/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<Instance#>/<host>/trace
```

You can search for either backup or recovery tasks which generate an error in the backup.log file by referring to the task type and the date and time that the issue occurred:

```
2018-09-26T06:58:11+00:00 16614abbef0 INFO  BACKUP SAVE DATA started
2018-08-29T09:45:52+00:00 1658510b5bb ERROR BACKUP SAVE DATA finished with
error: [447] backup could not be completed ...rc=28: No space left
2018-08-29T09:45:52+00:00 1658510b5bb INFO  BACKUP state of service...
```

With the error code and error message you can search for SAP Notes and Knowledge Base Articles in the SAP Knowledge Base using [SAP ONE Support Launchpad](#)

Increasing the trace level

Although in most cases it should not be necessary to use the debug trace level to find the relevant error message, if the standard trace level for the backup.log file does not return a meaningful error message you can temporarily set the level to 'debug' using the following commands:

Enable the trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('global.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('backup',
'trace') = 'debug' with reconfigure;
```

Disable the trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('global.ini', 'SYSTEM') UNSET ('backup',  
'trace') with reconfigure;
```

Common Issues Related to Backup and Recovery

Some of the most common issues are described here.

Log Volume Full

The symptoms of a log volume full are:

- Alert #2 is generated, for example: "Alert disk usage" for "storage type: LOG".
- The database cannot be started or does not accept new requests.
- The database trace file of a service contains `rc=24 no space left on device errors` for the `basepath_logvolumes` or `basepath_logbackup`.

i Note

Note that when a cluster file system like HP IBRIX or IBM GPFS is used, HANA Studio or OS commands like `df -h` might not detect a problem. In this case use the filesystem specific commands like `mmddf / mmrepquota` for IBM GPFS.

In this situation reasons for data and log backups failing may include:

- Backup location for data and log backup is the same location as data and log volumes and space runs out
- Automatic log backup parameter is not enabled (`enable_auto_log_backup`). If automatic log backup is disabled, the log area grows until the file system is full. If the file system is full, the database will remain frozen until the situation is resolved.

See the following SAP Notes for troubleshooting details in this case:

- 2083715 - *Analyzing log volume full situations.*
- 1679938 - *Disk Full Event on Log Volume.*

Large Size of Log Backup Files

The backup catalog stores information about the data and log backups that were executed for a database and the catalog is backed up as part of the log backups. If you do not ensure that old backups are deleted in accordance with backup and recovery strategy the log backups can become increasingly large over time.

For information on the clean-up of the backup catalog see the following:

- 'Housekeeping for Backup Catalog and Backup Storage' in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*
- KBA 2096851 - *Backup Catalog Housekeeping within HANA DB*
- KBA 2505218 - *Large Log Backups due to large backup catalog*

Regular manual consistency check of backups required for SAP HANA Database Recovery

Although HANA has automatic checks that take place while data and log backups are performed you should manually re-check the integrity of any backup if it is copied or moved to another location or if you need to use the backup files for HANA database recovery. This manual check can be done using `hdbbackupcheck`.

For information on the usage of the `hdbbackupcheck` command see the KBA 1869119 - *Checking backups with 'hdbbackupcheck'*

Problems With Backint and 3rd Party Backup Tools

SAP HANA comes with native functionality for backup and recovery but using 3rd party backup tools is an alternative to using the native functionality. SAP HANA database provides a backup interface called Backint which enables 3rd-party backup tool vendors to connect their product to the backup and recovery capabilities of the SAP HANA database. Backint is fully integrated into the SAP HANA database, that is, data and log backups can be individually configured to be created and recovered using the 3rd-party backup tool. Backups are transferred via pipe from the SAP HANA database to the 3rd party backup agent, which runs on the SAP HANA database server and then sends the backups to the 3rd party backup server.

For more information on SAP HANA backup and recovery and the integration of 3rd party backup tools with SAP HANA, please refer to:

- The *SAP HANA Administration Guide*
- The installation documentation for 3rd party backup tools provided by the tool vendor
- SAP Note 2031547 - *Overview of SAP-certified 3rd party backup tools and associated support process*

If you face an issue with a 3rd party backup tool check SAP Note 2031547 to confirm that the backup tool is supported. If the tool is supported the next step is to check for error messages in the `backint.log` file as described above. Follow the appropriate support process for the tool as described in the SAP note 2031547.

As a workaround for a problem with a 3rd party backup tool, and if you have the required disk space, you could use the SAP HANA native functionality for backup.

HANA BACKUP and Recovery Performance

In many cases, problems with backup and recovery performance are related to non-optimal system I/O or the backup catalog size.

To check the HANA I/O performance refer to the Knowledge Base article 1999930 - *FAQ: SAP HANA I/O Analysis*. Regarding the backup catalog refer to the subsection above *Large size of Log Backup files*.

To analyze performance problems related to backup and recovery you can also refer to the guided answer *Troubleshooting Performance Issues in SAP HANA*, if the guided answer does not provide a solution for further analysis SAP Support would require the information in the SAP Note 1835075 - *Analyze backup and recovery performance issues*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1642148](#) 

















[SAP Note 1651055](#) 

[SAP Note 1679938](#) 

[SAP Note 1730932](#) 

[SAP Note 1835075](#) 

[SAP Note 1869119](#) 

[SAP Note 1990971](#)
[SAP Note 1999930](#)
[SAP Note 2031547](#)
[SAP Note 2044438](#)
[SAP Note 2063454](#)
[SAP Note 2083715](#)
[SAP Note 2093572](#)
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[SAP Note 2096851](#)
[SAP Note 2101244](#)
[SAP Note 2116157](#)
[SAP Note 2123153](#)
[SAP Note 2486224](#)
[SAP Note 2495074](#)
[SAP Note 2505218](#)
[SAP Note 2605215](#)

3.7 Delta Merge

This section covers troubleshooting of delta merge problems.

The column store uses efficient compression algorithms to keep relevant application data in memory. Write operations on the compressed data are costly as they require reorganizing the storage structure and recalculating the compression. Therefore write operations in column store do not directly modify the compressed data structure in the so called main storage. Instead, all changes are at first written into a separate data structure called the delta storage and at a later point in time synchronized with the main storage. This synchronization operation is called delta merge.

From an end user perspective, performance issues may occur if the amount of data in the delta storage is large, because read times from delta storage are considerably slower than reads from main storage.

In addition the merge operation on a large data volume may cause bottleneck situations, since the data to be merged is held twice in memory during the merge operation.

The following alerts indicate an issue with delta merges:

- Delta merge (mergedog) configuration (Alert 10)
- Size of delta storage of column store tables (Alert 29)

Related Information

[SAP Note 1909641](#)
[SAP Note 1977314](#)

3.7.1 Inactive Delta Merge

In case the delta merge is set to inactive, Alert 10 *Delta merge (mergedog) configuration* is raised. In a production system this alert needs to be handled with very high priority in order to avoid performance issues.

Context

Whenever issues with delta merge are suspected, this alert should be checked first. You can do that from the [Alerts](#) tile or the [Alert Checker Configuration](#) app. An inactive delta merge has a severe performance impact on database operations.

Procedure

1. Check the current parameter value in the [Configuration of System Properties](#) page of SAP HANA cockpit and filter for **mergedog**.

Check the value of `active` in the `mergedog` section of the `indexserver.ini` file.

2. To correct the value, click [Change Layer](#) and choose [Restore Default](#).

This will delete all custom values on system and host level and restore the default value system-wide.

i Note

Depending on the check frequency (default frequency: 15 minutes) the alert will stay in the Alert inbox until the new value is recognized the next time the check is run.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1909641](#)

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

3.7.1.1 Retrospective Analysis of Inactive Delta Merge

Retrospective analysis of the root cause of the parameter change that led to the configuration alert requires the activation of an audit policy in SAP HANA that tracks configuration changes.

Other sources of information are external tools (for example, SAP Solution Manager) that create a snapshot of configuration settings at regular intervals.

For details about configuring security auditing and for analyzing audit logs, refer to the *SAP HANA Security Guide*.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Security Guide](#)

3.7.2 Indicator for Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables

If the delta storage of a table gets too large, read operations on the table will slow down. This usually results in degraded performance of queries reading from the affected table.

When the delta storage of a table gets too large, the *Alert Size of delta storage of column-store tables* (Alert 29) can be raised.

Alert 29 is raised when the amount of memory consumed by the delta storage exceeds the configured thresholds. The thresholds can be customized in the SAP HANA cockpit to take into account the configured size of the delta storage. Note that if the alerts are not configured properly, the symptoms can occur without raising an alert, or there may be no symptoms, even though an alert is raised. For each affected table a separate alert is created.

Usually this problem occurs because of mass write operations (insert, update, delete) on a column table. If the total count of records (record count * column count) in the delta storage exceeds the threshold of this alert before the next delta merge, this alert will be triggered.

Corrective action needs to be taken in one of the following areas:

- Change of an application
- Changed partitioning of the table
- Configuration of delta merge

Related Information

[SAP Note 1977314](#) 

3.7.2.1 Analyze Large Delta Storage of Column Store Tables

Analyze and interpret issues related to delta storage with help from alerts in SAP HANA cockpit.

Procedure

1. If an alert was raised, go to the Alerts tile in the SAP HANA cockpit, click *Show all* and filter for "delta storage".

Check if the alert is raised for a small number of tables or for many tables. Focus on tables where the alert has high priority. Alerts raised with low or medium priority usually don't need immediate action, but should be taken as one indicator for checking the sizing. Also these alerts should be taken into account when specific performance issues with end-user operations on these tables are reported, since read-access on delta storage may be one reason for slow performance.

2. Click on an alert and check the alert details about its previous occurrences visible in the graph.
 - a. If the alert occurred several times, check since when this started. To monitor a longer period of time, use the drop-down menu on the right.
 - b. Check whether it occurs regularly at a certain time.

This may indicate a specific usage pattern from application side that might have room for optimization. For example, when many inserts and deletes are performed during a load process, it might be possible to replace these operations with a suitable filter in the source system. You can employ the data in the *Expensive Statement Trace* and the *Performance Monitor* to determine the usage of the table by applications.

3. Check the timestamp of the alert if it is current, then start with checking current attributes of this table. Information regarding the delta merge operation on specific tables can be obtained from the system view `M_CS_TABLES`.

```
SELECT * FROM SYS.M_CS_TABLES where table_name='mytable' and
schema_name='myschema';
```

If no alert was raised, you can check for the tables with the most records in the delta.

```
SELECT * FROM SYS.M_CS_TABLES where record_count>0 order by
raw_record_count_in_delta desc;
```

4. Check the following attributes:
 - LAST_MERGE_TIME
 - MERGE_COUNT
 - READ_COUNT, WRITE_COUNT
 - RECORD_COUNT
 - RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_MAIN
 - RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA
 - MEMORY_SIZE_IN_MAIN
 - MEMORY_SIZE_IN_DELTA

- a. If MERGE_COUNT is high then this is an indicator that the delta merge works properly, while a low MERGE_COUNT suggests a need for corrective action.

A large difference between RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_MAIN and RECORD_COUNT suggests that the table has not been compressed properly. Note that compression is not triggered when a merge is triggered from an SQLScript, but only in case of Auto, Smart or Critical Merge.

A high WRITE_COUNT suggests that many insert, update and delete operations occur. If the occurrence of the delta merge problem is rare, then it usually will be sufficient to trigger the merge for this table manually. See *Perform a Manual Delta Merge Operation* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

- b. If there are many deleted records, you can trigger a compress of the table with the following command:

```
UPDATE mytable WITH PARAMETERS ('OPTIMIZE_COMPRESSION'='YES');
```

- c. Confirm the delta merge operation has succeeded in the following ways:

- LAST_MERGE_TIME
- MERGE_COUNT
- RAW_RECORD_COUNT_IN_DELTA
- LAST_COMPRESSED_RECORD_COUNT

5. If problems with the delta storage re-occur frequently for a specific table, check the merge statistics for this table. You can do this in the SAP HANA database explorer by executing the *Merge Statistics* statement in the *Statement Library*. You can filter by table name and schema name.

Alternatively you can run the following SQL statement and perform the following checks:

```
SELECT * FROM SYS.M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable' and schema_name='myschema';
```

- a. Check column SUCCESS for records with value other than TRUE.
- b. Check the column LAST_ERROR for records with value other than 0. A typical error is 2048 and ERROR_DESCRIPTION shows error 2484 which indicates that there was not enough memory to compress the table after the merge.

For other error codes please refer to the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

- c. Check the columns START_TIME, EXECUTION_TIME, MOTIVATION and MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS.

For cases where MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS becomes excessively large the trigger function for the MOTIVATION type should be reviewed and the LOAD should be analyzed for that time frame

(► *Performance Monitor* ►). A value of MERGED_DELTA_RECORDS = -1 suggests that no records were merged but that a compression optimization was performed.

6. If you need to analyze the delta merge statistics for a longer period, use the equivalent select on table HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS of the statistics server:

```
SELECT * FROM _SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS where table_name='mytable' and schema_name='myschema';
```

You can check the delta merge configuration in SAP HANA cockpit by opening ► *Configuration of System Properties* ► *indexserver.ini* ► *mergedog* ►.

Since the default value for the frequency of delta merges is already 1 minute (*check_interval* = 60.000 ms), optimization with regards to memory consumption can only be done by adjusting the decision function of the corresponding merge type and the corresponding priority function. However, changes

should be done very carefully and always with involvement of experts from SAP. Parameters of the functions are documented in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[M_CS_TABLES System View \(SAP HANA SQL Reference\)](#)

[Alerts](#)

[Inactive Delta Merge \[page 120\]](#)

[Use the Statement Library to Administer Your Database](#)

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

3.7.3 Failed Delta Merge

If many cases are identified where auto merge has failed, the error codes need to be analyzed in more detail. Note that the merge only failed if SUCCESS is not TRUE. In any other case the error code describes a non-critical condition during a successful merge.

To analyze the error codes, you should increase the trace level to *INFO* for the components *mergedog* and *mergemonitor* in the *INDEXSERVER* section of the *Database Trace*.

To change the trace configuration choose *Trace Configuration* from the database context menu in the SAP HANA database explorer and change the configuration of the *Database Trace*.

The following table lists error codes and typical corrective actions.

Error Codes

Error	Description	Recommended Action
1999	General error (no further information available)	Check the indexserver trace for more errors regarding the exception
2450	Error during merge of delta index occurred	Check in diagnostic files for an Out-Of-Memory dump that occurred during the delta merge operation
2458	Table delta merge aborted as cancel was manually requested by a kill session call.	No action required.
2480	The table in question is already being merged.	No action required.
2481	There are already other smart merge requests for this table in the queue.	No action required.
2482	The delta storage is empty or the evaluation of the smart merge cost function indicated that a merge is not necessary.	No further action required if this occurs occasionally. If it happens frequently: Check M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS and review smart merge cost function with SAP experts. (parameter smart_merge_decision_func)

Error	Description	Recommended Action
2483	Smart merge is not active (parameter <code>smart_merge_enabled=no</code>)	Change the parameter <code>smart_merge_enabled=yes</code>
2484	Memory required to optimize table exceeds heap limit (for failed compression optimization operations, <code>TYPE=SPARSE, SUCCESS=FALSE</code>).	<p>No further action required if this occurs occasionally.</p> <p>If it happens frequently:</p> <p>A) Analyze change operations on the table and consider table partitioning to minimize the size of the delta storage. If no knowledge about application is available, Hash Partitioning with a size of 500.000.00 records is a good initial choice.</p> <p>B) Analyze change operations on the table and consider adjusting the parameter <code>auto_merge_decision_func</code></p> <p>C) Increase delta storage</p> <p>D) Review sizing</p>
6900	Attribute engine failed	Internal error. Check the indexserver trace for more errors regarding the exception.
29020	litt::exception caught while operating on \$STORA-GEOBJECT\$	Internal error. Check the indexserver trace for more errors regarding the exception.

Related Information

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

3.7.4 Delta Storage Optimization

Table partitioning allows you to optimize the size of tables in memory and their memory consumption as each partition has its own delta storage.

The memory consumption of a table in memory during a merge operation depends on the number of records, the number and memory size of columns and the memory size of the table. While the number of records can be kept low by triggering a smart merge from the application, optimization with regards to the size of the table can be achieved by table partitioning. This is due to the fact that each partition holds a separate delta storage.

When a merge is performed, the data from the main storage has to be loaded into memory which is a considerably less amount when only a single partition is handled rather than the full table.

When considering partitioning it is recommended to analyze the typical usage of this table. Partitions should be created in a way that avoids as much as possible that single statements need to access multiple partitions. If no application knowledge is available, then hash partitioning with a partition size of about 500.000.000 records is a good initial choice.

See, *Table Partitioning in the SAP HANA Database* in the SAP HANA Administration Guide.

Related Information

[Table Partitioning](#)

3.8 Post-Installation Problems with Web IDE

This section identifies some common post-installation issues which you may encounter when working with WebIDE.

Logging in to Space Enablement UI

Issue:	Logging into space enablement UI gives a 'Forbidden' error.
Cause:	Missing authorizations.
Resolution:	Ensure that the user logging into the <code>di-space-enablement-ui</code> app has the proper authorizations as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role collection <code>XS_CONTROLLER_USER</code>• A manually-created role collection containing <code>WebIDE_Administrator</code> and/or <code>WebIDE_Developer</code> role.• <code>SpaceDeveloper</code> role and/or <code>SpaceManager</code> role.
More Information:	For more information see the following documents (depending on your SAP HANA version): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For SAP HANA version below HANA 2 SPS3 see 'Post-Installation Administration Tasks' in <i>SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA - Installation and Upgrade Guide</i>• For HANA 2 SPS3 and above see 'Roles and Permissions for Administration and Development' in: <i>SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model</i> .

Logging into Web IDE

Issue:	Logging into WebIDE gives an internal server error or shows a blank page.
Cause:	Missing authorizations
Resolution:	Ensure the WebIDE User has the correct role collections and is part of space as <code>SpaceDeveloper</code> (role).
More Information:	For more information see 'Roles and Permissions for Administration and Development' in the <i>SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model</i> .

Unable to access di-local-npm-registry

Issue: When trying to access the URL for `di-local-npm-registry` to check if a given node module is present and check if the versions are available, the following error message appears:

```
"Error: web interface is disabled in the config file"
```

Cause: Access to the web interface of `di-local-npm-registry` is disabled for security reasons.

Resolution: 1. Run the following command:

```
xs env di-local-npm-registry.
```

2. Copy the path shown in the 'storage-path'. It should look similar to this example:

```
/usr/sap/hana/shared/XSA/xs/controller_data/fss/  
a44ae1be-8fa5-4470-b08a-db0begfs8f9f
```

3. Run your command-line session as root user and change directory to the storage path you retrieved from the registry.

4. Search the SAP storage directory by first changing directory again and then using the `find` command:

```
cd storage/@sap
```

```
find
```

Related Information

[SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA - Installation and Upgrade Guide](#)

[SAP HANA Developer Guide for SAP HANA XS Advanced Model](#)

3.9 Troubleshooting BW on HANA

This section identifies some of the common problem areas for users of Business Warehouse on HANA and points to existing information sources which will help to resolve the issues.

Documentation

All public documentation related to BW on HANA can be found in the SAP Help Portal on the SAP Business Warehouse product page. In the SAP Community Network (SCN) you can find a complete end-to-end

collection of detailed BW on HANA related information including presentations, blogs, discussions, how-to guides, release information, videos, roadmap and so on. An internal WIKI page is also available with additional information on BW on HANA troubleshooting:

- [SAP Help Portal: SAP Business Warehouse, powered by SAP HANA.](#)
- SAP Support Community: [SAP Business Warehouse on SAP HANA and HANA SQL-based Data Warehousing.](#)
- [WIKI: BW on HANA Documentation and Troubleshooting](#)

This chapter refers to the transaction codes which are used to access each BW function, such as RSRT for the Report Monitor and RSRV for Analysis and Repair of BW Objects. RSA1 is the Data Warehousing Workbench which is the central cockpit used for the administration of almost the entire BW system. A list of the most commonly-used transaction codes is given in a table at the end of this chapter: [Frequently-used Transaction Codes.](#)

Table Redistribution

BW on HANA Table Redistribution ensures that the tables of a BW system are partitioned correctly according to the SAP recommendations and, in the case of a scale-out system, are defined on the correct database nodes. This is important for the optimal performance of the system.

Refer to the following for details of how to configure table redistribution:

- SAP Note [1908075](#) - BW on SAP HANA: Table placement and landscape redistribution.
- KBA: [2517621](#) - After landscape redistribution data does not appear evenly distributed between the slave nodes in terms of memory usage per a HANA node.
- Guided answer [How to carry out preparations for a table redistribution for BW](#) with a step-by-step description of how to configure the table redistribution.

If the table placement and table redistribution are done correctly there should be no requirement to make manual changes to the partitioning for BW tables. The expected partitioning for BW objects and associated tables is described here:

- KBA [2044468](#) - FAQ: *SAP HANA Partitioning* (question 17: How should tables be partitioned in BW environments?)
- SAP Note [2019973](#) - *Handling Very Large Data Volumes in SAP BW on SAP HANA*

Two Billion Record Limit

→ Tip

It is not possible to partition BW master data SID tables. Irrespective of the underlying database, SID tables of master data InfoObjects already have the upper limit value of 2 billion records imposed by the datatype of the SIDs (INT4). A detailed explanation on this topic and what can be done to avoid this limitation is available in the SAP Note [1331403](#) - *SIDs, Number Ranges and BW InfoObjects.*

It is possible to proactively monitor the 2 billion table or partition limit on HANA using the SAP EarlyWatch Alert Workspace in the SAP ONE Support Launchpad. Using this application, you get an overview of which tables are approaching the limit including a prediction of when the limit will be reached, broken down into a mean, best-

case and worst-case scenario. By default, the forecast is based on all previous measurements. You can find details in the following blog post:

- [The New 2 Billion Record Limit in the SAP EarlyWatch Alert Workspace](#)

Checking Consistency with RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY

For BW on HANA systems you can use the ABAP report RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY to check that the table placement is correct and that the BW objects are located on the correct HANA nodes. A user document for the report is attached to the SAP Note [1937062](#) - Usage of RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY.

A practical example of where this report can be useful is around DSO activation performance issues. If the DSO activation is in a distributed HANA environment and it takes longer than expected, you should check if the partitioning of DSO tables (Active Data, Activation Queue and Change Log tables) is consistent, that is, same partitioning and same hosts for the related partitions.

The RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY report is only available in BW on HANA systems and not in the next-generation data warehouse product BW/4HANA where most of the checks made by the report are obsolete. Some checks made by the report that are still required will move to transaction RSRV - see the following subsection and also [Analysis and Repair Environment](#) in the NetWeaver section of the SAP Help Portal.

Consistency Checks with RSRV Transaction

RSRV consistency checks (Analysis and Repair Environment) are part of the BW application. In the analysis and repair environment you can perform consistency checks on the data and metadata stored in a BW system. The main purpose of this is to test the foreign key relationships between the individual tables of the enhanced star schema of the BW system. These checks can be useful to solve problems in BW on HANA environments if you are getting unexpected data results. BW application inconsistencies can also cause errors when converting standard InfoCubes to SAP HANA-optimized InfoCubes, the RSRV checks can be used to find and resolve these inconsistencies. See SAP NetWeaver modeling documentation: [Converting Standard InfoCubes to SAP HANA-Optimized InfoCubes](#).

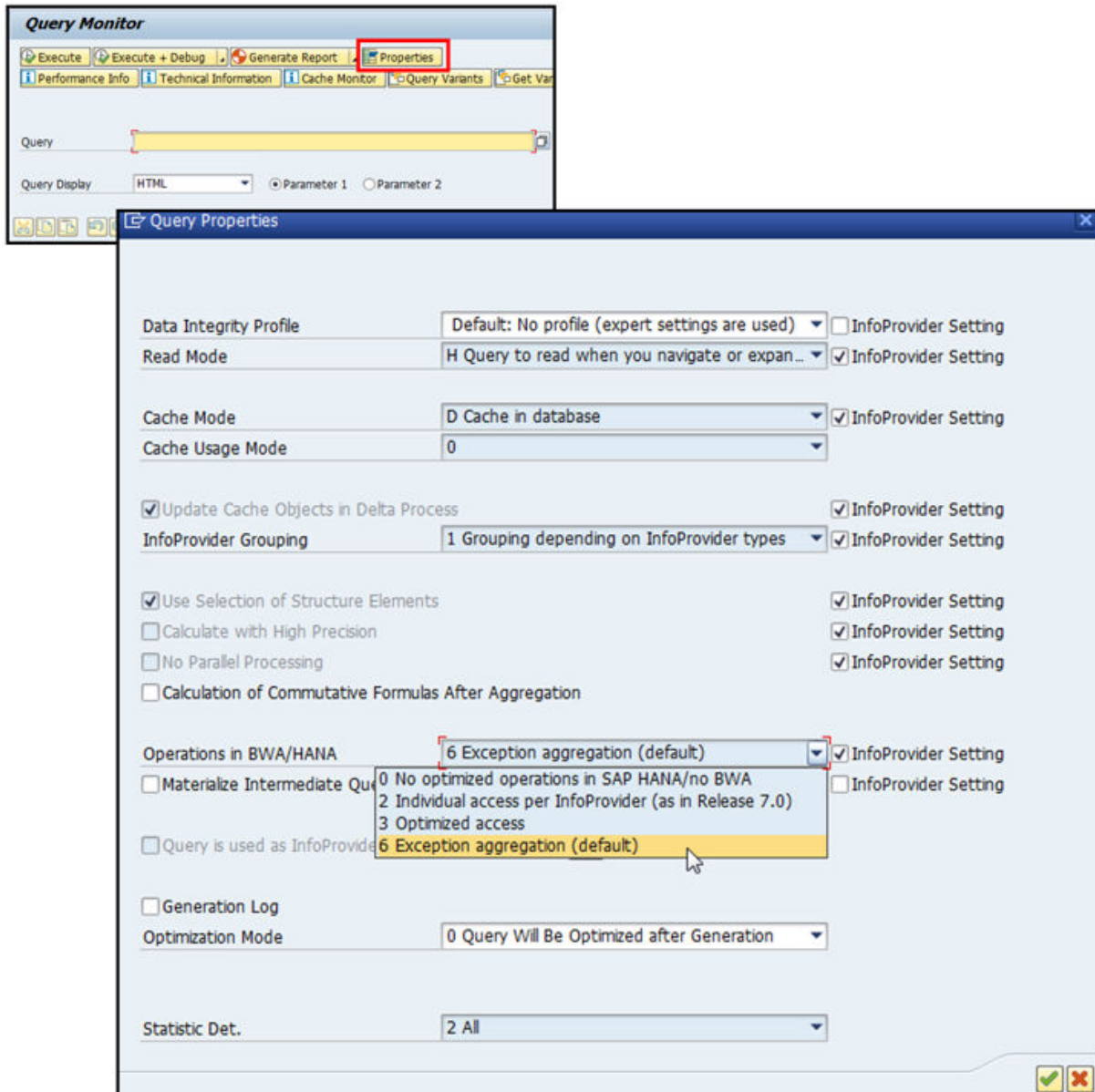
Delta Merge

The implementation and operation of a SAP BW on HANA system requires a solid understanding of the delta merge process in the database. Understanding this will allow administrators to optimize data loading and can in some cases help improve the performance of BW on HANA queries. Delta merge processing can consume a significant amount of system resources especially for large tables and therefore needs to be understood to manage any system powered by SAP HANA. For more information please see:

- For details of delta merge configuration for BW: [Triggering a Delta Merge \(SAP BW/4HANA\)](#).
- For information on troubleshooting delta merge: KBA [2057046](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Delta Merges

Query Execution Modes (RSRT)

For query execution BW always checks if optimized operations can be pushed down to the HANA database, the four available execution modes can be seen in RSRT from the query properties:



In some cases, especially where there is no support for push down of BW functionality to HANA Database or where you get an error or have a performance problem with HANA operation modes (Trexops=6 or Trexops=7 or Trexops=8) it can make sense to use operation mode 0 (No optimized operations in SAP HANA/no BWA) at least as a workaround to execute the query.

Not all BW queries will benefit from the HANA operation modes that push down BW functionality to the HANA Database. The benefit depends on the exact query definition and the data in the providers. Therefore, where the runtime of the query is critical it is necessary to test the impact of this feature on the performance of every single query and then choose the proper query operation mode.

For more information please see:

- For more details on the operation modes: NetWeaver Generic Tools and Services documentation: [Operations in SAP HANA / BWA](#)
- For more detail on the process logic, the SAP Community Wiki: [Query Property: Operations in HANA BWA \(TrexOps\)](#).
- For a list of the functionality that is currently pushed down to HANA, refer to the SAP Note [2063449](#) - Push down of BW OLAP functionalities to SAP HANA.
- For information on testing the benefits of pushdown: [2365030](#) - Bex Query slower with HANA pushdown.

Performance Issues

There is often the expectation after a BW on HANA migration from another database that all BW queries should be much faster. Of course, if the query was slow already before database migration to SAP HANA due to some calculations happening on the BW application server and these calculations cannot be pushed down to the HANA database then HANA cannot help in these cases; a redesign of the BW query will be necessary.

The query run time component that we can expect to see significantly improved with SAP HANA is the database time, this is the Event ID 9000 (Data Manager Time) in the BW Query run time statistics. What we can possibly improve with HANA, apart from the database time, is the time spent in the Analytic Manager. The Analytic Manager in BW (previously known as the OLAP engine) is the brain of BW when it comes to BW query processing, so it is responsible for navigation, filtering and aggregation among other things in the query execution. For additional information here please refer to the following KBA:

- [2122535](#) - How to determine if a BW on HANA query performance problem is HANA database related.

Before starting performance troubleshooting on HANA we first need to identify if there is a general performance problem for the BW on HANA system or if the problem is just for one BW query or report. For information on the steps to verify this, troubleshoot the issue and collect the required logs and traces refer to the HANA WIKI:

- [Troubleshooting HANA Performance issues](#).

Plan Viz Trace Generated in RSRT

RSRT can be used to check Business Explorer (BEx) queries. The benefit of using RSRT to check a BW query is that it is independent of the client frontend, so you can eliminate the client frontend tool (Bex, BI frontend tool etc) from the problem analysis. If the issue can be reproduced in RSRT then the issue is not related to the client frontend.

Transaction RSRT provides several debug features that are helpful when analyzing a BW query. With BW on HANA, queries are usually executed on the HANA database using stored procedure `TrexViaDbssl` or `TrexViaDbsslWithParameter`. The call of procedure `TrexViaDbssl(withParameter)` can be displayed in RSRT if the Debug flag Python Trace or Plan/Performance Trace is set on BW740 systems or Generate Plan Viz File on BW750 systems. You can copy this call and use it in SAP HANA Studio to execute Plan Viz to check the execution plan.

Prerequisites: at least BW 740 SP13 and HANA 1.0 SPS 11

Refer to the Wiki as follows:

- For basic information on transaction [RSRT: Query Monitor](#).
- For the detailed steps on how to do this: [BWonHana: PlanViz Trace generated in RSRT](#).

It is often the case that performance issues for individual BW queries can be resolved with hints. For details of hints refer to the KBA [2142945](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Hints:

- Question 4. What important hints are related to SAP HANA?
- Question 3 How can hints be specified? (describes how the hints can be set on the BW application level).

Composite Provider

One of the most used InfoProviders for BW on HANA reporting is the composite provider which can be created using the BW Modeling tools. These tools provide a new development environment for editing BW metadata objects. The development environment is based on the SAP HANA Studio. For more information refer to the following blog:

- [SAP BW Modeling tools: Three things to know when using the BW modeling tools in Eclipse](#)

A Composite Provider is an InfoProvider in which you can combine data from BW InfoProviders such as InfoObjects, DataStore Objects, SPOs and InfoCubes, or SAP HANA views such as Analytical or Calculation Views using join or union operations to make the data available for reporting.

To avoid performance issues with BW queries created on the composite provider, especially related to the use of joins or navigation attributes, it is important that the composite provider is modeled based on the information in the following SAP Notes:

- [2271658](#) - Design Considerations for Composite Provider
- [2103032](#) - Long runtimes in query on Composite Provider

Advanced DSO

The end goal for the advanced DSO (ADSO) is to be the central persistency object in BW-on-HANA replacing the InfoCube, classic DSO, HybridProvider and PSA. While there are still some gaps to cover the complete functionality, we recommend considering the advanced DSO for all new projects as the central (and only) persistency object.

Additional information on the ADSO can be found in the following:

- SCN blog post [The "advanced" DataStoreObject – renovating BW's persistency layer](#)
- SAP Note [2070577](#) - (advanced) DataStore Object - availability in BW7.4 SP08, SP09 and SP10

To avoid data loading or reporting performance problems related to ADSO please implement the recommendations and corrections from the following SAP Notes:

- [2185212](#) - ADSO: Recommendations and restrictions regarding reporting
- [2684950](#) - 750SP14: Performance problems during access of DTP with source as ADSO
- [2374652](#) - Handling very large data volumes with advanced DataStore objects in SAP BW on SAP HANA and BW/4HANA

Column Views

After you migrate a BW system to a BW on SAP HANA Database all InfoProviders and InfoObjects must have column views which are needed for reporting. In case a new BW InfoProvider or InfoObject is created, the associated column view is generated during activation on the SAP HANA database. If column views do not exist or are inconsistent, the associated BW queries based on the view may fail.

Problems with column views on SAP HANA can often be resolved by recreating the column view for the associated InfoProvider, this can be done using the report RSDDDB_LOGINDEX_CREATE. For further information refer to the following SAP Notes:

- KBA [2106851](#) - Column Store Error 2048 executing RSDDDB_LOGINDEX_CREATE on Multiprovider - on symptoms related to these issues and how to use the report to resolve them.
- SAP Note [1695112](#) - Activities in BW after migrating to the SAP HANA database for possible root causes for HANA view inconsistencies especially after the database migration to HANA.

You can use the report RSDDDB_INDEX_CREATE_MASS to generate views for more than one InfoProvider. Further information can be found in the Wiki:

- [BWonHANA: InfoProvider column views](#).

Authorization issues related to BW on HANA Generated views

To ensure that you have the required permissions to access views and data related to BW on HANA please follow the configuration steps in the following:

- Help Portal: [Authorizations for Generating SAP HANA Views](#).
- SAP BW4HANA: [Generating SAP HANA Views from the SAP BW4HANA System](#)

If after doing the above configuration you still get an authorization related error when accessing the BW generated view on HANA you can find the missing privilege(s) using the information in SAP Note: [1809199](#) - SAP HANA DB: Debugging user authorization errors.

Cross-Database Access for BW Calculation views

Read-only queries between tenant databases in the same SAP HANA system are also possible for BW calculation views. This means that database objects such as tables and views can be local to one database but be read by users from other databases in the same system.

The configuration that is required on the HANA Database side is described in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* under the section [Cross-Database Access](#). For this to work with BW on HANA generated views an additional configuration step is required. This BW side configuration for the BW External HANA View is described in the following SAP note (see question 8 'External HANA View'):

- [2312583](#) - FAQ: BW and HANA MDC: Cross-Database-Access in HANA Multitenant Database Containers.

For the External HANA View, a dedicated setting is available to support the read access from a remote tenant database via HANA Cross-Database-Access (CDA) based on MDC. If the flag is set, then the request handling is

de-activated for the external SAP HANA views. This is required as the request handling is implemented in procedures because HANA CDA does not support embedded procedures in remote views.

Further information can be found in the context help of BW transaction [▶ RS2HANA_ADMIN ▶ General Settings ▶ Multi-tenant enabled ▶](#) Additional limitations for cross-database access are described in the following SAP note:

- [2196359](#)  - *Limitations for cross-database access in an SAP HANA MDC environment.*

Privilege Errors

A privilege error may occur for a user trying to do a data preview or access a view in the remote database:

```
[258]: insufficient privilege: Detailed info for this error can be found with  
guid '<some GUID>'
```

See [Troubleshooting Authorization Problems \[page 146\]](#) in this guide for how to use the GUID value to find out which privileges are missing.


Or an authorization error may occur:

```
User <USER NAME> is not authorized to use VIEW _SYS_BIC.<package>/<view_name>  
because of missing grantable privileges on underlying objects
```

The most likely root cause of these errors is that the user does not have SELECT privilege on the bottom column view WITH GRANT OPTION. For a particular user to be able to select from a view (independent of whether this is an activated column view modeled through the SAP HANA Modeler or a SQL view that was created manually), the view owner needs the SELECT privilege on all underlying objects WITH GRANT OPTION. In a cross-database setup, the remote user that is mapped to _SYS_REPO on the tenant database that created the top calculation view will usually not have this privilege. See also point 6 of the solution in the following SAP note:

- [2196359](#)  - *Limitations for cross-database access in an SAP HANA MDC environment.*

Further background information on this privilege requirement can be found in the following:

- SAP HANA Security Guide: [Cross-Database Authorization in Tenant Databases](#) (in the section Cross-Database Authorization in Tenant Databases)
- The 'Cause' section of KBA [2787578](#)  - *Running a HANA view fails with error "User _SYS_REPO is not allowed to grant privilege SELECT for TABLE"*

Consumption of External BW HANA Views for BW InfoProviders in XSA WebIDE and Required Privileges

If you want to use BW external HANA views in your modeling in WebIDE then you need to assign certain privileges for this to work. If you don't do this then the creation of the native views and/or querying the native views in WebIDE will fail with an "insufficient privilege" error such as:

```
Error: (dberror)[258]:insufficient privilege: search table error: [2950]  
exception 306003:  
    Authorization failed in Calculation Engine. User is not authorized to  
'SELECT'.
```

The required privileges are:

- The HDI container owner (technical user with suffix "#00") needs SELECT WITH GRANT OPTION on the relevant BW views.
- The application user needs analysis authorization (Analytic Privileges) on the relevant BW views.

See also SAP note [2907570](#) - Consumption of external HANA views for BW InfoProviders in XSA WebIDE database modules. Attached to this SAP note is a template ABAP report ZRS2HANA_CREATE_XSA_ROLES that you can use to assign the required privileges and a detailed document that has step-by-step information and examples on how to use the report.

Data Loading, Sizing and Memory Usage

After a BW on HANA migration if you experience high memory usage or OOM dumps on HANA during data loading using Data Transfer Process or info package please check if the below SAP Notes are applicable in your case and applied in your system if relevant:

- [2230080](#) - Consulting: DTP: Out of memory situation during 'SAP HANA Execution' and the 'Request by Request' Extraction
- [2402503](#) - Increased memory requirement of BW objects in SAP HANA
- [2602477](#) - Considerations for packagewise extraction from HANA DataSource based on Calculation Views

If you experience high loads and unloads of column store tables as described in the KBA [2127458](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Loads and Unloads the sizing of the system should be checked.

You can use the program /SDF/HANA_BW_SIZING to size the system either before the database is migrated to HANA to get an estimation of the required hardware and memory requirements, or after the migration when the database is running on HANA to check if the sizing of the BW on HANA system is correct. Further information on the usage of this program is available in the following SAP note:

- [2296290](#) - New Sizing Report for SAP BW/4HANA.

To get an overview of the current memory usage in the HANA system you can use the script HANA_Memory_Overview_1.00.90+.txt from the KBA [1969700](#) - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA, the script shows the size of the row and column store tables and also the size of the HANA memory HEAP allocators.

Background information, for example, to understand the purpose of the HEAP allocator and to understand what can be done to reduce the memory consumption for the HEAP allocator, can be found in the following SAP note:

- [1999997](#) - FAQ: SAP HANA Memory, (question 13: What can I do if a certain heap allocator is unusually large?)

For information on how to do housekeeping for large BW on HANA row store tables refer to the information in the following KBA:

- [2388483](#) - How-To: Data Management for Technical Tables.

Wrong Data

As a first step to analyze wrong data or unexpected results, the issue should be checked from the BW application side using the steps given in the BW application KBAs:

- [2271335](#) - Wrong Data is Read from a HANA InfoProvider,
- [2399752](#) - Different Results with Operations Mode in BWA/HANA (TREXOPS) in a BW Query
- [1508237](#) - First Steps to Check Wrong Number in BW Query (Transaction RSFC).

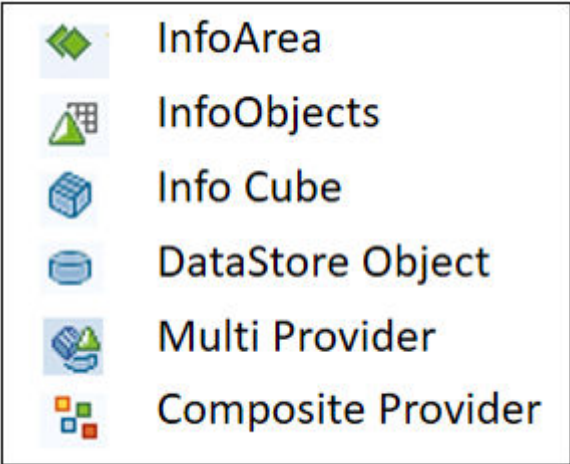
Additionally, all known reasons why the HANA database could return wrong or unexpected results are explained in the following SAP HANA KBA:

- [2222121](#) - SAP HANA Wrong Result Sets

Frequently-used Transaction Codes

The following table lists (in alphabetical order) the most often used transaction codes when working in a BW on HANA system:

Tcode	Description
AL11	SAP Directories, you can find trans log under DIR_TRANS, work process log under DIR_HOME, etc. It's useful when you don't have authorization to run st11
DB01	Display blocked transactions, you can find the same information under DBACOCKPI->Diagnostics->Locks->Blocked Transactions
DB02	Display Consistency Check result, help you to find out missing objects in database, unknown objects in ABAP. Index checks etc. It will display the same interface as DBACOCKPIT/ST04->Diagnostics->Missing Tables and Indexes
DBCO	Maintain secondary Database connections
LISTCUBE	List content of an Info Cube
OS01	LAN Check by Ping, can check the connectivity between DB server and Application server
RS2HANA_CHECK	Check all prerequisites for successful replication of BW authorizations to SAP HANA, it can be used to check if the BW users has authorization to run the HANA views generated from the BW model
RS2HANA_ADMIN	It can be used as a general entry point where all BW objects with enabled "External SAP HANA View" are visible.
RSA1	Data Warehousing Workbench (>= BI 7.0) / Administrator Workbench (< BI 7.0), The administrator workbench is the central cockpit used for the administration of almost the entire BW system. The RSA1 main screen can be divided into three general areas. The extreme left area, allows us to choose BW modelling components like Infoproviders,

Tcode	Description
	InfoObjects, InfoSources and DataSources. Individual BW components represented by different icons:
	
RSD1	Characteristic maintenance, For issues like InfoObjects cannot be activated, you can use this tcode to activate the infoObjects again to reproduce the issue.
RSDDB	SAP HANA/BWA index maintenance,
RSLIMOBW	Create/modify Composite Provider
RSPC	Process Chain Maintenance, can be used to find the process chain job logs
RSRQ	Data Load Monitor for a Request
RSRT	Start of the report monitor, can be used to run Bex queries.
RSRV	Analysis and Repair of BW Objects, can be used to check BW Object consistency.
RSTT	RS Trace Tool
RZ11	List ABAP profile parameters
SAINT	SAP Add-on Installation Tool
SPAM	SAP Patch Manager
SE01	Transport Organizer Tool, for issues related to BW transports, can be used to find the related transports and find the transport log
SE11	ABAP Dictionary, display the ABAP table/view definition, can be used to find the primary index definition as well
SE14	ABAP Dictionary Database Utility, can be used to check if ABAP table exist on DB level, recreate table etc.

Tcode	Description
SE16	Display content of an ABAP table/view
SE38	<p>ABAP Editor, can be used to display/run ABAP programs. If only need to run the ABAP program, can use SA38 instead. Useful ABAP program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSDU_TABLE_CONSISTENCY • RSDDDB_LOGINDEX_CREATE • RSDDDB_MASS_INDEX_CREATE • RS_BW_POST_MIGRATION • RS2HANA_AUTH_RUN • RSPFPAR – Display profile parameter • ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION -- test if the DB connection works • RSDU_EXEC_SQL -- if SQL editor is not available through DBACOCKPIT • RSBDCOS0 -- run an OS command • RSTRC000 – lock a SAP work process for yourself, and increase work process trace level
SLG1	Analyze Application log. It is useful to get the logs and timestamps for errors on application side
SM04	Display all the current ABAP user sessions
SM12	Display and Delete Locks on ABAP level
SM21	Online System Log Analysis
SM37	Overview of BW scheduled jobs, for a failed job, you can view the job log and from the job details you will be able to find which work process has been used to run the job.
SM50	Work Process Overview
SM51	List of SAP Systems, it's useful to switch to different application servers
SM59	RFC Destinations (Display/Maintain)
SM66	Global work process Monitor, list all the active work processes on the system
SNOTE	Check if SAP Note being implemented on the system or not
ST05	Enable SQL trace, which will help you to tell which query cause the long running time.
ST06	Operating System Monitor
ST11	Check work process log
ST03	Work load monitor
ST04	DBACOCKPIT-> DB overview

Tcode	Description
ST12	Single Transaction analysis, only available if the SAP ServiceTools has been installed(component ST-A/PI. SAP Note 69455). It's a combination of the standard ABAP(SE30) and SQL trace(ST05) see SAP Note 755977 for step-by-step instructions
ST22	ABAP Runtime Error
SU01	User maintenance, display/Modify BW users

3.10 Troubleshooting Multi-Dimensional Services Queries

This section describes how to execute, capture and analyze InA queries for SAP Analytics Cloud (SAC) HANA Multi-Dimensional Service.

Introduction

SAP Analytics Cloud's query language is called InA (Information Access). InA queries are executed using HANA Multi-Dimensional Service and the result set is returned to SAC front-end for rendering.

InA queries are expressed in JSON which is not designed for human consumption but it is a text format which can at least be read by humans. To analyze an InA query for troubleshooting purposes you can record the query execution using the browser's development tools and save the query as a file. You can then execute the query in isolation using the EXECUTE_MDS procedure call and analyze the execution plan using visualization tools.

A similar approach can be used for other applications such as Analysis Office and Lumira Designer, but in these cases the third-party tool Fiddler is required.

This section describes how to execute, capture and analyze InA queries in this way and includes an overview of using Fiddler for Analysis Office:

- How to capture InA queries
- How to execute InA queries and visualize the execution plan
- How to execute multiple InA queries in parallel
- Debugging Analysis Office InA queries

More Information

For a general introduction to MDS and frequently-asked questions which may also help with troubleshooting, refer to the SAP Note 2670064 - *FAQ: SAP HANA Multi-Dimensional Services (MDS)*. For details of diagnosis data required by SAP Support refer to SAP Note 2691501 - *SAP HANA MDS: Information needed by Development Support*.

Other SAP Notes related to MDS include:

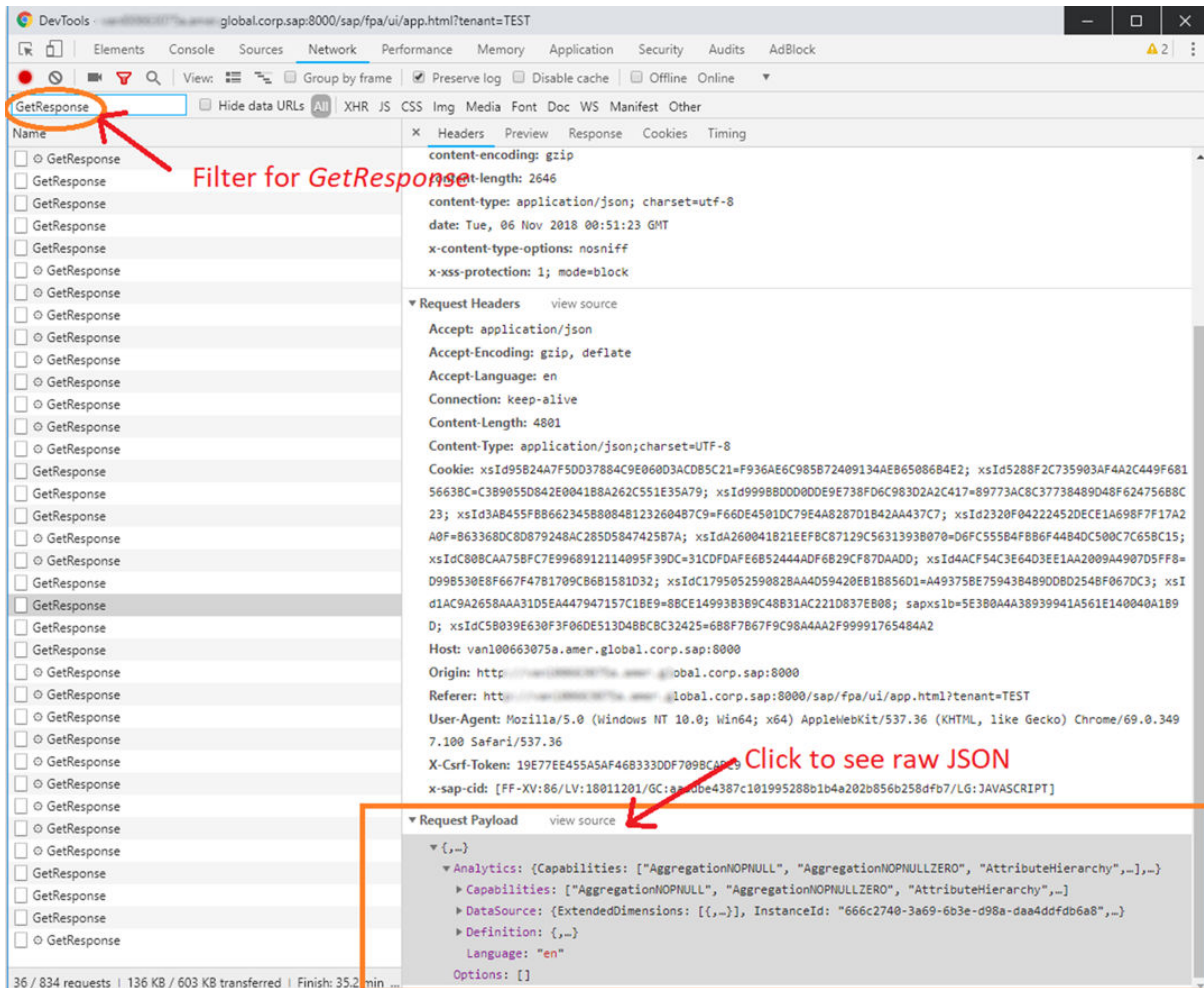
- 2550833 - HANA built-in procedure: EXECUTE_MDS

- 2773755 - Guideline for Controlling Server Load with InA/MDS Analytic Requests

How to Capture InA Queries

You can capture InA queries issued by SAC using the browser's development tools, the following steps and examples are illustrated using Google Chrome.

1. Start the Chrome debugging tool by one of the following methods:
 - From the *Customize and Control Google* menu, choose **More tools** > **Developer tools** (shortcut key Ctrl+Shift+I).
 - From the menu bar select **View** > **Developer** > **Developer tools** (shortcut key F12).
2. From the panel and console which is opened select the Network tab.
3. Navigate to the problematic page in SAC and when the debug screen has loaded filter for GetResponse as shown here:



To save the network capture:

1. Look for the *Record* button on the toolbar of the Network tab. It should be red. If it is gray, click it once to start recording.

2. Check the *Preserve log* checkbox on the toolbar.
3. Click the *Clear* button to clear out any existing logs from the Network tab.
4. Now try to reproduce the issue that you want to analyze while the network requests are being recorded.
5. Once you have reproduced the issue, right click on a grid line with gray background on the grid of network requests and select *Save as HAR with Content*, and save the file to your computer. This HAR file can be reopened to analyze and replay the InA queries within.

How to Execute and Visualize InA Queries

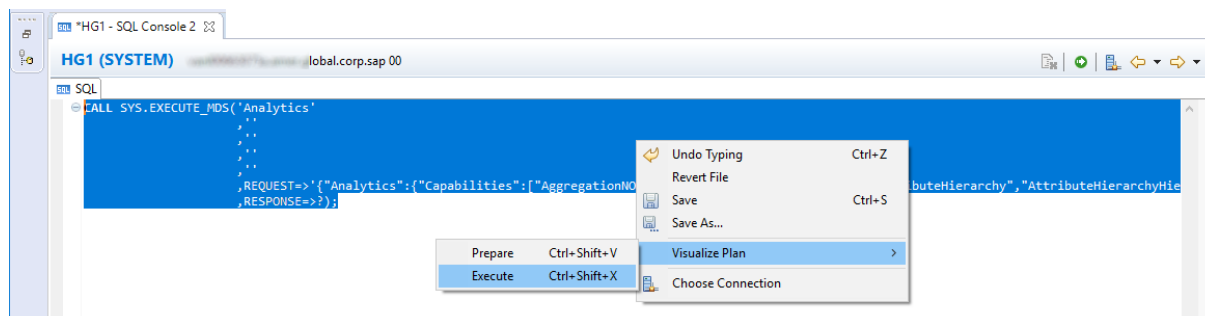
InA queries can be individually executed as described here. To execute an InA query the SAC user must have the role INA_ROLE. If the customer is using a technical user to execute InA queries, then the role must also be assigned to the user who wants to troubleshoot the issue.

1. Open the SQL Console in Web IDE (or any other console such as SAP HANA studio).
2. Call built-in stored procedure SYS.EXECUTE_MDS with the InA query that was previously captured as the REQUEST parameter. Both REQUEST and RESPONSE are in JSON format (data type NCLOB):

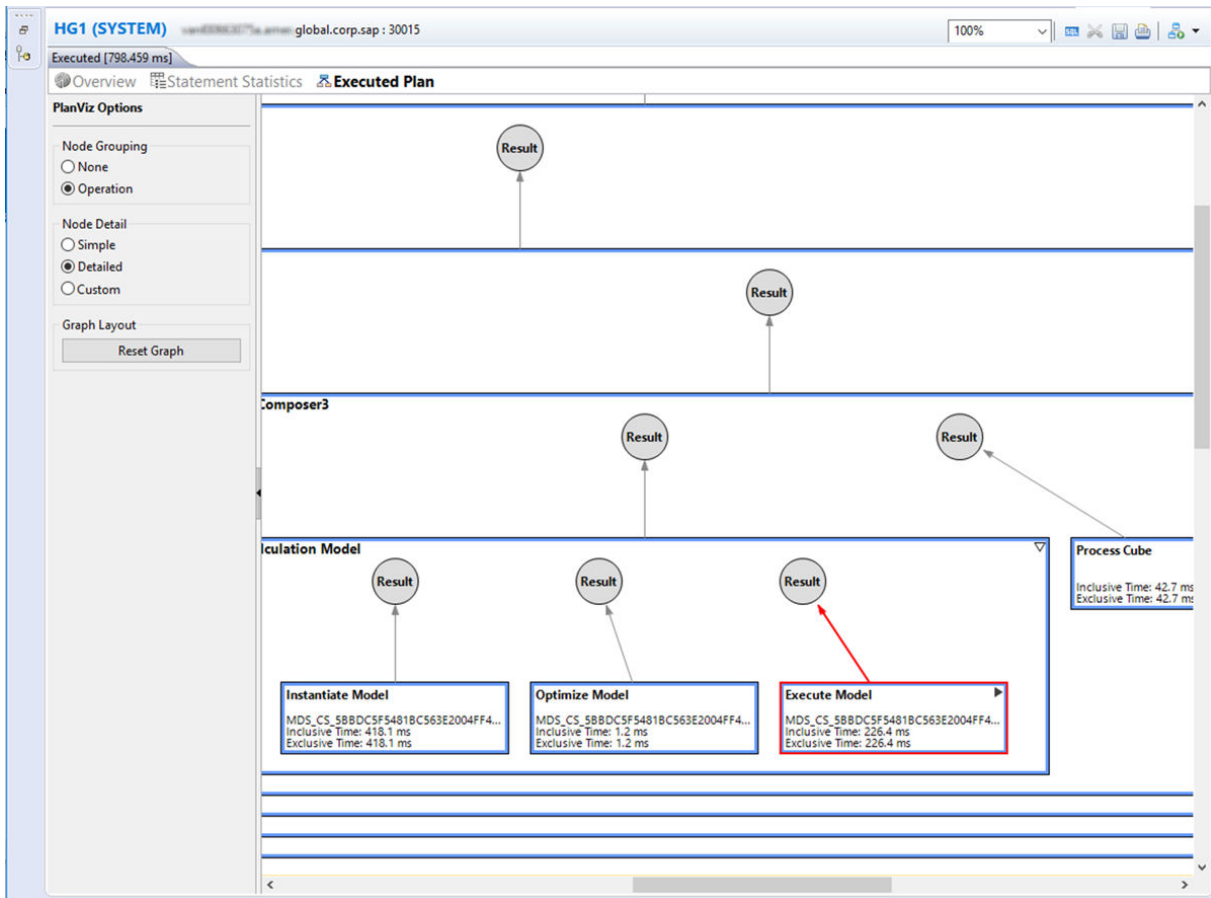
```
CALL SYS.EXECUTE_MDS('Analytics'
,
,
,
,
,REQUEST=>'{"Analytics"...'
,RESPONSE=>?);
```

It is possible to render the RESPONSE into a tabular format, but it is not needed for performance analysis.

1. You can now visualize the execution plan of an InA query by invoking the menu actions shown below:



The result of visualization depends on the query, but it resembles a SQL query visualization plan as shown below:



The execution of each step of the plan is identified in this graph. If Execute Model is expanded, it will eventually lead to column store operations that are used to fetch the data from source tables. This method can be used to evaluate the performance of model with respect to the InA queries issued by SAC.

If most of the time is spent in Process Cube and/or Prepare Query, then it is possible that the bottleneck is in MDS engine (see related topics in the *SAP HANA Performance Guide for Developers*). But if most of the execution time is spent in Execute Model, then the bottleneck is most probably in the way the model is designed.

The use of workload classes to apply workload settings for your application may be one way of improving performance. If, for example, a single execution of a query in isolation does not take a lot of resources, but there is a degradation in performance in a production environment where many queries are executed simultaneously, a workload class and mapping could be used to manage the allocation of resources. This could, for example, apply a higher priority to the query or apply resource limitations on other queries.

How to Execute Multiple InA Queries in Parallel

SAC stories contain visualizations and each visualization requires at least one InA query. The InA queries in a story are executed in parallel which will cause more load on a customer's HANA machine and which may lead to performance degradation.

Customers can test their HANA machine and the model's performance by opening multiple connections and executing multiple InA queries at once using the EXECUTE_MDS procedure explained above.

Analysis Office InA Queries

A similar approach to that described above for SAC can be used to collect InA queries for Analysis Office and Lumira Designer using Fiddler; Fiddler is a freely-available third-party troubleshooting tool that can trace web traffic activity. Once Fiddler is installed you can open the application where the issue occurs and reproduce the problem. The query and response are then visible and, if necessary, you can save these and send them to SAP Support for analysis. Refer to the following SAP Notes for more details:

- How to download, install and run Fiddler is described in SAP Note 1766704 *How to use Fiddler to collect HTTP and HTTPS traces*.
- Details of the procedure to extract the query can be found in SAP Note 2839059 *How To Extract Ina Json Query and Response from Fiddler Traces*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2691501](#)

[SAP Note 2550833](#)

[SAP Note 1766704](#)

[SAP Note 2839059](#)

[SAP Note 2773755](#)

[Query Execution Engine Overview](#)

[Using "Execute in SQL Engine" in Calculation Views](#)

3.11 License Issues

This section covers license-related issues.

Related Information

[System Locked Due to Missing, Expired, or Invalid License \[page 144\]](#)

[License Problem Identification and Analysis \[page 144\]](#)

[Resolution of License Issues \[page 145\]](#)

3.11.1 System Locked Due to Missing, Expired, or Invalid License

New installations of SAP HANA are equipped with a temporary license that expires after 90 days. To keep the system functional after this period, you have to install a permanent license.

Improper licensing may lead to a lockdown of your SAP HANA system. In this case, the only allowed action is to install a valid license.

The system goes into lockdown in the following situations:

- The permanent license key has expired and either:
 - You did not renew the subsequently installed temporary license key within 28 days, or
 - You did renew the subsequently installed temporary license key but the hardware key has changed
- The installed license key is an enforced license key and the current memory consumption exceeds the licensed amount plus the tolerance.
- You deleted all license keys installed in your database.

For more information, see *Managing SAP HANA Licenses* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[Managing SAP HANA Licenses](#)

3.11.2 License Problem Identification and Analysis

The first signs of problems related to licensing will be visible by Alert 31 or Alert 44 being issued.

You can check your current license using the SAP HANA cockpit: Choose the [Manage system licenses](#) link on the [Overview](#) page.

Alternatively, you can retrieve the same information using SQL:

```
SELECT * FROM M_LICENSE;
```

i Note

To be able to query license information, you must have the system privilege LICENSE ADMIN.

The M_LICENSE system view includes the following information:

- License data:
 - SID
 - Hardware key
 - Installation number
 - System number
 - Product limit (licensed amount of memory)

- Validity start date
- Expiration date - See SAP Note 1899480 - *How to handle HANA Alert 31: 'License expiry'*
- Last successful check date
- License status (permanent, valid, enforced, local) See SAP Note 1899511 - *How to handle HANA Alert 44: 'Licensed Memory Usage'*

Note that in case of system lockdown, only SID and hardware key are displayed. Information on previously installed licenses is available.

SAP HANA licenses can be installed for the system database (global) or for a single tenant database (local). Global licenses are for the system database and all tenants but a license installed in a tenant will govern only the tenant. If the license is installed incorrectly at the local level you can remove the tenant-specific license key to revert the license validity to the global license key installed in the system database.

Related Information

[M_LICENSE System View](#)

[SAP Note 1899480](#)

[SAP Note 1899511](#)

3.11.3 Resolution of License Issues

If your license becomes invalid, you need to install a new license.

You can install a new license either in the SAP HANA cockpit or using SQL.

i Note

To install a license key, you need the LICENSE ADMIN system privilege.

You install a license key with the following SQL statement:

```
SET SYSTEM LICENSE '<license file content goes here, line breaks matter>';
```

i Note

Line breaks are essential for interpretation of the license key text, hence they must not be removed. If you use the command line tool SAP HANA HDBSQL to install the license, make sure to enable multi-line statement support (command line option -m or \mu ON when within SAP HANA HDBSQL).

The command will fail if the license key has a different installation number or system number than the current ones in the database instance. If you have successfully installed a license but your system is still locked down, check the following:

- The current system time is within the validity period of the license.
- Your installed license key is correct, in particular, the M_LICENSE view displays only one row with a valid license for the product SAP HANA.

- The SAP Notes in the Related Links section.

For more detailed information about how to install a license key, see the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1704499](#)

[SAP Note 1634687](#)

[SAP Note 1699111](#)

[Managing SAP HANA Licenses](#)

[Run Long Commands in Multiple-Line Mode](#)

3.12 Security-Related Issues

This section looks at issues related to authorization and authentication.

Related Information

[Troubleshooting Authorization Problems \[page 146\]](#)

[Troubleshooting Problems with User Name/Password Authentication \[page 152\]](#)

[Troubleshooting Problems with User Authentication and SSO \[page 154\]](#)

3.12.1 Troubleshooting Authorization Problems

SAP HANA implements its authorization concept based on the entities user, privilege, and role.

General Analysis

The system view `EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES` is useful for checking the privileges of a specific user. It includes information about all privileges granted to a specific user (both directly and indirectly through roles), as well as how the privileges were obtained (`GRANTOR` and `GRANTOR_TYPE` column).

```
1 - SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES where user_name = 'USERADMIN'
```

#	USER_NAME	GRANTEE_SCHEMA_NAME	GRANTEE	GRANTEE_TYPE	GRANTOR_SCHEM...	GRANTOR	GRANTOR_TYPE	OBJECT_TYPE	SCHEMA_NAME
1	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	SYSTEM	USER	SYSTEMPRIVILEGE	NULL
2	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	SYS	USER	SCHEMA	USERADMIN
3	USERADMIN	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	NULL	SYS	USER	VIEW	SYS
4	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	VIEW	SYS
5	USERADMIN	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	NULL	SYS	USER	VIEW	SYS
6	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	VIEW	SYS
7	USERADMIN	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	NULL	SYS	USER	VIEW	SYS
8	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	VIEW	SYS
9	USERADMIN	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	NULL	SYS	USER	VIEW	SYS
10	USERADMIN	NULL	USERADMIN	USER	NULL	PUBLIC	ROLE	VIEW	SYS

Output of Effective Privileges

Examples of querying this view can be found in the topics which follow:

- Troubleshoot the Display of Unrestricted or Incorrect Results for a View Secured with Analytic Privileges
- Troubleshoot the Error "Insufficient privilege: Not authorized" Although User Has Analytic Privileges
- Troubleshoot the Error "Invalidated View" During SELECT Statement Execution

Full details of this view are given in the *SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide*.

For more information about other system views related to authorization, see *System Views for Verifying Users' Authorization* in the Security Administration and User Management section of the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

For more information about the authorization concept in SAP HANA, see the *SAP HANA Security Guide*.

Insufficient Privilege Errors

To avoid the need to search through the indexserver trace files to analyze insufficient privilege errors, a procedure is available which you can use to quickly find out details of missing privileges: `GET_INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGE_ERROR_DETAILS()`.

The insufficient privilege error message includes a GUID value, for example:

```
insufficient privilege: Detailed info for this error can be found with guid
'3DFFF7D0CA291F4CA69B327067947BEE'
```

Use this value as a parameter for the stored procedure:

```
call SYS.GET_INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGE_ERROR_DETAILS
('3DFFF7D0CA291F4CA69B327067947BEE', ?)
```

In SAP HANA cockpit

a dialog box for this procedure is available

in the Security and User Management view:

Insufficient Privilege Details

Enter GUID here

Enter

The procedure returns details of the missing privilege with the user name and the session user name. Object details may also be returned if available, and if the missing privilege is contained in one or more roles then the roles are displayed.

The procedure does not return information about analytical privileges.

For more information about this procedure, see 'Resolve Insufficient Privilege Errors' in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* (Security Administration and User Management) and the corresponding topic in the *SAP HANA Cockpit Guide*, 'Display Information about an Insufficient Privilege Error'.

Authorization Dependency Viewer

SAP HANA Studio and SAP HANA cockpit include a graphical tool, the Authorization Dependency Viewer, to analyze authorization issues. This may be helpful to troubleshoot authorization errors and invalid object errors for stored procedures and calculation views with complex dependency structures. See the links under 'Related Information'.

Related Information

[System Views for Verifying Users' Authorization](#)

[EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES System View](#)

[SAP HANA Security Guide](#)

[Display Information about an "Insufficient Privilege" Error](#)

[Resolve Insufficient Privilege Errors](#)

[Resolve Errors Using the Authorization Dependency Viewer \(SAP HANA Studio\)](#)

[Resolve Object Authorization Errors \(SAP HANA cockpit\)](#)

3.12.1.1 Troubleshoot the Display of Unrestricted or Incorrect Results for a View Secured with Analytic Privileges

If a user has unrestricted access to a view or sees results that he should not, even though he has been granted an analytic privilege, you need to determine which privileges have been granted to the user and whether or not they are correct.

Prerequisites

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the following system privileges:

- CATALOG READ
- TRACE ADMIN

Procedure

- Check which analytic privileges have been granted to the user using the system view `EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES`.

Execute the following SQL statement:

```
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = 'myuser' AND OBJECT_TYPE = 'ANALYTICALPRIVILEGE';
```

In particular, verify that the user does **not** have the analytic privilege `_SYS_BI_CP_ALL`. This analytic privilege potentially allows a user to access all the data in all activated views, regardless of any other analytic privileges that apply. Usually, the user will have this analytic privilege through a role, for example, `MODELING`.

⚠ Caution

The `MODELING` role is very privileged and should not be granted to users, particularly in production systems. The `MODELING` role should only be used as a template.

- Identify wrong filters specified in the analytic privileges granted to the user.
Information about filter conditions generated from the relevant analytic privileges can be traced in the `indexserver` trace file. This can help you to identify wrong filters specified in the analytic privileges granted to the user.

In the *Trace Configuration* monitor of the SAP HANA database explorer, set the database trace level for the component `analyticprivilegehandler` of the `indexserver` service to **DEBUG**.

Related Information

[EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES System View](#)
[System Views for Verifying Users' Authorization](#)

3.12.1.2 Troubleshoot the Error "Insufficient privilege: Not authorized" Although User Has Analytic Privileges

Even if a user has the correct analytic privileges for a view, he still may receive the error `Insufficient privilege: Not authorized` if there is an issue with privileges at another level.

Prerequisites

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the following system privileges:

- `CATALOG READ`

- TRACE ADMIN

Procedure

- Verify that the `_SYS_REPO` user has all required privileges (for example, `SELECT`) with `GRANT OPTION` on the base tables of the view.

You can do this by selecting from the `EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES` system view:

```
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '_SYS_REPO';
```

- Verify that the analytic privileges required for any underlying views have been granted to the user. If the view is a top-level view (calculation view) with underlying views, the granted analytic privilege grants access only to this top-level view. Analytic privileges are required for all underlying views. Note that analytic privileges have to contain at least a view attribute with or without filter condition in order to grant access to the view.

You can verify a user's privileges by selecting from the `EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES` system view:

```
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '<user>' AND OBJECT_TYPE = 'ANALYTICALPRIVILEGE';
```

- If the analytic privilege uses a database procedure to define dynamic value filters at runtime, check for errors in the execution of the underlying procedure.

To find out the actual error during procedure execution for analytical privileges, check the `indexserver_alert_<host>.trc` trace file (accessible in the SAP HANA database explorer via the [View trace and diagnostic files](#) link in the SAP HANA cockpit).

3.12.1.3 Troubleshoot the Error "Invalidated View" During SELECT Statement Execution

A user may receive the error `Invalidated view` when executing a `SELECT` statement against a view that was activated from the repository. Additionally, the data preview for an activated view may not show any data.

Prerequisites

To troubleshoot this issue, you require the `CATALOG READ` system privilege.

Context

In addition to the privileges checks described here, other possible causes of invalidated views are described in knowledge base articles. The cause may be related, for example, to the view not being active or the view may

have been changed and is now unavailable. The KBAs listed below describe troubleshooting procedures in the context of SAP HANA Studio, but the causes and solutions may still be relevant in any context.

Procedure

- Verify that the `_SYS_REPO` user has all required privileges (for example, `SELECT`, `SELECT WITH GRANT OPTION`) on all base objects of the view (for example, tables) and schemas used.

You can do this by selecting from the `EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES` system view:

```
SELECT * FROM EFFECTIVE_PRIVILEGES WHERE USER_NAME = '_SYS_REPO';
```

- To grant this privilege you can execute the following statement:

```
GRANT SELECT ON SCHEMA <YOUR_SCHEMA> TO _SYS_REPO WITH GRANT OPTION;
```

This example shows `GRANT SELECT ON SCHEMA`, you can also grant the privilege on tables or views.

- Verify that the user activating the object has at least `SELECT` privilege over the schemas used within the scenario.

To grant this privilege you can execute the following statement:

```
GRANT SELECT ON SCHEMA <YOUR_SCHEMA> TO  
<USER_THAT_WILL_ACTIVATE_ANALYTIC_OBJECT>;
```

- Make sure all the dependencies of the analytic object to be activated are contained in the analytic privilege assigned to the user that will actually activate the main analytic object.

Results

For more information on the `GRANT` Statement refer also to the details in the *SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide for SAP HANA Platform*.

Related Information

[GRANT Statement \(Access Control\)](#)

Links to Knowledge Base Articles:

[SAP Note 2318731 - Error "SAP DBTech JDBC: \[391\]: invalidated view: sap.hba.ecc" during data preview](#)

[SAP Note 3048185 - Error "SAP DBTech JDBC: \[391\]: invalidated view:" error occurs when add object privilege](#)



[SAP Note 2985592 - Database returned the SQL code 391. Error text: invalidated view](#)

[SAP Note 1761917 - Error when executing an Analytic Object](#)

3.12.2 Troubleshooting Problems with User Name/Password Authentication

Common problems with regards to authentication are related to incorrect or expired passwords.

User administrators can change users' passwords on the [Edit User](#) monitor in the Cockpit Manager of the SAP HANA cockpit.

For more information about managing users, see *Security Administration and User Management* and *Reset the SYSTEM User Password of a Tenant Database* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[Security Administration and User Management](#)
[Reset the SYSTEM User Password in a Tenant Database](#)

3.12.2.1 Resetting the Password for the SYSTEM User

If the password of the SYSTEM user is irretrievably lost, it can be reset.

Follow the procedure as described in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

i Note

If you can log on as SYSTEM and you want to change the password, do not use the emergency reset procedure. Simply change the password directly using the SAP HANA cockpit or the `ALTER USER SQL` statement: `ALTER USER SYSTEM PASSWORD new_password.`

Related Information

[Resetting the SYSTEM User Password](#)

3.12.2.2 Troubleshoot the Error "User is locked"

A user receives the error `User is locked` after too many failed log on attempts.

Prerequisites

You have system privilege USER ADMIN.

Context

An example of this error might look like:

```
Error "user is locked; try again later: lock time is 1440 minutes; user is locked until 2014-05-28 21:42:24.12214212" (the time is given in UTC).
```

Most likely, the user logged on too many times with the wrong password. The default maximum number of failed logon attempts is 6. This is defined by the password policy parameter `maximum_invalid_connect_attempts`.

For more information about this and other password policy parameters, see *Password Policy Configuration Options* in the *SAP HANA Security Guide*.

Procedure

Reset the invalid connect attempts with the following SQL statement:

```
ALTER USER <user> RESET CONNECT ATTEMPTS;
```

The user can now log on again.

Related Information

[Password Policy Configuration Options](#)

3.12.3 Troubleshooting Problems with User Authentication and SSO

Authentication problems manifest themselves as failed user logon. In many cases, the reason for the failure will not be clear to the user. You need to analyze the database trace to determine the cause of the problem.

For security reasons, no information about error conditions are provided to a user directly after a failed logon attempt, since this could be abused by attackers. In case of authentication problems, the affected user must contact the system administrator, who will then analyze the database trace on the server side.

Tracing for SSO Issues

Logon information is available in the database trace, but by default, it does not log much. The first step in troubleshooting any SSO logon issue therefore is to increase the trace level of the authentication-related components of the database trace. You can do this in the SAP HANA cockpit / Database Explorer or in SAP HANA Studio on the Database Trace section of the Trace Configuration tab.

For problems with JDBC/ODBC-based logon, increase the trace level of the `authentication` for the **index server** to `DEBUG`.

For problems with HTTP-based logon via SAP HANA XS classic, increase the trace level of the `authentication`, `xsession`, and `xsauthentication` components for the **xsengine server** to `DEBUG`.

Once you have increased tracing, reproduce the problematic logon. The traces will now contain more descriptive error messages.

→ Remember

After completing troubleshooting, reduce the authentication trace level back to the default.

In some cases, especially for Kerberos and SPNEGO, it is necessary to use other sources of tracing, such as:

- JDBC, ODBC or SQLDB trace
- Windows event log
- Debugger of browser
- SAP Web dispatcher trace
- Network packet sniffer, for example, Wireshark

For more information about tracing in SAP HANA see the section on traces in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* and SAP Note 2119087.

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for tracing SSO issues.

Related Information

[Traces](#)

[Single Sign-On Integration](#)

[Kerberos-Related Authentication Issues \[page 155\]](#)

[SAML Authentication \[page 156\]](#)

[Traces for SSO Troubleshooting \(Guided Answer\)](#)

[SAP Note 2119087](#)

3.12.3.1 Kerberos-Related Authentication Issues

GSS API Errors

Kerberos authentication is implemented in the SAP HANA database using the Generic Security Services Application Program Interface (GSS API). Since GSS API is an internet standard (RFC 4121), all Kerberos-related errors are traced under the `authentication` trace component in the following generic way:

```
<SAP HANA DB error text> (<GSS major code>.<GSS minor code> - <GSS major text> <GSS minor text>)
```





GSS API error texts are sometimes difficult to relate to the concrete problem. The following table contains some hints for selected trace messages, refer also to the How-to document attached to SAP Note 1837331 for full details of these and other problems.

GSS API Error Code	Error Text	Hint	Solution
851968.252963 9142	Minor error text: Key version number for principal in key table is incorrect	The service key table (keytab) in use on the SAP HANA database host does not match the one created on the authentication server.	Re-export the keytab file from the authentication server and re-import it into the host's Kerberos installation.
851968.397560 33	SAP HANA database error text: Cannot get keytab entry for host: <FQDN> Minor error text: No principal in keytab matches desired name	The location of the Kerberos keytab file might be incorrect. The file is located in directory \$HOME/etc (by default, that is /usr/sap/<SID>/home/etc/krb5_hdb.keytab) .	Check environment variable KRB5_KTNAME.
851968.252963 9136	SAP HANA database error text: Cannot get keytab entry for host: <FQDN> Minor error text: Configuration file does not specify default realm	The location of the Kerberos configuration file might be incorrect. The file is located in directory \$HOME/etc (by default, that is /usr/sap/<SID>/home/etc/krb5_hdb.conf) .	Check environment variable KRB5_CONFIG.

Configuration

There are many potential problems setting up a Kerberos infrastructure that are not related to the SAP HANA system in particular, but relevant for any Kerberos-based authentication. For further information, refer to the documentation provided with MIT Kerberos or Microsoft Server/Active Directory.

Useful SAP Notes

SAP Note	Description
1837331 	HOWTO HANA DB SSO Kerberos/ Active Directory
2354473 	SSO troubleshooting for HANA and Analysis Office (SPNEGO)
1813724 	HANA SSO/Kerberos: create keytab and validate conf
2354556 	Common errors when executing hdbkrbconf.py

Related Information



[Single Sign-On Using Kerberos](#)

3.12.3.2 SAML Authentication

User cannot connect with SAML assertion

If a user cannot connect to SAP HANA with a SAML assertion, the issuer and subject distinguished names (DNs) in the SAML assertion do not match those configured in the identity provider. Investigate which issuer and subject DN were used in the SAML assertion. You will find them in the trace file `indexserver_alert_<hostname>.trc`. Compare these with those configured in the service provider.

Useful SAP Notes

SAP Note	Description
1766704 	How to use Fiddler to collect HTTP and HTTPS traces
2284620 	HOW-TO HANA DB SSO SAML and BI Platform 4.1 / AO 2.2

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available for SAML authentication with SAP HANA.

Related Information

[Single Sign-On Using SAML 2.0](#)

[SAML Authentication for Single Sign-On \(Guided Answer\)](#) 

3.13 Transactional Problems

This section covers troubleshooting of transaction problems. Symptoms seen from an end user perspective may include an application running sluggishly, or not responding or even seeming to hang. These problems may be caused by issues with uncommitted transactions, long-lived cursors blocking garbage collection, a high number of active versions or blocked transactions.

Maximum Transaction Limit

The default system limit for the maximum number of transactions is 64000. If this limit is exceeded, an error message may be returned when submitting queries: "exceed maximum number of transactions". This may be caused by application programs which are not correctly managing connections/transactions, or a bug within the database engine. This scenario and possible workarounds are described in detail in SAP Note 2368981 - *SAP HANA DB: Queries fail with error "exceed maximum number of transaction"*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2368981](#) 

3.13.1 Blocked Transactions

Blocked transactions are write transactions that are unable to be further processed because they need to acquire transactional locks (record or table locks) which are currently held by another write transaction. Note that transactions can also be blocked waiting for physical resources like network or disk. Those situations are not covered in this section.

3.13.1.1 Identify and Assess Blocked Transaction Issues

The first signs of blocked transactions are poor application response or alerts 49 or 59 are raised.

The initial indicators of blocked transactions are given by:

- Users reporting bad application responsiveness
- Alert 49 - Long-running blocking situations
- Alert 59 - Percentage of transactions blocked

To confirm the database performance is harmed by blocked transactions, you should check the following SAP HANA cockpit monitors:

Performance Monitor

The *Blocked Transactions* graph shows how many blocked transactions currently exist and existed in the past to a certain extent.

Workload Analysis Monitor

To further track down the issue, look at the *Background Jobs* tab in the *Workload Analysis* monitor. It shows currently running SAP HANA background processes like Delta Merge. Since the Delta Merge needs to lock tables to proceed, it is a common cause for blocked transactions. Another job display by this monitor is the savepoint write which needs to pull a global database lock in its critical phase. See *Savepoint Performance*.

Sessions Monitor

The *Sessions* monitor lists all currently opened SQL sessions (meaning user connections). In the context of blocked transaction troubleshooting, the columns *Blocked By Connection ID* and *Blocks No. Of Transactions* are of special interest. The first tells you whether the session is blocked by another session and identifies the ID of the blocking one. The latter gives you the corresponding information if a session blocks other sessions, and how many transactions are affected. See *Session Monitoring*.

Blocked Transactions Monitor

The *Blocked Transactions* monitor is the next drill down step. It only lists those transactions that are currently blocked. The ordering is done via a blocking/blocked relation. That means transactions that are blockers are highlighted. Directly beneath the blocked transactions are displayed:

Host	Service	Connection ID	Blocking Update Transaction ID	Blocked Update Transaction ID	Transaction ID (Remote Transaction ID)	Lock Owner Transaction ID (Remote Transaction ID)	Blocked Time Stamp
		116,401	40,612,488	40,612,560	46		2018-09-11 17:31:27.116
Calling:							
	nameserver	116,459	40,612,488	40,612,560	48	46	2018-09-11 17:31:27.116
Calling: 16230							
	nameserver	116,505	40,612,488	40,612,573	53	46	2018-09-11 17:31:32.979
Calling:							
	nameserver	116,717	40,612,488	40,612,567	44	46	2018-09-11 17:31:37.737
Calling:							
	nameserver	121,168	40,612,488	40,615,433	55	46	2018-09-11 17:44:23.023
Calling:							

Blocked Transactions Monitor

In the figure above, you see transaction 46 blocking multiple other transactions. See *Blocked Transaction Monitoring*.

Threads Monitor

The *Threads* monitor allows the most fine-grained view into the current situation by listing all threads in the system. Note that it is usually not necessary to drill into that level of detail. See *Thread Monitoring*.

Related Information

[Load Monitoring \[page 227\]](#)

[Job Progress Monitoring \[page 226\]](#)

[Savepoint Performance \[page 110\]](#)

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3.13.1.2 Troubleshooting Blocked Transactions

When troubleshooting blocked transactions, it is helpful to differentiate between situations where only single or a few transactions are blocked from the situation where a high percentage of all transactions is blocked.

3.13.1.2.1 Single or Few Transactions are Blocked

If you identified only a single or a few blocking transactions, there is likely an issue on application side.

A usual pattern is a flaw in the application coding that does not commit a write transaction. Such a transaction will be a blocker for any other transaction that needs to access the same database object. To release the situation you have to close the blocking transaction.

There are several possibilities to achieve this:

- Contact the Application User
You can identify the user of the application via the *Sessions* tile. This information is visible in the “Database User” column or, in case the application has its own user management (for example, SAP BW), in the “Application User” column. Contact the user and ask him whether he can close the application.
- Contact the Application Developer
As a follow-up, the author of the application should be contacted and asked whether such situations can be avoided in the future by changing the application code.

3.13.1.2.1.1 Cancel the Session

If you are not able to contact the user to have them cancel the session, you can also cancel the session from the list of sessions accessed via the *Sessions* tile. The current transaction will be rolled back.

The session cancellation may take some time to succeed.

3.13.1.2.1.2 Kill the Client Application

In case the session cancellation takes too long or does not complete at all, you can kill the client process that opened the session. This will terminate the blocking transaction as well.

As a prerequisite, you have to have access to the client machine. The information needed for this task can be retrieved from the *Sessions* tile.

See columns “Client IP” and “Client Process ID” to determine the host and process to be killed. Note that killing the client application is safe from a database consistency standpoint, the current transaction will be rolled back gracefully.

3.13.1.2.2 Many Transactions are Blocked

In the case that a large amount of transactions are blocked, the troubleshooting should take a slightly different approach.

First you need to determine whether there is a single or few blocking transactions that block a large amount of other transactions. For this, open the *Blocked Transactions* monitor and check the amount of blocking transactions. If you assess there are only a few blocking transactions, use the techniques described in *Single or Few Transactions are Blocked* to resolve the situation.

If there are many transactions in a blocking state, you need to find out whether a specific access pattern causes the situation. In case that multiple transactions try to access the same database objects with write operations, they block each other. To check if this situation exists, open the *Blocked Transactions* monitor and analyze the “Waiting Schema Name”, “Waiting Object Name” and “Waiting Record Id” columns. If you find a fair amount of blocking transactions that block many other transactions you need to investigate if the following is possible:

- Change the client applications to avoid the access pattern
- If a background job is running that issues many write transactions (for example, a data load job):
Reschedule to a period with a low user load
- Partition tables that are accessed frequently to avoid clashes. See the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* for more details on partitioning.

In case you cannot identify specific transactions or specific database objects that lead to transactions being blocked, you have to assume a problem with the database itself or its configuration. One example is an issue with long savepoint durations. See *Savepoint Performance* for troubleshooting such issues.

Related Information

[Single or Few Transactions are Blocked \[page 160\]](#)

[Savepoint Performance \[page 110\]](#)

3.13.2 Troubleshooting Blocked Transaction Issues that Occurred in the Past

Finding the root cause of blocked transaction situations that you have resolved is more difficult than troubleshooting issues that are currently happening. Tools such as the [Performance Monitor](#), system views and the [SQL Plan Cache](#) are available to help you.

First use the [Performance Monitor](#) to isolate the exact time frame where the issue happened. Using that information, investigate what happened at this specific time frame. You should check the following monitoring and StatisticServer views:

- `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_BLOCKED_TRANSACTIONS`: Analyze the columns “WAITING_SCHEMA_NAME”, “WAITING_TABLE_NAME” and “WAITING_RECORD_ID” to identify the database objects that lead to blocked transactions.
- `SYS.M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS`: The column “START_TIME” and “EXECUTION_TIME” provide you with the information if there was a Delta Table Merge running. A longer history can be found in the StatisticServer table `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS`.
- `SYS.SAVEPOINTS`: Check if a savepoint was written during the time period. A longer history can be found in `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_SAVEPOINTS`.

In addition, the SAP HANA cockpit [SQL Plan Cache](#) monitor may be able to provide information about the statements that were involved in the situation:

Only check entries that have “TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT” > 0. For those entries, compare the column “MAX_CURSOR_DURATION” against “AVG_CURSOR_DURATION”. If there is a significant difference, there was at least one situation where the transactions took much longer than average. This can be an indication that it was involved in the situation.

Related Information

[The Performance Monitor Monitor and Analyze Statements with SQL Plan Cache](#)

3.13.3 Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) Issues

In this section you will learn how to troubleshoot issues arising from MVCC.

Multiversion Concurrency Control (MVCC) is a concept that ensures transactional data consistency by isolating transactions that are accessing the same data at the same time.

To do so, multiple versions of a record are kept in parallel. Issues with MVCC are usually caused by a high number of active versions. Old versions of data records are no longer needed if they are no longer part of a snapshot that can be seen by any running transaction. These versions are obsolete and need to be removed from time to time to free up memory.

This process is called Garbage Collection (GC) or Version Consolidation. It can happen that a transaction is blocking the garbage collection. The consequence is a high number of active versions and that can lead to system slowdown or out-of-memory issues.

3.13.3.1 Row Store Tables

Garbage collection is triggered after a transaction is committed and also periodically (every hour by default).

A transaction that is currently committing can be identified in the *Threads* tile (see *System Performance Analysis*). The Thread Type will be "SqlExecutor" and the Thread Method "commit".

The periodic garbage collection can be identified by Thread Type "MVCCGarbageCollector".

Note that the periodic garbage collection interval can be configured in the `indexserver.ini` file transaction section with the parameter `gc_interval`.

Related Information

[System Performance Analysis \[page 221\]](#)

3.13.3.2 MVCC Problem Identification

You can check for a number of indicators of MVCC problems.

Problems with a high number of active versions can be identified by:

- users reporting an increase of response times
- the indexserver trace containing "There are too many un-collected versions. The transaction blocks the garbage collection of HANA database."
- checking *Active Versions* in the *Performance Monitor*

Transactions blocking garbage collection can originate from:

- Long-running or unclosed cursors
- Long-running transactions with isolation mode "serializable" or "repeatable read"
- Hanging threads

In order to validate that there is a problem with MVCC, check the number of active versions in the row-store MVCC manager monitoring view (M_MVCC_TABLES). Note that in a multihost environment, you have to check the master host.

```
select * from m_mvcc_tables where host='MyHost' and port='30003' and  
(name='NUM_VERSIONS' or name='MAX_VERSIONS_PER_RECORD' or  
name='TABLE_ID_OF_MAX_NUM_VERSIONS');
```

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	HOST	PORT	NAME	VALUE
1		30.003	NUM_VERSIONS	4536
2		30.003	MAX_VERSIONS_PER_RECORD	2428
3		30.003	TABLE_ID_OF_MAX_NUM_VERSIONS	131188

If the number of active versions (NUM_VERSIONS) is greater than eight million, it is considered a problem and an overall slowdown of the system can be experienced. Similarly, if the maximum number of versions per

record (MAX_VERSIONS_PER_RECORD) exceeds 8,000,000, this should be treated as a problem and a slowdown of accesses to a specific table is expected. Use TABLE_ID_OF_MAX_NUM_VERSIONS and join it against the SYS.TABLES system view to determine the table which is having the problem.

Related Information

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

3.13.3.3 Analysis of MVCC Issues

You have to find out which transactions are blocking the garbage collection and to which connection they are related.

The following queries will return the transaction that may block the garbage collection. You have to check both.

```
SELECT top 1 host, port, connection_id, transaction_id, update_transaction_id,
primary_transaction_id, transaction_type, isolation_level FROM M_TRANSACTIONS
WHERE
MIN_MVCC_SNAPSHOT_TIMESTAMP > 0 order by min_mvcc_snapshot_timestamp ASC;
```

```
SELECT top 1 host, port, connection_id, transaction_id, update_transaction_id,
primary_transaction_id, transaction_type, isolation_level FROM M_TRANSACTIONS
WHERE
MIN_MVCC_SNAPSHOT_TIMESTAMP = (SELECT MIN(VALUE) FROM M_MVCC_TABLES WHERE NAME =
'MIN_SNAPSHOT_TS') order by min_mvcc_snapshot_timestamp ASC;
```

HOST	PORT	CONNECTION_ID	TRANSACTION_ID	UPDATE_TRANS...	PRIMARY_TRANS...	TRANSACTION_TYPE	ISOLATION_LEVEL
	30.003	236.834	278	0	-1	USER TRANSACTION	READ COMMITTED

User Transaction Possibly Blocking Garbage Collection

In case of a user transaction being the candidate (TRANSACTION_TYPE='USER TRANSACTION'), you can directly determine the connection ID the transaction belongs to (see an example in the figure above).

HOST	PORT	CONNECTION_ID	TRANSACTION_ID	UPDATE_TRANS...	PRIMARY_TRANS...	TRANSACTION_TYPE	ISOLATION_LEVEL
	30.003	-1	359	1.501.942.051	16	EXTERNAL TRANSACTION	READ COMMITTED

External Transaction Possibly Blocking Garbage Collection

If the candidate's transaction type is 'EXTERNAL TRANSACTION', use the following query to find out which other transaction spawned the candidate and determine its connection ID.

```
SELECT t.connection_id AS "Kill this connection id",
t.transaction_id AS "Belonging to user transaction id",
e.transaction_id AS "To get rid of external transaction id"
FROM m_transactions t
JOIN m_transactions e ON
e.primary_transaction_id = t.transaction_id
AND e.volume_id = t.volume_id
WHERE e.transaction_type = 'EXTERNAL TRANSACTION' and e.transaction_id = <GC
blocker transaction id>;
```

3.13.3.4 Solution of MVCC Issues

Solving MVCC issues is similar to solving blocked transaction issues. Use the following approaches in the given order for transactions where you know the connection ID.

1. Contact the user to stop his activity.
2. Cancel the statement/cancel the internal transaction.
3. Cancel the connection.
4. Kill the client application.

i Note

There is no guarantee that these measures will stop a transaction which blocks the garbage collection. If necessary contact development support to get further help.

Related Information

[Resolving CPU Related Issues \[page 77\]](#)

3.13.4 Version Garbage Collection Issues

Alert 75 helps you to identify and resolve version space overflow issues.

Context

The following steps allow you to check whether or not the issue you have is related to row store version space skew, that is, whether the row store version chain is too long. If you use extended storage, a version space overflow may manifest as an out-of-space error for the delta dbspace, and will not trigger this alert. See *Out of Space Errors for Delta Dbspace in SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering: Administration Guide*.

Procedure

1. The first step is to check the alert.
2. Identify the statement and connection blocking garbage collection.

In the SAP HANA database explorer you can use the following set of predefined statements to display details of blocking connections; these are available in the *Statement Library*:

- *MVCC Blocker Connection* shows connections that may be blocking garbage collection.
- *MVCC Blocker Statement* shows statements that may be blocking garbage collection.

- o *MVCC Blocker Transaction* shows transactions that may be blocking garbage collection.
- a. Identify the connection or transaction that is blocking version garbage collection.

Run *MVCC Blocker Statement* to find out which statement is blocking version garbage collection and investigate what the blocker is doing. The following table shows a selection of example values which may be returned by this query followed by some guidance about analyzing the results:

Example Values from MVCC Blocker Statement

Type	IDLE_TIME_SEC	CONNECTION_ID	START_MVCC_TIMESTAMP	STATEMENT_STRING	INFO
GLOBAL	4000	200285	142113	SELECT * FROM TEST1	Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_OVERVIEW
TABLE	5000	200375	142024	SELECT * FROM TEST2 ORDER BY A	Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS
TABLE	100	200478	142029	SELECT * FROM TEST0 ORDER BY A	Check VERSION_COUNT in M_MVCC_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS

If the TYPE column is GLOBAL, then it is a global version garbage collection blocker. If there is a global garbage collection blocker whose idle time (IDLE_TIME_SEC) is greater than 3600 seconds (1 hour), investigate what the statement is doing and take the necessary corrective action. See row 1 in the above table.

If the TYPE is TABLE, then it is a blocker of the specific table. This is shown in the second row of the table above where a table level garbage collection blocker has an idle time greater than 3600 seconds (1 hour). In this case you can query the M_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS monitoring view to check how many versions the related table has (in this example TEST2):

```
SELECT * FROM M_TABLE_SNAPSHOTS WHERE TABLE_NAME = 'TEST2' AND
START_MVCC_TIMESTAMP = 142024
```

If the result of the query shows that VERSION_COUNT is greater than 1 million, the blocking statement can cause a performance drop for table updates. In this case, investigate what the statement is doing and take the necessary corrective action. However, if VERSION_COUNT is less than 10,000, its impact on performance is negligible.

- b. If no blocker is shown by *MVCC Blocker Statement*, use *MVCC Blocker Transaction* to find out which transaction blocks global version garbage collection and investigate what the blocker is doing. The blocker would most likely be an internal/external/serializable transaction; the lifetime value of the transaction is shown in the column LIFE_TIME_SEC.

3. Kill the transaction and/or disconnect the connection that is blocking garbage collection.

- a. Disconnect the connection.

To disconnect the blocking connection use: ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION 'CONNECTION_ID'.

- b. If disconnecting the connection does not succeed or CONNECTION_ID does not exist, kill the transaction.

In order to do that, look at *Blocked Transactions* in the *Monitoring* tile.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering](#)

3.14 Statement Performance Analysis

This section gives an overview of issues and solutions concerning SQL statement performance.

For more information about optimizing and fine-tuning queries refer to the *SAP HANA Performance Guide for Developers* which includes sections such as:

Ongoing Development of SQL Query Processing Engines

Starting from HANA 2 SPS 02, two new processing engines to execute SQL queries are being phased in to SAP HANA:

- Extended SQL Executor (ESX)
- HANA Execution Engine (HEX)

The functionality of the product remains the same but these engines offer better performance.

In the SPS 02 release these engines are active by default (no configuration is required) and are considered by the SQL optimizer during query plan generation. In the SPS 02 release, the focus of the HEX engine is on queries that are typical in OLTP scenarios. Queries that are not supported by HEX or where an execution is not deemed beneficial are automatically routed to the standard engine.

If necessary (for example, if recommended by SAP Support), you can set configuration parameters to completely disable these engines. Each engine has a single parameter which can be switched to disable it:

File	Section	Parameter	Value	Meaning
indexserver.ini	sql	esx_level	Default 1, set to 0 to disable.	Extended SQL executor enabled.
indexserver.ini	sql	hex_enabled	Default True, set to False to disable.	HANA execution engine enabled.

These engines should not be disabled permanently because they are being actively developed and improved in each release.

Query Hints

Further control of how these engines are used is available (from SPS 02.01) using hints with queries to explicitly state which engine should be used to execute the query. For each engine two hint values are available to either use or completely ignore the engine. The following table summarizes these and is followed by examples:

Hint value	Effect
USE_ESX_PLAN	Guides the optimizer to prefer the ESX engine over the standard engine.
NO_USE_ESX_PLAN	Guides the optimizer to avoid the ESX engine.
USE_HEX_PLAN	Guides the optimizer to prefer the HEX engine over the standard engine.
NO_USE_HEX_PLAN	Guides the optimizer to avoid the HEX engine.

Example

```
SELECT * FROM T1 WITH HINT(USE_ESX_PLAN);
```

```
SELECT * FROM T1 WITH HINT(NO_USE_HEX_PLAN);
```

Similar hints are available for the OLAP engine as described later in this section: *Using Hints to Alter a Query Plan*.

Related Information

[Using Hints to Alter a Query Plan](#)

3.14.1 SQL Statement Optimization

This section provides an overview of tools, traces and SAP HANA cockpit areas that can be used to identify critical SQL statements.

SQL statements that are not executed efficiently can cause local and system-wide problems. The most critical are the following areas:

- A long runtime can result in delays of the business activities
- A high CPU consumption can lead to system-wide CPU bottlenecks
- High memory consumption can be responsible for out-of-memory situations and performance penalties due to unload of tables from memory

SQL statements consuming significant resources are called expensive SQL statements.

Identification of Critical SQL Statements

A key step in identifying the source of poor performance is to understand how much time is spent in the SAP HANA engine for query execution. By analyzing SQL statements and calculating their response times, you can better understand how the statements affect application and system performance.

Before you are able to analyze and optimize a SQL statement, you have to identify the critical SQL statements. We can distinguish between the following scenarios:

- SQL statements that have caused problems in the past
- SQL statements that are currently causing problems

3.14.1.1 SQL Statements Responsible for Past Problems

Sometimes it is not possible to identify a critical SQL statement during runtime. In this case you can use the following approaches to identify one or several SQL statements that can have contributed to the problem.

You can identify a SQL statement either by its SQL text (“statement string”) or by the related statement hash that is uniquely linked to an individual SQL text. The mapping of the statement hash to the actual SQL text is described later.

To determine SQL statements with a particularly high runtime you can check for the top SQL statements in terms of TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME on the *SQL Plan Cache* page in the SAP HANA cockpit.

To determine the top SQL statements that were executed during a dedicated time frame in the past, you can check the SQL plan cache history (HOST_SQL_PLAN_CACHE). You can use the SQL statement: “HANA_SQL_SQLCache” available from SAP Note 1969700 – *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA* in order to check for top SQL statements during a specific time frame:

You have to specify a proper BEGIN_TIME / END_TIME interval and typically use ORDER_BY = ‘ELAPSED’, so that the SQL statements with the highest elapsed time from SAP HANA are returned.

STATEMENT_HASH	HOST	EXECUTIONS	REC_PER_EXEC	ELAPSED_MS	ELA_PER_EXEC_MS
5ea7341566b8a0675d7981f4118217e	various	1072859	49.52	106295219	99.07
0a90697d5a136497b8625d26e452fd2	saphana1	18744	96.51	101931395	5438.08
f20804c913fd9b3b1a435436220d82f	saphana3	38876	1.00	56036882	1441.42
0ad1a4c1c1a5844d01595f5b3cdc297	saphana1	96476	1.00	43722413	453.19
cae1bc84a6059a3ac184b0a07913b28	various	837216	49.99	36678643	43.81
68f35c58ff746e0fe131a22792ccc1b	saphana1	264	0.00	26851652	101710.80
905dbaa93a672b087c6f226bc283431	saphana2	5162	0.00	26619065	5156.73
12b583cfcabca26e07e67afdb3af87d	saphana3	37594	41.99	24331672	647.22
71991dbf589bc4bccb542e45e084314	saphana3	674	120.47	23876162	35424.57
f6d34a3b244677718557cbc092794bf	saphana3	676	350.85	22420126	33165.86

SQL Statements With Highest Elapsed Time

The thread sample history (tables M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES, HOST_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES), if available, can also be used to determine the top SQL statements. You can use the SQL statement:

“HANA_Threads_ThreadSamples_FilterAndAggregation” available from SAP Note 1969700 – *SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA* in order to check.

You have to specify a proper BEGIN_TIME / END_TIME interval and use AGGREGATE_BY = ‘STATEMENT_HASH’ to identify the top SQL statements during the time frame.

MIN_SAMPLE_TIME	MAX_SAMPLE_TIME	NUM_SAMPLES	PERCENT	STATEMENT_HASH
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:44:02	1744	31.31	51f62795010e922370bf897325148783
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:56:22	944	16.95	no SQL
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:44:02	746	13.39	fc7de6d7b8942251ee52a5d4e0af728f
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:44:02	536	9.62	1f8299f6cb5099095ea71882f84e2cd4
2014/03/07 08:50:30	2014/03/07 10:44:02	255	4.57	96d5f96162346709b244ba275464a424
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:44:02	221	3.96	d4376b59b01a3331e9cd8dc79439719e
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:40:42	148	2.65	0ae28c5c2792d49bf15b50755801ea2c
2014/03/07 08:59:11	2014/03/07 10:44:02	148	2.65	95cacbc7861af94903e3a13e1b6f3651
2014/03/07 08:44:50	2014/03/07 10:44:02	105	1.88	2d236080fb4cce62836fd1d05ba973bb
2014/03/07 08:45:20	2014/03/07 10:43:22	78	1.40	d6fd6678833f9a2e25e7b53239c50e9a
2014/03/07 08:56:31	2014/03/07 10:40:42	75	1.34	0138c7c0763b0f2628b099e162d93577

SQL Example Output

In this case the SQL statement with hash 51f62795010e922370bf897325148783 is executed most often and so the analysis should be started with it. Often you need to have a look at some more SQL statements, for example the statements related to the next statement hashes fc7de6d7b8942251ee52a5d4e0af728f and 1f8299f6cb5099095ea71882f84e2cd4.

In cases where the M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES / HOST_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES information is not usable you can use the `thrloop.sh` script to regularly collect thread samples as described in *SAP Note 1989031 – Scheduling of Shell script “thrloop.sh”*.

In case of an out-of-memory (OOM) situation you can determine potentially responsible SQL statements by analyzing the OOM dump file(s) as described in *SAP Note 1984422 – Analysis of HANA Out-of-memory (OOM) Dumps*.

SAP HANA Alert 39 (“Long-running statements”) reports long-running SQL statements and records them in the table `_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_LONG_RUNNING_STATEMENTS`. Check the contents of this table to determine details of the SQL statements that caused the alert. See also *KBA 1849392 - HANA alerts related to locks, hanging sessions and long runners*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[SAP Note 1989031](#)

[SAP Note 1984422](#)

[SAP Note 1849392](#)

3.14.1.2 SQL Statements Responsible for Current Problems

If problems like high memory consumption, high CPU consumption or a high duration of individual database requests are currently happening, you can determine the active SQL statements with the help of SAP HANA cockpit.

Check for the currently running SQL statements in SAP HANA cockpit by clicking on the [Threads](#) tile.

Tracing

You can also activate the following traces to capture more detailed information to help identify critical SQL statements:

- SQL trace can be used to capture performance data for all SQL statements, you can use filter conditions to limit the trace activities.
- Expensive statements trace captures all SQL statements with a runtime beyond a defined threshold.

Further details can be found in *Tools and Tracing*.

Related Information

[Tools and Tracing \[page 221\]](#)

3.14.2 Analysis of Critical SQL Statements

When you have identified the SQL text and the related statement hash based on the tools and traces, you can collect more information about the SQL statement in order to identify the root cause of the performance problem and optimize the statement. The available analysis approaches are described here.

From a technical perspective, analyzing query plans allows you to identify long running steps, understand how much data is processed by the operators, and see whether data is processed in parallel.

However, if you understand the idea and purpose behind the query, you can also analyze query plans from a logical perspective and consider the following questions to gain the insight you need:

- Does SAP HANA read data from multiple tables when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read all records when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA start with one table even though another table has a much smaller result set?

The following tools can be used for a more detailed analysis:

- Plan Explanation - used to evaluate the execution plan;
- SQL analyzer - provides a detailed graphical execution plan with a timeline;
- Query optimizer (QO) Trace - an advanced tool that can be useful to understand the decisions of the query optimizer and column searches;
- Join evaluation (JE) Trace - an advanced tool to analyze table join operations;
- Performance trace - this advanced tool should only be used in collaboration with SAP support, it gives low level recording of key performance indicators for individual SQL statement processing steps;
- Kernel profiler - this advanced tool should only be used in collaboration with SAP support, it performs sample based profiling of SAP HANA process activities.

Related Information

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation \[page 238\]](#)

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer \[page 242\]](#)

[Analyzing Column Searches \(qo trace\) \[page 271\]](#)

[Analyzing Table Joins \[page 272\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[Kernel Profiler \[page 279\]](#)

3.14.2.1 SQL Plan Cache Analysis

The SAP HANA SQL plan cache can be evaluated in detail for a particular statement hash.

Various options are available for analyzing the plan cache for a statement. In SAP HANA cockpit the link for *SQL Plan Cache* is available in the *Monitoring* tile. The two system views associated with the SQL plan cache are M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE.

Alternatively, SQL statements for this are available in *SAP Note 1969700 – SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA*. You can use the “HANA_SQL_StatementHash_KeyFigures” script to check for the SQL plan cache details of a specific SQL statement (the related STATEMENT_HASH has to be maintained as input parameter).

STAT_NAME	VALUE	VALUE_PER_EXEC	MAX_VAL_PER_EXEC	VALUE_PER_ROW
Statement Hash	5ea7341566b8a0675d7	981f4118217e		
Table type	COLUMN			
Preparation timestamp	2014/03/09 02:58:49			
Last execution timestamp	2014/03/09 22:59:44			
Last connection ID	710962			
Executions	102920			
Records	5107486	49.62		
Preparations	2	0.00		
Metadata cache misses	0	0.00		
Cursor duration	3.93 h	137.67 ms	997.22 ms	2.77 ms
Execution time	3.75 h	131.47 ms	772.86 ms	2.64 ms
Table load time	0.00 h	0.00 ms	2.02 ms	0.00 ms
Preparation time	0.00 h	0.00 ms	159.46 ms	0.00 ms
Open time	0.00 h	0.10 ms	1.64 ms	0.00 ms
Fetch time	3.75 h	131.35 ms	772.68 ms	2.64 ms
Close time	0.00 h	0.00 ms	0.54 ms	0.00 ms
Lock wait time	0.00 h	0.00 ms		0.00 ms

SQL PLAN Cache Example Output

The historic execution details for a particular SQL statement can be determined with the SQL statement: “HANA_SQL_SQLCache”. Also here the appropriate STATEMENT_HASH has to be specified as input parameter.

SNAPSHOT_TIME	STATEMENT_HASH	EXECUTIONS	RECORDS	REC_PER_EXEC	ELA_PER_EXEC_MS	OPEN_PER_EXEC_MS	FETCH_PER_EXEC_MS
2014/03/18 10:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7838.89	7838.81	0.02
2014/03/18 09:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7513.83	7513.57	0.02
2014/03/18 08:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7585.29	7585.04	0.01
2014/03/18 07:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7310.58	7310.35	0.02
2014/03/18 06:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7389.83	7389.55	0.01
2014/03/18 05:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	25199.84	25199.56	0.02
2014/03/18 04:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	26199.98	26199.88	0.02
2014/03/18 03:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	25433.82	25433.34	0.02
2014/03/18 02:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7498.23	7497.94	0.02
2014/03/18 01:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	26317.22	26317.02	0.01
2014/03/18 00:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	25801.18	25801.00	0.01
2014/03/17 23:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7827.97	7824.79	0.01
2014/03/17 22:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	25079.72	25079.47	0.01
2014/03/17 21:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	26312.42	26308.89	0.01
2014/03/17 20:37:04	d4353cc2f1efbad813ad7106cccf9b	1	2	2.00	7929.13	7929.87	0.02

Statement Hash Example output

Based on the results of this evaluation you can distinguish the following situations:

- If the value for *Executions* is unexpectedly high, further analysis should be done on the application side in order to check if it is possible to reduce the number of executions.
- If the value for *Records* is unexpectedly high, further analysis should be done on the application side in order to check if it is possible to reduce the number of selected records.
- If the value for *Cursor duration* is very high and at the same time significantly higher than the value for *Execution time*, you have to check which processing steps are executed on the application side between the individual fetches. A high value for *Cursor duration* can negatively impact the database in general because open changes may impact the MVCC mechanism.
- If the value for *Preparation time* is responsible for a significant part of the *Execution time* value you have to focus on optimizing the parsing (for example, sufficient SQL plan cache size, reuse of already parsed SQL statements).
- If *Execution time* is much higher than expected (that can be based on the statement complexity and the number of processed rows), the SQL statement has to be checked more in detail on technical layer to understand the reasons for the high runtime. See section *Query Plan Analysis* for more information.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[Query Plan Analysis \[page 237\]](#)

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the SQL Plan Cache \[page 236\]](#)

3.14.2.1.1 Example: Reading the SQL Plan Cache

These examples aim to show you how to gain useful insights by analyzing the SQL plan cache.

Execution in a Single-Host System

This example aims to show you how to interpret information about execution time. The following table is sorted by TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME.

USER_NAME	STATEMENT_STRING	TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME	AVG_EXECUTION_TIME	EXECUTION_COUNT
SYSTEM	SELECT "REQUEST" , "DATAPAKID" , "PARTNO" , "RECORD" , "CALDAY" , ...	774,367,833	181,266	4,272
SYSTEM	SELECT * FROM "/BIC/ AZDSTGODO40" WHERE "SID" = ?	726,672,877	60,556,073	12
SYSTEM	SELECT "JOBNAME" , "JOBCOUNT" , "JOBGROUP" , "INTREPORT" , "STEPCOUNT" ...	473,620,452	22,987	20,604
-	<Further 6832 records>	-	-	-

You could read these top 3 results as follows:

- Statement 1 takes the longest time overall but it is also executed frequently.
- Statement 2 is not executed very frequently but has the second highest total execution time. Why is this simple SQL taking so long? Does it have problems processing?
- The execution times for statement 3 are fine for one-off execution, but it runs too frequently, over 20,000 times. Why? Is there a problem in application code?

Sorting by AVG_EXECUTION_TIME or EXECUTION_COUNT provides a different angle on your analysis.

The following example aims to show you how to interpret information about locking situations. The information in columns TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT and TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_DURATION lets us know which statement is waiting for others and how much time it takes.

USER	STATEMENT_STRING	TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT	TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_DURATION	TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME
SYSTEM	SELECT "FROMNUMBER", "TONUMBER", "NRLEVEL" FROM "NRIV" ... FOR UPDATE	11,549,961	210,142,307,207	676,473

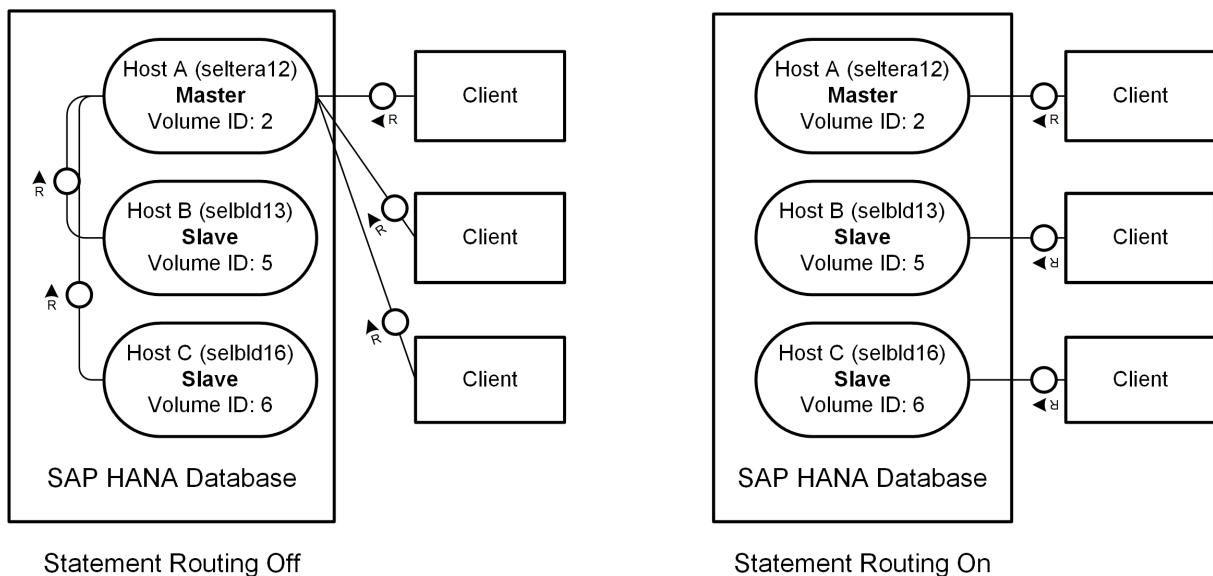
USER	STATEMENT_STRING	TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT	TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_DURATION	TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME
SYSTEM	UPDATE "NRIV" SET "NRLEVEL" = ? WHERE "CLIENT" = '000' ... AND "TOYEAR" = '0000'	0	0	3,706,184
SYSTEM	SELECT "DIMID" FROM "/BIC/DZDSTGCUBE4" WHERE "/B49/S_VERSION" = ?	0	0	460,991

Here, it is clear that the first statement is waiting almost all the time. Known as pessimistic/optimistic locking, the `SELECT...FOR UPDATE` code locks the resulting columns and may be replaced by a non-locking variant, which can result in poor performance. If the application is critical, it may be necessary to revise the `SELECT...FOR UPDATE` code for better resource utilization and performance.

Execution in a Distributed System

In distributed SAP HANA systems, tables and table partitions are located on multiple hosts. The execution of requests received from database clients may potentially have to be executed on multiple hosts, depending on where the requested data is located. The following example illustrates statement routing and how, if it is not enabled, requests from the database client are executed on the contacted index server (in this case the master index server) and the required data is fetched from the index server on the relevant host(s). However, if statement routing is enabled, after initial query compilation, request execution is routed directly to the host on which the required data is located.

Distributed Execution with Statement Routing Off and On



Execution times should be better with statement routing enabled. You can use the SQL plan cache to compare the execution statistics of statements with statement routing enabled and disabled and thus confirm the effect.

Statement routing is controlled by the `client_distribution_mode` parameter in the `indexserver.ini` file. It is enabled by default (value=statement).

The following SQL plan cache examples show the execution times of sample statements based on the scenario illustrated above with hosts A, B and C.

Note

The column `IS_DISTRIBUTED_EXECUTION` indicates whether or not statement execution takes place on more than one host.

HOST	PORT	STATEMENT_STRING	IS_DISTRIBUTED_EXECUTION	TABLE_LOCATIONS	EXECUTION_COUNT	TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME	AVG_EXECUTION_TIME
	33103	UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	FALSE	(:33103,2)	18	18792	1044
	33103	UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	TRUE	(:33103,5)	91	125085	1374
	33103	SELECT * FROM "/B49/SCUSTOMER" WHERE "/	TRUE	(:33103,5) (:33103,6)	121444	142623926	1174

HOST	PORT	STATEMENT_STRING	IS_DISTRIBUTED_EXECUTION	TABLE_LOCATIONS	EXECUTION_COUNT	TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME	AVG_EXECUTION_TIME
	33103	UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	FALSE	(:33103,2)	20	3061773	153088
	33103	UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	FALSE	(:33103,5)	18	124625	1153
	33103	SELECT * FROM "/B49/SCUSTOMER" WHERE "/	FALSE	(16:33103,6)	83823	32911413	1174

The `TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME` for a statement is the sum of execution times on all hosts, therefore:

Statement	Request Path	Total Execution Time
UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	Host A	= execution time on Host A
SELECT * FROM "/BIO/SIOBJNM" WHERE "IOBJNM" = ?	Host A > Host B	= execution time on Host A + execution time on Host B
SELECT * FROM "/B49/SCUSTOMER" WHERE "/B49/S_CUSTOMER" = ?	Host A > Host B > Host C	= execution time on Host B + execution time on Host C

Statement	Request Path	Total Execution Time
UPSERT "RSBMONMESS_DTP" ("MSGNO", "MSGTY", "MSGID", ...	Host A	= execution time on Host A
SELECT * FROM "/BIO/SIOBJNM" WHERE "IOBJNM" = ?	Host B	= execution time on Host B
SELECT * FROM "/B49/SCUSTOMER" WHERE "/B49/S_CUSTOMER" = ?	Host C	= execution time on Host C

3.14.3 Optimization of Critical SQL Statements

You can improve the general performance of the SAP HANA database by implementing various best practices, design principles, available features, and add-ons.

To enhance the performance of the SAP HANA database, we recommend you do the following:

- Optimize outlier queries
Queries that sometimes take much longer than expected can be caused by query-external factors (for example, resource bottlenecks) that have to be determined and eliminated.
- Check data manipulation commands (DML)
DML operations like INSERT, UPDATE and DELETE can be impacted by lock waits.
- Create indexes for any non-primary key columns that are often queried.
SAP HANA automatically creates indexes for primary key columns; however, if you need indexes for non-primary key columns, you must create them manually.
- Use native HANA models
Develop native HANA models and graphical calculation views in the SAP Web IDE to take advantage of the latest performance optimization capabilities.
- Develop procedures to embed data-intensive application logic into the database.
With procedures, no large data transfers to the application are required and you can use performance-enhancing features such as parallel execution.
 - If you use SQLScript to create procedures, follow the best practices for using SQLScript.
 - For statistical computing, create procedures using the open source language R.
- Download and install the available application function libraries, such as Predictive Analysis Library (PAL) and Business Function Library (BFL).
Application functions are like database procedures written in C++ and called from outside to perform data intensive and complex operations.
- Scale SAP HANA to improve performance.
SAP HANA's performance is derived from its efficient, parallelized approach. The more computation cores your SAP HANA server has, the better overall system performance is.

i Note

With SAP HANA, you do not need to perform any tuning to achieve high performance. In general, the SAP HANA default settings should be sufficient in almost any application scenario. Any modifications to the predefined system parameters should only be done after receiving explicit instruction from SAP Support.

3.14.3.1 Outlier Queries

Outlier queries are database statements that take much more time than usual and expected. This usually happens because extra work has to be performed during execution.

Besides heavy load on the machine by non-SAP HANA processes (which should not be the case on production systems) SAP HANA itself can be under heavy load. Reasons include:

- Many users are connected and issue a large amount of statements
- Extraordinary expensive statements are executed
- Background tasks are running

Use the *Performance Monitor* to determine the number of statements issued and the indexserver CPU usage while the slow statement execution was perceived (see the figure *CPU Consumption and SQL Throughput*, the lower line (red) is the CPU consumption in percent (%), the upper line (orange) is the SQL throughput / s):



You can see that during the period in the red rectangle both CPU consumption and SQL throughput decreased. During that time frame you would look for something that consumed a lot of resources or blocked the statements (locking); just after 15:35 you see that the CPU consumption increases while the SQL throughput decreases. Here, a possible case would be a change in usage: instead of many small, fast SQL statements the workload changed to a few "heavy" (complicated calculation requiring many CPU cycles) SQL statements.

If there was a high statement load in the same period when you experienced the slow execution, the root cause is likely a lack of resources. To resolve the situation consider restricting the number of users on SAP HANA or upgrading the hardware. See *Getting Support* for further help, for example if you need to improve scalability.

If you did not experience a high statement load during the time frame of the problem, check for background activities:

- **Delta Merges:** Use ► *Performance Monitor* ► *Merge Requests* ► and the monitoring view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS to check if delta merges happened. In that case try to improve the delta merge strategy to prevent merges happening in phases where users are disturbed (see the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* for details).
- **Column Unloads:** See ► *Load Monitor* ► *Column Unloads* ► and the monitoring view M_CS_UNLOADS to look for signs of column unloads. If a column used in the problematic statement had to be loaded before execution, the execution itself will take significantly longer.
- **Savepoints:** Savepoints consume resources and write-lock the database during their critical phase. Check M_SAVEPOINTS and look for savepoints during the time frame of the problem. If a savepoint slowed down

your execution, the chance of having the same problem again is very low. If it happens often, see *Getting Support* for further help.

Related Information

[M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS](#)

[M_CS_UNLOADS](#)

[M_SAVEPOINTS](#)

[Getting Support](#)

3.14.3.2 Data Manipulation Language (DML) Statements

Data Manipulation Language (DML) statements are often slowed down by lock-wait situations.

Check under [Monitoring](#) > [SQL Plan Cache](#) and the view M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE to determine such issues:

i Note

Only check entries that have TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT greater than 0. For those entries, compare the column MAX_CURSOR_DURATION against AVG_CURSOR_DURATION. If there is a significant difference, there was at least one situation where the transactions took much longer than average.

See *Transactional Problems* for information on how to deal with such issues.

Related Information

[M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE](#)

[Transactional Problems \[page 157\]](#)

3.14.3.3 Native HANA Models

Creating native HANA models can be one way to improve performance compared to development options outside of the database, or in some cases also compared to pure SQL development.

Native HANA models can be developed in the new XS Advanced (XSA) development environment using SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA. These models supersede older artifacts like Analytic and Attribute Views; these views should now be replaced by graphical Calculation Views which can be used to model complex OLAP business logic. Native HANA modeling provides various options to tune performance by, for example, helping to achieve complete unfolding of the query by the calculation engine or modeling join cardinalities between two tables (that is, the number of matching entries (1...n) between the tables) and optimizing join columns.

For more information about modeling graphical calculation views refer to the *SAP HANA Modeling Guide for SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA*.

A number of blogs are available about the details of modeling:

- <https://blogs.sap.com/2017/09/01/overview-of-migration-of-sap-hana-graphical-view-models-into-the-new-xsa-development-environment/> Overview: Migration of Models into the XSA Development Environment
- <https://blogs.sap.com/2017/10/27/join-cardinality-setting-in-calculation-views/> Join cardinality setting in Calculation Views
- <https://blogs.sap.com/2018/08/10/optimize-join-columns-flag/> Optimize Join Columns Flag

The following SAP Notes provide further background information:

- <https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2441054> 2441054 - High query compilation times and absence of plan cache entries for queries against calculation views.
- <https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2465027> 2465027 - Deprecation of SAP HANA extended application services, classic model and SAP HANA Repository.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Modeling Guide for SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA](#)

3.14.3.4 Developing Procedures

SQL in SAP HANA includes extensions for creating procedures, which enables you to embed data-intensive application logic into the database, where it can be optimized for performance (since there are no large data transfers to the application and features such as parallel execution is possible). Procedures are used when other modeling objects, such as views, are not sufficient; procedures are also often used to support the database services of applications that need to write data into the database.

Reasons to use procedures instead of standard SQL, include:

- SQL is not designed for complex calculations, such as for financials.
- SQL does not provide for imperative logic.
- Complex SQL statements can be hard to understand and maintain.
- SQL queries return one result set. Procedures can return multiple result sets.
- Procedures can have local variables, eliminating the need to explicitly create temporary tables for intermediate results.

Procedures can be written in the following languages:

- SQLScript: The language that SAP HANA provides for writing procedures.
- R: An open-source programming language for statistical computing and graphics, which can be installed and integrated with SAP HANA.

There are additional libraries of procedures, called Business Function Library and Predictive Analysis Library, that can be called via SQL or from within another procedure.

HANA Database Explorer

HANA Database Explorer provides a comprehensive set of development tools that allow you to evaluate, revise, and optimize stored procedures. You can browse through the objects in the schema to locate the procedures, from there, a number of options are available from the context menu. Features include a code editor for running and testing procedures as well as debugging and SQLScript analysis tools. Refer to the documentation sections on Database Explorer in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* for more details.

SQL Extensions for Procedures

SQL includes the following statements for enabling procedures:

- **CREATE TYPE:** Creates a table types, which are used to define parameters for a procedure that represent tabular results. For example:

```
CREATE TYPE tt_publishers AS TABLE (  
    publisher INTEGER,  
    name VARCHAR(50),  
    price DECIMAL,  
    cnt INTEGER);
```

- **CREATE PROCEDURE:** Creates a procedure. The LANGUAGE clause specifies the language you are using to code the procedure. For example:

```
CREATE PROCEDURE ProcWithResultView(IN id INT, OUT o1 CUSTOMER)  
    LANGUAGE SQLSCRIPT READS SQL DATA WITH RESULT VIEW ProcView AS  
BEGIN  
    o1 = SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER WHERE CUST_ID = :id;  
END;
```

- **CALL:** Calls a procedure. For example:

```
CALL getOutput (1000, 'EUR', NULL, NULL);
```

Related Information

[Create and Edit Procedures](#)

[Open the SAP HANA Database Explorer \(SAP HANA Cockpit\)](#)

3.14.3.5 Application Function Library (AFL)

You can dramatically increase performance by executing complex computations in the database instead of at the application server level.

SAP HANA provides several techniques to move application logic into the database, and one of the most important is the use of application functions. Application functions are like database procedures written in C++ and called from outside to perform data intensive and complex operations. Functions for a particular topic are

grouped into an application function library (AFL), such as the Predictive Analytical Library (PAL) or the Business Function Library (BFL).

Currently, all AFLs are delivered in one archive (that is, one SAR file with the name AFL<version_string>.SAR).

i Note

The AFL archive is not part of the SAP HANA appliance, and must be installed separately by an administrator. For more information about installing the AFL archive, see the *SAP HANA Server Installation and Update Guide*.

Security Considerations

- **User and Schema**
During startup, the system creates the user `_SYS_AFL`, whose default schema is `_SYS_AFL`.

i Note

The user and its schema `_SYS_AFL` are created during a new installation or update process if they do not already exist.

All AFL objects, such as areas, packages, functions, and procedures, are created under this user and schema. Therefore, all these objects have fully specified names in the form of `_SYS_AFL.<object name>`.

- **Roles**
For each AFL library, there is a role. You must be assigned to this role to execute the functions in the library. The role for each library is named: `AFL__SYS_AFL_<AREA NAME>_EXECUTE`. For example, the role for executing PAL functions is `AFL__SYS_AFL_AFLPAL_EXECUTE`.

i Note

There are 2 underscores between AFL and SYS.

i Note

Once a role is created, it cannot be dropped. In other words, even when an area with all its objects is dropped and recreated during system start-up, the user still keeps the role that was previously granted.

3.14.3.6 Aspects of Scalability

Before you decide how to scale your SAP HANA implementation, there are a number of aspects that need to be considered, such as scaling data, performance, applications, and hardware.

Scaling the Data

One technique you can use to deal with planned data growth is to purchase more physical RAM than is initially required to set the allocation limit according to your needs, and then to increase it over time to adapt to your data. Once you have reached the physical limits of a single server, you can scale out over multiple machines to create a distributed SAP HANA system. You can do this by distributing different schemas and tables to different servers (complete data and user separation). However, this is not always possible, for example, when a single fact table is larger than the server's RAM size.

The most important strategy for scaling your data is **data partitioning**. Partitioning supports the creation of very large tables (billions of rows) by breaking them into smaller chunks that can be placed on different machines. Partitioning is transparent for most SQL queries and other data manipulations.

For more information, see the section on managing tables.

Scaling Performance

SAP HANA's performance is derived from its efficient, parallelized approach. The more computation cores your SAP HANA server has, the better the overall system performance is.

Scaling performance requires a more detailed understanding of your workload and performance expectations. Using simulations and estimations of your typical query workloads, you can determine the expected load that a typical SAP HANA installation may comfortably manage. At the workload level, a rough prediction of scalability can be established by measuring the average CPU utilization while the workload is running. For example, an average CPU utilization of 45% may indicate that the system can be loaded 2X before showing a significant reduction in individual query response time.

For more information, see the sections on workload management and performance analysis.

Scaling the Application

Partitioning can be used to scale the application as it supports an increasing number of concurrent sessions and complex analytical queries by spreading the calculations across multiple hosts. Particular care must be taken in distributing the data so that the majority of queries match partitioning pruning rules. This accomplishes two goals: directing different users to different hosts (load balancing) and avoiding the network overhead related to frequent data joins across hosts.

Scaling Hardware

SAP HANA is offered in a number of ways – in the form of an on-premise appliance, delivered in a number of different configurations and "sizes" by certified hardware partners or by using the tailored data center integration model, and as part of a cloud-based service. This creates different system design options with respect to scale-up and scale-out variations. To maximize performance and throughput, SAP recommends that you scale up as far as possible (acquire the configuration with the highest processor and memory specification for the application workload), before scaling out (for deployments with even greater data volume requirements).

i Note

The SAP HANA hardware partners have different building blocks for their scale-out implementations. Therefore, you should always consult with your hardware partner when planning your scale-out strategy.

Related Information

[Table Partitioning](#)

[Workload Management](#)

[Managing and Monitoring SAP HANA Performance](#)

3.14.3.7 Further Recommendations

In addition to the general recommendations for improving SAP HANA database performance, for specific scenarios, you can use further features and best practices to improve performance.

If appropriate, you can take the following actions to improve performance:

- For any required long-running transactions, you can use the SQL command `ALTER SYSTEM RECLAIM VERSION SPACE` to trigger the row store garbage collector to free up memory space and enhance system responsiveness.
- For multicolumn join scenarios, use dynamic joins rather than standard joins. In a dynamic join, the elements of a join condition between two data sources are defined dynamically based on the fields requested by the client query. It is used to improve the performance by reducing the number of records to be processed by the join node.
- When inserting or loading a large number of rows into a table that has a TEXT or SHORTTEXT column or uses a FULLTEXT INDEX, merge the delta of the table for better search performance.
- When loading data from CSV files using the IMPORT FROM command, use `THREADS` and `BATCH` to enable parallel loading and commit many records at once. In general, for column tables, a good setting to use is 10 parallel loading threads, with a commit frequency of 10,000 records or greater. You can also use `TABLE LOCK`, which locks the entire table and bypasses the delta table. Table locks are only recommended for initial loads.

3.15 Application Performance Analysis

This section provides a high-level guide for analyzing the performance of SAP HANA-based applications.

When you have an SAP HANA-based application with unsatisfying performance, you should start a systematic investigation considering the various layers that are involved. Here we focus on the database layer; approaches for analyzing UI and application server performance are described in the respective documents.

3.15.1 SQL Trace Analysis

The first step in application performance analysis is to figure out if the database layer is causing performance problems for your application at all.

Context

You should analyze how many and which database calls are made and what their contribution to the overall application performance is. This should be done within the context of a given user interface step or transaction.

Procedure

1. Start the tracing of database calls.
2. Run the application from its user interface or with any other driver.

Both, SAP HANA cockpit and SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA provide two main tracing tools, namely *SQL trace* and *Expensive statements trace*.

A convenient way to narrow the trace analysis to the scope of a user interface step or transaction is to use the passport-based filtering of *Expensive statements trace* in the SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA, which also offers aggregated statistics to quickly answer above questions.

Deep tracing (including complete execution plans) is provided by *Plan trace* in SAP HANA cockpit.

3. Terminate the tracing and review aggregated and individual results.
4. As a result of this investigation you might see some indicators for bad application logic creating excessive load on the database such as:
 - Too many database calls (per transaction/UI step)
 - Many identical executions, for example repeated identical selects
 - Too many records returned (per execution or in total)
 - Too many columns or all columns of a row selected
 - Inefficient statement reuse, that is, statements that need to be optimized over and over again
 - One or more database calls with unexpected bad performance, so you should further investigate those calls

Related Information

[Plan Trace \[page 254\]](#)

[Analyzing SQL Traces \[page 228\]](#)

[Expensive Statements Trace \[page 233\]](#)

3.15.2 Statement Measurement

Once you have determined which SQL statements are problematic you should first perform a sound measurement in order to get reliable performance numbers and to make sure that indeed your statements are causing the issues and not the current state of your SAP HANA system.

Procedure

1. Execute your statements and measure their performance (in particular response time).

SAP HANA cockpit offers basic measurement of SQL statements. In addition, the SAP HANA database explorer and the SQL analyzer support executing and analyzing SQL statements.

2. Check your SAP HANA system status for disturbing conditions, such as high load, high resource usage and so on.
3. In case of disturbing conditions repeat your measurement from step 1.
4. Repeat your measurements until you get stable results without major variations (for example, 3 stable executions in a row).

i Note

Higher initial response times could be an indicator of caches that are not properly filled. Depending on your business needs you can decide whether this is acceptable or not.

5. Once you have a stable result you may also acquire a detailed SAP HANA engine trace which will allow for a deeper analysis.

Results

As a result of this activity you have reliable data for your query performance, both for initial query execution performance (possibly cold execution) and stabilized execution performance (warm execution).

Related Information

[Statement Performance Analysis \[page 167\]](#)

3.15.3 Data Analysis

The easiest way to analyze a poorly performing SQL statement is to look at the data flow as this can be matched with the understanding of the business/application needs.

Procedure

1. Check the result size, that is the number of records and number of columns, returned by your SQL statement and compare it with the actual business needs.

As a result of this investigation you might restrict the result size by changing the application logic (for example, the number of columns selected in the field list or by applying additional filters in the WHERE clause) with regards to its database call.

2. Check the usage of underlying tables, meaning the set of tables used, their size and the number of entries selected from those tables, and compare it with your understanding of the business needs.

As a result of this investigation you might identify tables that should not be involved at all and adapt your statement or the underlying database logic accordingly (for example, by checking joins and join types). SAP HANA cockpit offers data flow analysis with the *Tables Used* view in the SQL analyzer.

3. Check the data flow of your statement, that is, the order in which tables are joined, how filters are applied and the size of intermediate results.

As a result of this investigation you may identify:

- inefficient join orders (starting with table A and not with table B, when that is the much smaller result set)
- unexpectedly missing filters (that is, intermediate selections which seem too broad).

You can then adapt your statement or underlying database logic as necessary.

SAP HANA cockpit offers data flow analysis with the *Plan Graph* view in the SQL analyzer.

For detailed information about the SQL analyzer, refer to *Analyzing Statement Performance* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[Tables Used \[page 252\]](#)

[Analyzing Statement Performance](#)

[SAP Note 2565156](#) 

3.15.4 Source Analysis

Before conducting a detailed technical analysis, it is recommended to first analyze source artifacts (models, scripts, views) for possible performance-impacting aspects.

Context

The actual activities depend on the respective artifact (models, scripts, views).

Procedure

1. Graphical Calculation Views

SAP Web IDE for SAP HANA offers dedicated performance debugging capabilities as part of the modeler for graphical calculation views; furthermore it provides deeper inspection of these views.

- a. Check the effect of the attributes, parameters and filters used in the query on the execution time.
- b. Check that the information is combined and aggregated in the correct way as required by the business scenario, for example:
 - Is the aggregation behavior consistent with the intended semantics?
 - Is the join cardinality correct for each join?
 - Are dynamic joins used?
 - Is the result always aggregated?
 - Has Join Optimization been enabled?
 - Do analytical privileges influence performance?
- c. Check whether any performance-relevant execution hints are activated, for example:
 - Enforce execution via a specified database engine
 - Enforce upper bound for parallelization
- d. Check whether modeling constructs are used that are known to be costly, for example:
 - Calculated join attributes
 - Complicated filter expressions
 - Mixed models that involve engine switches
- e. Check whether intermediate steps produce reasonable results (in terms of size).

2. SQL Script

The *Statement Statistics* view (part of the SQL analyzer) supports analysis of SQLScript.

- a. Check if your procedure fits with the given guidelines
For example, see *Developing Procedures*
- b. Analyze your script for most expensive steps / statements

3. Plain SQL

- a. Check if your statement fits with the guidelines for SQL Query Design
For example, see *Optimization of Critical SQL Statements*

Results

As a result of this activity you either figured out and solved problems at the source level or you now have to continue with an even deeper technical analysis.

Related Information

[Developing Procedures \[page 180\]](#)

[Technical Analysis \[page 189\]](#)

[Statement Statistics \[page 246\]](#)

[Optimization of Critical SQL Statements \[page 177\]](#)

3.15.5 Technical Analysis

The deepest level of performance analysis addresses the technical details of a database statement execution.

Context

You should follow this in order to track down problematic performance symptoms from which you can derive possible root causes at higher levels.

There are a number of tools that can support you. SAP HANA cockpit offers the SQL analyzer which allows for deep technical analysis. Dedicated views and filters support the analysis along numerous dimensions. For detailed information about the SQL analyzer, refer to *Analyzing Statement Performance* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Procedure

1. Inspect aggregated execution KPIs (execution time, resource consumption, distribution characteristics) in order to figure out in which aspect or dimension you might look for possible issues.
2. For any suspicious KPI, track down the KPI to the deepest possible level manifesting the symptom.
3. From there, try to correlate the symptom with the cause, in higher level statement elements.
4. You might restrict the scope of your analysis by focusing on the critical path, or on a specific time interval, system node, engine, or execution plan operator.

Related Information

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation \[page 238\]](#)

[Analyzing Statement Performance](#)

[SAP Note 2565156](#)

3.16 System Hanging Situations

This section explains what checks to carry out and how to perform those checks if your SAP HANA instance is hanging. The database is said to be hanging when it no longer responds to queries that are executed against it.

Context

The source of the system standstill might be related to any of the components involved, for example, the storage, OS and hardware, network, SAP HANA database or the application layer. On servers with Intel processors this situation may be caused by Transparent Huge Pages (THP).

For troubleshooting it is essential to collect information about the context of the active threads in the SAP HANA database, therefore avoid restarting the database as retrospective analysis might not always be possible. As SQL statements cannot usually be executed for analysis, you should perform the following steps if it is still possible to log on to the OS of the master host (for example, as the `<sid>adm` user):

Procedure

1. Collect a runtime dump (see *SAP Note 1813020* - How to generate a runtime dump on SAP HANA).
2. Collect CPU, memory and other information about threads currently running in the system by executing the command `top -H` and taking a screenshot of the output.
3. Provide this information when logging an incident with SAP support.

Refer also to *SAP Note 1999020 SAP HANA: Troubleshooting when database is no longer reachable* for further specific steps and guidance on proactive or reactive actions you can take.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1999020](#)

[SAP Note 1813020](#)

[Transparent Huge Pages on Linux \[page 191\]](#)

[CPU Power Saving \[page 192\]](#)

3.16.1 Transparent Huge Pages on Linux

Transparent Huge Pages (THP) is a feature that is generally activated for the Linux kernel shipped with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) 11 and Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 6 versions certified for usage with SAP HANA. Due to the special manner of SAP HANA's memory management, using THP may lead to hanging situations and performance degradation.

Context

i Note

Transparent Huge Pages is only relevant to servers with Intel processors.

You experience that your SAP HANA database does not react anymore, that the CPU load is high and/or severe performance issues occur. Additionally, Transparent Huge Pages are activated on your SAP HANA servers.

SAP strongly recommends that you disable Transparent Huge Pages on all your SAP HANA servers. Alert 116 is raised in the System database with a warning if Transparent Huge Pages are enabled.

See the SAP Notes below for further reference:

- SAP Note 2131662 - *Transparent Huge Pages (THP) on SAP HANA Servers*
- SAP Note 2031375 - *SAP HANA: Transparent HugePages (THP) setting on Linux.*
- SAP Note 1824819 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP2
- SAP Note 1954788 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP3
- SAP Note 2013638 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.5
- SAP Note 2136965 - SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.6

i Note

The following checks and steps should be performed on all hosts of the affected SAP HANA system. They have to be executed as the root user in the Linux shell.

Procedure

1. To check whether Transparent Huge Pages are activated execute the following command:

```
cat /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled
```

This returns a string showing which state is currently applied (the bracketed value is current): `[always] madvise never`, '[always]' indicates that THPs are activated according to the value of the relevant Linux kernel parameter.

Note that you can also do this in SQL by querying the view M_HOST_INFORMATION:

```
select * from M_HOST_INFORMATION where key =  
'kernel.transparent_hugepage.enabled'
```

2. You can run the following command to confirm that processes are using THPs:

```
cat /proc/meminfo/ | grep AnonHugePages
```

This returns a kilobyte value showing memory usage by THP.

3. Deactivate THP by executing the following command:

```
echo never > /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/enabled
```

This will set the relevant kernel parameter to '[never]'; the command is immediately effective and should resolve the hanging situation. You can rerun the command from the first step to verify this action which should now show: `always madvise [never]`.

4. Note that the kernel parameter is only set/valid until the host is restarted the next time, the parameter setting `transparent_hugepage=never` must therefore be persisted to prevent it toggling back to '[always]' by using one of the following strategies:
 - a. Add the parameter setting to the kernel boot line in the `/etc/grub.conf` file of the bootloader.
 - b. Integrate the parameter setting within your system boot scripts such as: `/etc/rc.local`.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2131662](#) 

[SAP Note 2031375](#) 

[SAP Note 1824819](#) 

[SAP Note 1954788](#) 

[SAP Note 2013638](#) 

[SAP Note 2136965](#) 

3.16.2 CPU Power Saving

The Linux Kernel shipped with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) 11 and Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 6 versions certified for usage with SAP HANA contain a new cpuidle driver for recent Intel CPUs. This driver leads to a different behavior in C-states switching and causes performance degradations.

Context

See the SAP Notes below for further reference:

- SAP Note 1824819 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP2

- SAP Note 1954788 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 11 / SLES for SAP Applications 11 SP3
- SAP Note 2013638 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.5
- SAP Note 2136965 SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for RHEL 6.6

Procedure

1. Check if the recommended driver is enabled and whether the CPU power safe mode is activated. Execute the following command as root user in the Linux shell:

```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpuidle/current_driver
```

The correct value for the cpuidle driver should be "acpi_idle". If so, no further steps are required. In case the output shows the wrong value "intel_idle", follow the steps in SAP Notes.

2. Check the CPU power save mode by running the following command:

```
cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpu*/cpufreq/scaling_governor
```

The correct value for the CPU power save mode should be "performance". If the output shows at least one line with "ondemand", follow the steps in *SAP Note 1890444 - Slow HANA system due to CPU power save mode*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1824819](#)

[SAP Note 1954788](#)

[SAP Note 2013638](#)

[SAP Note 2136965](#)

[SAP Note 1890444](#)

3.17 Troubleshoot System Replication

This section describes how to analyze, avoid and solve problems related to system replication.

The following topics are covered:

- Performance: system replication appears to slow down transaction processing
- Setup and initial configuration problems
- Intermittent connectivity problems
- Managing the size of the log file with logreplay.

Further Resources

System Replication is described in detail in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*. Additionally, the following set of documents including illustrated step-by-step procedures is available on the SAP Community Portal:

- [SAP HANA – High Availability](#)
- [FAQ: High Availability for SAP HANA](#)
- [SAP HANA – Host Auto-Failover](#)
- [How To Perform System Replication for SAP HANA 2.0](#)
- [Network Recommendations for SAP HANA System Replication](#)
- [How To Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication](#)

The two FAQ SAP Notes listed here relate to High Availability and Replication:

Related Information

[SAP Note 2057595](#)

[SAP Note 1999880](#)

[SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)

3.17.1 Replication Performance Problems

If system replication appears to slow down transaction processing, you can check the network and disk I/O on the secondary site.

A slow-down related to system replication can occur in the following scenarios:

- ASYNC replication mode is configured over long distances;
- multi-tier system replication is configured and a tier 3 system is attached;
- SYNC/SYNCMEM replication mode is configured over short distances.

The following troubleshooting steps can help you determine and resolve the underlying cause.

Check If Log Can Be Shipped in Time

You can check the system replication KPI values to analyze the problem and verify that it is really related to system replication:

- check if log shipping is significantly slower than local log write (SYNC/SYNCMEM)
- check Async Buffer Full Count (ASYNC)

You can check system replication KPIs in SAP HANA cockpit (see *Monitoring SAP HANA System Replication* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*). You can also get an overview of basic system replication KPIs by running the query `HANA_Replication_SystemReplication_Overview_*_MDC.txt` (from *SAP Note 1969700 - SQL*

Statement Collection for SAP HANA). This query is based on the system view M_SERVICE_REPLICATION and can be used to compare log shipping time to local log write time. For synchronous replication the following KPIs are shown:

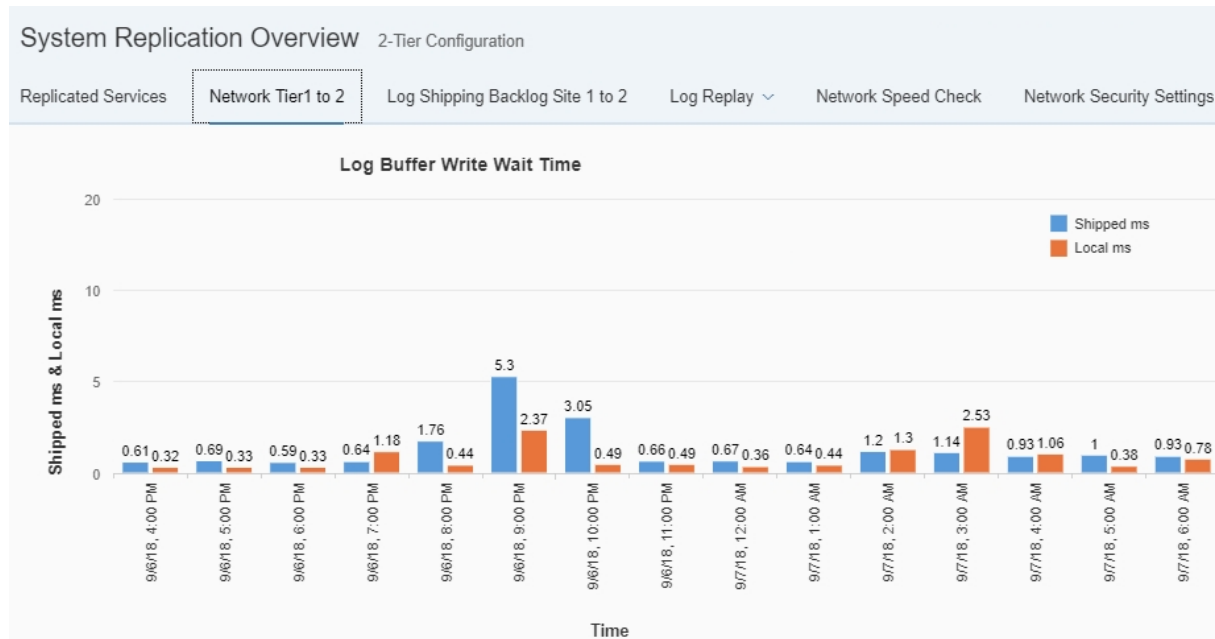
Example output of SQL Statement HANA_Replication_SystemReplication_Overview.txt

KEY	VALUE
Replication mode	SYNC
Secondary connect time	2016/10/18 14:02:36
Days since secondary connect time	1.26
Used persistence size (GB)	205.76
Log backup size / day (GB)	83.58
Local log buffer write size (MB)	101130.54
Shipped log buffer size (MB)	100258.52
Avg. local log buffer write size (KB)	6.14
Avg. shipped log buffer size (KB)	6.14
Avg. local log buffer write time (ms)	0.13
Avg. log buffer shipping time (ms)	0.24
Local log buffer write throughput (MB/s)	44.68
Log buffer shipping throughput (MB/s)	24.99
Initial data shipping size (MB)	0.00
Initial data shipping time (s)	0.00
Last delta data shipping size (MB)	2736.00
Last delta data shipping time (s)	13.00
Delta data shipping size (MB)	758704.00
Delta data shipping time (s)	3538.20
Delta data shipping throughput (MB/s)	214.43
Delta data shipping size / day (MB)	n/a
Replication delay (s)	0.00

The following KPIs are of particular importance, the shipping time should not be significantly higher than the local write time:

- Avg. local log buffer write time (ms)
- Avg. log buffer shipping time (ms)

You can see a graphical comparison of these local and shipped values in the cockpit System Replication Overview (Network tab). The graph displayed compares the local write wait time with the remote write wait time monitored over the last 24 hours:



For asynchronous replication scenarios the redo log is written into an Asynchronous Log Buffer, which occasionally can run full in case the logs are not shipped in a timely manner to the secondary instance. This can lead to a performance overhead on the primary site as by default it waits with new COMMITS until there is free space in the buffer. This can be avoided by setting the parameter

`logshipping_async_wait_on_buffer_full` in the `system_replication` section of the `global.ini` file to

FALSE.

Note

In order to maintain a stable connection during the initial data shipment this parameter should be set to true. This is recommended because if the log shipping connection is reset for any reason the data shipment connection is also reset and the initial data shipment has to start again from the beginning. In multi-tier scenarios a restarted full data shipment from primary to secondary site also results in a completely new full data shipment to a tertiary site. For the duration of the initial shipment, therefore, you may also increase the value of the `logshipping_timeout` parameter on the primary which has a default value of 30 seconds.

The size of the asynchronous log shipping buffer on the primary site is normally adequate; the default value of the `logshipping_async_buffer_size` parameter is 256MB for the indexserver (in the `indexserver.ini`) and 64MB for all other services (maintained in the `global.ini`). However, if additional free memory is available this value can also be increased for specific services with a high log generation (such as the indexserver). You should make such changes only in the service-specific ini files rather than in the `global.ini` file.

Once the asynchronous replication connection is established you can see how much is in the async buffer by checking the value of `BACKLOG_SIZE` in the system view `M_SERVICE_REPLICATION`. If there is no connection this column shows the number of log entries that have been generated on the primary but which have not yet reached the secondary. You can also see this information (the `backlogSize`) by running the following command on the primary with admin rights:

```
hdbcons `replication info`  
- backlogSize : 2781184 bytes
```

For further details of the most common performance issues caused by system replication and under which circumstances they occur, please refer to [SAP KBA 1999880 - FAQ: SAP HANA System Replication](#).

Check If Data Load Can Be Handled by Network Link

To estimate the required bandwidth for Data/Log shipping, use *HANA_Replication_SystemReplication_Bandwidth.txt* (from [SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA](#)), which is based on the I/O statistics from the primary site. We recommend executing this SQL statement when system replication is disabled. The data returned will help you to estimate the amount of data/log shipped from the primary site and compare this to the available bandwidth.

You can also do a network performance test using, for example, the open source IPERF tool or similar, to measure the real application network performance. The recommended bandwidth is 10 Gbit/s.

If the network bandwidth is not adequate you can activate data and log compression which significantly reduces the shipment size by setting the following parameters in the `system_replication` section of `global.ini`:

- `enable_log_compression = TRUE`
- `enable_data_compression = TRUE`

Check Network Configuration (Long Distance)

Increasing the TCP window size can result in better network utilization and higher throughput. If the bandwidth can handle load, check if the network is shared and whether other applications may be interfering with performance. Collect network information on bandwidth and latency from the Linux kernel parameters as described here. For these values refer also to [SAP Note 2382421 - Optimizing the Network Configuration on HANA and OS-Level \(Linux Kernel Parameters\)](#) :

- Check the network utilization profile for the network link to see if the maximum capacity of the network has been reached.
- If the network is not fully utilized, check the linux kernel TCP configuration with `sysctl -a | egrep "net.core|net.ipv4.tcp"` .
- Check that window scaling is set to the default value of 1. `net.ipv4.tcp_window_scaling = 1`.
- Check whether the max size can be increased for `net.ipv4.tcp_wmem` and `net.ipv4.tcp_rmem`.
- Calculate the Bandwidth Delay Product (BDP): `Bandwidth * Latency` (for example, `BDP = 50ms * 3 Gbps = 19.2 MB`). The BDP tells you what TCP window size is needed to use the network link fully.

Check Disk I/O on a Secondary Site

Slow disk I/O on the secondary can postpone releasing log buffers on the primary, which results in wait situations on the primary. You can do the following:

- Use a Disk Performance Test Tool
Execute `fsperf` on log volume, for example:

```
$ fsperf /usr/sap/TST/SYS/global/hdb/log/mnt00001/hdb00002
```
- Check the *Monitoring and Administration* area
If SQL is not available, use command line tools (this has to be done for each individual service), for example:

```
$ hdbcons "statreg print -n M_VOLUME_IO_TOTAL_STATISTICS -h"
```


A runtime dump also contains I/O statistics, which you can see with: `$ hdbcons "runtimedump dump"`.

⚠ Caution

Technical expertise is required to use `hdbcons`. To avoid incorrect usage, use `hdbcons` only with the guidance of SAP HANA development support.

- Check I/O relevant tables in the proxy schema of the corresponding secondary site, which provide SQL access on the primary site on statistic views of the secondary. For more information, see *Monitoring Secondary Sites* in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[SAP Note 1999880](#)

[SAP Note 2382421](#)

[Monitoring Secondary Systems](#)

[Monitoring SAP HANA System Replication in SAP HANA Cockpit](#)

3.17.2 Setup and Initial Configuration Problems

This section outlines the analysis steps you need to take in case you face configuration problems during the initial HANA System Replication Setup.

The initial SAP HANA System Replication Setup steps are as follows:

- enabling the SAP HANA System Replication on the primary site with `sr_enable`
- registering the secondary system with `sr_register`

While there are no errors to be expected when you enable the primary site, the registration operation on the secondary site can fail due to various errors.

i Note

If you are in the process of setting up HANA System Replication for the first time, please make sure you have met all the prerequisites and performed the necessary preparation steps, outlined in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Pay special attention to the following points:

- Are the primary and secondary sites architecturally identical?
- Are the network interface configurations identical on both sites? (refer to the SCN document *How to Configure Network Settings for HANA System Replication* for details).
- Are the ports needed for system replication open and reachable from the primary and the secondary site?

Wrong Topology Information

Upon registering the secondary site, the following error is raised:

Output Code

```
> hdbnsutil -sr_register
--remoteHost=primary_host --remoteInstance=<primary_instance_no> --
mode=<replication_mode>
--name=<logical_site_name>
adding site ...
checking for inactive nameserver ...
nameserver primary_host:3xx01 not responding.
collecting information ...
error: source system and target system have overlapping logical hostnames;
each site must have a unique set of logical hostnames.
hdbrename can be used to change names;
failed. trace file nameserver_primary_host.00000.000.trc may contain more
error details.
```

The root cause for those issues is usually a wrong topology information. In this case, the secondary site contained the following landscape definition in the `nameserver.ini`:

Sample Code

```
[landscape]
id = <id>
master = <secondary_host>:3xx01
worker = <primary_host>
active_master = <secondary_host>:3xx01
roles_<primary_host> = worker
```

The `worker` property contained the hostname of the primary site, which was wrong. Therefore, the registration failed. The problem should disappear once the correct hosts are maintained in the `master` and `worker` (if any) properties. You need to check on both sites if the information maintained in the `nameserver` topology is consistent.

Resyncing the Secondary: Persistence Compatibility Checks

If the primary and secondary systems are disconnected for any reason, they must be resynced. If the persistencies (that is, the data and log volume snapshots) of the primary and secondary are compatible, it is possible to achieve a resync with only a delta data shipment or a log shipment; in this case full data shipping is not necessary. Even if the data snapshots are not compatible, the system will automatically attempt a full data shipment (*Resync Optimization*). If necessary, a full data shipment can be triggered manually using the following command:

```
hdbnsutil -sr_register --force_full_replica
```

Trace messages related to persistence which indicate that this is necessary include the following:

- Secondary persistence is not compatible with primary persistence.
- The persistence of at least one service is not initialized correctly.

Communication Problems with the Primary Site

The `sr_register` command on the secondary site is failing with:

Output Code

```
> hdbnsutil -sr_register --name=<logical_site_name> --
remoteHost=<primary_host> --remoteInstance=<primary_instance_no> --
mode=<replication_mode> --force_full_replica --sapcontrol=1
unable to contact primary site host <primary_host>:3xx02. connection
refused, location=<primary_host>:3xx02
```

Possible Root Cause 1: Ports Not Open / Blocked by Firewall

This error usually indicates a general communication problem between the primary and secondary site. Mostly, this is caused by the primary host not listening on the required ports for various reasons. You can check whether the required ports `3<instance_number>01` and `3<instance_number>02` (non-MDC scenarios) or `4<instance_number>02` (MDC scenarios) are listening on the required interfaces with the following command on OS level as privileged user (for example, root):

```
>netstat -apn | grep 3<instance_no>02
>netstat -apn | grep 4<instance_no>02
```

If you see that these ports are open and listening on the localhost interface only, you will not be able to reach them from the secondary site. You need to adjust the settings for `listeninterface` in the `global.ini` file from `.local` to `.global`:

Sample Code

```
[communication]
listeninterface=.global
```


With this setting, the following interface:port pairs should be visible in netstat:

tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:30101	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	4273/hdbnameserver
tcp	0	0	10. . . :30102	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	4273/hdbnameserver
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.2:30102	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	4273/hdbnameserver
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:30102	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	4273/hdbnameserver
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:30103	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	5278/hdbindexserver
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:30107	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	5280/hdbxsengine

i Note

If the ports are open, check whether they are not filtered by your firewall. Often it is not sufficient to check the connectivity to remote hosts via ping, because ping uses the ICMP protocol for communication. You can easily verify the accessibility of remote hosts by issuing a telnet call. For example:

```
>telnet <primary_host> 30001
>telnet <primary_host> 30102
```

Possible Root Cause 2: SSL-Related Problems

Another cause for this error could be a wrongly implemented SSL configuration.

i Note

If you do not secure the HANA network with SSL, do not implement any parameter changes related to SSL.

This can be revealed by activated corresponding traces on the primary site via SAP HANA cockpit:

- ▶ Database Explorer ▶ Trace Configuration ▶ Database Trace ▶ Search for "sr_nameserver" ▶ Change from INFO to DEBUG ▶ OK ▶
- ▶ Database Explorer ▶ Trace Configuration ▶ Database Trace ▶ Search for "trexnet" ▶ Change from ERROR to INFO ▶ OK ▶

Alternatively, the traces can be activated in the SQL console by issuing the following statements as a SYSTEM user:

Source Code

```
alter system alter configuration ('indexserver.ini','SYSTEM') SET
('trace','sr_nameserver')='debug' with reconfigure;
```

```
alter system alter configuration ('indexserver.ini','SYSTEM') SET
('trace','trexnet')='info' with reconfigure;
```

After the trace activation, the registration problem needs to be reproduced by re-running the `sr_register` command on the secondary. The nameserver trace on the primary site would reveal the following errors in the CommonCrypto Engine:

Output Code

```
Crypto/SSL/CommonCrypto/Engine.cpp:563: SSL handshake failed: SSL error
[536871970]: Unknown error, General error: 0x20000422 | SAPCRYPTOLIB |
SSL_accept
SSL_API error
Version in SSLPlaintext.version field of currently received record differs
from
the one negotiated in the current or currently accomplished handshake.
```

```
0xa060023c | SSL | ssl3_accept
Version in SSLPlaintext.version field of currently received record differs
from
the one negotiated in the current or currently accomplished handshake.
0xa060023c | SSL | ssl3_get_record
Version in SSLPlaintext.version field of currently received record differs
from
the one negotiated in the current or currently accomplished handshake.
(ErrCode: 536871970)
```

Make sure the following parameters are consistent on both sites in the configuration file `global.ini`:

Sample Code

```
[communication]
ssl = systempki
..
...
[system_replication_communication]
enable_ssl = on
```

You need to ensure that the SSFS key and data files are stored on both sites. The following files must exist on both sites:

```
$DIR_INSTANCE/../../global/security/rsecssfss/data/SSFS_<SID>.DAT
$DIR_INSTANCE/../../global/security/rsecssfss/data/SSFS_<SID>.KEY
```

Possible Root Cause 3: Wrong Configuration of the Internal Hostname Resolution Parameters

Please check whether the internal hostname resolution information is consistent on both sites. The following how-to guides are a good source of information:

- *How to Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication*
- *How to Perform System Replication for SAP HANA.*

Possible Root-Cause 4: Wrong MTU Size Configured

A closer look at the nameserver trace file on the secondary site would reveal:

Output Code

```
error: unable to contact primary site; to <primary_host_ip> (<primary_host>):
3xx01; original error: timeout occurred,location=<primary_host_ip> :3xx02. Was
MTU size set to 1500? (https://css.wdf.sap.corp/sap/support/notes/2142892);
```

This problem is discussed in full detail in *SAP Note 2166157 - Error: 'failed to open channel ! reason: connection refused' when setting up Disaster Recovery.*

Possible Root Cause 5: HANA Service Unavailability

Check the availability of the indexserver / nameserver process on the primary site. Often the services faced an intermittent restart, crash or reconfiguration which did not go unrecognized by the secondary site.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)

[Configure Tracing in the SAP HANA Database Explorer](#)

[How to Perform System Replication for SAP HANA](#)

[How to Configure Network Settings for SAP HANA System Replication](#)

[SAP Note 2166157](#)

3.17.3 Intermittent Connectivity Problems

This section discusses the mitigation strategies for sporadic network interruptions causing problems in the SAP HANA System Replication mechanism.

A common intermittent error is that the log buffer is not shipped in a timely fashion from the primary to the secondary site.

Log Shipping Timeout

Possible Root Cause 1: Log Area Is Full on the Secondary Site

If the System Replication Mode is set to `SYNC - full sync`, the commits on primary are halted as nothing can be written to the log area on secondary site any longer. On the secondary site, the trace files contain the following error:

Output Code

```
i EventHandler LocalFileCallback.cpp(00455) : [DISKFULL] (1st request) [W] ,
buffer= 0x00007f7eef8ae000, offset= 589299712, size= 0/524288, file= "<root>/
logsegment_000_00000508.dat

" ((open, mode= RW, access= rw-rw-r--, flags= DIRECT|LAZY_OPEN), factory=
(root= "/hana/log/<SID>/mnt00001/hdb00003/" (access= rw-rw-r--, flags=
AUTOCREATE_DIRECTORY, usage= LOG, fs= xfs,

config=
(async_write_submit_active=auto,async_write_submit_blocks=new,async_read_submi
t=off,num_submit_queues=1,num_completion_queues=1,size_kernel_io_queue=512,max
_parallel_io_requests=64,

min_submit_batch_size=16,max_submit_batch_size=64))) {shortRetries= 0,
fullRetries= 0 (0/10)}
```

To quickly mitigate the situation, you can disable the “full sync” option by running the following command:

```
>hdbnsutil -sr_fullsync --disable
```

Afterwards, the log area on the secondary site needs to be analyzed with regard to why the log segments are not freed up. This is usually caused by an erroneous log backup mechanism.

For further details refer to the following SAP Notes:

[SAP Note 2083715 - Analyzing log volume full situations](#)

[SAP Note 1679938 - Log Volume is full](#)

Possible Root Cause 2: Sporadic Communication Issues on the Network Layer

For more information about how to deal with communication problems between the primary and the secondary site, see *SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2083715](#)

[SAP Note 1679938](#)

[SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems \[page 213\]](#)

3.17.4 LogReplay: Managing the Size of the Log File

There is a risk in replication scenarios which use one of the logreplay operation modes of causing a disk full situation on the primary if the secondary system is not available for any reason; this can potentially lead to a complete freeze of the database.

The *logreplay* modes (logreplay introduced in HANA 1.0 SPS10 and *logreplay_readaccess* introduced in HANA 2) require a log history on the primary so that a secondary system can be resynchronized without the need for a full data shipment. As long as a secondary system is registered the log file will continue to grow. When the secondary system synchronizes, then the log is automatically cleared down. However, if the replication environment changes, if for example, the secondary is separated because of network problems, manual intervention may be required to manage the log file or, in the worst case scenario, to recover from a disk full situation. This problem can also happen on a secondary system where a takeover has occurred.

The log replay modes are described in detail in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide* section *System Replication With Operation Mode Logreplay*. This section of the *SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide* describes procedures to firstly prevent problems from occurring and secondly to resolve a disk full situation.

Log File Retention (RetainedFree Status)

If the secondary cannot be synchronized for any reason, then log segments continue to be written but are marked as *RetainedFree*. You can check for RetainedFree log segments either in SAP HANA cockpit or from the command line.

1) To check using SAP HANA cockpit, start from the Disk Usage app and open *Monitor Disk Volume*. The graph shows usage for log and data volumes; you can filter the display for a specific volume and server (for example indexserver). Check the *State* column of the log files for RetainedFree log segments as shown here:



2) To check using the command line, execute the following command as <sid>adm for a specific log volume (hdb00003 in this example – the log volume of one indexserver):

```
#>hdblogdiag seglist $DIR_INSTANCE/./SYS/global/hdb/log/mnt00001/hdb00003
```

The result shows details of each log segment including status information. Look for any segments with status RetainedFree as shown here:

```
LogSegment [0/2:0xec98740-0xecb6000 (0x763000B) /
GUID=759DC14B-00D7-20161122-134436-39A00002ED/
PrevGUID=759DC14B-00D7-20161122-134436-39A00002EC, TS=2016-11-30 06:55:18.008741,
Hole=0xec98740/RetainedFree/0x0]@0x00007f34cb32a010
```

Maximum Number of Segments

A further possible cause of a log full event is if the maximum number of allocated log segments is reached. By default, the maximum number is 10240 segments, if this limit is reached then log writing is blocked and the system may hang as though the disk is full even though disk space is still available. You can change the maximum number of log segments using the `hdblogdiag` tool as described in SAP Note 2072410 *Enlarge limitation of log segment number of LogSegment Directory*.

How to Avoid Log Full Situations

Unregister an Unused Secondary

If the secondary is disconnected for a prolonged period and if it is not to be used as a replication server anymore, then unregister the secondary site and disable the primary functionality. This will stop the RetainedFree log entries from being written:

1. Unregister the secondary; this is normally done from the secondary site but can be done from the primary if the secondary is not available anymore:
`hdbnsutil -sr_unregister`
2. Disable the primary (from the primary site):
`hdbnsutil -sr_disable`
3. Execute reconfigure on the primary site:
`hdbnsutil -reconfig`

You can use this same procedure for a primary which, after a takeover, will no longer be used for failback.

Set a Maximum Retention Size

Another option to manage the log size is to set a value for the `logshipping_max_retention_size` parameter. If the log size reaches this limit, then RetainedFree log entries will be overwritten. Note the following points in this case:

- If any RetainedFree log entries are lost, then synchronization by logreplay will no longer be possible and a full data shipment will be necessary to resynchronize the secondary.
- It is not possible to switch back to delta mode to resynchronize - only a full data shipping is possible.

→ Tip

As a further general precaution, to prevent any disk full situation from arising you can reserve a portion of the disk with an emergency placeholder file (containing any dummy values), for example, occupying 5 – 10 % of the file system. This file can then be deleted if ever necessary to quickly solve disk full situations.

How to Recover From Log Full Situations

Secondary Has Been Taken out of Service

If the secondary has been permanently taken out of service, then these log entries will never be required. In this case the secondary can be unregistered and the log volume cleaned up:

1. Unregister the secondary (same steps as previous subsection: unregister, disable and reconfigure).
2. Delete the Free marked log segments from the command line for each of the persistent relevant services (nameserver, indexserver, xsengine, ...). To do this run `hdbcons` with the `log release` parameter as `<sid>adm`. In a multi-database system the `-p` switch is required with the process ID of the service (such as `indexserver`):
`hdbcons -p <PID_of_service> "log release"`

Secondary Still Required

If the secondary is still required, then restart it and allow it to resynchronize. When this has completed, the RetainedFree log segments on the primary will be marked as Free, you can then clean up the log as described above by running `hdbcons` with the `log release` parameter.

Log Full Has Caused Complete Database Freeze

If the log full has caused a complete database freeze, you can try to move the log to another linked file system and replay the log from there. Essentially, this is a three step procedure, refer to SAP Note 1679938 *Log Volume is full* for complete details:

- Stop the primary system.
- Mount the log volumes of the primary via symbolic link to another file system.
- Start the primary and the secondary and allow them to resynchronize.

When this has completed, you can then clean up the log by running `hdbcons` with the `log release` parameter as described above.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1679938](#)

[SAP Note 2072410](#)

3.18 Network Performance and Connectivity Problems

This section covers the troubleshooting of problems on the network layer.

In cases where a subjectively slow performing system behaviour is experienced, but a first analysis of the SAP HANA resource utilization does not reveal any obvious culprits, it is often necessary to analyze the network performance between the SAP HANA server host(s) and SAP Application Server(s) / Non-ABAP clients, SAP HANA nodes (inter-node communication in SAP HANA scale-out environments), or, in an SAP HANA system replication scenario, between primary and secondary site.

3.18.1 Network Performance Analysis on Transactional Level

The following section should help you to perform an in-depth investigation on the network performance of specific clients.

Prerequisites

SYSTEM administrator access using SAP HANA cockpit or `hdbsql`.

Procedure

1. Use the monitoring view M_SQL_CLIENT_NETWORK_IO to analyse figures about client and server elapsed time as well as message sizes for client network messages.

Sample Code

```
SELECT * FROM M_SQL_CLIENT_NETWORK_IO
```

In case a long execution runtime is observed on the application server side and the corresponding connections on the SAP HANA side do not show expensive operations, an overview of the total processing time spent on client side and SAP HANA server side can be retrieved by executing the above SQL query. By default, collection of statistics related to client network I/O is regulated by the following parameter `sql_client_network_io` in the `indexserver.ini` file, which must be set to on (true).

Please note that this parameter change implies a certain performance overhead and should only be active for the duration of the troubleshooting activity.

An example result of the above mentioned query is shown here:

HOST	PORT	CLIENT_HOST	CONNECTION_ID	MESSAGE_ID	CLIENT_DURATION	SERVER_DURATION	SERVER_RECEIVED_TIME	RECEIVED_MESSAGE_SIZE	SEND_MESSAGE_SIZE
d	30.040	D	5	214.859	3.240	854	29.02.2016 15:48:53.520621	256	656
d	30.040	D	.5	214.858	6.171	816	29.02.2016 15:48:53.520378	192	280
d	30.040	D	.5	214.859	3.241	744	29.02.2016 15:48:53.521513	232	168
d	30.040	D	5	214.872	2.897	1.033	29.02.2016 15:48:53.521145	224	280
d	30.040	D	.5	214.859	3.242	3.135	29.02.2016 15:48:53.524752	232	640
d	30.040	D	.5	214.872	2.898	3.058	29.02.2016 15:48:53.525187	224	280
d	30.040	D	.5	214.872	2.899	585	29.02.2016 15:48:53.525872	504	400
d	30.040	D	5	214.872	2.900	726	29.02.2016 15:48:53.526534	320	176
d	30.040	D	5	214.872	2.901	1.804	29.02.2016 15:48:53.527445	176	152
d	30.040	D	5	214.872	2.902	644	29.02.2016 15:48:53.529759	456	512
d	30.040	D	5	214.872	2.903	782	29.02.2016 15:48:53.530457	480	272

CLIENT_DURATION and SERVER_DURATION contain the values in microseconds. The difference between CLIENT_DURATION and SERVER_DURATION makes the total transfer time of the result (SEND_MESSAGE_SIZE in bytes). This allows you to see whether the transfer time from the SAP HANA server to the client host is exceptionally high.

2. Run SQL: "HANA_Network_Clients" from the SQL statement collection attached to *SAP Note 1969700*.

Another important KPI is the Round Trip Time (RTT) from server to client. In order to analyze this figure the SQL statement "HANA_Network_Clients" from the collection attached to *SAP Note 1969700* can be used. As this SQL statement is using the view M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS, the expensive statements trace needs to be active in the [SAP HANA database explorer](#) > [Trace Configuration](#) > :

Expensive Statements Trace

[Edit](#)

Description: If the expensive statements trace is active, all statements that last longer than the specified threshold are traced.

Status: Inactive

Once the trace is activated and the long-running statements are re-executed, the information to be extracted from the M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS view is STATEMENT_HASH:

	HOST	PORT	CONNECTION_ID	TRANSACTION_ID	UPDATE_TRANSACTION_ID	STATEMENT_ID	PARENT_STATEMENT_ID	STATEMENT_HASH
1	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936535188...	0	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37
2	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936535188...	0	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37
3	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936477712...	0	0789e07a9bf2e6bbcc7b6641d16cada6
4	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936477712...	0	0789e07a9bf2e6bbcc7b6641d16cada6
5	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936264557...	0	e184c01aafc6ad505dd87feb09514b8
6	dew...	30.040	214.887	43	0	922936264557...	0	e184c01aafc6ad505dd87feb09514b8

With the Statement Hash '7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37' (please note that this one is only an example statement hash) of the SQL statement to be analyzed, the SQL "HANA_Network_Clients" can be modified in a way that a corresponding Statement Hash is used to restrict the selection:

```

Sample Code

...
SELECT
    TO_TIMESTAMP('1000/01/01 18:00:00', 'YYYY/MM/DD HH24:MI:SS')
BEGIN_TIME,
    TO_TIMESTAMP('9999/12/31 18:10:00', 'YYYY/MM/DD HH24:MI:SS')
END_TIME,
    '%' HOST,
    '%' PORT,
    '%' SERVICE_NAME,
    '%' CLIENT_HOST,
    '7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37' STATEMENT_HASH,
.
.
.*/
FROM
    DUMMY

```

Which provides the following result:

HOST	PORT	SERVICE	CLIENT	STATEMENT_HASH	ROUNDTRIPS	SERVER_TIME_MS	SUM_RTT_MS	AVG_RTT_MS	SUM_SIZE_KB	AVG_SIZE_KB	
d	7	30040	indexserver	DEWDFLSB55145	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37	1	107.74	0.39	0.39	0.34	0.34
d	7	30040	indexserver	DEWDFLSB55145	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37	1	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.80	0.80
d	7	30040	indexserver	DEWDFLSB55145	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37	1	0.64	0.36	0.36	0.91	0.91
c	7	30040	indexserver	DEWDFLSB55145	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37	1	0.03	0.33	0.33	0.69	0.69
d	7	30040	indexserver	DEWDFLSB55145	7c4a13b071f030f1c0d178ab9cf82c37	1	0.11	0.82	0.82	0.29	0.29

The KPI AVG_RTT_MS is of importance and should not show values significantly higher than ~ 1,5 ms.

- For further options, please refer to SAP KBA 2081065.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2081065](#)

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

3.18.2 Stress Test with NIPING

The SAP NIPING tool is a powerful tool which can be used to perform specific network stability tests.

Prerequisites

You must have OS level access to the SAP HANA host and the client host.

Procedure

Read *SAP Note 500235 - Network Diagnosis with NIPING*.

A stress test with SAP's NIPING tool may be performed in order to confirm the high network latency (or bandwidth exhaustion).

Related Information

[SAP Note 500235](#) 

3.18.3 Application and Database Connectivity Analysis

There are a number of ways to identify possible root causes for network communication issues between your application and the SAP HANA instance it is connecting to.

Prerequisites

You have access to both the application and SAP HANA instance.

Procedure

1. On an ABAP application server, check the following:
 - a. Run transaction OS01 - Database - Ping x10

If a connection to the database cannot be established over a longer period of time by an SAP ABAP application work process, the work process is terminated. First, the work process enters the reconnect

state in which it constantly tries to connect to the database, after a predefined amount of retries fail, the work process terminates. In this case the connectivity from the SAP application server to the SAP HANA server must be verified.

- b. Run transaction SE38 - Report ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION

If a specific database connection is failing, the report ADBC_TEST_CONNECTION offers a connectivity check for each defined database connection.

- c. Check for common errors in *SAP KBA 2213725 - How-To: Troubleshooting of -10709 errors*

If an application is facing communication issues with the SAP HANA server, on client side the connectivity issue may be indicated by several 10709-errors, mostly short dumps. The error 10709 is generic but the error text of the short dumps contains the error information that was returned by the server. Some root causes may be found in unfavorable parameter settings, either on client or on server side, some may be caused by a faulty network.

In most cases, a short dump with characteristics is raised:

```

Sample Code
-----
Category                Installation Errors
Runtime Errors          DBSQL_SQL_ERROR
Except.                 CX_SY_OPEN_SQL_DB
  
```

The "Database error text" gives you a first hint as to what might have caused the issue. For an overview of the most common errors in this context and detailed explanations of how to resolve them, see *SAP KBA 2213725 - How-To: Troubleshooting of -10709 errors*.

- 2. On non-ABAP applications, check the following SAP Notes and documentation references:
 - a. *SAP Note 1577128 - Supported clients for SAP HANA*

On non-ABAP client connections check that the client you are using is supported.

- b. Section *Troubleshooting: ODBC Tracing* in the *SAP HANA Client Interface Programming Reference*

A typical SAP HANA ODBC connection failure is indicated by an error with the following prefix:

```

Sample Code
-----
[LIBODBCHEDB SO] [HDBODBC] . . . .
  
```

The most common errors are documented in SAP Notes and KBAs. You can use the search features of the Support portal to find a solution for a specific error. If no specific SAP Note is available, you can record an ODBC trace to gain more detailed insight.

- c. *SAP KBA 2081065 - Troubleshooting SAP HANA Network*

If the error occurs sporadically, it is useful to perform a long-term stress test between the client and SAP HANA server to confirm the network's stability. For more information, see *SAP Note 500235*. To examine the exact traffic from the TCP/IP layer, a tcpdump can be recorded which shows what packets are sent and received and which packets were rejected or required a retransmission.

- 3. Generic Smart Data Access troubleshooting steps are:
 - a. To verify that the issue might not be a flaw in the SAP HANA cockpit, always try to connect via the 'isql' tool on the SAP HANA host directly as the SAP HANA<sid>adm.
 - b. Make sure all libraries can be accessed on OS level by the SAP HANA <sid>adm user (PATH environment variable).

- c. In the SAP HANA <sid>adm home directory (cd \$home) check that the correct host and port, and username and password combinations are used in the .odbc.ini file.
- d. Check that the LD_LIBRARY_PATH environment variable of the SAP HANA <sid>adm user contains the unixODBC and remote DB driver libraries.

For example, with a Teradata setup, the LD_LIBRARY_PATH should contain the following paths: .../usr/local/unixODBC/lib/:/opt/teradata/client/15.00/odbc_64/lib...

Connections from the SAP HANA server to remote sources are established using the ODBC interface (unixODBC). For more information, see the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

4. Microsoft SQL Server 2012 - Specific Smart Data Access Troubleshooting
 - a. Make sure unixODBC 2.3.0 is used. A higher version leads to a failed installation of the Microsoft ODBC Driver 11 for SQL Server 2012.
 - b. The version can be verified with the following command executed as the SAP HANA <sid>adm user on the SAP HANA host: `isql --version`.
 - c. You can also refer to the Guided Answers tree *Troubleshooting Smart Data Access (SDA) Configuration*.
5. Teradata - Specific Smart Data Access Troubleshooting
 - a. Check *SAP KBA 2078138 - "Data source name not found, and no default driver specified" when accessing a Teradata Remote Source through HANA Smart Data Access*.

Under certain circumstances it is necessary to adjust the order of the paths maintained in LD_LIBRARY_PATH.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2213725](#)

[SAP Note 1577128](#)

[SAP Note 2081065](#)

[SAP Note 500235](#)

[SAP Note 2078138](#)

[SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)

[Client Interface Programming Reference: ODBC Tracing and Trace Options](#)

[Troubleshooting Smart Data Access \(SDA\) Configuration \(Guided Answer\)](#)

3.18.4 SAP HANA System Replication Communication Problems

Problems during initial setup of the system replication can be caused by incorrect configuration, incorrect hostname resolution or wrong definition of the network to be used for the communication between the replication sites.

Context

System replication environments depend on network bandwidth and stability. In case communication problems occur between the replication sites (for example, between SITE A and SITE B), the first indication of a faulty system replication setup will arise.

Procedure

1. Check the nameserver tracefiles.

The starting point for the troubleshooting activity are the nameserver tracefiles. The most common errors found are:

Sample Code

```
e TNS TNSClient.cpp(00800) : sendRequest dr_secondaryactivestatus to
<hostname>:<system_replication_port> failed with NetException.
data=(S)host=<hostname>|service=<service_name>|(I)drsender=2|
e sr_nameserver TNSClient.cpp(06787) : error when sending request
'dr_secondaryactivestatus' to <hostname>:<system_replication_port>:
connection broken,location=<hostname>:<system_replication_port>
e TnxNetBuffer BufferedIO.cpp(01151) : erroneous channel ### from #####
to <hostname>:<system_replication_port>: read from channel failed;
resetting buffer
```

Further errors received from the remote side:

Sample Code

```
Generic stream error: getsockopt, Event=EPOLLERR - , rc=104: Connection
reset by peer
Generic stream error: getsockopt, Event=EPOLLERR - , rc=110: Connection
timed out
```

It is important to understand that if those errors suddenly occur in a working system replication environment, they are often indicators of problems on the network layer. From an SAP HANA perspective, there is nothing that could be toggled, as it requires further analysis by a network expert. The investigation, in this case, needs to focus on the TCP traffic by recording a tcpdump in order to get a rough understanding how TCP retransmissions, out-of-order packets or lost packets are contributing to the overall network traffic. How a tcpdump is recorded is described in *SAP Note 1227116 - Creating network*

traces. As these errors are not generated by the SAP HANA server, please consider consulting your in-house network experts or your hardware vendor before engaging with SAP Product Support.

2. Set the parameter `sr_dataaccess` to debug.

In the *DB Administration* area of the SAP HANA cockpit open the *Configuration of System Properties* monitor. In the *[trace]* section of the `indexserver.ini` file set the parameter `sr_dataaccess = debug`. This parameter enables a more detailed trace of the components involved in the system replication mechanisms. For more information about how to change parameters, see *Memory Information from Logs and Traces*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1227116](#)

[Memory Information from Logs and Traces \[page 59\]](#)

3.18.5 SAP HANA Inter-Node Communication Problems

This section contains analysis steps that can be performed to resolve SAP HANA inter-node communication issues.

Procedure

1. If communication issues occur between different nodes within an SAP HANA scale-out environment, usually the SAP HANA tracefiles contain corresponding errors.

A typical error recorded would be:

Sample Code

```
e TrexNet Channel.cpp(00343) : ERROR: reading from channel ####
<IP_of_remote_host:3xx03> failed with timeout error; timeout=60000 ms
elapsed
e TrexNetBuffer BufferedIO.cpp(01092) : channel #### from : read from
channel failed; resetting buffer
```

To understand those errors it is necessary to understand which communication parties are affected by this issue. The `<IP:port>` information from the above mentioned error already contains valuable information. The following shows the port numbers and the corresponding services which are listening on those ports:

Sample Code

```
Nameserver          3<instance_no>01
Preprocessor         3<instance_no>02
Indexserver         3<instance_no>03
Webdispatcher       3<instance_no>06
XS Engine           3<instance_no>07
```

```
Compileserver          3<instance_no>10
```

Interpreting the above error message it is safe to assume that the affected service was failing to communicate with the indexserver of one node in the scale-out system. Please note that these errors are usually caused by network problems and should be analyzed by the person responsible for OS or network or the network team of the hardware vendor.

2. In SAP HANA cockpit go to the *Threads* tile and check the column *Thread Status* for Network Poll, Network Read, Network Write.

In case the *Threads* tile in the SAP HANA cockpit shows many threads with the state Network Poll, Network Read or Network Write, this is a first indication that the communication (Network I/O) between the SAP HANA services or nodes is not performing well and a more detailed analysis of the possible root causes is necessary. For more information about SAP HANA threads, see *SAP KBA 2114710 - FAQ: SAP HANA Threads and Thread Samples*.

3. Run SQL: "HANA_Network_Statistics".

As of SAP HANA SPS 10 the view M_HOST_NETWORK_STATISTICS provides SAP HANA host related network figures. The SAP HANA SQL statement collection from *SAP Note 1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA* contains SQL: "HANA_Network_Statistics" which can be used to analyze the network traffic between all nodes within a SAP HANA scale-out system.

Sample Code

```
-----  
-----  
|HOST      |SEG_RECEIVED |BAD_SEG_RCV|BAD_SEG_PCT|SEG_SENT      |SEG_RETRANS |  
RETRANS_PCT|  
-----  
-----  
|hostnam| 163965201|          282|    0.00017| 340922924|  
19520|    0.00572|  
-----  
-----
```

For a detailed documentation of the figures from this output, please refer to the documentation section of the SQL statement SQL: "HANA_Network_Statistics".

4. Run SAP HANA Configuration Mini Checks from *SAP KBA 1999993 - How-To: Interpreting SAP HANA Mini Check Results*.

The "Network" section of the mini-check results contains the following checks:

Sample Code

```
-----  
-----  
|CHID |DESCRIPTION                                |HOST  |VALUE  |  
EXPECTED_VALUE|C|SAP_NOTE |  
-----  
-----  
|**** |NETWORK                                |      |      |  
|      |      |      |      |  
|      |      |      |      |  
| 1510|Avg. intra node send throughput (MB/s) |hostnam|444    |>=  
120  |      |      |      |  
| 1512|Avg. inter node send throughput (MB/s) |hostnam|never  |>=  
80   |      |      |      |
```

1520 Retransmitted TCP segments (%)		0.00571	<=
0.10000	2222200		
1522 Bad TCP segments (%)		0.00017	<=
0.01000	2222200		

The results usually contain an "expected value" (which provides a certain "rule of thumb" value) and a "value" field which represents the actual value recorded on the system. If the recorded value is breaching the limitations defined by the expected value, the "C" column should be flagged with an 'X'. You can then check the note for this item referenced in the column SAP_NOTE.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2114710](#)

[SAP Note 1969700](#)

[SAP Note 1999993](#)

3.19 SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering

Identify and resolve specific performance issues and enhance the performance of SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

i Note

Troubleshooting information for SAP HANA dynamic tiering is in the *SAP HANA Dynamic Tiering: Administration Guide*.

3.19.1 Tools and Tracing

This section gives you an overview of the tools and tracing options available for SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

3.19.1.1 Federation Trace

Federation trace can be turned ON to diagnose most issues with SAP HANA dynamic tiering.

Federation trace generates tracing information in the `indexserver.ini` trace file.

To enable federation trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('trace', 'fedtrace') = 'debug' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```



```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('trace',  
'federationexecution') = 'debug' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

3.19.2 Query Plan Analysis

The query plan shows the various operators involved in the query execution.

Queries referencing both SAP HANA tables and SAP HANA dynamic tiering tables are either:

- Executed in SAP HANA by pulling data from SAP HANA dynamic tiering
- Relocated to SAP HANA dynamic tiering, where the data is pulled from SAP HANA

Generally, since SAP HANA dynamic tiering involves tables with large amounts of data, it may be preferable to use the latter strategy. Another reason to use the latter strategy is when the SAP HANA dynamic tiering table is too large to fit in SAP HANA.

If your query involves both SAP HANA tables and SAP HANA dynamic tiering tables and you are experiencing poor performance, you should review the query plan. Review the visual query plan that shows the timings for various sub-trees. Alternatively, you can query `M_REMOTE_STATEMENTS` to show timing results for query fragments executed on SAP HANA dynamic tiering. If the timing shown is small, and you think the optimizer is shipping the upper limit of query fragments, then SAP HANA dynamic tiering is probably not the cause of the performance problem.

The `Remote Row Scan` operator deals with a query fragment executed by an SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. If this operator is directly under the top-level `Project` node, then the entire query has been either pushed down or relocated to an SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. Generally, relocating the query yields better performance.

Changing the Execution Strategy to Remote

If the execution strategy 'auto' mode is not yielding the best plan, try the following procedure to change the execution strategy from 'auto' to 'remote':

1. Clear the query plan cache.

```
ALTER SYSTEM CLEAR SQL PLAN CACHE;
```

2. Change the execution strategy from 'auto' to 'remote':

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET  
( 'row_engine', 'execution_strategies') = 'remote' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

Changing the Execution Strategy to Auto

If the execution strategy is set to 'auto', then the optimizer chooses the best strategy for executing the query: either relocating the query to SAP HANA dynamic tiering, or executing the query in SAP HANA. In most cases, 'auto' provides best performance.

1. Change the execution strategy from 'remote' to 'auto':

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('row_engine', 'execution_strategies') = 'auto' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

If neither execution strategy improves performance, there may be a capability issue. The query optimizer decides what to push down to SAP HANA dynamic tiering based on the capability supported by the option. If the query deals with some operator, builtin, or other item that SAP HANA dynamic tiering does not understand, then it lets the SAP HANA execution engine compensate for it. Review your query to see if there are any unsupported operators, or builtins and see if you can rewrite the query without them. Finally, you may be missing statistics on the tables that may prevent the optimizer from choosing an optimal query plan.

3.19.2.1 Statistics

Statistics help the query optimizer in choosing the right query plan. Missing statistics may prevent the query optimizer from selecting the optimal query plan.

When no statistics for an extended table are present, the query optimizer assumes the table size to be 1 million rows. If the actual table has significantly different number of rows, then the query plan chosen may not be optimal. To ensure that optimizer has the correct information, we recommend that you create statistics on the extended tables.

SAP HANA currently supports several types of statistics:

- HISTOGRAM** Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer estimate the data distribution in a single-column data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects (HISTOGRAM) are created--one per column specified.
- SIMPLE** Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer calculate basic statistics, such as min, max, null count, count, and distinct count for a single-column data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects are created--one per column specified.
- TOPK** Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer identify the highest-frequency values in a table data source. If you specify multiple columns in `<data_sources>`, then multiple data statistics objects are created--one per column specified.
- SKETCH** Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer estimate the number of distinct values in the data source. A data statistics object is created for the specified `<table_name>(<column-name>, ...)`, which approximates the number of distinct tuples in the projection of the table on the set of specified columns.
- SAMPLE** Creates a sample of data from `<data_source>` that the SQL optimizer can use during optimization. When beneficial, the SQL optimizer generates system SAMPLE data statistics objects automatically on column and row store tables. However, this behavior can incur a cost to performance. You can avoid this cost by creating SAMPLE data statistics objects explicitly (in advance). Creating them explicitly is especially useful in situations where sampling live table data is expensive (for example, very large tables).

RECORD COUNT

Creates a data statistics object that helps the query optimizer calculate the number of records (rows) in a table data source. The RECORD COUNT type is a table-wide statistic. You do not specify columns in `<data_sources>` when creating a RECORD COUNT data statistics object. When beneficial, the SQL optimizer maintains system RECORD COUNT data statistics objects automatically on column and row store tables.

We recommend that simple statistics, at the very least, are present on key columns of extended tables.

3.19.3 Data Loading Performance

SAP HANA dynamic tiering supports all data loading methods for extended tables. This section explores the various mechanisms for inserting data into extended tables, and recommends the optimal loading mechanisms.

In general, SAP HANA dynamic tiering is optimized for batch writes, like SAP HANA. Singleton writes are not the best use case for SAP HANA dynamic tiering, although singleton writes are supported.

3.19.3.1 IMPORT FROM Statement

If you have a CSV file for the data to be loaded, the IMPORT FROM statement is by far the best method for loading data into an SAP HANA dynamic tiering table.

The IMPORT FROM statement is sent directly to the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node for the data load. Currently, IMPORT FROM does not support the THREADS parameter on the import command and hence it is better to break the files into multiple files if you are planning on loading hundreds of millions of rows.

When dealing with a delta-enabled extended table, you can run these IMPORT FROM statements in parallel if required. However, note that this will put heavy demand on the delta memory. Make sure delta memory is appropriately configured. Alternatively, you can do this load serially.

When importing very large amounts of data into an extended table, use multiple files in the same IMPORT FROM statement. Breaking into multiple files for IMPORT FROM yields better performance than a single file import.

3.19.3.2 INSERT Statement with SELECT Statement

If the data is present in another SAP HANA table, then INSERT-SELECT is a better loading method than the IMPORT FROM statement.

The query optimizer tries to relocate the INSERT-SELECT on an extended table to the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node. The SAP HANA dynamic tiering node does a parallel fetch from SAP HANA, thereby speeding up the INSERT-SELECT.

3.19.3.3 Parameterized Array Inserts

Array insert is by far the most optimal mechanism to load data into an extended table.

SAP HANA dynamic tiering converts an array-insert into a LOAD statement on the SAP HANA dynamic tiering node.

Bulk load is controlled by the `bulk_inserts_as_load` and `bulk_load_as_binary` parameters. Both parameters are 'true' by default.

If you need to re-enable the defaults:

1. Re-enable the bulk load mechanism for optimizing array inserts:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('row_engine', 'bulk_inserts_as_load') = 'true' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

2. Re-enable binary load (instead of the ASCII load):

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('esserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET
('row_engine', 'bulk_load_as_binary') = 'true' WITH RECONFIGURE;
```

4 Tools and Tracing

This section gives you an overview of the available tools and tracing options that are available.

4.1 System Performance Analysis

As a first step to resolving SAP HANA performance issues, you can analyze detailed aspects of system performance in the SAP HANA studio on the [Performance](#) tab of the Administration editor.

When analyzing system performance issues, the information provided on the [Performance](#) tab enables you to focus your analysis on the following questions:

- What and how many threads are running, what are they working on, and are any of these threads blocked?
- Are any sessions blocking current transactions?
- Are any operations running for a significantly long time and consuming a lot of resources? If so, when will they be finished?
- How do different hosts compare in terms of performance?

On the [Performance](#) tab, you can take certain actions to improve performance, including canceling the operations that cause blocking situations.

4.1.1 Thread Monitoring

You can monitor all running threads in your system in the Administration editor on the [Performance](#) [Threads](#) sub-tab. It may be useful to see, for example, how long a thread is running, or if a thread is blocked for an inexplicable length of time.

Thread Display

By default, the [Threads](#) sub-tab shows you a list of all currently active threads with the [Group and sort](#) filter applied. This arranges the information as follows:

- Threads with the same connection ID are grouped.
- Within each group, the call hierarchy is depicted (first the caller, then the callee).
- Groups are displayed in order of descending duration.

On big systems with a large number of threads, this arrangement provides you with a more meaningful and clear structure for analysis. To revert to an unstructured view, deselect the [Group and sort](#) checkbox or change the layout in some other way (for example, sort by a column).

Thread Information

Detailed information available on the *Threads* sub-tab includes the following:

- The context in which a thread is used
This is indicated by the thread type. Important thread types are `SqlExecutor` and `PlanExecutor`. `SqlExecutor` threads handle session requests such as statement compilation, statement execution, or result fetching issued by applications on top of SAP HANA. `PlanExecutor` threads are used to process column-store statements and have an `SqlExecutor` thread as their parent.

i Note

With revision 56, `PlanExecutor` threads were replaced by `JobWorker` threads.

i Note

The information in the *Thread Type* column is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- What a thread is currently working on
The information in *Thread Detail*, *Thread Method*, and *Thread Status* columns is helpful for analyzing what a thread is currently working on. In the case of `SqlExecutor` threads, for example, the SQL statement currently being processed is displayed. In the case of `PlanExecutor` threads (or `JobWorker` threads as of revision 56), details about the execution plan currently being processed are displayed.

i Note

The information in the *Thread Detail*, *Thread Method*, and *Thread Status* columns is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- Information about transactionally blocked threads
A transactionally blocked thread is indicated by a warning icon (⚠) in the *Status* column. You can see detailed information about the blocking situation by hovering the cursor over this icon.
A transactionally blocked thread cannot be processed because it needs to acquire a transactional lock that is currently held by another transaction. Transactional locks may be held on records or tables. Transactions can also be blocked waiting for other resources such as network or disk (database or metadata locks). The type of lock held by the blocking thread (record, table, or metadata) is indicated in the *Transactional Lock Type* column.
The lock mode determines the level of access other transactions have to the locked record, table, or database. The lock mode is indicated in the *Transactional Lock Type* column.
Exclusive row-level locks prevent concurrent write operations on the same record. They are acquired implicitly by update and delete operations or explicitly with the `SELECT FOR UPDATE` statement.
Table-level locks prevent operations on the content of a table from interfering with changes to the table definition (such as drop table, alter table). DML operations on the table content require an **intentional exclusive** lock, while changes to the table definition (DDL operations) require an exclusive table lock. There is also a `LOCK TABLE` statement for explicitly locking a table. Intentional exclusive locks can be acquired if no other transaction holds an exclusive lock for the same object. Exclusive locks require that no other transaction holds a lock for the same object (neither intentional exclusive nor exclusive).
For more detailed analysis of blocked threads, information about low-level locks is available in the columns *Lock Wait Name*, *Lock Wait Component* and *Thread ID of Low-Level Lock Owner*. Low-level locks are locks acquired at the thread level. They manage code-level access to a range of resources (for example, internal data structures, network, disk). Lock wait components group low-level locks by engine component or resource.

The *Blocked Transactions* sub-tab provides you with a filtered view of transactionally blocked threads.


Monitoring and Analysis Features

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the *Threads* sub-tab:

- See the full details of a thread by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Show Details*.
- End the operations associated with a thread by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Cancel Operations*.


i Note

This option is not available for threads of external transactions, that is those with a connection ID of -1.

- Jump to the following related objects by right-clicking the thread and choosing *Navigate To > <related object>* 
 - Threads called by and calling the selected thread
 - Sessions with the same connection ID as the selected thread
 - Blocked transactions with the same connection ID as the selected thread
- View the call stack for a specific thread by selecting the *Create call stacks* checkbox, refreshing the page, and then selecting the thread in question.

i Note

The information contained in call stacks is only useful to SAP Support for detailed analysis.

- Activate the expensive statements trace, SQL trace, or performance trace by choosing *Configure Trace > <required trace>* .
The *Trace Configuration* dialog opens with information from the selected thread automatically entered (application and user).

i Note

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

Related Information

[M_SERVICE_THREADS System View](#)

[M_SERVICE_THREAD_SAMPLES System View](#)

[SQL Trace \[page 228\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[Expensive Statements Trace \[page 233\]](#)

4.1.2 Blocked Transaction Monitoring

Blocked transactions, or transactionally blocked threads, can impact application responsiveness. They are indicated in the Administration editor on the **Performance > Threads** tab. You can see another representation of the information about blocked and blocking transactions on the *Blocked Transactions* sub-tab.

Information About Blocked Transactions

Blocked transactions are transactions that are unable to be processed further because they need to acquire transactional locks (record or table locks) that are currently held by another transaction. Transactions can also be blocked waiting for other resources such as network or disk (database or metadata locks).

The type of lock held by the blocking transaction (record, table, or metadata) is indicated in the *Transactional Lock Type* column.

The lock mode determines the level of access other transactions have to the locked record, table, or database. The lock mode is indicated in the *Transactional Lock Type* column.

Exclusive row-level locks prevent concurrent write operations on the same record. They are acquired implicitly by update and delete operations or explicitly with the SELECT FOR UPDATE statement.

Table-level locks prevent operations on the content of a table from interfering with changes to the table definition (such as drop table, alter table). DML operations on the table content require an **intentional exclusive** lock, while changes to the table definition (DDL operations) require an exclusive table lock. There is also a LOCK TABLE statement for explicitly locking a table. Intentional exclusive locks can be acquired if no other transaction holds an exclusive lock for the same object. Exclusive locks require that no other transaction holds a lock for the same object (neither intentional exclusive nor exclusive).

For more detailed analysis of blocked transactions, information about low-level locks is available in the columns *Lock Wait Name*, *Lock Wait Component* and *Thread ID of Low-Level Lock Owner*. Low-level locks are locks acquired at the thread level. They manage code-level access to a range of resources (for example, internal data structures, network, disk). Lock wait components group low-level locks by engine component or resource.

Monitoring and Analysis Features

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the *Blocked Transactions* sub-tab:

- Jump to threads and sessions with the same connection ID as a blocked/blocking transaction by right-clicking the transaction and choosing **Navigate To > <related object>**.
- Activate the performance trace, SQL trace, or expensive statements trace for the blocking transaction (that is the lock holder) by choosing **Configure Trace > <required trace>**. The *Trace Configuration* dialog opens with information from the selected thread automatically entered (application and user).

i Note

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

Related Information

[SQL Trace \[page 228\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[Expensive Statements Trace \[page 233\]](#)

[M_BLOCKED_TRANSACTIONS System View](#)

[M_OBJECT_LOCKS System View](#)

[M_RECORD_LOCKS System View](#)

[M_OBJECT_LOCK_STATISTICS System View](#)

4.1.3 Session Monitoring

You can monitor all sessions in your landscape in the Administration editor on the [Performance > Sessions](#) sub-tab.

Session Information

The [Sessions](#) sub-tab allows you to monitor all sessions in the current landscape. You can see the following information:

- Active/inactive sessions and their relation to applications
- Whether a session is blocked and if so which session is blocking
- The number of transactions that are blocked by a blocking session
- Statistics like average query runtime and the number of DML and DDL statements in a session
- The operator currently being processed by an active session (*Current Operator* column).

i Note

In earlier revisions, you can get this information from the SYS.M_CONNECTIONS monitoring view with the following statement:

```
SELECT CURRENT_OPERATOR_NAME FROM M_CONNECTIONS WHERE CONNECTION_STATUS =  
'RUNNING'
```

→ Tip

To investigate sessions with the connection status RUNNING, you can analyze the SQL statements being processed in the session. To see the statements, ensure that the *Last Executed Statement* and *Current*

Statement columns are visible. You can then copy the statement into the SQL console and analyze it using the *Explain Plan* and *Visualize Plan* features. It is also possible to use the SQL plan cache to understand and analyze SQL processing.

Monitoring and Analysis Features

To support monitoring and analysis, you can perform the following actions on the *Sessions* sub-tab:

- Cancel a session by right-clicking the session and choosing *Cancel Session...*
- Jump to the following related objects by right-clicking the session and choosing **►** *Navigate To* **►** *<related object>* **►**:
 - Threads with the same connection ID as the selected session
 - Blocked transactions with the same connection ID as the selected session
- Activate the performance trace, SQL trace, or expensive statements trace by choosing **►** *Configure Trace* **►** *<required trace>* **►**.

The *Trace Configuration* dialog opens with information from the selected session automatically entered (application and user).

Note

If the SQL trace or expensive statements trace is already running, the new settings overwrite the existing ones. If the performance trace is already running, you must stop it before you can start a new one.

Related Information

[SQL Trace \[page 228\]](#)

[Performance Trace \[page 278\]](#)

[Expensive Statements Trace \[page 233\]](#)

[M_CONNECTIONS System View](#)

[M_TRANSACTIONS System View](#)

4.1.4 Job Progress Monitoring

Certain operations in SAP HANA typically run for a long time and may consume a considerable amount of resources. You can monitor long-running jobs in the Administration editor on the **►** *Performance* **►** *Job Progress* **►** sub-tab.

By monitoring the progress of long-running operations, for example, delta merge operations and data compression, you can determine whether or not they are responsible for current high load, see how far along they are, and when they will finish.

The following information is available, for example:

- Connection that triggered the operation (CONNECTION_ID)
- Start time of the operation (START_TIME)
- Steps of the operation that have already finished (CURRENT_PROGRESS)
- Maximum number of steps in the operation (MAX_PROGRESS)

For more information about the operations that appear on the *Job Progress* sub-tab, see system view M_JOB_PROGRESS.

Related Information

[M_JOB_PROGRESS System View](#)

4.1.5 Load Monitoring

A graphical display of a range of system performance indicators is available in the Administration editor on the **► Performance ► Load ▾** sub-tab.

You can use the load graph for performance monitoring and analysis. For example, you can use it to get a general idea about how many blocked transactions exist now and in the past, or troubleshoot the root cause of slow statement performance.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Troubleshooting and Performance Analysis Guide \[page 5\]](#)

4.2 SQL Statement Analysis

A key step in identifying the source of poor performance is understanding how much time SAP HANA spends on query execution. By analyzing SQL statements and calculating their response times, you can better understand how the statements affect application and system performance.

You can analyze the response time of SQL statements with the following traces:

- SQL trace
From the trace file, you can analyze the response time of SQL statements.
- Expensive statements trace
On the **► Performance ► Expensive Statements Trace ▾** tab, you can view a list of all SQL statements that exceed a specified response time.

In addition to these traces, you can analyze the SQL plan cache, which provides a statistical overview of what statements are executed in the system.

4.2.1 Analyzing SQL Traces

The SQL trace allows you to analyze the response time of SQL statements within an object.

Procedure

1. In the Administration editor, choose the *Trace Configuration* trace and edit the SQL trace.
2. In the *Trace Configuration* dialog box, specify a name for the trace file, set the trace status to *Active*, and specify the required trace and user filters.
3. Choose *Finish*.
4. Run the application or SQL statements you want to trace.
5. Re-open the SQL trace configuration and set the trace status to *Inactive*.
6. Choose *Finish*.
7. Choose the *Diagnosis Files* tab and open the trace file you created.
8. Choose *Show Entire File*.
9. Analyze the response time of the relevant SQL statements to identify which statements negatively affect performance.

The SQL statements in the trace file are listed in order of execution time. To calculate the response time of a specific SQL statement, calculate the difference between the times given for `# tracing PrepareStatement_execute call` and `# tracing finished PrepareStatement_execute`.

4.2.1.1 SQL Trace

The SQL trace collects information about all SQL statements executed on the index server (tenant database) or name server (system database) and saves it in a trace file for further analysis. The SQL trace is inactive by default.

Information collected by the SQL trace includes overall execution time of each statement, the number of records affected, potential errors (for example, unique constraint violations) that were reported, the database connection being used, and so on. The SQL trace is a good starting point for understanding executed statements and their potential effect on the overall application and system performance, as well as for identifying potential performance bottlenecks at statement level.

SQL Trace Files

SQL trace information is saved as an executable python program (by default `sqltrace_<...>.py`), which can be used to replay the traced database operations. You can also use the SQL Trace Analyzer tool to automate the analysis of the file.

Enabling and Configuring the SQL Trace

You can enable and configure the SQL trace in the SAP HANA database explorer or SAP HANA studio. Alternatively, you can modify the parameters in the `sqltrace` section of the `indexserver.ini` (tenant database) or `nameserver.ini` (system database).

❁ Example

Use the following statement to enable the SQL trace:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ALTER CONFIGURATION ('indexserver.ini', 'SYSTEM') SET ('sqltrace', 'trace') = 'on' WITH RECONFIGURE
```

→ Recommendation

Do not leave the SQL trace enabled all the time as writing trace files consumes storage space on the disk and can impact database performance significantly.

Trace Levels

You can set the level for the SQL trace by changing the value of the configuration parameter `[sqltrace] level` in the `indexserver.ini` file (tenant database) or `nameserver.ini` file (system database). Trace information includes details such as executed timestamp, thread ID, connection ID, and statement ID.

Trace Level	Description
NORMAL	All statements that have finished successfully are traced.
ERROR	All statements that returned errors are traced.
ERROR_ROLLBACK	All statements that are rolled back are traced.
ALL	All statements including status of normal, error, and rollback are traced.
ALL_WITH_RESULTS	In addition to the trace generated with trace level ALL, the result returned by select statements is also included in the trace file.

i Note

An SQL trace that includes results can quickly become very large.

⚠ Caution

An SQL trace that includes results may expose security-relevant data, for example, query result sets.

Trace Details

You can configure trace detail information by setting the parameter `[sqltrace] details`. You can select one or more categories of information to include in the trace, for example: `'basic,resource_consumption'`. Possible values are listed in the following table. Note that for resource consumption information (this is also included in the 'all' option) the following two parameters in the `global.ini` file `[resource_tracking]` section, must be set to 'on':

- `enable_tracking`
- `memory_tracking`

You may also wish to limit the maximum memory allocation per statement by setting a value for the `[memorymanager] statement_memory_limit` parameter in the `global.ini` file. Set this to 5, for example, to apply a limit of 5GB.

Trace Details	Description
basic	Connection information and statement information (default)
all	Include all comments of connection and statement
user_variables	User-defined variables in the session context
statement	Statement information such as executed timestamp, thread ID, connection ID, statement ID, statement hash and duration
session_variables	System-defined variables in the session context
resource_consumption	Statement resource consumption information such as local (+remote, if available) cpu-time and memory-size.
passport	Decoded passport contents
connection	Connection information such as session ID, transaction ID, client PID, client IP, user name, schema name, and session variable:value pairs
"empty"	Trace without these comments

Additional Configuration Options

Option	Configuration Parameter	Default	Description
Trace file name	<code>tracefile</code>	<code>sqltrace_</code> <code>\$HOST_</code> <code>{PORT}_</code> <code>{COUNT:</code> <code>3}.py</code>	<p>User-specific name for the trace file</p> <p>If you do not enter a user-specific file name, the file name is generated according to the following default pattern:</p> <p><code>DB_<dbname>/sqltrace_</code> <code>\$HOST_</code> <code>{PORT}_</code> <code>{COUNT:3}.py</code>, where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>DB_<dbname></code> is the sub-directory where the trace file is written if you are running on a tenant database • <code>\$HOST</code> is the host name of the service (for example, <code>indexserver</code>) • <code>\$PORT</code> is the port number of the service • <code>\$COUNT:3</code> is an automatically generated 3-digit number starting with 000 that increments by 1 and serves as a file counter when several files are created.
User, application, object, and statement filters	<code>user</code> <hr/> <code>application_user</code> <hr/> <code>application</code> <hr/> <code>object</code> <hr/> <code>statement_type</code>	Empty string	<p>Filters to restrict traced statements to those of particular database or application users and applications, as well as to certain statement types and specific objects (tables, views, procedures).</p> <p>All statements matching the filter criteria are recorded and saved to the specified trace file.</p> <p>For <code>user</code>, <code>application_user</code>, and <code>application</code> the use of wildcards is supported (see following subsection <i>Using Wildcards</i>).</p>
Flush limit	<code>flush_interval</code>	16	<p>During tracing, the messages of a connection are buffered. As soon as the flush limit number of messages is buffered (or if the connection is closed), those messages are written to the trace file.</p> <p>When set to 0, every SQL trace statement is immediately written to the trace file</p>

Using Wildcards

If you apply filters for the `user`, `application_user`, and `application` parameters, the use of wildcards and exceptions is also supported. The asterisk wildcard character denotes any number of characters and the exclamation mark denotes an exclusion. For example:

```
user=SM*, JONES, !GREEN, !BRO*
```

In this case all users starting with SM will be traced, JONES will be traced, user GREEN will not be traced and all users starting with BRO will not be traced. If terms in the string conflict with each other then the sequence in which the terms occur determines the result. In the following example user SMALL will be traced in spite of the exclusion; the exclusion is ignored because it occurs after the first wildcard.

```
user=SM*, JONES, !SMALL, !BRO*
```

Trace File Rotation

The size and number of trace files are controlled by the following parameters.

Parameter	Default	Description
<code>max_files</code>	1	Sets the maximum number of trace files
<code>filesize_limit</code>	1610612736 (or 1.5 GB)	Sets the maximum size of an individual trace file in bytes

⚠ Caution

If both the maximum number of files and the maximum file size are reached, SQL tracing stops. If this happens, you can increase the values of `max_files` and `filesize_limit`. See SAP Note 2629103.

SAP HANA SQL Trace Analyzer

SAP HANA SQL trace analyzer is a Python tool you can use to analyze the HANA SQL trace output. The tool gives you an overview of the top SQL statements, the tables accessed, statistical information on different statement types and on transactions executed.

For more information about the installation and usage of SAP HANA SQL trace analyzer, see SAP Knowledge Base Article 2412519 *FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Trace Analyzer*.

Related Information

[Diagnosis Files](#)

[SAP Note 2412519](#)

[SAP Note 2629103](#)

4.2.2 Analyzing Expensive Statements Traces

The expensive statements trace allows you to identify which SQL statements require a significant amount of time and resources.

Procedure

1. In the Administration editor, choose the *Trace Configuration* trace and edit the expensive statements trace.
2. In the *Trace Configuration* dialog box, set the trace status to *Active* and specify a threshold execution time in microseconds.

The system will identify any statements that exceed this threshold as expensive statements.

3. Choose *Finish*.
4. Run the application or SQL statements you want to trace.
5. Choose the ► *Performance* ► *Expensive Statements Trace* ► tab.
6. Analyze the displayed information to identify which statements negatively affected performance.

For each SQL statement, the following columns are especially useful for determining the statement's impact on performance:

- START_TIME
- DURATION_MICROSEC
- OBJECT_NAME (names of the objects accessed)
- STATEMENT_STRING
- CPU_TIME

4.2.2.1 Expensive Statements Trace

Expensive statements are individual SQL statements whose execution time exceeds a configured threshold. The expensive statements trace records information about these statements for further analysis and is inactive by default.

If, in addition to activating the expensive statements trace, you enable per-statement memory tracking, the expensive statements trace will also show the peak memory size used to execute the expensive statements.

Expensive Statements Trace Information

If you have the TRACE ADMIN privilege, then you can view expensive statements trace information in the following ways:

- In the *Expensive Statements* app of the SAP HANA cockpit
- In the *Statement Library* in SAP HANA database explorer by searching for *Expensive Statements Analysis*.
- In the M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS system view

Enabling and Configuring the Expensive Statements Trace

You can enable and activate the expensive statements trace in the SAP HANA cockpit or the SAP HANA database explorer. Alternatively, you can modify the parameters in the `expensive_statement` section of the `global.ini` configuration file.

Configuration Options

i Note

The following table shows the configuration parameters which are available; not all of these may be available in the SAP HANA cockpit or the SAP HANA database explorer.

Option	Configuration Parameter	Default Value	Description
Trace status	enable	off	Specifies the activation status of the trace.
Threshold CPU time	threshold_cpu_time	-1 (disabled)	<p>Specifies the threshold CPU time of statement execution in microseconds.</p> <p>When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>i Note</p> <p>Resource tracking and CPU time tracking must also be enabled. You can do this by configuring the corresponding parameters in the <code>resource_tracking</code> section of the <code>global.ini</code> file.</p> </div>
Threshold memory	threshold_memory	-1 (disabled)	<p>Specifies the threshold memory usage of statement execution in bytes.</p> <p>When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>i Note</p> <p>Resource tracking and memory tracking must also be enabled. You can do this by configuring the corresponding parameters in the <code>resource_tracking</code> section of the <code>global.ini</code> file.</p> </div>
Threshold duration	threshold_duration	1000000 (microseconds = 1 second)	<p>Specifies the threshold execution time in microseconds.</p> <p>When set to 0, all SQL statements are traced. In the SAP HANA database explorer, you can set the threshold duration to be measured in seconds or milliseconds.</p>
User, application, and object filters	<hr/> user <hr/> application_user <hr/> application <hr/> object	Empty string	<p>Specifies filters to restrict traced statements to those of a particular database, application user, application, or tables/views. For <code>user</code>, <code>application_user</code>, and <code>application</code> the use of wildcards is supported (see following subsection <i>Using Wildcards</i>).</p>

Option	Configuration Parameter	Default Value	Description
Passport trace level	<code>passport_tracelevel</code>	Empty string	<p>If you are activating the expensive statements trace as part of an end-to-end trace scenario with the Process Monitoring Infrastructure (PMI), you can specify the passport trace level as an additional filter.</p> <p>This means that only requests that are marked with a passport of the specified level are traced.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>i Note</p> <p>Process tracing is possible only for components in the ABAP and Business Objects stacks.</p> </div>
Trace parameter values	<code>trace_parameter_values</code>	true	In SQL statements, field values may be specified as parameters (using a "?" in the syntax). If these parameter values are not required, then you can disable this setting to reduce the amount of data traced.
Trace flush interval	<code>trace_flush_interval</code>	10	Specifies the number of records after which a trace file is flushed.
Use in-memory tracing	<code>use_in_memory_tracing</code>	true	If in-memory tracing is active, then information is cached in memory. Otherwise, the data is written directly to file.
In-memory tracing records	<code>in_memory_tracing_records</code>	30000	<p>Specifies the maximum number of trace records (per service) stored in memory.</p> <p>This setting only takes effect when in memory tracing is active.</p>

Using Wildcards

If you apply filters for the `user`, `application_user`, and `application` parameters, the use of wildcards and exceptions is also supported. The asterisk wildcard character denotes any number of characters and the exclamation mark denotes an exclusion. For example:

```
user=SM*, JONES, !GREEN, !BRO*
```

In this case all users starting with SM will be traced, JONES will be traced, user GREEN will not be traced and all users starting with BRO will not be traced. If terms in the string conflict with each other then the sequence in which the terms occur determines the result. In the following example user SMALL will be traced in spite of the exclusion; the exclusion is ignored because it occurs after the first wildcard.

```
user=SM*, JONES, !SMALL, !BRO*
```

Trace File Rotation

To prevent expensive statement trace information from growing indefinitely, you can limit the size and number of trace files using the following parameters in `expensive_statement` of `global.ini`.

Parameter	Default	Description
<code>maxfiles</code>	10	<p>Specifies the maximum number of trace files.</p> <p>When the maximum number of trace files reached, the oldest trace file is deleted and a new one opened.</p> <p>When set to 0, trace file rotation is disabled.</p>
<code>maxfilesize</code>	10000000 (or 9.5 megabytes)	<p>Specifies the maximum size of an individual trace file in bytes.</p> <p>When the maximum number of files is greater than 1 and the maximum file size is reached, a new trace file is opened.</p> <p>When the maximum number of files is 1, the maximum file size is greater than zero, and the maximum file size is reached, the trace file is deleted and a new one opened.</p>

Related Information

[Setting a Memory Limit for SQL Statements \[page 72\]](#)

[Monitoring and Analyzing Expensive Statements \(SAP HANA Cockpit\)](#)

[Expensive Statements Monitoring \(SAP HANA Studio\)](#)

[M_EXPENSIVE_STATEMENTS System View](#)

[SAP Note 2180165](#) 

4.2.3 Analyzing SQL Execution with the SQL Plan Cache

The SQL plan cache is a valuable tool for understanding and analyzing SQL processing.

Before it is executed, every SQL statement is compiled to a plan. Once a plan has been compiled it is better to reuse it the next time the same statement is executed rather than compiling a new plan every time. The SAP HANA database provides an object, the SQL plan cache, that stores plans generated from previous executions. Whenever the execution of a statement is requested, an SQL procedure checks the SQL plan cache to see if there is a plan already compiled. If a match is found, the cached plan is reused. If not, the statement is compiled and the newly generated plan is cached.

As the SQL plan cache collects statistics on the preparation and execution of SQL statements it is an important tool for understanding and analyzing SQL processing. For example, it can help you to find slow queries as well as to measure the overall performance of your system.

Various options are available for analyzing the plan cache for a statement:

- In SAP HANA cockpit the link for [SQL Plan Cache](#) is available in the [Monitoring](#) group.
- In SAP HANA studio [SQL Plan Cache](#) is a sub-tab of the [Performance](#) tab.
- The two system views associated with the SQL plan cache are M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE.

The SQL plan cache contains a lot of information. Filtering according to the following columns can help you identify statements that are more likely to be causing problems and/or could be optimized:

Column	Description
TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME	The total time spent for all executions of a plan This helps to identify which statements are dominant in terms of time.
AVG_EXECUTION_TIME	The average time it takes to execute a plan execution This can help you identify long-running SQL statements.
EXECUTION_COUNT	The number of times a plan has been executed This can help you identify SQL statements that are executed more frequently than expected.
TOTAL_LOCK_WAIT_COUNT	The total number of waiting locks This can help you identify SQL statements with high lock contention.
USER_NAME	The name of the user who prepared the plan and therefore where the SQL originated (ABAP/index server/statistics server)

For a full list of all SQL cache columns including descriptions, see the documentation for the system views M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_OVERVIEW and M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference*. Refer also to the sections on Managing the Performance of SAP HANA in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Related Information

[Managing and Monitoring SAP HANA Performance](#)
[SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide for SAP HANA Platform](#)
[SQL Plan Cache Analysis \[page 172\]](#)

4.3 Query Plan Analysis

In SAP HANA, to identify queries that are inefficiently processed, you can both technically and logically analyze the steps SAP HANA took to process those queries.

From a technical perspective, analyzing query plans allows you to identify long running steps, understand how much data is processed by the operators, and see whether data is processed in parallel. However, if you

understand the idea and purpose behind the query, you can also analyze query plans from a logical perspective and consider questions such as:

- Does SAP HANA read data from multiple tables when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read all records when only one is required?
- Does SAP HANA read the best table, possibly a large table even though another table has a much smaller result set?

To gain the insight you need to answer such questions, the following tools are available for query plan analysis:

- Plan explanation
- Plan visualization

Both tools are available as SQL commands but are also integrated into administration tools. Refer to SAP Note 2073964 - *Create & Export PlanViz in HANA Studio* for an introduction to using PlanViz in SAP HANA studio.

→ Tip

In some releases of HANA 1 and early releases of HANA 2 there were a number of known issues related to the Plan visualization trace, these are documented in the KBA 2119087 - *How-To: Configuring SAP HANA Traces* (section 'PlanViz / Execution trace'). To avoid any issues you can use Explain Plan as an alternative to Plan Visualization trace.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2119087](#)

[SAP Note 2073964](#)

4.3.1 Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation

You can generate a plan explanation for any SQL statement and use this to evaluate the execution plan; you may be able to use this information to optimize the query by reducing the run time or the memory consumption.

The Explain Plan can be collected in several different ways:

- By running the EXPLAIN PLAN SQL statement
- In the SQL console of SAP HANA studio
- From within DBACOCKPIT.

Running EXPLAIN PLAN from the SQL Command Line

The SQL command offers two options: to capture the results directly from the query or capture from an existing entry in the plan cache. The results of these two options may vary because in the first case Explain Plan is based on the prepared SQL statement not on the executed statement. If, on the other hand, you run Explain Plan for a statement which has been executed and is available in the cache, then additional parameter aware optimization will already have been applied. See also SAP Note 2410208 - *Collect Explain Plan of a Prepared Statement*.

After running Explain Plan, the plan results are saved in the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE. An additional option available is to give the plan details a recognizable name (STATEMENT_NAME value) so that your results are easily identifiable, see the following example.

The SQL syntax for the two options is as follows:

```

Code Syntax

EXPLAIN PLAN [SET STATEMENT_NAME = '<statement_name>'] FOR SELECT '<subquery>'

EXPLAIN PLAN [SET STATEMENT_NAME = '<statement_name>'] FOR SQL PLAN CACHE
ENTRY '<sql_plan_id>'

```

- <statement_name>** String literal. Used to identify the name of a specific execution plan in the output table for a given SQL statement. It is set to NULL if the STATEMENT_NAME is not specified.
- <subquery>** An SQL statement.
- <sql_plan_id>** An SQL plan id (in sql plan cache).

The following illustration shows the usage of the two options and the statement name value:

```

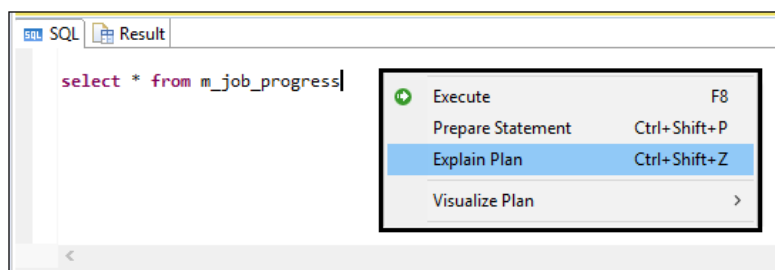
explain plan SET STATEMENT_NAME = 'MyStatement01' for select * from m_job_progress;
explain plan SET STATEMENT_NAME = 'MyStatement02' for SQL PLAN CACHE ENTRY 16370003;
select * from EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE;

```

	STATEMENT_NAME	OPERATOR_NAME	OPERATOR_DETAILS	OPERATOR_PROPERTIES	EXECUTION_ENGINE
1	MyStatement01	ROW SEARCH	M_JOB_PROGRESS.HOST, M_JOB_PROGRESS.PORT,...	ATTACHED HINT LIST (NO_...	ROW
2	MyStatement01	MATERIALIZED UNION ...	(M_JOB_PROGRESS_HOST, M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATIS...		ROW
3	MyStatement01	MATERIALIZED UNIO...	(M_JOB_PROGRESS_SCHEMA_NAME, M_JOB_PRO...		ROW
4	MyStatement01	MONITOR SCAN			ROW
5	MyStatement01	MATERIALIZED	M_JOB_PROGRESS_SCHEMA_NAME, M_JOB_PROG...	PARALLELIZED	ROW
6	MyStatement01	MONITOR SCAN			ROW
7	MyStatement01	AGGREGATION	GROUPING: M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATISTICS.HOST, M_...		ROW
8	MyStatement01	MATERIALIZED UNIO...	(M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATISTICS.OPERATION, M_DEV_...		ROW
9	MyStatement01	MONITOR SEARCH	SEARCH CONDITION: (M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATISTICS...		ROW
10	MyStatement01	MATERIALIZED	M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATISTICS.OPERATION, M_DEV_C...	PARALLELIZED	ROW
11	MyStatement01	MONITOR SEARCH	SEARCH CONDITION: (M_DEV_CS_DDL_STATISTICS...		ROW
12	MyStatement02	ROW SEARCH	M_DATA_VOLUME_SUPERBLOCK_STATISTICS.VOLU...	PRECOMPILED, ATTACHED ...	ROW
13	MyStatement02	MONITOR SEARCH	SEARCH CONDITION: (M_DATA_VOLUME_SUPERBL...		ROW

Explain Plan in SAP HANA Studio

Enter a statement in the SQL console of SAP HANA studio and before executing the command choose *Explain Plan* in the context menu. You can enter multiple statements separated by a semicolon to generate several plan explanations at once.



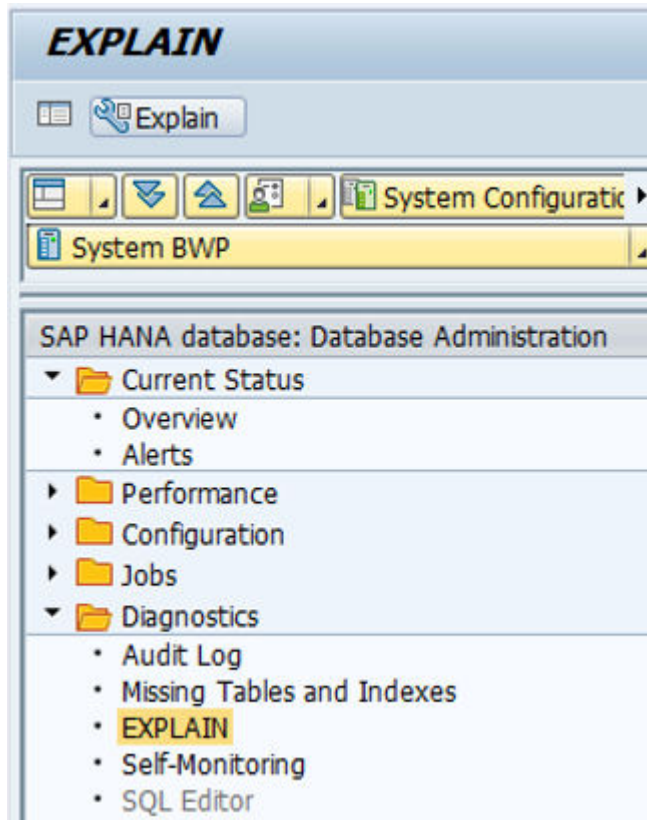
The plan explanation is then displayed on the *Result* tab and stored in the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE view of the SYS schema for later examination.

Explain Plan in DBACOCKPIT

The Explain Plan results can also be collected from transaction DBACOCKPIT on the application server:

i Note

From DBACOCKPIT you will only see partial information on the explain plan, in the output you will see the Operations executed and the order they were executed in but not the information on cost and table size estimations (OUTPUT_SIZE and SUBTREE_COST). It is possible to get this missing information by taking the executed statement from the plan cache and executing the statement again.



How to use the Explain Plan to optimize a query:

The execution plan shows important detailed information on the query execution and the background operations. Some of the key values are described briefly here and in the examples which follow, refer to the EXPLAIN_PLAN_TABLE system view in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference* for full details.

Area	Detail
Operation details	The OPERATOR_NAME value shows the type of operation which was executed, such as joins, unions, aggregations and so on. Operations depend on the engine used - essentially row engine or column engine. Dependencies are shown by indentation - see examples below.
Engine	The type of engine where an operator is executed is shown in the EXECUTION_ENGINE column: ROW, COLUMN, OLAP, HEX, ESX.
Table details	Table details include table name, type, size, tables or objects which were accessed.
Estimated cost	Cost values include the estimated output row count (OUTPUT_SIZE) and the estimated time in seconds (SUBTREE_COST).

Example 1

The following illustrations and commentary show how the information returned can be used.

We can see the OUTPUT_SIZE and SUBTREE_COST estimations for the various operations. The cost value is used for the cost-based optimizer to choose the best plan; generally, the smaller the subtree cost, the better the performance.

We can see that for the operations 1-13 the ROW store engine is used and that the operations 1-5 are executed sequentially (OPERATOR_NAME values indented incrementally) and that operations 6-11 are executed in parallel (left-aligned together):

	OPERATOR_NAME	OPERATOR_DETAILS	EXECUTION_ENGINE	OUTPUT_SIZE	SUBTREE_COST
1	ROW SEARCH	CASE WHEN M.NAME = 'BLANK_LINE' THEN '' WHEN M.NAME = 'INF	ROW	51,704.08267874683	23.920781202417444
2	ORDER BY	M.CHECK_NUM ASC, M.HOST ASC, M.VALUE ASC	ROW	51,704.08267874683	23.623629985412528
3	WINDOW	WINDOW FUNC: ROW_NUMBER() PARTITIONING: CC.DESCRPTION SC	ROW	51,704.08267874683	23.475323299225547
4	HASH JOIN	HASH BUILD: RIGHT, JOIN CONDITION: C.NAME = CC.NAME	ROW	51,704.08267874683	23.215853825382872
5	MATERIALIZED UNIC	('REVISION_LEVEL','CHECK_VERSION','BLANK_LINE','INFO_LINE','EVERY	ROW	64,486.88426564908	23.141403564309815
6	MONITOR SCAN	FILTER CONDITION: M_SYSTEM_OVERVIEW.SECTION = 'System' AND N	ROW	4	0.00562217602999...
7	TABLE SCAN		ROW	1	0.00000041000000...
8	TABLE SCAN		ROW	1	0.00000041000000...
9	TABLE SCAN		ROW	1	0.00000041000000...
10	MONITOR SCAN	FILTER CONDITION: M_SYSTEM_OVERVIEW.SECTION = 'Services' AND I	ROW	4	0.00562217602999...
11	HASH JOIN	HASH BUILD: RIGHT, JOIN CONDITION: M_HOST_INFORMATION.HOS	ROW	216.7999999999999...	0.01154428522523...
12	MONITOR SCAN	FILTER CONDITION: M_HOST_INFORMATION.KEY = 'cpu_clock'	ROW	200	0.00564221849999...
13	MONITOR SCAN	FILTER CONDITION: M_HOST_INFORMATION.KEY = 'os_name' AND (M	ROW	54.1999999999999...	0.00562730935649...

Possible Optimizations

In this example, it may be possible to adjust the query so that more steps can be executed in parallel, or it may be possible to change the query operations so that the column store engine is used instead of the row store engine if a similar operator exists for the column store engine. You can use query hints to influence how a query is executed, for example, the hint `use_olap_plan` will force the HANA database to use the OLAP engine instead of the join engine where this is technically possible. The available hints for the SAP HANA database are described in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference*.

Refer also to the knowledge base article 2142945 - FAQ: SAP HANA Hints.

Example 2

In the following example lines we can see the execution engine switching between column and row store:

OPERATOR_NAME	OPERATOR_DETAILS	EXECUTION_ENG	TABLE_TYPE	TABLE_SIZE	OUTPUT_SIZE
HASH JOIN	HASH BUILD: RIGHT, JOIN CONDITION: R.ALERT_ID	ROW	?	?	72.0846518061868
UNION ALL	(STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE.SNAPSHOT_ID, STATISTI	ROW	?	?	240.0000000000000...
BTREE INDEX JOIN	INDEX NAME: _SYS_TREE_RS_#145809_#0_#P0, IND	ROW	ROW TABLE	96	239.0000000000000...
COLUMN SEARCH	STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE.SNAPSHOT_ID, STATISTI	COLUMN	?	1,402	239.0000000000000...
COLUMN TABLE	FILTER CONDITION: STATISTICS_ALERTS.ALERT_RA	COLUMN	COLUMN ...	1,402	239.0000000000000...
BTREE INDEX JOIN	INDEX NAME: _SYS_TREE_RS_#145809_#0_#P0, IND	ROW	ROW TABLE	96	1
COLUMN SEARCH	STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE.SNAPSHOT_ID, STATISTI	COLUMN	?	1,402	1
COLUMN TABLE	FILTER CONDITION: STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE.ALE	COLUMN	COLUMN ...	1,402	1
DISTINCT	GROUPING: UNION_COL0, UNION_COL1	ROW	?	?	72.0846518061868
MATERIALIZED UNION ALL	(MAX(STATISTICS_ALERTS.SNAPSHOT_ID), STATIST	ROW	?	?	73.89594821564769
AGGREGATION	GROUPING: STATISTICS_ALERTS.ALERT_ID, AGGRE	ROW	?	?	16
UNION ALL	(MAX(STATISTICS_ALERTS_BASE.SNAPSHOT_ID), M	ROW	?	?	17

Where possible an engine switch should be avoided as it requires a materialization of intermediate results and this is expensive in terms of both query performance and memory usage on HANA. It may be possible therefore to optimize this query by adjusting it to avoid the engine switch.

For more information about optimization possibilities refer to:

- The examples given in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference*
- Knowledge base article 2000002 - *FAQ: SAP HANA SQL Optimization*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2142945](#)

[SAP Note 2410208](#)

[SAP Note 2000002](#)

4.3.2 Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Visualizer

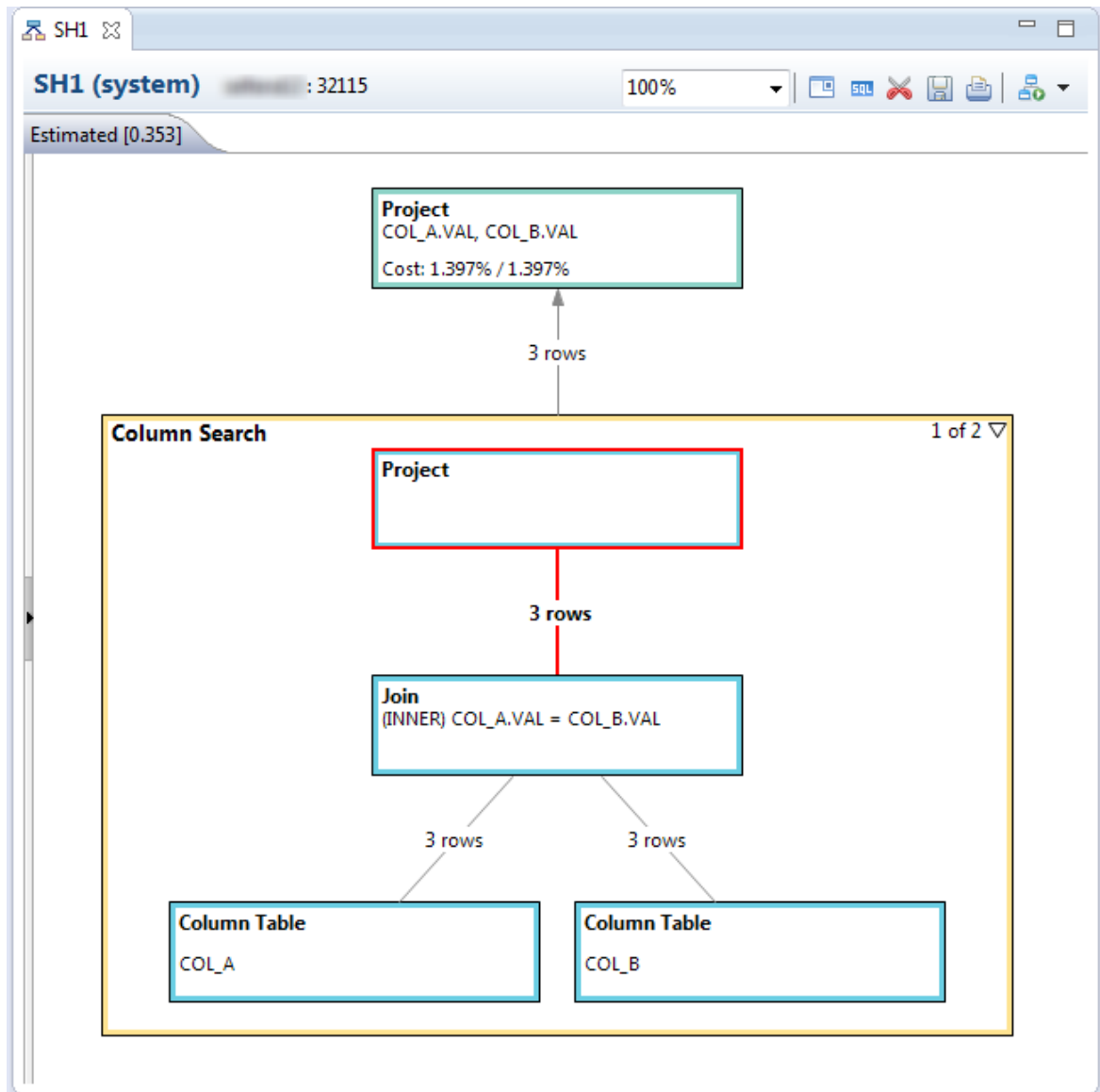
To help you understand and analyze the execution plan of an SQL statement, you can generate a graphical view of the plan.

Procedure

1. Visualize the plan of the SQL statement in one of the following ways:
 - a. Enter the statement in the SQL console and choose *Visualize Plan* in the context menu.
 - b. On the *SQL Plan Cache* tab or the *Expensive Statements Trace* tab of the *Performance* tab, right-click the statement and choose *Visualize Plan*.

A graphical representation of the query, with estimated performance, is displayed.

Visualized Plan



2. Validate the estimated performance by choosing *Execute Plan* in the context menu. Or use the shortcut key F8

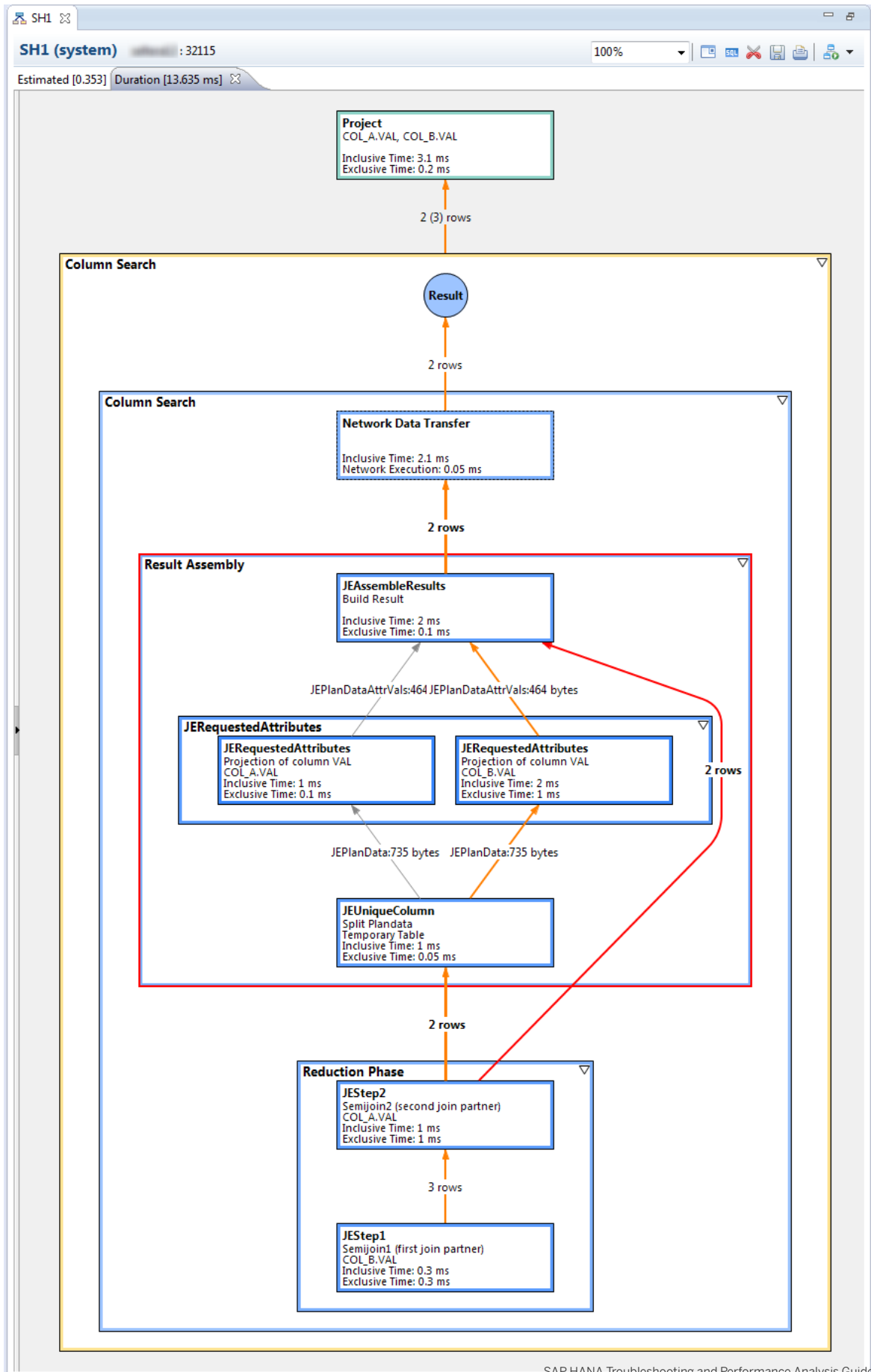
Another similar high-level graphic is generated with execution time information for each of the parts.

As of SPS 9, by default, a gray color indicates that the operator is not physical, meaning the operator simply exists to give a more structured graph display.

Almost all of these non-physical operators can be removed from the graph if you prefer, by selecting 'None' for the 'Node Grouping' option provided on the left of the graph.

Note: You can change the colors for each operator type under **Window > Preferences > SAP HANA > PlanViz > Graph > Appearance**.

Executed Plan



i Note

Execution time is given as a pair of values: "Exclusive" (the execution time of the node), and "Inclusive" (the execution time including the descendent nodes).

Results

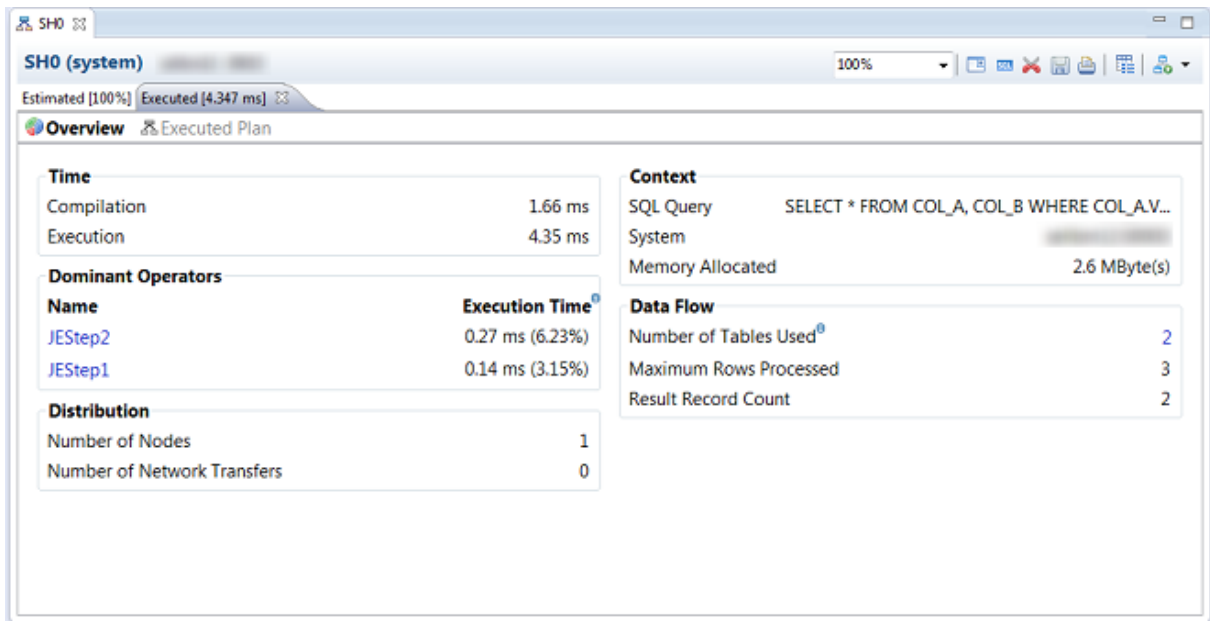
This graphic is a very powerful tool for studying performance of queries on SAP HANA databases. You can explore the graphic further, for example, you can expand, collapse, or rearrange nodes on the screen. You can also save the graphic as an image or XML file, for example, so you can submit it as part of a support query.

4.3.2.1 Overview Page

Visualization of execution plans will automatically display an 'Overview' page

Starting from SPS 09 (client version), visualization of execution plans will automatically display an 'Overview' page as you can see in the screenshot below. Some important KPIs required to begin a performance analysis are provided so that you can first get a big picture of what is going on before going into the complex details.

Overview Page



The following table describes the nature of each KPI:

KPI	Description	Comment
Compilation	Initial compilation time	

KPI	Description	Comment
Execution	Total duration of the query excluding compilation time	
Dominant Operators	Operators sorted by their execution time (top 3)	You can click on any operator name to move to the corresponding visualized operator in the graph
Number of Nodes	Number of servers involved in the execution	You can click on the value to see how much time was spent in each node
Number of Network Transfers	Total number of network transfers that have occurred during execution	You can click on the value to open 'Network View' which visualizes the transfers in more detail
Dominant Network Transfers	Network transfers sorted by their execution time (top 3)	You can click on any network transfer to move to the corresponding visualized transfer in the graph. Note: This section only appears if the query was executed in a distributed environment.
SQL Query	The statement that was executed	
System	The system where the execution occurred (that is, where final results are fetched)	
Memory Allocated	Total memory allocated for executing the statement	
Number of Tables Used	Total number of tables touched upon by any operator during execution	You can click on the value to open the 'Tables Used View' for more detail regarding each table
Maximum Rows Processed	The largest number of rows processed by any single operator	
Result Record Count	The final result record count	

4.3.2.2 Statement Statistics

Visualization of execution plans for procedures displays a set of statistics for each SQL statement involved in a procedure.

Context

This set of statistics is automatically visualized when a procedure is executed and it provides a good starting point for analyzing performance of procedures as it lets you easily drill-down into the most expensive SQL statements. Basic information such as execution count, execution/compile time, allocated memory size and so

on are provided for each statement so that you can sort the column (criterion) of interest to find the most expensive statement.

The following pieces of information are available: SQL Statement, Line Number, Execution Count, Execution Times, Compilation Times, Memory Allocated, Result Record Count, Explain Plan Result, and Procedure Comment


SQL	Line #	Execution Count	Total Execution Time (ms)
call p6(600 + 45, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?)		1	262.18
{ call "P1" (?, ?) }		1	19.48
SELECT "A" FROM "T1" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	3	1	0.18
{ call "P2" (?, ?, ?, ?) }		1	53.77
{ call "P1" (?, ?) }		1	16.20
SELECT "A" FROM "T1" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_N	3	1	0.17
SELECT "A" FROM "T2" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	3	1	0.18
SELECT "A" FROM "T3" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	5	1	0.18
{ call "P3" (?, ?, ?, ?) }		1	26.71
SELECT "A" FROM "T1" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	3	1	0.18
SELECT "A" FROM "T2" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	4	1	0.18
SELECT "A" FROM "T3" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_I	5	1	0.19
{ call "P5" (?, ?) }		1	44.80
{ call "P4" (?, ?) }		1	35.74
{ call "P1" (?, ?) }		1	17.83
SELECT "A" FROM "T1" WITH HINT (DEV_PRO	3	1	0.17
SELECT "A" FROM "T7" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_INLI	4	1	0.18
SELECT "A" FROM "T8" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_INLI	6	1	0.17
SELECT "A" FROM "T9" WITH HINT (DEV_PROC_NO_INLI	8	1	0.18

Statement Statistics view

By right-clicking on any element of the SQL statement, you will have access to these menus:

- Show Plan in Graph: Displays the execution plan corresponding to the selected statement in the context of entire plan.
- Show Plan in New Window: Displays the execution plan corresponding to the selected statement ONLY in a separate pop-up window.
- Execute Statement: Enables users to reproduce the execution of a single statement

Note

To use this feature, the 'Keep Temp Tables' button () located on the top-right corner of a graph editor (Plan Visualizer) must be toggled before obtaining the executed plan of the procedure under analysis.

Procedure

1. Open an SQL Console
2. Enter any procedure into the console and choose Visualize Plan from the context menu.
3. Choose F8 to see executed plan from the visualized plan.

Statement Statistics will be shown automatically and it will list all the statements that were involved in the procedure. You can use this view to drill down to the potential root-cause of a long running procedure. For example you might detect a single statement that takes up most of the time and check whether this is indeed expected or notice that an identical statement is repeatedly executed with varying statistics (for example, big gap between minimum execution time and maximum execution time).

4.3.2.3 Timeline View

The Timeline view provides a complete overview of the execution plan based on visualization of sequential time-stamps.

Context

The following pieces of information are available in the view:

- X-axis: time elapsed since query execution,
- Y-axis: list of operators
- Duration of each operator execution represented by rectangular bars
- The nature of each time-stamp (for example, open, fetch, close, and so on.)

The view supports:

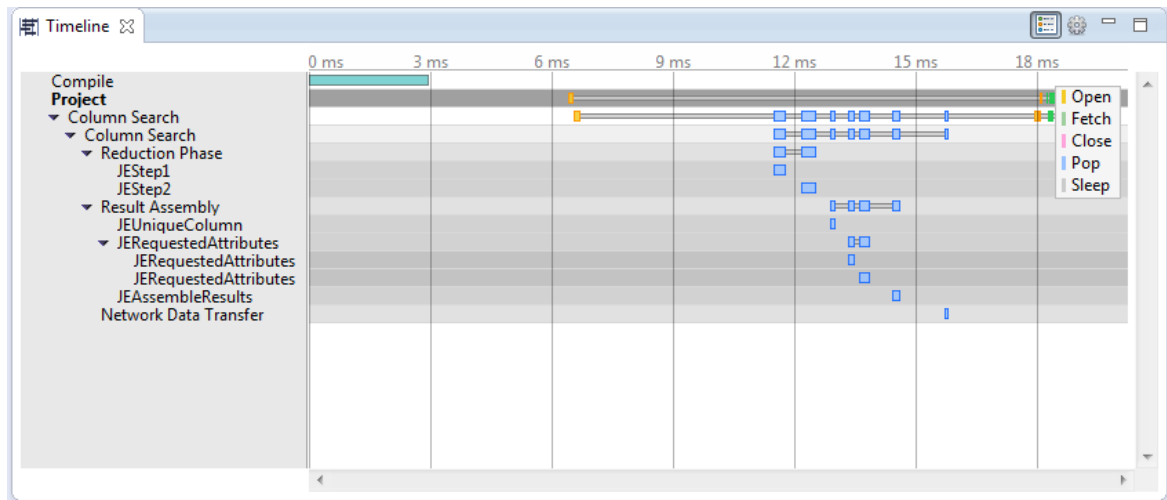
- Synchronized selection with operators in graphical plan
- Hierarchical display of operators based on parent-child relationship
- Re-configuration of scales via a toolbar option

Procedure

1. To see a temporal breakdown of the individual operations processed in the execution of the query, open the *Timeline* view.

From the main menu choose ► *Window* > *Show View* > *Timeline* ◀.

Timeline View



2. Use this view to drill down to the potential root-cause of a long running query:

For example you might

- Detect a single operator that takes up most of the time and check whether this is expected
- Notice that some operators are executed sequentially instead of running in parallel, so you might check the system environment

Next Steps

However, users should take into account the following point and limitations when analyzing the Timeline view:

- Any gaps or multiple occurrence of 'open', 'fetch', and so on in the Column Search operator invoked by the row engine indicates that there was another operation called by the column engine in the meantime.
- The adjustment for exclusivity of time-stamps as described above is not applicable for column engine operators, meaning some operators may not be actually running in parallel but simply calling one another.
- Logical grouping operators for the column engine (those colored in gray) simply display the aggregated time-stamps of their constituent operators.

4.3.2.4 Operator List for Plan Visualizer

The Operator List view is used within the context of the Plan Visualizer perspective. It lists detailed characteristics of all operators within a current plan, both visualized and executed.

The Operator List can be used to dynamically explore the operator set along user defined filters in order to pinpoint specific operators of interest. The view supports:

- Display of various KPIs, for example, isPhysical (meaning whether an operator is a real, physically executed one), offset, execution time, CPU time
- Setting of filters along all the columns and KPIs
- Display of the number of operators within the filtered set
- Immediate aggregated information (max, min, sum, and so on) regarding the same KPIs on the filtered operator set and the remaining set (not within the filter)

- Detailed display of all operators within the filtered set (which can be further sorted)
- Export of the (filtered) operator list to a CSV file
- Forwards and backwards browsing through the history of applied filters.

As of SPS 09 the following features are supported:

- Show or hide columns using the preferences dialog (preferences icon next to save button)
- Change the order of columns using drag and drop
- Order and column visibility are stored in users workspace
- Remote search functionality. Press Ctrl+F when displaying an executed plan and specify search parameters. When you carry out a search the operator list is updated accordingly

Physical	Offset [ms]	Exec Tim...	CPU Tim...	Operator Name	Tables Processed	Input Rows	Output Rows	O/I Ratio [Rows]	Input Bytes	Output Bytes	APF	CP	Node ID	Location
-	473	234	0	Calculation Search		n/a	16	n/a	n/a	2.622.751	1	X	30003	-30003
X	473	234	0	CeQoPop		n/a	16	n/a	n/a	2.622.751	1	X	30003_pop1	-30003
-	485	29	30	Column Search	Temporary Table, C...	n/a	4.495	n/a	n/a	4.051.920	1	X	30003	-30003
-	512	5	0	Result Assembly		n/a	4.495	n/a	n/a	4.051.920	1	X	30015_patt...	-30003
-	512	4	0	JERequestedAttribut...	COKL, COSL	n/a	4.495	n/a	n/a	2.306.328	1	X	30003	-30003
X	513	3	0	JERequestedAttribut...	COSL	4.495	4.495	1	36.600	2.306.328	1	X	30003_pop32	-30003
X	517	1	0	JEAssembleResults		89.900	4.495	0,1	3.509.056	4.051.920	1	X	30003_pop33	-30003
-	595	2	0	Calculation Search		n/a	4.825	n/a	n/a	1.884.574	1	X	30003	-30003
-	595	1	0	CeTableSearchPop		n/a	4.032	n/a	n/a	1.126.118	1	X	30003_abstr1	-30003
X	595	1	0	CeTableSearchPop		4.032	4.032	1	n/a	1.126.118	1	-	30003_pop3	-30003

Operator List

You can use the Operator List view to analyze the set of operators within a plan for the occurrence of specific conditions, even before looking into the visualized plan. For example, you might

1. Filter all operators that process a certain number of (input) rows
2. Further restrict the filter to physical operators (using "x" as the search criteria in filter column "Physical")
3. Display the executed plan, press Ctrl+F and set "Execution Time - At least" to **50**
4. Finally, double click on an operator you are interested in to check its positioning within a visualized plan.

4.3.2.5 Network View

The Network View can visualize sequential network data transfers between different servers based on their given timestamps when an execution plan is based on a distributed query.

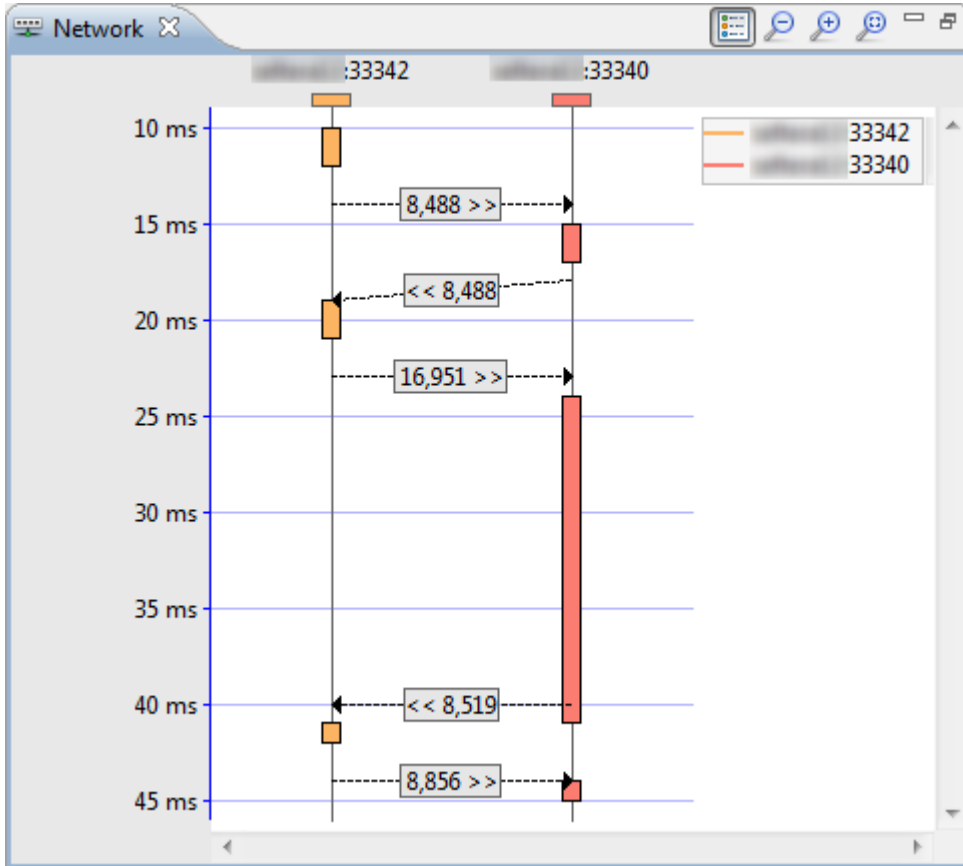
Context

The following pieces of information are available in the view:

- X-axis: servers involved,
- Y-axis: time elapsed since query execution
- Duration of each operator represented by rectangular bars
- Size of data transferred in bytes

The view supports:

- Synchronized selection with network operators in graphical plan
- Hover information for network bars
- Zoom in and out



You may use this view to discover any issues related to a distributed environment.

Procedure

1. Open the view
2. Check the results

For example you might notice that an unusually long time is spent on a particular network data transfer, so you might check the data size and/or network condition and see that network data transfers occur too frequently between a particular set of servers, so you might improve the distribution set-up.

3. Optimize your distributed landscape based on the results.

4.3.2.6 Tables Used

The table usage view provides an overview on which tables have been used during the processing of a statement.

Context

The Tables Used view can be used to cross-check your business understanding about which tables are needed to fulfill a given SQL statement.

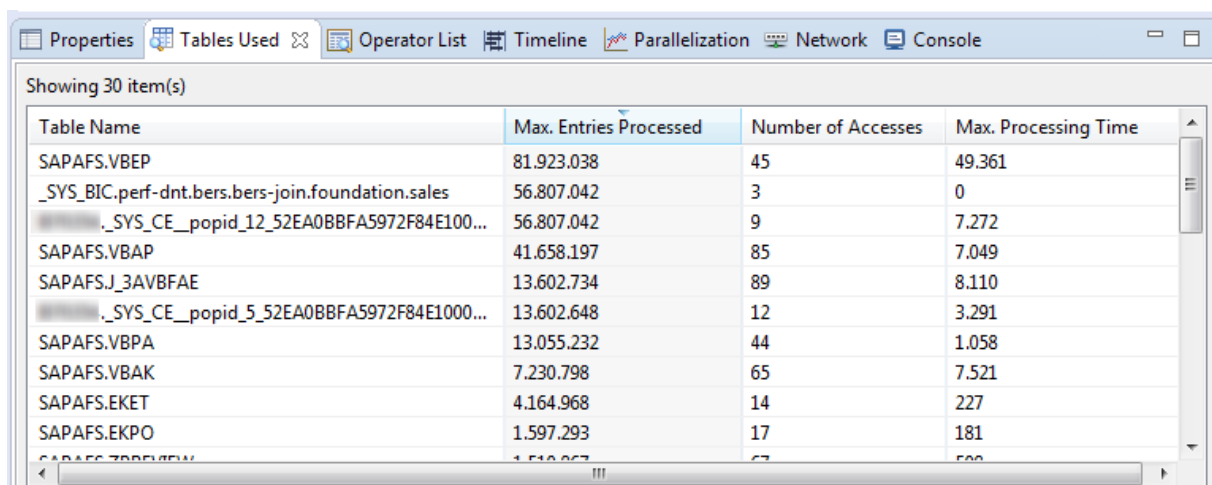


Table Name	Max. Entries Processed	Number of Accesses	Max. Processing Time
SAPAFS.VBEP	81.923.038	45	49.361
._SYS_BIC_perf-dnt.bers.bers-join.foundation.sales	56.807.042	3	0
._SYS_CE_popid_12_52EA0BBFA5972F84E100...	56.807.042	9	7.272
SAPAFS.VBAP	41.658.197	85	7.049
SAPAFS.J_3AVBFAE	13.602.734	89	8.110
._SYS_CE_popid_5_52EA0BBFA5972F84E100...	13.602.648	12	3.291
SAPAFS.VBPA	13.055.232	44	1.058
SAPAFS.VBAK	7.230.798	65	7.521
SAPAFS.EKET	4.164.968	14	227
SAPAFS.EKPO	1.597.293	17	181
SAPAFS.ZBDFWEM	1.510.067	67	500

The view displays 3 metrics per table:

- Maximum number of entries processed, that is the overall output cardinality of any processing step on that table in the statement execution.
- Number of accesses, meaning how often a table has been accessed during statement execution
- Maximum processing time, that is the maximum processing time across the possibly multiple table accesses

The view content can be sorted along any column; double-clicking on any row (table) leads to a corresponding operator list filtered for physical operators accessing the selected table.

You may use this view to understand whether the data processing of your statement matches your business expectations.

Procedure

1. Review the tables used in your SQL.
You may detect a table that has been processed which should not be needed from a business perspective, so you might modify your SQL in a way that this table is no more used.
2. Review the number of times a table is accessed.

You may see that the number of processed entries is far higher than expected, so you can check if it is possible to improve the filtering in your SQL statement.

4.3.2.7 Performance Trace

The Performance Trace view displays the list of operators that have performance trace data. The data can be viewed by selecting any of the operator shown in the list.

Context

Operator List		Details			
Name	ID	Timestamp	Key	Value	Location
JES2Step2New		2014-10-15 11:42:...	table name	COL_A	:30003
JES2Step1		2014-10-15 11:42:...	<large detail>	<executePop(<je...	:30003

The view consists of two main sections:

- The left panel shows list of operators you can select to view performance trace data
- The right panel shows the performance trace data for the operator you have selected

The view supports:

- synchronized selection between operators visualized in the graph
- double-clicking on a particular data to view its full-text

i Note

This view is mainly targeted towards advanced users who are well acquainted with the core details of SAP HANA.

Procedure

1. Look for any additional properties relevant to a particular operator that you cannot find from other views.
2. Fill in missing gaps in the Timeline view by deducing from the sequential list of activities.
3. Further break-down a specific operation into core engine-level details.

4.3.2.8 Plan Trace

Plan trace enables you to collect SQL queries and their execution plans, executed in a given time frame for a particular application session.

Context

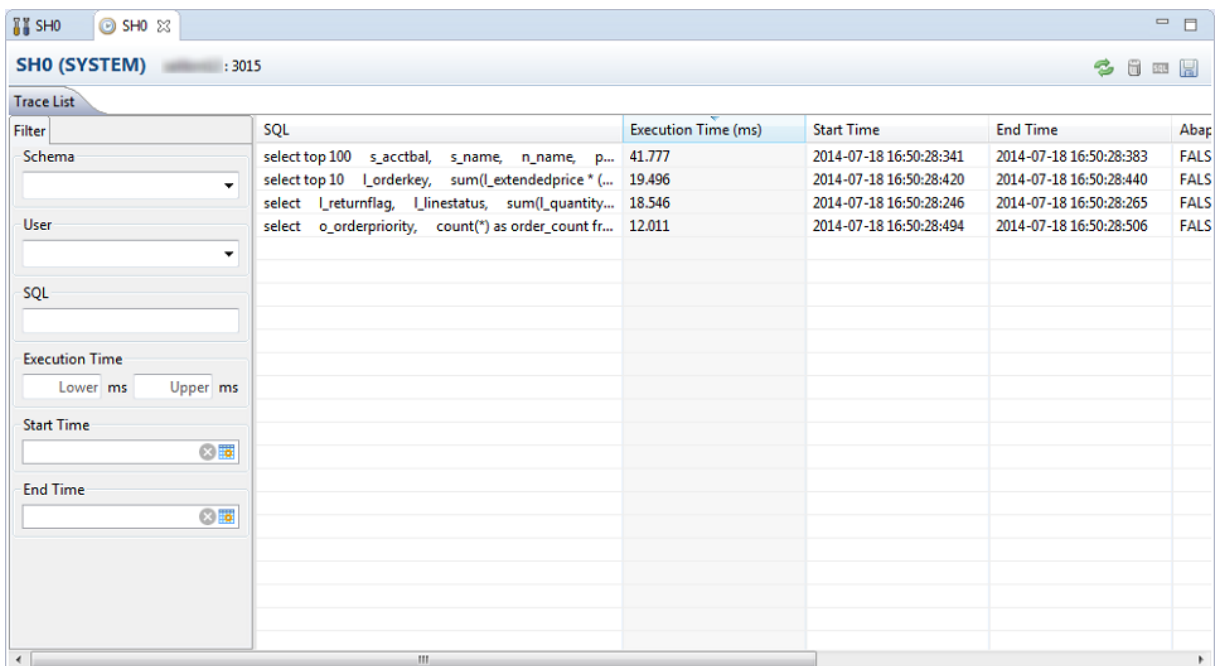
You can access the plan trace configuration wizard in SAP HANA studio in two ways:

- By right-clicking on a particular session you wish to trace in the Administration editor -> Performance -> Sessions
- Going to Administration editor -> Trace Configuration tab

For each SQL query that has been traced, you will be able to visualize the execution plan for performance analysis.

Once you stop an active trace, a Plan Trace Editor will be automatically opened displaying the queries that have been traced.

As of SPS 09, only 'SELECT' statements are traced with Plan trace. You can double-click a particular statement or open "Visualize Plan" from the context menu to get the execution plan.



The screenshot shows the 'Trace List' window in SAP HANA Studio. The window title is 'SH0 (SYSTEM) : 3015'. On the left, there is a 'Filter' panel with sections for 'Schema', 'User', 'SQL', 'Execution Time' (with 'Lower ms' and 'Upper ms' buttons), 'Start Time', and 'End Time'. The main area is a table with the following columns: 'SQL', 'Execution Time (ms)', 'Start Time', 'End Time', and 'Abap'. The table contains four rows of data:

SQL	Execution Time (ms)	Start Time	End Time	Abap
select top 100 s_acctbal, s_name, n_name, p...	41.777	2014-07-18 16:50:28:341	2014-07-18 16:50:28:383	FALS
select top 10 l_orderkey, sum(l_extendedprice * (...	19.496	2014-07-18 16:50:28:420	2014-07-18 16:50:28:440	FALS
select l_returnflag, l_linestatus, sum(l_quantity...	18.546	2014-07-18 16:50:28:246	2014-07-18 16:50:28:265	FALS
select o_orderpriority, count(*) as order_count fr...	12.011	2014-07-18 16:50:28:494	2014-07-18 16:50:28:506	FALS

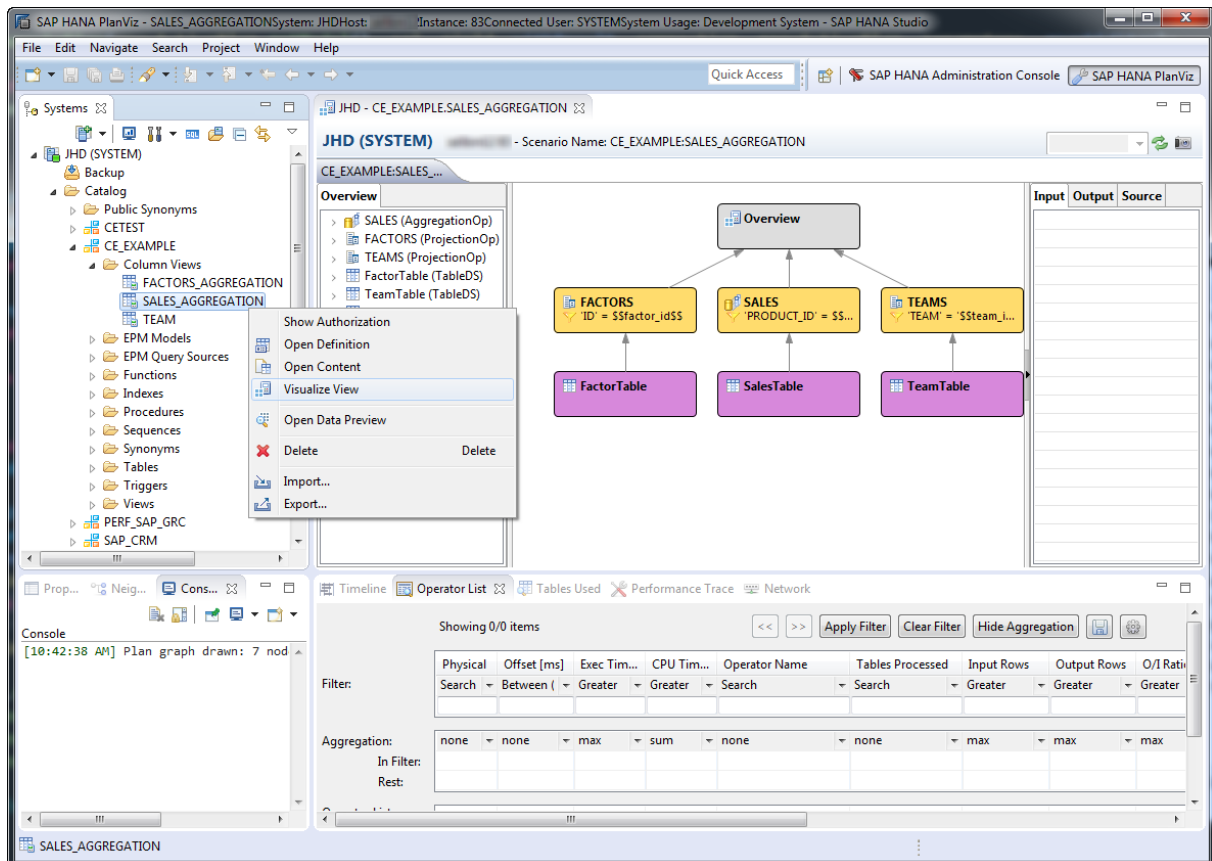
Procedure

1. Open the SQL Console
2. Open ► *Administration editor* ► *Performance tab* ► *Sessions tab* ►
3. Right-click on the session which corresponds to the SQL Console that you opened in step 1.
The column *Application Source* will contain the keyword 'SQLExecuteFormEditor'
4. From the context menu, choose Configure Trace Plan Trace
5. 'Press 'Finish' in the pop-up configuration wizard
6. Execute some SELECT queries in the SQL Console
Only SELECT queries are supported with SPS 09.
7. After execution, go back to the sessions list and deactivate 'Plan Trace' via configuration wizard (as in steps 4 to 6)
8. An editor (Plan Trace editor) will open automatically showing the list of queries that you have executed in 'SQL Console'
9. Each item (query) can be double-clicked for visualization of its execution plan

4.3.2.9 Calculation Scenario Visualization

By navigating to a particular calculation view in the Systems view, you can access the Visualize View context menu, which will visualize the calculation scenario associated with the view.

The calculation scenario visualizer consists of following three main sections:



- left: an overview which provides a list of calculation nodes involved in the scenario with their main properties
- middle: the visualized graph of calculation scenario
- right: an input tab which provides mapping information of the selected node, an output tab which provides attributes of a selected node, and a source tab which shows the raw JSON data of the selected node

The visualizer supports:

- link with 'Properties' view for each selected node
- double-clicking on a particular data source to drill down to its calculation scenario

You may use this visualizer to check whether the scenario is designed according to your understanding, and, if not, find potential tweaking points.

4.4 Result Cache

The static result cache and the dynamic result cache are configurable applications of caching query results to gain performance benefits.

Caching is used widely in SAP HANA as a strategy to improve performance by re-using queried data rather than re-reading and processing the data every time it is requested. The static result cache (sometimes referred to as cached views) and the dynamic result cache are applications of this. The static result cache is created for a specific view and remains valid for the duration of a user-defined retention period. The dynamic result cache is similar but does not have a retention period; it guarantees transactional consistency by maintaining delta records of all changes applied to the underlying table.

The following table gives a comparative overview of essential details of the static and dynamic result cache features, these are described in detail in the subsections which follow:

Feature	Static Result Cache	Dynamic Result Cache
Target Scenario	Scalability enhancement for query on complex view (usually top-level view) from an application which can accept stale data.	Scalability enhancement for heavy aggregation workload on big tables which are frequently updated (for example ACDOCA).
Query result	Stale data	Non-Stale data
Scope	<p>Target objects: SQL View, User-defined table function (w/o imperative logic), Calculation view with some limitation.</p> <p>Aggregation types: SUM, MIN, MAX, COUNT.</p>	<p>Target objects: SQL Views on the aggregation of a single column table.</p> <p>Aggregation types: SUM, COUNT, AVG - fully supported. MIN, MAX- partially supported for insert only table.</p>
Cache Maintenance	Whenever the cache period becomes older than the retention period then the cache is fully refreshed.	<p>At each query execution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -If updated records are identifiable then the cache is incrementally updated with updated records. -If no update is identifiable (due to MVCC garbage collection) then the cache is fully refreshed.
Implicit view matching	Not supported	Supported with hint / configuration.
Adoption effort: defining cache	<p>Usually static result cache is enabled on existing CDS view or calculation view.</p> <p>In the case of a CDS view without aggregation the result cache should be defined with expected aggregation type from target queries.</p>	<p>If the target aggregation is already defined as a view, dynamic result can be enabled on the existing view (explicit usage).</p> <p>Otherwise, a new view definition is required and dynamic result cache can be used with implicit view matching.</p>

Feature	Static Result Cache	Dynamic Result Cache
Adoption effort: enable cache utilization	A hint is required to exploit static result cache to make user intention on stale data access clear.	Dynamic result cache is utilized by default even without a hint (but hint or configuration is required for enabling implicit view matching in the current release.)

4.4.1 Static Result Cache

Complex SQL views and calculation views place a heavy load on the system. You may be able to use the static result cache to reduce CPU consumption (and thus to increase overall system throughput) or to reduce the response time of queries.

Frequently accessed views may consume an excessive amount of CPU. Cached views can trade this CPU consumption for an increased memory consumption by caching the result of evaluating a view and reusing this cached data when the view is accessed by a query.

Using the static result cache the query result of a view is cached in memory and refreshed only periodically. On the one hand, this avoids having to reevaluate the view each time the view is accessed, on the other hand, the cached data might be stale if the tables used by the view are updated after the last refresh. However, the data retention period which determines how old the data may become is configurable and the age of the cached data is also returned to the database client.

Cached views must be implemented in combination with careful testing to validate that correct results are returned, that the cached views are actually used, and that indeed the CPU consumption is reduced. Tools which can help with this are available in SAP HANA cockpit and SAP HANA studio such as Explain Plan and Visualize Plan (see separate sections of this document).

Scope

Generally, caching can be used for calculation views, SQL views, table functions which return the result of a single SQL SELECT statement, and CDS views (which are translated into table functions). To save memory, cached views store aggregated values (aggregation types SUM, MIN, MAX, and COUNT are supported).

Not all views may be suitable for caching (for example views using time functions which depend upon the current time would not be suitable). Caching cannot be used for scripted views, join views, OLAP views, and hierarchy views. Other limitations may apply, for example, if analytic privileges have been applied to the data.

Configuring the Memory Budget

A maximum cache size (a memory budget) must be defined to manage the maximum amount of memory available to cache cached views. This is configured in the `indexserver.ini` file in the `total_size` parameter in the `result_cache` section of the file.

Parameter	Default	Detail
total_size	10000	The memory budget in MB available for cached views.

If the memory consumed for caching views exceeds this threshold an alert is raised and, where necessary, cached views will be dropped from memory resulting in higher response times for previously cached data. In this case administrators may increase the memory budget size or create capacity in the budget by, for example, dropping cached views which are rarely used.

If a view fails to be created then it is added to an exclusion list of views which have not been successfully cached (view M_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS). There are two common cases where this occurs:

- If the time to calculate the result of the view is longer than the retention time.
- If the memory required to cache the result of the view is larger than the memory budget.

The following example query selects basic details of failed cached views:

```
SELECT SCHEMA_NAME, OBJECT_NAME, REASON, EXCLUDE_TIME
FROM M_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS
```

Hints to Enable the Result Cache

The static result cache feature is disabled by default and is only considered when explicitly invoked by using one of the following RESULT_CACHE hints in the SQL statement :

Parameter	Detail
HINT (RESULT_CACHE)	Always use the result cache if it is available.
HINT (RESULT_CACHE_MAX_LAG (seconds))	Sets the retention period of the result cache to this value (or the value set in the ADD CACHE configuration).
HINT (RESULT_CACHE_NON_TRANSACTIONAL)	Allows join or union operations using the result cache entries and disregards possible transaction inconsistencies.
HINT (RESULT_CACHE_NO_REFRESH)	Access existing cached data without refreshing it even if its retention period is over.

Note that the hint class for result cache is also supported: RESULT_LAG('result_cache'[, seconds])

4.4.1.1 Creating and Using the Static Result Cache

This topic gives a number of examples to illustrate how you can use the result cache.

To save memory cached SQL views are based on aggregated results (SUM, MIN, MAX and COUNT are supported); only the aggregated values are stored. The SQL optimizer uses the aggregation type of each column in the top-most select statement as the basis for the cached result.

When a user submits a query to a cached view a matching process analyzes the request and the definition of the query to see if the cached data can be used or if the request must read the data from the database.

To exploit the cached data the query must match with the definition of the result cache and a number of matching rules apply:

- The query must reference the same columns (or a subset of the columns) in the cache.
- The query must explicitly reference the view or a sub view referenced by the view.
- The predicate in the query must be the same as that used in creating the view, any additional conditions which are added must be more restrictive filters.

Examples

Aggregation (OF clause)

For SQL views / functions, you can explicitly state the aggregation type as part of the ADD cache clause, then the cache will be defined with an additional aggregation operation on the top for the view definition. This is shown in the following example which creates a view and then uses the alter view syntax to add the view to the cache with a retention period of 120 minutes.

```
CREATE VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW AS
(SELECT A, SUM(KF1) AS KF1, MIN(KF2) AS KF2, MAX(KF3) AS KF3
FROM SIMPLE_TABLE GROUP BY A)
```

```
ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120 OF A, SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2),
MAX(KF3), KF4;
```

The cache contents will be created from the result of the query: `SELECT A, SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2), MAX(KF3) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW GROUP BY A;`

In the following example queries, the first two statements consistently use the same aggregated values as defined in the query and can exploit the cache. The third example cannot use the cached data because it requests unaggregated details which are not included in the cache:

```
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WITH HINT(RERESULT_CACHE);
```

```
SELECT SUM(KF1), MIN(KF2), MAX(KF3) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW GROUP BY A WITH
HINT(RERESULT_CACHE);
```

```
/* only aggregated data is cached - cannot use the cached data*/
SELECT KF1, KF2, KF3 FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WITH HINT(RERESULT_CACHE);
```

If the user does not state the aggregation option in the ALTER VIEW statement, the cache will be defined the same as the view definition:

```
ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120;
```

In this case, the cache contents will be created from result of the query: `SELECT * FROM SIMPLE_VIEW;`. There is then no limitation of cache utilization for queries on SIMPLE_VIEW (as long as RESULT_CACHE hint is used) and the cache would be utilized for all of above three queries.

Filters (FILTER clause)

This example illustrates filtering. If the user states the additional filter option, the cache will be defined with an additional filter on the top of the view definition:

```
ALTER VIEW SIMPLE_VIEW ADD CACHE RETENTION 120 FILTER B > 3;
```

The cache contents will be created from the result of the query: `SELECT * FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3;`

In the following example queries the first two statements will exploit the cache as those queries requires cache data ($B > 3$) only. The third example cannot use the cached data because the query requests data which is not a part of cached data.

```
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3 AND B < 10 WITH HINT (RESULT_CACHE);
```

```
SELECT SUM(KF1) FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE B > 3 AND A = 1 WITH HINT (RESULT_CACHE);
```

```
/* only B > 3 data is cached - cannot use the cached data*/  
SELECT KF1, KF2, KF3 FROM SIMPLE_VIEW WHERE A = 1 WITH HINT (RESULT_CACHE);
```

Cached Views and Analytic Privileges

By default a cache entry is created for each analytic privilege which in some cases may lead to a large number of cache entries. To avoid this situation and to provide some flexibility an alternative scheme is available which can be applied by either setting a configuration parameter or using the hint `HINT (RESULT_CACHE_BEFORE_ANALYTIC_PRIVILEGE)`. With this option one cache entry is created without applying analytic privileges and the privilege is then applied on top of the cache for every query execution and the coverage of analytic privilege type is also changed. By default, only static XML analytic privileges are supported, but using the configuration parameter or hint this limitation is removed and dynamic XML analytic privileges and SQL analytic privileges are also supported.

This feature can be enabled using the following configuration setting in the `[result_cache]` section of the `indexserver.ini` file:

Parameter	Default	Detail
<code>before_analytic_privilege</code>	False	Set this to True to enable the option of caching the result before applying analytic privileges.

The following hints are supported:

- `HINT (RESULT_CACHE_BEFORE_ANALYTIC_PRIVILEGE)` - this hint builds the cache before the authorization restrictions are applied (that is, read all the data and apply the restrictions when the data is queried so that only authorized data is selected for each user).
- `HINT (RESULT_CACHE_AFTER_ANALYTIC_PRIVILEGE)` - this hint builds the cache in the normal way by applying analytic privileges first. This option is more efficient in terms of memory usage since less data is cached but is only suitable for views where static XML privileges have been applied.

Result Cache HDI Plugin

To transform and deploy design time DDL-based result cache definitions the result cache plugin is available. The following example defines a result cache for the view named 'A_Sql_View':

```
RESULT CACHE "_SYS_CACHE#sap::A_Sql_View" ON VIEW "sap::A_Sql_View" WITH  
RETENTION 30
```

This DDL-style syntax is the same as SQL except that no CREATE / ADD keyword is required. The complete name of the cache is specified as: "_SYS_CACHE#<view name>".

To cache a table function use ON FUNCTION instead of ON VIEW. Any values after the keyword WITH are copied to the corresponding SQL statement, so other parameters such as defining a projection list, a filter or the force flag are also supported.

Refer to the *SAP HANA Developer Guide For SAP HANA XS Advanced Model* for further details.

4.4.1.2 Resources for Testing the Result Cache

This topic uses an example calculation view to illustrate how you can work with tools to test the result cache.

After caching a view it is important to verify that the view has been successfully cached, that correct results are returned, that the cached views is actually used and is effectively reducing CPU consumption. The following example uses the ALTER VIEW syntax to add a calculation view result to the cache with a retention period of 60 minutes:

```
ALTER VIEW "SYS_BIC"."sap.hba.ecc/CostCenterPlanActualCommitmentQuery" ADD  
CACHE RETENTION 60;
```

Note that the top-most node of a calculation view should be an aggregation type node. If it is not but the calculation view does implicit grouping then caching will fail.

Carry out the following checks:

1) Check the system view RESULT_CACHE:

```
select schema_name, object_name, cache_type  
from RESULT_CACHE  
where object_name = 'my_view';
```

If the query on system view RESULT_CACHE returns a record, it indicates the successful creation of the cached view.

2) After running a query against the cached view, use the Explain Plan tool (context menu in the SQL Console) to confirm the source of the query result. The OPERATOR_NAME value should show *RESULT_CACHE*.

3) Continue to test the cached view by monitoring the execution times of queries based on the view. Expect the first execution of the query to be slow and look for performance improvements on subsequent runs. If there is no reduction in response time or CPU consumption when the cached view is used then it is not beneficial.

4) Use monitoring views M_RESULT_CACHE and M_HEAP_MEMORY to see more details of the cached view such as memory consumption and data refresh details.

Related Information

[Analyzing SQL Execution with the Plan Explanation \[page 238\]](#)

4.4.2 Dynamic Result Cache

The dynamic result cache may be used to improve the performance of queries which are frequently executed.

In comparison to the static result cache, running queries against a dynamic result cache may be a better option for increasing the performance of queries. The dynamic result cache offers improved throughput and response time but most importantly it eliminates the risk of querying stale data and will always return transactionally consistent data. However, dynamic caches are not suitable for all views, the performance gains depend very much upon the nature of the data, the query, and how frequently the cache is read.

Optimal scenarios where the dynamic result cache can dramatically improve performance include the following characteristics:

- Intensive parallel querying of large tables
- Extensive use of aggregation
- Tables are regularly updated and up-to-date query results are essential.

An SAP Note about the Dynamic Result Cache is available: SAP Note 2506811 - *FAQ: SAP HANA Dynamic Result Cache*.

Overview

You specify the cache type when you create the cache: only one type of cache can be applied to a view, either static or dynamic. A key difference is that the dynamic result cache has no retention period:

```
ALTER VIEW V ADD STATIC CACHE RETENTION 10;
```

```
ALTER VIEW V ADD DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

Dynamic result caches require no retention period because up-to-date query results are guaranteed. When a query is executed against a dynamic result cache there are two possible responses:

- In the best-case scenario up-to-date results are returned by firstly incrementally updating the cache with delta records of newly inserted, updated or deleted data and then returning the query result from the cache.
- In some situations an incremental update of the cache is no longer possible as delta records are not identifiable due to version garbage collection; in this case the 'fallback' option is then invoked and the query runs against the database. A full refresh of the cache is then executed in the background in a separate thread.

The decision to either read from the cache or the database is taken during execution of the query. Events which invalidate and prevent use of the cache include the following:

- The cached data has been invalidated by garbage collection (see details below).

- The volume of delta records has reached its maximum permitted size of 10,000,000 (planned to be changed in a future release).

In any of these cases the fallback option is used instead of the cache.

Scope

Dynamic result caches are only supported for SQL views defined as aggregation on single column tables; aggregation types sum, count, and avg are supported. MIN and MAX aggregation is partially supported for INSERT (see below).

Benefits and Limitations

Some of the factors influencing the benefits gained from using dynamic result cache are discussed in more detail here:

Query Execution Frequency: A side-effect of the version garbage collection process is that it may clear data from the cache. To a certain extent the frequency of the garbage collection can be controlled by setting the blocking period (see configuration below), but you should consider the negative impact this will have on the general performance of all SELECT and UPDATE statements accessing the target table. If the cache is not used within the blocking period then the cache will be invalidated by garbage collection and must be refreshed. A querying frequency against the cached view of less than the garbage collection blocking period (default 1 minute) is therefore essential.

Table Size and Cache Size: Performance of the dynamic result cache is proportional to the cache size. A performance gain can only be expected if the dynamic result cache has a significantly smaller cache size than the base table.

Aggregation: One of the greatest benefits of cached views is in reducing the need for expensive aggregation processes. If your data has a high degree of aggregation then using cached views may be beneficial. Queries with highly-selective filters, on the other hand, requiring only a few milliseconds for aggregation processing should expect no benefit from using dynamic result cache.

Base Table Characteristics: If the base table of the view is mostly used to INSERT data then a dynamic result cache can be defined effectively in combination with all supported aggregation types: SUM, COUNT, AVG, MIN, MAX. However, DELETE and UPDATE operations on the base table in combination with MIN or MAX aggregation invalidate the cache and reduce the potential performance improvement. It is therefore not recommended to use dynamic result cache with MIN/MAX aggregation if the target table is not an INSERT only table.

Related Information

[SAP Note 2506811](#) 

4.4.2.1 Working With The Dynamic Result Cache

This section includes examples of creating the cache and the configuration parameters available to modify the operation of caches and monitoring usage.

SQL Syntax

The OPTIMIZER ADMIN privilege is required to execute commands to configure the dynamic result cache.

You can add a dynamic cache to a view using either the CREATE VIEW or ALTER VIEW statements. Optionally, a filter condition can be applied to the view. The basic syntax is shown here:

```
CREATE VIEW <view_name> [(column_name_list)] AS <subquery>
    WITH DYNAMIC CACHE [FILTER <filter_condition>];
```

The option to DROP a cache is also available. Commands for use with ALTER SYSTEM are:

- CLEAR (remove all cache entries)
- REMOVE (remove a single named cache entry)

Refer to the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference* for full details.

Examples

The basic usage with ALTER VIEW is shown in this example:

```
ALTER VIEW MyView ADD DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

To create a view with a dynamic result cache the syntax is:

```
CREATE VIEW MyView as (...) WITH DYNAMIC CACHE;
```

The following examples show how the dynamic result cache is used when a filter condition is applied:

1. You can apply a filter using the parameterized filter condition (with a question mark):

```
ALTER VIEW view1 ADD DYNAMIC CACHE FILTER MANDT = ?;
```

Only the equals comparator is permitted but multiple conditions can be used with the AND operator. For example: MANDT = ? AND RLDNR = ?

2. If the cache is defined with a filter then a condition must be applied in the query:

```
SELECT * FROM view1 WHERE MANDT = 300;
```

3. The filter value can also be provided as a runtime parameter using the question mark syntax:

```
SELECT * FROM view1 WHERE MANDT = ?;
```

Configuration

Dynamic result caches are enabled by default. A number of configuration parameters are available to manage this feature in the 'dynamic_result_cache' section of the ini file:

Parameter:	enabled
Purpose	Enable the dynamic cached views feature. If this is set as false then any cached data will be ignored.
Default	true
Additional information	This functionality is available at run-time using the following two hints: DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE - Select data from the dynamic result cache NO_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE - Explicit instruction not to use the cache

Parameter:	total_size
Purpose	Apply a memory budget, that is, the maximum memory allocation which is available for all dynamic result cache entries.
Default	10000
Unit	MB

Parameter:	max_cache_entry_size
Purpose	Apply a memory budget for individual cache entries, that is, the maximum memory allocation which is available for a single dynamic result cache.
Default	1000
Unit	MB
Exceptions	<p>Caches which exceed this size limitation are not used, they are registered on the exclusion list and the fallback query will be used in future. The monitoring view M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS shows a single entry for each cache which has been excluded.</p> <p>Note that for caches where a filter has been applied exclusion depends on the parameter used and the total size of the result. If the result using one parameter is excluded it may still be possible to use the cache with a different parameter which returns results within the memory budget.</p> <p>You can remove a cache key from the exclusion list by any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Disable dynamic result cache on the view: ALTER VIEW ... DROP DYNAMIC CACHE;2. Drop the view: DROP VIEW...;3. Use the clear command: ALTER SYSTEM CLEAR DYNAMIC RESULT CACHE;

Parameter:	version_garbage_collection_blocking_period
Purpose	This parameter is used to prevent garbage collection from running against the view's base table.
Default	60
Unit	Seconds
Additional information	<p>A side-effect of the version garbage collection process is that it may invalidate the cache which must then be refreshed. To prevent this from frequently happening, you can use this parameter to control the garbage collection process of the base table to block garbage collection for a limited period of time.</p> <p>Note that if the cache is not used within this period it will be invalidated and must be refreshed.</p>

Parameter:	enable_auto_delta_refresh
Purpose	Controls automatic delta refresh of dynamic result cache. Use this feature to minimize the possibility of cache invalidation by garbage collection. If this is turned on a background job triggers a refresh of the cache entry's delta whenever it is required. The feature is turned off by default.
Default	FALSE

Parameter:	enable_implicit_match
Purpose	Controls implicit matching which automatically attempts to match queries with the dynamic result cache. The feature is enabled by default.
Default	TRUE

Monitoring

Two views are available to analyze the operation of the cache:

M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE Every cache has its own ID and this view gives full details of each cache including memory size, record count and timestamps for cache and delta store. It also includes the timestamp of the last cached MVCC snapshot which is the basis of the garbage collection process.

This view only shows data for a cache once a query has been executed against the view.

M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_EXCLUSIONS Usage of views which cannot be cached is logged and details can be seen in this view. Typically, this is caused by a data selection which exceeds the size defined in `max_cache_entry_size` (by default 1GB). This view includes memory size, record count and timestamp of the data.

Implicit Matching

In order to extend the usage of the dynamic result cache to other queries, implicit matching automatically attempts to match queries with cached views.

Using implicit matching the SQL optimizer reads the query plan of the current statement and analyzes the structure to check if the requested data can be retrieved from cached data. If a suitable cache is available and all the checks for data compatibility and user privileges are successful then the SQL optimizer rewrites the execution plan to utilize the existing dynamic result cache.

Implicit matching may incur a slight overhead in query compilation times and although the feature is enabled by default it can be turned off by setting the configuration parameter `enable_implicit_match` to **FALSE**.

Hints for Enabling Implicit Matching

If implicit view matching is disabled it can be used on an ad hoc basis using the following hint:

```
DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH
```

Or, conversely, use this hint if necessary to manually turn it off:

```
NO_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH
```

Optionally, implicit matching can be used with a named specific view, or a selection of preferred views:

```
DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH(<schema_name1>.<view_name1>,  
<schema_name2>.<view_name2>, ...)
```

4.4.2.2 Testing the Dynamic Result Cache

You will need to test queries using a dynamic result cache to verify the performance benefit. Some general guidance to support testing is given here.

Testing and Verification

Important resources for testing include Explain Plan and Plan Visualization, and the monitoring view `M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE`. You should be able to step through the complete process of creating and querying the view and measuring the performance. This may include the following actions:

- Building and querying the cache
- Updating the target table and seeing an increase in the delta record count
- Seeing the selection of the appropriate query plan (both reading from the cache and reading from the database) using Plan Visualization.
- Testing the effects of version garbage collection.
- Measuring performance (using hints to turn cache usage on or off).

Create and Verify the View and Cache

Create the view and user ALTER VIEW to add the dynamic cache. You can then confirm that the cached view was created by checking the system view DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE:

```
select
schema_name, object_name, cache_type, cache_filter, cache_locations
from DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE;
```

The expected return values are as follows:

CACHE_TYPE	'DYNAMIC, FULL' (for a dynamic result cache without a filter) or 'DYNAMIC, PARTIAL' (for a cache with a filter).
CACHE_FILTER	Filter shown if specified.
CACHE_LOCATIONS	Location of cache entry if specified.

Verify the Query Plan

Run a test query against the cached view. You can now use Explain Plan (either within SAP HANA Studio or from the SQL command line) to verify that the query plan for a dynamic cached view has been created. In the output, search for the operator name property HAVING - DYNAMIC VIEW CACHE. This is only created when the dynamic result cache is active.

For further testing, note that if implicit matching was used using the hint DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH the operator name CONTROL SWITCH will include "AUTO VIEW MATCH" details as one of its properties.

Build and Monitor the Cache

The cache is built for the first time when you first run the query.

Firstly, you can use the Visualize Plan tool to see which alternative plans are built for the query and which one is executed. Note also the detailed execution times in the tool.

Secondly, you can see full details of the cache refresh process in the monitoring view M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE. Select all details for the view:

```
select * from m_dynamic_result_cache where object_name = 'MyView';
```

Key values include: Refresh reason (initially 'Cache Creation'), Duration, State, Refresh_Count, Memory_Size, Record_Count.

Measure the Delta Record Count After Updates

After executing some INSERT operations in the target table you can monitor how the cache is used in this situation.

1. Use Visualize Plan to see which plan is executed. Check the row count numbers to see the effects of adding new data to the table.
2. In the M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE view, the Delta_Refresh_Count shows an increase in how often delta records have been added to the cache.

Monitor Version Garbage Collection

Verify the effects of garbage collection by holding queries back for one minute until after the garbage collection process has run.

In the `M_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE` view, check the value of the last refresh reason time. This will show `MVCC_GARBAGE_COLLECTION`.

Test Implicit Matching

To test Implicit Matching you can use the Explain Plan tool in SAP HANA Studio to analyze the details of the execution and optimization processes. You can see which views have been considered by the optimization process by looking at the result value returned by the following procedure:

```
GET_DYNAMIC_RESULT_CACHE_IMPLICIT_MATCH_CANDIDATES_IN_STATEMENT
```

The views that passed the checking phase, but were not selected in the rewriting phase of the process will be marked as `'CANDIDATE MATCH'`. Explain Plan will show the rewritten plan with the selected view name replacing the original table(s) specified in the statement.

4.5 Advanced Analysis

If have you an advanced knowledge of SAP HANA and SQL databases and you suspect that automated processes are making poor decisions that have negative impacts on query performance, you can perform advanced analyses to better understand how those decisions were made.

In SAP HANA cockpit you can use specific tracing features to generate detailed trace information to help analyze the following processes:

- Table joins using the join evaluation (je) trace
- Column searches using the query optimizer (qo) trace

→ Recommendation

Perform these types of analysis only if analyses of query plans and SQL statements were not enough to find the root cause of slow query performance.

Exporting SQL Plans

In the SAP HANA backend, the SQL Query Processor parses the SQL query statements and generates optimized SQL Query Execution plans. As the Query Processor and the Query Optimizer continue to be developed the resultant execution plans for a given query may change. All developments are of course intended to improve performance but if you suspect that performance of a query might be worse after an upgrade, the Abstract SQL Plan feature makes it possible to export an abstracted version of an execution plan and reuse it in a different target system.

4.5.1 Analyzing Column Searches (qo trace)

In SAP HANA, if a column search takes a long time, you can analyze how the query-optimizer performed the column search. A query-optimizer (qo) trace of a single SAP HANA table search provides the details you need for such an analysis.

Context

The qo trace provides a lot of detailed information that is hard to analyze if you are not an SAP HANA query-optimizer expert; however, it provides very useful information for performance analysis. From the information within the trace files, you can see which column the query-optimizer decided to use as the first column in the column search and you can determine whether that decision negatively impacted the performance of the column search.

To start a user-specific qo trace in SAP HANA cockpit and analyze the relevant trace information, proceed as follows.

Procedure

1. In SAP HANA Database Explorer choose *Trace Configuration* from the database context menu and create a new user-specific trace.
The *Trace Configuration* dialog box opens.
2. Specify a context name.
The context name appears as part of the trace file name and should be easy for you to recognize and later find.
3. Specify your database user or application user.
4. Enter **qo** as filter text and search for the `trrex_qo` component.
5. For the `trrex_qo` component, select **DEBUG** as the system trace level.
6. Choose **OK**.
7. Run the query you want to trace.
8. Switch off the trace by deleting the user-specific trace configuration.
9. Search through the *Database Diagnostic Files* folder and locate the trace file. The file opens on a new tab page.
10. In the trace section, analyze the trace information for each term (WHERE condition).
 - a. Find the sections detailing the estimated results for the terms.
These sections are marked with `GetEstimation.cpp`.
 - b. Find the sections detailing the actual search results for the terms.
These sections are marked with `Evaluate.cpp`.
 - c. Compare the estimated results with the actual search results.
The query-optimizer selects which column to use as the first column of the search based on the term with the lowest estimated number of results.

Results

If the actual results indicate that a different term should have been used to start the column search, then this may represent the source of poor performance. For more detailed analysis, you can send the trace file to SAP Support.

4.5.2 Analyzing Table Joins

In SAP HANA, if a query on joined tables takes a long time, you can analyze how the tables are joined and in what order. A join evaluation (je) trace of joined SAP HANA tables provides the details you need for such an analysis.

Context

The je trace provides a lot of detailed information that is hard to analyze if you are not an SAP HANA join engine expert; however, it provides very useful information for performance analysis. From the information within the trace files, you can see which table is used as the first table when processing a join and how the order of tables in the join is defined. You can use this information to determine whether query performance is negatively impacted by the table join.

To start a je trace in SAP HANA cockpit and analyze the relevant trace information, proceed as follows:

Procedure

1. In SAP HANA Database Explorer choose *Trace Configuration* from the database context menu and create a new user-specific trace.
The *Trace Configuration* dialog box opens.
2. Specify a context name.
The context name appears as part of the trace file name and should be easy for you to recognize and later find.
3. Specify your database user or application user.
4. Enter **join** as filter text and search for the `join_eval` component.
5. For the `join_eval` component, select DEBUG as the system trace level.
6. Choose *OK*.
7. Run the query you want to trace.
8. Switch off the trace by deleting the user-specific trace configuration.
9. Search through the *Database Diagnostic Files* folder and locate the trace file. The file opens on a new tab page.
10. From the end of the file, search backwards for the beginning of the trace section.
The trace section starts with `i TraceContext TraceContext.cpp`.

11. In the trace section, analyze the following trace information:

- Estimations for the WHERE conditions
- Table size and join conditions
- Join decision

4.5.3 SQL Plan Stability

SQL Plan Stability can be used to guarantee the consistent optimal performance of select statements by capturing query execution plans so that exactly the same plan can be reused when the query is executed again.

In SAP HANA, the SQL query processor parses SQL statements and generates SQL query execution plans. As the query processor and the query optimizer continue to be developed (in, for example, the new HANA Execution Engine - HEX) the resultant execution plans for a given query may change from one HANA release to another, or the plan may change because the data being queried has been reorganized; it is therefore possible that the performance of an SQL query statement may degrade.

In order to guarantee the performance of a query the plan stability feature offers the option to preserve a query's execution plan by capturing an abstraction of the plan and reusing it if required to regenerate the original plan and retain the original performance.

i Note

In some cases using statement hints may provide a solution to a loss of performance. Hints are available, for example, to control which optimizing engine is used (Extended SQL Executor (ESX) or HANA Execution Engine (HEX)); refer to *Statement Performance Analysis* for details.

Process Overview

Plan Stability is currently only effective for SELECT queries and can be used to capture abstract SQL plans from queries which are either:

- executed at the command line
- already stored in the plan cache.

Restrictions related to Plan Stability are documented in SAP Note 2639193: *SAP HANA SQL Plan Stability*.

Plan Stability is enabled by default and requires the OPTIMIZER_ADMIN privilege. A two-stage process (capture and regenerate from captured plans) is used based on the following SQL statements:

- Start / stop CAPTURE (optionally, capture cached statements)
- Start / stop APPLY, that is, start the process of matching executed queries with captured abstract plans.

Abstract SQL plans are visible in view ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS and cached plans can be queried in M_SQL_PLAN_CACHE_. The plan cache includes a value COMPILATION_OPTIONS which indicates what type of plan was used (either normal query optimizer or abstract SQL plan) to create the cached statement. By referring to these two views you can follow the stages of the capture and regeneration process and verify the results of each step.

SQL statements are also available to enable, disable or remove abstract SQL plans from the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table.

Usage Scenarios

There are essentially two use cases for plan stability:

- **Upgrade Scenario:** Plan Stability can be used at the time of a system upgrade. In this case, plans are captured before the upgrade and applied afterwards.

Note

The feature can be used in the case of an upgrade from SAP HANA 1 to SAP HANA 2: it is available in SAP HANA 1.0 SPS 12 for capture purposes and from HANA 2.0 SPS01 for both capturing and regenerating execution plans.

- **Always On Scenario:** Plan Stability can also be used in daily operations. This may be required due to changes in data over time. In some cases this may cause the query optimizer to propose different execution plans which may have a negative impact on performance and memory consumption of a query. In this case an additional preparation step is used to apply filters so that only specific queries are captured. In the background execution statistics are recorded so that the performance of the query can be measured and the best execution plan can be selected.

This section in this document gives an overview of the process with examples of the main SQL commands used. Full details of the SQL commands are available in the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference Guide*.

Applying Workload Class Filters to the Capture Process

You can use filtering to limit the capture process to specific targets. You can filter either by user name or by workload class property. Filtering by user name is done at run time as the capture process is initiated (an example is given below), but to filter by workload class property the filters must be set in advance so that they apply permanently; they can be removed when no longer required.

The workload class properties are the following mapping property-value pairs that an application can set in the client interface (see also Workload Classes in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*):

- APPLICATION USER NAME
- APPLICATION NAME
- USER NAME
- SCHEMA
- XS APPLICATION USER NAME

Filters which have been applied can be seen in the `_SYS_PLAN_STABILITY` view, they are shown in JSON format in the `FILTERS` column.

The following examples illustrate the basic syntax and usage of this feature:

Example

This example sets two filter conditions. The filters are applied when the capture process is run and captures only plans for App2 where the application user name is 'Test':

```
ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'MyFilter01' SET 'application
name='App2', 'application user name'='TEST';
```

The following example shows how a named filter can be removed; the keyword 'ALL' is also available to remove all filters:

```
ALTER SYSTEM REMOVE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'MyFilter01';
```

Example

Queries are tested against all existing filters to find a match. In the following example two filters have been defined, if the conditions of the first filter match with a query plan it will be captured, if not, the conditions of the next filter will be tested:

```
ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'filter01' SET 'application name' in ['MyStudio', 'MyBiz'], 'application user name'='TEST';
```

```
ALTER SYSTEM ADD ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FILTER 'filter02' SET 'User name'='SYSTEM' 'application name'='MyShop' 'application user name'='Employee25', 'Employee26';
```

This means Plan Stability will capture only queries with application properties where:

Application name is "MyStudio" OR "MyBiz" AND application user name is "TEST"

OR

User name is "SYSTEM" AND application name is "MyShop" AND application user name is "Employee25" OR "Employee26".

Using Plan Stability

Capture

The capture process must be explicitly started and stopped manually. The view M_ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_OVERVIEW shows high-level details of activity related to abstract plans for each instance of host and port, this includes current state (ready, capture, apply), the number of plans, memory consumption and timestamps of the last capture period (start/stop time).

SQL filter keywords are available to restrict the capture to individual users; this example starts the capture process for queries submitted by two named users:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START CAPTURE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN FOR USER TESTUSER1, TESTUSER2;
```

The capture process runs in the background while selected queries are executed. During the capture period an abstract plan will be created for any newly submitted queries. The abstracted plan is in JSON format, it is not a complete plan but contains logical plans and essential properties such as join algorithms and table locations.

Once all required queries are captured, stop the capture process by executing the CAPTURE command again with the keyword STOP. Verify that the abstract plans have been created by referring to system view ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS. This view shows key details including the following:

Key Values in ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS

Column	Example / Detail
ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_ID	10003, 20003 etc.
HOST, PORT	Abstract plans are saved on the basis of locations (host and port). These details can be updated using the SQL statement UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN.
STATEMENT_STRING	SQL SELECT statement.
PLAN_KEY	Text string.
ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN	JSON formatted string.
IS_ENABLED	Abstract plans can be enabled or disabled as required - see below.
IS_VALID	If FALSE the captured plan cannot be used - see validity details below.

The following example uses the JSON_VALUE() function to select abstract plans for a given schema (the variable `$.session_user` could be used to select plans for a given user):

```
SELECT * FROM ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS WHERE JSON_VALUE(PLAN_KEY, '$.schema') = 'mySchema';
```

Capture WITH CACHE Option

An additional option is available to capture an abstraction of plans which are already cached. For this, the keywords WITH SQL PLAN CACHE are required with the START statement:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START CAPTURE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN WITH SQL PLAN CACHE;
```

This triggers a job (JOB_NAME `Plan Stability`) which runs and stops when complete. You can monitor its progress in view M_JOB_PROGRESS. On completion you can verify that abstract plans have been stored in ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS using the select statement given in the example above.

Regenerating Plans (Apply)

To apply the plan stability feature and use the abstract SQL plans run the START APPLY statement:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START APPLY ABSTRACT SQL PLAN;
```

Now any newly compiled SELECT queries will be based, wherever possible, on the abstract SQL plans: queries are checked against the stored abstract plans and used to generate an execution plan. You can stop the apply period with the STOP APPLY statement.

Verification: In the plan cache you can see the source of a cached statement by referring to the COMPILATION_OPTIONS value, this will be either empty (compiled by HANA SQL query optimizer) or 'ABSTRACT SQL PLAN' to indicate that the plan was regenerated from an abstract plan.

Enabling and Disabling

Abstract SQL plans can be enabled, disabled or removed from the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table by referring to the ID value. The following example uses a list of plan IDs, the keyword ALL is also available to enable all plans (this sets IS_ENABLED to true):

```
ALTER SYSTEM ENABLE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN ENTRY FOR MyPlanID01, MyPlanID02;
```

If a plan is invalid (IS_VALID= FALSE) it will not be used even if it is selected; the query will be compiled using the current version of the optimizer instead of the captured abstract plan. Reasons for invalidation include failed checks on related objects and JSON deserialization failure. The reason is saved in the NOTES column of the ABSTRACT_SQL_PLANS table.

The cache is automatically cleared in the background when certain events take place, that is, when the apply phase is either started or stopped, when one or more plans are enabled or disabled or when one or more plans are removed.

Changing Locations

If it is necessary to change the location details (host and port) of the server you can use the SQL statement UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN. One scenario where this might be required is in high availability systems after a failover when the secondary data center performs a takeover and becomes the production system. In this case, it would be necessary to update the locations of all nodes. The following example illustrates a multi-node scaleout scenario with two hosts, and uses the keyword ALL to update the location information of all plans:

```
ALTER SYSTEM UPDATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN
SET LOCATION site1host1:30040 to site2host1:30040, site1host2:30040 to
site2host2:30040
FOR ALL;
```

Migrating Abstract SQL Plan After an Upgrade

When the system is upgraded, there might be changes to the internal structure of how the Abstract SQL Plan is captured and stored. So, a migration is needed to the current structure after the upgrade. The migration can be done using the following SQL statement:

```
ALTER SYSTEM MIGRATE ABSTRACT SQL PLAN;
```

Tracing

The trace level for this feature is configurable by setting a configuration parameter in the [trace] section of the indexserver.ini file. The default value of the PlanStability parameter is 'error', set this to 'debug' if necessary for detailed trace information.

Related Information

[Statement Performance Analysis \[page 167\]](#)

[M_ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_OVERVIEW System View](#)

[M_ABSTRACT_SQL_PLAN_STATISTICS System View](#)

[ALTER SYSTEM {START | STOP} APPLY ABSTRACT SQL PLAN \(System Management\)](#)

[Managing Workload with Workload Classes](#)

[SAP Note 2639193 SAP HANA SQL Plan Stability](#)

4.6 Additional Analysis Tools for Support

To complement the standard tools for performance analysis, SAP HANA provides additional analysis tools that SAP Support can use to help determine the cause of performance issues.

The following analysis tools are available in SAP HANA; however, these tools are intended only for use when requested by SAP Support:

- Performance trace
This tool records performance indicators for individual query processing steps in database kernel.
- Kernel profiler
This tool provides information about hotspots and expensive execution paths during query processing.

4.6.1 Performance Trace

The performance trace is a performance tracing tool built into the SAP HANA database. It records performance indicators for individual query processing steps in the database kernel. You may be requested by SAP Support to provide a performance trace.

Information collected includes the processing time required in a particular step, the data size read and written, network communication, and information specific to the operator or processing-step-specific (for example, number of records used as input and output). The performance trace can be enabled in multiple tenant databases at the same time to analyze cross-database queries.

Performance Trace Files

Performance trace results are saved to the trace files with file extension *.tpt or *.cpt, which you can access with other diagnosis files. To analyze these files, you need a tool capable of reading the output format (*.tpt and *.cpt). SAP Support has tools for evaluating performance traces.

Enabling and Configuring the Performance Trace

You can enable and configure the performance trace in the SAP HANA studio or using the `ALTER SYSTEM *PERFTRACE SQL` statements.

❖ Example

To start the performance trace execute `ALTER SYSTEM START PERFTRACE.`

Configuration Options

Option	Description
Trace file name	The name of the file to which the trace data is automatically saved after the performance trace is stopped
User and application filters	Filters to restrict the trace to a single specific database user, a single specific application user, and a single specific application
Trace execution plans	You can trace execution plans in addition to the default trace data.
Function profiler	The function profiler is a very fine-grained performance tracing tool based on source code instrumentation. It complements the performance trace by providing even more detailed information about the individual processing steps that are done in the database kernel.
Duration	How long you want tracing to run If a certain scenario is to be traced, ensure that you enter a value greater than the time it takes the scenario to run. If there is no specific scenario to trace but instead general system performance, then enter a reasonable value. After the specified duration, the trace stops automatically.

Additional filter options are available in extended mode to restrict the trace data further.

For more information about how to configure the performance trace using SQL, see the *SAP HANA SQL and System Views Reference*.

Related Information

[ALTER SYSTEM {START | STOP} PERFTRACE Statement \(System Management\)](#)

[ALTER SYSTEM SAVE PERFTRACE Statement \(System Management\)](#)

[ALTER SYSTEM LOAD PERFTRACE Statement \(System Management\)](#)

[M_PERFTRACE System View](#)

4.6.2 Kernel Profiler

The kernel profiler is a sampling profiler built into the SAP HANA database. It can be used to analyze performance issues with systems on which third-party software cannot be installed, or parts of the database that are not accessible by the performance trace. It is inactive by default.

The kernel profile collects, for example, information about frequent and/or expensive execution paths during query processing.

It is recommended that you start kernel profiler tracing immediately before you execute the statements you want to analyze and stop it immediately after they have finished. This avoids the unnecessary recording of irrelevant statements. It is also advisable as this kind of tracing can negatively impact performance.

Enabling and Configuring the Kernel Profiler

You can enable and configure the kernel profiler in the SAP HANA Database Explorer (Trace Configuration) or you can manage the kernel profiler from the SQL command line using the ALTER SYSTEM command. In both cases RESOURCE ADMIN or TRACE ADMIN privileges are required.

Enabling Kernel Profiler using SQL

The kernel profiler statement supports basic functions such as start, stop, save and clear, but also a number of options such as to run the profile for a specific location, for a specific user or within certain memory limits.

The following examples illustrate the basic usage of the ALTER SYSTEM command:

```
ALTER SYSTEM START KERNEL PROFILER
```

```
ALTER SYSTEM SAVE KERNEL PROFILER
```

The SAVE keyword stops the profiler, saves the data (to the trace directory) and clears allocated memory. The following statement starts profiling at host:port ab1234:30003 and filters for the user specific trace (database trace) profile MYTRACEPROFILE

```
ALTER SYSTEM START KERNEL PROFILER AT 'ab1234:30003' TRACEPROFILE  
'MYTRACEPROFILE' ;
```

Refer to the SAP HANA SQL Reference Guide for further options and details of these commands.

Configuration Options in Database Explorer

Option	Description
Service(s) to profile	The service(s) that you want to profile.
Sampling interval	The amount of time the kernel profiler is to wait between call stack retrievals. When you activate the kernel profiler, it retrieves the call stacks of relevant threads several times. It waits between each sample for the length of time specified here minus the time the previous retrieval took.
Memory limit	Memory limit that will stop tracing. The kernel profiler can potentially use a lot a memory. To prevent the SAP HANA database from running out of memory due to profiling, you can specify a memory limit that cannot be exceeded.
Optional filter	The specific database user or application user you want to profile.

Kernel Profiler Traces

Profiling results are saved to two trace files. When started from SQL:

- kernel_profiler_cpu.dot
- kernel_profiler_wait.dot

When started from Database Explorer:

- CPU_<service>_<host>_<port>_<timestamp>.dot
- WAIT_<service>_<host>_<port>_<timestamp>.dot

To analyze these trace files you need a tool capable of reading the .dot output format, or you may be asked to send the files to SAP Support.

View M_KERNEL_PROFILER

The view M_KERNEL_PROFILER displays the status of the profiler (started or stopped) and provides information about current kernel profilers. The view can also be accessed by users with RESOURCE ADMIN and/or TRACE ADMIN privileges.

Further Information

An SAP Community blog *Kernel profiler filtered by connection ID and statement hash* gives further details of this feature.

Related Information

[Diagnosis Files](#)

[M_KERNEL_PROFILER System View](#)

[ALTER SYSTEM {START | STOP | SAVE | CLEAR} KERNEL_PROFILER Statement \(System Management\)](#)

[SAP Community Blog: Kernel profiler filtered by connection ID and statement hash](#)

4.6.3 Diagnosis Information

You can collect diagnosis information (a full system info dump) in the SAP HANA studio, in SAP HANA cockpit or using command line scripts.

To collect this information in SAP HANA studio open the Administration Editor and navigate to [Diagnosis Files](#) [Diagnosis Information](#). Use the *Collect* function to run the system dump and use the *List* function to download the dump to a local file.

To collect this information in SAP HANA cockpit, on the system overview page, under *Alerting & Diagnostics*, select *Manage full system information dumps*. On the *Diagnosis Files* page, choose a zip file from the list or click *Collect Diagnostics* to create a new zip file.

The SQL variant can be used when SAP HANA is online, otherwise you can use the Python script `fullSystemInfoDump.py` in the `python_support` directory (shortcut `cdpy`):

```
python fullSystemInfoDump.py
```

When the dump has completed you can download the file from the snapshots directory: `/usr/sap/HAN/sys/global/sapcontrol/snapshots`

All options related to getting a system dump are fully described in SAP Note 1732157. This note also includes a video demonstration of the process.

→ Tip

Guided Answers is a support tool for troubleshooting problems using decision trees. A guided answer is available on *How to generate a runtime dump*.

Related Information

[SAP Note 1732157](#) 

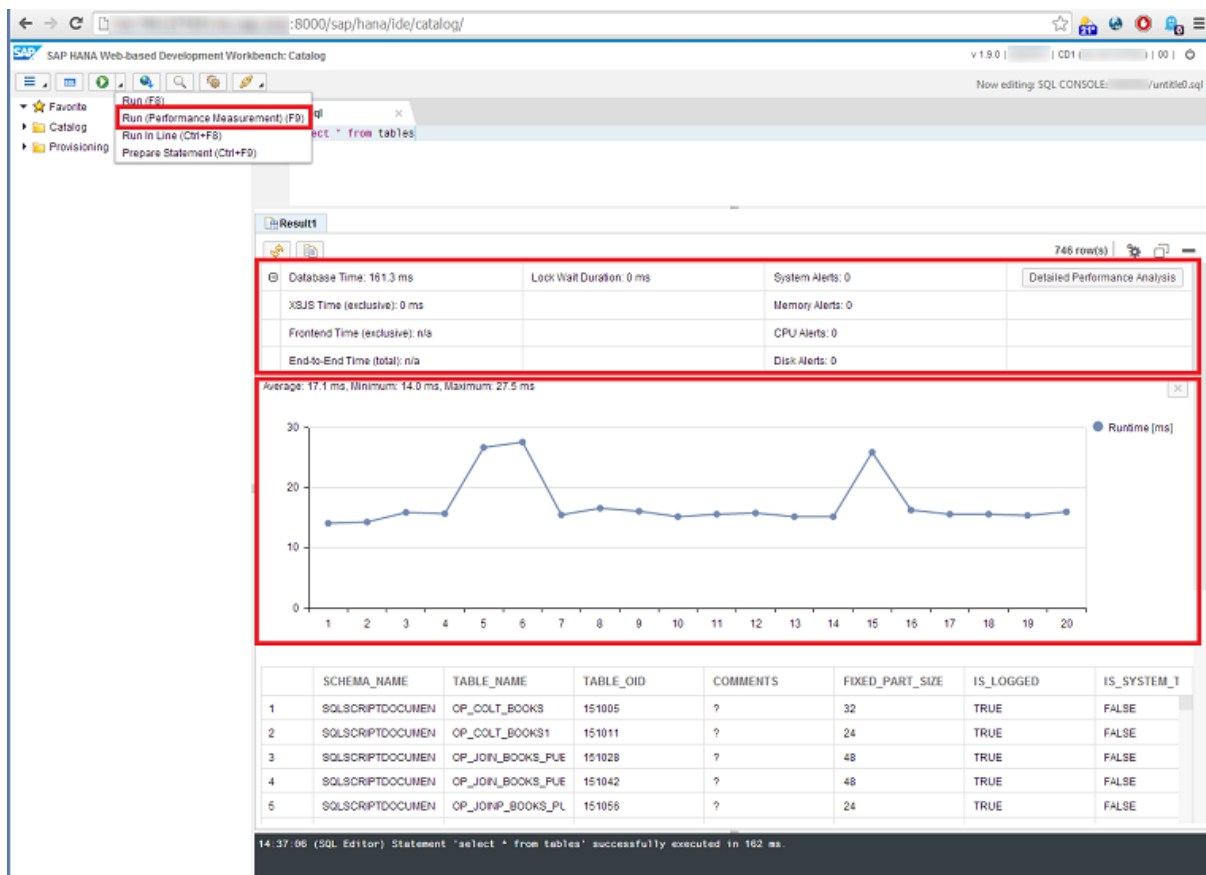
[How to generate a runtime dump \(Guided Answer\)](#) 

4.6.4 Analysis Tools in SAP HANA Web-based Developer Workbench

There are a number of tools available for application performance analysis in the SAP HANA Web-based Developer Workbench.

SQL Console

The extended SQL Console (part of the Catalog perspective) supports implicit and explicit performance measurement while executing a SQL statement. It allows you to easily acquire sound measurement data and to assess whether a SQL statement is problematic.



Implicit performance measurement can be triggered via F9 run command and provides execution time information for the database, XS, and UI layers. Additional information to judge the measurement quality like table locks and system alerts is also provided. Detailed performance analysis supports the repeated execution of statements thus allows you to check whether performance characteristics are stable.

You can use this feature to quickly check SQL performance and to determine whether the observed poor performance is caused by system load or variability.

Expensive Statements Trace

The expensive statements trace in the Trace perspective allows you to quickly analyze how the SQL layer of your SAP HANA system is used (globally or within a specific session/application). It allows you to analyze if the SAP HANA database is used effectively and efficiently for a given application.

Expensive Statements Trace

Filter based on start time of passport session: 2014-10-07 - 07:24:26 - D029701

HOST	PORT	CONNECTION_ID	TRANSACTION_ID	UPDATE_TRANSA...	STATEMENT_ID	STATEMENT_HASH
		30007	448557	21	0	1926538264948080
		30007	448559	22	0	1926547820762881
		30007	448557	21	0	1926538264948080
		30007	448557	21	0	1926538264948080
		30007	448560	23	0	1926551069047542

Statistics

Total number of SQL calls: 30
 Total number of unique statements: 3
 Total number of result records: 3670
 Total duration [ms]: 1290
 Execution start / end: 7.10.2014 07:24:26 - 7.10.2014 07:24:59

Unique Statements

Statement	Frequency	Avg. Duration [...]	Min. Duration [...]	Max. Duration [...]
select TOTAL_EXECUTION_TIME, TOTAL_CURSOR_DURATION, TOTAL_EXECUTION_OPE...	16	37	31	67
select 'memory' as WARNING_CATEGORY, ALERT_ID, ALERT_NAME, ALERT_DESCRIPTOR...	8	54	32	181
SELECT * FROM views	6	46	20	173

The expensive statement view supports filtering for passport-based application sessions - if the trace is configured accordingly by the system administrator and you run your application with SAP passport. For each statement you can see metrics such as start time, number of processed records and many more.

Furthermore, a statistical summary is provided that gives insight on the overall SQL load. It details metrics such as:

- Number of statements executed
- Number of unique statements executed
- Number of result records

Last, for each unique statement summary statistics are shown that detail the frequency of their usage as well as aggregated duration metrics.

You can use the expensive statement trace to analyze:

- the overall SQL load in your current system
- the SQL interaction of a specific application, for example, to figure out if an application that is not currently performing well due to an issue on the application layer or on the database layer.

Immediate Database Performance Feedback

This feature is part of the Immediate Feedback context in WebIDE. It provides a performance overview of all SQL statements which are executed during an Immediate Feedback session, thus helps application developers to immediately understand the number and performance of their DB-related statements.

The screenshot shows the SAP HANA IDE interface. On the left, a code editor displays the file `simpleExample.xsjs` with the following JavaScript code:

```

53 query = 'SELECT * FROM TABLES WHERE SCHEMA_NAME = \'SAP_HANA_DEV\'';
54 pstmt = conn.prepareStatement(query);
55 pstmt.setString(1, schemaName);
56 rs = pstmt.executeQuery();
57 } catch (e) {
58 $.response.status = $.net.http.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR;
59 $.response.setBody(e.message);
60 return;
61 }
62 }
63
64
65 - function multipleStatements() {
66 var conn = $.db.getConnection();
67 var pstmt;
68 var rs;
69 var query;
70
71 try {
72 // A sample SQL Statement
73 query = 'SELECT * FROM DUMMY';
74 pstmt = conn.prepareStatement(query);
75 rs = pstmt.executeQuery();
76 } catch (e) {
77 $.response.status = $.net.http.INTERNAL_SERVER_ERROR;
78 $.response.setBody(e.message);
79 return;
80 }
81
82 try {

```

On the right, the 'Immediate Feedback' panel is open, showing 'Function Evaluation' for `multipleStatements()`. Below it, the 'Database Performance' overview is displayed as a table:

Step	Statement	Execution Time
7	SELECT * FROM DUMMY	1.2 ms
11	SELECT * FROM TABLE_COOL...	243.5 ms
18	SELECT * FROM TABLES	166.3 ms

The Database Performance overview provides 3 metrics for each SQL statement: step, statement and execution.

- Step: the actual immediate feedback step in which a SQL statement was executed
- Statement: the SQL statement
- Execution time: the execution time of the statement (in milliseconds)

You can use this feature to understand the performance behavior of the SQL statements (for example, finding expensive statements that belong to a particular function) and exploit this understanding for possible further performance investigations, like subsequently taking a dedicated measurement using the SQL Console.

5 SAP HANA Database monitoring with Solution Manager

This topic gives information about SAP HANA database monitoring with Solution Manager.

Setting up Solution Manager

SAP Solution Manager can be used to monitor one or more SAP HANA databases. A starting point to find all the information you require for the setup and configuration of the SAP HANA database monitoring using solution manager can be found on the WIKI page [SAP HANA Operations with SAP Solution Manager](#)

A detailed step by step description of the configuration and setup is given in the WIKI subpage [Managed System Setup for SAP HANA](#), the configuration and setup have different steps depending on the SAP HANA database architecture and environment you have, for example, you may have Multitenant Database Containers (MDC) and/ or system replication may be enabled in your environment.

There are two main steps:

1. You need to register the SAP HANA system you want to monitor in SLD
2. You need to do the managed system configuration steps for the HANA Database in the solution manager system.

The Resolution part of the KBA [2436986 - Registration and Managed System Setup of SAP HANA in SAP Solution Manager](#) links you to the correct steps to follow depending on your HANA Architecture.

Troubleshooting when registering an SAP HANA Database in SLD

Before starting troubleshooting please double check that you have done the required configuration on the SAP HANA database side and that you are aware of known documented issues. For this please refer to the SAP HANA Database Administration Guide that is relevant for your HANA release and the notes referenced below:






In the SAP HANA Administration guide see the section Configuring a SAP HANA System to Connect to the System Landscape Directory (SLD).

If you are following the documentation above and the SLD registration is not successful please then check the steps in the Resolution part of the KBA [2537537 - SLD does not update after registering HANA using HDBLCM](#).

If you still face a problem with the registration of the SAP HANA database in SLD please review the known issues described in the below notes as they may be relevant for the issue that you face:

Important Notes for SAP HANA SLD Registration:

- [2729787 - FAQ: HANA Data Supplier for System Landscape Directory \(SLD\) and Focused Run \(FRUN\)](#)

- [2697518 - Patch Level in LMDB and SLD show the HANA DB Service Pack Number and not its Patch Level](#) 
- [2688902 - LMDB Shows Invalid Instance and Version Information for Products Installed on a SAP HANA](#) 
- [2607076 - Support of SLD Registration of an SAP HANA System Using Fully Qualified Domain Names \(FQDN\) in SLDSYSTEMHOME and SLDVIRTDBHOME](#) 
- [2646035 - SLD Registration: The Former Primary Site of a System Replication Still Show the old Values in SLD and Solution Manager After a Takeover](#) 
- [2577511 - Support of SLD Registration of a HANA System Replication or Multi Database Container Setup](#) 

If you are not successful in resolving the problem with the above information, SAP Support would require the following tracing and logs to further analyse issue:

Log files required for SAP HANA Database SLD registration problems

MDC Environment:

1. Increase the trace level on SYSTEMDB by executing the following SQL:

```
alter system alter configuration('nameserver.ini','SYSTEM')
SET ('trace','sldconfig') = 'debug', ('trace','sldcollect') = 'debug',
('trace','sldsend') = 'debug' with reconfigure;
```


2. Trigger the SLD data supplier by executing the following sql on SYSTEMDB:

```
alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini','SYSTEM')
SET ('sld','enable') = 'false' with reconfigure;
```

```
alter system alter configuration ('nameserver.ini','SYSTEM')
SET ('sld','enable') = 'true' with reconfigure;
```

3. Reset the trace level on SYSTEMDB to default:

```
alter system alter configuration('nameserver.ini','SYSTEM')
UNSET ('trace','sldconfig'), ('trace','sldcollect'), ('trace','sldsend') with
reconfigure;
```

4. Create a full system info dump of SYSTEMDB ([1732157 - Collecting diagnosis information for SAP HANA \[VIDEO\]](#) )
5. Provide the files slddest.cfg, sldreg.log and sldreg.xml from the HANA server:

```
/usr/sap/<SID>/HDB<instance>/<host>/trace/sldreg.xml sldreg.log/usr/sap/
<sid>/SYS/global/slddest.cfg
```

Additionally, from every HANA host on primary and in case of a system replication environment from every host on secondary side:

```
/usr/sap/<SID>/profile/DEFAULT.PFL
```

6. Provide the content of the global.ini file by executing the sql command on SYSTEMDB and every tenant DB. Provide the result as .csv file `Select * from sys.m_inifile_contents where file_name = 'global.ini' and layer_name = 'SYSTEM';`

What information is captured in the above SAP tracing?

nameserver.ini . > [trace]:

Trace	Detail level
sldcollect = 'debug'	lists every step of the data collection
sldconfig = 'debug'	lists the initial registration to SLD done by hdblcm
sldsend = 'debug'	lists the path to the log file sldreg.log of the last data transfer

Managed system configuration of the SAP HANA Database in Solution Manager

To perform the second step: managed system setup of the SAP HANA Database in solution manager please refer to the following section of the SAP HANA Administration guide:

[Connecting SAP Solution Manager to SAP HANA](#)

Additional troubleshooting information for the SLD registration and the managed system setup of the SAP HANA database in solution manager is available in the Wiki [Trouble Shooting Guide for SAP Solution Manager Operations for SAP HANA](#)

Please be aware of the below knowledge repositories that described common issues and questions that come up when using Solution Manager to monitor SAP HANA databases:

Important KBAs and Notes related to Solution Manager and HANA monitoring:

- [2374090 - SOLMAN_SETUP - BW Content Activation fails "ERROR: EC:2048" column store error: in Solution Manager 7.2](#)
- [2264627 - How to Troubleshoot Grey HANA Metrics in Technical Monitoring - SAP Solution Manager](#)
- [2711824 - High Number of Prepared Statements Causing High Usage of Memory Allocator Pool/Statistics](#)
- [2211415 - SAP HANA alerting composite SAP Note](#)
- [2147247 - FAQ: SAP HANA Statistics Server](#)
- [1991615 - Configuration options for the Embedded Statistics Service](#)

Technical requirements for setting up secondary database connection from Solution Manager to SAP HANA Database:

- [1597627 - SAP HANA connection](#)

Important changes regarding how Solution Manager collects monitoring information from SAP HANA Database:

With SAP HANA Revisions \geq 122.02 the method used by Solution manager to collect the alerting relating information from a managed SAP HANA Database has been changed and optimized in such a way that it reduces the workload on the SAP HANA Database for the statistics collection. To use this new HANA Monitoring mechanism changes may be required on the solution manager system and the SAP HANA Database, further information can be found in the SAP note [2374272 - Enabling new HANA Monitoring mechanism for Solution Manager](#)

Monitoring Recommendations

You observe differences in parameter value recommendations coming from a solution manager generated EWA report, HANA Parameter check script HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+.txt script from KBA [1969700 - SQL Statement Collection for SAP HANA](#) and/or [EWA workspace tool \(ewaviewer\)](#). The root cause is often that the EWA report generated from a customer's solution manager system does not have the latest information on the parameter value recommendations due to outdated version of solution manager system or ST-SER Release installed. Further information is available in the KBA: [2749491 - Differences in EWA report for HANA Parameter recommendations when compared with output of HANA parameter check script HANA_Configuration_Parameters_1.00.90+.txt](#)

6 Alerts and the Statistics Service

Alert checkers are part of the statistics service which is a central element of SAP HANA's internal monitoring infrastructure.

The statistics service is a key administration resource which notifies you when potentially critical situations arise in your systems. The statistics service is described in detail in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*.

Alert Checkers

A set of over 100 scheduled alert checkers run in the background monitoring the system for specific events. All alerts include a recommended user action and for many alerts a corresponding SAP Note is available. Details of all these alerts are given in the reference section which follows.

Alerts are defined in the following two tables:

- `_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERT_INFORMATION`
- `_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_ALERT_THRESHOLDS`

Each alert also has a corresponding entry in the following statistics scheduling tables:

- `_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_OBJECTS`
- `_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_SCHEDULE`



Configurable Severity Levels

Many alert checkers are defined with threshold values so that a degree of severity can be indicated if the alert is triggered. Default values are available for all severity thresholds and these can be over-ridden by user-defined values using the administration tools SAP HANA Studio and SAP HANA Cockpit. The scale of severity values is from one to four (1 = Information, 2 = Low, 3 = Medium, 4 = High) and alerts can use any, none or all of these as required depending on the event which is being monitored and the unit of measurement. Some alerts have just a single information level threshold and are not configurable.

A history of changes made to threshold levels for each alert is maintained and can be seen in system view `STATISTICS_ALERT_THRESHOLDS_HISTORY`.

Configuration Tools

Alerts are configurable in either SAP HANA Studio or SAP HANA Cockpit:

- Studio: [Administration](#) > [Alerts tab](#) 
- Cockpit: [Alerting and Diagnostics](#) > [Configure Alerts](#) 

Configuration activities and administration features for both Studio and Cockpit are described in the *SAP HANA Administration Guide*. You are recommended to use Cockpit which provides more options; it includes, for example, the ability to disable alerts and to trigger an alert manually on demand. A limitation in Studio is that only alerts with multiple threshold values can be maintained.

If an alert check fails for any reason it is automatically de-activated by the system for a period of at least 60 minutes (1 hour + the interval length). This is done by setting the value of the schedule status to 'Inactive' (`_SYS_STATISTICS.STATISTICS_SCHEDULE STATUS`). Alert checkers are re-enabled automatically after the timeout period by setting the schedule status to 'Idle' (this restart feature was introduced in HANA 01 SPS 09 Revision 93).

Refer to SAP Note 1991615 - *Configuration options for the Embedded Statistics Service* for more details of the statistics service and examples of managing the service from the SQL command line.

Related Information

[SAP HANA Administration Guide](#)


[SAP Note 1991615](#)


6.1 Alerts Reference

Details of alerts in HANA 2.0 SPS05.

ID:	0
Name:	Internal statistics server problem
Description:	Identifies internal statistics server problem.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Resolve the problem. For more information, see the trace files. You may need to activate tracing first.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1803039 Statistics server CHECK_HOSTS_CPU intern. error when restart
ID:	1
Name:	Host physical memory usage
Description:	Determines what percentage of total physical memory available on the host is used. All processes consuming memory are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes.
	<div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid #ccc;"> <p>i Note</p> <p>Only relevant in HANA 1.0. Not active in HANA 2.0. See SAP Note: 2757696 Alert 1 shows wrong information</p> </div>
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 95; 98; 100 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action:	Investigate memory usage of processes.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1898317 How to handle HANA Alert 1: 'Host physical memory usage' ; SAP Note: 1840954 Alerts related to HANA memory consumption
ID:	2
Name:	Disk usage
Description:	Determines what percentage of each disk containing data, log, and trace files is used. This includes space used by non-SAP HANA files.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 90; 95; 98 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate disk usage of processes. Increase disk space, for example by shrinking volumes, deleting diagnosis files, or adding additional storage.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1900643 How to handle HANA Alert 2: 'Disk usage'
ID:	3
Name:	Inactive services
Description:	Identifies inactive services.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 600 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Investigate why the service is inactive, for example, by checking the service's trace files.
Further information:	Inactive > 600 seconds. SAP Note: 1902033 How to handle HANA Alert 3: 'Inactive Services'
ID:	4
Name:	Restarted services
Description:	Identifies services that have restarted since the last time the check was performed.

Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate why the service had to restart or be restarted, for example, by checking the service's trace files.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1909660 How to handle HANA Alert 4: 'Restarted services' 

ID:	5
Name:	Host CPU Usage
Description:	Determines the percentage CPU idle time on the host and therefore whether or not CPU resources are running low.
Category:	CPU
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 25; 15; 10 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate CPU usage.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1909670 How to handle HANA Alert 5: 'Host CPU Usage' 

ID:	6
Name:	Address space usage
Description:	Determines the address space consumption
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 70; 80; 90 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Prepare to restart HANA.

ID:	7
Name:	Timer fallback
Description:	Notifies about the usage of the system timer fallback. The system timer is slower than native HANA timer.
Category:	Configuration

User Action: Use HANA on a system configuration with Time Stamp Counter invariant set. See SAP Note 2753418.

Further information: SAP Note: [2753418 Potential Performance Degradation Due to Timer Fallback](#) 

ID: 10

Name: Delta merge (mergedog) configuration

Description: Determines whether or not the 'active' parameter in the 'mergedog' section of system configuration file(s) is 'yes'. mergedog is the system process that periodically checks column tables to determine whether or not a delta merge operation needs to be executed.

Category: Configuration

User Action: Change in SYSTEM layer the parameter active in section(s) mergedog to yes

Further information: SAP Note: [1909641 How to handle HANA Alert 10 - 'Delta Merge \(mergedog\) Configuration'](#) 

ID: 12

Name: Memory usage of name server


Description: Determines what percentage of allocated shared memory is being used by the name server on a host.

Category: Memory

Unit: percent

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 70; 80
Severity level(s): 3; 4

User Action: Increase the shared memory size of the name server. In the 'topology' section of the name-server.ini file, increase the value of the 'size' parameter.

Further information: SAP Note: [1977101 How to handle HANA Alert 12: 'Memory usage of name server'](#) 

ID: 16

Name: Lock wait timeout configuration

Description: Determines whether the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter in the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file is between 100,000 and 7,200,000.

Category: Configuration

User Action: In the 'transaction' section of the indexserver.ini file, set the 'lock_wait_timeout' parameter to a value between 100,000 and 7,200,000 for the System layer.

Further information: SAP Note: [1909707 How to handle HANA Alert 16: 'Lock Wait Timeout Configuration'](#) 

ID: 17

Name: Record count of non-partitioned column-store tables


Description: Determines the number of records in non-partitioned column-store tables. Current table size may not be critical. Partitioning need only be considered if tables are expected to grow rapidly (a non-partitioned table cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows).

Category: Memory

Unit: records

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 300000000
Severity level(s): 1

User Action: Consider partitioning the table only if you expect it to grow rapidly.

Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide > Table Partitioning, SAP Note: [1909763 How to handle HANA Alert 17: 'Record count of non-partitioned column-store tables'](#) 

ID: 20

Name: Table growth of non-partitioned column-store tables

Description: Determines the growth rate of non-partitioned columns tables.

Category: Memory

Unit: percent

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 5; 7,5; 10
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4


User Action: Consider partitioning the table. See also: [Guided Answer: How to reduce the size of a table.](#)


Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide > Table Partitioning, SAP Note: [1910140 How to Handle Alert 20 'Table growth of non-partitioned column-store tables'](#) 


ID: 21


Name: Internal event


Description: Identifies internal database events.


Category:	Availability
Unit:	state
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): HANDLED; INFO; NEW Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Resolve the event and then mark it as resolved by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '<host>:<port>' <id>. Note that this is not necessary for INFO events.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977252 How to handle HANA Alert 21: 'Internal event' 
ID:	22
Name:	Notification of all alerts
Description:	Determines whether or not there have been any alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate the alerts.
ID:	23
Name:	Notification of medium and high priority alerts
Description:	Determines whether or not there have been any medium and high priority alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate the alerts.
ID:	24
Name:	Notification of high priority alerts
Description:	Determines whether or not there have been any high priority alerts since the last check and if so, sends a summary e-mail to specified recipients.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate the alerts.
ID:	25

Name:	Open connections
Description:	Determines what percentage of the maximum number of permitted SQL connections are open. The maximum number of permitted connections is configured in the "session" section of the indexserver.ini file.
Category:	Sessions/Transactions
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 90; 95; 98 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate why the maximum number of permitted open connections is being approached.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1910159 How to handle HANA Alert 25: 'Check number of connections' 

ID:	26
Name:	Unassigned volumes
Description:	Identifies volumes that are not assigned a service.
Category:	Configuration
User Action:	Investigate why the volume is not assigned a service. For example, the assigned service is not active, the removal of a host failed, or the removal of a service was performed incorrectly.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1910169 How to handle HANA Alert 26: 'Unassigned volumes' 

ID:	27
Name:	Record count of column-store table partitions
Description:	Determines the number of records in the partitions of column-store tables. A table partition cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	records
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1500000000; 1800000000; 1900000000 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Consider repartitioning the table.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Table Partitioning, SAP Note: 1910188 How to handle HANA Alert 27: 'Record count of column-store table partitions' 

ID:	28
Name:	Most recent savepoint operation
Description:	Determines how long ago the last savepoint was defined, that is, how long ago a complete, consistent image of the database was persisted to disk.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	minutes
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 60; 120; 300 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Investigate why there was a delay defining the last savepoint and consider triggering the operation manually by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM SAVEPOINT.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977291 Handle HANA Alert 28: 'Most recent savepoint operation' 

ID:	29
Name:	Size of delta storage of column-store tables
Description:	Determines exceptionally large delta storages of column tables.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	values <= 100 in percent of the table host process allocation limit, greater values in MB
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 0.5; 1.0; 2.0; 4.0 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3; 4
User Action:	See SAP Knowledge Base Note 1977314. Investigate the delta merge history in the monitoring view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS. Consider merging the table delta manually.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977314 How to handle HANA Alert 29: 'Size of delta storage of column-store tables' 

ID:	30
Name:	Check internal disk full event
Description:	Determines whether or not the disks to which data and log files are written are full. A disk-full event causes your database to stop and must be resolved.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	state

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): HANDLED, NEW

Severity level(s): 2; 4

User Action: Resolve the disk-full event as follows: In the Administration Editor on the Overview tab, choose the "Disk Full Events" link and mark the event as handled. Alternatively, execute the SQL statements ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT ACKNOWLEDGED '<host>:<port>' <id> and ALTER SYSTEM SET EVENT HANDLED '<host>:<port>' <id>.

Further information: SAP Note: [1898460 How to Handle Alert 30 'Internal disk-full event'](#) 

ID: 31

Name: License expiry

Description: Determines how many days until your license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer use the system, except to install a new license.


Category: Availability

Unit: day

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 30; 14; 7

Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSE.

Further information: Security, Authorization and Licensing, SAP Note: [1899480 How to handle HANA Alert 31: 'License expiry'](#) 


ID: 33


Name: Log mode OVERWRITE


Description: Determines whether or not the database is running in log mode "overwrite". Log mode "overwrite" does not support point-in-recovery (only recovery to a data backup) and is not recommended for productive systems.


Category: Backup

User Action: If you need point-in-time recovery, reconfigure the log mode of your system to "normal". In the "persistence" section of the global.ini configuration file, set the parameter "log_mode" to "normal" for the System layer. When you change the log mode, you must restart the database system to activate the changes. It is also recommended that you perform a full data backup.


Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database. SAP Note: [1900267 How to handle HANA Alert 33 - 'Log mode OVERWRITE'](#) 

ID:	34
Name:	Unavailable volumes
Description:	Determines whether or not all volumes are available.
Category:	Configuration
User Action:	Investigate why the volume is not available.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900682 How to handle HANA Alert 34: Unavailable Volumes 


ID:	35
Name:	Existence of data backup
Description:	Determines whether or not a data backup exists. Without a data backup, your database cannot be recovered.
Category:	Backup
User Action:	Perform a data backup as soon as possible.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900728 How to handle HANA Alert 35: 'Existence of Data Backup' 


ID:	36
Name:	Status of most recent data backup
Description:	Determines whether or not the most recent data backup was successful.
Category:	Backup
User Action:	Investigate why the last data backup failed, resolve the problem, and perform a new data backup as soon as possible.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900795 How to handle HANA alert 36: 'Status of Most Recent Data Backup' 

ID:	37
Name:	Age of most recent data backup
Description:	Determines the age of the most recent successful data backup.
Category:	Backup
Unit:	day

Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 5; 7 ; 20 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Perform a data backup as soon as possible.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900730 How to handle HANA Alert 37 - 'Age of most recent data backup' 
ID:	38
Name:	Status of most recent log backups
Description:	Determines whether or not the most recent log backups for services and volumes were successful.
Category:	Backup
User Action:	Investigate why the log backup failed and resolve the problem.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide > Backing up and Recovering the SAP HANA Database, SAP Note: 1900788 How to handle HANA Alert 38: 'Status of Most Recent Log Backup' 
ID:	39
Name:	Long-running statements
Description:	Identifies long-running SQL statements.
Category:	Sessions/Transactions
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1800; 2700; 3600 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Investigate the statement. For more information, see the table <code>_SYS_STATISTICS.HOST_LONG_RUNNING_STATEMENTS</code> .
Further information:	SAP Note: 1849392 HANA alerts related to locks, hanging sessions and long runners 
ID:	40
Name:	Total memory usage of column-store tables
Description:	Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by individual column-store tables as a whole (that is, the cumulative size of all of a table's columns and internal structures)

Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 20; 25; 30 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Consider partitioning or repartitioning the table.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977268 How to handle HANA Alert 40: 'Total memory usage of column-store tables' 
ID:	41
Name:	In-memory DataStore activation
Description:	Determines whether or not there is a problem with the activation of an in-memory DataStore object.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	For more information, see the table <code>_SYS_STATISTICS.GLOBAL_DEC_EXTRACTOR_STATUS</code> and SAP Note 1665553.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1665553 How to handle HANA Alert 41: 'Check the In-memory DataStore activation'  ; SAP Note: 1977230 Handling issues with IMDSO activation - SAP HANA DXC 
ID:	42
Name:	Long running/idling cursors
Description:	Identifies long running/idling cursors. The threshold is based on <code>M_INIFILE_CONTENTS.VALUE</code> where <code>KEY = "idle_cursor_lifetime"</code> .
Category:	Sessions/Transactions
Unit:	ratio
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 0.5; 0.7 ;0.9 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Close the cursor in the application, or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement <code>ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION <LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID></code> . For more information, see the table <code>HOST_LONG_IDLE_CURSOR</code> (<code>_SYS_STATISTICS</code>).
Further information:	SAP Note: 1900261 How to handle HANA Alert 42: 'Long-Running Cursors' 
ID:	43

Name:	Memory usage of services
Description:	Determines what percentage of its effective allocation limit a service is using.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 80; 90; 95 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Check for services that consume a lot of memory.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1900257 How to handle HANA Alert 43: 'Memory Usage of Services' 

ID:	44
Name:	Licensed memory usage
Description:	Determines what percentage of licensed memory is used.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 98 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Increase licensed amount of main memory. You can see the peak memory allocation since installation in the system view M_LICENSE (column PRODUCT_USAGE).
Further information:	SAP Note: 1899511 How to handle HANA Alert 44 'Licensed Memory Usage' 

ID:	45
Name:	Memory usage of main storage of column-store tables
Description:	Determines what percentage of the effective allocation limit is being consumed by the main storage of individual column-store tables.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 20; 25; 30 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Consider partitioning or repartitioning the table.

Further information: SAP Note: [1977269 How to handle HANA Alert 45: 'Check memory usage of main storage of column-store tables'](#) 


ID: 46

Name: RTEdump files

Description: Identifies new runtime dump files (*rtedump*) have been generated in the trace directory of the system. These contain information about, for example, build, loaded modules, running threads, CPU, and so on.

Category: Diagnosis Files

User Action: Check the contents of the dump files.

Further information: SAP Note: [1977099 How to handle HANA Alert 46: 'Check for new RTE dump files'](#) 

ID: 47

Name: Long-running serializable transactions

Description: Identifies long-running serializable transactions.

Category: Sessions/Transactions

Unit: ratio

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 0.7; 0.9
Severity level(s): 3; 4

User Action: Close the serializable transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION <LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID>. For more information, see the table HOST_LONG_SERIALIZABLE_TRANSACTION (_SYS_STATISTICS).

Further information: Transactional Problems

ID: 48

Name: Long-running uncommitted write transactions

Description: Identifies long-running uncommitted write transactions.

Category: Sessions/Transactions

Unit: ratio

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 0.7; 0.9
Severity level(s): 3; 4

User Action: Close the uncommitted transaction in the application or kill the connection by executing the SQL statement ALTER SYSTEM DISCONNECT SESSION <LOGICAL_CONNECTION_ID>. For more information, see the table HOST_UNCOMMITTED_WRITE_TRANSACTION (_SYS_STATISTICS).

Further information: SAP Note: [1977276 How to handle HANA Alert 48: 'Check a long-running uncommitted write transaction'](#) 

ID: 49

Name: Long-running blocking situations

Description: Identifies long-running blocking situations.

Category: Sessions/Transactions

Unit: minutes

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 15; 20; 25
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Investigate the blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel one of them.

Further information: SAP Note: [2079396 How to handle HANA Alert 49: 'long-running blocking transaction'](#) 

ID: 50

Name: Number of diagnosis files

Description: Determines the number of diagnosis files written by the system (excluding zip-files). An unusually large number of files can indicate a problem with the database (for example, problem with trace file rotation or a high number of crashes).


Category: Diagnosis Files


Unit: files


Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 200
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Investigate the diagnosis files.


Further information: SAP Note: [1977162 How to handle HANA Alert 50: 'Number of Diagnosis files'](#) 


ID:	51
Name:	Size of diagnosis files
Description:	Identifies large diagnosis files. Unusually large files can indicate a problem with the data-base.
Category:	Diagnosis Files
Unit:	MB
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1024; 2048 Severity level(s): 2; 3
User Action:	Check the diagnosis files in the SAP HANA studio for details.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977208 How to handle HANA Alert 51: 'Size of diagnosis files' 


ID:	52
Name:	Crashdump files
Description:	Identifies new crashdump files that have been generated in the trace directory of the system.
Category:	Diagnosis Files
User Action:	Check the contents of the dump files.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977218 How to handle HANA Alert 52 'Check for new crash dump files' 


ID:	53
Name:	Pagedump files
Description:	Identifies new pagedump files that have been generated in the trace directory of the system.
Category:	Diagnosis Files
User Action:	Check the contents of the dump files.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977242 How to handle HANA Alert 53: 'Pagedump files' 


ID:	54
Name:	Savepoint duration
Description:	Identifies long-running savepoint operations.

Category:	Backup
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 300; 600; 900 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Check disk I/O performance.
Further information:	CPU Related Root Causes and Solutions, I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note: 1977220 How to handle HANA Alert 54: Savepoint Duration 




ID:	55
Name:	Columnstore unloads
Description:	Determines how many columns in columnstore tables have been unloaded from memory. This can indicate performance issues.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	tables
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000; 10000; 100000 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Check sizing with respect to data distribution.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977207 How to handle HANA Alert 55: Columnstore unloads 

ID:	56
Name:	Python trace activity
Description:	Determines whether or not the python trace is active and for how long. The python trace affects system performance.
Category:	Diagnosis Files
Unit:	minutes
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 20; 60; 300 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	If no longer required, deactivate the python trace in the relevant configuration file.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977098 How to handle HANA Alert 56: Python trace activity 

ID:	57
Name:	Instance secure store file system (SSFS) inaccessible
Description:	Determines if the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system is accessible to the database.
Category:	Security
Unit:	state
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Check and make sure that the instance SSFS is accessible to the database.
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977221 How to handle HANA Alert 57: 'Secure store file system (SSFS) availability' 

ID:	58
Name:	Plan cache size
Description:	Determines whether or not the plan cache is too small.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	evictions
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Currently Alert 58 is inactive and replaced by Alert 91. Please activate Alert 91 - Plan Cache Hit Ratio
Further information:	SAP Note: 1977253 How to handle HANA Alert 58 - 'Plan Cache Size' 


ID:	59
Name:	Percentage of transactions blocked
Description:	Determines the percentage of transactions that are blocked.
Category:	Sessions/Transactions
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 5; 10; 20 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action:	Investigate blocking and blocked transactions and if appropriate cancel some of them.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2081856 How to handle HANA Alert 59: 'Percentage of transactions blocked' 
ID:	60
Name:	Sync/Async read ratio
Description:	Identifies a bad trigger asynchronous read ratio. This means that asynchronous reads are blocking and behave almost like synchronous reads. This might have negative impact on SAP HANA I/O performance in certain scenarios.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	ratio
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 0.5 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Please refer to SAP note 1930979.
Further information:	I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note: 1965379 Correction of thresholds for Alerts 60 & 61 in HANA Revision 70 (SPS7) 
ID:	61
Name:	Sync/Async write ratio
Description:	Identifies a bad trigger asynchronous write ratio. This means that asynchronous writes are blocking and behave almost like synchronous writes. This might have negative impact on SAP HANA I/O performance in certain scenarios.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	ratio
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 0.5 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Please refer to SAP note 1930979.
Further information:	I/O Related Root Causes and Solutions, SAP Note: 1965379 Correction of thresholds for Alerts 60 & 61 in HANA Revision 70 (SPS7) 
ID:	62
Name:	Expiration of database user passwords

Description: Identifies database users whose password is due to expire in line with the configured password policy. If the password expires, the user will be locked. If the user in question is a technical user, this may impact application availability. It is recommended that you disable the password lifetime check of technical users so that their password never expires (ALTER USER <username> DISABLE PASSWORD LIFETIME).

Category: Security

User Action: Change the password of the database user.

Further information: SAP Note: [2082406 How to handle HANA Alert 62: Expiration of database user passwords](#) 

ID: 63

Name: Granting of SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT role

Description: Determines if the internal support role (SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT) is currently granted to any database users.

Category: Security

Unit: users

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 1
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Check if the corresponding users still need the role. If not, revoke the role from them.

Further information: SAP Note: [2081857 Handle HANA Alert 63: Granting of SAP_INTERNAL_HANA_SUPPORT role](#) 

ID: 64

Name: Total memory usage of table-based audit log


Description: Determines what percentage of the effective memory allocation limit is being consumed by the database table used for table-based audit logging. If this table grows too large, the availability of the database could be impacted.

Category: Memory

Unit: percent

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 5; 7; 9; 11
Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3; 4

User Action: Consider exporting the content of the table and then truncating the table.

Further information: [SAP Note: 2081869 How to handle HANA Alert 64: 'Total memory usage of table-based audit log'](#) 

ID: 65

Name: Runtime of the log backups currently running


Description: Determines whether or not the most recent log backup terminates in the given time.

Category: Backup

Unit: seconds

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 30; 300; 900
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Investigate why the log backup runs for too long, and resolve the issue.

Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: [2081845 How to handle HANA Alert 65: 'Runtime of the log backups currently running'](#) 

ID: 66

Name: Storage snapshot is prepared


Description: Determines whether or not the period, during which the database is prepared for a storage snapshot, exceeds a given threshold.

Category: Backup

Unit: seconds

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 300; 900; 3600
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Investigate why the storage snapshot was not confirmed or abandoned, and resolve the issue.


Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: [2081405 How to handle HANA Alert 66: 'Storage snapshot is prepared'](#) 


ID: 67


Name: Table growth of rowstore tables

Description: Determines the growth rate of rowstore tables

Category: Memory

Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 5; 7.5; 10 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Try to reduce the size of row store table by removing unused data
Further information:	SAP Note: 2054411 How to handle Alert 67: 'Table growth of Row Store Tables' 

ID:	68
Name:	Total memory usage of row store
Description:	Determines the current memory size of a row store used by a service
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 70; 80; 90 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate memory usage by row store tables and consider cleanup of unused data
Further information:	SAP Note: 2050579 How to handle HANA Alert 68: 'total memory usage of row store' 

ID:	69
Name:	Enablement of automatic log backup
Description:	Determines whether automatic log backup is enabled.
Category:	Backup
User Action:	Enable automatic log backup. For more details please see SAP HANA Administration Guide.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide, SAP Note: 2081360 Handle HANA Alert 69: Enablement of automatic log backup 

ID:	70
Name:	Consistency of internal system components after system upgrade
Description:	Verifies the consistency of schemas and tables in internal system components (for example, the repository) after a system upgrade.
Category:	Availability

User Action: Contact SAP support.

ID: 71

Name: Row store fragmentation

Description: Check for fragmentation of row store.

Category: Memory

User Action: Implement SAP Note 1813245.

Further information: SAP Note: [1813245 Short dump when changing LC status](#) 

ID: 72

Name: Number of log segments

Description: Determines the number of log segments in the log volume of each service. Check for number of log segments.

Category: Backup

Unit: log segments

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 5000; 7000; 9000
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Make sure that log backups are being automatically created and that there is enough space available for them. Check whether the system has been frequently and unusually restarting services. If it has, then resolve the root cause of this issue and create log backups as soon as possible.

ID: 73

Name: Overflow of rowstore version space

Description: Determines the overflow ratio of the rowstore version space.

Category: Memory

Unit: ratio

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 10; 50; 100
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: This alert is deprecated. Please refer to alert 75 "Rowstore version space skew" for indication of rowstore version accumulation

Further information:	Transactional Problems
ID:	74
Name:	Overflow of metadata version space
Description:	Determines the overflow ratio of the metadata version space.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	ratio
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 10; 50; 100 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	This alert is deprecated. Please refer to alert 75 "Rowstore version space skew" for indication of rowstore version accumulation
Further information:	Transactional Problems
ID:	75
Name:	Rowstore version space skew
Description:	Determines whether the rowstore version chain is too long.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	versions
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 10000; 100000; 1000000 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Identify the connection or transaction that is blocking version garbage collection. You can do this in the SAP HANA studio by executing "MVCC Blocker Statement" and "MVCC Blocker Transaction" available on the System Information tab of the Administration editor. If possible, kill the blocking connection or cancel the blocking transaction. For your information, you can find table information by using query "SELECT * FROM TABLES WHERE TABLE_OID = <table object ID>".
Further information:	Transactional Problems
ID:	76
Name:	Discrepancy between host server times
Description:	Identifies discrepancies between the server times of hosts in a scale-out system.

Category:	Configuration
Unit:	minutes
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1; 2; 3 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Check operating system time settings.

ID:	77
Name:	Database disk usage
Description:	Determines the total used disk space of the database. All data, logs, traces and backups are considered.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	GB
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 300; 400; 500 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate the disk usage of the database. See system view M_DISK_USAGE for more details.

ID:	78
Name:	Connection between systems in system replication setup
Description:	Identifies closed connections between the primary system and a secondary system. If connections are closed, the primary system is no longer being replicated.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate why connections are closed (for example, network problem) and resolve the issue.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide

ID:	79
Name:	Configuration consistency of systems in system replication setup
Description:	Identifies configuration parameters that do not have the same value on the primary system and a secondary system. Most configuration parameters should have the same value on both systems because the secondary system has to take over in the event of a disaster.


Category:	Configuration
User Action:	If the identified configuration parameter(s) should have the same value in both systems, adjust the configuration. If different values are acceptable, add the parameter(s) as an exception in global.ini/[inifile_checker].
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide
ID:	80
Name:	Availability of table replication
Description:	Monitors error messages related to table replication.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	number of deactivated tables
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Determine which tables encountered the table replication error using system view M_TABLE_REPLICAS, and then check the corresponding indexserver alert traces.
ID:	81
Name:	Cached view size
Description:	Determines how much memory is occupied by cached view
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 50; 75; 90 Severity level(s): 1; 2; 3
User Action:	Increase the size of the cached view. In the "result_cache" section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the "total_size" parameter.
ID:	82
Name:	Timezone conversion
Description:	Compares SAP HANA internal timezone conversion with Operating System timezone conversion.
Category:	Configuration

Unit:	days
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 999999999; 100; 10 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Update SAP HANA internal timezone tables (refer to SAP note 1932132).
Further information:	SAP Note: 1932132 Large Time Difference Between Application Server and SAP HANA Database

ID:	83
Name:	Table consistency
Description:	Identifies the number of errors and affected tables detected by _SYS_STATISTICS.Collector_Global_Table_Consistency.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	errors
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1; 3; 4 Severity level(s): 1; 3; 4
User Action:	Contact SAP support.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2116157 - FAQ: SAP HANA Consistency Checks and Corruptions NOTE: Rational for the alert interval (300 seconds / 5 minutes) vs. the collector interval (1 day): "... the intention was to generate the alert shortly after the inconsistency was detected without having any synchronization between collector and alert. Then it is about the maximum delay we want to accept between detection of an inconsistency and the alert generation."

ID:	84
Name:	Insecure instance SSFS encryption configuration
Description:	Determines whether the master key of the instance secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your SAP HANA system has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.
Category:	Security
User Action:	Change the instance SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide

ID:	85
Name:	Insecure systemPKI SSFS encryption configuration
Description:	Determines whether the master key of the secure store in the file system (SSFS) of your system's internal public key infrastructure (system PKI) has been changed. If the SSFS master key is not changed after installation, it cannot be guaranteed that the initial key is unique.
Category:	Security
User Action:	Change the system PKI SSFS master key as soon as possible. For more information, see the SAP HANA Administration Guide.
Further information:	SAP HANA Administration Guide

ID:	86
Name:	Internal communication is configured too openly
Description:	Determines whether the ports used by SAP HANA for internal communication are securely configured. If the "listeninterface" property in the "communication" section of the global.ini file does not have the value ".local" for single-host systems and ".all" or ".global" for multiple-host systems, internal communication channels are externally exploitable.
Category:	Security
User Action:	The parameter [communication] listeninterface in global.ini is not set to a secure value. Please refer to SAP Note 2183363 or the section on internal host name resolution in the SAP HANA Master Guide.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2183363 Configuration of SAP HANA internal network 

ID:	87
Name:	Granting of SAP HANA DI support privileges
Description:	Determines if support privileges for the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) are currently granted to any database users or roles.
Category:	Security
Unit:	users
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Check if the corresponding users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them.

ID:	88
Name:	Auto merge for column-store tables
Description:	Determines if the delta merge of a table was executed successfully or not.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	records
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1; 5; 10 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	The delta merge was not executed successfully for a table. Check the error description in view M_DELTA_MERGE_STATISTICS and also Indexserver trace.

ID:	89
Name:	Missing volume files
Description:	Determines if there is any volume file missing.
Category:	Configuration
User Action:	Volume file missing, database instance is broken, stop immediately all operations on this instance.

ID:	91
Name:	Plan cache hit ratio
Description:	Determines whether or not the plan cache hit ratio is too low.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	ratio
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 0.95; 0.90 Severity level(s): 1;2
User Action:	Increase the size of the plan cache. In the "sql" section of the indexserver.ini file, increase the value of the "plan_cache_size" parameter.

ID:	92
Name:	Root keys of persistent services are not properly synchronized

Description: Not all services that persist data could be reached the last time the root key change of the data volume encryption service was changed. As a result, at least one service is running with an old root key.

Category: Security

User Action: Trigger a savepoint for this service or flush the SSFS cache using hdbcons

ID: 93

Name: Streaming License expiry

Description: Determines how many days until your streaming license expires. Once your license expires, you can no longer start streaming projects.

Category: Availability

Unit: day

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 30; 14 ; 7
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Obtain a valid license and install it. For the exact expiration date, see the monitoring view M_LICENSES.

ID: 94

Name: Log replay backlog for system replication secondary

Description: System Replication secondary site has a higher log replay backlog than expected.

Category: Availability

Unit: MB

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 10240; 51200; 512000
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Investigate on secondary site, why log replay backlog is increased

ID: 95

Name: Availability of Data Quality reference data (directory files)

Description: Determine the Data Quality reference data expiration dates.

Category: Availability

Unit:	day
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 30; 7; 1 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Download the latest Data Quality reference data files and update the system. (For more details about updating the directories, see the Installation and Configuration Guide for SAP HANA Smart Data Integration and SAP HANA Smart Data Quality.)

Further information: SAP HANA Administration Guide

ID:	96
Name:	Long-running tasks
Description:	Identifies all long-running tasks.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 3600; 21600; 43200 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate the long-running tasks. For more information, see the task statistics tables or views in <code>_SYS_TASK</code> schema and trace log.

ID:	97
Name:	Granting of SAP HANA DI container import privileges
Description:	Determines if the container import feature of the SAP HANA Deployment Infrastructure (DI) is enabled and if import privileges for SAP HANA DI containers are currently granted to any database users or roles.
Category:	Security
Unit:	users
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 3
User Action:	Check if the identified users still need the privileges. If not, revoke the privileges from them and disable the SAP HANA DI container import feature.


ID:	98
Name:	LOB garbage collection activity

Description:	Determines whether or not the lob garbage collection is activated.
Category:	Configuration
User Action:	Activate the LOB garbage collection using the corresponding configuration parameters.

ID:	99
Name:	HANA version
Description:	Checks the installed HANA version.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	support package
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Please check if your SAP HANA system can be upgraded to a newer version.

ID:	101
Name:	SQL access for SAP HANA DI technical users
Description:	Determines if SQL access has been enabled for any SAP HANA DI technical users. SAP HANA DI technical users are either users whose names start with '_SYS_DI' or SAP HANA DI container technical users (<container name>, <container name>#DI, <container name>#OO).
Category:	Security
Unit:	users
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Check if the identified users ('_SYS_DI*' users or SAP HANA DI container technical users) still need SQL access. If not, disable SQL access for these users and deactivate the users.

ID:	102
Name:	Existence of system database backup
Description:	Determines whether or not a system database backup exists. Without a system database backup, your system cannot be recovered.
Category:	Backup

User Action:	Perform a backup of the system database as soon as possible.
ID:	103
Name:	Usage of deprecated features
Description:	Determines if any deprecated features were used in the last interval.
Category:	0
Unit:	calls
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Check the view M_FEATURE_USAGE to see which features were used. Refer to SAP Note 2425002 for further information.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2425002 SAP HANA 2.0: Deprecations reported by the HANA statistics server 

ID:	104
Name:	Log shipping backlog for system replication secondary
Description:	System Replication secondary site has a higher log shipping backlog than expected.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	MB
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1024; 10240; 51200 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate on primary and secondary site, why log shipping backlog is increased

ID:	105
Name:	Total Open Transactions Check
Description:	The check monitors the number of open transactions per service
Category:	Sessions/Transactions
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 20; 50; 80 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Double check if the application is closing the connection correctly, and whether the high transaction load on the system is expected.

ID: 106

Name: ASYNC replication in-memory buffer overflow

Description: Checks if local in-memory buffer in ASYNC replication mode runs full

Category: Availability

User Action: Check buffer size, peak loads, network, IO on secondary

ID: 109

Name: Backup history broken

Description: If the backup history is broken, the log_mode is internally set to overwrite, it is not ensured that the service is fully recoverable via backup.

Category: Backup

User Action: Perform a data backup as soon as possible to ensure that the service is fully recoverable.

ID: 110

Name: Catalog Consistency

Description: Identifies the number of errors and affected objects detected by _SYS_STATISTICS.Collector_Global_Catalog_Consistency.

Category: Availability

Unit: errors

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 1; 3; 4

Severity level(s): 1; 3; 4

User Action: Contact SAP support.


ID: 111

Name: Replication status of Replication Log

Description: Check whether the status of replication log is disabled.

Category: Availability

User Action:	Truncate replication log table and enable replication log.
ID:	113
Name:	Host open file count
Description:	Determines what percentage of total open file handles are in use. All processes are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes. Compare M_HOST_RESOURCE_UTILIZATION.OPEN_FILE_COUNT with M_HOST_INFORMATION.VALUE of M_HOST_INFORMATION.KEY open_file_limit.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 95; 98; 100 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	This is normal behavior and neither a SAP HANA nor a Linux issue. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the current maximum number of allowed file handles: <code>cat /proc/sys/fs/file-max</code> 2. Extend maximum number of file handles in <code>/etc/sysctl.conf</code>: <code>fs.file-max = 20000000</code> 3. Activate changes for operating system: <code>sysctl -p /etc/sysctl.conf</code>
ID:	114
Name:	Host active async io count
Description:	Determines what percentage of total asynchronous input/output requests are in use. All processes are considered, including non-SAP HANA processes. Compare M_HOST_RESOURCE_UTILIZATION.ACTIVE_ASYNC_IO_COUNT with M_HOST_INFORMATION.VALUE of M_HOST_INFORMATION.KEY async_io_limit.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 95; 98; 100 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	See SAP Note 1868829
Further information:	SAP Note: 1868829 Startup Issues Because Number of Active I/O Requests to Queue Exceeds aio-max-nr Limit 

ID:	115
Name:	Timezone environment variable verification
Description:	Determines if the timezone environment variable TZ can be interpreted. See M_TIMEZONE_ALERTS. Otherwise HANA falls back to a system call which can cause significant performance issues.
Category:	Configuration
User Action:	Please set the timezone environment variable TZ to a valid value according to the POSIX documentation and restart the HANA database. See also SAP Note 2100040.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2100040 FAQ: SAP HANA CPU 

ID:	117
Name:	Record count of non-partitioned column-store tables (include)
Description:	Determines the number of records in non-partitioned column-store tables (only include tables are checked). Current table size may not be critical. Partitioning need only be considered if tables are expected to grow rapidly (a non-partitioned table cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows).
Category:	Memory
Unit:	records
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 300000000 Severity level(s): 1
User Action:	Consider partitioning the table only if you expect it to grow rapidly.

ID:	126
Name:	Check availability of remote table replicaion
Description:	Monitor whether the replication status of RTR tables has turned to be DISABLED.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Check error message with a view M_REMOTE_TABLE_REPLICAS

ID:	127
Name:	Record count of column-store table partitions (include)
Description:	Determines the number of records in the partitions of column-store tables (only include tables are checked). A table partition cannot contain more than 2,147,483,648 (2 billion) rows.

Category:	Memory
Unit:	records
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1500000000; 1800000000; 1900000000 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Consider repartitioning the table.

ID:	128
Name:	LDAP Enabled Users without SSL
Description:	Checks for the vulnerability where users may be enabled for LDAP Authentication but SSL is not enabled for the communication from HANA client (odbc/jdbc/hdbsql) to the HANA DB.
Category:	Security
User Action:	Configure SSL to reduce risk of man-in-the-middle attacks and privacy protection.
Further information:	<p>The alert is triggered when any user in view SYS.USERS is enabled for LDAP by having IS_LDAP_ENABLED set to 'TRUE' and the communication from HANA client (odbc/jdbc/hdbsql) to the HANA DB is not encrypted: global.ini [communication] ssl=off. The alert is not relevant for connections from HANA DB to the LDAP directory server.</p> <p>See: SAP HANA Security Guide for SAP HANA Platform > Server-Side TLS/SSL Configuration Properties for Internal Communication</p>

ID:	129
Name:	Check trusted certificate expiration date
Description:	Determines if there are any trusted certificates that will expire soon or have already expired.
Category:	Security
Unit:	day
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 30 Severity level(s): 3
User Action:	Replace the certificates.

ID:	130
Name:	Check own certificate expiration date
Description:	Determines if there are any own or chain certificates that will expire soon or have already expired.

Category:	Security
Unit:	day
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 30; 14 Severity level(s): 3; 4
User Action:	Replace the certificates.

ID:	131
Name:	Session requests queued by admission control
Description:	Determines the number of session requests waiting in the admission control queue. This can indicate an issue with the response time of the request.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	count
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Investigate why the session requests newly queued by admission control. Refer to M_AD-MISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS for more information.

ID:	132
Name:	Session requests rejected by admission control
Description:	Determines the number of session requests newly rejected by admission control. This can indicate an issue with the availability of the database.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	count
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Investigate why the session requests newly rejected by admission control. Refer to M_AD-MISSION_CONTROL_EVENTS for more information.

ID:	133
Name:	Check out-of-buffers event for a buffer cache

Description: Checks whether a buffer cache is sufficiently configured. An out-of-buffers event indicates that the affected buffer cache is insufficiently configured for the current workload. It should be resolved, otherwise queries may fail.

Category: Configuration

User Action: Resolve the out-of-buffers event by increasing the max_size parameter of the affected buffer cache.

ID: 134

Name: Administration of SAP HANA DI user groups by user administrators

Description: Determines if any SAP HANA DI user groups can be managed by a user with the USER ADMIN system privilege. SAP HANA DI user groups are user groups whose names start with '_SYS_DI#'.

Category: Security

Unit: user groups

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 1
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Verify that the identified user groups still need to be able to be managed by users with the USER ADMIN system privilege. If they don't, disable USER ADMIN administration for these user groups (ALTER USERGROUP <usergroup_name> DISABLE USER ADMIN).

ID: 136

Name: Unsupported configuration parameter values

Description: Checks if configuration parameters are set to unsupported values

Category: Configuration

User Action: Check if system is running in a supported state

ID: 137

Name: Restart required after configuration change

Description: Checks if services require a restart after a configuration was changed


Category: Configuration

User Action: Restart services (see M_CONFIGURATION_PARAMETER_VALUES) to allow the changed configuration to become active.

ID:	500
Name:	Dbospace usage
Description:	Checks for the dbospace size usage.
Category:	Disk
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 90; 95; 98 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate the usage of dbospace and increase the size.

ID:	501
Name:	Dbospace status
Description:	Determines whether or not all dbospaces are available.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate why the dbospace is not available.

ID:	502
Name:	Dbospace file status
Description:	Determines whether or not all dbospace files are available.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate why the dbospace file is not available.

ID:	504
Name:	DT Version mismatch
Description:	Checks that dynamic tiering and SAP HANA versions match.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Check the reason for the mismatch, and correct the problem. See SAP Note 2637835.
Further information:	SAP Note: 2637835 Dynamic Tiering Version does not Match SAP HANA Version 

ID:	505
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Name:	ES backup history broken
Description:	If the backup history is broken, the service is not fully recoverable via backup.
Category:	Backup
User Action:	Perform a data backup as soon as possible to ensure that the service is fully recoverable.

ID:	600
Name:	Inactive Streaming applications
Description:	Identifies inactive Streaming applications.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 60 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Investigate why the Streaming application is inactive, for example, by checking the Streaming application's trace files.

ID:	601
Name:	Inactive Streaming project managed adapters
Description:	Identifies inactive Streaming project managed adapters.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	seconds
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 60 Severity level(s): 4
User Action:	Investigate why the Streaming project managed adapter is inactive, for example, by checking the trace files.

ID:	602
Name:	Streaming project physical memory usage
Description:	Determines what percentage of total physical memory available on the host is used for the streaming project.
Category:	Memory

Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 80; 85; 90 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate memory usage of the streaming project.

ID:	603
Name:	Streaming project CPU usage
Description:	Determines the percentage CPU usage for a streaming project on the host and therefore whether or not CPU resources are running out.
Category:	CPU
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 80; 90; 95 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate CPU usage.

ID:	604
Name:	Number of publishers of streaming project
Description:	Identify the large publishers of streaming project. Make sure that they will not break the streaming project.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	count
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 100000 ;1000000; 10000000 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate whether these publishers are created intentionally.

ID:	605
Name:	Number of subscribers of streaming project
Description:	Identify the large subscribers of streaming project. Make sure that they will not break the streaming project.
Category:	Configuration

Unit:	count
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 100000 ;1000000; 10000000 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate whether these subscribers are created intentionally.

ID:	606
Name:	Row throughput of subscriber of streaming project
Description:	Identify which subscriber of streaming project has low throughput measured in rows per second.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	rows per sec
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Investigate why the subscriber works slowly.

ID:	607
Name:	Transaction throughput of subscriber of streaming project
Description:	Identify which subscriber of streaming project has transaction throughput measured in transactions per second.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	transactions per sec
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Investigate why the subscriber works slowly.

ID:	608
Name:	Row throughput of publisher of streaming project
Description:	Identify which publisher of streaming project has low throughput measured in rows per second.
Category:	Configuration

Unit:	rows per sec
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Investigate why the publisher works slowly.

ID:	609
Name:	Transaction throughput of publisher of streaming project
Description:	Identify which publisher of streaming project has transaction throughput measured in transactions per second.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	transactions per sec
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 1000 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Investigate why the publisher works slowly.

ID:	610
Name:	Bad rows of project managed adapter
Description:	Identify which project managed adapter has much rows with error.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	row
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 100 Severity level(s): 2
User Action:	Investigate why the adapter has such much rows with error.

ID:	611
Name:	High latency of project managed adapter
Description:	Identify which project managed adapter has high latency.
Category:	Configuration
Unit:	microsecond

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 1000000
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Investigate why the adapter has high latency.

ID: 612

Name: Large queue of stream of streaming project

Description: Identify which stream of streaming project has large queue.

Category: Configuration

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 1000
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Investigate why the stream has large queue.

ID: 613

Name: Large store of stream of streaming project

Description: Identify which stream of streaming project has large store.

Category: Configuration

Unit: row

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 10000
Severity level(s): 2

User Action: Investigate why the stream has large store.

ID: 700

Name: Agent availability

Description: Determines how many minutes the agent has been inactive.

Category: Availability

Unit: minutes

Thresholds / Severity: Default threshold(s): 2; 4; 5
Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4

User Action: Investigate connection of agent and check if agent is up and running.

ID:	701
Name:	Agent memory usage
Description:	Determines what percentage of total memory available to agent is used.
Category:	Memory
Unit:	percent
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 80; 90; 95 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate which adapter or processes use a lot of memory.

ID:	710
Name:	Remote Subscription exception
Description:	Checks for recent exceptions in remote subscriptions and remote sources.
Category:	Availability
User Action:	Investigate the error message and the error code and restart the remote subscription if necessary.

ID:	711
Name:	Remote subscription queued time
Description:	Check for how long the remote subscriptions have been in a queued state.
Category:	Availability
Unit:	hours
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 24; 48; 72 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Investigate Data Provisioning Agent and Data Provisioning Server logs to check for errors, whether distribute command was executed and whether begin and end markers have been sent back by the Agent.

ID:	712
Name:	Remote source not receiving change data
Description:	Check how long since Data Provisioning server last received change data from source database.

Category:	Availability
Unit:	hours
Thresholds / Severity:	Default threshold(s): 24; 48; 72 Severity level(s): 2; 3; 4
User Action:	Check if there are any errors reported for this remote source in REMOTE_SUBSCRIPTION_EXCEPTIONS table and if there is change data for the subscribed tables in the source database that should have been replicated. Use START LATENCY MONITORING to monitor replication latency.

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