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# Overview

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Overview of NetBackup for Apache Cassandra
- NetBackup Apache Cassandra support overview
- NetBackup Apache Cassandra Protection Architecture
- Pre-requisites and best practices
- Components and Terminologies of the Cassandra backup and recovery
- Upgrading Cassandra from NetBackup 10.0

# **Overview of NetBackup for Apache Cassandra**

Table 1-1

Steps to configure and protect Apache Cassandra Cluster

Step	Action	Description
Step 1Sign in to NetBackup web UI as the Default Security Administrator. Then add the Apache Cassandra user to	See the Default Apache Cassandra Administrator role in NetBackup web UI Administrator's Guide.	
	the Default Apache Cassandra Administrator role.	<b>Note:</b> The <b>Default Apache</b> <b>Cassandra Administrator</b> role has the minimum required permissions to perform the Apache Cassandra administrator tasks.
Step 2	Add and manage credentials.	See "Add DSS Clusters" on page 16.
Step 3	Protect Cassandra Clusters.	See "Protecting Apache Cassandra assets " on page 24.

	(continued)	
Step	Action	Description
Step 4	Recover Cassandra cluster, key spaces or column family.	See "Recovering Apache Cassandra assets" on page 28.

 
 Table 1-1
 Steps to configure and protect Apache Cassandra Cluster (continued)

# NetBackup Apache Cassandra support overview

Apache Cassandra is a popular scale-out NoSQL database. It runs on commodity hardware with direct-attached storage. A typical Cassandra cluster consists of nodes that store data. Cassandra replicates data among the nodes to provide resiliency against node downtimes. There is no notion of a primary copy of data and any node may have a more recent version of data record than its replicas. One of the important characteristics of Cassandra is that it prefers availability over consistency. The database is always available even if the replicas of data are not always up to date.

### **NetBackup Cassandra Protection**

NetBackup provides advanced solution to protecting Cassandra clusters. The solution has the following characteristics:

- 1. **Agentless**: No need to place backup agents on Cassandra cluster nodes. Effectively, there is no code that hinders high-performance Cassandra cluster.
- 2. **Single pass data copy:** During backup, a thin client is used to make a single pass over the Cassandra data files (called sstables) to minimize IO footprint.
- Off-host data optimization: Cassandra data is replicated for resiliency. Backups are for longer retention. NetBackup Cassandra solution processes data to:
  - Determine a cluster-consistent point-in-time.
  - Remove replica records.
  - Remove stale data that caused by record overwrites.
     All this processing happens off-host on Data staging servers to ensure that backup processes do not affect your high-performance Cassandra clusters.
- 4. Incremental backups: NetBackup supports incremental backups of Cassandra to optimize backup times after a full backup. It automatically detects new key spaces or column families to take a full backup of these new structures while incremental backups of previously existing structures perform.

- 5. Scalable Backup: Cassandra lets you easily scale your Cassandra cluster by adding more nodes whenever required. It automatically redistributes the existing data to new nodes while the cluster is online. NetBackup Cassandra protection is scalable and lets you add more Data Staging Servers to meet your backup requirements.
- 6. **Data Center Identification:** NetBackup Cassandra protection can be configured to backup data from a specific data center. It queries Cassandra cluster and automatically identifies the nodes present in various data centers. It then engages only the nodes in the specific data center for backing up the data.
- 7. Data Center aware restore: At the time of restore, NetBackup connects to the restore cluster and determines its current topology. It reconciles this topology with the one present at the backup time to allow for changes in the topology and restores considering the current topology. It provides more options for changing the data centers, number of replicas in each data center, change in keyspace and column family names, etc. to help you with your restore requirements.
- 8. **Granular restore:** NetBackup Cassandra solution allows you restore a part of the backup data set. You have options to restore a few of the key spaces or only some of the column families.
- 9. **Repair-less Restore:** The restore processes ensure that after data is restored, there is no need to perform further recovery steps. The data is available immediately after a restore in your high-performance Cassandra cluster.

# NetBackup Apache Cassandra Protection Architecture

Figure 1-1 Arch

Architecture overview



In this architecture:

- NetBackup primary server have backup policies and schedules. It is responsible for managing backup jobs.
- NetBackup media server have the backup data. All NetBackup backup targets are supported for Cassandra protection.
- Data staging servers perform off-host processing of Cassandra data to:
  - Determine a cluster-consistent point-in-time.
  - Remove replica records.
  - Remove stale data caused by record overwrites.
- To perform off-host processing, the data staging server must have Cassandra installed on these nodes. NetBackup automatically configures Cassandra on

the data staging servers. Maintain the version of Cassandra on data staging servers as you do for the Cassandra clusters.

 One of the nodes in data staging servers is setup as a "CBR" node (Cassandra Backup and Restore node). CBR performs the entire orchestration required for performing an effective backup and restore.

During backup, the production data is copied to the data staging servers. The data is then deduplicated and transfered to the backup hosts / NetBackup media servers. One data stream is written per DSS. If you have multiple DSS nodes, then data is streamed parallely or concurrently from these DSS nodes. NetBackup recommends to have the same number of streams configured on the backup hosts collectively to get maximum performance. Hence, number of streams per backup host × number of backup hosts >= Data staging servers.

During restore, the data is staged onto the data staging servers from the NetBackup media servers. This staged data is then restored into the Cassandra production cluster as per the number of replicas and Data centers configured for the keyspace being restored.

During restore, you can choose to:

- Restore the entire Cassandra cluster.
- Restore some keyspaces and/or column families.
- Rename some keyspaces and/or column families.
- Reconfigure data replica for the data that would be restored.

# Pre-requisites and best practices

- Ensure that NetBackup supports the installed Cassandra version. For more information, refer Software Compatibility List.
- Backup host, Data staging server and Cassandra are supported on RHEL platform only.
- NetBackup supports standard yum based Cassandra installation only.

**Note:** NetBackup do not support other deployments. For example, Tar-based installation.

- NetBackup requires around 20% of the nodes of the data center being protected as DSS.
- The DSS should be added to the backup environment so that NetBackup can perform the following:

- Stage the data to the DSS.
- Deduplicate the data saving to the backup storage.
- Copy the data to NetBackup media.
- The DSS should have the same version of Cassandra as the Cassandra production cluster.
- NetBackup supports Cassandra with simple authentication. Use database username and password to connect Cassandra and to run commands like cqlsh and nodetool utils. Configure Cassandra in the NetBackup credentials during DSS cluster configuration and Cassandra cluster configuration.
- Enable SSH on all the Cassandra nodes and DSS nodes.
- Ensure that the local time of Cassandra nodes, the DSS, and the backup hosts are synchronized with NTP server.
- Configure a non-root host user account for the data staging server cluster in Netbackup credentials managment.

**Note:** The non-root host user account can be separate or the same but need to be valid user accounts with home folder and rights to connect to the respective nodes using ssh. Add the host user in the sudcers file on the respective nodes.

- Before you run Cassandra backup or restore, ensure that you received a successful ping response from all the data staging servers to Cassandra nodes and the backup host.
- Check and update the firewall settings so that the backup hosts, data staging servers, and Cassandra nodes can communicate.
- Ensure that the specified paths in the DSS cluster configuration are existing on all the DSS and Cassandra nodes.
- Whenever you upgrade cassandra or make any schema change like delete a keyspace or column family, initiate a full backup before any incremental backup job.
- Ensure that the specified host user account in credential management being used for the cluster has read and write access to the specified folders in the DSS cluster configuration
- Ensure that free space and the memory on the DSS is three times larger than the column family in the Cassandra cluster. Maintain similar memory size on all the DSS nodes.

**Note:** The compaction operation on the DSS needs more memory. Deploying higher RAM on the DSS nodes will result in better backup and restore performance.

- Maintain a minimum 20% free space on Cassandra nodes during backup operations.
- Ensure enough free space on target cluster nodes during the restore as per the size of data being restored.
- Before the restore, ensure that the target Cassandra version has the same version as the version you backed up from.
- Before the restore ensure that the target cluster and target Data Staging Server cluster are fully configured in NetBackup.
- Canceling a parent job in a compound restore job does not cancel the child restore jobs. You must manually cancel the child restore jobs.

RBAC permissions for a Cassandra role

- Ensure to assign both create and update permissions to:
  - Add DSS cluster
  - Add Apache Cassandra cluster
  - Add DSS nodes
  - Edit Apache Cassandra cluster
- The database credentials of DSS cluster should be the same as Cassandra production cluster.

# Components and Terminologies of the Cassandra backup and recovery

The following table describes the purpose of different components and terminologies of the Cassandra backup and recovery solution.

Components and Terminologies	Purpose and Definition
Application Cluster	<ul> <li>Application cluster is the Cassandra production cluster name.</li> <li>Cluster name must be a single word with no white spaces in between words and must be the actual cluster name used in the Cassandra.yaml file on the production nodes.</li> </ul>
Protection plan	A protection plan defines when backups are performed, how long the backups are retained, and the type of storage to use.
	Once a protection plan is set up, assets can be subscribed to the protection plan.
Backup host	The backup host acts as a proxy client. All the backup and the restore operations are executed through the backup host.
	The Cassandra Backup Recovery (CBR) solution, uses the BigData policy with application type <b>cassandra</b> .
	The Protection plan uses this backup host.
	The media server that is used to configure storage server for the CBR solution must be used as backup host.
	<b>Note:</b> You can also use NetBackup client as a backup host.
Cassandra cluster	Represents the Cassandra production cluster that you want to protect
Cassandra Backup Recovery component	The NetBackup thin client which gets deployed on data staging servers and Cassandra cluster to aid in backup and restore operations.

Table 1-2

Components and Terminologies	Purpose and Definition
Data staging servers	NetBackup requires a set of servers for backup of Cassandra cluster in addition to the NetBackup primary, and backup hosts. These servers are typically 20% of the total number of servers in the Cassandra cluster. These servers are used to deduplicate the data from Cassandra cluster during backup and optimize the backup process.
	During a backup or restore, Cassandra keyspace are streamed in-parallel between the Cassandra cluster and the data staging servers.
	The data staging servers, represent a staging cluster. You need to deploy the nodes wherein, they are used depending on the size of data that needs to be backed up or restored.
Data reduction	As part of data reduction the following tasks are performed:
	<ul> <li>Efficient reconciliation</li> <li>Efficient reconciliation data for same keys from different nodes are transferred to the same node in the backup nodes.</li> <li>Reconciliations happen in-parallel within each data staging servers without any inter-node communication.</li> <li>Record synthesis</li> <li>While iterating over the records, columns of the same key from different SStables are merged.</li> <li>Semantic Deduplication Stale and duplicate records (replicas) are identified and removed.</li> </ul>
NetBackup primary server	All the jobs are executed from the NetBackup primary server.
Parallel streams	The NetBackup parallel streaming framework allows data blocks from multiple nodes to be backed up using multiple backup hosts simultaneously.

Table 1-2(continued)

# **Upgrading Cassandra from NetBackup 10.0**

Cassandra support is added from NetBackup 10.0 with CLI support only and with policy-based backup and restore. NetBackup 10.1 and later releases have Cassandra support using NetBackup APIs and web UI. It is based on protection plan methodology. As NetBackup 10.1 does not support backups or restores using CLI, NetBackup only support restore of old backup images using the restore CLI.

When upgrading from NetBackup 10.0, if you have policies for Cassandra backups, do the following:

- You must delete these policies.
- Stop taking backups using the CLI as they are not supported.
- Configure the DSS and Apache Cassandra cluster from the WebUI and start with a fresh backup schedule.
- Ensure that primary, media, clients are on NetBackup 10.1 or later. There is no support for back-level media or client for Cassandra in NetBackup 10.1.

When you restore old backup images of NetBackup 10.0, ensure that you have the Cassandra clusters and staging cluster configured by web UI. In addition you need to make the tpconfig settings for the Cassandra cluster as in NetBackup 10.0. Review the restore section from NetBackup 10.0 Cassandra admin guide. You require tpconfig based configuration of the target Cassandra cluster. If you have all the credentials and configuration already done for the target Cassandra cluster by tpconfig you can start doing a restore. If you do not, then follow the steps below:

- Ensure that you have the credentials of the target Cassandra cluster. Refer to NetBackup 10.0 admin guide for details. Adding Cassandra credentials in NetBackup
- Ensure that the Pre-requisites are met for the restore Pre-requisites for Cassandra Restore.
- Do the Cassandra configuration if the target Cassandra was not already configured. Refer to Configurations for Cassandra Restore.
- Ensure that you are creating the selection and rename file based off a supported restore combination listed here Restore combinations.

# Managing Apache Cassandra

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Add DSS Clusters
- Edit DSS Clusters
- Remove DSS Clusters
- Add Apache Cassandra Clusters
- Edit Apache Cassandra Clusters
- Remove Apache Cassandra Clusters

# Add DSS Clusters

During a backup or restore, Cassandra key space are streamed in-parallel between the Cassandra cluster and the DSS cluster. Follow the procedure to add DSS cluster.

- 1 On the left pane, click **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Select DSS Cluster tab.
- 3 Click Add to add a DSS cluster.

**Note:** A prerequisite window appears to add cluster with a downloadable template.

4 Click Start.

- 5 On the **Basic Properties** tab, enter the following:
  - DSS Cluster name The DSS cluster name must follow the limit of 256 characters.
  - CBR node IP address
     IP address should be in IPV4 format only.
  - CBR node key

Note: To obtain this node key run the cat /etc/ssh/ssh\_host\_rsa\_key.pub |awk '{print \$2}' |base64 -d |sha256sum |awk '{print \$1}' command. This node key must contain 64 characters.

- 6 Click Next.
- 7 On the **Cluster nodes** tab, do one of the following:

File Upload:

• To upload the file, select File Upload.

**Note:** A window appears with downloadable template. You can fill the node details in the downloaded template. The supported extensions are .csv, xls, and .xlsx.

- Click Browse.
- Select the file.
   Locate the file, that has all the required details.
- Click Upload.
   All the nodes listed in the template are now added.

Add manually:

- To add manually, select Add manually.
- Enter the IP address.
   IP address should be in IPV4 format only.
- Click Add.
- To add more IP address, click Add.
- 8 Click Next.
- **9** On the **Credentials** tab, do one of the following: Select existing credentials:

Search the desired credentials and select from the list.

Add new credentials:

- Select Add new credential and enter the following details.
  - Credential name
  - Tag
  - Description
  - Host username
  - Host password
  - Database username
  - Database password

**Note:** Credential name must follow the limit of 256 characters. Tag and Description are optional.

- Click Next.
- Click Add.
- On the Credential Permission tab, select a role to provide permissions for credential.
- Select the Permission from the following options.
   Permissions varies per selected role.
  - View
  - Create
  - Update
  - Delete
  - Manage Access
  - Assign Credentials
- Click Save.
- 10 Click Next.
- 11 On the **Backup hosts** tab, from **Primary backup host**, search and select the host.

Note: Any RHEL media server or RHEL client can be used as the backup host.

12 To add additional backup hosts, click Add, and select one or more host.

Note: You can also use NetBackup client as a backup host.

- 13 Click Next.
- **14** On the **Setting** tab, select the following:
  - DSS distribution

Thin-client distribution directory on the data staging servers. The path must be in UNIX format.

Script home

The value is used for CBR package installation on the Apache Cassandra nodes.

Working directory

The folder where the thin client would stage the data and process them.

**Note:** Ensure that all the paths configured has read and write access for the credentials specified in the DSS cluster and Cassandra cluster.

- **15** On the **Advanced setting** page, review and make the necessary changes in the following:
  - Job cleanup time out
     The time-out to the typical time it takes to back up the cluster.
  - DSS minimum RAM
     The minimum RAM requirement for Data optimization on data stage server.
  - DSS minimum storage per backup node
     The minimum storage requirement for Data optimization on data stage server.
  - Concurrent compaction
     The maximum number of compactions that can run concurrently.
  - Loader memory size
     The heap memory size for Cassandra table loader.
  - Concurrent transfer
     The value is used to transfer parallel data from production to the data stage server. Default value is 8.

- 16 Click Next.
- 17 Review the data and click Add.

# **Edit DSS Clusters**

Use this procedure to make any changes to the existing DSS cluster's configuration.

- 1 On the left pane, click **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Select DSS Cluster tab.
- **3** Select the desired cluster.
- 4 On the right corner of the screen, select **Edit setting** and make the required changes in the Path settings and/or Advanced settings.
- 5 Select DSS Nodes tab and select the required inline actions.

The following are the inline actions available.

Export as CSV:

- Use Show or hide columns to select the required fields.
- Select **Export as CSV**.

A file is downloaded with the filtered details.

Edit CBR node:

- Select Edit CBR node.
- Select new CBR node from the list.
- 6 Click Save.

# **Remove DSS Clusters**

Use this procedure to remove the existing DSS clusters.

- 1 On the left pane, click Apache Cassandra.
- 2 Select the DSS Clusters tab.
- **3** Select the cluster to remove.
- 4 Click Remove.

# Add Apache Cassandra Clusters

Use this procedure to add Apache Cassandra cluster.

- 1 On the left pane, click **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Select Apache Cassandra Cluster tab.

**Note:** Prerequisite pop-up to add cluster appears.

- 3 Click Start.
- 4 On the **Basic properties** tab, do the following:
  - Enter Apache Cassandra Cluster name.

**Note:** The name must not have any white space, special characters, or non-English characters.

- Select DSS Cluster.
   Used as data staging servers to protect the specified cassandra cluster.
- Enter Discovery node IP address.
   Used to discover all the nodes in the Apache Cassandra cluster.
- Enter Discovery node key.

Note: To obtain the RSA key run the cat /etc/ssh/ssh\_host\_rsa\_key.pub |awk '{print \$2}' |base64 -d |sha256sum |awk '{print \$1}' command. This node key must contain 64 characters.

- 5 Click Next.
- 6 On the **Credentials**, do one of the following:

Select the credentials from the list:

Search and select the required credentials from the available list.

Add new credential:

- Select Add new credential and enter the following details.
  - Credential name
  - Tag
  - Description
  - Host username
  - Host password

- Database username
- Database password

**Note:** Credential name must follow the limit of 256 characters. Tag and Description are optional.

- Click Next.
- Click Add.
- On the Credential Permission tab, select a role to provide permissions for credential.
- Select the Permission from the following options.
   Permissions varies per selected role.
  - View
  - Create
  - Update
  - Delete
  - Manage Access
  - Assign Credentials
- Click Save.
- 7 Click Next.
- 8 On the **Setting** tab, enter the following:
  - Backup datacenter name Used to protect the cluster.
  - Node down threshold.
- 9 Click Next.
- 10 Review the data and click Add.

# **Edit Apache Cassandra Clusters**

- 1 On the left pane, click **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Select the Apache Cassandra Cluster tab.
- 3 Select the cluster to edit.

- 4 On the right corner of the screen, click **Edit Cluster**.
- **5** Review and make the necessary changes.
- 6 Click Save.

# **Remove Apache Cassandra Clusters**

- 1 On the left pane, click **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Select the Cassandra Cluster tab.
- **3** Select the required Cluster.
- 4 Click Remove.

# Protect

This chapter includes the following topics:

Protecting Apache Cassandra assets

# **Protecting Apache Cassandra assets**

To protect the Apache Cassandra cluster on a very high level, you need:

- NetBackup primary server.
- NetBackup media server.
- A backup host that is NetBackup primary, NetBackup media server, or a NetBackup client.

For the supported primary and media server configurations, refer the NetBackup compatibility list.

The backup host that is NetBackup media server or a NetBackup client for Cassandra is supported only on an RHEL.

NetBackup Appliance, NetBackup Flex Appliance and NetBackup Flex Scale are supported as a NetBackup primary, media server, or as a client that can act as a backup host.

Use the following procedure to protect Apache Cassandra assets.

- 1 On the left pane, from **Protection**, select **Protection Plans**.
- 2 Click + Add to add protection plan.
- 3 On the **Basic properties** tab, enter the following:
  - Name
  - Description
- 4 From the workload, select Apache Cassandra.

- 5 Click Next.
- 6 On the Schedule tab, click Add Schedule and select the following attributes:
  - Backup type.

**Note:** Select either Full or Differential incremental. Full backup backs up all the files specified in the selection list. Where as differential backup backs up the specified file changes.

- Recurrence
- Keep for

**Note:** Select either Replicate the backup or Duplicate a copy immediately to long-term retention.

Note: To add another attribute, click Add and add another or click Add.

- 7 Move to Start Window.
- 8 Select the date and time to start the backup.

Note: Default, Backup storage is none.

- 9 To select a storage, click Edit.
- 10 Select the storage and click Use selected storage.
- 11 Click Next.
- 12 On the **Permissions** tab, click **Add** and select the following:
  - Role.
  - Permission.

Following are the available options:

- View
- Create
- Update
- Delete

- Manage Access
- Edit attributes
- Edit full and incremental schedules
- Edit transaction log schedules
- Subscribe
- 13 Click Save.
- **14** To modify the values, click **Edit** and make the required changes.
- **15** Review the data and click **Finish**.

# **Pre-recovery Check**

This chapter includes the following topics:

About the Pre-recovery Check

# About the Pre-recovery Check

The pre-recovery check verifies the following:

- Backup host, data staging-server, Cassandra clusters is on RHEL.
- Availability of a DSS and Cassandra Clusters with the same display name.
- Availability of free space on all the Data staging servers in the DSS cluster.
- Cassandra service is up and running on all the data staging servers.
- DSS and Cassandra Cluster's credential validation.

# Recover

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Recovering Apache Cassandra assets
- Recover from a copy of the recovery point

# **Recovering Apache Cassandra assets**

- 1 On the left pane, select **Apache Cassandra**.
- 2 Locate and click Cassandra Cluster.
- 3 Click the **Recovery points** tab.

**Note:** You can recover a Cassandra cluster either to an original backup cluster or to a different cluster.

#### **Restore cluster**

- 1 From the Actions menu, select **Restore cluster**.
- 2 On Recovery target tab, do one of the following:
  - To restore the cluster to the original cluster, select Restore to the original cluster.
  - To restore the cluster to the different cluster, select Restore to a different cluster and select the target cluster from the list.
- 3 Click Next.
- 4 On **Recovery options** tab, to restore the key spaces, do one of the following:
  - Select Restore keyspaces with original attributes to continue with the same key spaces.

- Select Edit keyspaces to edit.
  - Click Add keyspaces to edit.
  - Select the desired key spaces and enter the following:
    - New key space name
    - Strategy name
    - Datacenter name

**Note:** If you select the option Simple in the Strategy name, Datacenter name is automatically selected.

Replica

Specify the number of replicas that you required for the key space.

- 5 Select Next.
- 6 On **Review** tab, review the values and if required make changes to the Recovery target and Recovery options values.
- 7 Click Start recovery.

Restore keyspaces and column families.

- 1 From the Actions menu, select **Restore keyspaces and column families**.
- 2 Click Add.

Add key spaces and column families window displays.

- **3** Select the required Keyspace and family and Click **Select**.
- 4 Click Next.

**Note:** Backup and restore of system keyspaces, and respective column families are not supported . Cassandra has user defined data types like Materialized views are not being restored while performing restore operation.

### SSH key fingerprint

Use cat /etc/ssh/ssh\_host\_rsa\_key.pub |awk '{print \$2}' |base64 -d |sha256sum | awk '{print \$1}' command on target host to get the SHA256-based RSA key.

**Note:** Similarly, change the public key path, run the command to get ecdsa or DSS SSH key fingerprint configured on target host.

# Recover from a copy of the recovery point

Use this procedure, if you have one or more copies of the recovery points of Cassandra to recover from those copies.

#### To select a copy for restore.

- 1 On the left, click **Catalog**
- 2 Select the correct required details such as date and time range and client.
- 3 Search for backup image using **Copies** for example, **Copy2** or **Copy3**.
- 4 Select the desired image and click the **Set primary copy** option next to the image.

**Note:** Once this copy becomes a primary copy, it is used for restore.

# Troubleshoot

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Troubleshooting Apache Cassandra issues
- Errors and recommended actions

# **Troubleshooting Apache Cassandra issues**

For more information about Apache Cassandra troubleshooting, check the following details:

- Check the Job details section of the job in Activity monitor for failures.
- Check the following logs:
  - bprd
  - bpVMutil
  - nbaapireq\_handler
  - bpbkar
  - ∎ tar
  - nbaapidiscv

# **Errors and recommended actions**

The following table describes the problem that might occur.

Error message or cause	Explanation and recommended action
CBR node not reachable.	The CBR node in the DSS cluster is not reachable.
	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Verify the node that specified as the CBR node is up, and reachable from the backup host.</li> <li>If required, add a new node to the DSS cluster to change</li> </ul>
	the CBR node.
CBR RSA key mismatch.	The CBR node RSA key specified do not match with the RSA key provided by the CBR node.
	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Do one of the following to specify the correct RSA key for the CBR node.</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Add a new node in the DSS cluster.</li><li>Select the CBR node and enter the respective RSA key.</li></ul>
CBR is reachable, but some nodes not reachable.	Some of the nodes in the DSS cluster are not reachable. Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Ensure that the nodes mentioned in the DSS cluster are up and running and are reachable from the backup host.</li> <li>Add new nodes from the DSS cluster details.</li> </ul>
Invalid nodes in the cluster.	The nodes in the clusters are invalid or unable be log in.
Credentials are invalid.	Possibility of Apache Cassandra not installed on.
Apache Cassandra not installed.	
	<ul> <li>Ensure that correct credentials are entered on clusters.</li> <li>Select a different account for the cluster credentials in NetBackup.</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> The credentials must be valid on all the cluster nodes.
	<ul> <li>Ensure that Apache Cassandra is installed on all the nodes.</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> All nodes must have the same version of Apache Cassandra.

 Table 6-1
 Error and recommended actions

Error message or cause	Explanation and recommended action
CBR credentials mismatch.	The DSS cluster's credentials are invalid on the CBR node. Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Ensure that correct credentials are entered on the CBR node.</li> <li>Select a different credential for the DSS cluster in NetBackup.</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> The credentials must be valid on all the cluster nodes.
DSS node credentials are invalid.	The credentials that specified for the DSS node are not valid. Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Ensure that correct credentials are entered on the DSS node.</li> <li>Select a different account for the DSS cluster in NetBackup.</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> The credentials must be valid on all the cluster nodes.
Discovery nodes not reachable.	The Discovery node for the Cassandra cluster is not reachable.
	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Ensure that the specified node is up and running.</li> <li>Ensure that the Apache Cassandra service is up and running on the node.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Edit the Apache Cassandra cluster settings to change the discovery node.</li> </ul>
Discovery node RSA mismatch.	The status of the cluster is pending for approval. Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Approve the RSA key of discovery node.</li> </ul>

 Table 6-1
 Error and recommended actions (continued)

Error message or cause	Explanation and recommended action
Discovery node credentials invalid.	The credentials of the Cassandra cluster are invalid for the discovery node.
	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Ensure that correct credentials are entered on the discovery node.</li> <li>Select a different credential for the Cassandra cluster in the case of the case o</li></ul>
	NetBackup.
	<b>Note:</b> The credentials must be valid on all the nodes in the Cassandra cluster.
Apache Cassandra not installed on the discovery	The Apache Cassandra is not installed on the discovery node of the Cassandra configuration.
node.	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Select a different node for discovery in the Apache Cassandra cluster.</li> </ul>
Apache Cassandra cluster	The discovery node belongs to a different cluster.
name not matched.	Recommended actions:
	<ul> <li>Enter the correct cluster name in Cassandra cluster configuration in NetBackup.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Select the correct discovery node for the cluster.</li> </ul>
Datacenter name not	The data center name of the Cassandra nodes mismatch.
matched.	Recommended action:
	<ul> <li>Change the name of the data center in Cassandra cluster configuration in NetBackup.</li> </ul>
Cassandra Cluster pending approval.	One ore more nodes in the Cassandra cluster and RSA key requires approval.
	Recommended action:
	<ul> <li>Review and approve the RSA key on the node.</li> </ul>

 Table 6-1
 Error and recommended actions (continued)

Error message or cause	Explanation and recommended action
Cassandra nodes invalid credentials.	Cassandra cluster credentials mismatch with one or more nodes in the cluster.
	Recommended action:
	Select the correct credentials for the Cassandra cluster.
	<b>Note:</b> The credentials must be valid on all the Cassandra cluster.
The Cassandra DSS cluster and/or Cassandra production cluster goes into invalid status due to concurrent operations.	NetBackup can do only one operation such as discovery, validate, backup, restore, at any given point in time on the DSS and production clusters. If one operation is running, the other will fail and put the cluster in invalid state.
	If the cluster is in invalid state while the previous operation is running wait for the pervious operation to complete and then retry the operation you were doing like discovery, validation, backup now or restore.
Discovery of more than one clusters take time and doesn't show the discovering status immediately	NetBackup works, discovery one cluster at a time hence the state of the second cluster changes after the first one is complete and reflect the appropriate status after completion.
Cassandra restore page become unresponsive for keyspaces/column families more than 300.	Use machine with higher configuration for example RAM size is 16GB or more.

 Table 6-1
 Error and recommended actions (continued)

# API and command line options for Cassandra

This chapter includes the following topics:

Using APIs and command line options to manage, protect, or recover Cassandra assets

# Using APIs and command line options to manage, protect, or recover Cassandra assets

In this document, you will find details about NetBackup APIs for the Cassandra workload operations. The operations include asset management, filtering, sorting, recovery management and protection plan management. For each API end point, the user can find detailed information about the requests, responses, errors, and payloads in this document.

For detailed information on the APIs and command lines, use these references:

- All the NetBackup APIs are listed at the following location: Services and Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) > Knowledge Base > Documents
- For more information about the commands, refer to the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

### Create or update Cassandra assets

The API creates the requested Cassandra assets - Cassandra cluster, Cassandra node, DSS cluster, and DSS node.

The request payload can contain detailed information about a single asset or a combination of assets. A Cassandra asset can be created or updated in two steps:

- To retrieve the generated ID, a POST request must be made.
- It is necessary to make a GET request, which saves the asset in the database.

 Table 7-1
 1. Request parameters for Cassandra Cluster and Cassandra Nodes

API	Important variables and options
https:// <i>PrimaryerverName</i> /netbackup/asset-service/queries/	<ul> <li>Workloads: cassandra</li> <li>assetType: Defines the asset type-cluster</li> <li>credentialName: Credential name used for asset service.</li> <li>workloadType: cassandra</li> <li>clusterName: Valid Cassandra Cluster name.</li> </ul>
https:// <i>PrimaryServerName</i> /netbackup/asset-service/queries/	<ul> <li>Workloads: cassandra</li> <li>assetType: Defines the Asset Type - node</li> <li>workloadType: cassandra</li> </ul>

Table 7-2

2. 3. Request parameters for Data Staging Cluster and Nodes

API	Important variables and options
https:// <i>PrimaryServerName</i> /netbackup/asset-service/queries/	<ul> <li>Workloads: cassandra</li> <li>assetType: Defines the Asset Type - cluster, node, dataStagingCluster</li> <li>workloadType: cassandra</li> <li>clusterName: Valid Cassandra Cluster name.</li> </ul>
https:// <i>PrimaryServerName</i> /netbackup/asset-service/queries/	<ul> <li>Workloads: cassandra</li> <li>assetType: Defines the Asset Type - dataStagingNode.</li> <li>workloadType: cassandra</li> </ul>

Table 7-3

Response parameters

API	Important variables and options
https://PrimaryServerName /netbackup/asset-service/queries/Response	<ul> <li>type Name of the query response type.</li> <li>PARA Response Id for asset creations/modification</li> <li>links: Complete asset link</li> </ul>

### Method: Get

Assets are stored using this API in the NetBackup database. It uses the GET method with a valid asset response ID in the URL.

API	Important variables and options
https://PrimaryServerName /netbackup/asset-service/queries/ Asset Response ID	<ul> <li>id: Response Asset ID for create-or-update-assets query</li> <li>status: Asset Response status - Success, Failed and In progress</li> <li>percentComplete: Percent of completion</li> <li>totalWorkItems: Number of Response ltems</li> <li>totalSuccessfulWorkItems: Number of successful items</li> <li>totalFailedWorkItems: Number of failed items</li> <li>totalInProgressWorkItems</li> </ul>

 Table 7-4
 Response of storing Assets to Database

### **Delete Asset Payload**

A specific asset or all assets can be deleted from the NetBackup database using this API. An individual **assetType**, such as a node or **dataStagingNode**, can be deleted. It deletes all corresponding child nodes associated with a cluster or **dataStagingCluster** if you use this API to delete **assetType** as cluster or **dataStagingCluster**.

Table 7-5 Request Fayload for Deleting Asse	Table 7-5	Request Payload for Deleting Assets
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API or command line options	Important variables and options
https://PrimaryServerName /netbackup/asset-service/queries	<ul> <li>type Name of the query response type.</li> <li>queryName Name of the query to create or update different assets</li> <li>workloads - cassandra</li> <li>correlationId - It is an identifier for tracking a work item</li> <li>id - Id assigned to the asset</li> <li>assetType - Type of Asset {node, dataStagingNode, dataStagingCluster, cluster}</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>id - Id assigned to the asset</li> <li>assetType - Type of Asset {node, dataStagingNode, dataStagingCluster, cluster}</li> </ul>

### **Request Payload for removing Assets from Database**

Database assets can be deleted using this API. This is the 2nd request used with the delete response id received from the previous request.

Table 7-6		
Method	URL	
GET	https://PrimaryServerName /netbackup/asset-service/queries/ Asset Delete Response ID	
	For example: bcc0eb1f-6613-427d-8101-19376fd689f7	

Table 7-7	Response of removing Assets from Database
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API	Important variables and options
<pre>https://PrimaryServerName /netbackup/asset-service/queries/ Asset Delete Response ID For example: bcc0eb1f-6613-427d-8101-19376fd689f7</pre>	<ul> <li>type Name of the Operation response type</li> <li>id - Response Id for Generic delete-assets</li> <li>status - Asset Response status - SUCCESS</li> <li>percentComplete - Percent of completion</li> <li>totalWorkItems - No of total Response work Items</li> <li>totalSuccessfulWorkItems - No of total Success work Items</li> <li>totalFailedWorkItems - No of total failed work Items</li> <li>totalInProgressWorkItems - No of total in progress work Items</li> <li>correlationId - It is an identifier for tracking a work item</li> <li>status - Asset response status</li> <li>message - Asset response message</li> <li>percentComplete - Percent of completion</li> <li>offset</li> <li>limit</li> <li>hasNext</li> <li>first</li> </ul>

Table 7-8Request for Get all Asset

https://PrimaryServerName	Assets
/netbackup/asset-service/	
workloads/cassandra/assets	

### **Response of Get all Assets**

All the assets are listed on default descending order, refer Get asset by ID table for response parameter details. According to the Get asset by ID table, all assets are listed in default descending order.

### Get asset by ID

This API is used to get specific asset details. Details about specific assets can be obtained using this API.

### Method: GET

#### Table 7-9

API	Important variables and options
https://PrimaryServerName/ netbackup/asset-service/workloads cassandra/assets/Asset ID	<ul> <li>type - Name of the Operation response</li> <li>type</li> <li>id - Response Id for Generic delete-assets</li> <li>assetType - Defines type of asset</li> <li>displayName - Name of asset</li> <li>providerGeneratedId - Auto generated ID for asset</li> </ul>
https://PrimaryServerName/ netbackup/asset-service/workloads cassandra//Asset ID	<ul> <li>parentProviderGeneratedId - Auto</li> <li>generated id for nodes and dataStagingNodes</li> <li>clusterName - Cassndra</li> </ul>

### Filters

Filters can be applied on any of the below API endpoints:

https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster'

- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'node'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'dataStagingCluster'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'dataStagingNode'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'node' and parentProviderGeneratedId eq ' CASSANDRA\_cluster\_Cassandra10'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster' and commonAssetAttributes/ providerGeneratedId eq 'CASSANDRA\_cluster\_Cassandra1'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster' and dataStagingClusterName eq 'DSS1'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster' and backupDataCenterName eq 'earthCenter'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'node' and nodeIp eq '10.221.110.234'
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=(assetType eq 'cluster') and (contains(tolower(clusterName), 'cassandra1'))
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=(assetType eq 'cluster') and (clusterName eq 'Cassandral')&meta=accessControlId
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster' and clusterName eq 'Cassandra10'

Fil	Filter Criteria	Value	Description
er Parameters			
assetType/ queryName/ workloads/	eq	cluster, node, dataStagingCluster and dataStagingNode	Asset filter based on asset types
correlationId/ credentialName/ workloadType/ displayName/ clusterName/	eq	node and parentProviderGeneratedId eq 'CASSANDRA_cluster_ Cassandra1	
ClusterName/ backupData CenterName/ nodeDownThreshol Percentage/ parentProvider	<b>eq</b>	'cluster' and commonAssetAttributes/ providerGeneratedId eq 'CASSANDRA_cluster _Cassandra1'	
Generated	eq	cluster' and dataStagingClusterName eq 'DSS1'	
	eq	cluster' and backupDataCenterName eq 'earthCenter'	
	eq	node' and nodelp eq '10.221.105.94'	
	eq	(assetType eq 'cluster') and (contains(tolower(clusterName), 'cassandra1'))	
	eq	(assetType eq 'cluster') and (clusterName eq Cassandra1')&meta=accessControlld	

Table 7-10

### Sorting

Sorting can be applied on any of the below API endpoints:

https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster'&sort=clusterName

- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster'&sort=-clusterName
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster'&sort=commonAssetAttributes. credentials.credentialName
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'cluster'&sort=-commonAssetAttributes .credentials.credentialName
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'node'&sort= parentProviderGeneratedId
- https://PrimaryServerName/netbackup/asset-service/workloads/cassandra/ assets?filter=assetType eq 'node'&sort= -parentProviderGeneratedId

Filter Parameters	Filter Criteria	Value	Description
assetType	eq	cluster'&sort=clusterName	
assetType	eq	node and parentProviderGeneratedId eq 'CASSANDRA_cluster_Cassandra1	
assetType	eq	cluster'&sort= commonAssetAttributes .credentials.credentialName	
assetType	eq	'cluster'&sort=-commonAssetAttributes. credentials.credentialName	
assetType	eq	'node'&sort=	
assetType	eq	parentProvider GeneratedId	

### Table 7-11

Table 7-11(continued)

Filter Parameters	Filter Criteria	Value	Description
assetType	eq	'node'	
		&sort=-parentProvider	
		GeneratedId	

### **Protection plan**

The below APIs create or update the policy which is used to trigger actual backup operation on the associated asset. These APIs help to create or update the policy for both incremental and full backup. Basis the created policies, the backup jobs are automatically triggered based on the schedule details provided.

Table 7-12	Create SLO : Full and Differential Incremental
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Method	Post
https://PrimaryServerName/ netbackup/servicecatalog/slos	

#### Table 7-13 Request Payload for Creating SLO:

API	Important variables and options
https:// <i>PrimaryServerName</i> /netbackup/servicecatalog/slos	<ul> <li>name</li> <li>scheduleType</li> <li>backupStorageUnit</li> <li>dayOfWeek</li> <li>startSeconds</li> <li>durationSeconds</li> <li>frquencySeconds</li> <li>workloadType</li> <li>policyNamePrefix</li> <li>policyDefinition</li> </ul>

ΑΡΙ	Important variables and options
https://PrimaryServerName/ netbackup/servicecatalog/slos	<ul> <li>201 - Successfully created the SLO definition.</li> <li>400 - Bad request</li> <li>401 - The Authorization header is missing, the token is invalid, or you do not have permission for this action.</li> <li>409 - An SLO with the same name already exists.</li> <li>500 - An unexpected system error occurred.</li> </ul>

 Table 7-14
 Response of Creating SLO

### **Create Subscription**

#### Table 7-15

Method	Post
<pre>https://{{hostname}}/netbackup/ servicecatalog/slos/ {{newsloid}}/subscriptions</pre>	

#### Table 7-16 Request Payload for Creating Subscription:

API	Important variables and options
<pre>https://{{hostname}}/netbackup/ servicecatalog/slos/ {{newsloid}}/subscriptions</pre>	<ul><li>selectionId</li><li>selectionType</li></ul>

API	Important variables and options
<pre>https://{{hostname}}/netbackup/ servicecatalog/slos/ {{newsloid}}/subscriptions</pre>	<ul> <li>201 - Successfully created the Subscription</li> <li>400 - Bad request</li> <li>401 - The Authorization header is missing, the token is invalid, or you do not have permission for this action.</li> <li>409 - An SLO with the same name already exists.</li> <li>500 - An unexpected system error occurred.</li> </ul>

 Table 7-17
 Response of Creating Subscription

### Discovery

The discovery APIs cater actual initiation or stopping of the discovery over given asset.

 Table 7-18
 Start discovery

API	Important variables and options
<pre>https://{{HOSTNAME}}/netbackup/ admin/discovery/workloads/cassand</pre>	<ul> <li>Data</li> <li>ra/stypet</li> <li>Attribute</li> <li>serverName</li> </ul>

#### Table 7-19 Stop discovery

API	Important variables and options
https://{{HOSTNAME}}/netbackup/ad	minData
discovery/workloads/cassandra/sto	Р∎ Туре
	<ul> <li>Attribute</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>serverName</li> </ul>

### **Recovery request**

The Recovery APIs cater actual recovery of specific Cassandra asset, based on the details of recovery point, source, destination etc.

Table 7-20	
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POST /recovery/workloads/cassandra/ Data scenarios/cluster/recover • Type • Attribute • recoveryPoint • client	API	Important variables and options
<pre>filter filter filter backupId recoveryObject clusterNewName recoveryOptions backupHost additionalBackupHosts nbu-backup-host2 nbu-backup-host3 nbu-backup-host4 overwrite restoreSelections selectionType selectionCriteria keyspace</pre>	POST /recovery/workloads/cassandr scenarios/cluster/recover	<pre>a/ Data Type Attribute recoveryPoint client filter backupId recoveryObject clusterNewName recoveryOptions backupHost additionalBackupHosts nbu-backup-host2 nbu-backup-host4 overwrite restoreSelections selectionType selectionCriteria keyspace</pre>

API	Important Response codes
POST /recovery/workloads/cassandr scenarios/cluster/recover	<ul> <li>201 - The recovery job started successfully.</li> <li>400 - Some mandatory attributes were not found or the specified client, backup image, or the input JSON was invalid.</li> <li>401 - The Authorization header is missing, the token is invalid, or you do not have permission for this action.</li> <li>404 - The specified client or backup image was not found</li> <li>406 - Invalid Accept type. Make sure your Accept header matches what this API produces</li> <li>415 - Unsupported Media Type. The media type specified in the Content-Type header is not supported by this API.</li> <li>500 - Internal server error. Failed to start recovery.</li> <li>503 - The server is busy. Failed to start recovery.</li> </ul>

 Table 7-21
 Response of Recover API