MySQL Cluster Tutorial

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Introduction

MySQL Cluster is a tool which could help make your data Highly Available. This tutorial will help you run a MySQL Cluster, show how to manage it and discuss various topics such as performance, backups and schema considerations.

Before going any further we need to setup the Virtual Machine (VM) running under VirtualBox. You can install MySQL Cluster yourself following instructions found in section **Installation and Configuration**, but we strongly suggest to stick to the filesystem layout and configuration files (found on the DVD).

Virtual Machine

You have been given a DVD which contains VirtualBox and a Virtual Machine. The VM will boot Ubuntu (Linux Distribution) with all software pre-installed and configured.

To get you going, do the following:

1. Mount or open the DVD
2. Install (or upgrade) VirtualBox. The latest version is included on the DVD in the folder `software/`.
3. Copy the `clustervm/` and `config/` folder to your hard drive. Location does not matter, but make sure you copy the complete folder and all its contents.
4. Start VirtualBox: from the File-menu choose 'Import Appliance'
5. The 'Appliance Wizard' will show. Locate the `Ubuntu 9.10.ovf` file you copied from the DVD and follow the steps. No options should be changed.

Topics

Installation and Configuration
What to download, how to install and configure MySQL Cluster.

Running Nodes and Your First Table
Starting MySQL Cluster and creating your first NDB table.

Administer MySQL Cluster
Managing and monitoring MySQL Cluster.

MySQL Cluster Manager
We'll introduce a new tool to manage MySQL Cluster.

Fault Tolerance
Explains what happens when some node fails.

Online Backup
How to backup your data and meta data.

NDB Info
Getting information out of MySQL Cluster made easy.

NDBAPI
Coding for Cluster using NDB API, and 'No SQL'.

MySQL Cluster Connector for Java
Introduction and talking to Cluster directly using Java.

