Troubleshoot CNDP Cluster Manager HA Node Issue and Reinstall Force-VM Redeploy

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Introduction

This document describes the procedure to recover Cluster Manager from the inception server in the Cloud Native Deployment Platform (CNDP) setup.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- Cisco Subscriber Microservices Infrastructure (SMI)
- 5G CNDP or SMI-Bare-metal (BM) architecture
- Distributed Replicated Block Device (DRBD)

Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- SMI 2020.02.2.35
- Kubernetes v1.21.0

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

Background Information

What is SMI Cluster Manager?

A cluster manager is a 2-node keepalived cluster used as the initial point for both control plane and user plane cluster deployment. It runs a single-node Kubernetes cluster and a set of PODs which are responsible for the entire cluster setup. Only the primary cluster manager is active and the secondary takes over only in case of a failure or brought down manually for maintenance.

What is an Inception Server?

This node performs lifecycle management of the Cluster Manager (CM) that underlies and from here you can push Day0 Config.

This server is usually deployed region-wise or in the same data centre as the top-level orchestration function (for example NSO) and typically runs as a VM.

Problem

The cluster manager is hosted in a 2-node cluster with Distributed Replicated Block Device (DRBD) and keepalived as Cluster Manager primary and Cluster Manager secondary. In this case, Cluster Manager secondary goes to power off state automatically while initialization/installation of OS in UCS, which indicates OS is corrupt.

```
cloud-user@POD-NAME-cm-primary:~$ drbd-overview status
0:data/0 WFConnection Primary/Unknown UpToDate/DUnknown /mnt/stateful_partition ext4 568G 369G 170G 69%
```

Procedure for the Maintenance

This process helps to reinstall the OS on the CM server.

Identify Hosts

Login to Cluster-Manager and identify hosts:

```
cloud-user@POD-NAME-cm-primary:~$ cat /etc/hosts | grep 'deployer-cm'
127.X.X.X POD-NAME-cm-primary POD-NAME-cm-primary
X.X.X.X POD-NAME-cm-primary
X.X.X.Y POD-NAME-cm-secondary
```

Identify Cluster Details from Inception Server

Login to the Inception server and get into Deployer and verify the cluster name with hosts-IP from Cluster-Manager.

After successful login to the inception server, log in to the ops centre as shown here.

```
<#root>
```

user@

inception-server

: ~\$

ssh -p 2022 admin@localhost

Verify Cluster Name from Cluster Manager SSH-IP (ssh-ip = Node SSH IP ip-address = ucs-server cimc ip-address).

<#root>

[

inception-server

] SMI Cluster Deployer#

show running-config clusters * nodes * k8s ssh-ip | select nodes * ssh-ip | select nodes * ucs-server c:

		SSH		
NAME	NAME	IP	SSH IP	IP ADDRESS

POD-NAME-deployer

cm-primary

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x.x.x.x

10.X.X.X ---> Verify Name and SSH IP if Cluster is part of inception server SMI.

cm-secondary

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x.x.x.y

10.X.X.Y

Check the configuration for the target cluster.

<#root>

[inception-server]

SMI Cluster Deployer#

show running-config clusters POD-NAME-deployer

Remove the Virtual Drive to Clear the Operating System from the Server

Connect to the CIMC of the affected host and clear the boot drive and delete the virtual drive (VD).

a) CIMC > Storage > Cisco 12G Modular Raid Controller > Storage Log > Clear Boot Driveb) CIMC > Storage > Cisco 12G Modular Raid Controller > Virtual drive > Select the virtual drive > Delet

VD-0 Initialize Cancel Initialization Set as Boot Drive Delete Virtual Drive Edit Virtual Drive Hide Drive Virtual Drive Number Name Status Health State 0 174973846877 Optimal Good 76198	RAID Level Boot Drive 5 MB RAID 1 true
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Run Cluster Sync

Run default cluster sync for Cluster-Manager from the inception server.

<#root>

[inception-server] SMI Cluster Deployer# clusters POD-NAME-deployer actions sync run debug true

This will run sync. Are you sure? [no,yes]

yes

[inception-server] SMI Cluster Deployer#

If default cluster-sync fails, perform cluster-sync with force-vm redeploy option for complete re-install (Cluster-sync activity can take ~45-55 mins to complete, it depends on the number of nodes hosted on the cluster)

<#root>
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nception-server] SMI Cluster Deployer
#
clusters POD-NAME-deployer actions sync run debug true force-vm-redeploy true
This will run sync. Are you sure? [no,yes]
yes
message accepted

[inception-server] SMI Cluster Deployer#

Monitor the Cluster-sync Sync Logs

<#root>

[

inception-server

] SMI Cluster Deployer#

monitor sync-logs POD-NAME-deployer

2023-02-23 10:15:07.548 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: Cluster name: POD-NAME 2023-02-23 10:15:07.548 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME:

Force VM Redeploy: true

```
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: Force partition Redeploy: false
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: reset_k8s_nodes: false
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: purge_data_disks: false
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: upgrade_strategy: auto
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: sync_phase: all
2023-02-23 10:15:07.549 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: debug: true
...
```

The server is re-provisioned and installed by successful cluster-sync.

<#root>

```
cm-primary :
           ok=535 changed=250 unreachable=0
failed=0
skipped=832 rescued=0 ignored=0
cm-secondary : ok=299 changed=166 unreachable=0
failed=0
skipped=627 rescued=0 ignored=0
localhost : ok=59 changed=8
                           unreachable=0
failed=0
skipped=18 rescued=0 ignored=0
Thursday 23 February 2023 13:17:24 +0000 (0:00:00.109)
0:56:20.544
*****. ---> ~56 mins to complete cluster sync
_____
2023-02-23 13:17:24.539 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME:
Cluster sync successful
2023-02-23 13:17:24.546 DEBUG cluster_sync.POD-NAME: Ansible sync done
2023-02-23 13:17:24.546 INFO cluster_sync.POD-NAME: _sync finished. Opening lock
```

Verification

Check affected Cluster Manager is reachable and DRBD overview of the Primary and Secondary Cluster Managers is in UpToDate status.

```
cloud-user@POD-NAME-cm-primary:~$ ping X.X.X.Y
PING X.X.X.Y (X.X.X.Y) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.221 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.165 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.151 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.154 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.172 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.165 ms
64 bytes from X.X.X.Y: icmp_seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.174 ms
---- X.X.X.Y ping statistics ---
7 packets transmitted, 7 received, 0% packet loss, time 6150ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.151/0.171/0.221/0.026 ms
```

The affected cluster manager is installed and re-provisioned to the network successfully.