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Introduction

In early 2012, the US Government announced the Big Data Research and Development Initiative to determine how big data can be used to address important problems that the government faces. Such problems include issues in healthcare, energy, and defense. Consumer companies, such as Amazon, are analyzing data to provide their customers with interactions that are individualized and more human. With all the attention that big data has received in the last few years, people are now realizing its value in providing deep insights into trends.

Hadoop can store big data and unlock the answers by analyzing them. IBM® InfoSphere® BigInsights™ is built on top of open source Hadoop and extends it with advanced analytic tools and other capabilities with added value. InfoSphere BigInsights helps organizations of all sizes to more efficiently manage the vast amounts of data that consumers and businesses create every day. At its core, Hadoop is a Distributed Computing Environment that manages the execution of distributed jobs and tasks on a cluster. As with any Distributed Computing Environment, the Hadoop software needs to provide facilities for resource management, scheduling, remote execution, and exception handling. Although Hadoop provides basic capabilities in these areas, IBM Platform Computing has been working on these problems and perfecting them for twenty years.

With use cases for MapReduce continuing to evolve, customers are increasingly encountering situations where scheduling efficiency is becoming important. This scenario is true from the standpoint of meeting performance and service-levels goals and from the perspective of using resources more efficiently to contain infrastructure costs. Also, as the number of applications for MapReduce and big data continues to grow, multitenancy and a shared services architecture become more critical. It is not feasible from a cost standpoint to create separately managed grid environments for every critical MapReduce workload.

This IBM Redpaper™ publication describes the integration of IBM Platform Symphony® 5.2 and IBM InfoSphere BigInsights 1.4 in an IBM System x® cluster. IBM Platform Symphony is a low-latency scheduling solution that supports true multitenancy and sophisticated workload management capabilities.
IBM Platform Symphony

IBM Platform Symphony owes its name to its unique ability to orchestrate distributed services on a shared grid in response to dynamically changing workloads. It combines a fast service-oriented application middleware framework (SOAM), a low-latency task scheduler, and a scalable grid management infrastructure that is proven in some of the world’s largest production grids. This unique design ensures application reliability and low-latency and high-throughput communication between clients and compute services.

How InfoSphere BigInsights works with IBM Platform Symphony

Figure 1 shows the various components that make up InfoSphere BigInsights Enterprise Edition.

![InfoSphere BigInsights components](image)

This view makes it clear how InfoSphere BigInsights augments open source Apache Hadoop and provides more capabilities. These capabilities include visualization and query tools, development tools, management tools, and data connectors to external data stores.

When IBM Platform Symphony is deployed with InfoSphere BigInsights, IBM Platform Symphony replaces the open source MapReduce layer in the Hadoop framework. (IBM Platform Symphony is not a Hadoop distribution.) IBM Platform Symphony relies on a Hadoop MapReduce implementation that is present with various open source components, such as Pig, Hive, HBase, and HDFS file systems.

As shown in Figure 2 on page 3, IBM Platform Symphony replaces the MapReduce scheduling layer in the InfoSphere BigInsights software environment. As a result, IBM Platform Symphony provides better performance and multitenancy in a way that is transparent to InfoSphere BigInsights and its users.
Big data workloads can be submitted from the InfoSphere BigInsights graphical interface, from a command line, or from client applications that interact with the Hadoop MapReduce APIs. After you configure InfoSphere BigInsights to use the IBM Platform Symphony scheduler in place of the Hadoop scheduler, InfoSphere BigInsights workloads run seamlessly and are manageable from within the InfoSphere BigInsights environment.

Administrators must be aware that, when they run InfoSphere BigInsights on a shared IBM Platform Symphony grid, some cluster and service management that are accessible from within InfoSphere BigInsights become redundant. For example, it is no longer assumed that InfoSphere BigInsights has exclusive use of the grid. Therefore, IBM Platform Symphony provides capabilities for cluster node management, service management, and high availability features, for example, for such components as the NameNode, JobTrackers, and TaskTrackers.

**The IBM Platform Symphony performance advantage**

IBM continues to achieve record MapReduce performance results with IBM Platform Symphony. In a recent test that was conducted and audited by an independent third-party testing lab, IBM Platform Symphony ran a particular mix of social analytic workloads an average of 7.3 times faster than Hadoop MapReduce alone.

Performance improvements for MapReduce workloads that run on IBM Platform Symphony are a result of the following factors:

- Low-latency scheduling means that jobs start (and complete) faster.
- By design, IBM Platform Symphony monitors hosts dynamically and always schedules tasks preferentially to the host that can respond quickly to the workload.
By avoiding the Hadoop heartbeat (polling) model, the task scheduling rate for Hadoop workloads is improved dramatically with IBM Platform Symphony and scheduling latency is reduced.

If resources are idle on the cluster, IBM Platform Symphony MapReduce workloads can expand resource allocations dynamically to borrow unused nodes to maximize usage.

IBM Platform Symphony uses generic slots rather than slots that are statically allocated to map and reduce functions so that slots can be shared between map and reduce tasks.

The MapReduce shuffle phase is improved and attempts to keep data in memory while using the more efficient data transfer mechanisms of IBM Platform Symphony for moving data between hosts.

Developers can optionally take advantage of API features and data handling enhancements that are unique to IBM Platform Symphony to achieve advantages beyond what can be achieved within MapReduce itself.

Customers who deploy InfoSphere BigInsights or other big data application environments can realize significant advantages by using IBM Platform Symphony as a grid manager:

- Better application performance
- Opportunities to reduce costs through better infrastructure sharing
- The ability to guarantee application availability and quality of service
- Ensured responsiveness for interactive workloads
- Simplified management by using a single management layer for multiple clients and workloads

IBM Platform Symphony is especially beneficial to InfoSphere BigInsights customers who are running heterogeneous workloads that benefit from low latency scheduling. The resource sharing and cost savings opportunities that are provided by IBM Platform Symphony extend to all types of workloads.

For Hadoop grid administrators who are looking for opportunities to improve performance, reduce cluster sprawl, and improve service levels at a lower cost, IBM Platform Symphony provides a powerful complement to InfoSphere BigInsights.

**Environment**

The integration and comparison tests took place on a group of machines at IBM Poughkeepsie Benchmark Center. The environment had the following setup:

- **Hardware:**
  - 12x IBM System xiDataPlex dx360 (Server Model 6391 and Type AC1) M3 nodes
    - 2x (6-core) Intel Xeon processor X5670 at 2.93 GHz
      A maximum of 4 GHz with Turbo Boost Technology and 24 logic cores with Hyper-Threading Technology (HTT) active
    - 48-GB RAM
    - 250-GB HDD (WD2502ABYS-23B7A; SATA 3 Gbps)
  - Intel (QLogic) True Scale QDR InfiniBand Switch and HCAs
  - 1-Gbps Ethernet Switch
This cluster configuration is appropriate only to validate the steps to integrate InfoSphere BigInsights with Platform Symphony MapReduce. It is not ideal for data-intensive performance benchmarks nor as a reference architecture for running IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition or the IBM InfoSphere BigInsights Map Reduce workload.

The cluster configuration has only one disk per node and is shared between partitions that are used for the operating system and for the Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS). The HDFS that is configured in this example is not the recommended just a bunch of disks (JBOD) design. The JBOD design must have one disk per processor core on each data node, with each disk configured as a separate device. Also, the operating system drive was not mirrored for high availability.

The 10-Gbps network is used usually for performance configuration of the InfoSphere BigInsights cluster. This environment used the IP over InfiniBand (IPoIB) network that is configured over the Intel (QLogic) QDR InfiniBand interconnect in the cluster environment.

Preconfiguration on all nodes

Before we started the integration process, we ran or checked the preliminary configurations. Some of them are described in Implementing IBM InfoSphere BigInsights on System x, SG24-8077, which was used as a reference for this paper. The details were based on the recommended settings for the machine environment and the software that were used in the integration. Therefore, the integration might change for other architecture and software configurations.

This section addresses configuration of the following areas:

- Cluster layout
- Cluster connectivity
- LVM-based file system for HDFS on all data nodes
- Customizing RHEL services
- Verifying whether all required packages are installed
- Creating users (same user configuration across all nodes)
- Temporary security changes

Cluster layout

When you build your cluster, you can install each server manually from a CD or DVD or by using a provisioning software such as IBM Extreme Cloud Administration Toolkit (xCAT). In either case, several combinations are possible when you size a cluster in terms of the number of networks and selecting which network to handle a specified workload. For InfoSphere BigInsights and Symphony integration, you can use for the user homes:

- Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)
- Shared directories
  - General Parallel File System (IBM GPFS™)

Consider using a separate network when you configure GPFS for optimal performance. GPFS can be used with the IBM Platform Symphony network (in high-performance

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networks such as InfiniBand). However, you must configure GPFS to guarantee less performance degradation on the IBM Platform Symphony network.

- **Network File System (NFS)**
  Consider using a separate network when you configure NFS for optimal performance. If NFS is mixed with the same network as IBM Platform Symphony, performance can degrade.

- **Local directories**
  This integration uses the local home directories layout and uses the parallel distributed shell utility, **PDSH**, to distribute files across the nodes.

If the IBM Platform Symphony installation has more than one management node, a shared file system is required among the management nodes for failover and recovery of resource and workload runtime states. GPFS and NFS (on an external NFS server) are possible options for the shared file system.

**Cluster connectivity**
When you build the cluster, check the following areas to ensure connectivity:

1. Distribute SSH keys to set up authentication without a password (**passwordless authentication**) for root and other uses across all nodes:
   - **SSH key setup for user root under a local host (Example 1)**

   ```bash
   # ssh-keygen -t rsa -N ""
   # cat /root/.ssh/id_rsa.pub > /root/.ssh/authorized_keys
   # chmod 600 /root/.ssh/authorized_keys
   ```

   **root SSH keys:** If you do not have a provisioning system that can distribute root keys for passwordless authentication, use **scp** on the `.ssh` directory to all nodes before you continue. Otherwise, each time you issue an SSH connection to a host, you are prompted for the password.

   - **SSH key setup for a specified user and for a group of nodes that use PDSH (Example 2)**

   ```bash
   management # su - <user>
   <user>@management # ssh-keygen -t rsa -N ""
   <user>@management # cat ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub > ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
   <user>@management # chmod 600 ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
   <user>@management # exit
   management # pdsh "scp -r management:/home/<user>/.ssh /home/<user>/"
   ```

2. Consider adding repository access to all nodes:
   a. Add the extra packages repository, from the Fedora project, for Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) on the management node and later on the compute nodes after you install and configure **PDSH** (Example 3).

   ```bash
   # cat /etc/yum.repos.d/epel.repo
   [epel]
   name=Extra Packages for Enterprise Linux 6 - $basearch
   ```
#baseurl=http://download.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/6/$basearch
mirrorlist=https://mirrors.fedoraproject.org/metalink?repo=epel-6&arch=$basearch
failovermethod=priority
enabled=1
priority=10
gpgcheck=0
gpgkey=

b. Configure a distributed shell.
c. Set up PDSH for the management node (Example 4).

Example 4  Setup PDSH and verify it on management host

management # yum install -y pdsh
management# cat /etc/dsh/all
host1
host2
management # cat /etc/hosts
1.1.2.1 management
1.1.1.1 host1
1.1.1.2 host2
management # cat /etc/profile.d/pdsh.sh
export WCOLL=/etc/dsh/all
management # pdsh hostname
host1: host1
host2: host2

d. Set up PDSH for the compute nodes (Example 5).

The WCOLL environment variable (Example 5) is set to the name of a file that includes a list of the host names of the compute nodes and the target nodes of the PDSH commands.

Example 5  PDSH setup on compute nodes from the management host (already with PDSH)

management # pdsh "scp 1.1.2.1:/etc/hosts /etc/hosts"
management # pdsh "cat /etc/hosts"
host1: 1.1.2.1 management
host1: 1.1.1.1 host1
host1: 1.1.1.2 host2
host2: 1.1.2.1 management
host2: 1.1.1.1 host1
host2: 1.1.1.2 host2
management # pdsh "scp management:/etc/yum.repos.d/epel.repo /
/etc/yum.repos.d/epel.repo"
management # pdsh "yum install -y pdsh"
management # pdsh "scp management:/etc/dsh/all /etc/dsh/all"
management # pdsh "cat /etc/dsh/all"
host1: host1
host1: host2
host2: host1
host2: host2
management # pdsh "scp management:/etc/profile.d/pdsh.sh /
/etc/profile.d/pdsh.sh"
management # pdsh "cat /etc/profile.d/pdsh.sh"
**LVM-based file system for HDFS on all data nodes**

The HDFS is created on the ext4 LVM-based file system. For better performance, the partition is mounted with the `noatime` option (disables atime updates for read access) to reduce disk I/O. The `noatime` option is added to the `/etc/fstab` path (Example 6) for persistent configuration.

**Example 6  Adding the noatime option to /etc/fstab**

```bash
# cat /etc/fstab
/dev/mapper/system-root / ext4 defaults 1 1
UUID=****************** /boot ext3 defaults 1 2
/dev/mapper/system-data /data ext4 defaults,noatime 1 2
tmpfs /dev/shm tmpfs defaults 0 0
devpts /dev/pts devpts gid=5,mode=620 0 0
sysfs /sys sysfs defaults 0 0
proc /proc proc defaults 0 0
```

The settings are changed within the file system that is mounted (Example 7).

**Example 7  Remounted file system with the noatime option**

```bash
# mount |grep data
/dev/mapper/system-data on /data type ext4 (rw)
# mount -o remount,noatime /data
# mount |grep data
/dev/mapper/system-data on /data type ext4 (rw,noatime)
```

**Customizing RHEL services**

Disable some RHEL services (NTP, firewall, and SELINUX) in exchange for better performance:

1. Configure the NTP service as shown in Example 8.

   **Example 8  NTP service configuration file**

   ```bash
   # cat /etc/ntp.conf
   server firstserver
   driftfile /var/lib/ntp/drift
disable auth
restrict 127.0.0.1
server secondserver
   
   # SELINUX= can take one of these three values:
   # enforcing - SELinux security policy is enforced.
   # permissive - SELinux prints warnings instead of enforcing.
   # disabled - SELinux is fully disabled.
   #SELINUX=disabled
   # SELINUXTYPE= type of policy in use. Possible values are:
   ```

2. Disable SELINUX as shown in Example 9. Restart the system to apply the changes.

   **Example 9  Disabling the SELINUX in the /etc/selinux/config file**

   ```bash
   # cat /etc/selinux/config
   # This file controls the state of SELinux on the system.
   # SELINUX= can take one of these three values:
   # enforcing - SELinux security policy is enforced.
   # permissive - SELinux prints warnings instead of enforcing.
   # disabled - SELinux is fully disabled.
   SELINUX=disabled
   # SELINUXTYPE= type of policy in use. Possible values are:
   ```
3. Disable the firewall for both IPv4 and IPv6 to improve performance (Example 10).

Example 10  Disabling the firewall services (startup and currently running)

# chkconfig iptables off
# chkconfig ip6tables off
# service iptables stop
# service ip6tables stop

4. Disable the IPv6 feature that is required for the tests.

Verifying whether all required packages are installed
Run through all requirements on all nodes. To determine the software requirements for InfoSphere BigInsights, see Implementing IBM InfoSphere BigInsights on System x, SG24-8077. Also, install expect. For RHEL 6.2, we installed expect-5.44.1.15-2.el6.x86_64.

Creating users (same user configuration across all nodes)
Create the egoadmin user and group with the same ID on all nodes (Example 11). We use this user to install IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition and InfoSphere BigInsights.

Example 11  Creating the egoadmin user across all nodes

management # useradd -u 1000 -m egoadmin
management # pdsh "useradd -u 1000 -m egoadmin"

After the integration, you might need to create more users to work with the integrated software. For more information, see “Adding users” on page 27.

Temporary security changes
During the InfoSphere BigInsights installation, complete the security changes to allow the egoadmin user to run programs with the security privileges of root before proceeding. Using the visudo command, make the following changes:

1. Add the following line:
   
   egoadmin ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL

2. Change Defaults requiretty to Defaults !requiretty.

Configuring InfoSphere BigInsights

Set up InfoSphere BigInsights on 10 data nodes and 1 management node:

More information: For a reference about the requirements and installation procedures for the InfoSphere BigInsights configuration, see the Implementing IBM InfoSphere BigInsights on System x, SG24-8077.
1. Start the web-based GUI installation setup on the management node, and generate the XML file based on the preferences chosen:
   a. In the Welcome window, click **Next**.
   b. Select **I accept the terms in the license agreement**, and click **Next**.
   c. Select **Create a response file without performing an installation**, and click **Next**.

2. Review the generated XML, and change it according to the desirable requirements.

InfoSphere BigInsights is installed (from the management node) by using the modified XML without errors (highlighted in a bold font in Example 12 on page 10).

   The host name of the cluster node in the test configuration is set to the high-performance network interface. For example, instead of setting `i05i04` to use the Gigabit Ethernet network, set `i05i04` to use IPoIB.

   **Example 12  InfoSphere BigInsights modified fullinstall.xml file parts used after GUI generation**

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<cluster-configuration>
    <operation>install</operation>
    <vendor>ibm</vendor>
    [...]
    <hadoop>
        <datanode>
            <selection-type>Specified</selection-type>
            <nodes>i05i06,i05i07,i05i08,i05i09,i05i10,i05i14,i05i15,i05i16,i05i17,i05i18</nodes>
            <datanode-port>50010</datanode-port>
            <datanode-ipc-port>50020</datanode-ipc-port>
            <datanode-http-port>50075</datanode-http-port>
        </datanode>
    </hadoop>
    [...]
    <HBase>
        <configure>true</configure>
        <zookeeper-mode>shared</zookeeper-mode>
        <master-nodes>i05i04</master-nodes>
        <install-mode>fully</install-mode>
        <region-nodes>
            <nodes>i05i06,i05i07,i05i08,i05i10,i05i14,i05i15,i05i16,i05i17,i05i18</nodes>
            <root-directory>/opt/ibm/bi/hbase</root-directory>
            <log-directory>/var/log/ibm/hbase/logs</log-directory>
            <master-port>60000</master-port>
            <master-ui-port>60010</master-ui-port>
            <regionserver-port>60020</regionserver-port>
            <regionserver-ui-port>60030</regionserver-ui-port>
        </region-nodes>
        <node-list>
            <node>
                <name-or-ip>i05i04</name-or-ip>
                <password>{xor}</password>
                <rack/>
                <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
            </node>
        </node-list>
    </HBase>
</cluster-configuration>
```
<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i06</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i07</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i08</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i09</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i10</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i14</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i15</name-or-ip>
  <password>{xor}</password>
  <rack/>
  <hdfs-data-directory>/data/hdfs</hdfs-data-directory>
  <gpfs-rawdisk-list/>
</node>

<node>
  <name-or-ip>i05i16</name-or-ip>
3. Run the healthcheck.sh script inside $HADOOP_HOME/bin directory, and validate whether all components are working as expected (no FAILED components). Example 13 shows the expected result at the end of the script.

**Example 13  Expected end of output for the healthcheck.sh script**

```
[...]
[INFO] Progress - 100%
[INFO] DeployManager - Start; SUCCEEDED components: [guardiumproxy, zookeeper, hadoop, derby, hive, hbase, flume, oozie, orchestrator, jaqlserver, console, sheets]; FAILED components: []
```

### Installing IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition

To install IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition:

1. On the master node, edit the /etc/bashrc file, and add the following environment variables:

   ```bash
   export HADOOP_HOME=/opt/ibm/bi/IHC
   export JAVA_HOME=/opt/ibm/bi/jdk
   export PATH=$PATH:$HADOOP_HOME/bin
   export CLUSTERNAME=<cluster_name>
   export CLUSTERADMIN=egoadmin
   export HADOOP_VERSION=1_0_0
   export HDFS_URL=http://<HDFS_NAME_NODE>:50070
   export SIMPLIFIEDWEM=N
   ```

   The HADOOP_HOME and JAVA_HOME environment variables are defined for the integration with InfoSphere BigInsights that is being installed in the /opt/ibm/bi directory. After you edit the file, copy it to all the nodes in the cluster (the host names that are listed in the $WCOLL file) by using the pdcp command:

   ```bash
   pdcp /etc/bashrc /etc/bashrc
   ```
2. On all nodes, restart any currently open shells for the new environment variables to take effect.

3. On the master node, change directory (`cd`) to the directory where the IBM Platform Symphony installation images were downloaded. Install IBM Platform Symphony:

```
./symSetup5.2.0_1nx26-1ib23-x64.bin --dbpath /opt/ibm/sym52/rpmdb --prefix /opt/ibm/sym52 --quiet
```

The default port 8080 used by the Platform Management Consoles (PMC) is already being used by the BigInsight console.

4. On the master node, change the PMC port to the value "18080" (including the quotation marks) in the `$EGO_TOP/gui/conf/server.xml` file.

Example 14 shows the original server.xml file.

```
<!-- Define a non-SSL HTTP/1.1 Connector on port 8080 -->
<Connector port="8080" maxHttpHeaderSize="8192"
    maxThreads="150" minSpareThreads="25" maxSpareThreads="75"
    enableLookups="false" redirectPort="8443" acceptCount="100"
    connectionTimeout="20000" disableUploadTimeout="true" />
```

Example 15 shows the edited server.xml file.

```
<!-- Define a non-SSL HTTP/1.1 Connector on port 8080 -->
<Connector port="18080" maxHttpHeaderSize="8192"
    maxThreads="150" minSpareThreads="25" maxSpareThreads="75"
    enableLookups="false" redirectPort="8443" acceptCount="100"
    connectionTimeout="20000" disableUploadTimeout="true" />
```

5. Initiate the master node, set the entitlement file, and start IBM Platform Symphony:

```
su - egoadm
. $EGO_TOP/profile.platform
egoconfig join <clustername>
egoconfig setentitlement $EGO_TOP/sym.entitlement
exit
. $EGO_TOP/profile.platform
egosh ego start
```

6. On the compute nodes, install IBM Platform Symphony:

```
/opt/db06b04/FILES/symcompSetup5.2.0_1nx26-1ib23-x64.bin --dbpath
/opt/ibm/sym52/pmrdb --prefix /opt/ibm/sym52 --quiet
```

7. On all nodes, change the IBM Platform Symphony configuration to enable `egosh` commands to use SSH connections (with no password) instead of RSH connections. Add the following line to the `$EGO_HOME/confdir/ego.conf` file as shown in Example 16 on page 14:

```
EGO_RSH="ssh -o 'PasswordAuthentication no' -o 'StrictHostKeyChecking no'"
```

**Entitlement file:** Copy the entitlement file to a location where only the root user has access and it does not change when IBM Platform Symphony needs it for installation. In this example, we used the IBM Platform Symphony `$EGO_TOP` installation directory.
Example 16  Line added at the end of the $EGO_CONFDIR/ego.conf file

```plaintext
[...]
EGO_VERSION=1.2.6
EGO_RSH="ssh -o 'PasswordAuthentication no' -o 'StrictHostKeyChecking no'"
```

8. Initiate the compute nodes and start IBM Platform Symphony:

```bash
su - egoadm
./opt/ibm/sym52/profile.platform
egoconfig join <master_node_hostname>
exit
./opt/ibm/sym52/profile.platform
egosh ego start
```

If the cluster administrator egoadmin is granted root privileges, the user egoadmin can start and shut down IBM Platform Symphony on any hosts in the cluster.

9. On all nodes, as root, run the `$EGO_ESRVDIR/egosetsudoers.sh` command

10. Confirm the command:

```bash
cat /etc/ego.sudoers
```

11. On the master node, add the following line to the `/etc/bashrc` file:

```bash
./opt/ibm/sym52/profile.platform
```

12. Copy the modified file to the other nodes in the cluster:

```bash
pdcp /etc/bashrc /etc/bashrc
```

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## Integrating IBM Platform Symphony and InfoSphere BigInsights

When you integrate IBM Platform Symphony and InfoSphere BigInsights, complete the following steps on the master node and on the computing nodes of the cluster.

**Prerequisite:** Before you integrate IBM Platform Symphony and InfoSphere BigInsights, install the `pdsh` utility on all nodes so that you can run the same commands across multiple nodes.

To integrate IBM Platform Symphony and InfoSphere BigInsights:

1. Stop InfoSphere BigInsights and IBM Symphony on the cluster:

```bash
su - egoadmin
/opt/ibm/bi/bin/stop-all.sh
$EGO_BINDIR/egoshutdown.sh
exit
```

2. On the master node, edit the `/opt/ibm/sym52/soam/mapreduce/conf/pmr-env.sh` file. Check that the following values are in the file:

```bash
export JAVA_HOME=/opt/ibm/bi/jdk
export HADOOP_VERSION=1_0_0
export HADOOP_HOME=/opt/ibm/bi/IHC
export PMR_EXTERNAL_CONFIG_PATH=/opt/ibm/bi/hadoop-conf
export JVM_OPTIONS=-Xmx1024m
export PMR_SERVICE_DEBUG_PORT=
export PMR_MRSS_SHUFFLE_CLIENT_PORT=7879
```
export PMR_MRSS_SHUFFLE_DATA_WRITE_PORT=7881
export PYTHON_PATH=/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/bin
export PATH=${PATH}:${JAVA_HOME}/bin:${PYTHON_PATH}
export JAVA_LIBRARY_PATH=/opt/ibm/bi/IHC/lib/native/Linux-amd64-64/:/opt/ibm/bi/IHC/lib/native/Linux-i386-32/
export CLOUDERA_HOME=/opt/ibm/bi/IHC

3. After you edit the file on the master node, copy the file to the other nodes in the cluster by using the `pdcp` command:

```
```

4. Apply the `BIIntegrationPatch-201206291122.tar.gz` patch by using the `patchHost` shell script. In this script, the `BI_Integration_Patch` variable defines the absolute path for the patch file. This example uses the `/tmp/BIIntegrationPatch-201206291122.tar.gz` path. Example 17 shows the `patchHost` script.

### Example 17  The patchHost script

```bash
#!/bin/bash
#
# patchHost: Run the Big Insights / Symphony Integration patch
#
# Change these values for your site
admin_id="egoadmin"
symdir="/opt/ibm/sym52"
bidir="/opt/ibm/bi"
BI_Integration_Patch="/tmp/BIIntegrationPatch-201206291122.tar.gz"

# This needs to be run as root
if [ "$(id -un)" != "$admin_id" ]; then
  echo "This script must be run as $admin_id"
echo "This script must be run as $admin_id"
exit 1
fi

if [ ! -f $symdir/profile.platform ]; then
  echo "This symphony profile ($symdir/profile.platform) is missing"
  echo "Is symphony installed at $symdir?"
  exit 1
fi

. $symdir/profile.platform

if [ ! -f $BI_Integration_Patch ]; then
  echo "This Symphony/BigInsights patch file($BI_Integration_Patch) is missing"
echo "This Symphony/BigInsights patch file($BI_Integration_Patch) is missing"
exit 1
fi

if [ ! -d "$bidir" ]; then
  echo "The Big Insights directory ($bidir) does not exist"
  exit 1
fi
```

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if [ ! -d "$HADOOP_HOME" ]; then
  echo "The HADOOP_HOME directory does not exist or HADOOP_HOME is not set"
  echo "HADOOP_HOME="$HADOOP_HOME"
  exit 1
fi

if [ -d "$symdir/bi_integration" ]; then
  echo "The directory $symdir/bi_integration ALREADY exists."
  echo "You cannot run this script twice"
  exit 1
fi

if [ ! -f "$HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar" ]; then
  echo "File $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar is missing"
  exit 1
fi

if [ -l "$HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar" ]; then
  echo "File $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar is a link"
  exit 1
fi

echo tar -C $symdir -xvzf $BI_Integration_Patch

tar -C $symdir -xvzf $BI_Integration_Patch

echo $EGO_TOP/bi_integration/jar_integration.sh

$EGO_TOP/bi_integration/jar_integration.sh

echo mv $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar.ORIG

mv $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar.ORIG

echo ln -sf $EGO_TOP/bi_integration/IBM-pmr-hadoop-1.0.0.jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar

ln -sf $EGO_TOP/bi_integration/IBM-pmr-hadoop-1.0.0.jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar

echo ln -sf $PMR_HOME/conf/pmr-site.xml $bidir/hadoop-conf/

ln -sf $PMR_HOME/conf/pmr-site.xml $bidir/hadoop-conf/

hlibdir=$symdir/soam/mapreduce/5.2/linux2.6-glibc2.3-x86_64/lib/hadoop-1.0.0

echo mv $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar.bak

mv $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar.bak

echo ln -sf $bidir/sheets/libext/jackson-core-asl-1.5.5.jar $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar

ln -sf $bidir/sheets/libext/jackson-core-asl-1.5.5.jar $hlibdir/jackson-core-asl-1.0.1.jar

echo mv $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar.bak

mv $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar.bak

echo ln -sf $bidir/sheets/libext/jackson-mapper-asl-1.5.5.jar $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar

ln -sf $bidir/sheets/libext/jackson-mapper-asl-1.5.5.jar $hlibdir/jackson-mapper-asl-1.0.1.jar

5. On the master node, run the script as follows:
   a. Switch to the egoadmin user:
      su - egoadmin
   b. Run the script:
      ./patchHost

6. After the script runs, run it on the other nodes in the cluster by running the following commands on the master node:
   a. Copy the script (patchHost) and the patch to the other hosts:
      pdcps /tmp/patchHost /tmp/patchHost
      pdcps /tmp/Install/Symphony/patch/BIIntegrationPatch-201206291122.tar.gz
      /tmp/Install/Symphony/patch/BIIntegrationPatch-201206291122.tar.gz
b. Run the **patchHost** script:

```
pdsh /tmp/patchHost
```

7. Run the following commands on the master node to apply control shims:

```
ln -sf $PMR_HOME/conf/pmr-site.xml /opt/ibm/bi/console/wtiruntime/dscomponents/enterpriseconsole/eclipse/plugins/com.ibm.hadoop_1.0.0.v20120605_0341/
ln -sf $EGO_TOP/bi_integration/IBM-pmr-hadoop-1.0.0.jar /opt/ibm/bi/console/wtiruntime/dscomponents/enterpriseconsole/eclipse/plugins/com.ibm.hadoop_1.0.0.v20120605_0341/hadoop-core-1.0.0.jar
ln -sf /opt/ibm/sym52/bi_integration/IBM_MANIFEST.MF /opt/ibm/bi/console/wtiruntime/dscomponents/enterpriseconsole/eclipse/plugins/com.ibm.hadoop_1.0.0.v20120605_0341/META-INF/MANIFEST.MF
```

8. Run the following commands to add the oozie integration override:

```
```

9. Modify the `/opt/ibm/bi/hive/bin/hive` file on the master node, and then copy it to the other nodes:

a. Back up the old file:

```
cp /opt/ibm/bi/hive/bin/hive /opt/ibm/bi/hive/bin/hive.ORIG
```

b. Open the file and search for the `hadoop_version_re` variable. Replace its value with the `"^([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]\.[[:digit:]]+\..*$"` value (including the quotation marks).

c. To confirm the changes, enter the `diff` command to see the results:

```
$ diff hive.ORIG hive
```

```
icos猗 240c240 ⌄`<hadoop_version_re="^([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]\.[[:digit:]]+\..*$"`  ▔
<hadoop_version_re="^([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]([[:digit:]]+)\.[[:digit:]]\.[[:digit:]]+\..*$"
```

d. Copy the modified file to the other nodes in the cluster:

```
pdcp /opt/ibm/bi/hive/bin/hive /opt/ibm/bi/hive/bin/hive
```

10. Start InfoSphere BigInsights and IBM Platform Symphony:

```
su - egoadmin /opt/ibm/bi/bin/start-all.sh
```

```
$EGO_BINDIR/egosh ego start -f all
```

11. Stop Jobtracker and Tasktracker:

```
su - egoadmin /opt/ibm/bi/IHC/bin/stop-mapred.sh
```

Integration of IBM Platform Symphony and IBM InfoSphere BigInsights
Additional configuration for IBM Platform Symphony

After the integration, you must make some additional changes. These changes depend on the cluster size and complexity. Therefore, the values might be different for larger clusters. You have the following options:

- Identifying the management nodes in the IBM Platform Symphony configuration
- TCP/IP performance tuning

Identifying the management nodes in the IBM Platform Symphony configuration

In the IBM Platform Symphony 5.2 installation, the management nodes are incorrectly identified. Therefore, the default configuration uses all nodes as compute nodes. There are two ways you can change this setting:

- Manually select which nodes are the compute nodes.
- Change the configuration and specify which nodes are the management nodes (recommended solution).

To change the configuration and specify the management nodes:

1. Edit the `$EGO_CONFDIR/ego.cluster.cluster_name` file.
2. For all management nodes, add the `mg` tag inside the resources column as illustrated in Example 18. The `cluster_name` is the name of the symphony cluster. You can check the name by using the `egosh ego info` command (under the user egoadmin).

Example 18  The `ego.cluster.<cluster_name>` file with i05i04 as management node

```
# $Id: TMPL.ego.cluster,v 1.3.2.1.2.1.92.4.2.1.18.4 2012/05/22 09:38:44 yaoliu Exp $
#----------------------------------------------------------------------
# T H I S   I S   A    O N E   P E R   C L U S T E R    F I L E
#
# This is a sample ego cluster definition file. This file's name
# should be ego.cluster.<cluster-name>.
#
Begin  ClusterAdmins
Administrators = egoadmin
End    ClusterAdmins

Begin Host
HOSTNAME  model    type        r1m  mem  swp  RESOURCES    #Keywords
i05i04    !        !            -    -    -   (linux mg)
#lemon    PC200    LINUX86     3.5  1    2   (linux)
#plum     !        NTX86       3.5  1    2   (nt)
End      Host
```
Example 19 shows the output of this command.

**Example 19  Checking the cluster name and master node for IBM Platform Symphony**

[egoadmin@i05i04 ~]$ egosh ego info  
Cluster name            : bisym  
EGO master host name    : i05i04  
EGO master version      : 1.2.6  

TCP/IP performance tuning

Some TCP/IP parameters can help tune the IBM Platform Symphony environment and possibly improve workload performance. The values that are shown were tested in the cluster for the tests that are documented in this paper. As a result, you might need to adjust them for the cluster sizes, architectures, and operating system in your environment.

Change the `sysctl` attributes on all nodes, and add them to the `/etc/sysctl.conf` file:

```
sysctl -w net.ipv4.ipfrag_low_thresh=1048576  
sysctl -w net.ipv4.ipfrag_high_thresh=8388608  
```

If you have InfiniBand adapters and installed the InfiniBand drivers, you might have the `/sbin/sysctl_perf_tuning` script. The package name that was installed in the test environment was named `kernel-ib-1.5.3.2-2.6.32_220.el6.x86_64.x86_64` and represents the InfiniBand driver and ULP kernel modules.

If you have the `/sbin/sysctl_perf_tuning` script:

1. Run the RHEL 6.2 `sysctl_perf_tuning` script on all nodes. The script persistently changes the values (Example 20).

**Example 20  System parameters that changed with the /sbin/sysctl_perf_tuning command**

```
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.ipv4.tcp_timestamps=0  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.ipv4.tcp_sack=0  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.netdev_max_backlog=250000  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.rmem_max=16777216  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.wmem_max=16777216  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.rmem_default=16777216  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.wmem_default=16777216  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.core.optmem_max=16777216  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.ipv4.tcp_mem="16777216 16777216 16777216"  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.ipv4.tcp_rmem="4096 87380 16777216"  
/sbin/sysctl -q -w net.ipv4.tcp_wmem="4096 65536 16777216"  
```

2. After you run the script, if you are not satisfied with the performance results, use the script example lines to manually change the value again through all nodes. Then, check for improvements.
Benchmark tests

This section presents the benchmark results before and after we integrated IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition 5.2 with InfoSphere BigInsights 1.4. All benchmark results were obtained by using the following test environment for both hardware and software:

- Eleven hardware machines were used as described in “Environment” on page 4. One machine was for the management node, and ten machines were for the data nodes of InfoSphere BigInsights (and the same ten for compute nodes on IBM Platform Symphony).
- All systems run RHEL 6.2 (x86_64) with InfoSphere BigInsights 1.4 and IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition 5.2.
- All configurations after this section used InfiniBand (IPoIB) as the network for InfoSphere BigInsights (Hadoop data) and Ethernet for the IBM Platform Symphony.

The following sections describe the tests and their specific configurations:

- Default configuration, which uses the tasks that are described in “Identifying the management nodes in the IBM Platform Symphony configuration” on page 18, but not the changes in “TCP/IP performance tuning” on page 19.
- Tuned configuration (with TCP tuning), which uses the tasks that are described in “Identifying the management nodes in the IBM Platform Symphony configuration” on page 18, and the changes in “TCP/IP performance tuning” on page 19.
- Preloaded configuration (with TCP tuning and prestart option enabled), which is the same as the tuned configuration, but with the Prestart option enabled on IBM Platform Symphony.

Test environment and monitoring tools

This section highlights the tuning options and benchmark results from the tests in the stand-alone setup of InfoSphere BigInsights 1.4 and after its integration with IBM Platform Symphony 5.2.

During the benchmarking tests, the following tools and web pages were used to extract the results and to help monitor the progress of each test:

- NMON
- The `time` command from RHEL 6.2 (time-1.7-37.1.e16.x86_64)
- The `script` command from RHEL 6.2 (util-linux-ng-2.17.2-12.4.e16.i686)
- InfoSphere BigInsights cluster web page:
  - HDFS usage:
    http://i05n04.pbm.ihost.com:50070/dfshealth.jsp
- IBM Platform Symphony cluster web pages:
  - Cluster information
    http://i05n04.pbm.ihost.com:18080/platform/dealUserLogin.do
  - MapReduce information
    http://i05n04.pbm.ihost.com:18080/pmrgui/framework/main.action

Tuned and preloaded configurations: To reduce the debug level, you can optionally add the following line (Example 21 on page 23):

-Dmapred.map.child.log.level=WARN
Results of the stand-alone benchmark for InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4

The following benchmark tests were conducted over InfiniBand:

- Sleep benchmark
- Pi estimate benchmark

**Sleep benchmark**
The sleep benchmark (scheduling benchmark) tests the performance of the scheduler. It examines how quickly the scheduler can create tasks after each other and how efficiently the scheduler can detect where (which node) to create. In this case, the scheduler is the InfoSphere BigInsights scheduler. The following command is issued:

```bash
time hadoop jar $HADOOP_HOME/../pig/test/e2e/pig/lib/hadoop-examples.jar sleep -mt 1 -rt 1 -m <tasks> -r 1
```

Where `<tasks>` is the number of map tasks to be created.

Table 1 shows the execution time for the sleep tests.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of map tasks</th>
<th>Number of runs</th>
<th>Time observed&lt;sup&gt;a&lt;/sup&gt;</th>
<th>Performance in tasks/second</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Minimum</td>
<td>Maximum</td>
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<tr>
<td>1000</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>28s</td>
<td>33s</td>
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<tr>
<td>5000</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1m 31s</td>
<td>1m 38s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2m 53s</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>13m 41s</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>crashed or hung twice</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<sup>a</sup> +/- 0.5 seconds error

**Pi estimate benchmark**
Table 2 shows the execution time for the Pi estimate tests (mixed I/O read and processor intensive benchmarks). The Pi estimate benchmark uses the following command:

```bash
time hadoop jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-examples-1.0.0.jar pi <nMaps> <nSamples>
```

Where `<nMaps>` is the number of map tasks to be created, and `<nSamples>` is the number of iterations for each task (will consume more processor time).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of map tasks</th>
<th>Number of samples per map</th>
<th>Pi estimate time in seconds (without input generation)</th>
<th>Complete job time observed (minimum&lt;sup&gt;a&lt;/sup&gt;)</th>
<th>Pi result</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>10000</td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>221.669</td>
<td>7m 35s</td>
<td>3.14159265584</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1000</td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>36.538</td>
<td>1m 03s</td>
<td>3.1415926452</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>80.404</td>
<td>1m 45s</td>
<td>3.14159265572</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>100</td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>17.497</td>
<td>22s</td>
<td>3.141592736</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>28.85</td>
<td>33s</td>
<td>3.1415926492</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Results of integration for IBM Platform Symphony V5.2 and InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4

After the integration of IBM Platform Symphony V5.2 with InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4, the same tests as in “Results of the stand-alone benchmark for InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4” on page 21, were conducted. They measured the performance difference of the IBM Platform Symphony scheduler against the InfoSphere BigInsights scheduler.

The following benchmark tests were conducted:

- Sleep benchmark
- Pi estimate benchmark (mixed I/O read and processor-intensive benchmark)

### Sleep benchmark
After the integration, the InfoSphere BigInsights scheduler is no longer used. Now the IBM Platform Symphony scheduler is used. Table 3 shows the execution time for the sleep tests (scheduling benchmark).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of map tasks</th>
<th>Number of samples per map</th>
<th>Pi estimate time in seconds (without input generation)</th>
<th>Complete job time observed (minimuma)</th>
<th>Pi result</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>17.421</td>
<td>19s</td>
<td>3.14159256</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>29.412</td>
<td>31s</td>
<td>3.141592744</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>17.592</td>
<td>19s</td>
<td>3.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
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<td>17.424</td>
<td>19s</td>
<td>3.1408</td>
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<td>100000</td>
<td>16.431</td>
<td>18s</td>
<td>3.1412</td>
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<td>1000000</td>
<td>16.448</td>
<td>18s</td>
<td>3.141552</td>
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<td>18.433</td>
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<td>3.1415844</td>
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<td></td>
<td>100000000</td>
<td>25.448</td>
<td>27s</td>
<td>3.14159256</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>1000000000</td>
<td>87.621</td>
<td>1m29s</td>
<td>3.14159272</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. +/- 0.5 seconds error

### Table 3  Execution time for the sleep tests (default configuration)

<table>
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<th>Number of map tasks</th>
<th>Number of runs</th>
<th>Time observed(^a)</th>
<th>Performance in tasks/second</th>
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<td>Minimum</td>
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<td>3m 01s</td>
<td>3m 38s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>200000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>18m 52s</td>
<td>176/68</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. +/- 0.5 seconds error
After we change the values as shown in “TCP/IP performance tuning” on page 19, the tests that are listed in Table 3 are repeated.

Table 4 shows the improvements.

Table 4  Execution time for sleep test (tuned configuration)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number of map tasks</th>
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<th>Time observed a</th>
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<td>1m 14s</td>
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<td>100000</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2m 49s</td>
<td>3m 14s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>200000</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>19m 04s</td>
<td>22m 39s</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. +/- 0.5 seconds error

In these series of tests, the debug level was reduced by adding an optional flag attribute to the -Dmapred.map.child.log.level=WARN command line as shown in Example 21.

Example 21  Command line text to reduce debug level

# time hadoop jar $HADOOP_HOME/../pig/test/e2e/pig/lib/hadoop-examples.jar sleep
-Dmapred.map.child.log.level=WARN -mt 1 -rt 1 -m 5000 -r 1

Enabling the Prestart option

If the Prestart option is enabled for the MapReduce 5.2 application, it can improve the execution time. To enable the Prestart option:

1. Go to the following address:
   http://<master_node_ip>:18080/platform

2. Click the MapReduce Workload link on the left side of the window.

3. In the IBM Platform Symphony window, on the Workload tab, click MapReduce Applications, select the MapReduce 5.2 application, and then, click the Modify button.
4. In the Application window (Figure 3), select the **Pre-start application** check box, and then click the **Save** button.

![Application window](image)

Figure 3  Pre-start option under MapReduce5.2 application properties

Table 5 shows the results of this change and of using the command-line option to reduce the debug output as shown in Example 21 on page 23.

<table>
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<th>Number of map tasks</th>
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<th>Time observed (a)</th>
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<tr>
<td>100000</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>3m11s</td>
<td>3m 52s</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\(a\). +/- 0.5 seconds error
Pi estimate benchmark (mixed I/O read and processor-intensive benchmark)

After the integration, we no longer use the InfoSphere BigInsights scheduler. Now we use the IBM Platform Symphony scheduler. Table 6 shows the execution time for the Pi estimate tests.

Table 6  Execution time for Pi estimate tests (default configuration)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number of map tasks</th>
<th>Number of samples per map</th>
<th>Pi estimate time in seconds (without input generation)</th>
<th>Complete job time observed (minimum(^a))</th>
<th>Pi result</th>
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\(^a\) +/- 0.5 seconds error

Advantages of integrating IBM Platform Symphony V5.2 with InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4

This section compares the results from “Results of the stand-alone benchmark for InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4” on page 21, and from “Results of integration for IBM Platform Symphony V5.2 and InfoSphere BigInsights V1.4” on page 22. This section also highlights the advantages of performing this integration.
Three configurations were used for the sleep and the Pi estimated tests as follows:

- **Default configuration**
  
  This configuration uses the steps that are described in “Additional configuration for IBM Platform Symphony” on page 18, without performing the changes in “TCP/IP performance tuning” on page 19.

- **Tuned configuration (with Ethernet tuning)**
  
  This configuration uses the “Additional configuration for IBM Platform Symphony” on page 18, and includes the changes in “TCP/IP performance tuning” on page 19.

- **Preloaded configuration (with Ethernet tuning and the Prestart option enabled)**
  
  This configuration is the same as the tuned configuration, but with **Prestart** option enabled from IBM Platform Symphony.

**Tuned and preloaded configurations:** Optionally, you can add the following command-line option to reduce the debug level (Example 21 on page 23):

```
-Dmapred.map.child.log.level=WARN
```

The files are still created, but nothing is written in them.

**Sleep benchmark results**

For the sleep benchmark, Figure 4 compares the results that we obtained from the different test configurations.
The results show the following configurations:

- InfoSphere BigInsights only
- Integration of IBM Platform Computing LSF® and InfoSphere BigInsights for tuned and preloaded configurations, with the last one accounting for the Prestart option that is enabled

**Pi estimate benchmark results**

For the Pi estimate benchmark, Figure 5 compares the results that we obtained through the two different test configurations.

![Figure 5: Pi estimate performance](image)

The benchmark shows only the time that is needed to estimate the Pi value, discarding the time that is needed to write the maps into hard disk (that are equivalent between the two scenarios presented). The results are presented by using the following configurations:

- InfoSphere BigInsights only
- Integration of IBM Platform Computing LSF and InfoSphere BigInsights for a default configuration

**Adding users**

For the implementation steps described previously, the cluster has just one operational user who is the installation user egoadmin. This section describes how to add more users who can use the IBM Platform Symphony and the InfoSphere BigInsights integrated cluster.
Assumptions

Create a new supplementary user group to facilitate access to HDFS by the Hadoop users. This supplementary group is called hdfsgrp. This scenario uses the following assumptions:

- The user name to demonstrate the procedure is testuser.
- The hdfs data location is /data/hdfs.
- The pdsh command runs ssh to each data node and runs the command
- The pdcp command copies a file from the master to each of the data nodes.
- The home directories for new users are not shared across all the nodes. Adjust the directories as necessary if your home directory is shared.

Adding a user for the integrated cluster

To add a user for the integrated cluster:

1. Create a user on the master node and all other compute or data nodes (Example 22).

   Example 22   Creating a user on the master node and all compute or data nodes

   ```bash
   groupadd hdfsgrp
   pdsh groupadd hdfsgrp
   usermod –a –G hdfsgrp egoadmin
   pdsh usermod –a –G hdfsgrp egoadmin
   ```

2. Add the user to the master node and each node (Example 23). Run the commands as root from the master node.

   Example 23   Adding the user to the master node and all other nodes

   ```bash
   useradd testuser  -d /home/testuser
   id_on_master=`id –u testuser`
pdsh adduser testuser –u $id_on_master  -d /home/testuser
   passwd testuser (set password for user on master)
   ```

3. Add the user to the hdfsgrp group (Example 24). Run the commands as root from the master node.

   Example 24   Adding the user to the hdfsgrp group

   ```bash
   usermod –a –G hdfsgrp testuser
   pdsh usermod –a –G hdfsgrp testuser
   ```

4. Create the hdfs user directory (Example 25). Run the commands as the egoadmin user from the master node.

   Example 25   Creating the hdfs user directory

   ```bash
   su – egoadmin
   hadoop dfs –mkdir /user/testuser
   hadoop dfs –chown testuser:hdfsgrp /user/testuser
   ```

5. Create a key for a new user for passwordless access to data nodes (Example 26).

   Example 26   Creating a key for passwordless access

   ```bash
   su – testuser
   ssh-keygen –t rsa –N ""
   ```
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cp ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
chmod 600 ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
exit

pdsh mkdir /home/testuser/.ssh
pdcp /home/testuser/.ssh/id_rsa /home/testuser/.ssh/id_rsa
pdcp /home/testuser/.ssh/id_rsa.pub /home/testuser/.ssh/authorized_keys
pdsh chmod 600 /home/testuser/.ssh/authorized_keys

6. Add environment variables to the user testuser (Example 27).

Example 27  Adding environment variables to testuser

/bin/sh -c 'echo ". /opt/ibm/sym52/profile.platform" >> /home/testuser/.bashrc
/bin/sh -c 'echo "source /opt/ibm/bi/conf/biginsights-env.sh" >>
/home/testuser/.bashrc

7. Run verifications steps to create data in hdfs (Example 28), which is a test of writing zeros to hdfs.

Example 28  Verification steps

[testuser@i05i04 ~]$ dd if=/dev/zero of=junk bs=1k count=10
10+0 records in
10+0 records out
10240 bytes (10 kB) copied, 9.05e-05 s, 113 MB/s
[testuser@i05i04 ~]$ hadoop dfs -put junk dfsjunk
[testuser@i05i04 ~]$ hadoop dfs -ls
Found 1 items
   -rw-r--r-- 3 testuser hdfsgrp 10240 2012-11-06 13:55 /user/testuser/dfsjunk

8. Run a sleep job as testuser (Example 29).

Example 29  Running a sleep job as testuser

[testuser@i05i04 ~]$ time hadoop jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-examples-1.0.0.jar
sleep 1 100
12/11/03 21:30:47 INFO internal.MRJobSubmitter: Connected to JobTracker(SSM)
12/11/03 21:30:47 INFO internal.MRJobSubmitter:  Job <Sleep job> submitted, job id <37>
12/11/03 21:30:47 INFO internal.MRJobSubmitter: Job will verify intermediate
data integrity using checksum.
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: Counters: 18
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: Shuffle Errors
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: WRONG_PATH=0
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: CONNECTION=0
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: IO_ERROR=0
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: FileSystemCounters
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: FILE_BYTES_WRITTEN=35
12/11/03 21:30:54 INFO mapred.JobClient: Shuffled Maps =1
Adding nodes

After the integration, you add a node to InfoSphere BigInsights and IBM Platform Symphony.

Rejoining a machine to a cluster

Use these steps when a machine crashes and restarts, and you need to rejoin it to the cluster. You do not need to shut down or restart the entire cluster in this case.

1. Add the /etc/hosts path or DNS of the new node, depending on the name resolution method.

2. Add the same host name to the conf/slaves file on the master node.

3. Log in to the new subordinate node and run the following commands:

   $ cd path/to/hadoop
   $ bin/hadoop-daemon.sh start datanode
   $ bin/hadoop-daemon.sh start tasktracker

4. If you are using the function of the dfs.include/mapred.include file, add the node to the dfs.include/mapred.include file so that the NameNode and JobTracker can detect that the additional node was added. Enter the following commands:

   hadoop dfsadmin -refreshNodes
   hadoop mradmin -refreshNodes

5. Synchronize the Hadoop configuration files in the $BIGINSIGHTS_HOME/hdm/hadoop-conf-staging/ directory on the management node with their counterparts on all of the nodes in the cluster. To synchronize these files, run the following command:

   $BIGINSIGHTS_HOME/bin/syncconf.sh hadoop force

Adding a data or compute node to the integrated software

To add a data or compute node to the integrated software for the InfoSphere BigInsights and the IBM Platform Symphony:

1. Add the new node host name to the DNS server or to the /etc/hosts path of all nodes.

2. Verify and complete as necessary all requirements that are described in “Preconfiguration on all nodes” on page 5, according to the remaining nodes where the node will join.

3. Add the node manually to the current Hadoop configuration (the $HADOOP_CONF_DIR/slaves file) before you synchronize the configurations.
4. Verify that the InfoSphere BigInsights is started on all nodes (except the joining node) and that the HDFS as no errors. If possible, synchronize the cluster by running the following command as the egoadmin user:

   $BIGINSIGHTS_HOME/bin/syncconf.sh hadoop force

5. On the master node, run the following command as the egoadmin user:

   addnode.sh hadoop <new_node_hostname>

6. To install and complete the integration process on the new node, follow the steps only for compute nodes in the following sections:
   - “Installing IBM Platform Symphony Advanced Edition” on page 12
   - “Integrating IBM Platform Symphony and InfoSphere BigInsights” on page 14.

7. Restart the IBM Platform Symphony on all nodes for the new node to join correctly.

8. Before you apply that patch, stop the IBM BigInsights and Hadoop.

## Troubleshooting

This section describes troubleshooting hints and tips for working with IBM Platform Computing and InfoSphere BigInsights.

### InfoSphere BigInsights

After you tune a sleep test with 10,000 maps and 10,000 prestarted services, remove all contents of the /data/mapred/local path on all nodes and then restart all nodes.

### Increasing Java virtual memory

On all nodes, change the value of the variable JVM_OPTIONS, inside the $PMR_HOME/conf/prmr-env.sh file to -Xms1024m -Xmx4096m as shown in Example 30.

**Example 30   Changes inside the $PMR_HOME/conf/prmr-env.sh file**

```plaintext
[...]
# The JVM options
export JVM_OPTIONS="-Xms1024m -Xmx4096m"
[...]
```

### Increasing system limits

Increase the limits for the root and egoadmin users by editing the /etc/security/limits.conf file and adding the lines as shown in Example 31.

**Example 31   Maximizing the limit values for root and egoadmin user**

```plaintext
egoadmin hard nofile 1000000
egoadmin soft nofile 1000000
```
Configured system limits: Even though some configured limits are already configured in InfoSphere BigInsights for the users, change these limits to bigger values. After the integration, both products use a much higher number of opened files and processes.

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