

Continuous Analytics for a Near-Cloud Solution with Global-Active Device and Hitachi Thin Image: VSP E1090 to VSP 5200

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Executive Summary

Global-active device (GAD) is a data mirroring technology that allows you to maintain synchronous copies of data at remote sites. Hitachi GAD provides a solution to avoid situations when a data center is affected by a disaster that stops operations for a long time, while providing continuous server I/O. Hitachi Thin Image (HTI) creates instantaneous point-in-time snapshots that are space efficient. This reference architecture documents how to set up a Hitachi GAD disaster recovery (DR) solution with cascading Hitachi Thin Image snapshots using Hitachi Ops Center Protector. By combining the two replication technologies, we have a solution that is always protected with site-to-site replication while providing the flexibility to quickly snap-off data copies for analytics, data mining, testing, or other ad hoc requirements in a cloud environment.

The environment used for the validation includes a Hitachi Virtual Storage Platform (VSP) E1090 as the primary storage system and a VSP 5200 as the secondary storage system. Both storage systems are in a near cloud location (Equinix – a co-location data center, located in California).

To access data on the secondary storage system at the DR site, we used cloud compute from Amazon Web Services (AWS) in the form of Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) virtual machines. Because Hitachi Thin Image can create up to 1,024 snapshots per source volume, pairing it with the very well-known scale out capability of cloud computing makes for a great combination.

Because the cost of owning and operating a second data center for the purpose of disaster recovery is significant, leasing a small footprint in a colocation data center is a cost-attractive alternative. Equinix, Inc.™ is a leading provider of such services. Through our collaboration with Equinix, Hitachi Vantara created a new near-cloud hybrid solution: **Hitachi Cloud Connect for Equinix**.

This offering allows clients to locate Hitachi VSP enterprise-class storage at Equinix International Business Exchange™ (IBX) data centers worldwide and includes the option for customers to procure this solution through an agreement and invoice, greatly simplifying and accelerating their time to market. By using Equinix IBX data centers and Equinix Fabric™ to interconnect sources of data to applications, VSP storage systems allow organizations to locate their data next to clouds while still maintaining control by enabling applications such as data protection and back-up for hybrid- and multi-cloud data availability.

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About This Guide

This reference architecture documents how to set up a disaster recovery solution by combining Hitachi GAD with cascading Hitachi Thin Image snapshots using Ops Center Administrator and Ops Center Protector. It also documents test procedures for validating the resiliency of the solution, which you can leverage for your own proof-of-concept before deploying the solution.

Intended Audience

This document is intended for Hitachi Vantara staff and IT professionals of Hitachi Vantara customers and partners who are responsible for planning and deploying such as solution.

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Introduction

The environment used for the validation included a Virtual Storage Platform (VSP) E1090 used as the primary storage system and a VSP 5200 used as the secondary storage system, located in an Equinix colocation data center in California. To access data on snapshot volumes and data at primary storage system during an outage, we used cloud compute from AWS in the form of EC2 virtual machines.

This information was accumulated while setting up our environment to validate use cases for the Hitachi Cloud Connect for Equinix solution.

- A near-cloud Equinix colocation data center (SV10) located in San Jose, California.
- A cloud hosted by AWS in Northern California.

The relationship between the Near Cloud and Cloud Service provider is shown in *Figure 1*:

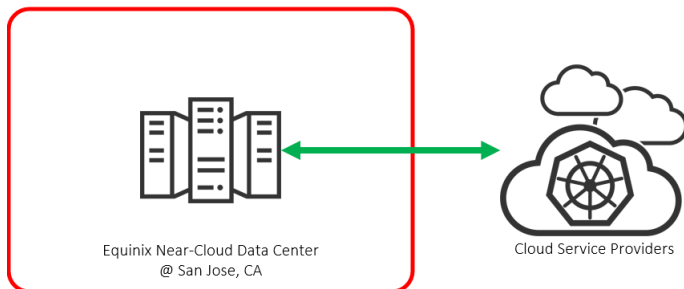


Figure 1: High Level Diagram



Note: The information shared here is specific to our requirements and can be used as a guideline or a starting point. We recommend conducting a proof-of-concept in a non-production, isolated test environment matching your production environment before implementing this solution.

Solution Overview

Hitachi Global-Active Device (GAD) provides a solution to avoid situations when a data center is affected by a disaster that stops operations for a long period of time. Three storage systems are required in a GAD implementation. The secondary storage system is placed in a second data center that is far (up to 500 km) from the first data center, which contains the primary storage system. The third storage system is required for the quorum device. In this solution, AWS Cloud Quorum is used for the quorum device instead of a storage system. It is important to locate the two data centers far enough away from each other to reduce the chance that a single disaster brings down both data centers.

Hitachi Thin Image is a local replication solution for creating space efficient copies. Immediately after a copy (commonly referred to as snapshot) is created, it consists of only pointers to data in the source volume. As new data is written to the source volume or old data is overwritten, the data that existed at the time the snapshot was taken is moved to a snapshot pool. Only after this point do snapshots start consuming space.

By combining the two replication technologies, we have a solution that is always protected with site-to-site replication while providing the flexibility to quickly snap off data copies for analytics, data mining, testing, or other ad hoc requirements.

In addition, the VSP platform can provide storage to cloud-based virtual machines through iSCSI storage ports. Because Hitachi Thin Image can create up to 1,024 snapshots per source volume, pairing it with the very well-known scale out capability of cloud computing makes for a great combination.

Benefits

The following describes the benefits of a disaster recovery solution with Hitachi Global-Active Device with cascading Hitachi Thin Image snapshots

- The solution allows business to resume operations quickly when a disaster brings down the primary data center.
- Continuous server I/O when a failure prevents access to a data volume.
- Server failover and failback without any impact on the storage system.
- Because GAD is an active/active solution, the compute resources moved from the primary storage system to the secondary storage system, or vice-versa, without changing the underlying storage configuration.

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- Hitachi Thin Image is space efficient. Therefore, less storage capacity is required.
- Leveraging cloud compute in the form of AWS EC2 virtual machines reduces infrastructure costs. At the same time, it provides benefits such as better scalability and availability.
- Replication is done at the block level by the storage systems and has the following advantages:
 - Dedicated software to move data between data centers is not required.
 - Server CPU processing cycles are not used to move data between data centers.
 - Various operating systems, clustering software programs, and applications are supported.

Key Components

The major solution components are provided in the following list. Specifications are provided in the [Hardware and Software](#) section.

- **Storage Systems:** Three storage systems are required. We used a VSP E1090 as the primary storage system and a VSP 5200 as the secondary storage system. A third storage system is required for the quorum device. In this solution, we used AWS Cloud Quorum for the quorum device instead of a storage system.
 - 10 GbE iSCSI storage system Channel Board: 10 GbE iSCSI ports were used to connect to the AWS cloud.
- **Global-Active Device:** GAD is embedded within the microcode, also known as firmware, of the storage system. It does not require any additional hardware. However, it must be activated using a license key on both storage systems.
- **Virtual Storage Machine (VSM):** A special resource group is created (normally) in the secondary storage system with the same model and serial number as the primary storage system. Storage virtualization enables servers to view GAD volumes located on different storage systems as though they were located on the same storage system.
- **Remote Connections:** Physical paths (Fibre Channel) for replicating data between the primary storage system and the secondary storage system.
- **Quorum Disk:** A volume from a third storage system that is used to determine GAD behavior when a storage system or path failure occurs.
- **Copy Pair:** A GAD pair consists of a volume in the primary storage system and a volume in the secondary storage system. Data is mirrored synchronously between the volumes in the copy pair.
 - **Primary Volume (P-VOL):** The source volume that is copied to another volume.
 - **Secondary Volume (S-VOL):** The volume that receives the replicated data from the source volume.
- **Hitachi Thin Image:** HTI is located in the microcode and must be activated using a license key.
- **Hitachi Ops Center Administrator:** Software for provisioning storage.
- **Hitachi Ops Center Protector:** Software for managing replication, data protection, recovery, and retention. It is deployed on a physical server or a virtual machine and can run on the same machine as Administrator.
 - **Intelligent Storage Manager (ISM):** Protector client with Command Control Interface software that acts as a proxy to Block storage devices (through an FC or IP command device).
- **Network Switches:** Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches were used to connect the two data centers as well as to AWS Direct Connect. The following accessories are required for establishing a WAN between the two sites:
 - 10/25Gbase-LR-S Optics: Long Range transceivers are required to connect long distances.
 - Single-Mode Fiber Cables: Required for long distance communications.
- **Equinix Fabric:** Connected equipment at the Equinix colocation data center that connects to the AWS cloud.
- **AWS Cloud:** Equipment at Equinix was connected to the AWS cloud using a 10 Gbps Direct Connect link. On AWS, a Virtual Private Cloud was created in the region us-west-1.

Engineering Validation

This section describes the method, test environment, hardware and software, and test scenarios used in the validation.

Validation Method

To validate the solution, a 2-node Microsoft SQL Server cluster was used and a standalone Microsoft SQL Server instance running on EC2 residing in AWS. Records were written to the SQL database (at the near cloud data center) before each failure test and then verified after the failure to ensure data consistency. Snapshots were verified in an EC2 instance in AWS.

Microsoft SQL Server cluster is configured on a Microsoft Windows Failover Cluster running on virtual machines (guests) on VMware ESXi Cluster.

Multipathing for storage volumes are managed at VMware level.

A single volume (multipath-ed) is mapped from the primary storage system and passed through to the virtual machines as Raw Device Mappings (RDM).

Note: Before creating GAD, each volume has a single path, and an alternate path is added to the volume at VMware level automatically when a GAD pair is established. No multipath configuration is done at Microsoft Windows Server 2019 guests.

The mapped (RDM) volume is used for Microsoft SQL Server (clustered) database files and logs.

A second volume (shared) was used for the Microsoft Windows Failover Cluster Quorum Witness and was not replicated.

For disaster recovery or analytics, an EC2 instance (cloud compute) is used from AWS to access the data replicated with GAD or snapshotted with HTI.

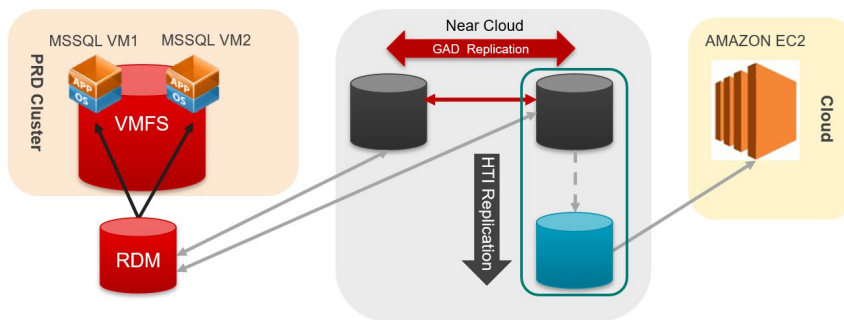


Figure 2: Illustrates the Use Case for Analytics

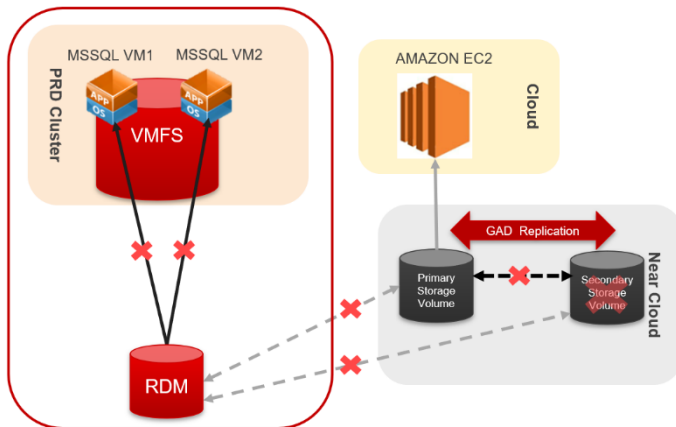


Figure 3: Illustrates Disaster Recovery for Multiple Failures

Figure 4 shows the test environment used to run the validation.



Table 1 provides the hardware specifications used in this validation.

Table 1: *Hardware Components*

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Item	Description	Version	Function
AWS EC2	(2) Intel Xeon E5-2676 @ 2.4 GHz vCPU 4 GB RAM	t2.medium	Compute in the cloud running SQL. Accessed data in VSP 5200.
Brocade G720	Gen 7 Fiber Channel switch	FOS 9.0.1a	Provided FC connectivity between VSP E790 and primary vSphere cluster
Cisco Nexus 93180YC-EX	(48) 1/10/25-Gbps fiber ports (6) 40/100-Gbps QSFP28 ports	NXOS 9.2(3)	Network switch at the primary data center
Cisco Nexus C93180YC-FX	(48) 1/10/25-Gbps fiber ports (6) 40/100-Gbps QSFP28 ports	NXOS 9.3(4)	Network switch at the secondary data center. Serviced Direct Connect to AWS.

Table 2 provides the software specifications used in this validation.

Table 2: *Software Components*

Item	Version	Function
VMware vSphere	7.0 U2 (17867351)	Hypervisor operating system
VMware vCenter Server Appliance	7.0 U3 (18700403)	Management interface for virtual environment
Hitachi Ops Center Protector	7.4.0.93070-R7.4	Management interface for Hitachi Universal Replicator, Hitachi Thin Image
Hitachi Ops Center Administrator	10.8.0-04.24071	Management interface for provisioning storage to servers
Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacenter	Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacenter	Guest operating system of SQL virtual machines and EC2 virtual machines
Microsoft SQL Server Enterprise	15.0.2000.5	Database application used to validate data consistency

Test Scenarios

Table 3 lists the test scenarios performed in the validation.

Table 3: *Test Scenarios*

Test	Description	Success Criteria
1	<p>Prepare VSP E1090 (GAD Primary Storage System):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provision (2) 1 TB DP volumes to use as GAD P-VOLs. Provision (1) 200 GB DP volume to use as datastore. Provision (1) 50 GB DP volume to use as quorum for MSFC. <p>Prepare VSP 5200 (GAD Secondary Storage System & HTI):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provision (1) 200 GB DP volume to use as datastore. <p>Prepare SQL application on the VSP E1090 storage system:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Deploy (2) Windows Server 2019 virtual machines on the 200 GB datastore. Map the (2) 1 TB DP volumes as raw device mappings on both Windows 2019 virtual machines. 	Environment is set up per specifications.

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Test	Description	Success Criteria
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Install Microsoft Windows Failover Cluster. 4. Install SQL Server 2019 on the virtual machines. 5. Create a new database on the shared storage system. <p>Prepare SQL application on AWS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deploy (1) Windows Server 2019 AWS EC2 instance. 2. Install SQL Server 2019 on EC2 instance. 3. Create a new database on EBS volume. <p>Prepare GAD Prerequisites:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Configure FC-based Remote Paths between VSP E1090 and VSP 5200 using Ops Center Administrator. 2. Deploy GAD Cloud Quorum from Amazon Marketplace. 3. Discover GAD Cloud Quorum instance as external iSCSI target on VSP E1090 and VSP 5200. 4. Define GAD quorum on VSP E1090 and VSP 5200 storage systems. 	
2	<p>Create GAD pairs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create GAD pairs using Ops Center Administrator and Protector. 	GAD pairs are created.
3	<p>Create HTI pairs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create 1:1 HTI pairs using Ops Center Protector. 	HTI pairs are created.
4	<p>Access snapshot from AWS EC2 while GAD is in Pair state:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write new records to the SQL database. 2. While GAD pairs are in Pair state, suspend (1:1) HTI pairs. 3. Access HTI snapshots from EC2 instance using iSCSI. 4. Verify that the written records on the VM can be accessed from EC2. Write new records in the SQL database to demonstrate database is writable. 5. Detach database; delete snapshots. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data created on GAD volumes are present on snapshots. • EC2 instance can write to snapshots without affecting GAD pairs.
5	<p>Multigeneration HTI snapshots:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. While GAD is in Pair state, suspend HTI pairs (1st generation). 2. Map 1st generation snapshots to EC2 instance. Bring copy of SQL database online. 3. Write new records in copy of SQL database. 4. Write new records in SQL database on GAD volumes. 5. Trigger 2nd generation snapshots. 6. Map 2nd generation snapshots to different EC2 instance. 	SQL database on 2 nd generation snapshots contains records written by the production SQL database but not records from the 1 st generation snapshots.
6	<p>Planned outage of the primary storage system (access snapshots from AWS EC2 while GAD is suspended):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Suspend GAD pairs with "RS" parameter (P-VOLs are blocked and S-VOLs are SSWS). SQL application continues running through S-VOLs with no disruption in I/O. 2. Write new records to the SQL database. 3. Access HTI snapshots from EC2 instance: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Split HTI snapshots. b. Map HTI snapshots to EC2 instance. 	Snapshots can still be taken while GAD roles are swapped.

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Test	Description	Success Criteria
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Verify that the written records on the VM can be accessed from AWS EC2. d. Detach database; delete snapshots. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Resync GAD pairs with “swaps” parameter. 5. Reverse GAD roles to the original direction. 	
7	<p>Unplanned path failure to the primary storage system (paths between ESXi cluster and primary storage system):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abruptly disable host connections between ESXi cluster and the primary storage system. Observation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P-VOLs are not accessible from servers while S-VOLs continue to be accessible. • GAD volumes remain in Pair state. • Host I/O continues using alternate path from servers to GAD S-VOLs. SQL database is running from GAD S-VOLs. 2. Write new records to the SQL database. 3. Access HTI snapshots from EC2 instance: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Split HTI snapshots. b. Map HTI snapshots to EC2 instance. c. Write new records to the copy of the SQL database. d. Detach database, delete snapshots. 4. Restore host connections. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SQL database continues to operate. Records can be written using paths to S-VOLs. • Snapshots can still be taken.
8	<p>Unplanned outage of on-premises servers with data return (simulate failing over to EC2 instance). Note: Downtime, deleting, and recreating GAD is involved.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abruptly power off both on-premises servers. Observation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SQL virtual machines and database become offline. • GAD remains in Pair state. 2. Delete the GAD pairs. 3. Map ex-P-VOLs to EC2 instance. 4. Write records in SQL database running on EC2 instance. 5. Detach database. Un-map ex-P-VOLs from EC2 instance. 6. Re-create GAD pairs. 7. Restore on-premises servers. 8. Bring production SQL database online. 9. Verify that the data written in EC2 is present. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the event of on-premises compute failure, operations can be restored using cloud compute. • Data written from EC2 instance to SQL server is verified when on-premises compute is restored.

Guidelines and Recommendations

This section describes the lessons learned from this validation, along with guidelines and recommendations.

- This validation focused on a crash-consistent backup solution. The testing performed in this validation is crash consistent. Note: Protector supports application consistent backup for MS SQL with GAD, but it doesn't support iSCSI hosts. Because iSCSI is used to map snapshot volumes in an AWS EC2 instance, the application consistent backup is not being used in this solution. For your reference, the difference between the two options is:
 - Crash-consistent: The backup client is not aware of the backup job. Any pending I/O operations or data in memory is not captured by the backup job. Extra work might be required to restore an application backed up using this method.
 - Application-consistent: The backup client is aware of the backup job. The client is quiesced, the memory flushed to disk, and then the backup job is initiated. No additional work is required to restore the backed-up application.
- Deploy Protector on a Windows Failover Cluster to protect it from an application failure or corruption. For customers without Windows Failover Cluster software, we recommended running Protector at the secondary data center. This allows you to perform failovers to the secondary storage system if the primary data center goes offline.
- Deploy at least one ISM instance at each site to proxy the storage systems local to that site. This allows Protector to continue managing the storage systems at the remaining data center in the case of a disaster.
- The version of Protector available during testing, version 7.4.0, cannot create GAD remote paths, Quorum disk Configuration, and VSM. Therefore, remote paths, Quorum, and VSM must be created using other tools, such as Ops Center Administrator and Storage Navigator.
- The version of Protector available during testing, version 7.4.0, cannot split the pair with P-VOL blocked (PSUS), and S-VOL writeable (SSWS). Therefore, we require `raidcom` command for creating this scenario.
 - The `raidcom` command is: `pairsplit -g d3_juno_gad -RS`
- Other Protector limitations in version 7.4.0 relevant to this solution:
 - Unable to map replicated volumes to iSCSI host groups. A workaround is to use Administrator to map volumes to iSCSI host groups.
 - Resync snapshot is not possible, which means that HTI pairs cannot be put in PAIR state.

This section contains specific steps and screenshots for each test scenario.

This test case describes the various components used in the validation.

The process performed in Ops Center Administrator is as follows:

Storage Systems		Remote Paths		Quorum Disk		Virtual Storage Machine
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Register storage systemsProvision VolumesAdd HostsAttach Volumes to Host/Host Groups	➔	Define remote path between the primary and secondary storage system.	➔	Discover external volumes of GAD Cloud Quorum and configure the Quorum Disk.	➔	<p>Create VSM and reserve resources to it by adding the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Primary and Secondary StorageVolumes to use as the replication sourceHost GroupsStorage ports

The following is a list of prerequisites for preparing the environment:

- Create a physical connection for the GAD environment.
- Configure two guest VMs on the ESXi Cluster using the recommended processor and memory for Windows 2019 with an SQL Server cluster. Resource allocation may vary depending on the database size.
- Install Windows Server 2019 on the guest VMs.
- Install and configure MSFC on the guest VMs.
- Install and configure the Microsoft SQL Server 2019 cluster. During installation, LUN (07:00) is used as a shared volume for the Microsoft SQL server cluster.
- Create two AWS EC2 Instances with Windows Server 2019 and Microsoft SQL Server 2019.

To prepare the environment, complete the following steps:

1. LUN Provisioning: Provision one 1TB LUN (LDEV ID: 00:07:00) from the VSP E1090 storage system and mount it as an RDM disk to the Windows Guest (Node #1 and #2).

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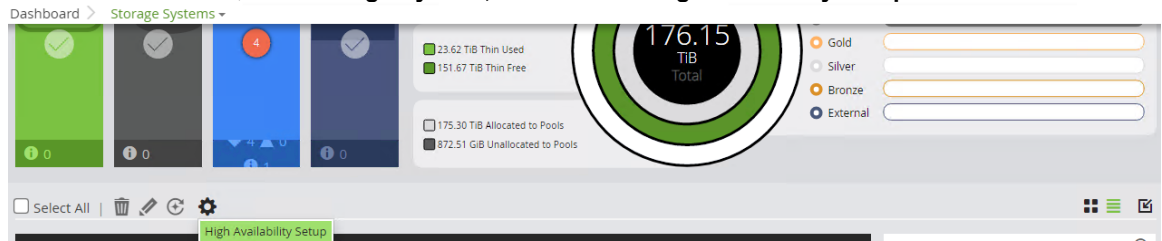


Note: You are not required to pre-create the GAD target volumes on the secondary storage system. Protector creates these volumes.

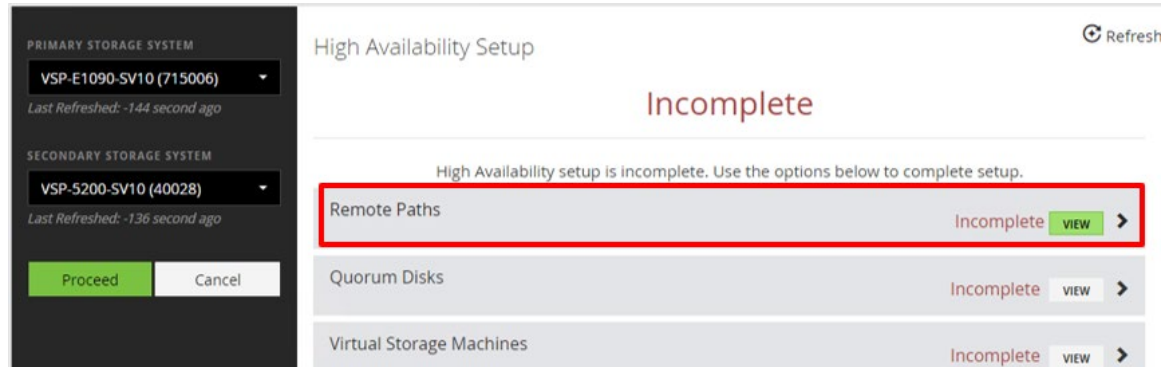
2. **Remote Path Configuration:** To configure a remote path, log in to Ops Center Administrator and complete the following steps:

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- a. From the **Dashboard**, click **Storage System**, and then click **High availability Setup**.

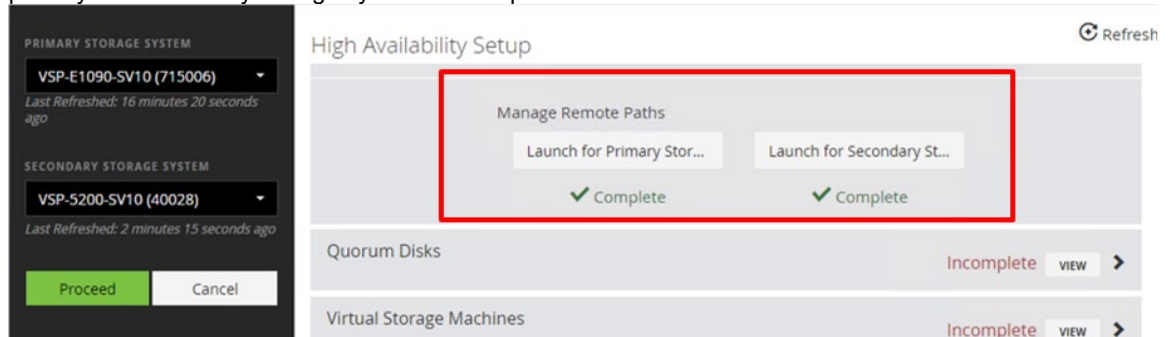


- b. In High Availability Setup, select **Primary** and **Secondary Storage system**.



- c. To launch Storage Navigator to configure remote path settings for the Primary Storage System, navigate to the **Remote Paths** tab and click **Primary Storage System**. Similarly, for configuring remote path settings for the Secondary Storage System, click **Secondary Storage System**.

For configuring remote path settings using Storage Navigator, see the [Hitachi Ops Center Administrator High Availability User Guide](#). Status is changed to **complete** after the remote path configuration between the primary and secondary storage systems is completed.



- d. Protector is used to view the GAD remote paths. The first of the following screenshots shows the paths from the primary storage system to the secondary storage system. The second screenshot shows the paths from the secondary storage system to the primary storage system. The same ports are used in both instances.

Remote Paths

Path Number	Master Port Number	Receiver Port Number	Port Type	Path Status	Master Control Unit	Receiver Control Unit	Control Unit Type
0	CL1-C	CL7-A	Fibre	✓ Normal	-	-	Receiver
1	CL2-C	CL8-B	Fibre	✓ Normal	-	-	Receiver

Remote Paths

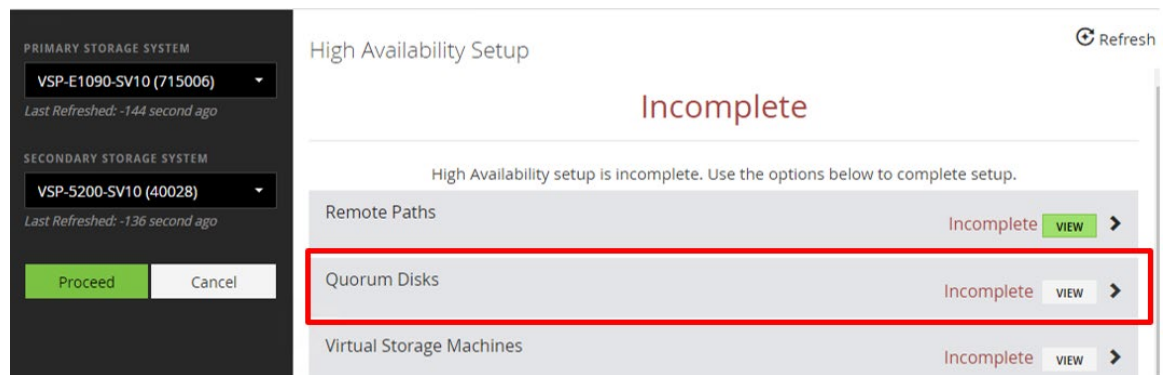
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0	CL7-A	CL1-C	Fibre	✓ Normal	-	-	Receiver
1	CL8-B	CL2-C	Fibre	✓ Normal	-	-	Receiver

3. GAD Quorum Configuration: In this solution, we used Global-Active Device Cloud Quorum in AWS for quorum volumes. To configure and discover the Quorum volume, complete the following steps:

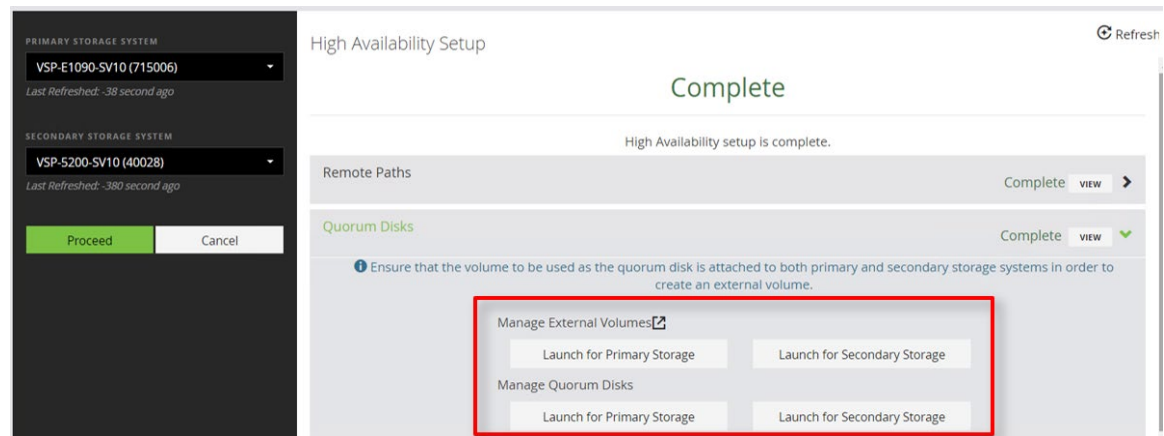
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- a. GAD cloud quorum in AWS is an Amazon machine image provided by Hitachi Vantara through the AWS Marketplace. It simplifies and enhances GAD by replacing an on-premises quorum with an automatically configured, easy-to-use cloud quorum. In addition to being easier and faster to deploy, a cloud quorum also makes GAD more resilient against outages. To configure GAD Cloud Quorum volumes using an AWS virtual machine (EC2 instance), see [Global-Active Device Cloud Quorum in AWS](#).
- b. The iSCSI Cloud Quorum volume of AWS that was created previously can be discovered using Ops Center Administrator. To discover the volumes and turn them into GAD quorums, do the following:
 - i. Log in to Ops Center Administrator.
 - ii. From the **Dashboard**, click **Storage System**, and then click **High availability Setup**.
 - iii. In the High Availability Setup menu, select **Primary** and **Secondary Storage system**.
 - iv. To launch Storage Navigator to configure Quorum disk settings for the Primary Storage System Quorum Disks, click **Primary Storage System**.
 - v. Similarly, to configure Quorum disk settings for the Secondary Storage System, click **Secondary Storage System**.

For configuring Quorum Disk settings using Storage Navigator, see the [Hitachi Ops Center Administrator High Availability User Guide](#).



The status is changed to **Complete** after the Quorum Disk discovery for Primary and Secondary Storage System is completed.



- c. GAD Quorum Disks are connected to both storage systems. The first screenshot shows the Quorum disk status from the VSP E1090 Primary Storage System. The second screenshot shows the Quorum disk status from the VSP 5200 Secondary Storage System.

Quorum Disks

QUORUM DISKS THAT ARE CONNECTED TO BOTH SELECTED STORAGE SYSTEMS

QUORUM-ID	VOLUME ID	VOLUME LABEL	REMOTE STORAGE S...	STATUS	REMOTE STORAGE S...
0	8	-	715006	NORMAL	NORMAL

Quorum Disks

QUORUM DISKS THAT ARE CONNECTED TO BOTH SELECTED STORAGE SYSTEMS

QUORUM-ID	VOLUME ID	VOLUME LABEL	REMOTE STORAGE S...	STATUS	REMOTE STORAGE S...
0	2	-	40028	NORMAL	NORMAL



Note: You can configure GAD Quorum disks using the High availability Setup Option of OPS Center Administrator or Storage Navigator.

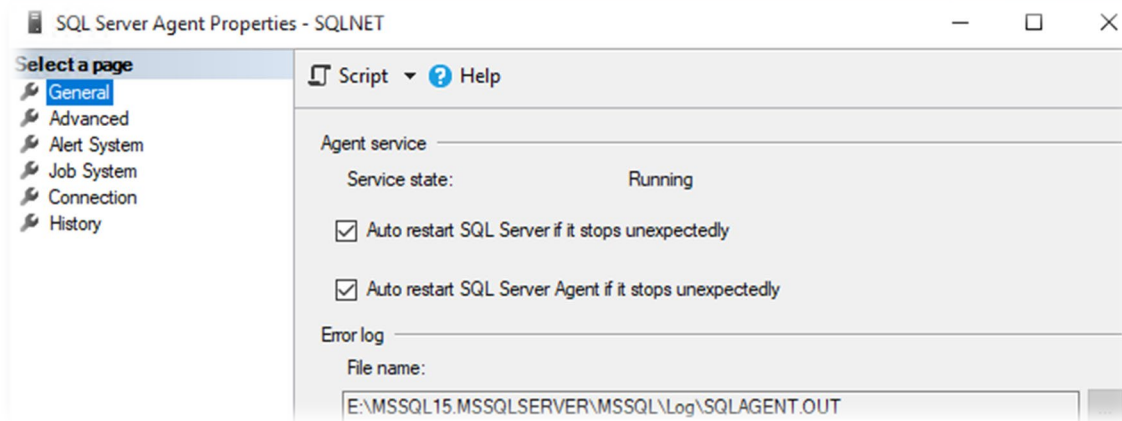
4. Window Failover Cluster: Install and configure MSFC, and then configure the Microsoft SQL Server 2019 cluster. The following screenshot shows the status of Nodes, Clustered Disks, and Cluster resources of a Microsoft SQL Server in a Windows Failover cluster:

The screenshot displays the Windows Failover Cluster Manager interface. On the left, the 'Roles' tree shows 'MSFCSQLGAD.pluto.com' expanded, with 'Roles' selected. The main pane shows the 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)' role. Below this, the 'Roles' list includes 'Analysis Services', 'SQL Server Analysis Services CEIP', 'SQL Server CEIP (MSSQLSERVER)', 'SQL Server launchpad (MSSQLSERVER)', 'SQL Server Polybase Dms (MSSQLSERVER)', and 'SQL Server Polybase Engine (MSSQLSERVER)'. The 'Storage' section shows 'Cluster Disk 1' and 'Cluster Disk 2', both online. The 'Server Name' is 'SQLNET'. The 'Other Resources' section shows 'SQL Server' and 'SQL Server Agent', both online.

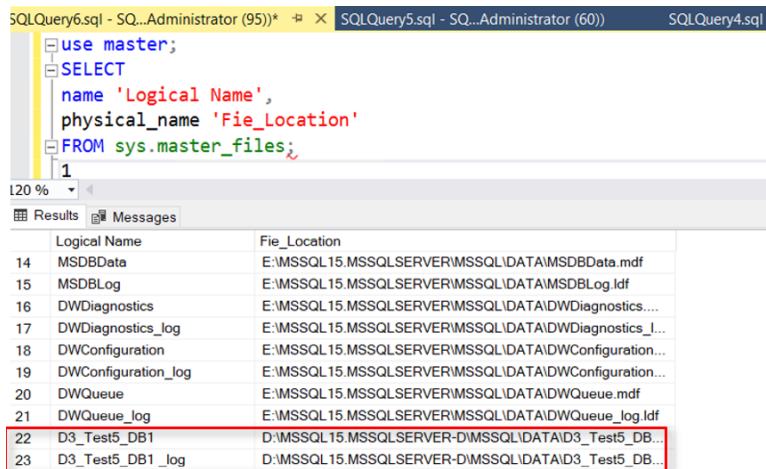
The 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER) Properties' dialog box is open, showing the 'General' tab. The 'Name' is 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)'. The 'Preferred Owners' list includes '1090SQLNODE1' and '5200SQLNODE2'. The 'Priority' is set to 'Medium'. The 'Status' is 'Running' and the 'Node' is '1090SQLNODE1'. The 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons are at the bottom.

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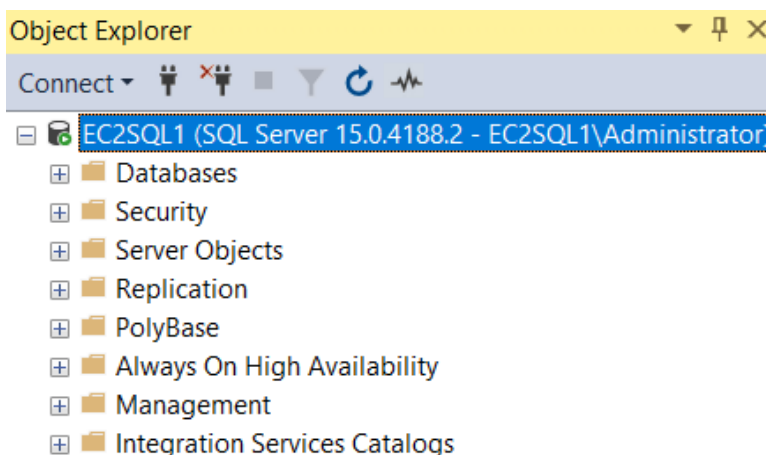
5. Microsoft SQL Server: The following figure shows the status of the SQL Server agent in running state:



6. An SQL query was used to locate the database files registered to the SQL instance. Entries 22 and 23, fenced in red, make up our database. The primary database file, D3_Test5_DB1.mdf, and the database log file, D3_Test5_DB1_log.ldf, are located on the cluster disk.



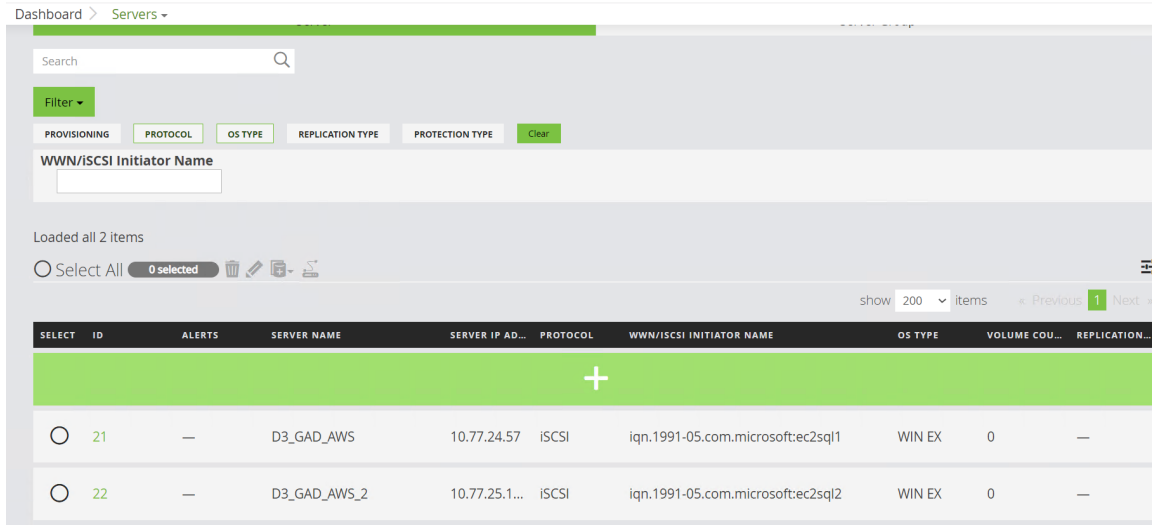
7. AWS EC2 Instance: An AWS EC2 virtual machine running Windows Server 2019 with a standalone SQL instance was used to access data at the Near Cloud site. The following screenshot shows the standalone SQL instance:



8. Add the AWS EC2 instance in Ops Center Administrator: To add the AWS EC2 instance as a server object in Ops Center Administrator, complete the following steps:

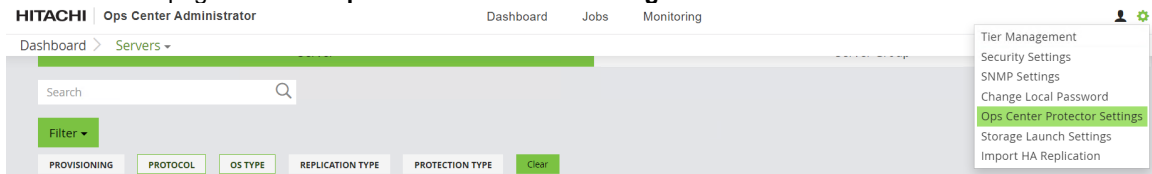
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- Locate the iSCSI initiator name of the EC2 instance. You can retrieve it using the PowerShell command: Get-InitiatorPort.
- From the Ops Center Administrator Dashboard, click **Servers**.
- Click the + (add) symbol under iSCSI Servers.
- Enter the EC2 instance name and the iSCSI initiator name (iqn).
- Click **Submit**.



Repeat the procedure to add the second EC2 instance as a server object in Ops Center Administrator.

- Register Ops Center Protector: To register Ops Center Protector from Ops center Administrator, navigate to **Settings** from the home page and click **Ops Center Protector Settings**.



Provide the IP address of the Master Node, Account information, and then click **Submit** on the lower right-hand corner.

- Create Virtual Storage Machine (VSM): To create a VSM, log in to Ops Center Administrator and complete the following steps:
 - From the dashboard, click **Virtual Storage Machines**. From the Virtual Storage Machines menu, click the + symbol to open the Create VSM menu.
 - In the Create VSM menu, select the **Primary Storage System**, **Secondary Storage System**, and **Virtual Storage model**, enter a **virtual serial number**, and click **Next**.

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Create VSM

INTEND TO USE THE SAME MODEL/SERIAL NUMBER OF EXISTING STORAGE?

VIRTUAL MODEL
VSP_E1090H

VIRTUAL SERIAL NUMBER
733333

	NAME	S/N	IP ADDRESS	MODEL
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	VSP-5200-SV10	40028	172.23.30.10	VSP 5200
<input type="radio"/>	GPSE-Baby-22	611020	172.23.92.71	VSP E790
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	VSP-E1090-SV10	715006	172.23.30.9	VSP E1090H

Showing 3 of 3 Storage Systems

Free Space
0 - 1024 PiB

- c. Add LUNs to the VSM from each storage system with the same LDEV ID and click **Next**.

Create VSM

VSM MODEL
VSP_E1090H

VSM SERIAL ID
733333

Add Volumes From Each Storage System

STORAGE SYSTEM
VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)

TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
d3_juno_gad

SPECIFY VOLUMES BY
Number of volumes and volume ID range

NUMBER OF VOLUMES
2

VOLUME ID / RANGE
Hex 00:07:00 - 00:07:01

STORAGE SYSTEM
VSP-E1090-SV10 (715006)

TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
d3_juno_gad

SPECIFY VOLUMES BY
Number of volumes and volume ID range

NUMBER OF VOLUMES
2

VOLUME ID / RANGE
Hex 00:07:00 - 00:07:01

- d. Add a Host Group to the VSM and click **Submit**.

Create VSM

VSM MODEL
VSP_E1090H

VSM SERIAL ID
733333

SPECIFY HOST GROUPS BY
Host group ID selection

Add Host Group From Each Storage System

STORAGE SYSTEMS
VSP-E1090-SV10 (715006)

STORAGE SYSTEM	PORT ID	ID	TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
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The following screenshots show the status of VSM after configuration:

High Availability Setup

PRIMARY STORAGE SYSTEM
VSP-E1090-SV10 (715006)
Last Refreshed: 7 minutes 21 seconds ago

SECONDARY STORAGE SYSTEM
VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)
Last Refreshed: 348 second ago

Proceed Cancel

High Availability Setup

Refresh

Complete

High Availability setup is complete.

Remote Paths	Complete	VIEW	>
Quorum Disks	Complete	VIEW	>
Virtual Storage Machines	Complete	VIEW	>

Virtual Storage Machines

VSMS THAT INCLUDE THE SELECTED STORAGE SYSTEMS

VSM ID	VIRTUAL STORAGE SYSTEM ID	VIRTUAL STORAGE MACHINE MODEL
733333-VSPE1090H	733333	VSP E1090H

Test 2: Create GAD Pairs with Cascaded HTI Snapshots

This test case walks you through the process of creating Hitachi Global-Active Device pairs with cascaded Hitachi Thin Image pairs in Protector. The workflow process is as follows:



- To register the primary and secondary storage systems in Hitachi Ops Center Protector as a Hitachi Block Device, complete the following steps:

- Click **Nodes** and click the **+** (plus) symbol.
- Select **Storage** and then select **Hitachi Block Device**. Click **Next**.
- Enter a node name, add tags (optional), and check the **I confirm...** checkbox. Click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Specify Node name

Node Name

BLOCKSTR_E1090_30_9

Must be between 2 and 64 characters, contain only letters, numbers, underscores, hyphens and full stops.

Tags

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon.

Resources or replication relationships created or adopted by Protector must only be managed, modified and deleted via Protector. Failure to do so will cause unpredictable consequences and is not supported unless specifically advised to do so by the Protector documentation.

☒ I confirm that I have read and understood this requirement

- Click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Allocate node to Access Control Resource Group

This node will be added to the 'default' resource group. Select an additional resource group as required.

Name	Description
No available Access Control Resource Groups.	

- From the dropdown list, select the matching proxy node and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Select proxy node

Proxy Node

sv10probenos

Proxy node requires a block command device configured and CCI / RAIDCOM management tools installed.

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- f. Enter a directory for the proxy node to store the metadata and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Select Metadata directory

Common Metadata Directory

/root/.SM/Metadata Browse

Note: The metadata directory is defined once for this proxy and all storage nodes on this proxy will use this setting. It cannot be changed after initial configuration.

- g. If you are using FC (and already mapped to the proxy host), select the command device. If you are using IP, enter the **IP address** of the SVP/controller. Click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Specify Device

☐ Select from detected storage devices

Select a Storage Serial Number:

Recommended in environments where performance and reliability are critical.

If the desired serial does not appear in the above list then it may not have an available fiber command device on the selected proxy.

☒ Specify by IP or Hostname with a port

172.23.30.11

31001

To be used as a fail-back option, or if fiber command devices cannot be configured.

- h. Enter the storage system credentials and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Specify credentials for device

Storage Device Serial Number

715006

Username

maintenance

Password

Protector does not support using passwords which contain some special characters. See CCI / RAIDCOM documentation for further details.

The device account requires the following roles: Storage Administrator (Provisioning, Local Copy, Remote Copy), Security Administrator (view Only, View and Modify) and Support Personnel.

- i. In the Specify Configuration for Global Replication Reports screen, click **Next**.

- j. Select **All** for LDEV Range and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Specify LDEV Provisioning Range

LDEV Range

☒ All

☐ User defined

Start

0x00

End

0x00

- k. Continue to click **Next** until you reach the summary screen.

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- I. Review the information in the summary screen and click **Finish**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Summary of 'BLOCKSTR_E1090_30_9'

Proxy Node
sv10probenost

Storage Device Serial Number
715005

Username
maintenance

LDEV Provisioning Range
All Available

Configured Command Devices

Type	LDEV ID	IP Address	Port
IP	-	172.23.30.11	31001

Repeat the procedure to register the Hitachi VSP 5200 storage system as a Hitachi Block Device.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Device

Summary of 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Proxy Node
sv10probenost

Storage Device Serial Number
540028

Username
opscenar

LDEV Provisioning Range
All Available

Configured Command Devices

Type	LDEV ID	IP Address	Port
IP	-	172.23.30.10	31001

2. Create a Hitachi Block Host node to designate the GAD source volumes.

- a. Click **Nodes** and click the **+** (plus) symbol.
- b. Select **Host** and then select **Hitachi Block Host**. Click **Next**.
- c. Enter a name and tags (optional) and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Host

Specify Node name

Node Name
MCU_E109d

Must be between 2 and 64 characters, contain only letters, numbers, underscores, hyphens and full stops.

Tags

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon.

Add

- d. In the Allocate Node to Access Control Resource Group screen, click **Next** without changing the default group.
- e. Select the source storage system and click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Host

Select Hitachi Block Device

Hitachi Block Device
BLOCKSTR_E1090_30_9

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- f. Filter for specific volumes by volume ID or host group. For example, we entered the IDs of a volume that we want to replicate with GAD. Click **Next**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Host

Specify Logical Devices

Enter Logical Devices using any of the following formats:

- *LDEV_ID* - for a single logical device, e.g., 100, 0x10
- *LDEV_ID-LDEV_ID* - for a logical device range, e.g., 200-299, 0x01-0x0F
- *Host Group ID* - for all logical devices within the host group, e.g., CL1-A-0, CL10-A-0, CL10-A-0xA

Included Logical Devices

0x700

- g. Review the information on the summary screen and click **Finish**.

Create Node - Hitachi Block Host

Summary of 'MCU_E1090'

Hitachi Block Device
BLOCKSTR_E1090_30_9

Logical Devices
0x700

Repeat the procedure to register the VSP 5200 secondary storage system as a Hitachi Block Host.

3. Create a Policy in Hitachi Ops Center Protector.

- a. Click **Policies** and click the **+** (plus) symbol.
- b. Enter a name, description (optional), and tags (optional). Click **Next**.

Create Policy

Specify name and description

Name
GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3

Description

Tags

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon.

Add

- c. In the Add One or More Classifications screen, click the **+** (plus) symbol.
- d. Select **Physical > Path > Next**.
- e. Select **Use Hitachi Block Host selections** and click **Apply**.

Create Policy

Specify Hitachi Block Storage classification attributes

☒ Use Hitachi Block Host selections
☐ Specify additional selections

Enter values using any of the following formats:

- *Serial/LDEV_ID* - for a single logical device, e.g., 12345/100, 12345/0x10
- *Serial/LDEV_ID-LDEV_ID* - for a logical device range, e.g., 12345/200-299, 12345/0x01-0x0F
- *Serial/Host Group ID* - for all logical devices within the host group, e.g., 12345/CL1-A-0, 12345/CL10-A-0, CL10-A-0xA

- f. In the next window, as shown in the following screenshot, click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Policy' window. The main heading is 'Add one or more Classifications'. Below this, there is a 'Select All (0)' button with edit and delete icons. The interface is split into two panes. The left pane contains a large green plus sign. The right pane displays a classification named 'Hitachi Block' with a circular icon and a dollar sign. Below the name, it states 'Included Logical Devices As defined in Hitac...' and 'Excluded Logical Devices None'.

- g. In the Add One or More Operations screen, click the + (plus) symbol.
- h. Select **Replicate** and click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Policy' window with the 'Select Operation' section. A list of operations is displayed: Access, Backup, Mount, Replicate, Snapshot, and Tier. The 'Replicate' option is highlighted with a blue background. Above the list, there is a 'Create Policy' button and a 'Select Operation' heading.

- i. Deselect **Quiesce...** and then click **Apply**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Policy' window with the 'Specify Replication operation attributes' section. It includes several input fields and options:

- Name:** A text field containing 'Replicate_gad'.
- Tags:** A text field with a placeholder 'Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon.'
- Refresh Options:**
 - ☒ Refresh when manually triggered
 - ☐ Refresh on Schedule (with a 'Select a Schedule' dropdown and a 'Manage Schedules' link)
 - ☐ Refresh on completion of operation
- Source Options (Batch Only):**
 - ☐ Quiesce configured applications before backup.
- Pre Script:** A text field with a checkbox.
- Post Script:** A text field with a checkbox.

- j. In the next window, as shown in the following screenshot, click **Next**.

- k. In the Add One or More Operations screen, click the + (plus) symbol again to add a snapshot operation.
- l. Select **Snapshot** and click **Next**.
- m. In the **Specify snapshot operation attributes** screen, set **Recovery Point Objective=None** and **Retention=1 week** (In this scenario, we have set the retention period to 1 week, but it may vary depending on the use case). Deselect **Quiesce...** and then click **Apply**.



Note: **Recovery Point Objective=None** indicates that the snapshot will not generate automatically. It must be triggered manually.

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- n. The Replicate and Snapshot operations are shown in the following screenshot. Click **Next**.

Add one or more Operations

☐ Select All (0)

Operation	Type	Refresh	RPO	Retention Period	Snapshot Type	Run On
Replicate_gad	Replicate	When manually triggered				
Snapshot_hti	Snapshot		N/A	1 Weeks	Hardware using Hitachi Block	On RPO

- o. Click **Finish**.

4. The final step is to create a data flow and activate it to initiate GAD replication. We will manually trigger the snapshot after replication is completed.

- a. Click **Data Flows** and click the + (plus) symbol.
- b. Enter a name, description (optional), and tags (optional). Click **Next**.

Create Data Flow

Specify name and description

Name

GAD_HTL_D3_BLOCK

Description

Tags

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon.

- c. Drag the source **Block Host node** to the whiteboard.
- d. Drag the target **Block Device node** to the whiteboard, over the source Block Host node. This creates an arrow between the two nodes.
- e. Select the **Arrow** and change **Transfer Type** to **Continuous**.

Create Data Flow

Nodes Node Groups

Node Name

Select a Node Type

1090SQLNODE1

5200SQLNODE2

B_SQL_Source

Block_Host_E790_9...

BLOCKHOST_SQLCL...

BLOCKSTR_E1090_3...

BLOCKSTR_VSP520...

MCU_E1090
Hitachi Block Host

BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10
Hitachi Block Device

Routed Policies

No valid policies are being routed to

Mover Settings

Transfer Type

Continuous

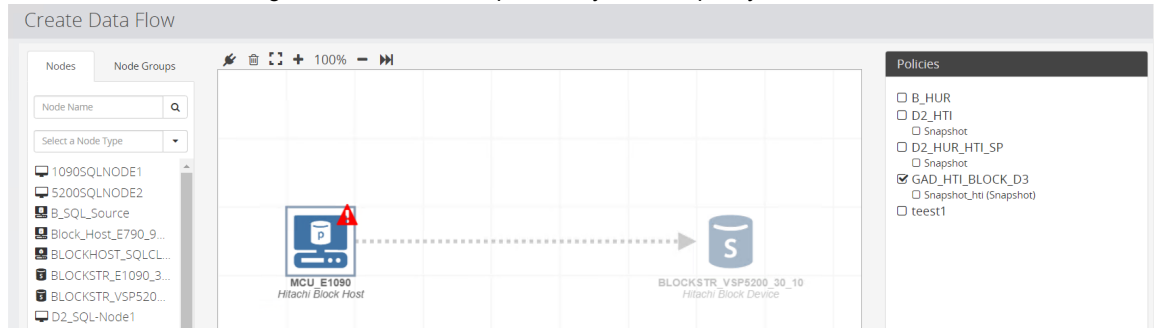
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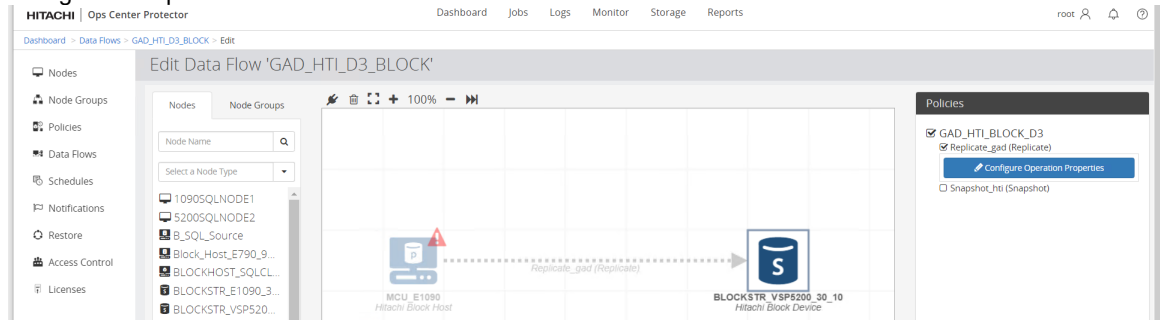
Bandwidth Settings

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- f. Select the source node again and activate the previously created policy from the Policies list.



- g. Select the **Target Node** and then on the right, click **Replicate** first. This brings up a prompt for Replicate configuration options.



- h. Select **Configure new replication** and click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Select Creation Mode

- ☒ Configure new replication
- ☐ Adopt an existing replication

- i. Select **Active-Active Remote Clone (Global-Active Device)** and click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Select Replication Type

- ☐ In-System Clone (*ShadowImage*)
- ☐ Snapshot (*Thin Image*)
- ☐ Asynchronous Remote Clone (*Universal Replicator*)
- ☐ Asynchronous Remote Failover (*Universal Replicator*)
Can only be applied to replication operations over the failover mover.
- ☐ Synchronous Remote Clone (*TrueCopy*)
- ☒ Active-Active Remote Clone (*Global-Active Device*)

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- j. Select the **Pool** on the secondary storage system where the target volumes will be created, select the **Target Quorum**, and click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure Active-Active Remote Clone (Global-Active Device)

Configure Replication Settings

Please Note: Changing the replication configuration will cause the replication to be torn down and recreated whether the replication was initialized by Protector or previously adopted.

Pool

dr_pool - 57.52 TB of 82.50 TB free

Target Quorum

Quorum0

Mirror Unit

Allocate Automatically

Copy Pace

Medium (8)

☒ Use Consistency Group

- k. Select the **Remote Replication Path Group** and click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Select Remote Path Group

- ☒ Automatically Selected
☐ User Selected

Select Source Node

Select a Source Remote Path Group

Only paths that are suitable for this replication type will be shown.

- l. Select the **Resource Group** and click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure Active-Active Remote Clone (Global-Active Device)

Configure Resource Group

- ☐ Automatically Selected
Resource Group used by existing SVOLs. Otherwise Resource Group 0.
☒ User Selected

d3_juno_gad

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- m. Specify the host groups on the secondary storage system where the GAD secondary volumes will be mapped. Click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' ×

Configure Active-Active Remote Clone (Global-Active Device)

Secondary Volume Host Groups

Block replication technologies require all P-VOLs and S-VOLs to have at least one existing LUN path. Options for configuring such paths for the S-VOLs are presented below.

☐ Use Automatically Provisioned Host Group
A LUN path will be created in a placeholder host group for each provisioned S-VOL. If not selected, at least one host group must be specified below.

☐ Enforce LUN ID Matching (fail if primary LUN IDs are not available in the destination host groups)

Optionally specify one or more host groups on the destination storage system. If specified and possible, Protector will create a LUN path from each S-VOL in each of these host groups.

D3_GAD_5A (CL5-A-2) ▼ ×

D3_GAD_6B (CL6-B-1) ▼ ×

Select a Host Group ▼ ×

Add Host Group



Note: The version of Protector available during testing (7.4.0) does not map volumes to an iSCSI host group. Volumes must be mapped using Ops Center Administrator.

- n. Specify the naming option for the target volumes. The default option **Match Origin** names the volumes with the same name from the source volumes. Click **Next**.

Replicate_gad configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' ×

Configure Active-Active Remote Clone (Global-Active Device)

Specify Naming Options

Secondary Logical Device Name

☒ Match Origin
☐ Custom

Protector_LDEV_%SECONDARY_LDEV_ID%_%CREATION_DATE%_%CREATION_TIME%

Logical device names are limited to 32 characters, after variable resolution.

Display variables which can be used for the secondary LDEVs' name [▶](#)

- o. Review the information on the summary screen and click **Finish**.

- p. Click **Snapshot** to bring up Snapshot configuration options, select the **snapshot pool**, click **Advanced Configuration**, and then click **Next**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure Snapshot Settings

Storage Node

BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Snapshot Pool

dr_pool (Dynamic Pool) - 57.52 TB of 82.50 TB free

Advanced Configuration

- q. Select the required **Resource Group** and click **Next**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure Resource Group

☐ Automatically Selected

Resource Group used by existing SVOLs, or the Resource Group used by the PVOLs, if all PVOLs are in the same group. Otherwise Resource Group 0.

☒ User Selected

d3_juno_gad

- r. Select all three options: **Consistency group**, **Fully provisioned**, and **Cascade mode**. Select the appropriate cascade pool and click **Next**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure Provisioning Options

☒ Consistency group

☒ Fully provisioned

Creates secondary devices for this snapshot. If not enabled floating devices will be used.

☒ Cascade mode

Allows the creation of snapshots / clones of this snapshot.

Cascade Pool

dr_pool - 57.52 TB of 82.50 TB free

When using fully provisioning devices with cascade mode, a cascade pool may be required.



Note: **Fully provisioned** and **Cascaded mode** allow us to quickly access the HTI secondary volumes as required.

- s. In the Specify Naming Options screen, you can choose the default option **Match Origin** or the naming option for the individual HTI secondary volumes, as well as the naming option for the whole snapshot group. Click **Next**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Specify Naming Options

Secondary Logical Device Name

☒ Match Origin

☐ Custom

Protector_LDEV_%SECONDARY_LDEV_ID%_%CREATION_DATE%%CREATION_TIME%

Logical device names are limited to 32 characters, after variable resolution.

Display variables which can be used for the secondary LDEVs' name ➤

Snapshot Group Name

☒ Automatically Generated

☐ Custom

- t. For Protection Type, select **None**. Click **Next**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configure DRU Options

DRU protection is only available when using fully provisioned devices.

Protection Type

None

Duration of Settings Lock (Days)

0

⚠ DRU settings **cannot be removed** until this duration has expired.

- u. Review the information on the summary screen and click **Finish**.

Snapshot_hti configuration on 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'

Configuration Summary

Type

Differential snapshot (using Thin Image)

Snapshot Pool

dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Resource Group

d3_juno_gad on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Provisioning Options

Using consistency group

Using fully provisioned devices

Using cascade mode

Cascade Pool

dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Volume Naming

Automatically Generated

Snapshot Group Naming




Automatically Generated




DRU Protection

Disabled

The newly created data flow is shown as follows:

Data Flows

☐ Select All (0 of 2)    

Icon	Name	Status	Source Nodes	Groups
				
	D3_GAD_HTI	Active	BLOCKHOST_SQLCLUSTER_GAD	None
	GAD_HTI_D3_BLOCK	Inactive	MCU_E1090	None

Multipath status on the VMware ESXi host where Windows VMs are located before the GAD pair is created is shown as follows:

```
[root@SISDS220-21:~] esxcfg-mpath -b
naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700 : HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk
(naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)
  vmhba2:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e0 WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e0 Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20
[root@SISDS220-24:~] esxcfg-mpath -b
naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700 : HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk
(naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)
  vmhba2:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:39 WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:39 Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30
```

- v. To initiate replication, select the newly created data flow and click **Play**.

- w. Review the information in the prompt and then click **Activate**.

Activate Data Flow(s) ×

Compiling rules for data flow 'GAD_HTI_D3_BLOCK'
Rules summary for data flow 'GAD_HTI_D3_BLOCK'
'MCU_E1090' implements:
'GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3'
'MCU_E1090' sends:
'GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3' from the local filesystem to 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10'
'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' receives:
'GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3' from 'MCU_E1090' for replication
Compilation of data flow 'GAD_HTI_D3_BLOCK' completed successfully

Compilation succeeded. Ready to activate rules.

Cancel **Activate**

- x. To track the progress, click **Monitor**.

GAD Pair status from Ops Center Protector is shown as follows:

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Dashboard > Storage > BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10 > Replications and Clones > 05/02/2022 10:08:42 > Pairs

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/02/2022 10:08:42' Pairs

Original Primaries							Original Secondaries							Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Fence Type	Level	Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	-	L/M	→ 0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	-	L/M	0	GAD	NEVER	-

Multipath status on the ESXi host where Windows VMs are located after GAD pair is created is shown as follows:

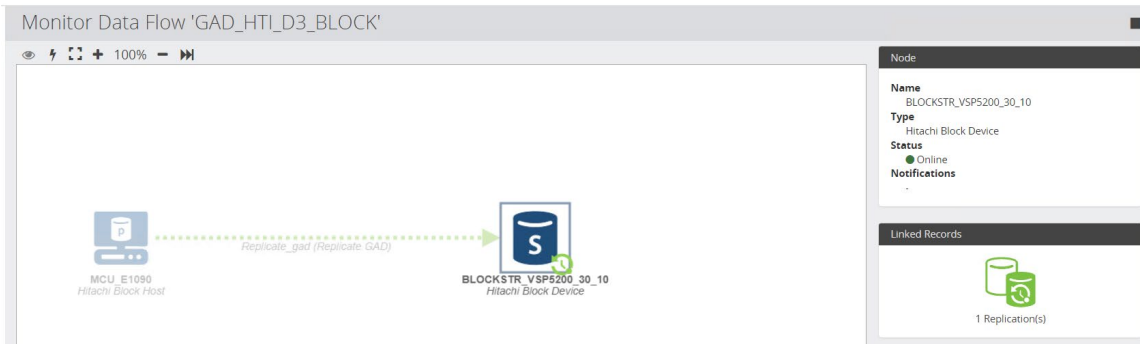
```
[root@SISDS220-21:~] esxcfg-mpath -b |more
naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700 : HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk
(naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)
  vmhba3:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e1 WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e1 Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40
  vmhba2:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e0 WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:70:e0 Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20
[root@SISDS220-24:~] esxcfg-mpath -b
naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700 : HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk
(naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)
  vmhba3:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:3a WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:3a Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51
  vmhba2:C0:T0:L0 LUN:0 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:39 WWPN:
10:00:00:10:9b:5b:6f:39 Target: WWNN: 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 WWPN:
50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30
```

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Test 3: Create HTI Pairs

To create Hitachi Thin Image cascade snapshots, complete the following steps:

1. Click **Monitor** at the top and click the previously activated data flow. The data flow appears as follows:



2. Select the secondary storage system and click the **Trigger (lightning)** symbol. Click **Run Now**.

Trigger Operation

Filter

Filter operations by node, policy or operation

Select operations to trigger in Data Flow 'GAD_HTI_D3_BLOCK':

Origin Node	Source Node	Policy	Operation	Destination Node
<input type="radio"/> MCU_E1090	Same as origin	GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3	Replicate_gad	BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10
<input checked="" type="radio"/> MCU_E1090	BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10	GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3	Snapshot_hti	BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

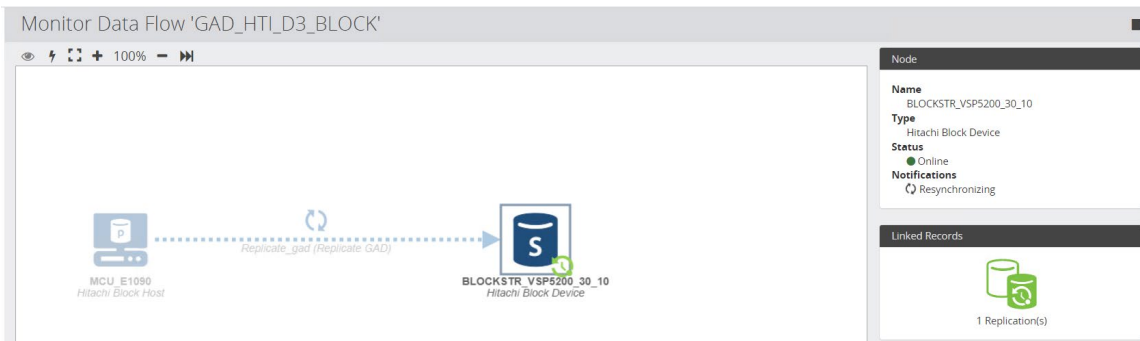
Additional User Tags

Add

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon. Additional tags will be added to the Job and Recovery Point created by the triggered items.

Cancel Run Now

Snapshot creation is in progress and is shown as follows:



3. To view the snapshot details after the task has completed, select **Storage > Secondary Storage System > Snapshots**.
 - a. Click the previously created snapshot object.

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- b. To display the HTI snapshot details, click **Pairs**.

Dashboard > Storage > BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10 > Snapshots > 05/02/2022 10:19:04 > Pairs

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Snapshot '05/02/2022 10:19:04' Pairs

Original Primaries							Original Secondaries							Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	% M	I/O Mode		ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	% M	I/O Mode		Mirror Unit	Type	Fence Level	Quorum
0x0700	540028	-	P-VOL	-	-/-		→ 0x0012	540028	-	S-VOL	-	-/-		3	TI	-	-

- c. Because we chose **Fully provisioned**, the HTI secondary volumes are automatically mapped to random ports. For example, volume 00:12 was mounted to port CL3-A.

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Dashboard > Storage Systems > 40028 > Volumes > 18

Storage volume 18 (00:00:12)

Data Protection Alerts

0

VOLUME LABEL
D3_GAD_PVOL

VIRTUAL VOLUME ID
18 (00:00:12)

VIRTUAL STORAGE SYSTEM ID
733333

VIRTUAL MODEL
VSP E1090H

POOL ID
0

POOL NAME
dr_pool

TYPE
Thin

POOL TIER
Platinum

TIERING POLICY
0: All

ATTRIBUTE
Thin

STATUS
NORMAL

PROTECTED

CAPACITY SAVING
No

COMPRESSION ACCELERATION
-

TOTAL
1.00 TiB

BLOCK SIZE
2147483648 Blocks

THIN FREE
1.00 TiB

THIN USED
0 GiB

USAGE
0%

PROVISIONING STATUS
UNMANAGED

ATTACHED SERVERS
-

PORT ID
CL3-A

HOST GROUP NAME/ISCSI TARGET ALIAS
HDIDProvisionedHostGro
up_RG2

LUN
2047 (07FF)

NUMBER OF LUN PATHS
0

ASSIGNED TO MIGRATION
No

ALUA ENABLED
No

T10PI
Disabled

External

TECHNOLOGY	# OF BACKUPS	COMMENT
Snap on Snap	N/A	N/A
SCHEDULE	CONSISTENCY	DATA FLOW
N/A	N/A	

1792 (00:07:00)

D3_GAD_PVOL

PSUS

COPY GROUP
HDID4UA39BPMD...

DATE + TIME
1651488095000

CONSISTENCY ID
N/A

18 (00:00:12)

D3_GAD_PVOL

SSUS

Test 4: Access Snapshots from AWS EC2 while GAD is in Pair state

This test case demonstrates how HTI snapshots can be used to instantly create copies of production data without suspending the GAD replication between sites. The snapshots are then mapped to an AWS EC2 virtual machine so the data can be read.

1. Create a database and populate new records to the SQL database.

Results		Messages					
	staf_id	first_name	last_name	email	phone	store_id	manager_id
1	196986915	Nickie	Waite	Gutierrez73@example.com	(350) 234-6559	559600483	1020214938
2	411735280	Brad	Craven	Bray162@example.com	(513) 643-0254	1983882757	1228800146
3	548150613	Letha	Wahl	Bolt@nowhere.com	(459) 613-9467	922941124	89729574
4	762898979	Boyd	NULL	NULL	(157) 934-3116	1171267201	363268285
5	868816774	Harlan	Ludwig	qpzre411@example.com	(681) 747-0352	1346404200	1335703973
6	868816775	Alonzo	Skaggs	FelipaAbemathy@nowhere.com	(465) 454-8347	748410784	145232362
7	1083565139	Kraig	Boucher	Morehead@example.com	(730) 955-6764	1410715718	NULL
8	1083565140	Bennie	Flowers	xmhz1900@nowhere.com	(943) 664-5705	NULL	614412025
9	1518311404	Francis	Conway	Monroe.Finehart@nowhere.com	(282) 510-9326	256308514	34645117
10	1908000233	Enrique	Sizemore	Sidney_Agnew3@nowhere.com	(776) 960-1978	1916920311	1942501253

2. Trigger snapshots using the instructions provided in section [Test 3](#).
3. Map the HTI snapshots to an EC2 virtual machine.
 - a. In Ops Center Administrator, select the **Secondary Storage System**.
 - b. Click **Volumes**.
 - c. Select the snapshot volumes (00:12 in our case) and click **Attach Volumes**.

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Dashboard > Storage Systems > 40028 > Volumes

5 (00:00:05)	5 (00:00:05)	40028	40028	DDB_2TB_DR...	0	Thin	Normal	No	2.00 TiB	0%	Attached
6 (00:00:06)	6 (00:00:06)	40028	40028	JNL_0_D2_HU...	0	Thin	Normal	No	400.00 GiB	1%	Unattached
18 (00:00:12)	18 (00:00:12)	40028	733333	D3_GAD_PVOL	0	Thin	Normal	No	1.00 TiB	0%	Unmanaged

- d. In the Attach Volumes window, select the required server and click **Next**.

Attach Volumes

Select Servers

Attach Settings

Create Paths

☒ Select All

SERVER ID...	SERVER LABEL	SERVER IP ADDRESS	PROTOCO...	OS TYPE	VOLUME COU...	REPLICATION TYPE
21	D3_GAD_AWS	10.77.24.57	ISCSI	WIN EX	0	-

Showing 1 of 14 Servers

Provisioning

Provisioned

Not Provisioned

Protocol

Fibre

ISCSI

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- e. Change the Host Mode options if required and click **Next**.

Attach Volumes

Select Servers (checked) Attach Settings (unchecked) Create Paths (unchecked)

STORAGE SYSTEM: VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)

HOST MODE: WIN EX

HOST MODE OPTION: None

HOST GROUP NAME: (Optional)

MANDATE LUN ALIGNMENT: Yes No

VIRTUAL ID / RANGE

LABEL	ID	SIZE	LUN
D3_GAD_PVOL	18 (00:00:12)	1.00 TiB	LUN (optional)

- f. Draw a line between the server on the left and the storage ports on the right and click **Submit**.

Attach Volumes

Select Servers (checked) Attach Settings (checked) Create Paths (unchecked)

SUGGEST SELECT NONE DELETE SELECTED

1 Servers

8 Target Storage Ports

CL1-C CL1-G CL2-D CL2-H CL3-C CL3-G CL4-D CL4-H

Cancel Previous Submit

This creates a host group with the EC2 virtual machine initiator name on storage port CL4-D and maps the volume to this host group.

18 (00:00:12)	18 (00:00:12)	40028	733333	D3_GAD_PV...	0	Thin	Normal	No	1.00 TiB	0%	Attached
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4. Discover the iSCSI target and volumes on the EC2 virtual machine.

- a. Identify the IP address of the storage ports mapped to the EC2 virtual machine.

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Dashboard > Storage Systems > 40028 > Ports

		Fibre	ISCSI
<input type="checkbox"/> Select All			
ALERTS	ID	ISCSI NAME	IPV4
	CL1-C	sd.r90.l089c5c.1c	172.23.30.58
	CL4-D	sd.r90.l089c5c.4d	172.23.30.61
IPV6(GLOBAL)	IPV6(LINK LOCAL)	SECURITY	VSM PORT
:: fe80::	:: fe80::	Enabled	No
:: fe80::	:: fe80::	Enabled	Yes
		ATTRIBUTE	
		Target	

- b. On the EC2 virtual machine, select **Administrative Tools** > **iSCSI Initiator**. Enter the IP address of the storage port in the **Target** field and click **Quick Connect**.

iSCSI Initiator Properties

Targets Discovery Favorite Targets Volumes and Devices RADIUS Configuration

Target portals

The system will look for Targets on following portals:

Address	Port	Adapter	IP address
172.23.30.61	3260	Default	Default

Refresh

iSCSI Initiator Properties

Targets Discovery Favorite Targets Volumes and Devices RADIUS Configuration

Quick Connect

To discover and log on to a target using a basic connection, type the IP address or DNS name of the target and then click Quick Connect.

Target:

Quick Connect...

Discovered targets

Refresh

Name	Status
iqn.1994-04.jp.co.hitachi:rsd.r90.t.40028.4d006	Connected

5. Select **Computer Management** > **Disk Management**. The volume should be listed. Right-click on the volumes and click **Online**.

Disk 0 Basic 65.00 GB Online	(C:) 65.00 GB NTFS Healthy (System, Boot, Page File, Active, Crash Dump, Primary Partition)
Disk 1 Basic 1024.00 GB Online	D1 (E:) 1024.00 GB NTFS Healthy (Primary Partition)

6. Verify that the previously written records on the VM can be accessed from EC2. The new records in the SQL database demonstrate that the database is writable.

- a. In Microsoft **SQL Server Management Studio** (SSMS), import the database by attaching the database files.

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- b. Verify that the previously written records are present.

	staf_id	first_na...	last_name	email	phone	store_id	manager_id
1	196986915	Nickie	Waite	Gutierrez73@example.com	(350) 234-65...	559600483	10202149...
2	411735280	Brad	Craven	Bray162@example.com	(513) 643-02...	19838827...	12288001...
3	548150613	Letha	Wahl	Bolt@nowhere.com	(459) 613-94...	922941124	89729574
4	762898979	Boyd	NULL	NULL	(157) 934-31...	11712672...	363268285
5	868816774	Harlan	Ludwig	qpzre411@example.com	(681) 747-03...	13464042...	13357039...
6	868816775	Alonzo	Skaggs	FelipaAbernathy@nowhere.com	(465) 454-83...	748410784	145232362
7	10835651...	Kraig	Boucher	Morehead@example.com	(730) 955-67...	14107157...	NULL
8	10835651...	Bennie	Flowers	xmhz1900@nowhere.com	(943) 664-57...	NULL	614412025
9	15183114...	Francis	Conway	Monroe.Rinehart@nowhere.c...	(282) 510-93...	256308514	34645117
10	19080002...	Enrique	Sizemore	Sidney_Agnew3@nowhere.com	(776) 960-19...	19169203...	19425012...

Query executed successfully.

Data is written to the database. Record updated successfully.

	staf_id	first_na...	last_name	email	phone	store_id	manager_id
1	196986915	Nickie	Waite	Gutierrez73@example.com	(350) 234-65...	559600483	10202149...
2	411735280	Brad	Craven	Bray162@example.com	(513) 643-02...	19838827...	12288001...
3	548150613	Letha	Wahl	Bolt@nowhere.com	(459) 613-94...	922941124	89729574
4	555555559	ab	kumar	abc@example.com	(556) 777-14...	NULL	NULL
5	762898979	Boyd	NULL	NULL	(157) 934-31...	11712672...	363268285
6	868816774	Harlan	Ludwig	qpzre411@example.com	(681) 747-03...	13464042...	13357039...
7	868816775	Alonzo	Skaggs	FelipaAbernathy@nowhere.com	(465) 454-83...	748410784	145232362
8	10835651...	Kraig	Boucher	Morehead@example.com	(730) 955-67...	14107157...	NULL
9	10835651...	Bennie	Flowers	xmhz1900@nowhere.com	(943) 664-57...	NULL	614412025
10	15183114...	Francis	Conway	Monroe.Rinehart@nowhere.c...	(282) 510-93...	256308514	34645117
11	19080002...	Enrique	Sizemore	Sidney_Agnew3@nowhere.com	(776) 960-19...	19169203...	19425012...

Query executed successfully.



Note: Updates are happening on the HTI snapshots that are completely independent to the production database. Data written to the snapshots is discarded when the snapshots are deleted.

7. Delete the HTI snapshots.

- In **SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS)**, detach the databases.
- Open **Computer Management > Disk Management**. Right-click on the drives and click **Offline**.
- In Administrator, un-map the volumes from the EC2 virtual machine by selecting the volumes and clicking **Detach**.
- In Protector, select the snapshot and click **Delete**.

Confirm Record Deletion

The following LDEVs will be deleted:

ID	Current Name	Historic Name
0x0012	D3_GAD_PVOL	D3_GAD_PVOL

Deleting the selected record(s) from 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' (540028), will delete all associated LDEVs.

Confirmation Word

DELETE

If you are certain you want to perform this operation enter 'DELETE' in the field above.

Cancel

Delete

Test 5: Multigeneration HTI snapshot

This test case demonstrates how to create multiple generations of HTI snapshots from the source. Each snapshot generation is a point-in-time copy of the source data. Each generation is independent of the other generations (although all generations share some amount of data with the source volumes).

1. Create HTI pairs (First Generation). When GAD is in Pair state, generate new records on the GAD volumes by creating a database (D3_Test5_DB1) and a table.

Results		Messages			
	Roll_no	First_name	Last_name	Class	Total_marks
1	548150612	Letha	Wahl	8	499
2	548150613	Nickie	Waite	7	824
3	762898978	Brad	Craven	6	363
4	762898979	Boyd	NULL	7	458
5	868816773	Francis	Conway	9	791
6	1083565138	Kraig	Boucher	5	964
7	1303563038	Alonzo	Skaggs	7	342
8	1518311403	Bennie	Flowers	6	791
9	1908000232	Enrique	Sizemore	5	110
10	2147483647	Harlan	Ludwig	9	156

2. Mount the first generation HTI snapshots to the AWS EC2 instance.
 - a. Trigger snapshots of GAD Volumes as described in section [Test 3](#).
 - b. Map the snapshot volumes to the AWS EC2 instance as described in section [Test 4.3](#).
 - c. In EC2, bring the drives online and attach the database (D3_Test5_DB1) as described in section [Test 4.5](#).
 - d. Verify that the previously written records are present.

Results		Messages			
	Roll_no	First_name	Last_name	Class	Total_marks
1	548150612	Letha	Wahl	8	499
2	548150613	Nickie	Waite	7	824
3	762898978	Brad	Craven	6	363
4	762898979	Boyd	NULL	7	458
5	868816773	Francis	Conway	9	791
6	10835651...	Kraig	Boucher	5	964
7	13035630...	Alonzo	Skaggs	7	342
8	15183114...	Bennie	Flowers	6	791
9	19080002...	Enrique	Sizemore	5	110
10	21474836...	Harlan	Ludwig	9	156

✓ Query executed successfully.

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3. Create a new database (D3_Test5_DB2) on the same HTI snapshot drives.

Database Properties - D3_Test5_DB2

Select a page: General, **Files**, Filegroups, Options, Change Tracking, Permissions, Extended Properties, Mirroring, Transaction Log Shipping, Query Store

Script Help

Database name: D3_Test5_DB2

Owner: EC2SQL1\Administrator

☒ Use full-text indexing

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File Name
D3_Test5_D...	ROWS ...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test5_DB2.mdf
D3_Test5_D...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test5_DB2_log.ldf



Note: Because the new database (D3_Test15_DB2) was created on the first-generation snapshots, it is not present in subsequent snapshot generations. Snapshot generations are independent, which is part of the design.

4. Create HTI pairs (second generation).

Generate new records on the GAD volume by creating a database named D3_Test5_DB3 and a table. The database is used to validate the second generation of HTI snapshots.

Database Properties - D3_Test5_DB3

Select a page: General, **Files**, Filegroups, Options, Change Tracking, Permissions, Extended Properties, Mirroring, Transaction Log Shipping, Query Store

Script Help

Database name: D3_Test5_DB3

Owner: PLUTO\Administrator

☒ Use full-text indexing

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File Name
D3_Test5_...	ROWS...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test5_DB3.mdf
D3_Test5_...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test5_DB3_log.ldf

Results		Messages				
	EMP_ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	DESIG	DEPT	SAL
1	08276	Brad	Craven	DY	CG	314700
2	15878	Boyd	Skaggs	R	YH	47072
3	19222	Kraig	Boucher	AAJ	UC	267612
4	23003	Enrique	Sizemore	NWWTKQA	W	33274
5	40093	Alonzo	Peacock	OST	MCEG	131011
6	44963	Nickie	Waite	ERT	I	332456
7	47864	Francis	Conway	R	AB	453349
8	68767	Bennie	Flowers	CQ	ZXXZFB	360675
9	80460	Letha	Wahl	A	H	225097
10	86849	Harlan	Ludwig	CSK	RIL	324325

Query executed successfully.

5. Create the second generation of HTI snapshots as described in section [Test 3](#). After the operation is completed, two snapshot relationships are visible.

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HITACHI | Ops Center Protector Dashboard Jobs Logs Monitor **Storage** Reports

Dashboard > Storage > BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10 > Snapshots

Nodes
Node Groups
Policies
Data Flows
Schedules
Notifications

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Snapshots

☐ Select All (0 of 2) [Icons]

<p>05/03/2022 10:56:13</p> <p>Type Static Thin Snapshot</p> <p>Data Origin MCU_E1090</p> <p>Application Hitachi Block Host</p> <p>Policy GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3 (Snapshot_hti)</p> <p>Expiry Date 05/03/2023 10:56:13</p>	<p>05/03/2022 05:55:36</p> <p>Type Static Thin Snapshot</p> <p>Data Origin MCU_E1090</p> <p>Application Hitachi Block Host</p> <p>Policy GAD_HTI_BLOCK_D3 (Snapshot_hti)</p> <p>Expiry Date 05/03/2023 05:55:36</p>
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In the second-generation snapshot, the HTI primary volumes remain the same, but the HTI secondary volumes are different (from the first snapshot generation HTI secondary volumes).

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Snapshot '05/03/2022 10:56:1...

Original Primaries							Original Secondaries							Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Fence Type	Level	Qu
0x0700	540028	-	P-VOL	-	-/-		→ 0x0014	540028	-	S-VOL	-	-/-		4	TI	-	-

6. Add Undefined Resources to the VSM.

A free host group is required for mapping second generation snapshots to an EC2 instance, and the Host group ID must be added to the VSM before using it to map volumes.

- Open the Ops Center Administrator **Dashboard** and select **Virtual Storage Machine** > **Required VSM** > **Add Undefined Host Groups to VSM**.
- Select the **Storage System** and click **Host Group List**.

Add Undefined Host Groups to VSM

VSM MODEL
VSPE1090H

VSM SERIAL ID
733333

SPECIFY HOST GROUPS BY
Host group ID selection

Add Host Group From Each Storage System

STORAGE SYSTEMS
VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)

HOST GROUP LIST

STORAGE SYSTEM	PORT ID	ID	TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
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- c. Select and add the required Host Group ID and click **Update**.

Add Host Groups to VSM

Step 1: Select Storage Port

CL4-D (defined: 1 undefined: 0)

Step 2: Select Target Resource Group

Auto

Step 3: Select Host Group IDs

☐ Select All

PORT ID	ID	SOURCE RESOURCE GROUP
CL4-D	CL4-D-5	meta_resource

Add >

< Remove

Selected Host Group IDs

PORT ID	ID	TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
CL4-D	CL4-D-7	Auto

- d. To add the Host Group ID to VSM, click **Submit**.

Add Undefined Host Groups to VSM

VSM MODEL

VSPE1090H

VSM SERIAL ID

733333

SPECIFY HOST GROUPS BY

Host group ID selection

Add Host Group From Each Storage System

STORAGE SYSTEMS

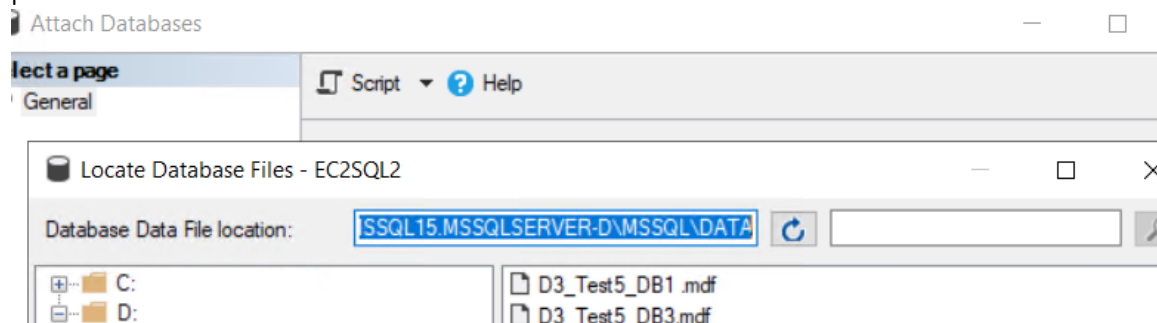
VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)

HOST GROUP LIST

STORAGE SYSTEM	PORT ID	ID	TARGET RESOURCE GROUP
VSP-5200-SV10 (40028)	CL4-D	CL4-D-7	Auto

Cancel Submit

- Add the second EC2 instance in Ops Center Administrator. To add the second AWS EC2 instance as a server object in Ops Center Administrator, see section [Test 1.9](#).
- Map the second generation snapshots to a second EC2 virtual machine, as described in section [Test 4.3](#).
- In EC2, bring the drives online. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS), import databases D3_Test5_DB1 and D3_Test5_DB3. Notice that the database, D3_Test5_DB2, that was created on the first-generation snapshots, is not present.



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10. Verify that the previously written records in D3_test5_DB3 are present.

Results Messages						
	EMP_ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	DESIG	DEPT	SAL
1	08276	Brad	Craven	DY	CG	314700
2	15878	Boyd	Skaggs	R	YH	47072
3	19222	Kraig	Boucher	AAJ	UC	267612
4	23003	Enrique	Sizemore	NWWTK...	W	33274
5	40093	Alonzo	Peacock	OST	MCEG	131011
6	44963	Nickie	Waite	ERT	I	332456
7	47864	Francis	Conway	R	AB	453349
8	68767	Bennie	Flowers	CQ	ZXXZFB	360675
9	80460	Letha	Wahl	A	H	225097
10	86849	Harlan	Ludwig	CSK	RIL	324325

✓ Query executed successfully.

11. Verify that the previously written records in D3_test5_DB1 are present.

Results Messages					
	Roll_no	First_name	Last_name	Class	Total_marks
1	548150612	Letha	Wahl	8	499
2	548150613	Nickie	Waite	7	824
3	762898978	Brad	Craven	6	363
4	762898979	Boyd	NULL	7	458
5	868816773	Francis	Conway	9	791
6	1083565138	Kraig	Boucher	5	964
7	1303563038	Alonzo	Skaggs	7	342
8	1518311403	Bennie	Flowers	6	791
9	1908000232	Enrique	Sizemore	5	110
10	2147483647	Harlan	Ludwig	9	156

✓ Query executed successfully.

12. Delete the HTI snapshots. When you are ready to delete the HTI snapshots, follow the instructions in section [Test 4.7](#).

Test 6: Planned Outage of the Primary Storage System

This test case demonstrates how GAD can be suspended in a planned outage; for example, you can perform maintenance in the primary data center and business can continue operations on the secondary storage system. It also shows how HTI snapshots can still be created and accessed during an outage. After the outage, data created on the secondary storage system is replicated back to the primary storage system.

1. Initiate the planned outage.

Hitachi Command Control Interface (CCI) is used to conduct the planned outage. To configure CCI, see the [Hitachi Command Control Interface User and Reference Guide](#). Create an HORCM file for the primary and secondary storage system. The following files are the instance definition files of CCI:

- horcm10191.conf: Defines the GAD primary storage volume for GAD pair operation.
- horcm5201.conf: Defines the GAD secondary storage volume for GAD pair operation.

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# cat horcm10191.conf
HORCM_MON
#ip address      service      poll(10ms)  timeout(10ms)
127.0.0.1        horcm10191  1000        3000

HORCM_CMD
\\.\IPCMD-172.23.30.11-31001

HORCM_LDEV
# DeviceGroup   DeviceName      Serial#   CU:LDEV(LDEV#)  MU#
d3_juno_gad     dev1            715006    07:00           0

HORCM_INST
#dev_group   ip_address   service
d3_juno_gad  127.0.0.1   horcm5201

[root@svl0probehost etc]#
[root@svl0probehost etc]# cat horcm5201.conf
HORCM_MON
#ip address      service      poll(10ms)  timeout(10ms)
127.0.0.1        horcm5201    1000        3000

HORCM_CMD
\\.\IPCMD-172.23.30.10-31001

HORCM_LDEV
# DeviceGroup   DeviceName      Serial#   CU:LDEV(LDEV#)  MU#
d3_juno_gad     dev1            540028    07:00           0

HORCM_INST
#dev_group   ip_address   service
d3_juno_gad  127.0.0.1   horcm10191
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```

Start CCI instance (horcm10191.conf) on the primary storage system by running the following commands:

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# horcmstart.sh 10191
starting HORCM inst 10191
HORCM inst 10191 starts successfully.
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
[root@svl0probehost etc]# raidcom -login -I10191
User for Serial#[715006] : maintenance
Password :
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```

Start CCI instance (horcm5201.conf) on the secondary storage system by running the following commands:

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# horcmstart.sh 5201
starting HORCM inst 5201
HORCM inst 5201 starts successfully.
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
[root@svl0probehost etc]# raidcom -login -I5201
User for Serial#[540028] : maintenance
```

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```
Password :
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```

Pair status before the split:

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# pairedisplay -g d3_juno_gad -IH10191 -fxec
Group   PairVol (L/R) (Port#,TID, LU),Seq#,LDEV#.P/S,Status,Fence,  %,P-LDEV# M CTG JID AP EM
E-Seq# E-LDEV# R/W QM DM P PR
d3_juno_gad dev1 (L) (CL3-A-1, 0, 0) 715006 700.P-VOL PAIR NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
d3_juno_gad dev1 (R) (CL5-A-2, 0, 0) 540028 700.S-VOL PAIR NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```

To split pair with PVOL blocked (PSUS), and SVOL writeable (SSWS), run the `pairsplit` command with `RS` option.

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# pairsplit -g d3_juno_gad -RS -IH5201
[root@svl0probehost etc]# pairedisplay -g d3_juno_gad -IH10191 -fxec
Group   PairVol (L/R) (Port#,TID, LU),Seq#,LDEV#.P/S,Status,Fence,  %,P-LDEV# M CTG JID AP EM
E-Seq# E-LDEV# R/W QM DM P PR
d3_juno_gad dev1 (L) (CL3-A-1, 0, 0) 715006 700.P-VOL PSUS NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - B/B - S N D
d3_juno_gad dev1 (R) (CL5-A-2, 0, 0) 540028 700.S-VOL SSWS NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/L - S N D
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```



Note: Because Ops Center protector does not have the option to split the pair with PVOL blocked (PSUS), and SVOL writeable (SSWS), you must use `raidcom` to perform this activity.

Pair status from Ops Center Protector:

CKSTR_VSP5200_30_10 > Replications and Clones > 05/03/2022 10:55:58 > Pairs

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/03/2022 10:55:58' Pairs

Original Primaries						Original Secondaries						Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O	Mirror Unit	Fence Type	Level	Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PSUS	P-VOL	100%	B/B	→ 0x0700	540028	SSWS	S-VOL	100%	L/L	0	GAD	NEVER	-

Path Status in VMware ESXi Server:

Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...						
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local AVAGO Disk (naa.6001636002a953a0240c539bd2a299c7)	0	disk	1.75 TB	local	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con	
1 EXPORT 1 - 20 of 26 items < > 1 / 2 > >						
Properties Paths Partition Details						
ENABLE DISABLE						
<input type="radio"/>	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0		
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Dead	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0		

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Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datstore
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e000000010)	2	disk	2.00 TB	Not Con

1 - 20 of 26 items | 1 / 2

Properties Paths Partition Details

ENABLE DISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Dead	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

- Create a database when GAD is in pair split condition and write new records to the SQL database.

In Split condition, database D3_Test6_DB1 can be created when the primary storage system is blocked.

Database Properties - D3_Test6_DB1

Select a page: General, Files, Filegroups, Options, Change Tracking, Permissions, Extended Properties, Mirroring, Transaction Log Shipping, Query Store

Script Help

Database name: D3_Test6_DB1

Owner: PLUTO\Administrator

☒ Use full-text indexing

Database files:

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File Name
D3_Test6_...	ROWS...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test6_DB1.mdf
D3_Test6_...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test6_DB1_log.ldf

Results Messages

	BOOK_ID	BOOK_NAME	AUTHOR_NAME	ISSUE_DATE	RECEIVE_DATE	STUDENT_NAME	CLASS
1	1001	Letha	Abraham	2021-01-17	2022-01-04	Conrad	6
2	1002	Stephenson	Latonya	2021-04-27	2022-04-15	Damaris	6
3	1003	Sharen	Matthew	2021-03-28	2022-01-08	Drew	8
4	1004	Dillon	Abram	2021-02-10	2022-01-19	Johnston	6
5	1005	Bernardo	Thigpen	2021-01-11	2022-03-19	Jeremy	8
6	1006	Emmelinda	Drury	2021-03-01	2022-03-21	Alease	9
7	1007	Spring	Mcnally	2021-03-13	2022-03-25	Richmond	9
8	1008	Daniell	Omar	2021-03-05	2022-02-05	Frederick	8
9	1009	Jeremy	Vickery	2021-01-11	2022-01-12	Hyman	8
10	1010	Ismael	Broome	2021-01-08	2022-04-11	Trejo	6

Query executed successfully.

- Create a Block host of the GAD secondary storage volume from the VSP 5200 storage system.

To create a Block host, see section **Test 2.2**.

- Create a Policy with the Hitachi Block classification and Snapshot operation.
 - Click **Policies** and click the + (plus) symbol.

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- b. Enter a name, description (optional), and tags (optional). Click **Next**.

Create Policy

Specify name and description

Name
D3_SVOL_HT

Description

Tags

Add

- c. In the Add One or More Classifications screen, click the + (plus) symbol.
- d. Select **Physical > Path > Next**.
- e. Select **Use Hitachi Block Host selections** and click **Apply**.

Create Policy



Specify Hitachi Block Storage classification attributes


☒ Use Hitachi Block Host selections
☐ Specify additional selections


- f. The previous selection displays as shown in the following screenshot. Click **Next**.

Create Policy

Add one or more Classifications

☐ Select All (0)  





☐ Hitachi Block 
Included Logical Devices As defined in Hitachi Block ...
Excluded Logical Devices None


- g. In the Add One or More Operations screen, click the + (plus) symbol.

Create Policy

Add one or more Operations

☐ Select All (0)  

No policy operations. Click to add an operation.



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- h. Select **Snapshot** and click **Next**.

Create Policy

Select Operation

Access
Backup
Mount
Replicate
Snapshot
Tier

- i. In the Specify snapshot operation attributes screen, set **Recovery Point Objective=None** and **Retention=1 year**. Deselect **Quiesce...** and then click **Apply**.

Create Policy

Specify Snapshot operation attributes

Name
Snapshot

Tags
Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon. Add

Mode Options

Mode
Hardware

Hardware Type
Hitachi Block

Run Options

☒ Run on RPO
☐ Run on RPO and Schedule
☐ Run on completion of operation

Select a Schedule Manage Schedules
Select Operation

Schedule Options

Recovery Point Objective
8 None

Retention
1 Years

Source Options

☐ Quiesce configured applications before backup

Pre Script
☐

Post Script
☐

Cancel Discard Previous Apply



Note: Because Recovery Point Objective=None indicates snapshot will not generate automatically, it must be triggered manually.

- j. Snapshot operations are displayed as shown in the following screenshot. Click **Finish**.

Create Policy

Add one or more Operations

☐ Select All (0) ✎ 🗑

	<input type="radio"/> Snapshot Type Snapshot RPO N/A Retention Period 1 Years Snapshot Type Hardware using Hitachi Block Run On RPO
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5. Create **Data Flows** with the new policy.
Create a dataflow with the configuration shown in the following screenshots. See section [Test 2.4](#).

Snapshot configuration on 'RCU_VSP5200'

Configuration Summary

Type

Differential snapshot (using Thin Image)

Snapshot Pool

dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Resource Group

d3_juno_gad on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Provisioning Options

Using consistency group
Using fully provisioned devices
Using cascade mode

Cascade Pool

dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10

Volume Naming

Automatically Generated

Snapshot Group Naming

Automatically Generated

DRU Protection

Disabled

Cancel

Previous

Finish

The screenshot displays the Hitachi VSP5200 configuration interface. On the left, a grid shows a single icon for 'RCU_VSP5200' with the label 'Hitachi Block Host' below it. On the right, a 'Policies' panel lists several policies with checkboxes. The policy 'D3_SVOL_HTI' is selected, and its configuration details are shown in a pop-up window. The configuration details match the summary provided above: Type is 'Differential snapshot (using Thin Image)', Snapshot Pool is 'dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10', Resource Group is 'd3_juno_gad on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10', Provisioning Options include 'Using consistency group', 'Using fully provisioned devices', and 'Using cascade mode', Cascade Pool is 'dr_pool on BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10', Volume Naming is 'Automatically Generated', Snapshot Group Naming is 'Automatically Generated', and DRU Protection is 'Disabled'.

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6. **Activate** the dataflow.

×

Activate Data Flow(s)

Compiling rules for data flow 'D3_HTI_SVOL_Snapshot'

Rules summary for data flow 'D3_HTI_SVOL_Snapshot'

'RCU_VSP5200' implements:

'D3_SVOL_HTI'

Compilation of data flow 'D3_HTI_SVOL_Snapshot' completed successfully

Compilation succeeded. Ready to activate rules.

Cancel

Activate

7. Create a snapshot.

- a. Navigate to **Monitor** and select the **data flow**.
- b. Select the **block host** and click **Trigger**.

Monitor Data Flow 'D3_HTI_SVOL_Snapshot'

100%

RCU_VSP5200

Hitachi Block Host

Node

Name

RCU_VSP5200

Type

Hitachi Block Host

Status

Online

Notifications

- c. From the Trigger Operation menu, click **Run Now**.

×

Trigger Operation

Filter

Filter operations by node, policy or operation

Q

Select operations to trigger for source node 'RCU_VSP5200':

Origin Node	Source Node	Policy	Operation	Destination Node
✓ RCU_VSP5200	Same as origin	D3_SVOL_HTI	Snapshot	RCU_VSP5200

Additional User Tags

Add

Enter comma separated tags. Tags can include alphanumeric characters, underscore and hyphen. To define a key/value tag, separate the key and value with a colon. Additional tags will be added to the Job and Recovery Point created by the triggered items.

Cancel

Run Now

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- d. After the snapshots are created, note the HTI snapshot details.

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Snapshot '05/05/2022 07:12:18' Pairs

Original Primaries						Original Secondaries						Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	% M	I/O Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	% M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Type	Fence Level	Quorum
0x0700	540028	-	P-VOL	-	-/-	→ 0x0015	540028	-	S-VOL	-	-/-	3	TI	-	-

8. Map the snapshot volume to an EC2 virtual machine as described in section [Test 4.3](#).

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Dashboard > Storage Systems > 40028 > Volumes

14 (00:00:0E)	—	40028	40028	—	0	Thin	Normal	No	1.00 GiB	0%	Unattached
21 (00:00:15)	21 (00:00:15)	40028	733333	D3_GAD_PVOL	0	Thin	Normal	No	1.00 TiB	0%	Attached

9. In the EC2 virtual machine, bring the drive online. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS), import the database D3_Test6_DB1 by attaching the database files.

Database Properties - D3_Test6_DB1

Select a page: General, Files, Filegroups, Options, Change Tracking, Permissions, Extended Properties, Mirroring, Transaction Log Shipping, Query Store

Script Help

Database name: D3_Test6_DB1

Owner: []

☒ Use full-text indexing

Database files:

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File Name
D3_Test6_D...	ROWS ...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQLDATA	D3_Test6_DB1.m...
D3_Test6_D...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to ...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQLDATA	D3_Test6_DB1_lo...

10. Verify that the previously written records in D3_test6_DB1 are present.

Results Messages

	BOOK_ID	BOOK_NA...	AUTHOR_NAME	ISSUE_DATE	RECEIVE_DATE	STUDENT_NAME	CLASS
1	1001	Letha	Abraham	2021-01-17	2022-01-04	Conrad	6
2	1002	Stephenson	Latonya	2021-04-27	2022-04-15	Damaris	6
3	1003	Sharen	Matthew	2021-03-28	2022-01-08	Drew	8
4	1004	Dillon	Abram	2021-02-10	2022-01-19	Johnston	6
5	1005	Bernardo	Thigpen	2021-01-11	2022-03-19	Jeremy	8
6	1006	Ermelinda	Drury	2021-03-01	2022-03-21	Alease	9
7	1007	Spring	Mcnally	2021-03-13	2022-03-25	Richmond	9
8	1008	Daniell	Omar	2021-03-05	2022-02-05	Frederick	8
9	1009	Jeremy	Vickery	2021-01-11	2022-01-12	Hyman	8
10	1010	Ismael	Broome	2021-01-08	2022-04-11	Trejo	6

Query executed successfully.

11. Detach the database and take the disk from disk management of the Windows OS offline.
12. Remove the snapshot volume from the Host Group. When you are ready to delete the HTI snapshots, follow the instructions in section [Test 4.7](#).
13. Resync GAD pairs with the swaps option as follows:

```
[root@svl10probehost etc]# pairresync -g d3_juno_gad -swaps -IH5201
[root@svl10probehost etc]#
[root@svl10probehost etc]# pairdisplay -g d3_juno_gad -IH10191 -fxec
Group PairVol(L/R) (Port#,TID, LU),Seq#,LDEV#.P/S,Status,Fence, %,P-LDEV# M CTG JID AP EM
E-Seq# E-LDEV# R/W QM DM P PR
d3_juno_gad dev1(L) (CL3-A-1, 0, 0)715006 700.S-VOL PAIR NEVER, 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
d3_juno_gad dev1(R) (CL5-A-2, 0, 0)540028 700.P-VOL PAIR NEVER, 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
[root@svl10probehost etc]#
```

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14. Reverse GAD roles to the original direction by running the following commands:

```
[root@svl0probehost etc]# pairresync -g d3_juno_gad -swaps -IH10191
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
[root@svl0probehost etc]# pairdisplay -g d3_juno_gad -IH10191 -fxec
Group   PairVol(L/R) (Port#,TID, LU),Seq#,LDEV#.P/S,Status,Fence,  %,P-LDEV# M CTG JID AP EM
E-Seq# E-LDEV# R/W QM DM P PR
d3_juno_gad dev1(L) (CL3-A-1, 0, 0)715006 700.P-VOL PAIR NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
d3_juno_gad dev1(R) (CL5-A-2, 0, 0)540028 700.S-VOL PAIR NEVER , 100 700 - 2 0 2
- - - L/M AA S N D
[root@svl0probehost etc]#
```

Path status from the server after GAD pair resync:

Storage Devices

REFRESHATTACHDETACHRENAMETURN ON LEDTURN OFF LEDERASE PARTITIONSMARK AS FLASH DISK...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000010)	2	disk	2.00 TB	Not Con

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Properties

Paths

Partition Details

ENABLEDISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

Storage Devices

REFRESHATTACHDETACHRENAMETURN ON LEDTURN OFF LEDERASE PARTITIONSMARK AS FLASH DISK...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local AVAGO Disk (naa.6001636002a953a0240c539bd2a299c7)	0	disk	1.75 TB	local
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con

☒ 1EXPORT

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PropertiesPathsPartition Details

ENABLEDISABLE

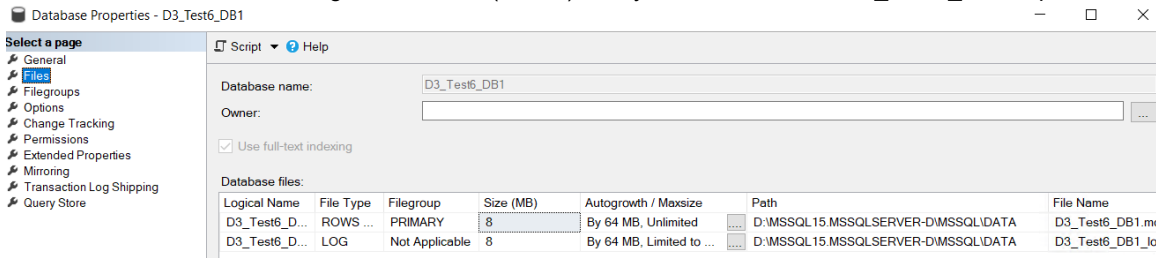
	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

GAD Pair status:

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/03/2022 10:55:58' Pairs													
Original Primaries							Original Secondaries					Properties	
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O Mode		ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	Mirror Unit	Fence Level Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	L/M	→	0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	0	GAD NEVER -

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15. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS), verify that the database D3_Test6_DB1 is present.



16. Verify that the previously written records in D3_test6_DB1 are present.

Results							
	BOOK_ID	BOOK_NA...	AUTHOR_NAME	ISSUE_DATE	RECEIVE_DATE	STUDENT_NAME	CLASS
1	1001	Letha	Abraham	2021-01-17	2022-01-04	Conrad	6
2	1002	Stephenson	Latonya	2021-04-27	2022-04-15	Damaris	6
3	1003	Sharen	Matthew	2021-03-28	2022-01-08	Drew	8
4	1004	Dillon	Abram	2021-02-10	2022-01-19	Johnston	6
5	1005	Bernardo	Thigpen	2021-01-11	2022-03-19	Jeremy	8
6	1006	Ermelinda	Drury	2021-03-01	2022-03-21	Alease	9
7	1007	Spring	Mcnally	2021-03-13	2022-03-25	Richmond	9
8	1008	Daniell	Omar	2021-03-05	2022-02-05	Frederick	8
9	1009	Jeremy	Vickery	2021-01-11	2022-01-12	Hyman	8
10	1010	Ismael	Broome	2021-01-08	2022-04-11	Trejo	6

Test 7: Unplanned Path Failure of the Primary Storage System

This test case demonstrates how business can resume operations after a sudden outage at the primary data center. It also shows how HTI snapshots can still be created during the outage and can be accessed from the EC2 instance. In this scenario, the path failure occurred to the primary storage system from both nodes of the MSFC cluster.

1. Status before the outage.

- GAD Pair Status before the outage:

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/03/2022 10:55:58' Pairs

Original Primaries						Original Secondaries						Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	Mirror Unit	Fence Type	Level	Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	- L/M	→ 0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	- L/M	0	GAD	NEVER	-

- Path Status in ESXi Servers:

Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local AVAGO Disk (naa.6001636002a953a0240c539bd2a299c7)	0	disk	1.75 TB	local
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con

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Properties Paths Partition Details

ENABLE DISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Con
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000010)	2	disk	2.00 TB	Not Con

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Properties Paths Partition Details

ENABLE DISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

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2. Generate new records on the GAD volume by creating a database named D3_Test7_DB1 and a table named Employee.

Database Properties - D3_Test7_DB1

Select a page: General, Files, Filegroups, Options, Change Tracking, Permissions, Extended Properties, Mirroring, Transaction Log Shipping, Query Store

Script ? Help

Database name: D3_Test7_DB1

Owner: PLUTO\Administrator

☒ Use full-text indexing

Database files:

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path
D3_Test7_...	ROWS...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA
D3_Test7_...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA

Results Messages

	EMP_CODE	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	BASIC	HRA	TOTAL_SAL
1	2428	XUSZ	Letha	Wahl	262665.6673	67926.56	760424.9626
2	7940	SX	Kraig	Boucher	212243.8249	86344.994	746919.5346
3	6574	T	Harlan	Ludwig	333312.5014	81108.9261	656757.0082
4	5563	Z	Brad	Craven	375154.8406	54632.2129	777731.0444
5	8587	RR	Enrique	Sizemore	406366.5585	57982.2825	686743.7916
6	3562	Y	Bennie	Flowers	429458.0114	NULL	723985.527
7	1160	SZ	Francis	Conway	401142.8497	81826.1271	652786.2531
8	2155	SSURR	Nickie	Waite	317093.9404	52985.6098	602185.0652
9	4244	YYU	Boyd	NULL	492931.0614	70726.7528	571781.2206
10	7961	S	Alonzo	Skaggs	279295.541	68115.19	626341.7442

Query executed successfully.

3. Initiate the outage by disabling FC ports between the VSP E1090 storage system and the Production cluster. In ESXi Servers, paths from the VSP E1090 storage system are in Dead state.

Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datstore
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local AVAGO Disk (naa.6001636002a953a0240c539bd2a299c7)	0	disk	1.75 TB	local-ds-45
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E1090_lun.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e8023823500507082350000070...)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Consumed

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Properties Paths Partition Details

ENABLE DISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Dead	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

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Storage

Storage Adapters

Storage Devices

Host Cache Configuration

Protocol Endpoints

I/O Filters

Networking

Virtual switches

VMkernel adapters

Physical adapters

TCP/IP configuration

Virtual Machines

VM Startup/Shutdown

Agent VM Settings

Default VM Compatibility

Storage Devices

REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E1090_
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Consum
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e000000010)	2	disk	2.00 TB	Not Consum

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Properties Paths Partition Details

ENABLE DISABLE

	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/O)	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 5...	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Dead	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 5...	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	

GAD Pair Status after the outage:

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/03/2022 10:55:58' Pairs																		
Original Primaries								Original Secondaries						Properties				
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode		ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Type	Fence Level	Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	-	L/M	→	0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	-	L/M	0	GAD	NEVER	-

- Verify that the previously written records are present.

Results Messages

	EMP_CODE	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	BASIC	HRA	TOTAL_SAL
1	2428	XUSZ	Letha	Wahl	262665.6673	67926.56	760424.9626
2	7940	SX	Kraig	Boucher	212243.8249	86344.994	746919.5346
3	6574	T	Harlan	Ludwig	333312.5014	81108.9261	656757.0082
4	5563	Z	Brad	Craven	375154.8406	54632.2129	777731.0444
5	8587	RR	Enrique	Sizemore	406366.5585	57982.2825	686743.7916
6	3562	Y	Bennie	Flowers	429458.0114	NULL	723985.527
7	1160	SZ	Francis	Conway	401142.8497	81826.1271	652786.2531
8	2155	SSURR	Nickie	Waite	317093.9404	52985.6098	602185.0652
9	4244	YYU	Boyd	NULL	492931.0614	70726.7528	571781.2206
10	7961	S	Alonzo	Skaggs	279295.541	68115.19	626341.7442

Query executed successfully.

- Generate new records on the GAD volume by creating a database named D3_Test7_DB2 during outage.

Database Properties - D3_Test7_DB2

select a page

General

Files

Filegroups

Options

Change Tracking

Permissions

Extended Properties

Mirroring

Transaction Log Shipping

Query Store

Script Help

Database name: D3_Test7_DB2

Owner: PLUTO\Administrator

☒ Use full-text indexing

Database files:

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File Name
D3_Test7_...	ROWS...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test7_DB2.mdf
D3_Test7_...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_Test7_DB2_log.ldf

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Results						
Messages						
	EMP_ID	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
1	1000	DEAE	Letha	Wahl	461 NW Riddle Hill Lane, Concord, NH, 04357	43
2	1001	CD	Kraig	Boucher	11 Red Lake Hwy, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 30254	31
3	1002	D	Harlan	Ludwig	1753 North Church Pkwy, Boise, Idaho, 95705	21
4	1003	E	Brad	Craven	1695 Hidden Deepwood Cir, Superior Bldg, Indiana...	36
5	1004	DC	Enrique	Sizemore	970 Riddle Hill Pkwy, Comcast Building, Albany, Ne...	34
6	1005	C	Bennie	Flowers	1955 Front Road, Madison, WI, 37006	24
7	1006	AD	Francis	Conway	2844 North Woodfort St, Raleigh, NC, 26635	40
8	1007	DBEDE	Nickie	Walte	2989 East Pine Tree Road, Topeka, KS, 16758	52
9	1008	BAD	Boyd	Skaggs	62 Ashwood Pkwy, 3rd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin, ...	NULL
10	1009	A	Alonzo	Peacock	40 Bayview Lane, Topeka, Kansas, 52885	36

Query executed successfully.

6. Create HTI snapshots as described in section [Test 3](#). Pair status of the snapshot is as follows:

Original Primaries							Original Secondaries							Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Type	Fence Level	Quorum
0x0700	540028	-	P-VOL	-	-/-	-/-	0x0016	540028	-	S-VOL	-	-/-	-/-	3	TI	-	-

7. Map the snapshot volumes to the EC2 instance as described in [Test 4.3](#).

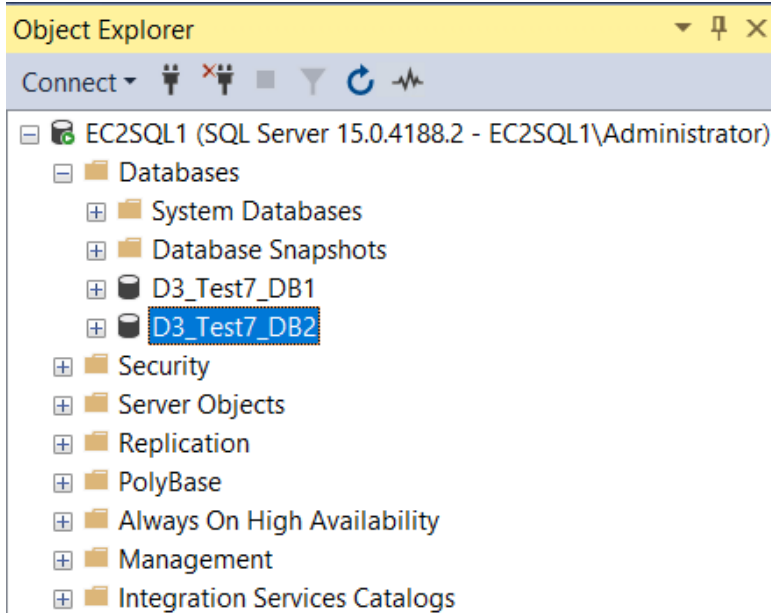
22 (00:00:16)	22 (00:00:16)	40028	733333	D3_GAD_PVOL	0	Thin	Normal	No	1.00 TiB	0%	Attached
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8. In the EC2 instance, bring the drives online. In this scenario, we have mounted the drive as drive D.

Disk 0 Basic 65.00 GB Online		(C:) 65.00 GB NTFS Healthy (System, Boot, Page File, Active, Crash Dump, Primary Partition)
Disk 1 Basic 1024.00 GB Online		D1 (D:) 1024.00 GB NTFS Healthy (Primary Partition)

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9. In Microsoft SSMS, import the database (D3_Test7_DB1 and D3_Test7_DB2) by attaching the database files.



10. Verify that the previously written records are present.

	EMP_CODE	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	BASIC	HRA	TOTAL_SAL
1	2428	XUSZ	Letha	Wahl	262665.66...	67926.56	760424.96...
2	7940	SX	Kraig	Boucher	212243.82...	86344.994	746919.53...
3	6574	T	Harlan	Ludwig	333312.50...	81108.9261	656757.00...
4	5563	Z	Brad	Craven	375154.84...	54632.2129	777731.04...
5	8587	RR	Enrique	Sizemore	406366.55...	57982.2825	686743.79...
6	3562	Y	Bennie	Flowers	429458.01...	NULL	723985.527
7	1160	SZ	Francis	Conway	401142.84...	81826.1271	652786.25...
8	2155	SSURR	Nickie	Waite	317093.94...	52985.6098	602185.06...
9	4244	YYU	Boyd	NULL	492931.06...	70726.7528	571781.22...
10	7961	S	Alonzo	Skaggs	279295.541	68115.19	626341.74...

Query executed successfully.

	EMP_ID	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
1	1000	DEAE	Letha	Wahl	461 NW Riddle Hill Lane, Concord, NH, 04357	43
2	1001	CD	Kraig	Boucher	11 Red Lake Hwy, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 30254	31
3	1002	D	Harlan	Ludwig	1753 North Church Pkwy, Boise, Idaho, 95705	21
4	1003	E	Brad	Craven	1695 Hidden Deepwood Cir, Superior Bldg, Indiana...	36
5	1004	DC	Enrique	Sizemore	970 Riddle Hill Pkwy, Comcast Building, Albany, Ne...	34
6	1005	C	Bennie	Flowers	1955 Front Road, Madison, WI, 37006	24
7	1006	AD	Francis	Conway	2844 North Woodfort St, Raleigh, NC, 26635	40
8	1007	DBEDE	Nickie	Waite	2989 East Pine Tree Road, Topeka, KS, 16758	52
9	1008	BAD	Boyd	Skaggs	62 Ashwood Pkwy, 3rd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin, ...	NU...
10	1009	A	Alonzo	Peacock	40 Bayview Lane, Topeka, Kansas, 52885	36

Query executed successfully.

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11. Ensure that the new record can be written in the database (D3_Test7_DB2). In the following screenshot, record number 11 is written in the database.

Results Messages						
	EMP_ID	DESIG	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
1	1000	DEAE	Letha	Wahl	461 NW Riddle Hill Lane, Concord, NH, 04357	43
2	1001	CD	Kraig	Boucher	11 Red Lake Hwy, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 30254	31
3	1002	D	Harlan	Ludwig	1753 North Church Pkwy, Boise, Idaho, 95705	21
4	1003	E	Brad	Craven	1695 Hidden Deepwood Cir, Superior Bldg, Indiana...	36
5	1004	DC	Enrique	Sizemore	970 Riddle Hill Pkwy, Comcast Building, Albany, Ne...	34
6	1005	C	Bennie	Flowers	1955 Front Road, Madison, WI, 37006	24
7	1006	AD	Francis	Conway	2844 North Woodfort St, Raleigh, NC, 26635	40
8	1007	DBEDE	Nickie	Waite	2989 East Pine Tree Road, Topeka, KS, 16758	52
9	1008	BAD	Boyd	Skaggs	62 Ashwood Pkwy, 3rd Floor, Madison, Wisconsin, ...	NU...
10	1009	A	Alonzo	Peacock	40 Bayview Lane, Topeka, Kansas, 52885	36
11	1010	AE	Getrk	Qhayi	40,gtys	40

Query executed successfully.

12. Detach the database and take the disk from disk management of the Windows OS offline. Remove the snapshot volume from the Host or host group.
13. Delete the D3_test7_DB2 snapshot.
14. Recover the failed paths between the ESXi cluster and the primary storage system.

Test 8: Unplanned Outage of On-Premises Servers with Data Return

This test case demonstrates how business can resume operations using AWS EC2 cloud compute in the event of an on-premises compute failure. Data written from the EC2 instance to the SQL server is verified when the on-premises compute is restored.

1. Status before the outage:

- GAD Pair status:

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/05/2022 12:33:45' Pairs												
Original Primaries						Original Secondaries						Properties
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	Mirror Unit Fence Type Level Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	- L/M	→ 0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	- L/M	0 GAD NEVER -

- Path status in ESXi servers:

Storage Devices						
REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...						
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local AVAGO Disk (naa.6001636002a953a0240c539bd2a299c7)	0	disk	1.75 TB	loca	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10S	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Cons	
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Properties Paths Partition Details						
ENABLE DISABLE						
<input type="radio"/>	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/...	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40 50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:40	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0		
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/...	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:20	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0		

Storage Devices						
REFRESH ATTACH DETACH RENAME TURN ON LED TURN OFF LED ERASE PARTITIONS MARK AS FLASH DISK ...						
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	LUN	Type	Capacity	Datastore	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000001)	1	disk	2.10 TB	E10S	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80238235005070823500000700)	0	disk	1.00 TB	Not Cons	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HITACHI Fibre Channel Disk (naa.60060e80233a9e0050703a9e00000010)	2	disk	2.00 TB	Not Cons	
1 - 20 of 26 items 1 / 2 > >						
Properties Paths Partition Details						
ENABLE DISABLE						
<input type="radio"/>	Runtime Name	Status	Target	Name	Preferred	
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba3:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/...	50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51 50:06:0e:80:08:9c:5c:51	vmhba3:C0:T0:...		
<input type="radio"/>	vmhba2:C0:T0:L0	Active (I/...	50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30 50:06:0e:80:23:3a:9e:30	vmhba2:C0:T0:...		

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- SQL Database status:

The screenshot displays the SQL Server Enterprise Manager interface. On the left, a tree view shows the hierarchy: Failover Cluster Manager > MSFCSQLGAD.pluto.com > Roles. The main pane shows the 'Roles (1)' list with one role: SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER), which is 'Running' on node '1090SQLNODE1' with a 'Medium' priority.

Below the roles list, the 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)' properties are shown. The 'General' tab is active, displaying the server name 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)' and the preferred owners: 1090SQLNODE1 and 5200SQLNODE2. The priority is set to 'Medium', the status is 'Running', and the node is '1090SQLNODE1'.

On the right, the 'SQL Server Agent Properties - SQLNET' dialog is open. The 'General' tab is selected, showing the 'Agent service' status as 'Running'. The 'Error log' file name is 'E:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\Log\SQLAGENT.OUT'. The 'Include execution trace messages' and 'Write OEM file' options are unchecked.

- Generate new records on the GAD volume by creating a database named D3_Test8_DB1.

The screenshot shows the 'Database Properties - D3_Test8_DB1' dialog box. The 'General' tab is active, displaying the database name 'D3_Test8_DB1' and the owner 'PLUTO\Administrator'. The 'Use full-text indexing' checkbox is checked.

The 'Database files' section shows a table with the following data:

Logical Name	File Type	Filegroup	Size (MB)	Autogrowth / Maxsize	Path	File N
D3_Test8_...	ROWS...	PRIMARY	8	By 64 MB, Unlimited	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_1
D3_Test8_...	LOG	Not Applicable	8	By 64 MB, Limited to 2...	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER-D\MSSQL\DATA	D3_1

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Results		Messages			
	PURCHASE_ID	VENDOR_ID	VENDOR_NAME	ITEM_NAME	QTY
1	101	5001	ADX	BOOKS	5
2	102	5002	XXD	PEN	20
3	1103	3003	GTX	PENCIL	300

Query executed successfully.

3. Initiate the outage by abruptly powering off servers of the Production cluster.

- Status of Windows VM:

D3-SQL-NODE1-OS-E1090-DG

ACTIONS

Summary

Monitor

Configure

Permissions

Datastores

Networks

Snapshots

Updates

Powered Off

Guest OS:

Compatibility:

VMware Tools:

DNS Name:

IP Addresses:

Host:

Microsoft Windows Server 2019 (64-bit)

ESXi 7.0 U2 and later (VM version 19)

Not running, not installed

MORE INFO

172.23.30.45

D3-SQL-NODE1-OS-VSP5200-DG

ACTIONS

Summary

Monitor

Configure

Permissions

Datastores

Networks

Snapshots

Updates

Powered Off

Guest OS:

Compatibility:

VMware Tools:

DNS Name:

IP Addresses:

Host:

Microsoft Windows Server 2019 (64-bit)

ESXi 7.0 U2 and later (VM version 19)

Not running, not installed

MORE INFO

172.23.30.48

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- Pairs status after the outage:

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/06/2022 10:28:29' Pairs

Original Primaries							Original Secondaries							Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	M	I/O Mode	Mirror Unit	Type	Fence Level	Quorum
✓ 0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	-	L/M	→ 0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	-	L/M	0	GAD	NEVER	-

4. Delete the GAD Pair.

To fail over the workload of an on-premises GAD volume to an EC2 instance, you must delete the GAD pair. After the pair is deleted, the volume from the primary storage system is mounted to the AWS EC2 instance.

- Navigate to the Protector **Dashboard**, select **Monitor**, select the active **Data flow** you want to deactivate, and click **Deactivate**.

Deactivate Data Flow(s) ×

Deactivating the selected data flow(s) will immediately stop all *scheduled* activity.

Any hardware replication pairs will be marked as "eligible for teardown". To manage the replication pairs, navigate to the Storage screen for the destination array and filter for replications eligible for teardown, then either:

- Use the teardown action to remove the replication.
- Use the dissociate action to keep the replication but remove it from the inventory.

Cancel Deactivate

- Navigate to the Protector **Dashboard**, select **Storage**, and then select the **Secondary Storage System**. Click **Replication**, select the pair you want to tear down, and then click **Teardown**.

Teardown Hitachi Block Replication ×

Confirmation Word

TEARDOWN

Tearing down a replication will **remove the volume pairings on the array**. If you are certain you want to perform this operation enter 'TEARDOWN' in the field above.

Cancel Teardown

- Navigate to the Protector **Dashboard**, select **Storage**, and then select the **Secondary Storage System**. Click **Replication**, select the pair you want to delete, and then click **Delete**.

Confirm Record Deletion

The following LDEVs will be deleted:

ID	Current Name	Historic Name
0x0700	D3_GAD_PVOL	D3_GAD_PVOL

Deleting the selected record(s) from 'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' (540028), will delete all associated LDEVs and those of any dependent snapshots. Caution, if this replication has been swapped, these may include the new primary LDEVs.

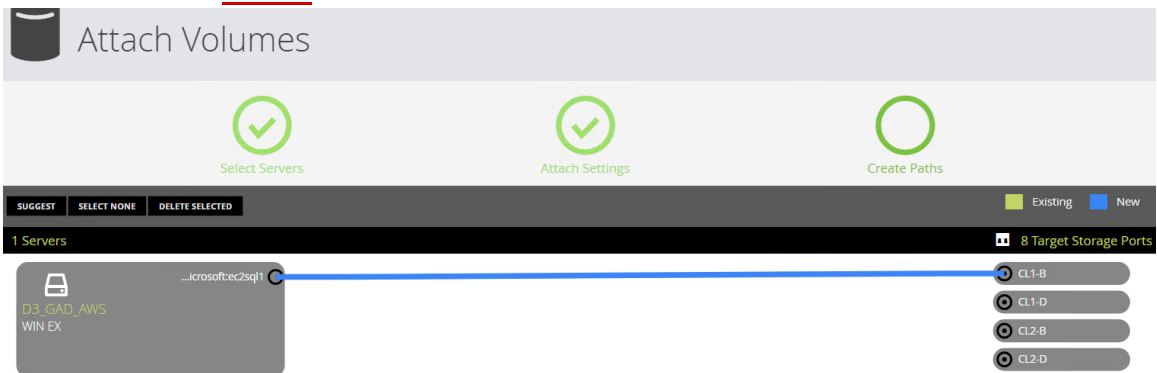
Confirmation Word

DELETE

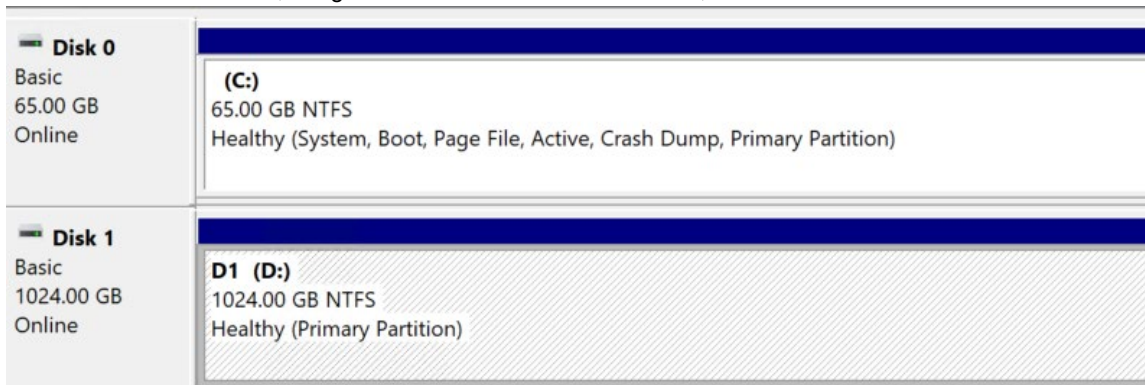
5. Mount volume of the primary storage system to the EC2 instance.

The iSCSI port of the primary storage system and AWS Direct Connect between Near Cloud and AWS are used to mount the volume in the AWS EC2 instance. The storage port (CL1-B) is used in this configuration and one Host Group from port CL1-B is required to mount the volume.

- a. Add the Host Group ID in the VSM in Ops Center Administrator before mounting the volume. To add the Host Group ID to the VSM, see section [Test 5.6](#).
- b. Attach the Primary GAD volume to the iSCSI port (CL1-B) and map the volume to the EC2 instance as described in section [Test 4.3](#).

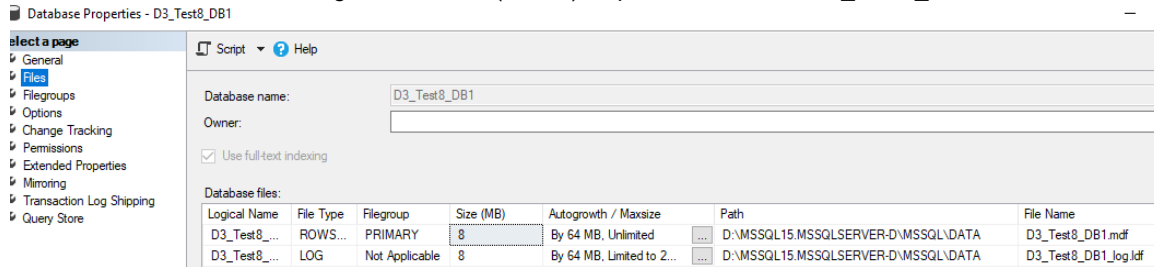


6. In the AWS EC2 instance, bring the drives online. In this scenario, the drive is mounted as drive D.



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7. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS), import the database D3_Test8_DB1.



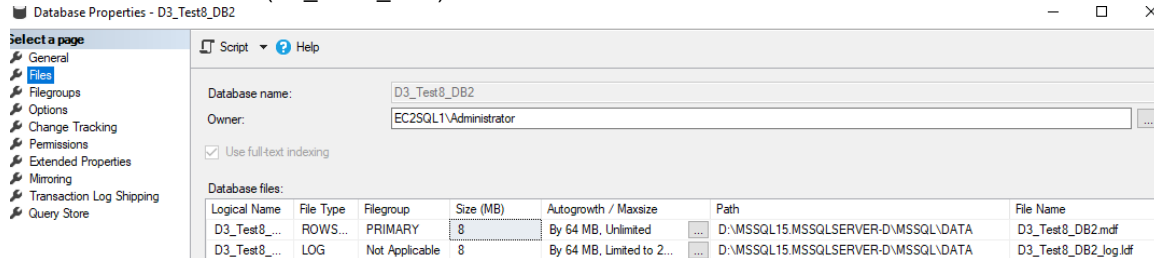
8. Verify that the previously written records are present.

	PURCHASE_ID	VENDOR_ID	VENDOR_NAME	ITEM_NAME	QTY
1	101	5001	ADX	BOOKS	5
2	102	5002	XXD	PEN	20
3	1103	3003	GTX	PENCIL	300

9. Ensure that the new record can be written. In the following screenshot, a record with the PURCHASE_ID 103 is added.

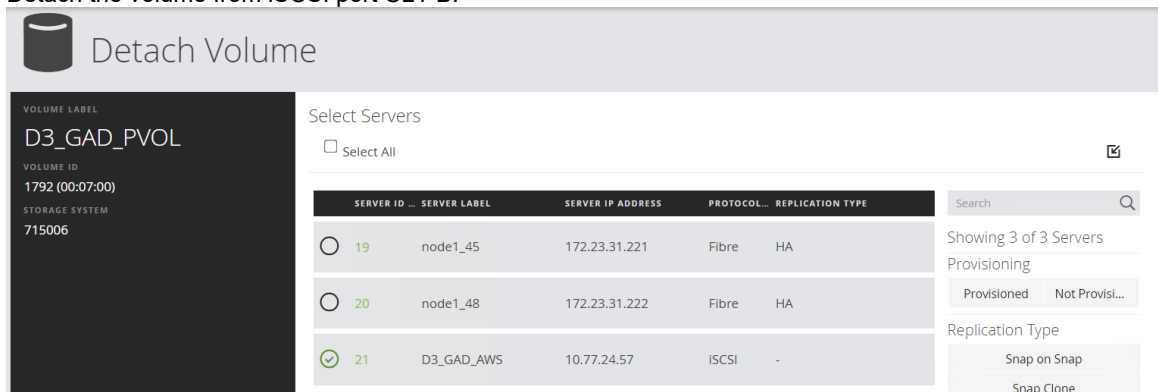
	PURCHASE_ID	VENDOR_ID	VENDOR_NAME	ITEM_NAME	QTY
1	101	5001	ADX	BOOKS	5
2	102	5002	XXD	PEN	20
3	103	4456	MBO	COPY BO...	400
4	1103	3003	GTX	PENCIL	300

10. Create a new database (D3_Test8_DB2) in the EC2 instance.



11. Recover from the outage.

- Detach the database and take the disk from the disk management of the Windows OS offline.
- Detach the volume from iSCSI port CL1-B.



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- c. Activate the GAD dataflow as described in section [Test 2.4.v](#).

'BLOCKSTR_VSP5200_30_10' Replication '05/06/2022 13:04:35' Pairs

Original Primaries						Original Secondaries						Properties			
ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	ID	Storage	Status	Attribute	%	I/O M Mode	Mirror Unit	Fence Type	Level	Quorum
0x0700	715006	PAIR	P-VOL	100%	- L/M	0x0700	540028	PAIR	S-VOL	100%	- L/M	0	GAD	NEVER	-

12. To bring the primary data center back online, power on the servers of the Production Cluster.

After the primary data center is back online, use the Windows Failover Cluster Manager to verify that the nodes are online. Navigate to role and ensure that the status is online.

SQL Cluster status:

The screenshot displays the Windows Failover Cluster Manager interface. On the left, the navigation pane shows the hierarchy: Failover Cluster Manager > MSFCSQLGAD.pluto.com > Roles. The main pane shows the 'Roles (1)' section with a table listing the SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER) role as 'Running' on node '1090SQLNODE1' with a 'Medium' priority. Below this, the 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)' role is expanded, showing a list of roles (Analysis Services, SQL Server Analysis Services CEIP, SQL Server CEIP (MSSQLSERVER), SQL Server launchpad (MSSQLSERVER), SQL Server Polybase Dms (MSSQLSERVER), SQL Server Polybase Engine (MSSQLSERVER)) all with 'Online' status. The 'Storage' section shows 'Cluster Disk 1' and 'Cluster Disk 2' as 'Online'. The 'Server Name' section shows 'Name: SQLNET' as 'Online'. On the right, the 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER) Properties' dialog box is open, showing the 'General' tab with the role name 'SQL Server (MSSQLSERVER)', preferred owners '1090SQLNODE1' and '5200SQLNODE2', and a 'Medium' priority.

- a. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS), verify that database D3_Test8_DB1 (created while running on GAD) and D3_Test8_DB2 (created while running on the AWS EC2 instance) are present.

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```

use master;
SELECT
    name 'Logical Name',
    physical_name 'File_Location'
FROM sys.master_files;
1

```

120 %

Results Messages

	Logical Name	File_Location
22	D3_Test5_DB1	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test5_DB...
23	D3_Test5_DB1_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test5_DB...
24	D3_Test5_DB3	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test5_DB...
25	D3_Test5_DB3_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test5_DB...
26	juno_gad5	E:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\juno_gad5.mdf
27	juno_gad5_log	E:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\juno_gad5_log.ldf
28	Juno-X	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\Juno-X.mdf
29	Juno-X_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\Juno-X_log.ldf
30	D3_Test6_DB1	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test6_DB...
31	D3_Test6_DB1_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test6_DB...
32	D3_Test7_DB1	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test7_DB...
33	D3_Test7_DB1_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test7_DB...
34	D3_Test7_DB2	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test7_DB...
35	D3_Test7_DB2_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test7_DB...
36	D3_Test8_DB1	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test8_DB...
37	D3_Test8_DB1_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test8_DB...
38	D3_Test8_DB2	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test8_DB...
39	D3_Test8_DB2_log	D:\MSSQL15.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\D3_Test8_DB...

Query executed successfully.

- b. Verify whether the new records written to D3_Test8_DB1 on the AWS EC2 instance are present.

	PURCHASE_ID	VENDOR_ID	VENDOR_NAME	ITEM_NAME	QTY
1	101	5001	ADX	BOOKS	5
2	102	5002	XXD	PEN	20
3	103	4456	MBO	COPY BOOK	400
4	1103	3003	GTX	PENCIL	300