MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0 Release Notes

Abstract

This document contains information about changes in successive versions of MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0, starting with the most recent release (MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0.28). Changes in previous MySQL Cluster Manager releases can be found afterwards, ordered from newest to oldest.

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Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0.28 (2022-01-18, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Agent: MySQL Cluster Manager now supports encrypted cluster backup. See descriptions for the backup cluster and restore cluster commands for details. (Bug #30733027)
- Agent: A new status value for show status --cluster has been introduced: the failed status
 indicates that while all processes in the cluster have exited, unlike stopped, some nodes did not exit
 cleanly. (Bug #30723251)
- Agent: Users can now set or override at the mcmd command line any agent options configurable with the agent configuration file (with the exception of mcmd_password) by specifying the option in the format of --section_name.option=value, where section_name is name of the section in the configuration file that the option belongs to (for example, --mcmd.bind_port=12345 and -- logger.level=DEBUG). See mcmd, the MySQL Cluster Manager Agent for details. (Bug #29239804)
- Agent: In the list backups output for agent backups of a site (that is, for list backups --agent mysite), the Parts column has been replaced with the Files column, to show how many files each backup consists of. (Bug #27946094)
- Agent: The show status --operation commands always returned <no message> for the Description column. The column now displays more useful information (for example, a status or error message returned by the listed command) when it is available. (Bug #22607982)
- Client: The scenarios that caused the 7006 Process Error to be thrown are now covered by five different error codes:
 - 7006: A cluster process fails
 - 7030: An unexpected reply when connecting to a cluster process
 - 7032: An error occurs while starting a cluster utility process
 - 7033: A probe for an available port or socket (for connecting to a process to be started or just started) fails
 - 7034: A cluster process cannot be started

(Bug #33563302)

- Client: A new command list warnings, has been introduced for checking important warnings issued across the whole site during the executions of MySQL Cluster Manager client commands. See the command description for details. (Bug #33378770)
- Client: The help command has been improved, with its output explaining itself better. (Bug #33321016)
- Client: A new --retry option has been added to the import config command for reimporting the cluster configuration from the config.ini file after the cluster is already running. See the description of the option for details. This option should only be used at the instruction of Oracle Support. (Bug #30836499)
- Client: Reporting on errors related to file reading or writing has been improved with a new error code (106 FILE_ERROR) and better error descriptions. (Bug #26246700)
- Client: A new command, delete backup, has been introduced for deleting a cluster backup. See the command description for details. (Bug #24295069)
- Client: The get command now has a new --all option, using which creates two more columns in the output of the command:
 - Type: Shows the expected type of the configuration attribute.
 - Restart: Shows the expected process restarts needed when changing the configuration attribute.

See the description for the --all option for details. (Bug #23561548)

- Client: The error messages returned by MySQL Cluster Manager for failed utility processes (restores, upgrades, and so on) have now been improved: Output from the utility processes themselves, when available, are now returned, (Bug #23173980)
- Client: Error messages provided by the mcm client were sometimes not helpful with clusters having mysqld nodes, because mcm failed to extract relevant information from the mysqld error log. With this fix, mcm returns more helpful information under the same situations. (Bug #17282820)

Bugs Fixed

- Agent: A lot of logging that was intended for the note log level appeared in the log when --level was set to info (the default value). With this fix, the information only appears with the log severity level set to note or below. (Bug #33720754)
- Agent: The mcmd log contained duplicated entries of log excerpts from ndb_mgmd nodes. The
 duplication has now been eliminated. (Bug #33635312)
- Agent: In some situations (for example, when the agent was already hanging on some commands), a stop agents command did not return a reply to the client. It was because a locked mutex had prevented a proper shutdown for the agent, and this fix corrects the issue. (Bug #33633155)
- Agent: At the restart of mcmd, an error was reported in the log that the package path in use by the
 current cluster did not contain the MySQL NDB Cluster executables. The error was introduced by a
 change in release 8.0.26 that caused the wrong path to be checked, and it has now been rectified. (Bug
 #33620437)
- Agent: mcmd quit unexpectedly during an import config operation if, when querying a management node, the --configdir was pointing to an old and invalid configuration cache. With this fix, the error is avoided by not using the --configdir option for the query. (Bug #33541431)

- Agent: After a delete site command failed due to issues with data repository access, a subsequent agent command made mcmd quit unexpectedly. With this fix, preliminary checks reject the delete site command if needed, instead of allowing an unsuccessful run. Also, reporting on repository file access issues has been improved. (Bug #30498763)
- Agent: When using the set command to specify a value for the mysqld system variable innodb_directories in quotes, the quotes were skipped when the value was written to the mysqld node's my.cnf file, which might cause any semicolons (;) in the value to be misinterpreted as special characters on some platforms. (Bug #29317574)
- Agent: When backing up a cluster, the operation finished without any warnings even if the backup for a data node or mysqld node was missing at the end. With this fix, a warning was issued in the situation, and the backup operation reports the problem. (Bug #27168861)
- Client: The restore cluster command returned success even if its --skip-nodeid option included all the applicable nodes. With this fix, an error is thrown instead in the situation. (Bug #33608705)
- Client: A backup cluster command might fail with a timeout even if the backup was actually successful, when there was not much data to back up and the success message for the command arrived even before mcmd started waiting for it. With this fix, the success message is resent in the situation to avoid a timeout. (Bug #33437273)
- Client: After a backup cluster command was aborted, the next backup cluster operation failed with the message that it had been aborted unexpectedly. It was due to a confusion with the backup IDs involved, and this patch fixes the issue. (Bug #29239804)

Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0.27 (2021-10-19, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

- Agent: Formats of the .xml configuration files in the /var folder under the MySQL Cluster Manager installation directory have been modified, to correct some minor issues. (Bug #33312186)
- Agent: mcmd quit unexpectedly when, in an import config operation, it ran into a file system error as it tried to access a cluster installation. With this fix, a proper error is thrown in the situation. (Bug #33173565)
- Agent: When using the .msi installer to install MySQL Cluster Manager on Windows platforms, the default target location was C:\Program Files (x86) even if MySQL Cluster Manager is a 64-bit software. Also, the installation ended up in C:\Program Files (x86) even if users chose C:\Program Files as its target location. These were because the installer mistook the software to be 32 bit, and that has been corrected by this patch. (Bug #33097025)

Changes in MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0.26 (2021-07-20, General Availability)

Version 8.0.26 is the first General Availability release of the 8.0 series of MySQL Cluster Manager. It is suitable for use with MySQL NDB Cluster 8.0, 7.6, and 7.5.

Listed below are functionality changes and bug fixes for MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0.28, in comparison to release 1.4.8.

Functionality Added or Changed

Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Important Change: There are a number of important changes going from MySQL Cluster Manager 1.4
 and 8.0; see What's New in MySQL Cluster Manager 8.0? for details. Users of MySQL Cluster Manager
 1.4 should make sure they understand those changes before they migrate to MySQL Cluster Manager
 8.0.
- Agent: Status detection for a management or data node has become more efficient, as mcmd no longer relies on reading the log of the node to determine its readiness. (Bug #31446224)
- Client: The file hierarchy under the collected-files folder created by the collect logs command has been reorganized. See the description for the collect logs command for details. (Bug #27921828)
- Client: The mcm client delivered in the stand-alone MySQL Cluster Manager package for Linux platforms (which does not include the NDB Cluster binaries) no longer has a dependence on a mysql client already installed on the system. (Bug #14032410)

Bugs Fixed

- Agent: The memory size returned by the show settings command using the --hostinfo option was not always consistent. It was because the value was not rounded off to the nearest megabyte by a consistent method, and this patch corrects the issue. (Bug #32788118)
- Agent: mcmd quit unexpectedly when running the import config command for a 8.0.24 or 8.0.25 cluster with an ndb_mgmd node ran with the --print-full-config option. (Bug #32785972)
- Agent: An update process command failed when a node was started with the --nowait-nodes option. With this fix, the option is allowed, but a warning is issued saying the option is not preserved after the update. The same applies now to the --initial-start and --logbuffer-size options, for the relevant node types. (Bug #32288203)
- Agent: When MySQL Cluster Manager was upgraded from 1.4.2 to 1.4.8, if the mcmd user on the mysqld nodes had localhost as its host, connections cannot be established to the mysqld nodes after the upgrade. It was because the upgrade changed the host for the user account to 127.0.0.1. With this patch, when connection fails for 'user'@'127.0.0.1', mcmd attempts 'user'@'localhost'. (Bug #32131361)
- Agent: After assigning explicitly each node to a node group, the cluster cannot be started if the node group IDs did not start from zero or were not consecutive numbers. This patch removes the restrictions. (Bug #31837504)
- Agent: The delete site command failed with the complaint that the site contains clusters even when it did not. (Bug #31739439)
- Agent: Where some command caused a process to fail (Error 7006), a warning from the log was
 displayed in place of the error message that explained the actual problem. (Bug #31496860)
- Agent: Sometimes, a node remained running even after the mcm client reported that it had been stopped successfully. It happened when mcmd experienced troubles with hostname resolutions, and this patch eliminated the unnecessary hostname lookups. (Bug #31399903)
- Agent: An mcmd agent might consume a disproportionately large amount of the host's CPU power when
 there was a long log of highly repetitive messages that mcmd tried to examine. This patch limits the
 extent by which mcmd would go backward in time when examining the log messages, in order to avoid
 the problem. (Bug #31364594)

- **Agent:** An mcmd agent quit unexpectedly during an import config command when a mysqld query returned an error or if the query failed due to a connection problem. (Bug #31336743)
- Agent: A get command failed with the complaint that the host's package was not defined if, after a
 cluster was created, a package was added to a host outside of the cluster, and then the host executed
 the get command on the cluster. It was because the mcmd agent did not look up package information
 from the configuration store, and this patch makes it do that. (Bug #31293854)
- Agent: On Windows platforms, an add hosts operation failed with a timeout at an attempt to add cloud hosts using computer names. (Bug #31095584)
- Agent: The create site command failed when the name of the host for the mcmd agent was resolved
 to 127.0.1.1 by the operating system (which is the case in, for example, the default network setup for
 Ubuntu systems). (Bug #31012284)
- Agent: When all hosts of a cluster were restarted and remove hosts was the last command executed before that, if hostname resolutions failed for all the hosts with all the agents after the restart, the site for the cluster would then disappear from the site list. This was due to all the agents removing their hosts from the site in that situation, each thinking its own host had been removed by other agents. With this fix, at recovery, an agent now creates a repository backup before removing itself form a site, in order to avoid the inadvertent loss of the site configuration metadata. Also, a test on hostname resolution on all site members is performed before an agent removes itself from a site, and if the test fails, the remove hosts command is not executed. (Bug #30889457)
- Agent: A memory leak occurred for a restore cluster command run for an NDB 8.0 cluster when the mcmd agent failed to make a connection to a mysqld node. (Bug #30761243)
- Client: Hostnames longer than 64 characters were not supported by MySQL Cluster Manager. With this patch, the limit is extended to 255 characters. (Bug #29459484)
- When the MySQL Cluster Manager binaries for Red Hat Enterprise Linux/Oracle Enterprise Linux 7 was
 run on a Red Hat Enterprise Linux/Oracle Enterprise Linux 8 system, the operating system complained
 that the libnsl.so.1 library was missing. However, the library was not really required. With this fix, the
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