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Generic conventions

Table -1: Style conventions

Style	Description	Example
	This warning information indicates a situation that will cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Danger: Resetting will result in the loss of user configuration data.
	This warning information indicates a situation that may cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Warning: Restarting will cause business interruption. About 10 minutes are required to restore business.
	This indicates warning information, supplementary instructions, and other content that the user must understand.	 Notice: Take the necessary precautions to save exported data containing sensitive information.
	This indicates supplemental instructions, best practices, tips, and other content that is good to know for the user.	 Note: You can use Ctrl + A to select all files.
>	Multi-level menu cascade.	Settings > Network > Set network type
Bold	It is used for buttons, menus, page names, and other UI elements.	Click OK.
Courier font	It is used for commands.	Run the <code>cd / d C :/ windows</code> command to enter the Windows system folder.
<i>Italics</i>	It is used for parameters and variables.	<code>bae log list --instanceid Instance_ID</code>
[] or [a b]	It indicates that it is an optional value, and only one item can be selected.	<code>ipconfig [-all -t]</code>

Style	Description	Example
<code>{}</code> or <code>{a b}</code>	It indicates that it is a required value, and only one item can be selected.	<code>switch {stand slave}</code>

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1 Performance white paper

This topic describes how to evaluate the optimal performance of POLARDB using Sysbench 0.5.

Sysbench is a modular, cross-platform and multi-threaded benchmark tool for evaluating important OS parameters of a system running a database under intensive load. The benchmark tool is designed to quickly evaluate the database system performance without complex database benchmark settings or even without database installations.

Prerequisites

- Three ECS instances:
 - Each instance has 32 vCPUs. For example, you can use ecs.sn1ne.8xlarge instances.
 - The ECS instances and POLARDB cluster must be in the same region and zone.
 - You must set usernames and passwords for the ECS instances.
 - The OS must be CentOS 7.4 (64-bit).
- A POLARDB cluster:
 - The cluster contains one primary instance and one read-only instance. You must add more read-only instances if you need to evaluate the performance of a cluster with multiple read-only instances.
 - You must set a username and a password for the cluster.
 - You must add internal IP addresses of the ECS instances to the whitelist of your POLARDB cluster.

Install Sysbench 0.5

1. To install Sysbench 0.5, run the following commands in ECS.

```

yum install gcc gcc-c++ autoconf automake make
libtool bzip2-devel git mysql
git clone https://github.com/akopytov/sysbench.git
cd sysbench
git checkout 0.5
./autogen.sh
./configure --prefix=/usr --mandir=/usr/share/man
make
make install

```

2. Run the following commands to configure the Sysbench client so that it uses all CPU cores available to process the data (two CPU cores are used by default), which will reduce cross-core context switching.

```

sudo sh -c 'for x in /sys/class/net/eth0/queues/
rx-*; do echo ffffffff >$x/rps_cpus; done'

```

Note: ffffffff indicates 32 cores are used for data processing. Modify the command to reflect your actual configurations. For example, enter ff if your ECS instance has eight cores.

```

sudo sh -c "echo 32768 >/proc/sys/net/core/
rps_sock_flow_entries"
sudo sh -c "echo 4096 >/sys/class/net/eth0/queues
/rx-0/rps_flow_control"
sudo sh -c "echo 4096 >/sys/class/net/eth0/queues
/rx-1/rps_flow_control"

```

Test procedure

1. Obtain the cluster connection string and port number.
 - a. Log on to the [POLARDB console](#), and enter the Clusters page.
 - b. Click the cluster ID, or click Manage to enter the Cluster Information page.
 - c. Find the [../DNPOLA1840729/EN-US_TP_3018.dita#concept_imd_wlq_tdb](#) and port number.
2. Run the following commands in ECS to create a sbtest database in the POLARDB instance.

```
mysql -h XXX -P XXX -u XXX -p XXX -e 'create
database sbtest '
```



Note:

Replace XXX in the command and subsequent commands with your POLARDB cluster connection string (VPC), port number, username, and password, respectively.

3. Preparing test data: You can create a table in the database using Sysbench, and insert data into the table.

```
sysbench -- test = sysbench / tests / db / oltp . lua -- mysql -
host = XXX -- mysql - port = XXX -- mysql - user = XXX -- mysql
- password = XXX -- mysql - db = sbtest -- mysql - table - engine
= innodb -- oltp - table - size = 25000 -- oltp - tables - count
= 250 -- db - driver = mysql prepare
```

4. Evaluate the read performance of the database using Sysbench. The evaluation will take 10 minutes.

```
sysbench -- test = sysbench / tests / db / oltp . lua -- mysql -
host = XXX -- oltp - tables - count = 250 -- mysql - user = XXX
-- mysql - password = XXX -- mysql - port = XXX -- db - driver =
mysql -- oltp - tablesize = 25000 -- mysql - db = sbtest -- max
- requests = 0 -- oltp_simpl e_ranges = 0 -- oltp - distinct -
ranges = 0 -- oltp - sum - ranges = 0 -- oltp - order - ranges =
0 -- max - time = 600 -- oltp - read - only = on -- num - threads
= 500 run
```

5. Evaluate the write performance of the database using Sysbench. The evaluation will take 10 minutes.

```
sysbench -- test = sysbench / tests / db / oltp . lua -- mysql -
host = XXX -- oltp - tables - count = 250 -- mysql - user = XXX
- mysql - password = XXX -- mysql - port = XXX -- db - driver
= mysql -- oltp - tablesize = 25000 -- mysql - db = sbtest --
max - requests = 0 -- max - time = 600 -- oltp_simpl e_ranges
= 0 -- oltp - distinct - ranges = 0 -- oltp - sum - ranges = 0
```

```
-- oltporder - ranges = 0 -- oltp - point - selects = 0 -- num -  
threads = 128 -- randtype = uniform run
```

6. During the tests, you can connect to the ECS instance in a new window, and run `htop` command to check if the CPU utilization of the Sysbench client is normal.

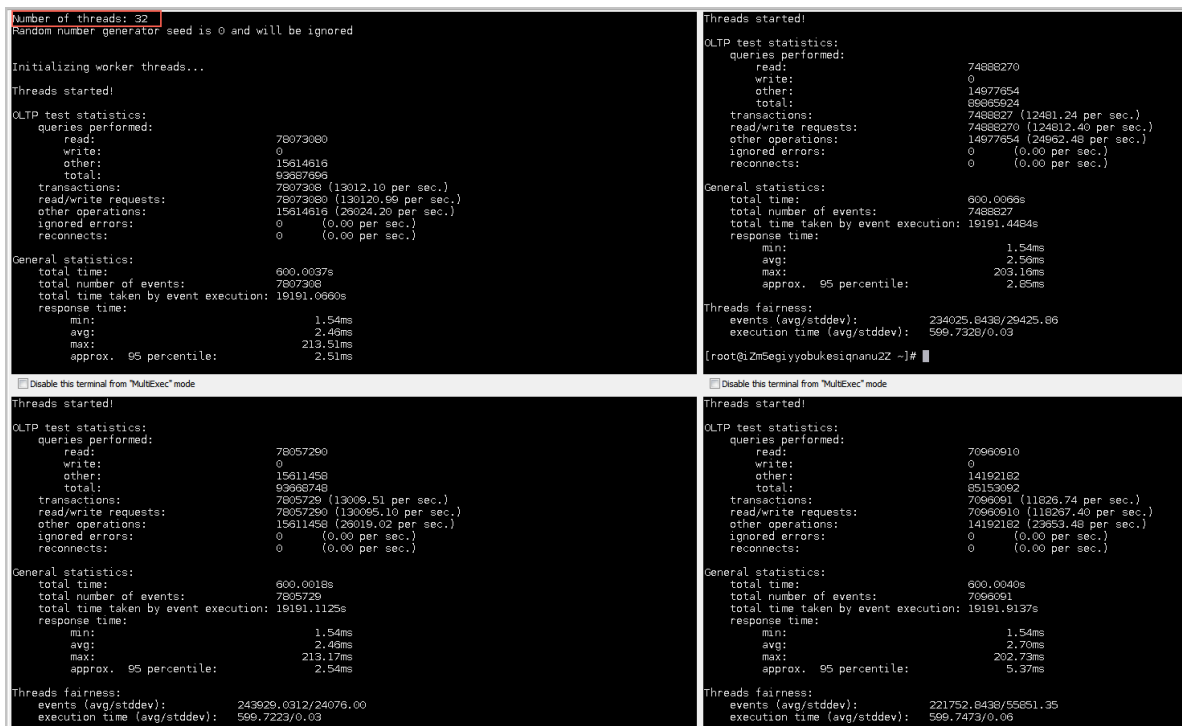
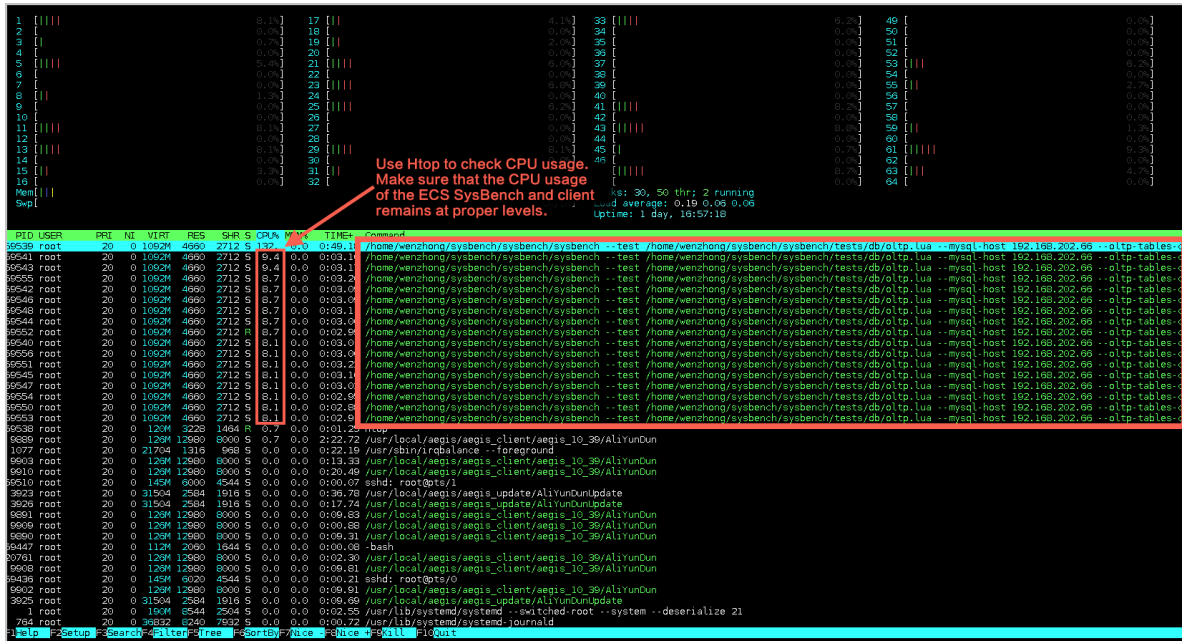
```
yum install htop
```

```
htop
```

**Note:**

- After running the `htop` command, you can click Q to exit.

- For more information about htop, go to <http://hisham.hm/htop/?spm=a2c4g.11186623.2.6.eKuBNC>.



Test results

Obtain the QPS and TPS from the test results in the log file.



Note:

QPS indicates the number of SQL statements (including INSERT, SELECT, UPDATE, and DELETE) executed by a database every second.

Test results for a single ECS instance:

```

sysbench 0.5: multi-threaded system evaluation benchmark

Running the test with following options:
Number of threads: 128
Random number generator seed is 0 and will be ignored

Initializing worker threads...

Threads started!

OLTP test statistics:
  queries performed:
    read:          313320510 --Number of read operations
    write:         0         --Number of write operations
    other:        62664102  --Numbe of other operations such as COMMIT excluding CURD
    total:        375984612 --Total number of operations
  transactions:    31332051 (52219.88 per sec.) -- Total number of transactions per second
  read/write requests: 313320510 (522198.79 per sec.) -- Number of read and write operations per second
  other operations: 62664102 (104439.76 per sec.) -- Number of other operations per second
  ignored errors: 0         (0.00 per sec.)
  reconnects:     0         (0.00 per sec.)

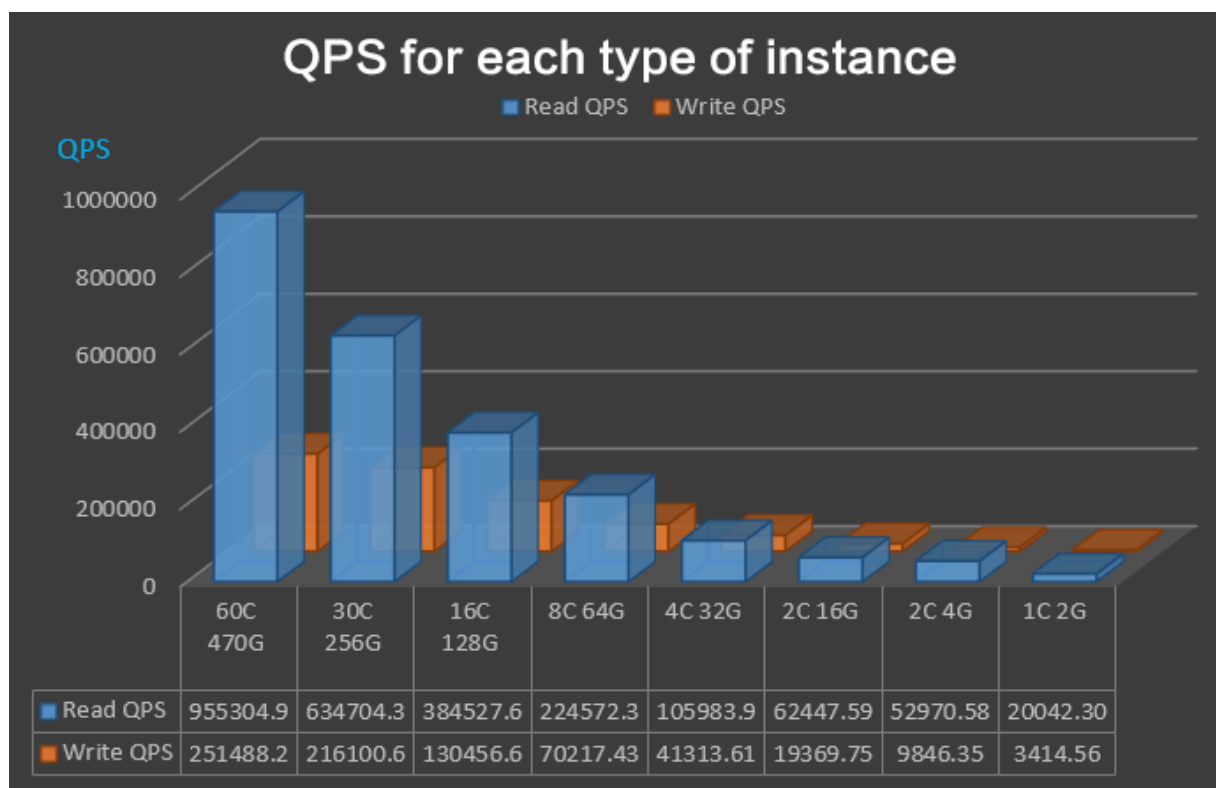
General statistics:
  total time:      600.0024s -- Total time taken
  total number of events: 31332051 -- Total number of transactions
  total time taken by event execution: 76751.6764s -- Total time taken by all transactions (with concurrency not considered)
  response time:
    min:          1.71ms -- Minimum time taken
    avg:          2.45ms -- Average time taken
    max:          194.31ms -- Maximum time taken
    approx. 95 percentile: 2.67ms -- Average time taken by 95% of the transactions processed

Threads fairness:
  events (avg/stddev): 244781.6484/25277.49 -- Total number of transactions processed/Standard offset
  execution time (avg/stddev): 599.6225/0.14 -- Total time taken/Standard offset

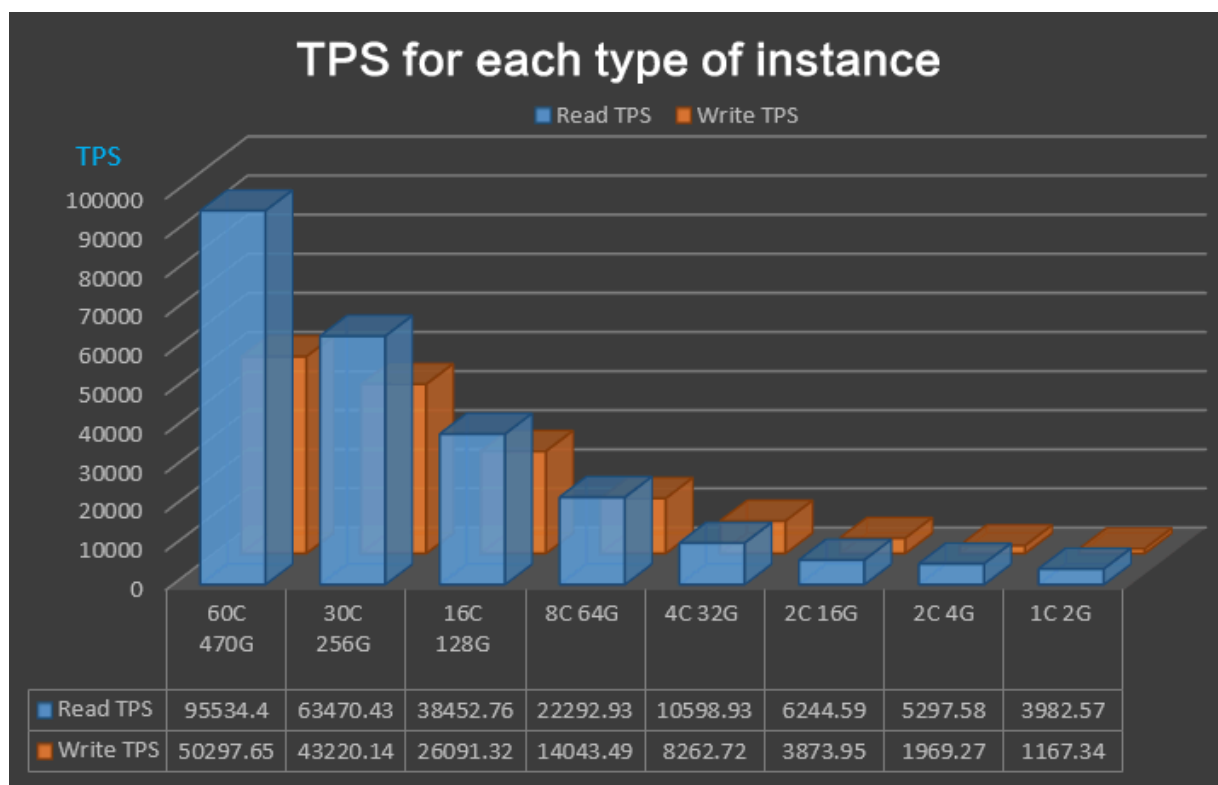
```

---| The database performance is measured based on the QPS, namely, the number of read and write operations per second.

Total QPS for the three ECS instances:



Total TPS for the three ECS instances:



The following figure shows the QPS for multiple read-only instances. Five read-only instances are used in this example, each with 4 cores and 32 GB RAM.

