



**Definitions**

HASI

Hypervisor

Virtual Machine (vm)

Migration

STONITH

Full virtualization drivers

**Xen best practices**

Disable power management

Do not use Network Manager

`dom0 mem=2048M`

Close VMM, when unused (leak)

<http://www.novell.com/documentation/vmserver/index.html>

**NOTE:** Do not edit the initial startup files stored in `/etc/xen/vm`, because they are used only during the creation of a new virtual machine (vm).

`xm list -l vmname > filename` #Modify vm settings in filename

`xm new -F filename` #Import new vm settings into xen.

`xm start vmname` #Start the vm with its new settings

No Full Virtualization guarantee #Intel VT or AMD V cpu's work:

[http://wiki.xensource.com/xenwiki/HVM\\_Compatible\\_Processors](http://wiki.xensource.com/xenwiki/HVM_Compatible_Processors)

Hot-add-memory not yet #Will be available via update (release note)

Max 16GB memory is stable #PAE kernel for memory > 4GB

Enable Multiple networks (bridges, ...):

<http://pronetworkconsulting.com/linux/scripts/network-multinet.html>

**Live migration checks**

#Xen will try to migrate a VM without ever attempting to determine if the VM is capable to run on the destination:

`vi /etc/xen/xend-config.sxp` #Enable xend-relocation options

#Are the Dom0 kernels matched? #(`32->32, 32PAE->32PAE, 64->64`)

#Are the CPUs matched? #(`P4->P4, Core2->core2, etc.`)

#Can both the source and destination server see all of the VM's disks

#Is there enough free memory on the destination server?

#HA xen migration: <http://www.novell.com/coololutions/feature/19676.html>

#Same bridge names/numbers? #Supported?:

<http://www.novell.com/surveyutil/survey.jsp?id=204>

**Xen VM Migration setup** #Based on SLES10GA documents.

**Install sles10 on 3 machines (2 nodes)**

#Reserve >=4 GB unpart. space #Use bare part./LVM/EVMS/or sparse file

#Include High Availability & XEN pattern, and `yast2-vm, yast2-heartbeat`

#Enable `ip_forward` #By using `yast` or `sysctl.conf`

**Packages iSCSI** #iSCSI for demo purposes

`open-iscsi & iscsitarget` #Do not plan initiator & target on 1 node

**Packages XEN** #Physical Address Extension: 32bit & 4G

`kernel-xen[pa], xen, xen-libs, xen-tools, xen-tools-ioctl`

**Survive a reboot**

`/etc/init.d/powersaved stop` #Prevent power management conflicts

`chkconfig powersaved off` #Do not survive a reboot

`/etc/init.d/xend start` #Start XEN daemon & survive reboot:

`chkconfig --level 35 xend on` #Possibly troubleshoot network aft reboot

#If required, change `eth0` settings in three steps:

`/etc/xen/scripts/network-bridge stop netdev=eth0`

`yast2 lan`

`/etc/xen/scripts/network-bridge start netdev=eth0`

**Disable SuSEfirewall** #Or enable xenbro forwarding:

`vi /etc/sysconfig/SuSEfirewall2`

`FW_FORWARD_ALWAYS_INOUT_DEV="xenbro"`

`/etc/init.d/SuSEfirewall2_setup restart`

**Default bootmenu**

`vi /boot/grub/menu.lst`

`title SUSE Linux Enterprise XEN Server 10`

`root (hd0,4)`

`kernel /boot/xen-pae.gz dom0 mem=2048M`

`module /boot/vmlinuz-xenpae root=/dev/sda5 vga=0x31a splash=silent`

`showopts`

`module /boot/initrd-xenpae`

[http://en.opensuse.org/Installing\\_Xen3](http://en.opensuse.org/Installing_Xen3)

`brctl show`

```
bridge name bridge id STP enabled interfaces
xenbr0 8000.fffffffff no vif0.0 peth0
```

**Setup a Virtual Machine**

#Prepare XEN installation source, e.g.

#Copy SLES10 ISO file to host

#Show unpartitioned space

#No cluster support for SLE10 and LVM vg. Use EVMS container(s) instead.

`vgdisplay` #Show free space for LVM

`lvdisplay` #Show Logical Volumes

`mount` #Show mounted volumes

`evms_activate` #If EVMS is not used during installation

`evmsgui` #Show free space for EVMS

`dmsetup ls` #Map Volume Name to mapper device

`system-vm2(2533)` #Maps to: `/dev/dm-3`

Yast, System, Virtual Machine Management (Xen)

`xm create /etc/xen/vm/vml` #Start VM. Create domain in memory.

`xm list` #Get <DomId>

`xm console 2` #Open screen <DomId>

`<Ctrl><Ctrl><Ctrl><Alt><F>` #Disconnect: <Ctrl-]>

#Pass through keys (3<Ctrl>) in VMM

`xm top` #Monitor domains. Base info: `xm info`

`xm shutdown 2` #Shutdown VM <DomId>

`xm reboot 2` #Restart VM <DomId>

`xm destroy 2` #Kill VM <DomId>

`xm migrate 2 host` #Migrate <DomId> hostname

`xm pause 2` #Standby VM <DomId>

`xm unpause 2` #Start VM <DomId> from standby

`xm save 2 file` #Suspend VM <DomId> to filename

`xm restore file` #Resume VM from filename

`xm mem-set 0 512` #Set memory of domain 0 to 512MB

**Heartbeat 2 Setup**

#Recommended redundant NICs #Software RAID 1 is not supported

#Optional STONITH Agent for power supply

[http://www.novell.com/documentation/sles10/hb2/data/hb2\\_config.html](http://www.novell.com/documentation/sles10/hb2/data/hb2_config.html)

**Heartbeat 2 definitions**

Messaging/Infrastructure Layer #Four Layers

Membership Layer #“I am alive” “Heartbeat” Layer

Resource Allocation Layer #Cluster Consensus Membership service

Resource Layer #Resource Administration Services

Standby node #(**RA**) Resource Agents with scripts

Cluster Resource Manager #(**CRM**) Master of Ceremony. One is **DC**:

Designated Coordinator #(**DC**) Own/react on master **CIB** changes

Cluster Information Base #(**CIB**) XML cluster setup/view

Policy Engine #(**PE**) Step ordering

Transition Engine #(**TE**) Step execution

Local Resource Manger #(**LRM**) Call Resource Agents

**Setup name resolution** #Make all hostnames resolvable on nodes

`vi /etc/hosts` #Or setup DNS. Check via: `ping nodename`

**Setup time sync**

```
#Initial time set: ntpdate ntp.srv.com, or:
ssh node1 date $(date +%m%d%H%M)
ssh node2 date $(date +%m%d%H%M)
vi /etc/ntp.conf
server ntp.srv.com
/etc/init.d/ntp start
ntpq -p
```

**Initial heartbeat setup**

```
yast2 heartbeat
Add node(s), Next
Select authentication key, Next
On and Survive reboot
/usr/lib/heartbeat/ha_propagate
cat /etc/ha.d/authkeys
cat /etc/ha.d/ha.cf
cat /var/lib/heartbeat/crm/cib.xml
/etc/init.d/heartbeat start
chkconfig --level 35 heartbeat on
passwd hacluster
hb_gui
+ (add new item), native type, OK,
Resource ID: test-ip, IPAddr (OCF RA) as Type, Param. Value: ip:172.17.0.170,
optional: Add Parameter, Name: nic, Value: eth0, OK,
Start Resource (MB2)
```

**Heartbeat administrative tools**

```
hb_gui
crmadmin
cibadmin
crm_verify
crm_mon
crm_resource
crm_standby
cl_status
http://linux-ha.org/v2
```

**iSCSI Setup**

```
Initiator
Target
Add a new partition on target
yast disk
Do not mix LVM & EVMS
No cluster support for SLE10 and LVM vg. Use EVMS container(s) instead,
but iSCSI provides a block device not an LVM volume group
dmsetup ls
system-vm2(253,3)
```

**Configure iSCSI target**

```
yast iscsi-server
When booting, (Open Firewall)
Delete demo target
Add target
No authentication in demo
```

**Configure iSCSI initiator**

```
yast iscsi-client
When booting
Discovery, Fill in IP of target
Login, no authentication
Toggle startup, Finish
```

**yast disk**

```
Create part. for VM image
Create part. for VM config. files
Create part. for VM data storage
```

**Configure iSCSI initiator****OCFS2 Setup**

```
Can run in pure OCFS2 Cluster
ocfs2console
```

```
Initialize the native OCFS2 stack
Cluster, Configure nodes, Close
```

```
Add nodes (incl. first), Close
Close, Cluster, Propagate Config.
```

```
/etc/init.d/o2cb configure
/etc/init.d/o2cb force-reload
```

```
cat /sys/o2cb/heartbeat_mode
find /sys/kernel/config/cluster
```

```
mksfs.ocfs2 /dev/sda1
mounted.ocfs2 -d /dev/sda1
```

**OCFS2 in heartbeat cluster**

```
#Clonesets can run concurrent and on all nodes
#OCFS2 via clone File System RA on each node
```

```
#Notify resource stop/start, node join/leave
#Demo stonith device is ssh reboot:
```

```
#Simulate node crash by killing heartbeat and not unplug cable
vi cibbootstrap.xml
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /cibbootstrap.xml
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /stonithcloneset.xml
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /imagestorecloneset.xml
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /configstorecloneset.xml
```

```
#Check for /var/lib/xen/images & /etc/xen/vm via:
mount
```

```
crm_mon -l
```

```
Test by manually umount ocfs2
Setup ssh keys for root
```

```
Enable atd
```

```
pkll heartbeat
```

**VM as Cluster Resource**

```
Change sync mode of loop device
vi /etc/xen/scripts/block
```

```
Create VM on node1
```

```
Restore -y
```

```
Stop VM on node1
```

```
yast xen
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /vmlocation.xml
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /vml.xml
```

```
crm_mon -l
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /vmlorderconstraints.xml
```

```
pkll heartbeat
```

```
crm_mon -l
```

```
cibadmin -Ql > cib-xen.txt
```

**Extend maximum loop mounts**

```
rmmod loop
modprobe loop max_loop=64
```

```
vi /etc/modprobe.conf
```

```
options loop max_loop=64
```

```
#Add 3 partitions (IET-VIRTUAL-DISK):
```

```
#Leave e.g. 300MB free. No mount point
```

```
#Use e.g. 200MB. No mount point
```

```
#Use e.g. 100MB. No mount point
```

```
#From other node(s) (discovery only)
```

**Oracle Cluster File System**

```
#Integration with heartbeat2 (user space)
#GUI for setup and propagation
```

```
#Only on ONE node
```

```
#Name, IP and port (TTTT)
```

```
#Copy via ssh and close ocfs2console
```

```
#Add heartbeat and bootconfig (all nodes)
```

```
#On first node only (because of failure)
```

```
#Check for 'user'
```

```
#Interface between kernel & user space
```

```
#Create OCFS2 file systems (sda1 & sda2)
```

```
#Ask for UUID
```

```
#Integrate
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
#Notify resource stop/start, node join/leave
```

```
#Demo stonith device is ssh reboot:
```

```
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```

```
vi cibbootstrap.xml #Create XML blobs for the CIB
```

```
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```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /stonithcloneset.xml
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /imagestorecloneset.xml
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /configstorecloneset.xml
```

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#Check for /var/lib/xen/images & /etc/xen/vm via:
```

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mount
```

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```

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Test by manually umount ocfs2
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```
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```

```
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```

```
yast xen
```

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```

```
crm_mon -l
```

```
cibadmin -C -o crm_config -x /vmlorderconstraints.xml
```

```
pkll heartbeat
```

```
crm_mon -l
```

```
cibadmin -Ql > cib-xen.txt
```

```
#Default max loops is 8
```

```
#Extend without reboot. Remove module.
```

```
#Extend without reboot
```

```
#Was max_loop=64 as SLES9 boot par.
```