SingleServerSafe
Product Introduction

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Requirements for high availability

- Requirement for high availability expanded from traditional mission critical system to servers in departments/shops.
- Impact of server failure in complex and highly-developed IT society is getting bigger and bigger.
- Usage of Windows / Linux servers in low-end to middle-range became general in recent years, and higher availability / usability has been required more and more.

Technology of EXPRESSCLUSTER X *

can be applied to single server.

Maximum usage of EXPRESSCLUSTER X technology for enabling to improve availability and to avoid failure on single server.

* … No.1 Market Share in Asia Pacific region.

EXPRESSCLUSTER X SingleServerSafe
How you avoid the server disruption of mission critical systems?

Advantage of EXPRESSCLUSTER X SingleServerSafe:

- Duplication in required systems enables to improve availability in single server.
- Monitors abnormality of HW & SW, recovers them from failure, and improves availability!
- FT server (HW duplicated server) also acquires SW availability to become server with higher reliability!
- For further availability, upgrade to clustering system is enabled.

Easy implementation compared with cluster, achieving high robustness to the failure.
Detectable failure (monitoring target)

Accurate monitoring to check the actual status

Application layer:
- Presence monitoring of process
  • Restarts when process abnormality is detected
- Monitoring agent
  • Restarts when abnormality in SQL, HTTP and so on is detected

OS layer
- User space monitoring
  • Restarts when abnormality in AP layer such as hang-up is detected.

Hardware layer
- Disk monitoring
  • Restarts when disk access abnormality is detected.
- Ping monitoring
  • Restarts when ping abnormality is detected.
- NIC Link UP/DOWN monitoring
  • Restarts when link-down is detected.
  • Availability can be improved by NIC duplication.
Improves high availability due to appropriate monitoring of application

- Same monitoring Agent as Agent of EXPRESSCLUSTER X can be used.

**Benefit of monitoring Agent**

- **Without Agent**
  - Application restart
  - EXPRESSCLUSTER X SSS feature enables existence monitoring of process. When the process disappears, this is regarded as abnormal.
  - × Hang-up detection of application
  - × Response detection from application
  - ○ Abnormal termination of application (Existence monitoring setting is required)

- **With Agent**
  - Agent sends request to target application periodically. Simultaneously, Agent waits for response with clock timer, and checks the content of it.
  - ○ Hang-up detection of application
  - ○ Response detection from application
  - ○ Abnormal termination of application

*Monitoring Agent is strongly recommended*
## Monitoring target of Agent

Frequently used key apps in five fields are supported.

Two more monitoring Agent is added to line-up (from X 3.1)

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Off-line creation of setting information can be applied to other servers.

Setting file acquired from operating server

Reflected to server by one command or a button

Setting information can be used to other servers!

Setting reflect and upgrade are achieved without stopping application by suspend feature

Can be exported to external media such as FD or USB memory
Alert and support in case of failure

Status can be checked with view of management terminal.

Log information of all servers can be collected from management terminal in one click.

Email alert can be done in case of failure.
Features in operation

Start / stop order and recovery process from abnormal status can be set up.

- Makes system groups in operation unit, and set up procedure of start /stop
- Enables setting from operation point of view unlike start procedure of OS service manager (Windows) or init script (Linux).
- Sets up restart in resource unit, group unit, or server unit, as a recovery procedure from abnormal situation.
Operating procedure

- Stop/restart of server and group (operation service) can be unified by EXPRESSCLUSTER command!

- With integrated management of all server, reduction of operator’s effort and human error, know-how and information sharing are enabled.

Same Builder as one for EXPRESSCLUSTER X can be used for environment configuration

Server status monitoring, start / stop of operation group, and log collection can be done from WebManager, as well as CLI.
Smartphone & tablet support

Managing cluster systems from Android devices.

※The screen image shown here may not be the same as actual screen
Simple view of server status with integrated Manager

- Enables to refer to clustering configuration status of both EXPRESSCLUSTER X and SingleServerSafe in the same LAN.
- Enables to run several WebManager separately

**Rapid search of node by search filter**

**Selected cluster display in business application unit by using group display filter**
Easy implementation for virtualization environment

Easy setting of start / stop / monitoring of virtual machine
- Only needs to input required items to GUI wizard format

Enables integration of virtual machine to one platform with HA feature
Easy setting of service resource

Automatically obtains the service name managed in service management console of Windows OS

Needed to input service name manually every time

1. Display service name from Connect button

Service name to be registered in service resource should be specified manually where human mistake is likely to occur.

2. Just select service name for registration from list box.
Child/Grandchild process can now be monitored

With process name monitoring resource, structure of app is understood while monitoring.

- E.g.1)
  - Process name “APPL”
  - Setting of E.g.1)

- E.g.2)
  - Process name “APP*”
  - Setting of E.g.2)

Wildcard “*” is supported
SNMP Manager enables cluster management

- Enables integrated management including network devices etc

Linkage between system mgmt software (MIB support)

Easy setting with GUI

Displays information/situation from SNMP communication of SingleServerSafe

* NEC MasterScope Network Manager case
Failure simulation from the management console

Enables failure simulation from management console for testing the failover scenario

- “Verification Mode” is added to the management console
- Early discovery of mistakes in configuration, and confirms recovery of monitor resource.

1. Select verification mode
2. Select dummy failure from monitor resource
3. Select server to use for dummy failure
4. Easily simulate the failure
Usage scene
Solution to improve reliability for Web 3 layer system

Enables integrated management of system under load balancer using SingleServerSafe

Improves availability of whole system by deploying EXPRESSCLUSTER X SSS in web server / app server under load balancer and deploying EXPRESSCLUSTER X to DB server.

Integrated management of whole system

With EXPRESSCLUSTER X integrated manager, enables to manage whole system configured for different purpose and on heterogeneous OS.

Achieves higher availability and usability of whole system
“System Resource Agent” usage situation

Realize stable operation by avoiding system resource failure

Monitors whole system resource
Prevents trouble in advance

Monitors resource of each process
Alerts abnormal resource usage

Stores system resource information
Can be used for sizing or reporting

System resource
- CPU
- Memory
etc

Predicts resource shortage near future

Now Future

Process

Process

Process

Resource usage

Resource usage

Alert

System Resource Agent
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Supported hypervisor

- VMware vSphere 5 / 4.x
- Windows 2008 R2 Hyper-V
- XenServer 5.6 / 5.5
- KVM
- IBM PowerVM
System protection from danger of virus

Anti-Virus Agent can protect system from virus!
Supported products: Trend Micro “OfficeScan Corporate Edition 10.5 & 8.0 SP1 Patch 1”

- Anti-Virus Agent monitors status of OfficeScan Client. Detects hang-up as well as service status, and restarts service.
- Monitors communication with OfficeScan Server, and ensures the pattern files to be delivered.
- For higher availability of the anti-virus system, OfficeScan Server is recommended to be clustered by EXPRESSCLUSTER X.

If failure occurs in Anti-Virus software, risk of virus infection becomes higher due to failure of pattern file import.

Operation with more robust Anti-Virus system can be achieved!
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