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Preface

Who Should Use This Guide

The "EXPRESSCLUSTER® X 4.0 HA Cluster Configuration Guide for Amazon Web Services (Windows)" is intended for administrators who set up cluster systems, system engineers who provide user support for such systems, and cluster-system maintenance personnel. They must also have knowledge of Amazon EC2, Amazon VPC, and IAM provided by Amazon Web Services.

Scope of Application

This guide covers the following product versions.

- EXPRESSCLUSTER X 4.1 for Windows (Internal version: 12.10)
- VPC Management console, EC2 Management Console: Environment as of January 7, 2019

How This Guide is Organized

Chapter 1	Overview: Describes the functional overview.
Chapter 2	Operating Environment: Describes the tested operating environment of this function.
Chapter 3	Notes: Describes the notes on constructing a cluster.
Chapter 4	Constructing an HA cluster based on VIP control: Describes how to create an HA cluster based on VIP control.
Chapter 5	Constructing an HA cluster based on EIP control: Describes how to create an HA cluster based on EIP control.
Chapter 6	Constructing an HA cluster based on DNS name control: Describes how to create an HA cluster based on DNS name control.
Chapter 7	Configuring the IAM: Describes how to configure the IAM.
Chapter 8	Troubleshooting: Describes the problems and their solutions.

EXPRESSCLUSTER X Documentation Set

The EXPRESSCLUSTER X manuals consist of the following six guides. The title and purpose of each guide is described below:

Getting Started Guide

This guide is intended for all users. The guide covers topics such as product overview, system requirements, and known problems.

Installation and Configuration Guide

This guide is intended for system engineers and administrators who want to build, operate, and maintain a cluster system. Instructions for designing, installing, and configuring a cluster system with EXPRESSCLUSTER are covered in this guide.

Reference Guide

This guide is intended for system administrators. The guide covers topics such as how to operate EXPRESSCLUSTER, function of each module and troubleshooting. The guide is supplement to the *Installation and Configuration Guide*.

Maintenance Guide

This guide is intended for administrators and for system administrators who want to build, operate, and maintain EXPRESSCLUSTER-based cluster systems. The guide describes maintenance-related topics for EXPRESSCLUSTER.

Hardware Feature Guide

This guide is intended for administrators and for system engineers who want to build EXPRESSCLUSTER-based cluster systems. The guide describes features to work with specific hardware, serving as a supplement to the *Installation and Configuration Guide*.

Legacy Feature Guide

This guide is intended for administrators and for system engineers who want to build EXPRESSCLUSTER-based cluster systems. The guide describes EXPRESSCLUSTER X 4.0 WebManager, Builder, and EXPRESSCLUSTER Ver 8.0 compatible commands.

Conventions

In this guide, Note, Important, Related Information are used as follows:

Note:

Used when the information given is important, but not related to the data loss and damage to the system and machine.

Important:

Used when the information given is necessary to avoid the data loss and damage to the system and machine.

Related Information:

Used to describe the location of the information given at the reference destination.

The following conventions are used in this guide.

Convention	Usage	Example
Bold	Indicates graphical objects, such as text boxes, list boxes, menu selections, buttons, labels, icons, etc.	Click Start. Properties dialog box
Angled bracket within the command line	Indicates that the value specified inside of the angled bracket can be omitted.	clpstat -s[-h host_name]
>	Prompt to indicate that a Windows user has logged on as root user.	> clpstat
Monospace (Courier)	Indicates path names, commands, system output (message, prompt, etc.), directory, file names, functions and parameters.	C:\Program Files
Monospace bold (Courier)	Indicates the value that a user actually enters from a command line.	Enter the following: > clpcl -s -a
Monospace italic (Courier)	Indicates that users should replace italicized part with values that they are actually working with.	> ping <ip address=""></ip>

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Chapter 1 Overview

1-1. Functional overview

The settings described in this guide allow you to construct an HA cluster with EXPERSSCLUSTER in the Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) environment provided by Amazon Web Services (AWS). Because more important applications can be performed by constructing an HA cluster, a wider range of system configuration options are available in the AWS environment. The AWS has a robust configuration made up of multiple availability zones (hereafter referred to as AZ) in each region. The user can select and use an AZ as needed. EXPERSSCLUSTER realizes highly available applications by allowing the HA cluster to operate between multiple AZs in a region (hereafter referred to as Multi-AZ).

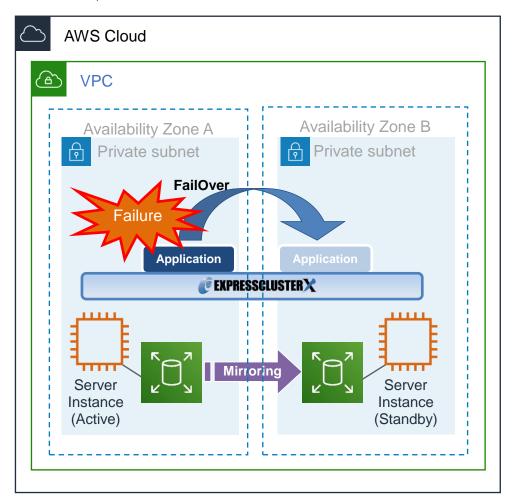


Figure 1-1 Mirror Type HA Cluster in Multi-AZ Configuration

In the AWS environment, a virtual IP can be used to connect to the cluster server. The AWS Virtual IP resource, AWS Elastic IP resource and AWS DNS resource enable the client not to be aware of switching the destination server even if a "failover" or "group transition" occurred.

1-2. HA cluster configuration

This guide describes two HA cluster configurations: HA cluster based on virtual IP (VIP) control, HA cluster based on elastic IP (EIP) control and HA cluster based on DNS name control. This section describes a single AZ configuration. For a multi-AZ configuration, refer to "1-3 Multi-AZ."

Location of a client accessing an HA cluster	Resource to be selected	Reference in this chapter
In the same VPC	AWS Virtual IP resource	HA cluster based on VIP control
Internet	AWS Elastic IP resource	HA cluster based on EIP control
Voluntary location	AWS DNS resource	HA cluster based on DNS name control

HA cluster based on VIP control

This guide assumes the configuration in which a client in the same VPC accesses an HA cluster via a VIP address. For example, a DB server is clustered and accessed from a web server via a VIP address.

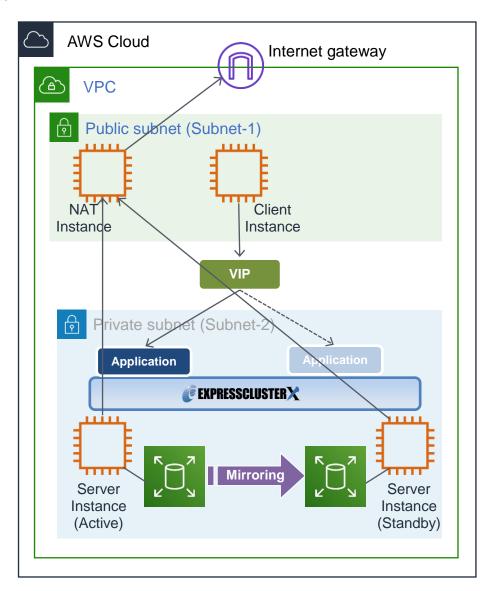


Figure 1-2 HA Cluster Based on VIP Control

In the above figure, the server instances are clustered and placed on the private subnet. The AWS Virtual IP resource of EXPRESSCLUSTER sets a VIP address to the active server instance and rewrites the VPC route table. This enables the client instance placed on any subnet in the VPC to access the active server instance via the VIP address. The VIP address must be out of the VPC CIDR range.

NEC has verified that the AWS specifications do not allow clients outside the VPC to access the server instance via the VIP address assigned by the AWS Virtual IP resource. Therefore, to enable clients outside the VPC to access, specify the EIP address assigned by the AWS Elastic IP resource.

When executing the AWS CLI or referencing the DNS, each server instance accesses the regional endpoint or the Internet via a NAT instance placed on the public subnet as needed.

* When executing the AWS CLI, each instance must be able to communicate with the regional endpoint by -. In this guide, instance for NAT is used for the HA cluster based on VIP control.

The following resources and monitor resources are required for an HA cluster based on VIP control configuration.

Resource type	Description	Setup
AWS Virtual IP resource	Assigns a VIP address to an active sever instance, changes the route table of the assigned VIP address, and publishes operations within the VPC.	Required
AWS Virtual IP monitor resource	Periodically monitors whether the VIP address assigned by the AWS Virtual IP resource exists in the local server and whether the VPC route table is changed illegally. (This monitor resource is automatically added when the AWS Virtual IP resource is added.)	Required
AWS AZ monitor resource	Periodically monitors the health of the AZ in which the local server exists by using Multi-AZ.	Recommended
IP monitor resource	Monitors the health of communication between subnets by checking whether communication with a NAT is available.	Required to check the health of communication between subnets.
Other resources and monitor resources	Depends on the configuration of the application, such as a mirror disk, used in an HA cluster.	Optional

HA cluster based on EIP control

This guide assumes the configuration in which a client accesses an HA cluster via a global IP address assigned to the EIP through the Internet.

Clustered instances are placed on a public subnet. Each instance can access the Internet via the Internet gateway.

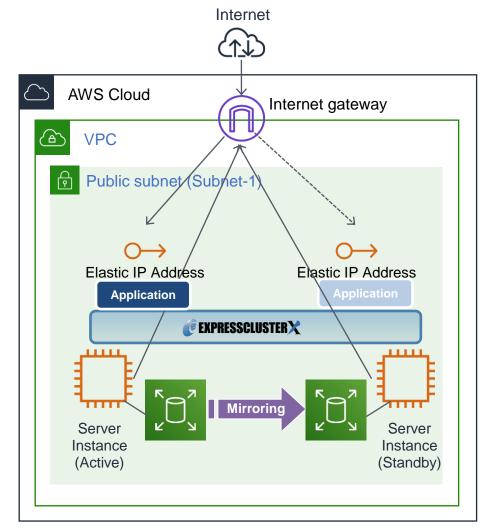


Figure 1-3 HA Cluster Based on EIP Control

In the above figure, the server instances are clustered and placed on the public subnet. The AWS Elastic IP resource of EXPRESSCLUSTER attaches the EIP to the active server instance. This enables a client on the Internet to access the active server instance via the EIP address.

* When executing the AWS CLI, each instance must be able to communicate with the regional endpoint by using a method such as a proxy server, NAT, public IP, and EIP. In this guide, a public IP assigned to the instance is used for the HA cluster based on EIP control.

The following resources and monitor resources are required for an HA cluster based on EIP control configuration.

Resource type	Description	Setup
AWS Elastic IP resource	Assigns an EIP address to an active sever instance and publishes operations to the Internet.	Required
AWS Elastic IP monitor resource	Periodically monitors whether the EIP address assigned by the AWS Elastic IP resource exists in the local server. (This monitor resource is automatically added when the AWS Elastic IP resource is added.)	Required
AWS AZ monitor resource	Periodically monitors the health of the AZ in which the local server exists by using Multi-AZ.	Recommended
Custom monitor resource	Monitors a network partition (NP) so that the same resource does not start in multiple instances at the same time.	Required to perform NP resolution
Other resources and monitor resources	Depends on the configuration of the application, such as a mirror disk, used in an HA cluster.	Optional

HA cluster based on DNS name control

This guide assumes the configuration in which a client accesses an HA cluster via the same DNS name. For example, a DB server is clustered and accessed from a web server via a DNS name.

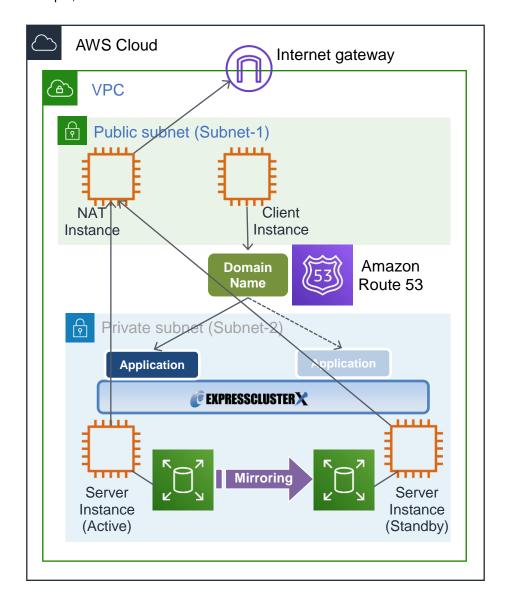


Figure 1-4 HA cluster based on DNS name control

In the above figure, the server instances are clustered and placed on the private subnet. The AWS DNS resource of EXPRESSCLUSTER registers resource record set including the DNS name and the IP address of the active server into the Private Hosted Zone of Amazon Route 53. This enables the client instance placed on any subnet in the VPC to access the active server instance via the DNS name.

In this guide, clustered server instances are placed on the private subnet. However, the instances can be also placed on a public subnet. In this case, this enables a client on the Internet to access the active server instance via the DNS name by registering the resource record set including the DNS name and the public IP address of the active server into the Public Hosted Zone of Amazon Route 53. Furthermore, in order that the query to the domain of the Public Hosted Zone can refer to the Amazon Route 53 name server, it is required to set the name server (NS) record of the registrar in advance.

Moreover, for a configuration in which the cluster and client exist in different VPCs, use a VPC peering connection. Preliminary create a peering connection between the VPCs and associate the VPCs with the private hosted zone of Amazon Route 53. And then register the resource record set including the DNS name and the IP address of the active server into the private hosted zone. This enables the client in the different VPC to access the active server instance via DNS name.

* When executing the AWS CLI, each instance must be able to communicate with the regional endpoint by using a method such as a proxy server, NAT, public IP and EIP. In this guide, NAT is used for the HA cluster based on DNS name control.

The table below shows the necessary resources and monitor resources for constructing a HA cluster based on DNS name control.

Resource Type	Description	Configuration
AWS DNS resource	Registers the resource record sets including the DNS name and the IP address of the active server instance into the hosted zone of Amazon Route 53, and publishes operations within the VPC or to the Internet.	Required
AWS DNS monitor resource	AWS DNS resource periodically monitors whether the registered resource record set exists in the hosted zone of Amazon Route 53 and whether the resolution of the DNS name is available. (This monitor resource is automatically added when the AWS DNS resource is added.)	Required
AWS AZ monitor resource	Periodically monitors the health of the AZ in which the local server exists by using Multi-AZ.	Recommended
IP monitor resource	Monitors the health of communication between subnets by checking whether communication with a NAT is available.	Required to check the health of communication between subnets.
Other resources and monitor resources	Depends on the configuration of the application, such as a mirror disk, used in an HA cluster.	Optional

1-3. Multi-AZ

In the AWS environment, the instances configuring an HA cluster can be distributed to AZs. This provides the instance redundancy for a failure occurrence in an AZ, and increases the system availability.

The AWS AZ monitor resource monitors the health of each AZ. If the monitor resource detects a failure, it makes EXPRESSCLUSTER to issue a warning or perform a recovery operation. For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS AZ monitor resources

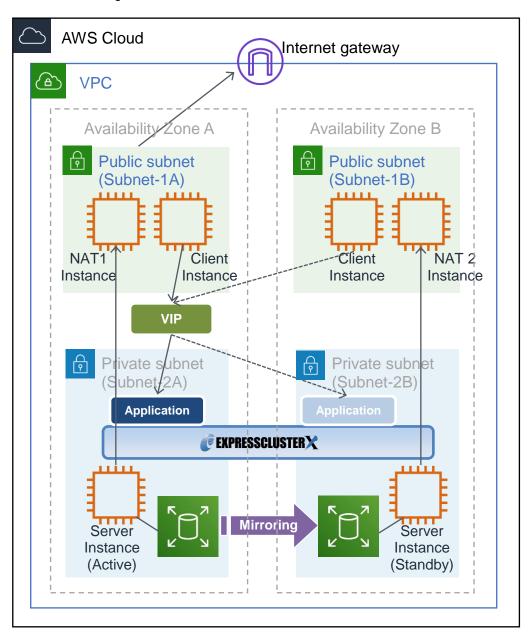


Figure 1-4 HA Cluster Using Multi-AZ

1-4. Network partition resolution

The instances configuring an HA cluster perform alive monitoring on each other by using heartbeat. In the configuration in which instances are distributed to multiple subnets, an undesirable condition such as redundant startup of a service occurs if the heartbeat is lost. To prevent redundant startup of a service, it is required to determine whether the instance itself was isolated in a network (network partition: NP) or the other instance was down.

In the configuration example described in this guide, the IP monitor resource, instead of the network partition resolution resource, is used for resolving a network partition due to the following reasons. In other cases, the network partition resolution resource also can be used.

- ◆ In a Multi-AZ configuration, a NAT instance on each AZ needs to be set as a ping destination. A NAT instance can be set more easily for the IP monitor resource than for the network partition resolution resource.
- ◆ The IP monitor resource can link with the multi target monitor resource or the custom monitor resource when necessary.
- ◆ The IP monitor resource is necessary to check the soundness of the communication among subnets and is equivalent to the Ping method of the network partition resolution resource except that it does not consider the status of heartbeat communication with other nodes.

A network partition can be resolved also by the means of combining the network partition resolution resource and the script for forced stop. For details, refer to the following EXPRESSCLUSTER official blog.

https://jpn.nec.com/clusterpro/blog/20180829.html? (Japanese only)

For details on network partition resolution resources, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Details on network partition resolution resources

The NP resolution conducts a ping or LISTEN port test for an always running device that can return a response (hereafter referred to as an *acknowledgement device*). If the acknowledgement device does not return a response, it is determined that an NP has occurred and the predefined process is performed (for example, issuing a warning, performing a recovery operation, or shutting down the server).

The Amazon VPC uses the following as the ping device usually.

HA cluster type	ping device	Method	Remarks
HA cluster based on VIP control	Instance always running on another subnet	Ping	In this guide, NAT instance is used. Configure the ping device according to your environment.
	Web server on another subnet	HTTP	HTTP network partition resolution resource
HA cluster based on EIP control	Regional endpoint	LISTEN port acknowle dgement	For the regional endpoints, refer to the following URL: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html Example: When the region name is Asia Pacific (Tokyo), the regional endpoint is ec2.ap-northeast-1.amazonaws.com.
HA cluster based on DNS name control	Instance always running on another subnet	Ping	In this guide, NAT instance is used. Configure the ping device according to your environment.

	Web server on another subnet	HTTP	HTTP network partition resolution resource
	Regional endpoint	LISTEN port acknowle dgement	For the regional endpoints, refer to the following URL: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html Example: When the region name is Asia Pacific (Tokyo), the regional endpoint is ec2.ap-northeast-1.amazonaws.com.
HA cluster based on DNS name control	Instance always running on another subnet or regional endpoint	Check Ping or LISTEN port acknowle dgement.	This guide specifies, using an example, NAT instance.

1-5. On-premises and AWS

The following table describes the EXPRESSCLUSTER functional differences between the on-premises and AWS environments.

A: Available, N: Not available

Function	On-premises	AWS
Creation of a shared disk type cluster	А	NA
Creation of a mirror disk type cluster	Α	Α
Floating IP resource	А	NA
Virtual IP resource	A	NA
AWS elastic ip resource	NA	Α
AWS virtual ip resource	NA	A
Possibility of using AWS DNS resource	NA	А

The following table describes the creation flow of a 2-node cluster that uses a mirror disk and IP alias (on-premises: floating IP resource, AWS: AWS virtual ip resource) in the on-premises and AWS environments.

	Step	On-premises	AWS			
Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER						
1	Configure the VPC environment.	Not required	 ♦ When using the AWS Virtual IP resource, refer to "4-1 Configuring the VPC Environment" in this guide. ♦ When using the AWS Elastic IP resource, refer to "5-1 Configuring the VPC Environment" in this guide. ♦ When AWS DNS resource is used, refer to "" in this guide. 			
2	Configure the instance.	Not required	 ♦ When using the AWS Virtual IP resource, refer to "4-2 Configuring the instance" in this guide. ♦ When using the AWS Elastic IP resource, refer to "5-2 Configuring the instance" in this guide. ♦ When AWS DNS resource is used, refer to "" in this guide. 			
3	Configure a partition for a mirror disk resource.	Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 1 Determining a system configuration → Settings after configuring hardware • Reference Guide → Understanding mirror disk resources	Same as the on-premises environment			

4	Adjust the OS startup time.	Refer to the following: Installation and Configuration		
5	Check the network.	Guide → Chapter 1 Same as the on-premises - Determining a system environment		
6	Check the firewall.	configuration → Settings after	CHVIIOIIIICH	
7	Synchronize the server time.	configuring hardware		
8	Install EXPRESSCLUSTER.	Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 3 Installing EXPRESSCLUSTER	Same as the on-premises environment	
		After installing EXPRESSCLUS	TER	
9	Register the EXPRESSCLUSTER license.	Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 4 Registering the license	Same as the on-premises environment	
10	Construct a cluster - Set up the heartbeat method.	Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data → Creating the two-node cluster configuration data	BMC heartbeat and DISK heartbeat cannot be used.	
11	Construct a cluster: Set up the NP resolution.	Use an NP resolution resource. Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data → Creating the cluster configuration data • Reference Guide → Chapter 5 Details on network partition resolution resources	 ♦ When using the AWS Virtual IP resource, refer to "4-3 Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER" → "3) Add a monitor resource." → "IP monitor resource" in this guide. ♦ When using the AWS Elastic IP resource, refer to "5-3 Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER" → "1) Construct a cluster" in this guide. ♦ When AWS DNS resource is used, refer to "" → "1) Construct a cluster" in this guide. 	

12	Construct a cluster: Create a failover group Create a monitor resource.	Refer to the following: • Installation and Configuration Guide → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data → Creating the cluster configuration data	on-premises environment, refer to the following: ◇ When using the AWS virtual ip resource • "4-3 Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER" in this guide • Reference Guide → Understanding AWS Virtual IP resources ◇ When using the AWS Elastic IP resource, refer to the following: • "5-3 Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER" in this guide • Reference Guide → Understanding AWS Elastic IP resources
			 ♦ When using the AWS DNS resource, refer to the following: •"6-3 Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER" in this guide • Reference Guide → Understanding AWS DNS resources

Chapter 2 Operating Environment

For details, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 3 Installation requirements for EXPRESSCLUSTER
 - →Operation environment for AWS Elastic IP resource, AWS Virtual IP resource, AWS Elastic IP monitor resource, AWS Virtual IP monitor resource and AWS AZ monitor resource
- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 3 Installation requirements for EXPRESSCLUSTER
 - →Operation environment for AWS DNS resource and AWS DNS monitor resource

Chapter 3 Notes

Notes on Using EXPRESSCLUSTER in the VPC

Note the following points when using EXPRESSCLUSTER in the VPC environment.

Access from the Internet or different VPC

NEC has verified that the AWS specifications do not allow clients on the internet or different VPC to access the server instance via the VIP address assigned by the AWS Virtual IP resource. In case of accessing from the client on Internet, specify the EIP address assigned by the AWS Elastic IP resource. In case of accessing from the client on different VPC, specify the DNS name registered to Amazon Route 53 with AWS DNS resource and then make an access via VPC Peering Connection.

Access from different VPC via VPC peering connection

AWS Virtual IP resources cannot be used if access via a VPC peering connection is necessary. This is because it is assumed that an IP address to be used as a VIP is out of the VPC range and such an IP address is considered invalid in a VPC peering connection. If access via a VPC peering connection is necessary, use the AWS DNS resource that use Amazon Route 53.

Using VPC endpoint

By using VPC endpoint, it is able to control Amazon EC2 services of AWS CLI without preparing proxy server or NAT, even on the private network. Therefore, in the case of "Constructing an HA cluster based on VIP control", it is able to use VPC endpoint instead of NAT. When the VPC endpoint is created, the name which ends in ".ec2" must be selected.

However, if the NAT does not exist, IP address monitoring cannot be executed by IP monitor resource for NP resolution. Therefore, ping device should be prepared separately.

Moreover, even when VCP endpoint is used, NAT gateway etc. will be required if internet access (for online update of instance, module download etc.) or access to AWS cloud service which is not supported by VPC endpoint are needed.

Restrictions on the group resource and monitor resource functions

Refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Setting up AWS Elastic IP resources
 - → Setting up AWS Virtual IP resources
 - → Setting up AWS DNS resources
 - → Setting up AWS DNS monitor resources

Mirror disk performance

For a mirror type HA cluster, a write request to a mirror disk takes the following routes: Write request I/O:

Guest OS on the active server \rightarrow Host OS on the active server \rightarrow Host OS on the standby server \rightarrow Guest OS on the standby server

Writing completion notice:

Guest OS on the standby server \rightarrow Host OS on the standby server \rightarrow Host OS on the active server \rightarrow Guest OS on the active server

If an HA cluster is constructed in a Multi-AZ configuration, the instances are located at long distances from each other, causing a TCP/IP response delay. This might affect a mirroring operation.

Also, the usage of other systems affects the mirroring performance due to multi-tenancy. Therefore, the difference in the mirror disk performance in a cloud environment tends to be larger than that in a physical or general virtualized environment (non-cloud environment) (that is, the degradation rate of the mirror disk performance tends to be larger).

Take this point into consideration at the design phase if priority is put on writing performance in your system.

Shutting down OS from the outside of cluster

In the AWS environment, it is technically possible to shutdown OS (stop the instance) from the outside of cluster by using EC2 Management Console, CLI etc.

However, if it is done, the process of stopping the cluster may not be completed properly.

In order to avoid this problem, please use clpstdncnf command. For details of the clpstdncnf command, refer to the following:

Reference Guide

 \rightarrow "Setting an action for OS shutdown initiated by other than cluster service (clpstdncnf command)"

However, in the AWS environment, if it takes a long time to shutdown OS from EC2 Management Console, AWS CLI etc., AWS may stop the instance forcibly.

AWS does not publish the time which elapses before stopping the instance forcibly, and the time cannot be changed.

The influence of the stoppage of AWS endpoint

The AWS DNS monitor resource uses AWS CLI in order to check the existence of the resource record set.

To prevent a failover due to the maintenance or a failure of AWS endpoint, or a failure of the network routes, do not change the setting of **Action when AWS CLI command failed to receive response** from the default, **Disable recovery action (Display warning)**.

Failed to start an AWS Virtual IP resource on a Nitro System

For details, refer to the following EXPRESSCLUSTER official blog. https://jpn.nec.com/clusterpro/blog/20181226.html? (Japanese only)

Chapter 4 Constructing an HA cluster based on VIP control

This chapter describes how to construct an HA cluster based on VIP control. The numbers in the figure correspond to the descriptions and setting values in the following sections.

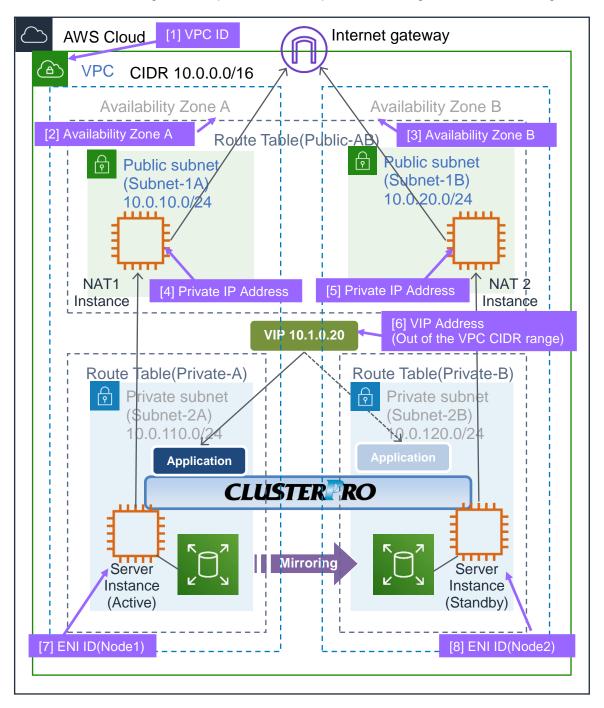


Figure 4-1 System Configuration of the HA Cluster Based on VIP Control

4-1. Configuring the VPC Environment

Configure the VPC on the VPC Management console and EC2 Management console.

The IP addresses used in the figures and description are an example. In the actual configuration, use the actual IP addresses assigned to the VPC. When installing EXPRESSCLUSTER in the existing VPC, specify the appropriate settings such as adding a subnet if the number of subnets is insufficient. This guide does not describe the case to perform operations by adding an ENI to an instance of an HA cluster node.

1) Configure the VPC and subnet.

Create a VPC and subnet first.

→ Add a VPC and subnet in **VPC** and **Subnets** on the VPC Management console.

[1] VPC ID

Write down the VPC ID (vpc-xxxxxxxxx) because it is necessary to set up the AWS virtual ip resource later.

2) Configure the Internet gateway.

Add an Internet gateway to access the Internet from the VPC.

→ To create an Internet gateway, select **Internet Gateways > Create internet gateway** on the VPC Management console. Attach the created Internet gateway to the VPC.

3) Configure the network ACL and security group.

Specify the appropriate network ACL and security group settings to prevent unauthorized network access from in and out of the VPC.

Change the network ACL and security group path settings so that the instances of the HA cluster node can communicate with the Internet gateway via HTTPS, communicate with Cluster WebUI, and communicate with each other. The instances are to be placed on the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B).

→ Change the settings in **Network ACLs** and **Security Groups** on the VPC Management console.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER

4) Add an HA cluster instance.

Create an HA cluster node instance on the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B). To use an IAM role by assigning it to an instance, specify the IAM role.

- ightarrow To create an instance, select **Instances > Launch Instance** on the EC2 Management console.
- → For details about the IAM settings, refer to "Chapter 7 Configuring the IAM".

Disable **Source/Dest. Check** of the elastic network interface (ENI) assigned to each created instance.

To perform the VIP control by using the AWS virtual ip resource, communication with the VIP address (10.1.0.20 in the above figure) must be routed to the ENI of the instance. It is necessary to disable **Source/Dest. Check** of the ENI of each instance to communicate with the private IP address and VIP address.

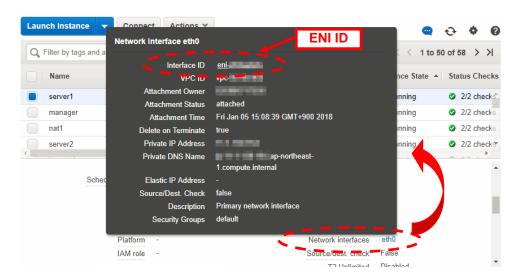
→ To change the settings, right-click the added instance in **Instances** on the EC2 Management console, and select **Networking > Change Source/Dest. Check**.

[7] ENI ID (Node1) [8] ENI ID (Node2)

Write down the ENI ID (eni-xxxxxxxx) of each instance because it is necessary to set up the AWS virtual ip resource later.

Use the following procedure to check the ENI ID assigned to the instance.

- Select the instance to display its detailed information.
- Click the target device in Network Interfaces.
- 3. Check Interface ID displayed in the pop-up window.



5) Add a NAT instance.

To perform the VIP control by using the AWS CLI, communication from the instance of the HA cluster node to the regional endpoint via HTTPS must be enabled.

To do so, create a NAT instance on the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B). In the AWS environment, amzn-ami-vpc-nat-pv-2014.09.1.x86_64-ebs is prepared as the AMI with the string, amzn-ami-vpc-nat included.

When creating a NAT instance, enable the public IP. In addition, disable **Source/Dest. Check** of the added NAT instance to enable the NAT function.

→ To change the settings, right-click the NAT instance in Instances on the EC2 Management console, and select Networking > Change Source/Dest. Check.

6) Configure the route table.

Add the routing to the Internet gateway so that the AWS CLI can communicate with the regional endpoint via NAT and the routing so that a client in the VPC can access the VIP address. The number of CIDR blocks of the VIP address must always be 32.

The following routings must be set in the route table (Public-AB) of the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B in the above figure).

♦ Route table (Public-AB)

Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	Internet gateway	Add (required)
VIP address	eni-xxxxxxxx (ENI ID of the	Add (required)
(Example: 10.1.0.20/32)	active server instance)	
	[7] ENI ID (Node1)	

The following routings must be set in the route tables (Private-A and Private-B) of the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B in the above figure).

♦ Route table (Private-A)

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Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	NAT1	Add (required)
VIP address (Example: 10.1.0.20/32)	eni-xxxxxxxx (ENI ID of the active server instance)	Add (required)
	[7] ENI ID (Node1)	

♦ Route table (Private-B)

Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	NAT2	Add (required)
VIP address (Example: 10.1.0.20/32)	eni-xxxxxxxx (ENI ID of the active server instance) [7] ENI ID (Node1)	Add (required)

When a failover occurred, the AWS Virtual IP resource switches all routings to the VIP address set in these route tables to the ENI of the standby server instance by using the AWS CLI.

[6] VIP Address

The VIP address must be out of the VPC CIDR range of the VPC.

Write down the VIP address set to the route table because it is necessary to set up the AWS Virtual IP resource later.

Configure other routings according to the environment.

7) Add a mirror disk (EBS).

Add an EBS to be used as the mirror disk (cluster partition or data partition) as needed.

→ To add an EBS, select Volumes > Create Volume on the EC2 Management console, and then attach the created volume to an instance.

4-2. Configuring the instance

Log in to each instance of the HA cluster and specify the following settings.

For the Python and AWS CLI versions supported by EXPRESSCLUSTER, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 3 Installation requirements for EXPRESSCLUSTER
 - → Operation environment for AWS elastic ip resource, AWS virtual ip resource

1) Configure a firewall.

Change the firewall setting as needed.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- · Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER

2) Install Python.

Install Python required by EXPRESSCLUSTER.

First, confirm that Python is installed.

If not installed, download Python from the following URL and install it.

https://www.python.org/downloads/

After the installation, start the command prompt as the Administrator user, and run the following command to add the path to python.exe to the environment variable **PATH**. Since the Python command is executed as the SYSTEM user, please make sure that the path to the Python command is set in the system environment variable **PATH**.

> SETX /M PATH "%PATH%;<Path to python.exe>"

3) Install the AWS CLI.

Download the AWS CLI MSI installer from the following URL and install it.

The installer automatically adds the path to aws.exe to the environment variable PATH. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html#install-msi-on-windows The following table matches the installers with the internal versions of EXPRESSCLUSTER:

	EXPRESSCLUSTER	EXPRESSCLUSTER
	(internal version 12.01	(internal version 12.10
	or earlier)	or later)
MSI installer (*1)	Supported	Supported
Upgraded MSI installer (*2)	Not supported	Supported (*3)
Installation with pip	Not supported	Supported (*3)

^(*1) Uses Python 2.

(*3) Requires the setting "CLP_AWS_CMD=aws.cmd" to be set in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf). Also requires the directory of aws.cmd (e.g. "C:\Python27\Scripts") to be set in the system environment variable **PATH**.

If a file is specified for CLP_AWS_CMD in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf), the system environment variable PATH is searched for and the file specified for CLP AWS CMD is executed as the AWS CLI.

If a file is not specified for **CLP_AWS_CMD** in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws setting.conf), "aws" is executed as the AWS CLI.

For more information on the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf), see the following in the *Reference Guide*:

> Applying environment variables to AWS CLI run from the AWS Virtual IP resource For how to install the AWS CLI with the MSI installer or pip, see the following:

^(*2) Uses Python 3.

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/awscli-install-windows.html

(If EXPRESSCLUSTER has been installed before installing Python or the AWS CLI, be sure to restart the OS before using EXPRESSCLUSTER.)

4) Register the AWS access key ID.

Start the command prompt as the Administrator user and run the following command:

```
> aws configure
```

Enter information such as the AWS access key ID to the inquiries.

The settings to be specified vary depending on whether an IAM role is assigned to the instance or not.

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

AWS Secret Access Key [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

Default region name [None]: <default region name>

Default output format [None]: text
```

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is not assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: <AWS access key ID>
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: <AWS secret access key>
Default region name [None]: <default region name>
Default output format [None]: text
```

For "Default output format", other format than "text" may be specified.

If you specified incorrect settings, delete the

folder %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws entirely, and specify the above settings again.

5) Prepare the mirror disk.

If an EBS has been added to be used as the mirror disk, divide the EBS into partitions and use each partition as the cluster partition and data partition.

For details about the mirror disk partition, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 1 Determining a system configuration
 - → 2. Mirror partition settings (Required for mirror disks)

6) Install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

For the installation procedure, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

Store the EXPRESSCLUSTER installation media in the environment to which to install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

(To transfer data, use any method such as Remote Desktop and Amazon S3.)

After the installation, restart the OS.

4-3. Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER

For details about how to set up and connect to Cluster WebUI, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data

This section describes how to add the following resources:

Mirror disk resource

AWS Virtual IP resource

AWS AZ monitor resource

AWS Virtual IP monitor resource

NP resolution (IP monitor resource)

For the settings other than the above, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

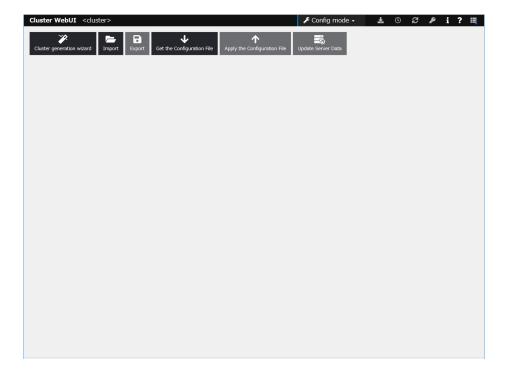
1) Construct a cluster.

Start the cluster generation wizard to construct a cluster.

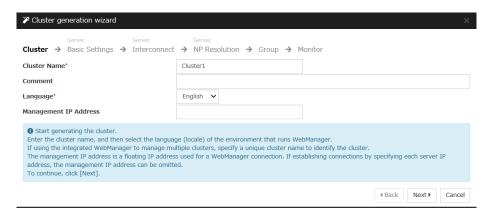
♦ Construct a cluster.

Steps

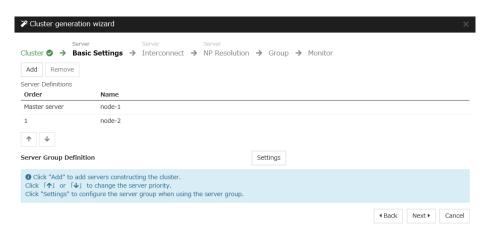
1. Access Cluster WebUI, and click Cluster generation wizard.



 The Cluster window on the Cluster Generation Wizard is displayed. Enter a cluster name in Cluster Name.
 Select an appropriate language from Language. Click Next.

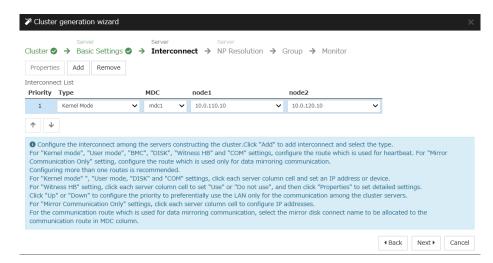


The Basic Settings window is displayed.
 The instance connecting to Cluster WebUI is displayed as the registered master server.
 Click Add to add other instances (by specifying their private IP addresses). Click Next.



4. The **Interconnect** window is displayed.

Specify the IP address (private IP address of each instance) to be used for interconnect. Select mdc1 from **MDC** for the communication path of the mirror disk resource to be created later. Click **Next**.



5. The **NP Resolution** window is displayed.

However, the NP resolution is not set on this window. The same operation as the NP resolution can be achieved by adding the IP monitor resource and monitoring a NAT instance set in each AZ. (The NP resolution will be set in "3) Add a monitor resource. " described later.)

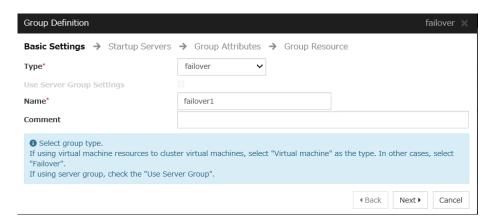
You need to examine the NP resolution destination and method depending on the location of clients accessing a cluster system and the condition for connecting to an on-premise environment (for example, using a dedicated line). Additionally, you can use network partition resolution resources for NP resolution. Click **Next**.

2) Add a group resource.

Group definition
 Create a failover group.

Steps

- The Group List window is displayed. Click Add.
- The Group Definition dialog box is displayed.
 Enter the failover group name (failover1) in the Name box. Click Next.



- 3. The **Startup Servers** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The **Group Attributes** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 5. The **Group Resource** window is displayed.

 Add a group resource on this page following the procedure below.
- ♦ Mirror disk resource

Create the mirror disk resource according the mirror disk (EBS) as needed. For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding mirror disk resources

Steps

- 1. Click Add in Group Resource List.
- The Resource Definition of Group | failover1 is displayed.
 Select the group resource type (Mirror disk resource) from the Type box and enter the group resource name (md) in the Name box.
- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.
- The **Details** window is displayed.
 Enter the drive letter for the partition set up in "4-2 Configuring the instance" → "5)
 Prepare the mirror disk." in **Data Partition Drive Letter** and **Cluster Partition Drive Letter**.
- 6. From **Servers that can run the group**, select the server name in the **Name** column, and click **Add**.
- 7. The **Selection of Partition** dialog box is displayed. Click **Connect**, select the data and cluster partitions, and click **OK**.
- 8. Perform steps 6 and 7 on the other node.
- 9. Return to the **Details** window and click **Finish** to complete setting.
- ♦ AWS Virtual IP resource

Add the AWS Virtual IP resource that controls the VIP by using the AWS CLI.

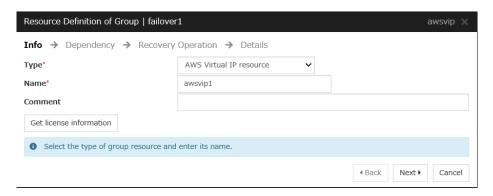
For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS Virtual IP resources

Steps

1. Click Add in Group Resource List.

The Resource Definition of Group | failover1 is displayed.
 Select the group resource type (AWS Virtual IP resource) from the Type box and enter the group resource name (awsvip1) in the Name box. Click Next.



- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.
- The **Details** window is displayed.
 Set a VIP address to be assigned in the **IP Address** box on the **Common** tab (corresponds to [6] in Figure 4-1).

Set the ID of the VPC including instances in the **VPC ID** box (corresponds to [1] in Figure 4-1).

To set up the servers individually, enter the VPC ID of one server on the **Common** tab and specify the VPC ID of the other server separately.

Enter the ENI ID of the active server instance to which the VIP address is to be routed in the **ENI ID** box (corresponds to [7] in Figure 4-1).

The ENI IDs of the servers must be set up individually. Enter the ENI ID of one server on the **Common** tab and specify the ENI ID of the other server separately.



◆ Back

Finish

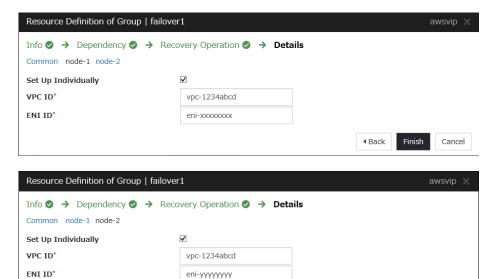
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6. Specify the node settings on each node tab

Select the **Set Up Individually** check box.

Confirm that the VPC ID specified on the **Common** tab is entered in the **VPC ID** box (corresponds to [1] in Figure 4-1).

Enter the ENI ID of the instance corresponding to the node in the **ENI ID** box (corresponds to [7] and [8] in Figure 4-1).



7. Click **Finish** to complete setting.

3) Add a monitor resource.

♦ AWS AZ monitor resource

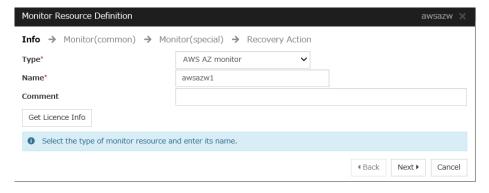
Create an AWZ AZ monitor resource to check whether the specified AZ is usable by using the monitor command.

For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS AZ monitor resources

Steps

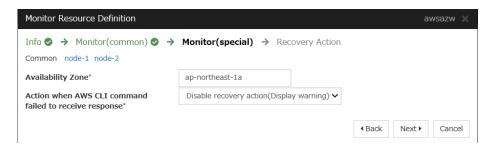
- 1. Click Add in Monitor Resource List.
- 2. Select the monitor resource type (AWS AZ monitor) from the **Type** box and enter the monitor resource name (awsazw1) in the **Name** box. Click **Next**.



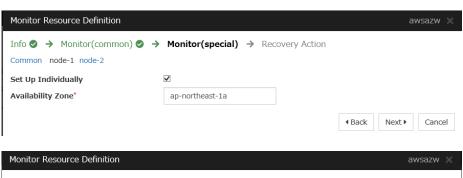
3. The Monitor (common) window is displayed.

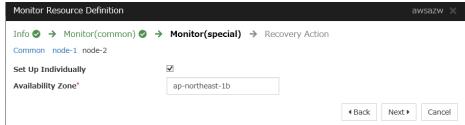
Click **Next** without specifying anything.

4. The Monitor (special) window is displayed. Enter the AZ to be monitored in the Availability Zone box on the Common tab. (Specify the AZ of the active server instance.) (corresponds to [2] in Figure 4-1)

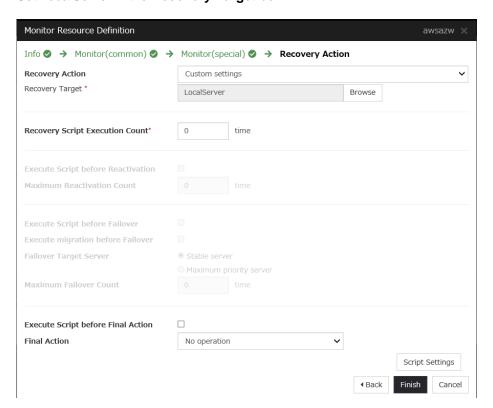


Specify the node settings on each node tab.
 Select the Set Up Individually check box.
 Enter the AZ of the instance corresponding to the node in the Availability Zone box.
 (corresponds to [2] and [3] in Figure 4-1) Click Next.





6. The **Recovery Action** window is displayed. Set LocalServer in the **Recovery Target** box.



- 7. Click **Finish** to complete setting.
- ♦ AWS Vrtual IPonitor resource

This resource is automatically added when the AWS Vrtual IPesource is added.

The existence of the VIP address and the health of the route table can be checked by using the OS API and the AWS CLI commands.

For details, refer to the following:

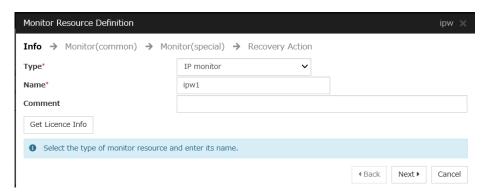
- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS virtual ip monitor resources
- ♦ IP monitor resource

Create the IP monitor resource to monitor the health of the subnet by sending a ping to a NAT instance placed in each AZ. Specify the following:

Steps

1. Click Add in Monitor Resource List.

2. Select the monitor resource type (IP monitor) from the **Type** box and enter the monitor resource name (ipw1) in the **Name** box. Click **Next**.

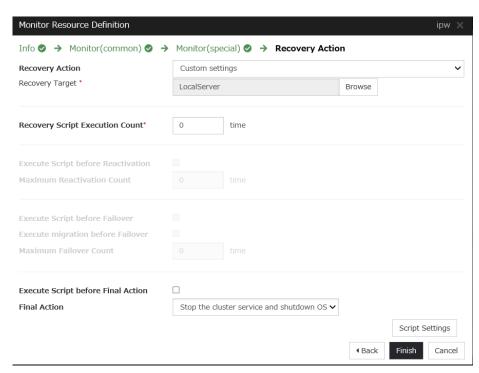


- The Monitor (common) window is displayed.
 Confirm that Monitoring Timing is Always and click Next.
- 4. The **Monitor (special)** window is displayed.

 Enter the private IP address of the NAT instance used by each node in the **IP Address** box of the **Common** tab (corresponds to [4] and [5] in Figure 4-1). Click **Next**.



The Recovery Action window is displayed.
 Set LocalServer in the Recovery Target box.
 Select Stop the cluster service and shutdown OS in Final Action.



6. Click **Finish** to complete setting.

4) Apply the settings and start the cluster.

Click Apply the Configuration File in the config mode of Cluster WebUI.
 A popup message asking "Do you want to perform the operations?" is displayed.
 Click OK.

When the upload ends successfully, a popup message saying "The application finished successfully." is displayed. Click **OK**.

If the upload fails, perform the operations by following the displayed message.

- 2. Select the **Operation Mode** on the drop down menu of the toolbar in Cluster WebUI to switch to the operation mode.
- Select Start Cluster in the Status tab of Cluster WebUI and click.
 Confirm that a cluster system starts and the status of the cluster is displayed to the Cluster WebUI. If the cluster system does not start normally, take action according to an error message.

For details, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → How to create a cluster

Chapter 5 Constructing an HA cluster based on EIP control

This chapter describes how to construct an HA cluster based on EIP control.

The numbers in the figure correspond to the descriptions and setting values in the following sections.

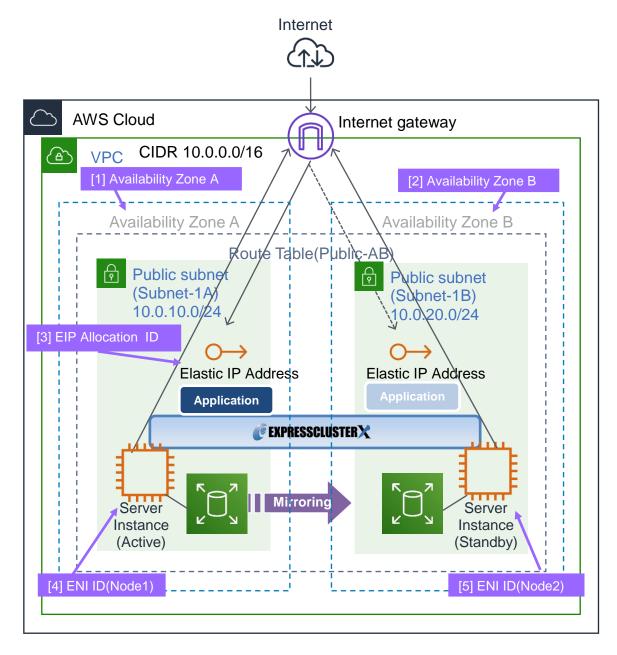


Figure 5-1 System Configuration of the HA cluster based on EIP control

5-1. Configuring the VPC Environment

Configure the VPC on the VPC Management console and EC2 Management console.

The IP address used in the figures and description is an example. In the actual configuration, use the actual IP address assigned to the VPC. When installing EXPRESSCLUSTER in the existing VPC, specify the appropriate settings such as adding a subnet if the number of subnets is insufficient. This guide does not describe the case to perform operations by adding an ENI to an instance of an HA cluster node.

1) Configure the VPC and subnet.

Create a VPC and subnet first.

→ Add a VPC and subnet in **VPC** and **Subnets** on the VPC Management console.

2) Configure the Internet gateway.

Add an Internet gateway to access the Internet from the VPC.

→ To create an Internet gateway, select **Internet Gateways > Create internet gateway** on the VPC Management console. Attach the created Internet gateway to the VPC.

3) Configure the network ACL and security group.

Specify the appropriate network ACL and security group settings to prevent unauthorized network access from in and out of the VPC.

Change the network ACL and security group path settings so that the instances of the HA cluster node can communicate with the Internet gateway via HTTPS, communicate with Cluster WebUI and communicate with each other. The instances are to be placed on the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B).

→ Change the settings in **Network ACLs** and **Security Groups** on the VPC Management console.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - $\rightarrow \text{Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER}$

4) Add an HA cluster instance.

Create an HA cluster node instance on the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B).

When creating an HA cluster node instance, be sure to specify the setting to enable a public IP. If an instance is created without using a public IP, it is necessary to add an EIP or NAT needs to be prepared.

(This guide does not describe this case.)

To use an IAM role by assigning it to an instance, specify the IAM role.

- → To create an instance, select **Instances > Launch Instance** on the EC2 Management console.
- → For details about the IAM settings, refer to "Chapter 7 Configuring the IAM."

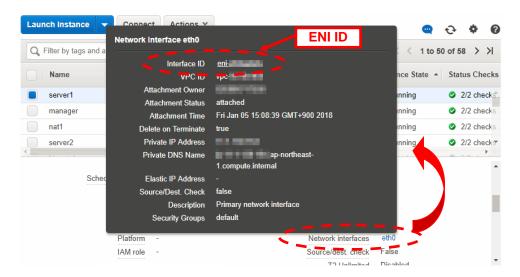
Check the ID of the elastic network interface (ENI) assigned to each created instance.

[4] ENI ID (Node1) [5] ENI ID (Node2)

Write down the ENI ID (eni-xxxxxxxx) of each instance because it is necessary to set up the AWS elastic ip resource later.

Use the following procedure to check the ENI ID assigned to the instance.

- 1. Select the instance to display its detailed information.
- 2. Click the target device in **Network Interfaces**.
- 3. Check Interface ID displayed in the pop-up window.



5) Add an EIP.

Add an EIP to access an instance in the VPC from the Internet.

→ To add an EIP, select Elastic IPs > Allocate new address on the EC2 Management console.

[3] EIP Allocation ID

Write down the Allocation ID (eipalloc-xxxxxxxxx) of the added EIP because it is necessary to set up the AWS elastic ip resource later.

6) Configure the route table.

Add the routing to the Internet gateway so that the AWS CLI can communicate with the regional endpoint via NAT.

The following routings must be set in the route table (Public-AB) of the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B in the above figure).

♦ Route table (Public-AB)

Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	Internet Gateway	Add (required)

When a failover occurred, the AWS Elastic IP resource deassigns the EIP assigned to the active server instance by using the AWS CLI, and assign it to the standby server instance.

Configure other routings according to the environment.

7) Add a mirror disk (EBS).

Add an EBS to be used as the mirror disk (cluster partition or data partition) as needed.

→ To add an EBS, select **Volumes > Create volume** on the EC2 Management console, and then attach the created volume to an instance.

5-2. Configuring the instance

Log in to each instance of the HA cluster and specify the following settings.

For the Python and AWS CLI versions supported by EXPRESSCLUSTER, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 3 Installation requirements for EXPRESSCLUSTER
 - → Operation environment for AWS elastic ip resource, AWS virtual ip resource

1) Configure a firewall.

Change the firewall setting as needed.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- · Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER

2) Install Python.

Install Python required by EXPRESSCLUSTER.

First, confirm that Python is installed.

If not installed, download Python from the following URL and install it.

https://www.python.org/downloads/

After the installation, start the command prompt as the Administrator user, and run the following command to add the path to python.exe to the environment variable **PATH**. Since the Python command is executed as the SYSTEM user, please make sure that the path to the Python command is set in the system environment variable PATH.

> SETX /M PATH "%PATH%; < Path to python.exe>"

3) Install the AWS CLI.

Download the AWS CLI MSI installer from the following URL and install it.

The installer automatically adds the path to aws.exe to the environment variable PATH. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html#install-msi-on-windows The following table matches the installers with the internal versions of EXPRESSCLUSTER:

	(internal version 12.01 or earlier)	(internal version 12.10 or later)
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(If EXPRESSCLUSTER has been installed before installing Python or the AWS CLI, be sure to restart the OS before using EXPRESSCLUSTER.)

4) Register the AWS access key ID.

Start the command prompt as the Administrator user and run the following command:

```
> aws configure
```

Enter information such as the AWS access key ID to the inquiries.

The settings to be specified vary depending on whether an IAM role is assigned to the instance or not.

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

AWS Secret Access Key [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

Default region name [None]: <default region name>

Default output format [None]: text
```

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is not assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: <AWS access key ID>
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: <AWS secret access key>
Default region name [None]: <default region name>
Default output format [None]: text
```

For "Default output format", other format than "text" may be specified.

If you specified incorrect settings, delete the

folder <code>%SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws</code> entirely, and specify the above settings again.

5) Prepare the mirror disk.

If an EBS has been added to be used as the mirror disk, divide the EBS into partitions and use each partition as the cluster partition and data partition.

For details about the mirror disk partition, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 1 Determining a system configuration
 - → 2. Mirror partition settings (Required for mirror disks)

6) Install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

For the installation procedure, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

Store the EXPRESSCLUSTER installation media in the environment to which to install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

(To transfer data, use any method such as Remote Desktop and Amazon S3.)

After the installation, restart the OS.

5-3. Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER

For details about how to set up and connect to Cluster WebUI, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data

This section describes how to add the following resources:

Mirror disk resource

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AWS AZ monitor resource

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NP resolution (Custom monitor resource)

For the settings other than the above, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

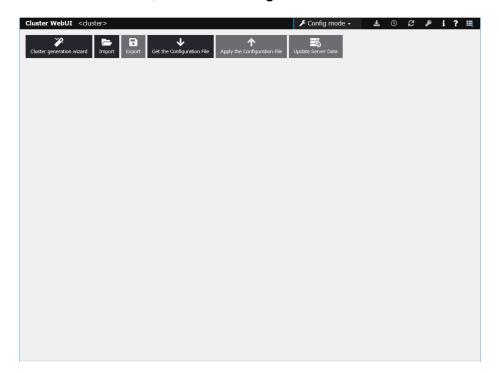
1) Construct a cluster.

Start the cluster generation wizard to construct a cluster.

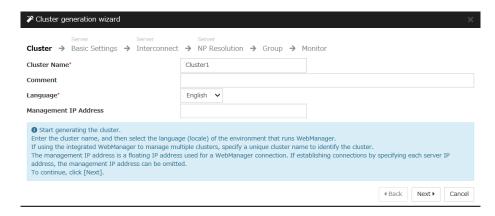
♦ Construct a cluster.

Steps

1. Access Cluster WebUI, and click Cluster generation wizard.

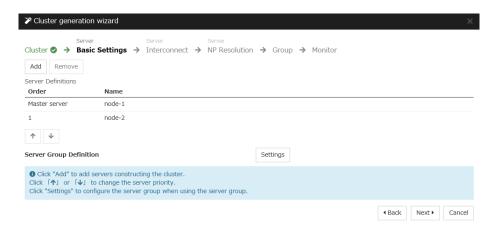


 The Cluster window on the Cluster Generation Wizard is displayed. Enter a cluster name in Cluster Name.
 Select an appropriate language from Language. Click Next.



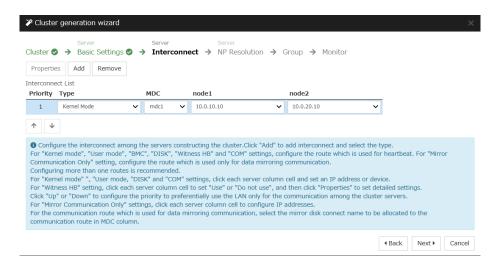
3. The **Basic Settings** window is displayed.

The instance connecting to Cluster WebUI is displayed as the registered master server. Click **Add** to add other instances (by specifying their private IP addresses). Click **Next**.



4. The **Interconnect** window is displayed.

Specify the IP address (private IP address of each instance) to be used for interconnect. Select mdc1 from **MDC** for the communication path of the mirror disk resource to be created later. Click **Next**.



5. The **NP Resolution** window is displayed.

However, the NP resolution is not set on this window. The same operation as the NP resolution can be achieved by adding the custom monitor resource to confirm whether listening on port 443 of the regional endpoint is normally performed. (The NP resolution will be set in "3) Add a monitor resource. " described later.)

You need to examine the NP resolution destination and method depending on the location of clients accessing a cluster system and the condition for connecting to an on-premise environment (for example, using a dedicated line). Additionally, you can use network partition resolution resources for NP resolution.

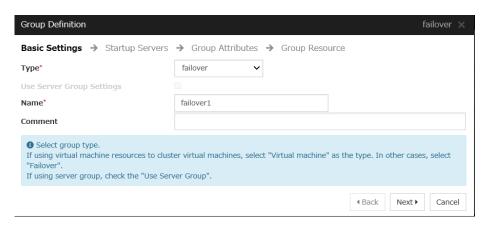
Click **Next**.

2) Add a group resource.

Group definition
 Create a failover group.

Steps

- The Group List window is displayed. Click Add.
- The Group Definition dialog box is displayed.
 Enter the failover group name (failover1) in the Name box. Click Next.



- 3. The **Startup Servers** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The **Group Attributes** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- The Group Resource window is displayed.Add a group resource on this page following the procedure below.
- ♦ Mirror disk resource

Create the mirror disk resource according the mirror disk (EBS) as needed. For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding mirror disk resources

Steps

- 1. Click Add in Group Resource List.
- 2. The **Resource Definition of Group | failover1** is displayed.

 Select the group resource type (Mirror disk resource) from the **Type** box and enter the

group resource name (md) in the Name box. Click Next.

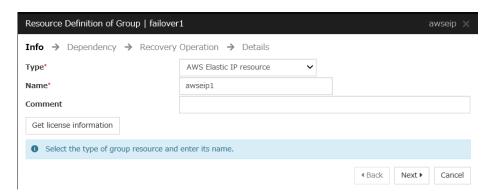
- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.
- 5. The **Details** window is displayed. Enter the drive letter for the partition set up in "5-2 Configuring the instance" → "5) Prepare the mirror disk." in **Data Partition Drive Letter** and **Cluster Partition Drive Letter**.
- From Servers that can run the group, select the server name in the Name column, and click Add.
- 7. The **Selection of Partition** dialog box is displayed. Click **Connect**, select the data and cluster partitions, and click **OK**.
- 8. Perform steps 6 and 7 on the other node.
- 9. Return to the **Details** window and click **Finish** to complete setting.
- AWS Elastic IP resource Add an AWS Elastic IP resource that controls the EIP by using the AWS CLI.

For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS Elastic IP resources

Steps

- 1. Click Add in Group Resource List.
- The Resource Definition of Group | failover1 is displayed.
 Select the group resource type (AWS Elastic IP resource) from the Type box and enter the group resource name (awseip1) in the Name box. Click Next.

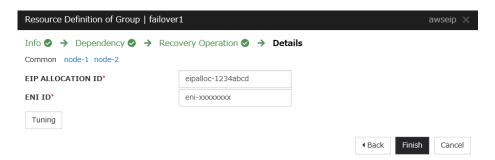


- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.

5. The **Details** window is displayed.

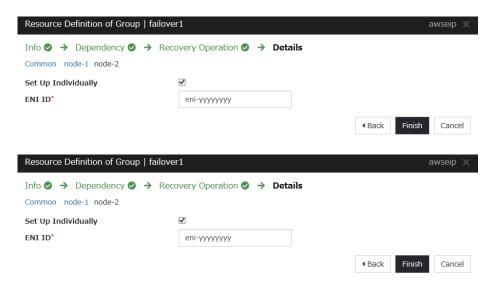
Enter the allocation ID of the EIP to be assigned in the **EIP ALLOCATION ID** box on the **Common** tab (corresponds to [3] and [4] in Figure 5-1).

Enter the ENI ID of the active server instance to which the EIP is assigned in the **ENI ID** box.



6. Specify the node settings on each node tab Select the **Set Up Individually** check box.

Enter the ENI ID of the instance corresponding to the node in the **ENI ID** box (corresponds to [4] and [5] in Figure 5-1).



7. Click Finish to complete setting.

3) Add a monitor resource.

♦ AWS AZ monitor resource

Create the AWZ AZ monitor resource to check whether the specified AZ is usable by using the monitor command.

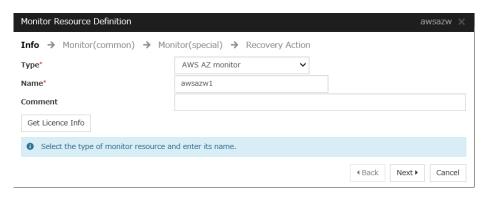
For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS AZ monitor resources

Steps

1. Click Add in Monitor Resource List.

2. Select the monitor resource type (AWS AZ monitor) from the **Type** box and enter the monitor resource name (awsazw1) in the **Name** box. Click **Next**.



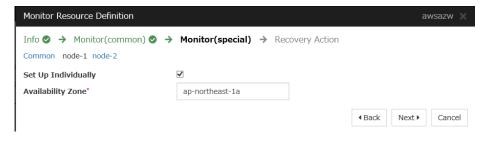
- The Monitor (common) window is displayed. Click Next without specifying anything.
- 4. The **Monitor (special)** window is displayed.

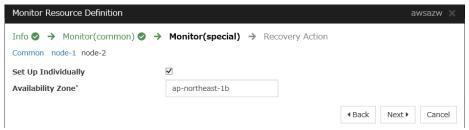
 Enter the AZ to be monitored in the **Availability Zone** box on the **Common** tab.

 (Specify the AZ of the active server instance.) (corresponds to [1] in Figure 5-1)

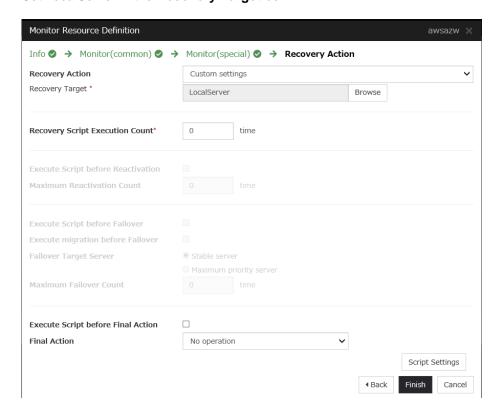


Specify the node settings on each node tab
 Select the Set Up Individually check box.
 Enter the AZ of the instance corresponding to the node in the Availability Zone box (corresponds to [1] and [2] in Figure 5-1). Click Next.





6. The **Recovery Action** window is displayed. Set LocalServer in the **Recovery Target** box.



- 7. Click **Finish** to complete setting.
- ♦ AWS Elastic IP monitor resource

This resource is automatically added when the AWS Elastic IP resource is added.

The health of the EIP address can be checked by monitoring the communication with the EIP address that is assigned to the active server instance.

For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS Elastic IP monitor resources
- ♦ Custom monitor resource

This resource checks the status of the communication with the EIP address by monitoring the communication with port 443 of the endpoint of the region in which the environment has been constructed.

For the regional endpoints, refer to the following URL: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html

For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding custom monitor resources

4) Apply the settings and start the cluster.

Click Apply the Configuration File in the config mode of Cluster WebUI.
 A popup message asking "Do you want to perform the operations?" is displayed.
 Click **OK**.

When the upload ends successfully, a popup message saying "The application finished successfully." is displayed. Click **OK**.

If the upload fails, perform the operations by following the displayed message.

- 2. Select the **Operation Mode** on the drop down menu of the toolbar in Cluster WebUI to switch to the operation mode.
- Select Start Cluster in the Status tab of Cluster WebUI and click.
 Confirm that a cluster system starts and the status of the cluster is displayed to the Cluster WebUI. If the cluster system does not start normally, take action according to

For details, refer to the following:

an error message.

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → How to create a cluster

Chapter 6 Constructing an HA cluster based on DNS name control

This chapter describes how to construct an HA cluster based on DNS name control. The numbers in the figure correspond to the descriptions and setting values in the following sections.

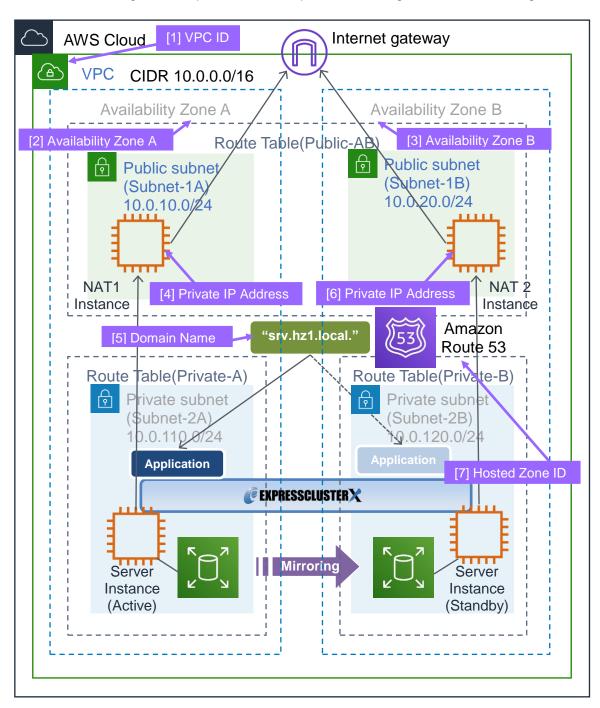


Figure 6-1 System Configuration HA Cluster Based on DNS Name Control

6-1. Configuring the VPC Environment

Configure the VPC on the VPC Management console and EC2 Management console.

The IP addresses used in the figures and description are an example. In the actual configuration, use the actual IP addresses assigned to the VPC. When installing EXPRESSCLUSTER in the existing VPC, specify the appropriate settings such as adding a subnet if the number of subnets is insufficient. This guide does not describe the case to perform operations by adding an ENI to an instance of an HA cluster node.

1) Configure the VPC and subnet.

Create a VPC and subnet first.

→ Add a VPC and subnet in **VPC** and **Subnets** on the VPC Management console.

[1] VPC ID

Write down the VPC ID (vpc-xxxxxxxx) because it is necessary to add the Hosted Zone later.

2) Configure the Internet gateway.

Add an Internet gateway to access the Internet from the VPC.

→ To create an Internet gateway, select Internet Gateways > Create internet gateway on the VPC Management console. Attach the created Internet gateway to the VPC.

3) Configure the network ACL and security group.

Specify the appropriate network ACL and security group settings to prevent unauthorized network access from in and out of the VPC.

Change the network ACL and security group path settings so that the instances of the HA cluster node can communicate with the Internet gateway via HTTPS, communicate with Cluster WebUI, and communicate with each other. The instances are to be placed on the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B).

→ Change the settings in Network ACLs and Security Groups on the VPC Management console.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER

4) Add an HA cluster instance.

Create an HA cluster node instance on the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B).

To use an IAM role by assigning it to an instance, specify the IAM role.

- → To create an instance, select **Instances > Launch Instance** on the EC2 Management console.
- → For details about the IAM settings, refer to "Chapter 7 Configuring the IAM"

5) Add a NAT instance.

To perform the VIP control by using the AWS CLI, communication from the instance of the HA cluster node to the regional endpoint via HTTPS must be enabled.

To do so, create a NAT instance on the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B). In the AWS environment, amzn-ami-vpc-nat-pv-2014.09.1.x86_64-ebs is prepared as the AMI with the string, amzn-ami-vpc-nat included.

When creating a NAT instance, enable the public IP. In addition, disable **Source/Dest. Check** of the added NAT instance to enable the NAT function.

→ To change the settings, right-click the NAT instance in Instances on the EC2 Management console, and select Networking > Change Source/Dest. Check.

6) Configure the route table.

Add the routing to the Internet gateway so that the AWS CLI can communicate with the regional endpoint via NAT.

The following routings must be set in the route table (Public-AB) of the public networks (Subnet-1A and Subnet-1B in the above figure).

♦ Route Table (Public-AB)

Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	Internet gateway	Add (required)

The following routings must be set in the route tables (Private-A and Private-B) of the private networks (Subnet-2A and Subnet-2B in the above figure).

♦ Route Table (Private-A)

,		
Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	NAT1	Add (required)

♦ Route Table (Private-B)

Destination	Target	Remarks
VPC network	local	Existing by default
(Example: 10.0.0.0/16)		
0.0.0.0/0	NAT2	Add (required)

Configure other routings according to the environment.

7) Add a Hosted Zone

Add a hosted zone to Amazon Route 53.

→ To add a hosted zone, select **DNS management** > **Created Hosted Zone** on the **Route 53 Management Console**. Select **Private Hosted Zone for Amazon VPC** from the **Type** box and set the ID of VPC

[1] VPC ID where the instance belongs, in the **VPC ID** box.

[7] Hosted Zone ID

Write down the Hosted Zone ID because it is necessary to set up the AWS DNS resource later.

The reason that this guide includes the procedure to add Privae Hosted Zone is to make it possible to access from the client within the VPC with the cluster located on the Private subnet. When access from internet is required, cluster must be located on Public subnet, therefore Public Hosted Zone will be added.

8) Add a mirror disk (EBS).

Add an EBS to be used as the mirror disk (cluster partition or data partition) as needed.

→ To add an EBS, select **Volumes > Create Volume** on the EC2 Management console, and then attach the created volume to an instance.

6-2. Configuring the instance

Log in to each instance of the HA cluster and specify the following settings.

For the Python and AWS CLI versions supported by EXPRESSCLUSTER, refer to the following:

- Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 3 Installation requirements for EXPRESSCLUSTER
 - → Operation environment for AWS DNS resource and AWS DNS monitor resource

1) Configure a firewall.

Change the firewall setting as needed.

For the port numbers that are used by the EXPRESSCLUSTER components, refer to the following:

- · Getting Started Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Notes and Restrictions
 - → Before installing EXPRESSCLUSTER

2) Install Python.

Install Python required by EXPRESSCLUSTER.

First, confirm that Python is installed.

If not installed, download Python from the following URL and install it.

https://www.python.org/downloads/

After the installation, start the command prompt as the Administrator user, and run the following command to add the path to python.exe to the environment variable PATH. Since the Python command is executed as the SYSTEM user, please make sure that the path to the Python command is set in the system environment variable PATH.

> SETX /M PATH "%PATH%;<Path to python.exe>"

3) Install the AWS CLI.

Download the AWS CLI MSI installer from the following URL and install it.

The installer automatically adds the path to aws.exe to the environment variable PATH. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html#install-msi-on-windows The following table matches the installers with the internal versions of EXPRESSCLUSTER:

	(internal version 12.01 or earlier)	(internal version 12.10 or later)
MSI installer (*1)	Supported	Supported
Upgraded MSI installer (*2)	Not supported	Supported (*3)
Installation with pip	Not supported	Supported (*3)

^(*1) Uses Python 2.

(*3) Requires the setting "CLP_AWS_CMD=aws.cmd" to be set in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf). Also requires the directory of aws.cmd (e.g. "C:\Python27\Scripts") to be set in the system environment variable PATH.

If a file is specified for CLP_AWS_CMD in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf), the system environment variable PATH is searched for and the file specified for CLP AWS CMD is executed as the AWS CLI.

If a file is not specified for **CLP_AWS_CMD** in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws setting.conf), "aws" is executed as the AWS CLI.

For more information on the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf), see the following in the *Reference Guide*:

> Applying environment variables to AWS CLI run from the AWS DNS resource

^(*2) Uses Python 3.

For how to install the AWS CLI with the MSI installer or pip, see the following: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/awscli-install-windows.html

(If EXPRESSCLUSTER has been installed before installing Python or the AWS CLI, be sure to restart the OS before using EXPRESSCLUSTER.)

4) Register the AWS access key ID.

Start the command prompt as the Administrator user and run the following command:

```
> aws configure
```

Enter information such as the AWS access key ID to the inquiries.

The settings to be specified vary depending on whether an IAM role is assigned to the instance or not.

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

AWS Secret Access Key [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

Default region name [None]: <default region name>

Default output format [None]: text
```

♦ Instance to which an IAM role is not assigned.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: <AWS access key ID>
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: <AWS secret access key>
Default region name [None]: <default region name>
Default output format [None]: text
```

For "Default output format", other format than "text" may be specified.

If you specified incorrect settings, delete the

folder <code>%SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws</code> entirely, and specify the above settings again.

5) Prepare the mirror disk.

If an EBS has been added to be used as the mirror disk, divide the EBS into partitions and use each partition as the cluster partition and data partition.

For details about the mirror disk partition, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 1 Determining a system configuration
 - → 2. Mirror partition settings (Required for mirror disks)

6) Install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

For the installation procedure, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

Store the EXPRESSCLUSTER installation media in the environment to which to install EXPRESSCLUSTER.

(To transfer data, use any method such as Remote Desktop and Amazon S3.)

After the installation, restart the OS.

6-3. Setting up EXPRESSCLUSTER

For details about how to set up and connect to Cluster WebUI, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → Chapter 5 Creating the cluster configuration data

This section describes how to add the following resources:

Mirror disk resource

AWS DNS resource

AWS AZ monitor resource

AWS DNS monitor resource

NP resolution (IP monitor resource)

For the settings other than the above, refer to "Installation and Configuration Guide".

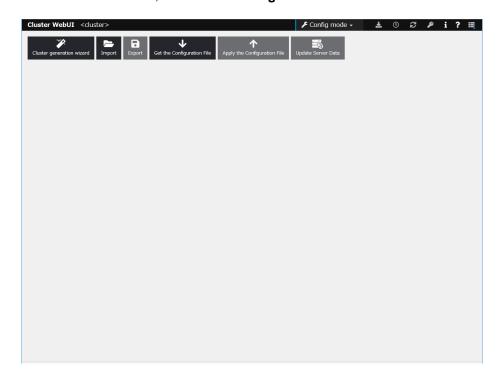
1) Construct a cluster.

Start the cluster generation wizard to construct a cluster.

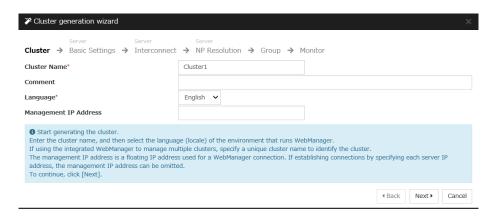
♦ Construct a cluster.

Steps

1. Access Cluster WebUI, and click Cluster generation wizard.

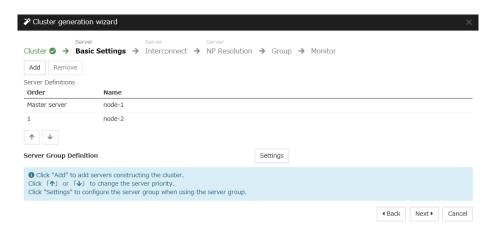


 The Cluster window on the Cluster Generation Wizard is displayed. Enter a cluster name in Cluster Name.
 Select an appropriate language from Language. Click Next.



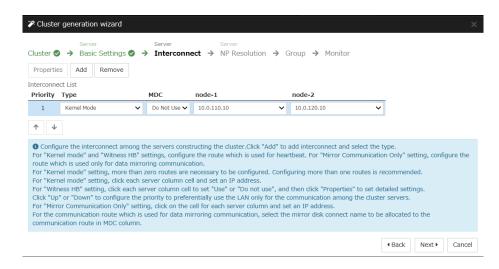
3. The **Basic Settings** window is displayed.

The instance connecting to WebManager is displayed as the registered master server. Click **Add** to add other instances (by specifying their private IP addresses). Click **Next**.



4. The **Interconnect** window is displayed.

Specify the IP address (private IP address of each instance) to be used for interconnect. Select mdc1 from **MDC** for the communication path of the mirror disk resource to be created later. Click **Next**.



5. The **NP Resolution** window is displayed.

However, the NP resolution is not set on this window. The same operation as the NP resolution can be achieved by adding the IP monitor resource and monitoring a NAT instance set in each AZ. (The NP resolution will be set in "3) **Add a monitor resource.**" described later.)

You need to examine the NP resolution destination and method depending on the location of clients accessing a cluster system and the condition for connecting to an on-premise environment (for example, using a dedicated line). Additionally, you can use network partition resolution resources for NP resolution.

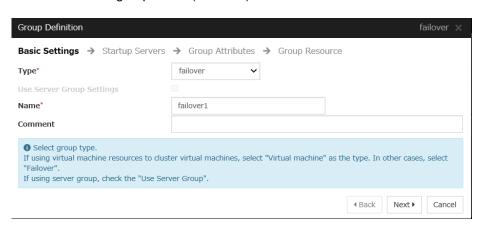
Click **Next**.

2) Add a group resource.

Group definition
 Create a failover group.

Steps

- The Group List window is displayed. Click Add.
- The Group Definition dialog box is displayed.
 Enter the failover group name (failover1) in the Name box. Click Next.



- 3. Click Next.
- 4. The **Startup Servers** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- The Group Attributes window is displayed. Click Next without specifying anything.
- The Group Resource window is displayed.Add a group resource on this page following the procedure below.
- ♦ Mirror disk resource

Create the mirror disk resource according the mirror disk (EBS) as needed. For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding mirror disk resources

Steps

- 1. Click Add in Group Resource List.
- 2. The Resource Definition of Group | failover1 is displayed.

Select the group resource type (Mirror disk resource) from the **Type** box and enter the group resource name (md) in the **Name** box.

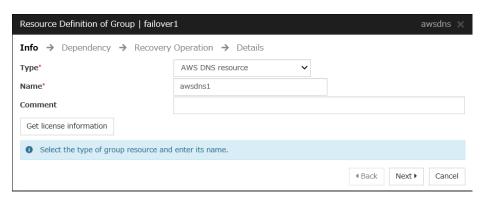
- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.
- The Details window is displayed.
 Enter the drive letter for the partition set up in "6-2 Configuring the instance" → "5)
 Prepare the mirror disk." in Data Partition Drive Letter and Cluster Partition Drive Letter.
- From Servers that can run the group, select the server name in the Name column, and click Add.
- 7. The **Selection of Partition** dialog box is displayed. Click **Connect**, select the data and cluster partitions, and click **OK**.
- 8. Perform steps 6 and 7 on the other node.
- 9. Return to the **Details** window and click **Finish** to complete setting.
- AWS DNS resource Add the AWS DNS resource that controls the DNS name by using the AWS CLI.

For details, refer to the following:

- · Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS DNS resources

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- 1. Click Add in Group Resource List.
- The Resource Definition of Group | failover1 is displayed. Select the group resource type (AWS DNS resource) from the Type box and enter the group resource name (awsdns1) in the Name box. Click Next.



- 3. The **Dependency** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.
- 4. The Recovery Operation window is displayed. Click Next.

5. The Advanced Settings window is displayed.

Set the hosted zone ID in the **Hosted Zone ID** box on the **Common** tab (corresponds to [7] in Figure 6-1).

Set a DNS name to be assigned in the **Resource Record Set Name** box (corresponds to [6] in Figure 6-1).

Set the DNS name as FQDN, adding dot (.) at the end of the name.

Set the IP address corresponding to the DNS name in the **IP Address** box (corresponds to [4] in Figure 6-1).

Enter the IP address of one server on the **Common** tab and specify the IP address of the other server separately.

Since this guide uses the configuration in which the IP address of each server is included in the resource record set, the procedure is as described above. However, if VIP and EIP are included in the resource record set, enter the IP address on the **Common** tab. No individual setting is required.

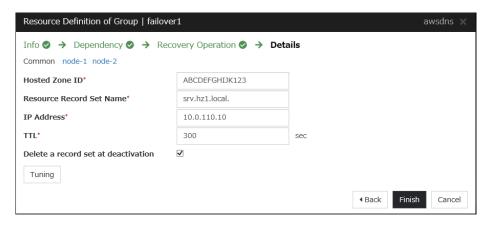
Set the time to live (TTL) of the cache in the TTL box.

The time is specified in seconds.

Set the **Delete a resource record set at deactivation** checkbox to on.

If the resource record set is not deleted from the hosted zone when AWS DNS resource is deactivated, uncheck the checkbox.

If it is not deleted, a client may access the remaining DNS name.

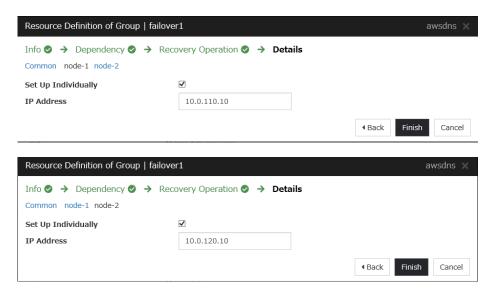


6. Specify the node settings on each node tab.

Select the **Set Up Individually** check box.

Enter the IP address of the instance corresponding to the node in the **IP Address** box (corresponds to [4] and [6] in Figure 6-1).

Since this guide uses the configuration in which the IP address of each server is included in the resource record set, the procedure is as described above. However, if VIP and EIP are included in the resource record set, this procedure is not needed.



7. Click Finish to complete setting.

3) Add a monitor resource.

♦ AWS AZ monitor resource

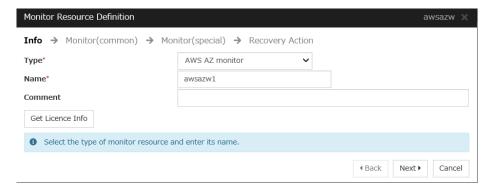
Create an AWZ AZ monitor resource to check whether the specified AZ is usable by using the monitor command.

For details, refer to the following:

- Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS AZ monitor resources

Steps

- 1. Click Add in Monitor Resource List.
- 2. Select the monitor resource type (AWS AZ monitor) from the **Type** box and enter the monitor resource name (awsazw1) in the **Name** box. Click **Next**.

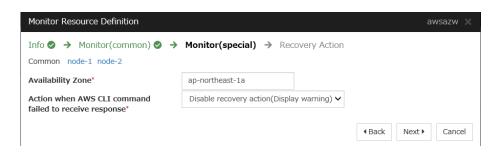


3. The **Monitor (common)** window is displayed. Click **Next** without specifying anything.

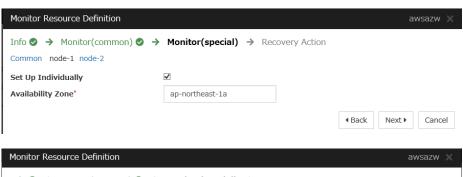
4. The **Monitor (special)** window is displayed.

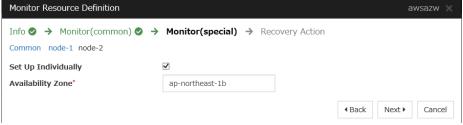
Enter the AZ to be monitored in the **Availability Zone** box on the **Common** tab.

(Specify the AZ of the active server instance.) (corresponds to [2] in Figure 6-1)

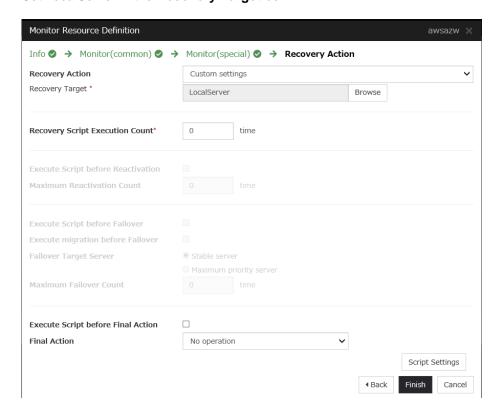


Specify the node settings on each node tab.
 Select the Set Up Individually check box.
 Enter the AZ of the instance corresponding to the node in the Availability Zone box. corresponds to [2] and [3] in Figure 6-1). Click Next.





6. The **Recovery Action** window is displayed. Set LocalServer in the **Recovery Target** box.



- 7. Click **Finish** to complete setting.
- ♦ AWS DNS monitor resource

This resource is automatically added when the AWS DNS resource is added.
Using the OS API and the AWS CLI commands, check the existence of the resource record set and whether the registered IP address can be obtained by resolving the DNS name.
For details, refer to the following:

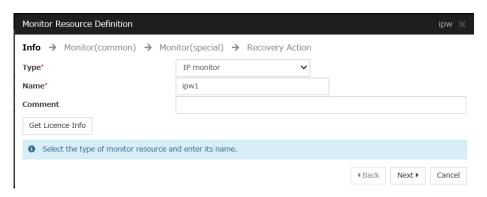
- · Reference Guide
 - → Understanding AWS DNS monitor resources
- ♦ IP monitor resource

Create the IP monitor resource to monitor the health of the subnet by sending a ping to a NAT instance placed in each AZ. Specify the following:

Steps

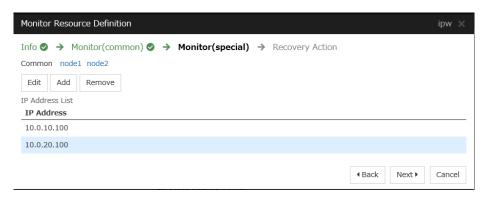
1. Click Add in Monitor Resource List.

2. Select the monitor resource type (IP monitor) from the **Type** box and enter the monitor resource name (ipw1) in the **Name** box. Click **Next**.

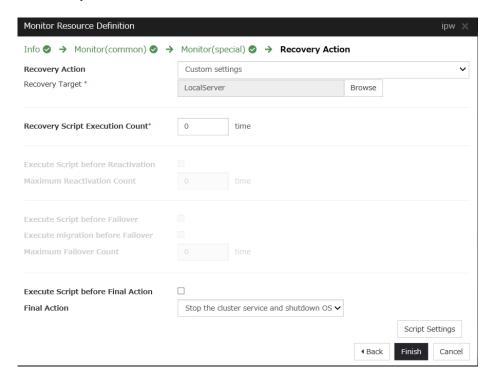


- The Monitor (common) window is displayed.
 Confirm that Monitoring Timing is Always and click Next.
- 4. The **Monitor (special)** window is displayed.

 Enter the private IP address of the NAT instance used by each node in the **IP Address** box of the **Common** tab (corresponds to [4] and [5] in Figure 6-1). Click **Next**.



The Recovery Action window is displayed.
 Set LocalServer in the Recovery Target box.
 Select Stop the cluster service and shutdown OS in Final Action.



6. Click **Finish** to complete setting.

4) Apply the settings and start the cluster.

Click Apply the Configuration File in the config mode of Cluster WebUI.
 A popup message asking "Do you want to perform the operations?" is displayed.
 Click **OK**.

When the upload ends successfully, a popup message saying "The application finished successfully." is displayed. Click **OK**.

If the upload fails, perform the operations by following the displayed message.

- 2. Select the **Operation Mode** on the drop down menu of the toolbar in Cluster WebUI to switch to the operation mode.
- 3. Select **Start Cluster** in the **Status** tab of Cluster WebUI and click.

Confirm that a cluster system starts and the status of the cluster is displayed to the Cluster WebUI. If the cluster system does not start normally, take action according to an error message.

For details, refer to the following:

- Installation and Configuration Guide
 - → How to create a cluster

Chapter 7 Configuring the IAM

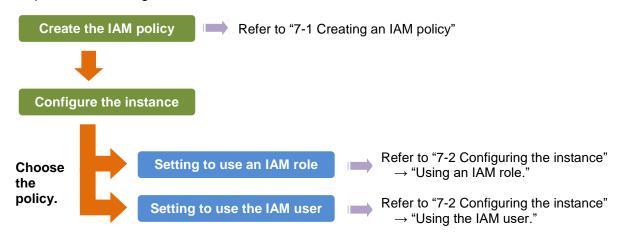
This chapter describes the Identity & Access Management (IAM) settings in the AWS environment. For the resource and monitor resources such as the AWS virtual ip resource, the AWS CLI is run in a resource to process the resource itself. To run the AWS CLI correctly, it is required to configure the IAM in advance.

There are two methods to grant access permissions to the AWS CLI: the policy to use an IAM role and the policy to use an IAM user. NEC recommends the policy to use an IAM role because it is unnecessary to store the AWS access key ID and AWS secrete access key in each instance in principle, enhancing the security.

The following table describes the advantages and disadvantages of both policies.

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Policy to use an IAM role	High security Easy to manage key information.	None
Policy to use an IAM user	Available to set access permissions to an individual instance later	High risk of key information disclosure Complicated to manage key information

The procedure to configure the IAM is as follows:



7-1. Creating an IAM policy

Create a policy in which access permissions granted to the actions for the services such as EC2 and S3 of AWS are described. Access permissions need to be granted to the following actions so that the AWS related resources and monitor resources of EXPRESSCLUSTER run the AWS CLI.

The required policies may be changed in future.

♦ AWS Virtual IP resource and AWS Virtual IP monitor resource

Action	Description	
ec2:Describe*	Required to obtain information of a VPC, route table, and network interface.	
ec2:ReplaceRoute	Required to update a route table.	

♦ AWS Elastic IP resource and AWS Elastic IP monitor resource

Action	Description
ec2:Describe*	Required to obtain information of an EIP and network interface.
ec2:AssociateAddress	Required to assign an EIP to an ENI.
ec2:DisassociateAddress	Required to deassign an EIP from an ENI.

♦ AWS DNS resource/AWS DNS monitor resource

Action	Description
Route 53:ChangeResourceRecordSets	Required to add/delete a resource record set and update the setting details.
Route 53:ListResourceRecordSets	Required to obtain the information of a resource record set.

♦ AWS AZ monitor resource

Action	Description	
ec2:Describe*	Required to obtain information of an AZ.	

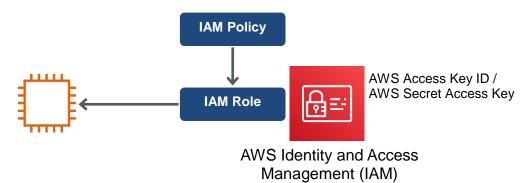
In the following custom policy example, access permissions are granted to all actions to be used by the AWS-related resources and monitor resources.

→ To create a custom policy, select **Policies > Create Policy** on the IAM Management console.

7-2. Configuring the instance

Using an IAM role

Create an IAM role and assign the created IAM role to an instance to run the AWS CLI.



- 1) Create an IAM role. Attach the IAM policy to the created role.
 - → To create an IAM role, select Roles > Create New Role on the IAM Management console.
- 2) When creating an instance, specify the created IAM role for IAM Role. (The IAM role cannot be assigned to the created instance later.)
- 3) Log on to the instance.
- 4) Install Python.

Install Python required by EXPRESSCLUSTER.

First, confirm that Python is installed.

If not installed, download Python from the following URL and install it. After the installation, add the path to python.exe to the environment variable PATH from Control Panel.

https://www.python.org/downloads/

- 5) Install the AWS CLI.
 - Download the AWS CLI MSI installer from the following URL and install it. The installer automatically adds the path to aws.exe to the environment variable PATH. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html#install-msi-on-windows

The following table matches the installers with the internal versions of EXPRESSCLUSTER:

	EXPRESSCLUSTER	EXPRESSCLUSTER
	(internal version 12.01	(internal version 12.10
	or earlier)	or later)
MSI installer (*1)	Supported	Supported
Upgraded MSI installer (*2)	Not supported	Supported (*3)
Installation with pip	Not supported	Supported (*3)

- (*1) Uses Python 2.
- (*2) Uses Python 3.
- (*3) Requires the setting "CLP AWS CMD=aws.cmd" to be set in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws setting.conf). Also requires the directory of aws.cmd (e.g. "C:\Python27\Scripts") to be set in the system environment variable PATH.

If a file is specified for CLP AWS CMD in the environment variable configuration file (clpaws setting.conf), the system environment variable PATH is searched for and the file specified for CLP_AWS_CMD is executed as the AWS CLI.

If a file is not specified for CLP_AWS_CMD in the environment variable configuration file

(clpaws setting.conf), "aws" is executed as the AWS CLI.

For more information on the environment variable configuration file (clpaws_setting.conf), see the following in the *Reference Guide*:

- Applying environment variables to AWS CLI run from the AWS Elastic IP resource
- Applying environment variables to AWS CLI run from the AWS Virtual IP resource
- Applying environment variables to AWS CLI run from the AWS DNS resource For how to install the AWS CLI with the MSI installer or pip, see the following: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/awscli-install-windows.html

(If EXPRESSCLUSTER has been installed before installing Python or the AWS CLI, be sure to restart the OS before using EXPRESSCLUSTER.)

6) Start the command prompt as the Administrator user and run the following command:

```
> aws configure
```

Enter the information required to run the AWS CLI to the inquiries. Be careful not to enter the AWS access key ID and AWS secret access key.

```
AWS Access Key ID [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

AWS Secret Access Key [None]: (Press Enter without entering anything.)

Default region name [None]: <default region name>

Default output format [None]: text
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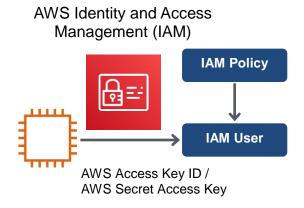
For "Default output format", other format than "text" may be specified.

If you specified incorrect settings, delete the

folder %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws entirely, and specify the above settings again.

Using an IAM user

Create an IAM user and store the access key ID and secret access key of the created user in an instance to run the AWS CLI. It is not required to assign the created IAM role to an instance to be created.



- 1) Create an IAM user. Attach the IAM policy to the created user.
 - → To create an IAM user, select Users > Create New Users on the IAM Management console.
- 2) Log on to the instance.
- 3) Install Python.

Install Python required by EXPRESSCLUSTER.

First, confirm that Python is installed.

If not installed, download Python from the following URL and install it. After the installation, add the path to python.exe to the environment variable **PATH** from **Control Panel**.

https://www.python.org/downloads/

4) Install the AWS CLI.

Download the AWS CLI MSI installer from the following URL and install it. The installer automatically adds the path to <code>aws.exe</code> to the environment variable **PATH**. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html#install-msi-on-windows

For details about how to set up the AWS CLI, refer to the following: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-welcome.html

(If EXPRESSCLUSTER has been installed before installing Python or the AWS CLI, be sure to restart the OS before using EXPRESSCLUSTER.)

5) Start the command prompt as the Administrator user and run the following command:

> aws configure

Enter the information required to run the AWS CLI to the inquiries. For the AWS access key ID and AWS secret access key, enter those obtained from the IAM use detailed information window.

AWS Access Key ID [None]: <AWS access key ID>
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: <AWS secret access key>
Default region name [None]: <default region name>
Default output format [None]: text

If you specified incorrect settings, delete the

folder $SystemDrive \Users \Administrator \. aws entirely, and specify the above settings again.$

Chapter 8 Troubleshooting

This chapter describes the points to be checked and solutions if EXPRESSCLUSTER cannot be set up in the AWS environment.

- Failed to start the installer of the EXPRESSCLUSTER trial version.
 - An AMI for Windows Server provided by AWS is an English OS. Therefore, the trial version in Japanese cannot be installed. Do either of the following:
 - Obtain the trial version in English.
 - Run archdisp.exe in Windows\4.0\common\server.
- Failed to start a resource or monitor resource related to AWS.

Confirm that the OS has restarted, Python and the AWS CLI are installed, and the AWS CLI has been set up correctly.

If the OS has been restarted when installing EXPRESSCLUSTER, the environment variable settings might be changed by installing Python and the AWS CLI. In this case, restart the OS again.

- Failed to start an AWS Virtual IP resource on a Nitro System.
 For details, refer to the following EXPRESSCLUSTER official blog.
 https://jpn.nec.com/clusterpro/blog/20181226.html? (Japanese only)
- Failed to start the AWS Virtual IP resource.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsvip1. (99 : Internal error
	occurred.)
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.
	Python has not been installed, or the path does not reach python.exe.
	◆ The AWS CLI has not been installed, or the path does not
	reach aws.exe.
Solution	Confirm that Python and the AWS CLI are installed.
	Confirm that the paths to python.exe and aws.exe are set
	to the environment variable PATH.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource <i>awsvip1</i> . (5 : the AWS CLI command failed.)
Possible cause	 Any of the following might be the cause. ◆ The AWS CLI has not been set up. (aws configure has not been run.) ◆ The AWS CLI configuration file (file under %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws) could not be found. (A user other than Administrator ran aws configure.) ◆ The specified AWS CLI settings (such as a region, access key ID, and secret key) are not correct. ◆ (For an operation using an IAM role) An IAM role has not been set to the instance. ◆ The specified VPC ID or ENI ID is invalid.
Solution	Confirm that the AWS CLI works normally. Correct the above mentioned settings.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsvip1. (5 : The vpc ID
	'vpc-xxxxxxx' does not exist)
Possible cause	The specified VPC ID might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct VPC ID.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource <i>awsvip1</i> . (5 : The networkInterface ID ' <i>eni-xxxxxxxx</i> ' does not exist)
Possible cause	The specified ENI ID might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct ENI ID.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsvip1. (6 : Timeout occurred.)
Possible cause	The AWS CLI command might not be able to communicate
	with the regional endpoint.
Solution	Check the following:
	◆ The instance for NAT is running.
	◆ The routing for the NAT instance has been set up.
	◆ The packet is not excluded by filtering.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsvip1. (7 : The VIP address belongs to a VPC subnet.)
Possible cause	The specified VIP address is not appropriate because it is within of the VPC CIDR range.
Solution	Specify an IP address out of the VPC CIDR range as the VIP address.

♦ The AWS Virtual IP resource is running normally, but ping cannot reach the VIP address.

Cluster WebUI message	-
Possible cause	Source/Dest. Check of the ENI set to the AWS virtual ip
	resource is enabled.
Solution	Disable Source/Dest. Check of the ENI set to the AWS virtual
	ip resource.

◆ The AWS Virtual IP monitor resource enters the error state.

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor awsvipw1 detected an error. (8 : The routing for VIP was changed.)
Possible cause	In the route table, the target of the VIP address corresponding to the AWS virtual ip resource has been changed to another ENI ID for some reason.
Solution	When an error is detected, the AWS virtual ip resource is restarted automatically and the target is updated to a correct ENI ID. Check whether another HA cluster uses the same VIP address mistakenly and so on.

◆ Failed to start the AWS Elastic IP resource.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awseip1. (99 : Internal error
	occurred.)
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.◆ Python has not been installed, or the path does not reach
	 python.exe. The AWS CLI has not been installed, or the path does not reach aws.exe.
Solution	Confirm that Python and the AWS CLI are installed. Confirm that the paths to python.exe and aws.exe are set to the environment variable PATH.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awseip1. (5: the AWS CLI command
	failed.)
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.

	◆ The AWS CLI has not been set up. (aws configure has
	not been run.)
	◆ The AWS CLI configuration file (file
	<pre>under %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws)</pre>
	could not be found. (A user other than Administrator ran
	aws configure.)
	◆ The specified AWS CLI settings (such as a region, access
	key ID, and secret key) are not correct.
	◆ (For an operation using an IAM role) An IAM role has not
	been set to the instance.
	◆ The specified VPC ID or ENI ID is invalid.
Solution	Confirm that the AWS CLI works normally.
	Correct the above mentioned settings.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource <i>awseip1</i> . (5 : The allocation ID 'eipalloc-xxxxxxxx' does not exist)
Possible cause	The specified EIP allocation ID might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct EIP allocation ID.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awseip1. (5 : The networkInterface
	ID 'eni-xxxxxxxx' does not exist)
Possible cause	The specified ENI ID might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct ENI ID.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awseip1. (6 : Timeout occurred.)
Possible cause	The AWS CLI command might not be able to communicate
	with the regional endpoint.
Solution	Confirm that a public IP is assigned to each instance.
	Confirm that the AWS CLI works normally in each instance.

◆ The AWS Elastic IP monitor resource enters the error state.

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor awseipw1 detected an error. (7 : The EIP address does not exist.)
Possible cause	The specified ENI ID and elastic IP have been deassociated for some reason.
Solution	When an error is detected, the AWS elastic ip resource is restarted automatically and the specified ENI ID and elastic IP are associated. Check whether another HA cluster uses the same EIP allocation ID mistakenly and so on.

◆ Failed to start the AWS DNS resource

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Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsdns1. (99: Internal error
	occurred.)
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.
	Python has not been installed, or the path does not reach python.exe.
	The AWS CLI has not been installed, or the path does not reach aws.exe.
Solution	Confirm that Python and the AWS CLI are installed.
	Confirm that the paths to python.exe and aws.exe are set to the environment variable Path.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsdns1. (5: AWS CLI command failed.)
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.

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	 The AWS CLI has not been set up. (aws configure has not been run.) The AWS CLI configuration file (file under %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws) could not be found. (A user other than Administrator ran aws configure.) The specified AWS CLI settings (such as a region, access key, and secrete key ID) are not correct. (For an operation using an IAM role) An IAM role has not been set to the instance. The specified resource record set is invalid.
Solution	Confirm that the AWS CLI works normally. Correct the above mentioned settings.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsdns1. (5: No hosted zone found with ID: %1)
Possible cause	The specified hosted zone ID might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct hosted zone ID.

Cluster WebUI message	Failed to start the resource awsdns1. (6: Timeout occurred.)
Possible cause	The AWS CLI command might not be able to communicate with
	the regional endpoint.
Solution	Check the following:
	◆ The NAT instance is running.
	◆ The routing for the NAT instance has been set up.
	◆ The packet is not excluded by filtering.

◆ The AWS DNS monitor resource enters the error state

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor awsdnsw1 detected an error. (7: The resource record set does not exist in Amazon Route 53.)
Possible cause	In the hosted zone, the resource record set corresponding to the AWS DNS resource has been deleted for some reason.
Solution	Check whether another HA cluster uses the same resource record set mistakenly and so on.

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor awsdnsw1 detected an error. (8: The different IP address from the setting value is registered in the resource record set.)
Possible cause	In the hosted zone, the IP address of the resource record set corresponding to the AWS DNS resource has been deleted for some reason.
Solution	Check whether another HA cluster uses the same resource record set mistakenly and so on.

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor <i>awsdnsw1</i> detected an error. (9: Failed to check name resolution.)
Possible cause	The DNS query using the DNS name registered in the hosted zone as resource record set failed to check the name resolution for some reason.
Solution	Check the following: ◆ If there are no errors in the resolver settings ◆ If there are no errors in the network settings ◆ If the domain query is set to refer to Amazon Route 53 name server (NS) based on the NS record setting of registrar when Public Host Zone is used.

Cluster WebUI message	Monitor awsdnsw1 detected an error. (10: The IP address obtained by the DNS name resolution is different from the setting value.)
Possible cause	The IP address obtained by name resolution check with the DNS name registered in the Hosted Zone as the resource record set is not correct.
Solution	 Check the following: ◆ If the resolver setting is correct. ◆ If there are no entries related to the DNS name in the hosts file.

◆ The AWS AZ monitor resource enters the warning or error state.

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Cluster WebUI message	[Warning]	
	Monitor awsazw1 is in the warning status. (105 : the AWS CLI	
	command failed.)	
	[Error]	
	Monitor awsazw1 detected an error. (5: the AWS CLI command	
	failed.)	
Possible cause	Any of the following might be the cause.	
	◆ The AWS CLI has not been set up. (aws configure has	
	not been run.)	
	◆ The AWS CLI configuration file (file	
	<pre>under %SystemDrive%\Users\Administrator\.aws</pre>	
) could not be found. (A user other than Administrator ran	
	aws configure.)	
	◆ The specified AWS CLI settings (such as a region, access	
	key ID, and secret key) are not correct.	
	♦ (For an operation using an IAM role) An IAM role has not	
	been set to the instance.	
	◆ The specified AZ is invalid.	
Solution	Confirm that the AWS CLI works normally.	
	Correct the above mentioned settings.	

Cluster WebUI message	[Warning] Monitor awsazw1 is in the warning status. (105 : Invalid availability zone: [ap-northeast-1x]) [Error] Monitor awsazw1 detected an error. (5 : Invalid availability zone: [ap-northeast-1x])
Possible cause	The specified AZ might not be correct or might not exist.
Solution	Specify a correct AZ.

Cluster WebUI message	[Warning]
	Monitor awsazw1 is in the warning status. (106: Timeout
	occurred.)
	[Error]
	Monitor awsazw1 detected an error. (6 : Timeout occurred.)
Possible cause	The AWS CLI command might not be able to communicate
	with the regional endpoint because the route table of the NAT
	setting is incorrect and so on.
Solution	Check the following:
	◆ The NAT instance is running.
	The routing for the NAT instance has been set up.
	◆ The packet is not excluded by filtering.