Oracle Clusterware Installation and Configuration

Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- Describe the installation of Oracle RAC 11g
- Perform RAC preinstallation tasks
- Perform cluster setup tasks
- Install Oracle Clusterware

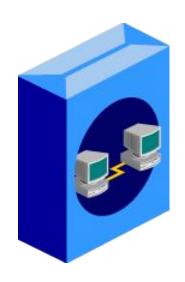
Oracle RAC 11g Installation

Oracle RAC 11g incorporates a two-phase installation process:

- Phase one installs Oracle Clusterware.
- Phase two installs the Oracle Database 11g software with RAC.

Oracle RAC 11g Installation: Outline

- 1. Complete preinstallation tasks:
 - Hardware requirements
 - Software requirements
 - Environment configuration, kernel parameters, and so on
- 2. Perform Oracle Clusterware installation.
- 3. Perform ASM installation.
- 4. Perform Oracle Database 11*g* software installation.
- 5. Install EM agent on cluster nodes if using Grid Control.
- 6. Perform cluster database creation.
- 7. Complete postinstallation tasks.



Windows and UNIX Installation Differences

- Startup and shutdown services
- Environment variables
- DBA account for database administrators
- Account for running OUI



Preinstallation Tasks

✓ Check system requirements.

✓ Check software requirements.

Check kernel parameters.

Create groups and users.

✓ Perform cluster setup.

Hardware Requirements

At least 1 GB of physical memory is needed.

```
# grep MemTotal /proc/meminfo
MemTotal: 1126400 kB
```

A minimum of 1 GB of swap space is required.

```
# grep SwapTotal /proc/meminfo
SwapTotal: 1566328 kB
```

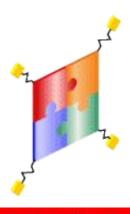
The /tmp directory should be at least 400 MB.

```
# df -k /tmp
Filesystem 1K-blocks Used Available Use%
/dev/sda6 6198556 3137920 2745756 54%
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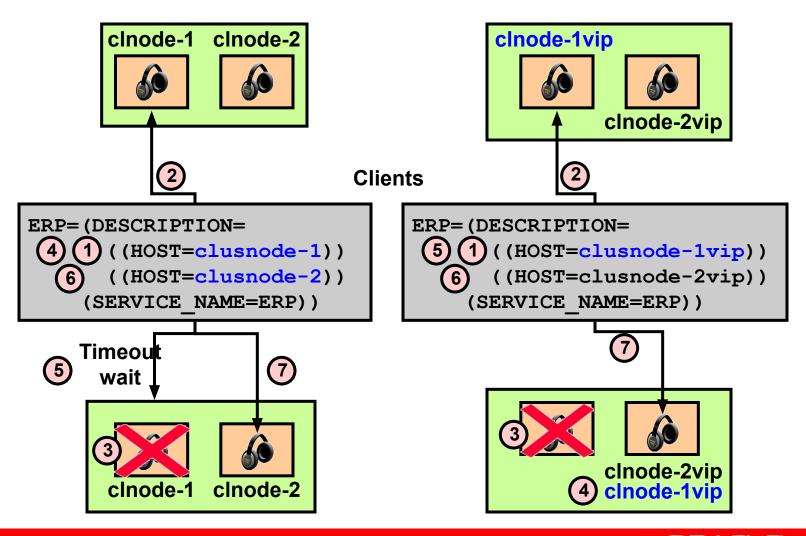
The Oracle Database 11g software requires up to 4 GB of disk space.

Network Requirements

- Each node must have at least two network adapters.
- Each public network adapter must support TCP/IP.
- The interconnect adapter must support User Datagram Protocol (UDP).
- The host name and IP address associated with the public interface must be registered in the domain name service (DNS) or the /etc/hosts file.



Virtual IP Addresses and RAC



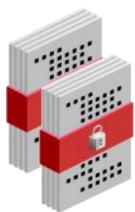
RAC Network Software Requirements

- Supported interconnect software protocols are required:
 - TCP/IP
 - UDP
 - Reliable Data Gram
- Token Ring is not supported on AIX platforms.



Package Requirements

- Package versions are checked by the cluvfy utility.
- For example, required packages and versions for Red Hat 4.0 and Oracle Enterprise Linux 4 include:
 - glibc-2.3.4-2.25
 - glibc-common-2.3.4.2-25
 - glibc-devel-2.3.4.2-25
 - gcc-3.4.6-3
 - gcc-c++-3.4.6-3
 - libaio-0.3.105-2
 - libaio-devel-0.3.105-2
 - libstdc++-3.4.6-3.1
 - make-3.80-6
 - sysstat-5.0.5-11



Required UNIX Groups and Users

 Create an oracle user, a dba, and an oinstall group on each node:

```
# groupadd -g 500 oinstall
# groupadd -g 501 dba
# useradd -u 500 -d /home/oracle -g "oinstall" \
   -G "dba" -m -s /bin/bash oracle
```

Verify the existence of the nobody nonprivileged user:

```
# grep nobody /etc/passwd
Nobody:x:99:99:Nobody:/:/sbin/nobody
```

oracle User Environment

- Set umask to 022.
- Set the DISPLAY environment variable.
- Set the ORACLE BASE environment variable.
- Set the TMP and TMPDIR variables, if needed.

```
$ cd
$ vi .bash_profile
umask 022
ORACLE_BASE=/u01/app/oracle; export ORACLE_BASE
TMP=/u01/mytmp; export TMP
TMPDIR=$TMP; export TMPDIR
```

User Shell Limits

 Add the following lines to the /etc/security/limits.conf file:

```
* soft nproc 2047
* hard nproc 16384
* soft nofile 1024
* hard nofile 65536
```

Add the following line to the /etc/pam.d/login file:

```
session required
/lib/security/pam_limits.so
```

Configuring for Remote Installation

To configure Secure Shell:

1. Create the public and private keys on all nodes:

```
[vx0044]$ /usr/bin/ssh-keygen -t dsa
[vx0045]$ /usr/bin/ssh-keygen -t dsa
```

2. Concatenate id_dsa.pub from all nodes into the authorized_keys file on the first node:

3. Copy the authorized_keys file to the other nodes:

```
[vx0044]$ scp ~/.ssh/authorized_keys vx0045:/home/oracle/.ssh/
```

Required Directories for the Oracle Database Software

You must identify five directories for the Oracle database software:

- Oracle base directory
- Oracle inventory directory
- Oracle Clusterware home directory
- Oracle home directory for the database
- Oracle home directory for ASM



Linux Operating System Parameters

Parameter	Value	File
semmsl	250	/proc/sys/kernel/sem
semmns	32000	/proc/sys/kernel/sem
semopm	100	/proc/sys/kernel/sem
semmni	128	/proc/sys/kernel/sem
shmall	2097152	/proc/sys/kernel/shmall
shmmax	½ physical memory	/proc/sys/kernel/shmmax
shmmni	4096	/proc/sys/kernel/shmmni
file-max	65536	/proc/sys/fs/file-max
rmem_max	4194304	/proc/sys/net/core/rmem_max
rmem_default	4194304	/proc/sys/net/core/rmem_default
wmem_max	262144	/proc/sys/net/core/wmem_max
wmem_default	262144	/proc/sys/net/core/wmem_default

Cluster Setup Tasks

- 1. View the Certifications by Product section at http://metalink.oracle.com/.
- 2. Verify your high-speed interconnects.
- 3. Determine the shared storage (disk) option for your system:
 - OCFS or other shared file system solution
 - Raw devices
 - ASM

ASM cannot be used for the OCR and Voting Disk files!

4. Install the necessary operating system patches.

Verifying Cluster Setup with cluvfy

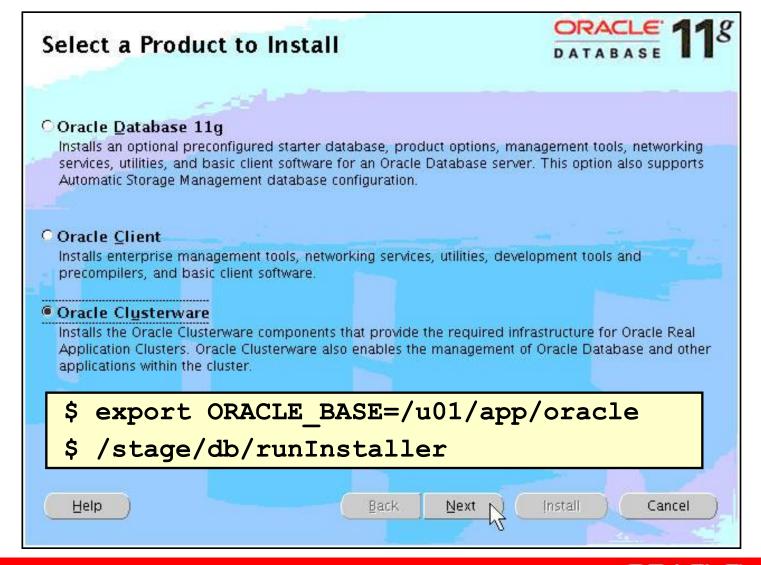
Install the cvuqdisk rpm required for cluvfy:

```
# su root
# cd /stage/db/rpm
# export CVUQDISK_GRP=dba
# rpm -iv cvuqdisk-1.0.1-1.rpm
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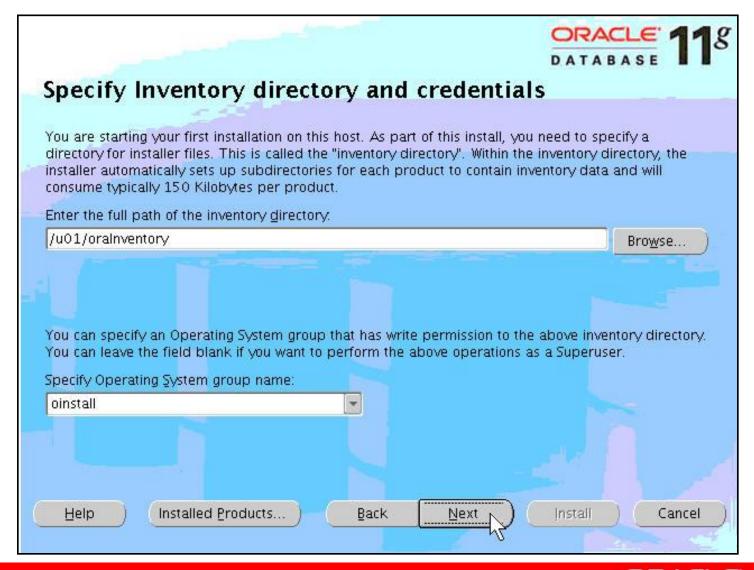
Run the cluvfy utility as oracle as shown below:

```
# cd /stage/db
./runcluvfy.sh stage -post hwos -n all -verbose
```

Installing Oracle Clusterware



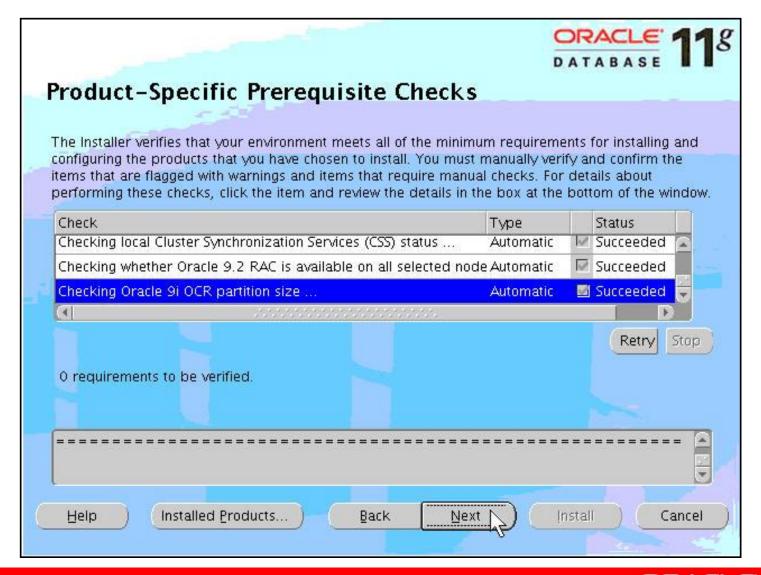
Specifying the Inventory Directory



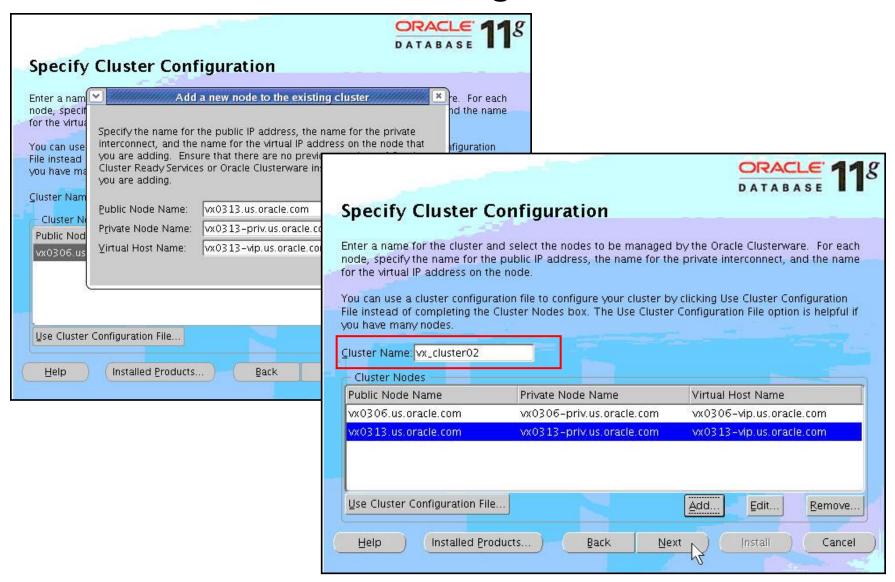
Specify Home Details



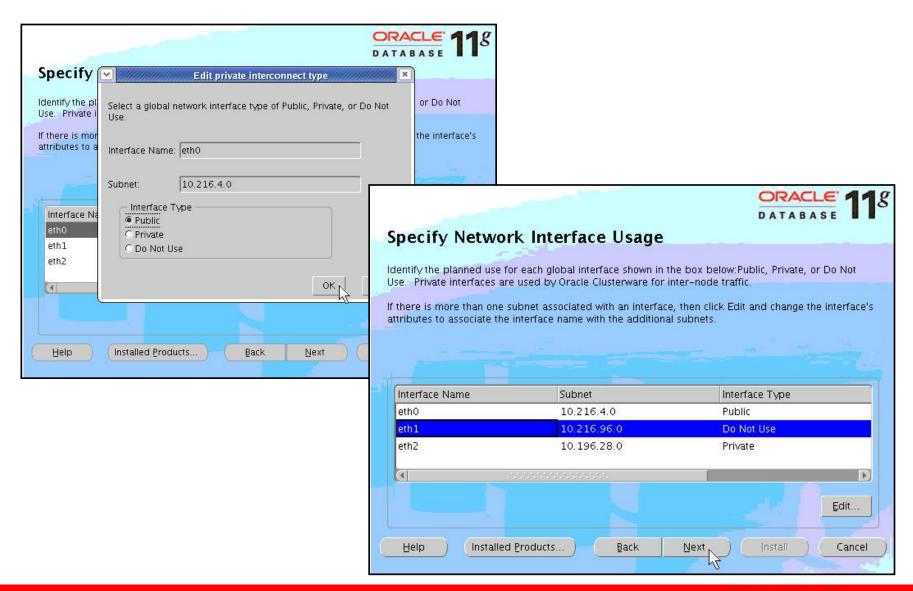
Product-Specific Prerequisite Checks



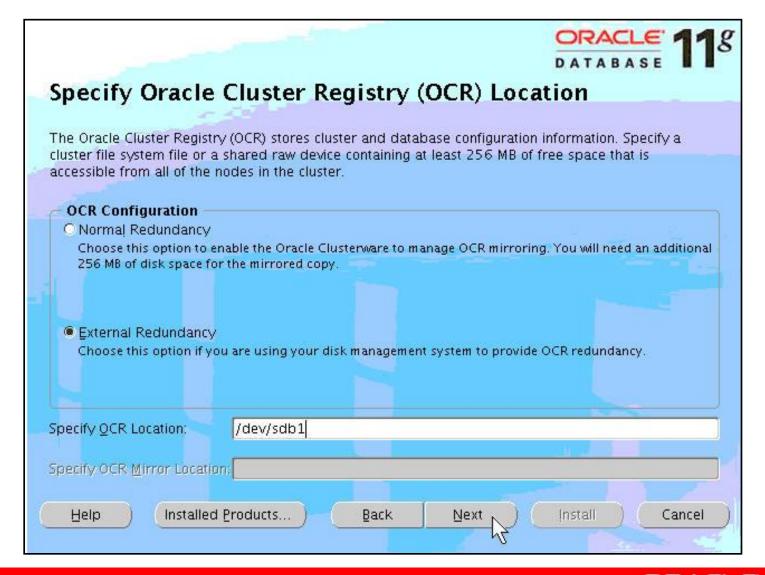
Cluster Configuration



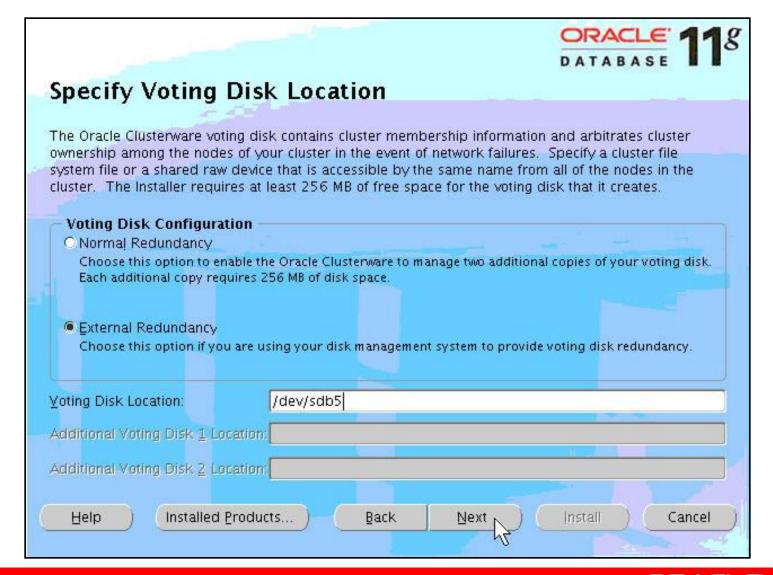
Private Interconnect Enforcement



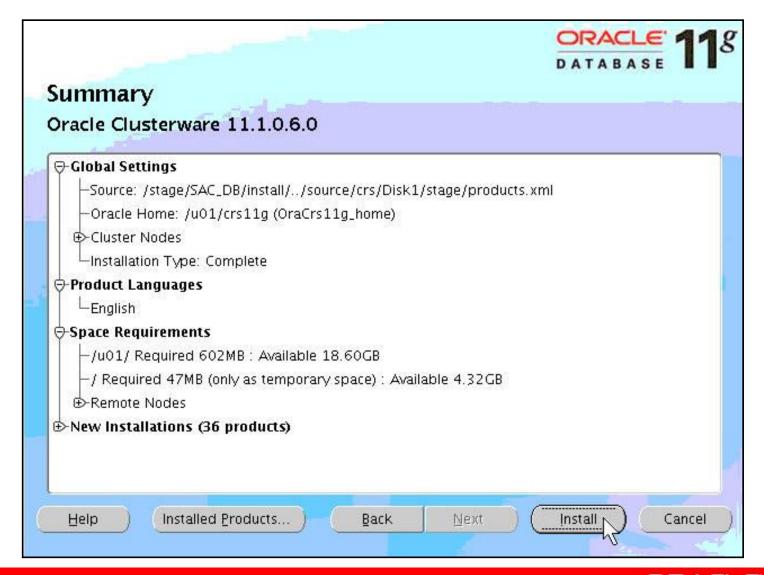
Oracle Cluster Registry File



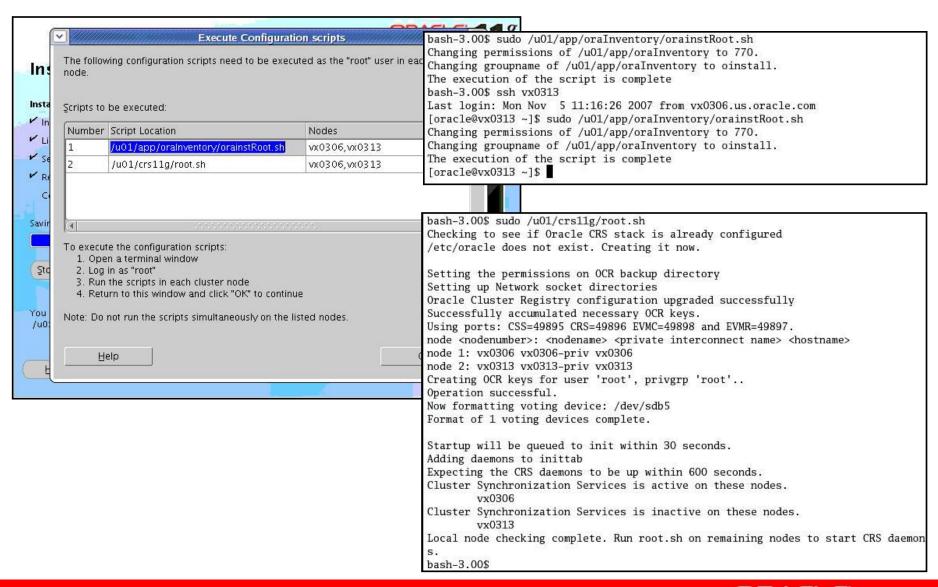
Voting Disk File



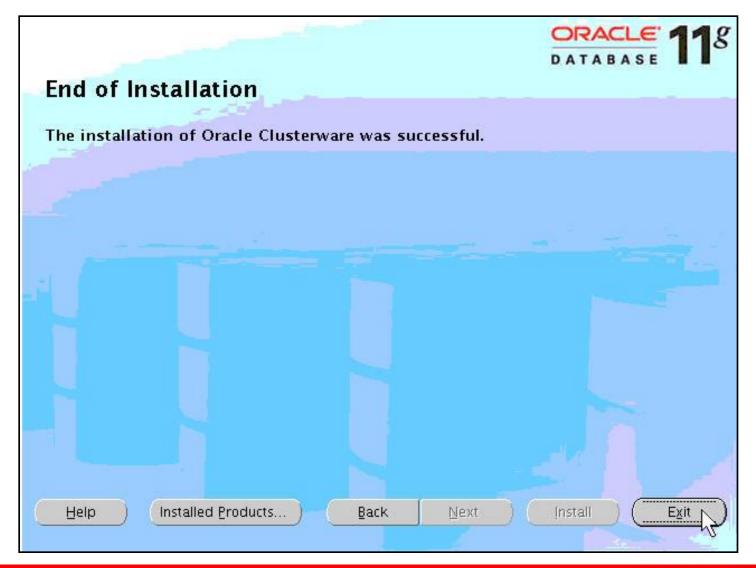
Summary and Install



Run Configuration Scripts on All Nodes



End of Installation



Verifying the Oracle Clusterware Installation

- Check for Oracle Clusterware processes with the ps command.
- Check the Oracle Clusterware startup entries in the /etc/inittab file.

```
# cat /etc/inittab
# Run xdm in runlevel 5
x:5:respawn:/etc/X11/prefdm -nodaemon
h1:35:respawn:/etc/init.d/init.evmd run >/dev/null
2>&1 </dev/null
h2:35:respawn:/etc/init.d/init.cssd fatal >/dev/null
2>&1 </dev/null
h3:35:respawn:/etc/init.d/init.crsd run >/dev/null
2>&1 </dev/null</pre>
```

Summary

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Practice 1: Overview

This practice covers the following topics:

- Performing initial cluster configuration
- Installing Oracle Clusterware