MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 Release Notes

Abstract

This document contains release notes for the changes in each release of MySQL NDB Cluster that uses version 7.2 of the NDB (NDBCLUSTER) storage engine.

Each NDB Cluster 7.2 release is based on a mainline MySQL Server release and a particular version of the NDB storage engine, as shown in the version string returned by executing SELECT VERSION() in the mysql client, or by executing the ndb_mgm client SHOW or STATUS command; for more information, see MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.

For general information about features added in NDB Cluster 7.2, see What is New in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. For a complete list of all bug fixes and feature changes in MySQL Cluster, please refer to the changelog section for each individual NDB Cluster release.

For additional MySQL 5.5 documentation, see the MySQL 5.5 Reference Manual, which includes an overview of features added in MySQL 5.5 that are not specific to NDB Cluster (What Is New in MySQL 5.5), and discussion of upgrade issues that you may encounter for upgrades from MySQL 5.1 to MySQL 5.5 (Changes in MySQL 5.5). For a complete list of all bug fixes and feature changes made in MySQL 5.5 that are not specific to NDB, see MySQL 5.5 Release Notes.

Updates to these notes occur as new product features are added, so that everybody can follow the development process. If a recent version is listed here that you cannot find on the download page (https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/), the version has not yet been released.

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Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.37 (5.5.64-ndb-7.2.37) (Not released, General availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.37 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the ${\tt NDB}$ storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.64.

Version 5.5.64-ndb-7.2.37 has no release notes, or they have not been published because the product version has not been released.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.36 (5.5.63-ndb-7.2.36) (Not released, General availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.36 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

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Version 5.5.63-ndb-7.2.36 has no release notes, or they have not been published because the product version has not been released.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.35 (5.5.62-ndb-7.2.35) (2018-10-23, General availability)

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.62 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.62 (2018-10-22, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• Packaging: The MySQL-Cluster-devel-gpl and MySQL-devel RPM packages for NDB Cluster did not provide mysql-devel. (Bug #66914, Bug #23525339)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.34 (5.5.61-ndb-7.2.34) (2018-07-27, General availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.34 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.61 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.61 (2018-07-27, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• An internal buffer being reused immediately after it had been freed could lead to an unplanned data node shutdown. (Bug #27622643)

References: See also: Bug #28698831.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.33 (5.5.60-ndb-7.2.33) (2018-04-20, General availability)

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.60 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.60 (2018-04-19, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

 Queries using very large lists with IN were not handled correctly, which could lead to data node failures. (Bug #27397802)

References: See also: Bug #28728603.

• ndb_restore --print-data --hex did not print trailing 0s of LONGVARBINARY values. (Bug #65560, Bug #14198580)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.32 (5.5.59-ndb-7.2.32) (2018-01-08, General Availability)

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.59 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.59 (2018-01-15, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Replication: On an SQL node not being used for a replication channel with sql_log_bin=0 it was possible after creating and populating an NDB table for a table map event to be written to the binary log for the created table with no corresponding row events. This led to problems when this log was later used by a slave cluster replicating from the mysqld where this table was created.

Fixed this by adding support for maintaining a cumulative any_value bitmap for global checkpoint event operations that represents bits set consistently for all rows of a specific table in a given epoch, and by adding a check to determine whether all operations (rows) for a specific table are all marked as NOLOGGING, to prevent the addition of this table to the Table_map held by the binlog injector.

As part of this fix, the NDB API adds a new <code>getNextEventOpInEpoch3()</code> method which provides information about any <code>AnyValue</code> received by making it possible to retrieve the cumulative <code>any_value</code> bitmap. (Bug #26333981)

- Following TRUNCATE TABLE on an NDB table, its AUTO_INCREMENT ID was not reset on an SQL node not performing binary logging. (Bug #14845851)
- The NDBFS block's OM_SYNC flag is intended to make sure that all FSWRITEREQ signals used for a given file are synchronized, but was ignored by platforms that do not support O_SYNC, meaning that this feature did not behave properly on those platforms. Now the synchronization flag is used on those platforms that do not support O_SYNC. (Bug #76975, Bug #21049554)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.31 (5.5.58-ndb-7.2.31) (2017-10-18, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.31 is a new release of NDB Cluster which upgrades the included MySQL Server from version 5.5.57 to 5.5.58. No changes have been made in the NDB storage engine for this release, which is identical in this respect with NDB 7.2.30.

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Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.30 (5.5.57-ndb-7.2.30) (2017-07-18, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.30 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

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Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change; MySQL NDB ClusterJ: The ClusterJPA plugin for OpenJPA is no longer supported by NDB Cluster, and has been removed from the distribution. (Bug #23563810)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.29 (5.5.56-ndb-7.2.29) (2017-05-02, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.29 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.56 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.56 (2017-05-02, General availability)).

Binary packages for MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.28 are identical to those for MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.29, except for the version number. The change in NDB 7.2.29 for Bug #25942414 is applicable only to those who build from source.

Security Notes

• For the WITH_SSL CMake option, no is no longer a permitted value or the default value. The default is now bundled. Consequently, the MySQL server bundled with NDB Cluster now is always built with SSL support and cannot be built without some SSL library. (Bug #25942414)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.28 (5.5.55-ndb-7.2.28) (2017-04-10, General Availability)

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This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.55 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.55 (2017-04-10, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

- NDB Disk Data: Stale data from NDB Disk Data tables that had been dropped could potentially be included in backups due to the fact that disk scans were enabled for these. To prevent this possibility, disk scans are now disabled—as are other types of scans—when taking a backup. (Bug #84422, Bug #25353234)
- NDB Disk Data: In some cases, setting dynamic in-memory columns of an NDB Disk Data table to NULL was not handled correctly. (Bug #79253, Bug #22195588)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.27 (5.5.54-ndb-7.2.27) (2017-01-17, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.27 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.54 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.54 (2016-12-12, General availability)).

Bugs Fixed

 A number of potential buffer overflow issues were found and fixed in the NDB codebase. (Bug #25260091)

References: See also: Bug #23152979.

• ndb_restore did not restore tables having more than 341 columns correctly. This was due to the fact that the buffer used to hold table metadata read from .ctl files was of insufficient size, so that only part

of the table descriptor could be read from it in such cases. This issue is fixed by increasing the size of the buffer used by ndb_restore for file reads. (Bug #25182956)

References: See also: Bug #25302901.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.26 (5.5.53-ndb-7.2.26) (2016-10-18, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.26 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.53 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.53 (2016-10-12, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

- Several object constructors and similar functions in the NDB codebase did not always perform sanity checks when creating new instances. These checks are now performed under such circumstances. (Bug #77408, Bug #21286722)
- An internal call to malloc() was not checked for NULL. The function call was replaced with a direct write. (Bug #77375, Bug #21271194)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.25 (5.5.50-ndb-7.2.25) (2016-07-18, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.25 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.50 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.50 (2016-06-02, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

Incompatible Change: When the data nodes are only partially connected to the API nodes, a node
used for a pushdown join may get its request from a transaction coordinator on a different node, without
(yet) being connected to the API node itself. In such cases, the NodeInfo object for the requesting API
node contained no valid info about the software version of the API node, which caused the DBSPJ block
to assume (incorrectly) when aborting to assume that the API node used NDB version 7.2.4 or earlier,
requiring the use of a backward compatability mode to be used during query abort which sent a node
failure error instead of the real error causing the abort.

Now, whenever this situation occurs, it is assumed that, if the NDB software version is not yet available, the API node version is greater than 7.2.4. (Bug #23049170)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.24 (5.5.48-ndb-7.2.24) (2016-04-19, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.24 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.48 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.48 (2016-02-05, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• Restoration of metadata with ndb_restore -m occasionally failed with the error message Failed to create index... when creating a unique index. While disgnosing this problem, it was found that the internal error PREPARE_SEIZE_ERROR (a temporary error) was reported as an unknown error. Now in such cases, ndb_restore retries the creation of the unique index, and PREPARE_SEIZE_ERROR is reported as NDB Error 748 Busy during read of event table. (Bug #21178339)

References: See also: Bug #22989944.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.23 (5.5.47-ndb-7.2.23) (2016-01-19, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.23 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.47 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.47 (2015-12-07, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

NDB Replication: While the binary log injector thread was handling failure events, it was possible for all NDB tables to be left indefinitely in read-only mode. This was due to a race condition between the binary log injector thread and the utility thread handling events on the ndb_schema table, and to the fact that, when handling failure events, the binary log injector thread places all NDB tables in read-only mode until all such events are handled and the thread restarts itself.

When the binary log inject thread receives a group of one or more failure events, it drops all other existing event operations and expects no more events from the utility thread until it has handled all of the failure events and then restarted itself. However, it was possible for the utility thread to continue attempting binary log setup while the injector thread was handling failures and thus attempting to create the schema distribution tables as well as event subscriptions on these tables. If the creation of these tables and event subscriptions occurred during this time, the binary log injector thread's expectation that

there were no further event operations was never met; thus, the injector thread never restarted, and NDB tables remained in read-only as described previously.

To fix this problem, the Ndb object that handles schema events is now definitely dropped once the ndb_schema table drop event is handled, so that the utility thread cannot create any new events until after the injector thread has restarted, at which time, a new Ndb object for handling schema events is created. (Bug #17674771, Bug #19537961, Bug #22204186, Bug #22361695)

NDB Cluster APIs: The binary log injector did not work correctly with TE_INCONSISTENT event type
handling by Ndb::nextEvent(). (Bug #22135541)

References: See also: Bug #20646496.

• NDB Cluster APIs: Ndb::pollEvents() and pollEvents2() were slow to receive events, being dependent on other client threads or blocks to perform polling of transporters on their behalf. This fix allows a client thread to perform its own transporter polling when it has to wait in either of these methods.

Introduction of transporter polling also revealed a problem with missing mutex protection in the ndbcluster_binlog handler, which has been added as part of this fix. (Bug #79311, Bug #20957068, Bug #22224571)

- In debug builds, a WAIT_EVENT while polling caused excessive logging to stdout. (Bug #22203672)
- When executing a schema operation such as CREATE TABLE on a MySQL NDB Cluster with multiple SQL nodes, it was possible for the SQL node on which the operation was performed to time out while waiting for an acknowledgement from the others. This could occur when different SQL nodes had different settings for --ndb-log-updated-only, --ndb-log-update-as-write, or other mysqld options effecting binary logging by NDB.

This happened due to the fact that, in order to distribute schema changes between them, all SQL nodes subscribe to changes in the ndb_schema system table, and that all SQL nodes are made aware of each others subscriptions by subscribing to TE_SUBSCRIBE and TE_UNSUBSCRIBE events. The names of events to subscribe to are constructed from the table names, adding REPL\$ or REPLF\$ as a prefix. REPLF\$ is used when full binary logging is specified for the table. The issue described previously arose because different values for the options mentioned could lead to different events being subscribed to by different SQL nodes, meaning that all SQL nodes were not necessarily aware of each other, so that the code that handled waiting for schema distribution to complete did not work as designed.

To fix this issue, MySQL NDB Cluster now treats the ndb_schema table as a special case and enforces full binary logging at all times for this table, independent of any settings for mysqld binary logging options. (Bug #22174287, Bug #79188)

- Using ndb_mgm STOP -f to force a node shutdown even when it triggered a complete shutdown of the cluster, it was possible to lose data when a sufficient number of nodes were shut down, triggering a cluster shutdown, and the timing was such that SUMA handovers had been made to nodes already in the process of shutting down. (Bug #17772138)
- The internal NdbEventBuffer::set_total_buckets() method calculated the number of remaining buckets incorrectly. This caused any incomplete epoch to be prematurely completed when the SUB_START_CONF signal arrived out of order. Any events belonging to this epoch arriving later were then ignored, and so effectively lost, which resulted in schema changes not being distributed correctly among SQL nodes. (Bug #79635, Bug #22363510)
- Schema events were appended to the binary log out of order relative to non-schema events. This was
 caused by the fact that the binary log injector did not properly handle the case where schema events and
 non-schema events were from different epochs.

This fix modifies the handling of events from the two schema and non-schema event streams such that events are now always handled one epoch at a time, starting with events from the oldest available epoch, without regard to the event stream in which they occur. (Bug #79077, Bug #22135584, Bug #20456664)

- NDB failed during a node restart due to the status of the current local checkpoint being set but not as
 active, even though it could have other states under such conditions. (Bug #78780, Bug #21973758)
- The value set for spintime by the ThreadConfig parameter was not calculated correctly, causing the spin to continue for longer than actually specified. (Bug #78525, Bug #21886476)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.22 (5.5.46-ndb-7.2.22) (2015-10-19, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.22 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.46 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.46 (2015-09-30, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: While executing <code>dropEvent()</code>, if the coordinator <code>DBDICT</code> failed after the subscription manager (<code>SUMA</code> block) had removed all subscriptions but before the coordinator had deleted the event from the system table, the dropped event remained in the table, causing any subsequent drop or create event with the same name to fail with <code>NDB</code> error 1419 <code>Subscription</code> already <code>dropped</code> or error 746 <code>Event</code> <code>name</code> already <code>exists</code>. This occurred even when calling <code>dropEvent()</code> with a nonzero force argument.

Now in such cases, error 1419 is ignored, and DBDICT deletes the event from the table. (Bug #21554676)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The internal value representing the latest global checkpoint was not always updated when a completed epoch of event buffers was inserted into the event queue. This caused subsequent calls to Ndb::pollEvents() and pollEvents2() to fail when trying to obtain the correct GCI for the events available in the event buffers. This could also result in later calls to nextEvent() or nextEvent2() seeing events that had not yet been discovered. (Bug #78129, Bug #21651536)
- Backup block states were reported incorrectly during backups. (Bug #21360188)

References: See also: Bug #20204854, Bug #21372136.

• When a data node is known to have been alive by other nodes in the cluster at a given global checkpoint, but its sysfile reports a lower GCI, the higher GCI is used to determine which global checkpoint the data node can recreate. This caused problems when the data node being started had a clean file system (GCI = 0), or when it was more than more global checkpoint behind the other nodes.

Now in such cases a higher GCI known by other nodes is used only when it is at most one GCI ahead. (Bug #19633824)

References: See also: Bug #20334650, Bug #21899993. This issue is a regression of: Bug #29167.

• After restoring the database schema from backup using ndb_restore, auto-discovery of restored tables in transactions having multiple statements did not work correctly, resulting in Deadlock found when trying to get lock; try restarting transaction errors.

This issue was encountered both in the mysql client, as well as when such transactions were executed by application programs using Connector/J and possibly other MySQL APIs.

Prior to upgrading, this issue can be worked around by executing SELECT TABLE_NAME, TABLE_SCHEMA FROM INFORMATION_SCHEMA.TABLES WHERE ENGINE = 'NDBCLUSTER' on all SQL nodes following the restore operation, before executing any other statements. (Bug #18075170)

- ndb_desc used with the --extra-partition-info and --blob-info options failed when run against a table containing one or more TINYBLOB. columns. (Bug #14695968)
- When attempting to enable index statistics, creation of the required system tables, events and event subscriptions often fails when multiple mysqld processes using index statistics are started concurrently in conjunction with starting, restarting, or stopping the cluster, or with node failure handling. This is normally recoverable, since the affected mysqld process or processes can (and do) retry these operations shortly thereafter. For this reason, such failures are no longer logged as warnings, but merely as informational events. (Bug #77760, Bug #21462846)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.21 (5.5.44-ndb-7.2.21) (2015-07-13, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.21 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.44 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.44 (2015-05-29, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- A number of improvements, listed here, have been made with regard to handling issues that could arise when an overload arose due to a great number of inserts being performed during a local checkpoint (LCP):
 - Failures sometimes occurred during restart processing when trying to execute the undo log, due to a problem with finding the end of the log. This happened when there remained unwritten pages at the end of the first undo file when writing to the second undo file, which caused the execution of undo logs in reverse order and so execute old or even nonexistent log records.

This is fixed by ensuring that execution of the undo log begins with the proper end of the log, and, if started earlier, that any unwritten or faulty pages are ignored.

- It was possible to fail during an LCP, or when performing a COPY_FRAGREQ, due to running out of
 operation records. We fix this by making sure that LCPs and COPY_FRAG use resources reserved
 for operation records, as was already the case with scan records. In addition, old code for ACC
 operations that was no longer required but that could lead to failures was removed.
- When an LCP was performed while loading a table, it was possible to hit a livelock during LCP scans, due to the fact that each record that was inserted into new pages after the LCP had started had its LCP_SKIP flag set. Such records were discarded as intended by the LCP scan, but when inserts occurred faster than the LCP scan could discard records, the scan appeared to hang. As part of this issue, the scan failed to report any progress to the LCP watchdog, which after 70 seconds of livelock killed the process. This issue was observed when performing on the order of 250000 inserts per second over an extended period of time (120 seconds or more), using a single LDM.

This part of the fix makes a number of changes, listed here:

- We now ensure that pages created after the LCP has started are not included in LCP scans; we
 also ensure that no records inserted into those pages have their LCP SKIP flag set.
- Handling of the scan protocol is changed such that a certain amount of progress is made by the LCP regardless of load; we now report progress to the LCP watchdog so that we avoid failure in the event that an LCP is making progress but not writing any records.
- We now take steps to guarantee that LCP scans proceed more quickly than inserts can occur, by
 ensuring that scans are prioritized this scanning activity, and thus, that the LCP is in fact (eventually)
 completed.
- In addition, scanning is made more efficient, by prefetching tuples; this helps avoid stalls while fetching memory in the CPU.
- Row checksums for preventing data corruption now include the tuple header bits.

(Bug #76373, Bug #20727343, Bug #76741, Bug #69994, Bug #20903880, Bug #76742, Bug #20904721, Bug #76883, Bug #20980229)

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change; NDB Cluster APIs: Added the method

Ndb::isExpectingHigherQueuedEpochs() to the NDB API to detect when additional, newer event epochs were detected by pollEvents2().

The behavior of Ndb::pollEvents() has also been modified such that it now returns NDB_FAILURE_GCI (equal to ~(Uint64) 0) when a cluster failure has been detected. (Bug #18753887)

- NDB Cluster APIs: Creation and destruction of Ndb_cluster_connection objects by multiple threads could make use of the same application lock, which in some cases led to failures in the global dictionary cache. To alleviate this problem, the creation and destruction of several internal NDB API objects have been serialized. (Bug #20636124)
- NDB Cluster APIs: A number of timeouts were not handled correctly in the NDB API. (Bug #20617891)
- Previously, multiple send threads could be invoked for handling sends to the same node; these threads then competed for the same send lock. While the send lock blocked the additional send threads, work threads could be passed to other nodes.

This issue is fixed by ensuring that new send threads are not activated while there is already an active send thread assigned to the same node. In addition, a node already having an active send thread assigned to it is no longer visible to other, already active, send threads; that is, such a node is longer added to the node list when a send thread is currently assigned to it. (Bug #20954804, Bug #76821)

Queueing of pending operations when the redo log was overloaded
 (DefaultOperationRedoProblemAction API node configuration parameter) could lead to timeouts
 when data nodes ran out of redo log space (P_TAIL_PROBLEM errors). Now when the redo log is full,
 the node aborts requests instead of queuing them. (Bug #20782580)

References: See also: Bug #20481140.

• The multithreaded scheduler sends to remote nodes either directly from each worker thread or from dedicated send threadsL, depending on the cluster's configuration. This send might transmit all, part, or none of the available data from the send buffers. While there remained pending send data, the worker or send threads continued trying to send in a loop. The actual size of the data sent in the most recent attempt to perform a send is now tracked, and used to detect lack of send progress by the send or worker threads. When no progress has been made, and there is no other work outstanding, the scheduler takes a 1 millisecond pause to free up the CPU for use by other threads. (Bug #18390321)

References: See also: Bug #20929176, Bug #20954804.

In some cases, attempting to restore a table that was previously backed up failed with a File Not
Found error due to a missing table fragment file. This occurred as a result of the NDB kernel BACKUP
block receiving a Busy error while trying to obtain the table description, due to other traffic from external
clients, and not retrying the operation.

The fix for this issue creates two separate queues for such requests—one for internal clients such as the BACKUP block or ndb_restore, and one for external clients such as API nodes—and prioritizing the internal queue.

Note that it has always been the case that external client applications using the NDB API (including MySQL applications running against an SQL node) are expected to handle Busy errors by retrying transactions at a later time; this expectation is *not* changed by the fix for this issue. (Bug #17878183)

References: See also: Bug #17916243.

- In some cases, the DBDICT block failed to handle repeated GET_TABINFOREQ signals after the first one, leading to possible node failures and restarts. This could be observed after setting a sufficiently high value for MaxNoOfExecutionThreads and low value for LcpScanProgressTimeout. (Bug #77433, Bug #21297221)
- It was possible to end up with a lock on the send buffer mutex when send buffers became a limiting resource, due either to insufficient send buffer resource configuration, problems with slow or failing communications such that all send buffers became exhausted, or slow receivers failing to consume what was sent. In this situation worker threads failed to allocate send buffer memory for signals, and attempted to force a send in order to free up space, while at the same time the send thread was busy trying to send to the same node or nodes. All of these threads competed for taking the send buffer mutex, which resulted in the lock already described, reported by the watchdog as Stuck in Send. This fix is made in two parts, listed here:
 - The send thread no longer holds the global send thread mutex while getting the send buffer mutex; it now releases the global mutex prior to locking the send buffer mutex. This keeps worker threads from getting stuck in send in such cases.

2. Locking of the send buffer mutex done by the send threads now uses a try-lock. If the try-lock fails, the node to make the send to is reinserted at the end of the list of send nodes in order to be retried later. This removes the Stuck in Send condition for the send threads.

(Bug #77081, Bug #21109605)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.20 (5.5.43-ndb-7.2.20) (2015-04-13, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.20 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.43 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.43 (2015-04-06, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change: The maximum failure time calculation used to ensure that normal node failure handling mechanisms are given time to handle survivable cluster failures (before global checkpoint watchdog mechanisms start to kill nodes due to GCP delays) was excessively conservative, and neglected to consider that there can be at most number_of_data_nodes/NoOfReplicas node failures before the cluster can no longer survive. Now the value of NoOfReplicas is properly taken into account when performing this calculation.

This fix adds the TimeBetweenGlobalCheckpointsTimeout data node configuration parameter, which makes the minimum timeout between global checkpoints settable by the user. This timeout was previously fixed internally at 120000 milliseconds, which is now the default value for this parameter. (Bug #20069617, Bug #20069624)

References: See also: Bug #19858151, Bug #20128256, Bug #20135976.

• NDB Cluster APIs: When a transaction is started from a cluster connection, Table and Index schema objects may be passed to this transaction for use. If these schema objects have been acquired from a different connection (Ndb_cluster_connection object), they can be deleted at any point by the deletion or disconnection of the owning connection. This can leave a connection with invalid schema objects, which causes an NDB API application to fail when these are dereferenced.

To avoid this problem, if your application uses multiple connections, you can now set a check to detect sharing of schema objects between connections when passing a schema object to a transaction, using the NdbTransaction::setSchemaObjectOwnerChecks() method added in this release. When this check is enabled, the schema objects having the same names are acquired from the connection and compared to the schema objects passed to the transaction. Failure to match causes the application to fail with an error. (Bug #19785977)

• NDB Cluster APIs: The increase in the default number of hashmap buckets (DefaultHashMapSize API node configuration parameter) from 240 to 3480 in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 increased the size of the internal DictHashMapInfo::HashMap type considerably. This type was allocated on the stack in some getTable() calls which could lead to stack overflow issues for NDB API users.

To avoid this problem, the hashmap is now dynamically allocated from the heap. (Bug #19306793)

NDB Cluster APIs: A scan operation, whether it is a single table scan or a query scan used by a pushed join, stores the result set in a buffer. This maximum size of this buffer is calculated and preallocated before the scan operation is started. This buffer may consume a considerable amount of memory; in some cases we observed a 2 GB buffer footprint in tests that executed 100 parallel scans with 2 single-threaded (ndbd) data nodes. This memory consumption was found to scale linearly with additional fragments.

A number of root causes, listed here, were discovered that led to this problem:

- Result rows were unpacked to full NdbRecord format before they were stored in the buffer. If only some but not all columns of a table were selected, the buffer contained empty space (essentially wasted).
- Due to the buffer format being unpacked, VARCHAR and VARBINARY columns always had to be allocated for the maximum size defined for such columns.
- BatchByteSize and MaxScanBatchSize values were not taken into consideration as a limiting factor when calculating the maximum buffer size.

These issues became more evident in NDB 7.2 and later MySQL NDB Cluster release series. This was due to the fact buffer size is scaled by BatchSize, and that the default value for this parameter was increased fourfold (from 64 to 256) beginning with MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.1.

This fix causes result rows to be buffered using the packed format instead of the unpacked format; a buffered scan result row is now not unpacked until it becomes the current row. In addition, <code>BatchByteSize</code> and <code>MaxScanBatchSize</code> are now used as limiting factors when calculating the required buffer size.

Also as part of this fix, refactoring has been done to separate handling of buffered (packed) from handling of unbuffered result sets, and to remove code that had been unused since NDB 7.0 or earlier. The NdbRecord class declaration has also been cleaned up by removing a number of unused or redundant member variables. (Bug #73781, Bug #75599, Bug #19631350, Bug #20408733)

 It was found during testing that problems could arise when the node registered as the arbitrator disconnected or failed during the arbitration process.

In this situation, the node requesting arbitration could never receive a positive acknowledgement from the registered arbitrator; this node also lacked a stable set of members and could not initiate selection of a new arbitrator.

Now in such cases, when the arbitrator fails or loses contact during arbitration, the requesting node immediately fails rather than waiting to time out. (Bug #20538179)

• When a data node fails or is being restarted, the remaining nodes in the same nodegroup resend to subscribers any data which they determine has not already been sent by the failed node. Normally, when a data node (actually, the SUMA kernel block) has sent all data belonging to an epoch for which it is responsible, it sends a SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_REP signal, together with a count, to all subscribers, each of which responds with a SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_ACK. When SUMA receives this acknowledgment from all subscribers, it reports this to the other nodes in the same nodegroup so that they know that there is no need to resend this data in case of a subsequent node failure. If a node failed before all subscribers sent this acknowledgement but before all the other nodes in the same nodegroup received it from the

failing node, data for some epochs could be sent (and reported as complete) twice, which could lead to an unplanned shutdown.

The fix for this issue adds to the count reported by SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_ACK a list of identifiers which the receiver can use to keep track of which buckets are completed and to ignore any duplicate reported for an already completed bucket. (Bug #17579998)

- When performing a restart, it was sometimes possible to find a log end marker which had been written
 by a previous restart, and that should have been invalidated. Now when searching for the last page to
 invalidate, the same search algorithm is used as when searching for the last page of the log to read.
 (Bug #76207, Bug #20665205)
- When reading and copying transporter short signal data, it was possible for the data to be copied back to the same signal with overlapping memory. (Bug #75930, Bug #20553247)
- When a bulk delete operation was committed early to avoid an additional round trip, while also returning
 the number of affected rows, but failed with a timeout error, an SQL node performed no verification that
 the transaction was in the Committed state. (Bug #74494, Bug #20092754)

References: See also: Bug #19873609.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.19 (5.5.41-ndb-7.2.19) (2015-01-25, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.19 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.41 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.41 (2014-11-28, General Availability)).

- Bundled SSL Update (Commercial Releases)
- Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Bundled SSL Update (Commercial Releases)

 Starting with this release, commercial distributions of MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 are built using OpenSSL 1.0.1i.

Functionality Added or Changed

 MySQL NDB ClusterJ: A new property, PROPERTY_CLUSTER_CONNECT_TIMEOUT_MGM, can now be used to set the network connection timeout. (Bug #19913569)

Bugs Fixed

NDB Disk Data: An update on many rows of a large Disk Data table could in some rare cases lead to
node failure. In the event that such problems are observed with very large transactions on Disk Data
tables you can now increase the number of page entries allocated for disk page buffer memory by

raising the value of the DiskPageBufferEntries data node configuration parameter added in this release. (Bug #19958804)

- NDB Disk Data: In some cases, during DICT master takeover, the new master could crash while attempting to roll forward an ongoing schema transaction. (Bug #19875663, Bug #74510)
- NDB Disk Data: When a node acting as a DICT master fails, the arbitrator selects another node to take over in place of the failed node. During the takeover procedure, which includes cleaning up any schema transactions which are still open when the master failed, the disposition of the uncommitted schema transaction is decided. Normally this transaction be rolled back, but if it has completed a sufficient portion of a commit request, the new master finishes processing the commit. Until the fate of the transaction has been decided, no new TRANS_END_REQ messages from clients can be processed. In addition, since multiple concurrent schema transactions are not supported, takeover cleanup must be completed before any new transactions can be started.

A similar restriction applies to any schema operations which are performed in the scope of an open schema transaction. The counter used to coordinate schema operation across all nodes is employed both during takeover processing and when executing any non-local schema operations. This means that starting a schema operation while its schema transaction is in the takeover phase causes this counter to be overwritten by concurrent uses, with unpredictable results.

The scenarios just described were handled previously using a pseudo-random delay when recovering from a node failure. Now we check before the new master has rolled forward or backwards any schema transactions remaining after the failure of the previous master and avoid starting new schema transactions or performing operations using old transactions until takeover processing has cleaned up after the abandoned transaction. (Bug #19874809, Bug #74503)

- NDB Disk Data: When a node acting as DICT master fails, it is still possible to request that any open schema transaction be either committed or aborted by sending this request to the new DICT master. In this event, the new master takes over the schema transaction and reports back on whether the commit or abort request succeeded. In certain cases, it was possible for the new master to be misidentified—that is, the request was sent to the wrong node, which responded with an error that was interpreted by the client application as an aborted schema transaction, even in cases where the transaction could have been successfully committed, had the correct node been contacted. (Bug #74521, Bug #19880747)
- NDB Replication: It was possible using wildcards to set up conflict resolution for an exceptions table (that is, a table named using the suffix \$EX), which should not be allowed. Now when a replication conflict function is defined using wildcard expressions, these are checked for possible matches so that, in the event that the function would cover an exceptions table, it is not set up for this table. (Bug #19267720)
- NDB Cluster APIs: The buffer allocated by an NdbScanOperation for receiving scanned rows was not released until the NdbTransaction owning the scan operation was closed. This could lead to excessive memory usage in an application where multiple scans were created within the same transaction, even if these scans were closed at the end of their lifecycle, unless NdbScanOperation::close() was invoked with the releaseOp argument equal to true. Now the buffer is released whenever the cursor navigating the result set is closed with NdbScanOperation::close(), regardless of the value of this argument. (Bug #75128, Bug #20166585)
- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: The following errors were logged at the SEVERE level; they are now logged at the NORMAL level, as they should be:
 - · Duplicate primary key
 - · Duplicate unique key

- · Foreign key constraint error: key does not exist
- · Foreign key constraint error: key exists

(Bug #20045455)

- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: The com.mysql.clusterj.tie class gave off a logging message at the INFO logging level for every single query, which was unnecessary and was affecting the performance of applications that used ClusterJ. (Bug #20017292)
- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: ClusterJ reported a segmentation violation when an application closed a
 session factory while some sessions were still active. This was because MySQL NDB Cluster allowed
 an Ndb_cluster_connection object be to deleted while some Ndb instances were still active,
 which might result in the usage of null pointers by ClusterJ. This fix stops that happening by preventing
 ClusterJ from closing a session factory when any of its sessions are still active. (Bug #19846392)

References: See also: Bug #19999242.

The global checkpoint commit and save protocols can be delayed by various causes, including slow
disk I/O. The DIH master node monitors the progress of both of these protocols, and can enforce a
maximum lag time during which the protocols are stalled by killing the node responsible for the lag when
it reaches this maximum. This DIH master GCP monitor mechanism did not perform its task more than
once per master node; that is, it failed to continue monitoring after detecting and handling a GCP stop.
(Bug #20128256)

References: See also: Bug #19858151, Bug #20069617, Bug #20062754.

- A number of problems relating to the fired triggers pool have been fixed, including the following issues:
 - When the fired triggers pool was exhausted, NDB returned Error 218 (Out of LongMessageBuffer). A new error code 221 is added to cover this case.
 - An additional, separate case in which Error 218 was wrongly reported now returns the correct error.
 - Setting low values for MaxNoOfFiredTriggers led to an error when no memory was allocated if there was only one hash bucket.
 - An aborted transaction now releases any fired trigger records it held. Previously, these records were held until its ApiConnectRecord was reused by another transaction.
 - In addition, for the Fired Triggers pool in the internal ndbinfo.ndb\$pools table, the high value always equalled the total, due to the fact that all records were momentarily seized when initializing them. Now the high value shows the maximum following completion of initialization.

(Bug #19976428)

Online reorganization when using ndbmtd data nodes and with binary logging by mysqld enabled could sometimes lead to failures in the TRIX and DBLQH kernel blocks, or in silent data corruption. (Bug #19903481)

References: See also: Bug #19912988.

• The local checkpoint scan fragment watchdog and the global checkpoint monitor can each exclude a node when it is too slow when participating in their respective protocols. This exclusion was implemented by simply asking the failing node to shut down, which in case this was delayed (for whatever reason) could prolong the duration of the GCP or LCP stall for other, unaffected nodes.

To minimize this time, an isolation mechanism has been added to both protocols whereby any other live nodes forcibly disconnect the failing node after a predetermined amount of time. This allows the failing node the opportunity to shut down gracefully (after logging debugging and other information) if possible, but limits the time that other nodes must wait for this to occur. Now, once the remaining live nodes have processed the disconnection of any failing nodes, they can commence failure handling and restart the related protocol or protocol, even if the failed node takes an excessively long time to shut down. (Bug #19858151)

References: See also: Bug #20128256, Bug #20069617, Bug #20062754.

- A watchdog failure resulted from a hang while freeing a disk page in TUP_COMMITTEQ, due to use of an uninitialized block variable. (Bug #19815044, Bug #74380)
- Multiple threads crashing led to multiple sets of trace files being printed and possibly to deadlocks. (Bug #19724313)
- When a client retried against a new master a schema transaction that failed previously against the
 previous master while the latter was restarting, the lock obtained by this transaction on the new master
 prevented the previous master from progressing past start phase 3 until the client was terminated, and
 resources held by it were cleaned up. (Bug #19712569, Bug #74154)
- When a new data node started, API nodes were allowed to attempt to register themselves with the data node for executing transactions before the data node was ready. This forced the API node to wait an extra heartbeat interval before trying again.

To address this issue, a number of HA_ERR_NO_CONNECTION errors (Error 4009) that could be issued during this time have been changed to Cluster temporarily unavailable errors (Error 4035), which should allow API nodes to use new data nodes more quickly than before. As part of this fix, some errors which were incorrectly categorised have been moved into the correct categories, and some errors which are no longer used have been removed. (Bug #19524096, Bug #73758)

- When executing very large pushdown joins involving one or more indexes each defined over several
 columns, it was possible in some cases for the DBSPJ block (see The DBSPJ Block) in the NDB kernel to
 generate SCAN_FRAGREQ signals that were excessively large. This caused data nodes to fail when these
 could not be handled correctly, due to a hard limit in the kernel on the size of such signals (32K). This fix
 bypasses that limitation by breaking up SCAN_FRAGREQ data that is too large for one such signal, and
 sending the SCAN_FRAGREQ as a chunked or fragmented signal instead. (Bug #19390895)
- ndb_index_stat sometimes failed when used against a table containing unique indexes. (Bug #18715165)
- Queries against tables containing a CHAR(0) columns failed with ERROR 1296 (HY000): Got error 4547 'RecordSpecification has overlapping offsets' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14798022)
- ndb_restore failed while restoring a table which contained both a built-in conversion on the primary key and a staging conversion on a TEXT column.

During staging, a BLOB table is created with a primary key column of the target type. However, a conversion function was not provided to convert the primary key values before loading them into the staging blob table, which resulted in corrupted primary key values in the staging BLOB table. While moving data from the staging table to the target table, the BLOB read failed because it could not find the primary key in the BLOB table.

Now all BLOB tables are checked to see whether there are conversions on primary keys of their main tables. This check is done after all the main tables are processed, so that conversion functions and

parameters have already been set for the main tables. Any conversion functions and parameters used for the primary key in the main table are now duplicated in the BLOB table. (Bug #73966, Bug #19642978)

 Corrupted messages to data nodes sometimes went undetected, causing a bad signal to be delivered to a block which aborted the data node. This failure in combination with disconnecting nodes could in turn cause the entire cluster to shut down.

To keep this from happening, additional checks are now made when unpacking signals received over TCP, including checks for byte order, compression flag (which must not be used), and the length of the next message in the receive buffer (if there is one).

Whenever two consecutive unpacked messages fail the checks just described, the current message is assumed to be corrupted. In this case, the transporter is marked as having bad data and no more unpacking of messages occurs until the transporter is reconnected. In addition, an entry is written to the cluster log containing the error as well as a hex dump of the corrupted message. (Bug #73843, Bug #19582925)

- ndb_restore --print-data truncated TEXT and BLOB column values to 240 bytes rather than 256 bytes. (Bug #65467, Bug #14571512)
- Transporter send buffers were not updated properly following a failed send. (Bug #45043, Bug #20113145)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.18 (5.5.40-ndb-7.2.18) (2014-10-16, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.18 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.40 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.40 (2014-09-22, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Added the --exclude-missing-tables option for ndb_restore. When enabled, the option causes tables present in the backup but not in the target database to be ignored. (Bug #57566, Bug #11764704)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: The fix for Bug #16723708 stopped the ndb_logevent_get_next() function from casting a log event's ndb_mgm_event_category to an enum type, but this change interfered with existing applications, and so the function's original behavior is now reinstated. A new MGM API function exhibiting the corrected behavior ndb_logevent_get_next2() has been added in this release to take the place of the reverted function, for use in applications that do not require backward compatibility. In all other respects apart from this, the new function is identical with its predecessor. (Bug #18354165)

References: Reverted patches: Bug #16723708.

- NDB Cluster APIs: NDB API scans leaked Ndb_cluster_connection objects after nextResult() was called when an operation resulted in an error. This leak locked up the corresponding connection objects in the DBTC kernel block until the connection was closed. (Bug #17730825, Bug #20170731)
- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: Retrieval of values from BLOB and TEXT columns by ClusterJ column accessor methods was not handled correctly. (Bug #18419468, Bug #19028487)
- When assembling error messages of the form Incorrect state for node n state:
 node_state, written when the transporter failed to connect, the node state was used in place of the
 node ID in a number of instances, which resulted in errors of this type for which the node state was
 reported incorrectly. (Bug #19559313, Bug #73801)
- In some cases, transporter receive buffers were reset by one thread while being read by another.
 This happened when a race condition occurred between a thread receiving data and another thread initiating disconnect of the transporter (disconnection clears this buffer). Concurrency logic has now been implemented to keep this race from taking place. (Bug #19552283, Bug #73790)
- The failure of a data node could in some situations cause a set of API nodes to fail as well due to the sending of a CLOSE_COMREQ signal that was sometimes not completely initialized. (Bug #19513967)
- A more detailed error report is printed in the event of a critical failure in one of the NDB internal sendSignal*() methods, prior to crashing the process, as was already implemented for sendSignal(), but was missing from the more specialized sendSignalNoRelease() method. Having a crash of this type correctly reported can help with identifying configuration hardware issues in some cases. (Bug #19414511)

References: See also: Bug #19390895.

- ndb_restore failed to restore the cluster's metadata when there were more than approximately 17 K data objects. (Bug #19202654)
- The fix for a previous issue with the handling of multiple node failures required determining the number of TC instances the failed node was running, then taking them over. The mechanism to determine this number sometimes provided an invalid result which caused the number of TC instances in the failed node to be set to an excessively high value. This in turn caused redundant takeover attempts, which wasted time and had a negative impact on the processing of other node failures and of global checkpoints. (Bug #19193927)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #18069334.

- Parallel transactions performing reads immediately preceding a delete on the same tuple could cause the NDB kernel to crash. This was more likely to occur when separate TC threads were specified using the ThreadConfig configuration parameter. (Bug #19031389)
- Attribute promotion between different TEXT types (any of TINYTEXT, TEXT, MEDIUMTEXT, and LONGTEXT) by ndb_restore was not handled properly in some cases. In addition, TEXT values are now truncated according to the limits set by mysqld (for example, values converted to TINYTEXT from another type are truncated to 256 bytes). In the case of columns using a multibyte character set, the value is truncated to the end of the last well-formed character.

Also as a result of this fix, conversion to a TEXT column of any size that uses a different character set from the original is now disallowed. (Bug #18875137)

- To assist with diagnostic issues where many watchdog warnings are raised, it is now possible to activate (or deactivate) a killer watchdog using DUMP 2610 in the ndb_mgm client. When set, this shuts down the data node on which the next watchdog warning occurs, providing a trace log. (Bug #18703922)
- The NDB optimized node recovery mechanism attempts to transfer only relevant page changes to a starting node in order to speed the recovery process; this is done by having the starting node indicate the index of the last global checkpoint (GCI) in which it participated, so that the node that was already running copies only data for rows which have changed since that GCI. Every row has a GCI metacolumn which facilitates this; for a deleted row, the slot formerly stpring this row's data contains a GCI value, and for deleted pages, every row on the missing page is considered changed and thus needs to be sent.

When these changes are received by the starting node, this node performs a lookup for the page and index to determine what they contain. This lookup could cause a real underlying page to be mapped against the logical page ID, even when this page contained no data.

One way in which this issue could manifest itself occurred after cluster <code>DataMemory</code> usage approached maximum, and deletion of many rows followed by a rolling restart of the data nodes was performed with the expectation that this would free memory, but in fact it was possible in this scenario for memory not to be freed and in some cases for memory usage actually to increase to its maximum.

This fix solves these issues by ensuring that a real physical page is mapped to a logical ID during node recovery only when this page contains actual data which needs to be stored. (Bug #18683398, Bug #18731008)

mysqld failed while attempting a read removal before a delete with an index merge. This occurred only
when a quick select was also generated for the delete operation. During read removal, the index from
the quick select is used to access the table structure. In this case, because the delete uses an index
merge, the quick select index is set to MAX_KEY instead of a valid index value, which led to a bad pointer
(which was then dereferenced).

The fix for this problem adds a check so that read removal before delete is not attempted if the quick select index has a value of MAX_KEY. (Bug #18487960)

- When a data node sent a MISSING_DATA signal due to a buffer overflow and no event data had
 yet been sent for the current epoch, the dummy event list created to handle this inconsistency was
 not deleted after the information in the dummy event list was transferred to the completed list. (Bug
 #18410939)
- Incorrect calculation of the next autoincrement value following a manual insertion towards the end of a cached range could result in duplicate values sometimes being used. This issue could manifest itself when using certain combinations of values for auto_increment_increment, auto_increment_offset, and ndb_autoincrement_prefetch_sz.

This issue has been fixed by modifying the calculation to make sure that the next value from the cache as computed by \mathtt{NDB} is of the form $\mathtt{auto_increment_offset} + (N * \mathtt{auto_increment_increment}$. This avoids any rounding up by the MySQL Server of the returned value, which could result in duplicate entries when the rounded-up value fell outside the range of values cached by \mathtt{NDB} . (Bug #17893872)

- ndb_show_tables --help output contained misleading information about the --database (-d)
 option. In addition, the long form of the option (--database) did not work properly. (Bug #17703874)
- Using the --help option with ndb_print_file caused the program to segfault. (Bug #17069285)
- For multithreaded data nodes, some threads do communicate often, with the result that very old signals
 can remain at the top of the signal buffers. When performing a thread trace, the signal dumper calculated
 the latest signal ID from what it found in the signal buffers, which meant that these old signals could be

erroneously counted as the newest ones. Now the signal ID counter is kept as part of the thread state, and it is this value that is used when dumping signals for trace files. (Bug #73842, Bug #19582807)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.17 (5.5.37-ndb-7.2.17) (2014-07-11, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.17 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.37 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.37 (2014-03-27, General Availability)).

- Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• NDB Cluster APIs: Added as an aid to debugging the ability to specify a human-readable name for a given Ndb object and later to retrieve it. These operations are implemented, respectively, as the setNdbObjectName() and getNdbObjectName() methods.

To make tracing of event handling between a user application and NDB easier, you can use the reference (from getReference() followed by the name (if provided) in printouts; the reference ties together the application Ndb object, the event buffer, and the NDB storage engine's SUMA block. (Bug #18419907)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Replication: When using NDB\$EPOCH_TRANS, conflicts between DELETE operations were handled like conflicts between updates, with the primary rejecting the transaction and dependents, and realigning the secondary. This meant that their behavior with regard to subsequent operations on any affected row or rows depended on whether they were in the same epoch or a different one: within the same epoch, they were considered conflicting events; in different epochs, they were not considered in conflict.

This fix brings the handling of conflicts between deletes by NDB\$EPOCH_TRANS with that performed when using NDB\$EPOCH for conflict detection and resolution, and extends testing with NDB\$EPOCH and NDB\$EPOCH_TRANS to include "delete-delete" conflicts, and encapsulate the expected result, with transactional conflict handling modified so that a conflict between DELETE operations *alone* is not sufficient to cause a transaction to be considered in conflict. (Bug #18459944)

• NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB data node indicates a buffer overflow via an empty epoch, the event buffer places an inconsistent data event in the event queue. When this was consumed, it was not removed from the event queue as expected, causing subsequent nextEvent() calls to return 0. This caused event consumption to stall because the inconsistency remained flagged forever, while event data accumulated in the queue.

Event data belonging to an empty inconsistent epoch can be found either at the beginning or somewhere in the middle. pollEvents() returns 0 for the first case. This fix handles the second case: calling nextEvent() call dequeues the inconsistent event before it returns. In order to benefit from this fix, user applications must call nextEvent() even when pollEvents() returns 0. (Bug #18716991)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The pollEvents() method returned 1, even when called with a wait time equal to 0, and there were no events waiting in the queue. Now in such cases it returns 0 as expected. (Bug #18703871)
- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: Writing a value failed when read from a fixed-width char column using utf8 to another column of the same type and length but using latin1. The data was returned with extra spaces after being padded during its insertion. The value is now trimmed before returning it.

This fix also corrects Data length too long errors during the insertion of valid utf8 characters of 2 or more bytes. This was due to padding of the data before encoding it, rather than after. (Bug #71435, Bug #18283369)

 Processing a NODE_FAILREP signal that contained an invalid node ID could cause a data node to fail. (Bug #18993037, Bug #73015)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #16007980.

- When building out of source, some files were written to the source directory instead of the build dir.
 These included the manifest.mf files used for creating ClusterJ jars and the pom.xml file used by mvn_install_ndbjtie.sh. In addition, ndbinfo.sql was written to the build directory, but marked as output to the source directory in CMakeLists.txt. (Bug #18889568, Bug #72843)
- It was possible for a data node restart to become stuck indefinitely in start phase 101 (see Summary of NDB Cluster Start Phases) when there were connection problems between the node being restarted and one or more subscribing API nodes.

To help prevent this from happening, a new data node configuration parameter RestartSubscriberConnectTimeout has been introduced, which can be used to control how long a data node restart can stall in start phase 101 before giving up and attempting to restart again. The default is 12000 ms. (Bug #18599198)

• Executing ALTER TABLE . . . REORGANIZE PARTITION after increasing the number of data nodes in the cluster from 4 to 16 led to a crash of the data nodes. This issue was shown to be a regression caused by previous fix which added a new dump handler using a dump code that was already in use (7019), which caused the command to execute two different handlers with different semantics. The new handler was assigned a new DUMP code (7024). (Bug #18550318)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #14220269.

- Following a long series of inserts, when running with a relatively small redo log and an insufficient large value for MaxNoOfConcurrentTransactions, there remained transactions that were blocked by the lack of redo log and were thus not aborted in the correct state (waiting for prepare log to be sent to disk, or LOG_QUEUED state). This caused the redo log to remain blocked until unblocked by a completion of a local checkpoint. This could lead to a deadlock, when the blocked aborts in turned blocked global checkpoints, and blocked GCPs block LCPs. To prevent this situation from arising, we now abort immediately when we reach the LOG_QUEUED state in the abort state handler. (Bug #18533982)
- ndbmtd supports multiple parallel receiver threads, each of which performs signal reception for a subset of the remote node connections (transporters) with the mapping of remote_nodes to receiver threads

decided at node startup. Connection control is managed by the multi-instance TRPMAN block, which is organized as a proxy and workers, and each receiver thread has a TRPMAN worker running locally.

The QMGR block sends signals to TRPMAN to enable and disable communications with remote nodes. These signals are sent to the TRPMAN proxy, which forwards them to the workers. The workers themselves decide whether to act on signals, based on the set of remote nodes they manage.

The current issue arises because the mechanism used by the TRPMAN workers for determining which connections they are responsible for was implemented in such a way that each worker thought it was responsible for all connections. This resulted in the TRPMAN actions for OPEN_COMORD, ENABLE_COMREQ, and CLOSE_COMREQ being processed multiple times.

The fix keeps TRPMAN instances (receiver threads) executing OPEN_COMORD, ENABLE_COMREQ and CLOSE_COMREQ requests. In addition, the correct TRPMAN instance is now chosen when routing from this instance for a specific remote connection. (Bug #18518037)

• During data node failure handling, the transaction coordinator performing takeover gathers all known state information for any failed TC instance transactions, determines whether each transaction has been committed or aborted, and informs any involved API nodes so that they can report this accurately to their clients. The TC instance provides this information by sending TCKEY_FAILREF or TCKEY_FAILCONF signals to the API nodes as appropriate top each affected transaction.

In the event that this TC instance does not have a direct connection to the API node, it attempts to deliver the signal by routing it through another data node in the same node group as the failing TC, and sends a GSN_TCKEY_FAILREFCONF_R signal to TC block instance 0 in that data node. A problem arose in the case of multiple transaction cooridnators, when this TC instance did not have a signal handler for such signals, which led it to fail.

This issue has been corrected by adding a handler to the TC proxy block which in such cases forwards the signal to one of the local TC worker instances, which in turn attempts to forward the signal on to the API node. (Bug #18455971)

- When running with a very slow main thread, and one or more transaction coordinator threads, on different CPUs, it was possible to encounter a timeout when sending a DIH_SCAN_GET_NODESREQ signal, which could lead to a crash of the data node. Now in such cases the timeout is avoided. (Bug #18449222)
- Failure of multiple nodes while using ndbmtd with multiple TC threads was not handled gracefully under a moderate amount of traffic, which could in some cases lead to an unplanned shutdown of the cluster. (Bug #18069334)
- A local checkpoint (LCP) is tracked using a global LCP state (c_lcpState), and each NDB table has a
 status indicator which indicates the LCP status of that table (tabLcpStatus). If the global LCP state is
 LCP_STATUS_IDLE, then all the tables should have an LCP status of TLS_COMPLETED.

When an LCP starts, the global LCP status is LCP_INIT_TABLES and the thread starts setting all the NDB tables to TLS_ACTIVE. If any tables are not ready for LCP, the LCP initialization

procedure continues with CONTINUEB signals until all tables have become available and been marked TLS ACTIVE. When this initialization is complete, the global LCP status is set to LCP STATUS ACTIVE.

This bug occurred when the following conditions were met:

- An LCP was in the LCP_INIT_TABLES state, and some but not all tables had been set to TLS_ACTIVE.
- The master node failed before the global LCP state changed to LCP_STATUS_ACTIVE; that is, before the LCP could finish processing all tables.
- The NODE_FAILREP signal resulting from the node failure was processed before the final CONTINUES signal from the LCP initialization process, so that the node failure was processed while the LCP remained in the LCP INIT TABLES state.

Following master node failure and selection of a new one, the new master queries the remaining nodes with a MASTER_LCPREQ signal to determine the state of the LCP. At this point, since the LCP status was LCP_INIT_TABLES, the LCP status was reset to LCP_STATUS_IDLE. However, the LCP status of the tables was not modified, so there remained tables with TLS_ACTIVE. Afterwards, the failed node is removed from the LCP. If the LCP status of a given table is TLS_ACTIVE, there is a check that the global LCP status is not LCP_STATUS_IDLE; this check failed and caused the data node to fail.

Now the MASTER_LCPREQ handler ensures that the tabLcpStatus for all tables is updated to TLS_COMPLETED when the global LCP status is changed to LCP_STATUS_IDLE. (Bug #18044717)

• When performing a copying ALTER TABLE operation, mysqld creates a new copy of the table to be altered. This intermediate table, which is given a name bearing the prefix #sql-, has an updated schema but contains no data. mysqld then copies the data from the original table to this intermediate table, drops the original table, and finally renames the intermediate table with the name of the original table.

mysqld regards such a table as a temporary table and does not include it in the output from SHOW TABLES; mysqldump also ignores an intermediate table. However, NDB sees no difference between such an intermediate table and any other table. This difference in how intermediate tables are viewed by mysqld (and MySQL client programs) and by the NDB storage engine can give rise to problems when performing a backup and restore if an intermediate table existed in NDB, possibly left over from a failed ALTER TABLE that used copying. If a schema backup is performed using mysqldump and the mysql client, this table is not included. However, in the case where a data backup was done using the ndb_mgm client's BACKUP command, the intermediate table was included, and was also included by ndb_restore, which then failed due to attempting to load data into a table which was not defined in the backed up schema.

To prevent such failures from occurring, ndb_restore now by default ignores intermediate tables created during ALTER TABLE operations (that is, tables whose names begin with the prefix #sql-). A new option --exclude-intermediate-sql-tables is added that makes it possible to override the new behavior. The option's default value is TRUE; to cause ndb_restore to revert to the old behavior and to attempt to restore intermediate tables, set this option to FALSE. (Bug #17882305)

- The logging of insert failures has been improved. This is intended to help diagnose occasional issues seen when writing to the mysql.ndb_binlog_index table. (Bug #17461625)
- Employing a CHAR column that used the UTF8 character set as a table's primary key column led to node failure when restarting data nodes. Attempting to restore a table with such a primary key also caused ndb_restore to fail. (Bug #16895311, Bug #68893)

• The --order (-o) option for the ndb_select_all utility worked only when specified as the last option, and did not work with an equals sign.

As part of this fix, the program's --help output was also aligned with the --order option's correct behavior. (Bug #64426, Bug #16374870)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.16 (5.5.37-ndb-7.2.16) (2014-04-08, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.16 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.37 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.37 (2014-03-27, General Availability)).

- Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Handling of LongMessageBuffer shortages and statistics has been improved as follows:
 - The default value of LongMessageBuffer has been increased from 4 MB to 64 MB.
 - When this resource is exhausted, a suitable informative message is now printed in the data node log describing possible causes of the problem and suggesting possible solutions.
 - LongMessageBuffer usage information is now shown in the ndbinfo.memoryusage table. See the description of this table for an example and additional information.

Bugs Fixed

- Important Change: The server system variables ndb_index_cache_entries and ndb_index_stat_freq, which had been deprecated in a previous MySQL NDB Cluster release series, have now been removed. (Bug #11746486, Bug #26673)
- NDB Replication: A slave in MySQL NDB Cluster Replication now monitors the progression of epoch
 numbers received from its immediate upstream master, which can both serve as a useful check on the
 low-level functioning of replication, and provide a warning in the event replication is restarted accidentally
 at an already-applied position.

As a result of this enhancement, an epoch ID collision has the following results, depending on the state of the slave SQL thread:

- Following a RESET SLAVE statement, no action is taken, in order to allow the execution of this statement without spurious warnings.
- Following START SLAVE, a warning is produced that the slave is being positioned at an epoch that has already been applied.

• In all other cases, the slave SQL thread is stopped against the possibility that a system malfunction has resulted in the re-application of an existing epoch.

(Bug #17461576)

References: See also: Bug #17369118.

- NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB API client application received a signal with an invalid block or signal number, NDB provided only a very brief error message that did not accurately convey the nature of the problem. Now in such cases, appropriate printouts are provided when a bad signal or message is detected. In addition, the message length is now checked to make certain that it matches the size of the embedded signal. (Bug #18426180)
- NDB Cluster APIs: Refactoring that was performed in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.15 inadvertently introduced a dependency in Ndb.hpp on a file that is not included in the distribution, which caused NDB API applications to fail to compile. The dependency has been removed. (Bug #18293112, Bug #71803)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #17647637.

• NDB Cluster APIs: An NDB API application sends a scan query to a data node; the scan is processed by the transaction coordinator (TC). The TC forwards a LQHKEYREQ request to the appropriate LDM, and aborts the transaction if it does not receive a LQHKEYCONF response within the specified time limit. After the transaction is successfully aborted, the TC sends a TCROLLBACKREP to the NDBAPI client, and the NDB API client processes this message by cleaning up any Ndb objects associated with the transaction.

The client receives the data which it has requested in the form of TRANSID_AI signals, buffered for sending at the data node, and may be delivered after a delay. On receiving such a signal, NDB checks the transaction state and ID: if these are as expected, it processes the signal using the Ndb objects associated with that transaction.

The current bug occurs when all the following conditions are fulfilled:

- The transaction coordinator aborts a transaction due to delays and sends a TCROLLBACPREP signal
 to the client, while at the same time a TRANSID_AI which has been buffered for delivery at an LDM is
 delivered to the same client.
- The NDB API client considers the transaction complete on receipt of a TCROLLBACKREP signal, and immediately closes the transaction.
- The client has a separate receiver thread running concurrently with the thread that is engaged in closing the transaction.
- The arrival of the late TRANSID_AI interleaves with the closing of the user thread's transaction such that TRANSID_AI processing passes normal checks before closeTransaction() resets the transaction state and invalidates the receiver.

When these conditions are all met, the receiver thread proceeds to continue working on the TRANSID_AI signal using the invalidated receiver. Since the receiver is already invalidated, its usage results in a node failure.

Now the Ndb object cleanup done for TCROLLBACKREP includes invalidation of the transaction ID, so that, for a given transaction, any signal which is received after the TCROLLBACKREP arrives does not pass the transaction ID check and is silently dropped. This fix is also implemented for the TC_COMMITREF, TCROLLBACKREF, TCKEY_FAILCONF, and TCKEY_FAILREF signals as well.

See also Operations and Signals, for additional information about NDB messaging. (Bug #18196562)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The example ndbapi-examples/ndbapi_blob_ndbrecord/main.cpp included an internal header file (ndb_global.h) not found in the MySQL NDB Cluster binary distribution. The example now uses stdlib.h and string.h instead of this file. (Bug #18096866, Bug #71409)
- NDB Cluster APIs: ndb_restore could sometimes report Error 701 System busy with other schema operation unnecessarily when restoring in parallel. (Bug #17916243)
- When an ALTER TABLE statement changed table schemas without causing a change in the table's
 partitioning, the new table definition did not copy the hash map from the old definition, but used the
 current default hash map instead. However, the table data was not reorganized according to the new
 hashmap, which made some rows inaccessible using a primary key lookup if the two hash maps had
 incompatible definitions.

To keep this situation from occurring, any ALTER TABLE that entails a hashmap change now triggers a reorganisation of the table. In addition, when copying a table definition in such cases, the hashmap is now also copied. (Bug #18436558)

- When certain queries generated signals having more than 18 data words prior to a node failure, such signals were not written correctly in the trace file. (Bug #18419554)
- Checking of timeouts is handled by the signal TIME_SIGNAL. Previously, this signal was generated by the QMGR NDB kernel block in the main thread, and sent to the QMRG, DBLQH, and DBTC blocks (see NDB Kernel Blocks) as needed to check (respectively) heartbeats, disk writes, and transaction timeouts. In ndbmtd (as opposed to ndbd), these blocks all execute in different threads. This meant that if, for example, QMGR was actively working and some other thread was put to sleep, the previously sleeping thread received a large number of TIME_SIGNAL messages simultaneously when it was woken up again, with the effect that effective times moved very quickly in DBLQH as well as in DBTC. In DBLQH, this had no noticeable adverse effects, but this was not the case in DBTC; the latter block could not work on transactions even though time was still advancing, leading to a situation in which many operations appeared to time out because the transaction coordinator (TC) thread was comparatively slow in answering requests.

In addition, when the TC thread slept for longer than 1500 milliseconds, the data node crashed due to detecting that the timeout handling loop had not yet stopped. To rectify this problem, the generation of the TIME_SIGNAL has been moved into the local threads instead of QMGR; this provides for better control over how quickly TIME_SIGNAL messages are allowed to arrive. (Bug #18417623)

- The ServerPort and TcpBind_INADDR_ANY configuration parameters were not included in the output of ndb_mgmd --print-full-config. (Bug #18366909)
- After dropping an NDB table, neither the cluster log nor the output of the REPORT MemoryUsage
 command showed that the IndexMemory used by that table had been freed, even though the
 memory had in fact been deallocated. This issue was introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.14. (Bug
 #18296810)
- ndb_show_tables sometimes failed with the error message Unable to connect to management server and immediately terminated, without providing the underlying reason for the failure. To provide more useful information in such cases, this program now also prints the most recent error from the Ndb_cluster_connection object used to instantiate the connection. (Bug #18276327)
- -DWITH_NDBMTD=0 did not function correctly, which could cause the build to fail on platforms such as ARM and Raspberry Pi which do not define the memory barrier functions required to compile ndbmtd. (Bug #18267919)

References: See also: Bug #16620938.

• The block threads managed by the multithreading scheduler communicate by placing signals in an out queue or job buffer which is set up between all block threads. This queue has a fixed maximum size, such that when it is filled up, the worker thread must wait for the consumer to drain the queue. In a highly loaded system, multiple threads could end up in a circular wait lock due to full out buffers, such that they were preventing each other from performing any useful work. This condition eventually led to the data node being declared dead and killed by the watchdog timer.

To fix this problem, we detect situations in which a circular wait lock is about to begin, and cause buffers which are otherwise held in reserve to become available for signal processing by queues which are highly loaded. (Bug #18229003)

- The ndb_mgm client START BACKUP command (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) could experience occasional random failures when a ping was received prior to an expected BackupCompleted event. Now the connection established by this command is not checked until it has been properly set up. (Bug #18165088)
- The local checkpoint lag watchdog tracking the number of times a check for LCP timeout was performed
 using the system scheduler and used this count to check for a timeout condition, but this caused a
 number of issues. To overcome these limitations, the LCP watchdog has been refactored to keep track
 of its own start times, and to calculate elapsed time by reading the (real) clock every time it is called.
 (Bug #17842035)

References: See also: Bug #17647469.

 Data nodes running ndbmtd could stall while performing an online upgrade of a MySQL NDB Cluster containing a great many tables from a version prior to NDB 7.2.5 to version 7.2.5 or later. (Bug #16693068)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.15 (5.5.35-ndb-7.2.15) (2014-02-05, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.15 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.35 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.35 (2013-12-03, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

- Packaging; Solaris: Compilation of ndbmtd failed on Solaris 10 and 11 for 32-bit x86, and the binary was not included in the binary distributions for these platforms. (Bug #16620938)
- Microsoft Windows: Timers used in timing scheduler events in the NDB kernel have been refactored, in part to insure that they are monotonic on all platforms. In particular, on Windows, event intervals were previously calculated using values obtained from GetSystemTimeAsFileTime(), which reads directly from the system time ("wall clock"), and which may arbitrarily be reset backward or forward, leading to false watchdog or heartbeat alarms, or even node shutdown. Lack of timer monotonicity could also cause slow disk writes during backups and global checkpoints. To fix this issue, the Windows implementation now uses QueryPerformanceCounters() instead of GetSystemTimeAsFileTime(). In the event that a monotonic timer is not found on startup of the data nodes, a warning is logged.

In addition, on all platforms, a check is now performed at compile time for available system monotonic timers, and the build fails if one cannot be found; note that CLOCK_HIGHRES is now supported as an alternative for CLOCK MONOTONIC if the latter is not available. (Bug #17647637)

- NDB Disk Data: When using Disk Data tables and ndbmtd data nodes, it was possible for the undo buffer to become overloaded, leading to a crash of the data nodes. This issue was more likely to be encountered when using Disk Data columns whose size was approximately 8K or larger. (Bug #16766493)
- NDB Cluster APIs: UINT_MAX64 was treated as a signed value by Visual Studio 2010. To prevent this from happening, the value is now explicitly defined as unsigned. (Bug #17947674)

References: See also: Bug #17647637.

- NDB Cluster APIs: It was possible for an Ndb object to receive signals for handling before it was initialized, leading to thread interleaving and possible data node failure when executing a call to Ndb::init(). To guard against this happening, a check is now made when it is starting to receive signals that the Ndb object is properly initialized before any signals are actually handled. (Bug #17719439)
- NDB Cluster APIs: Compilation of example NDB API program files failed due to missing include directives. (Bug #17672846, Bug #70759)
- **ndbmemcache:** When attempting to start memcached with a cache_size larger than that of the available memory and with preallocate=true failed, the error message provided only a numeric code, and did not indicate what the actual source of the error was. (Bug #17509293, Bug #70403)
- **ndbmemcache**: A memcached server running the NDB engine could crash after being disconnected from a cluster. (Bug #14055851)
- MySQL NDB ClusterJ: Call of setPartitionKey() failed after a previous transaction failed. It was because the state of the transaction was not properly cleaned up after the transaction failure. This fix adds the clean-up that is needed in the situation. (Bug #17885485)
- Monotonic timers on several platforms can experience issues which might result in the monotonic clock doing small jumps back in time. This is due to imperfect synchronization of clocks between multiple CPU cores and does not normally have an adverse effect on the scheduler and watchdog mechanisms; so we handle some of these cases by making backtick protection less strict, although we continue to ensure that the backtick is less than 10 milliseconds. This fix also removes several checks for backticks which are thereby made redundant. (Bug #17973819)
- Under certain specific circumstances, in a cluster having two SQL nodes, one of these could hang, and could not be accessed again even after killing the mysqld process and restarting it. (Bug #17875885, Bug #18080104)

References: See also: Bug #17934985.

 Poor support or lack of support on some platforms for monotonic timers caused issues with delayed signal handling by the job scheduler for the multithreaded data node. Variances (timer leaps) on such platforms are now handled in the same way the multithreaded data node process that they are by the singlethreaded version. (Bug #17857442)

References: See also: Bug #17475425, Bug #17647637.

• In some cases, with ndb_join_pushdown enabled, it was possible to obtain from a valid query the error Got error 290 'Corrupt key in TC, unable to xfrm' from NDBCLUSTER even though the data was not actually corrupted.

It was determined that a NULL in a VARCHAR column could be used to construct a lookup key, but since NULL is never equal to any other value, such a lookup could simple have been eliminated instead. This NULL lookup in turn led to the spurious error message.

This fix takes advantage of the fact that a key lookup with NULL never finds any matching rows, and so NDB does not try to perform the lookup that would have led to the error. (Bug #17845161)

- It was theoretically possible in certain cases for a number of output functions internal to the NDB code to supply an uninitialized buffer as output. Now in such cases, a newline character is printed instead. (Bug #17775602, Bug #17775772)
- Use of the localtime() function in NDB multithreading code led to otherwise nondeterministic failures in ndbmtd. This fix replaces this function, which on many platforms uses a buffer shared among multiple threads, with localtime r(), which can have allocated to it a buffer of its own. (Bug #17750252)
- When using single-threaded (ndbd) data nodes with RealTimeScheduler enabled, the CPU did not, as intended, temporarily lower its scheduling priority to normal every 10 milliseconds to give other, non-realtime threads a chance to run. (Bug #17739131)
- During arbitrator selection, QMGR (see The QMGR Block) runs through a series of states, the first few of which are (in order) NULL, INIT, FIND, PREP1, PREP2, and START. A check for an arbitration selection timeout occurred in the FIND state, even though the corresponding timer was not set until QMGR reached the PREP1 and PREP2 states. Attempting to read the resulting uninitialized timestamp value could lead to false Could not find an arbitrator, cluster is not partition-safe warnings.

This fix moves the setting of the timer for arbitration timeout to the INIT state, so that the value later read during FIND is always initialized. (Bug #17738720)

• The global checkpoint lag watchdog tracking the number of times a check for GCP lag was performed using the system scheduler and used this count to check for a timeout condition, but this caused a number of issues. To overcome these limitations, the GCP watchdog has been refactored to keep track of its own start times, and to calculate elapsed time by reading the (real) clock every time it is called.

In addition, any backticks (rare in any case) are now handled by taking the backward time as the new current time and calculating the elapsed time for this round as 0. Finally, any ill effects of a forward leap, which possibly could expire the watchdog timer immediately, are reduced by never calculating an elapsed time longer than the requested delay time for the watchdog timer. (Bug #17647469)

References: See also: Bug #17842035.

- The length of the interval (intended to be 10 seconds) between warnings for GCP_COMMIT when the GCP progress watchdog did not detect progress in a global checkpoint was not always calculated correctly. (Bug #17647213)
- In certain rare cases on commit of a transaction, an Ndb object was released before the transaction coordinator (DBTC kernel block) sent the expected COMMIT_CONF signal; NDB failed to send a COMMIT_ACK signal in response, which caused a memory leak in the NDB kernel could later lead to node failure.

Now an Ndb object is not released until the COMMIT_CONF signal has actually been received. (Bug #16944817)

• After restoring the database metadata (but not any data) by running ndb_restore --restore-meta (or -m), SQL nodes would hang while trying to SELECT from a table in the database to which the metadata was restored. In such cases the attempt to query the table now fails as expected, since

the table does not actually exist until ndb_restore is executed with --restore-data (-r). (Bug #16890703)

References: See also: Bug #21184102.

- Losing its connections to the management node or data nodes while a query against the ndbinfo.memoryusage table was in progress caused the SQL node where the query was issued to fail. (Bug #14483440, Bug #16810415)
- The ndbd_redo_log_reader utility now supports a --help option. Using this options causes the program to print basic usage information, and then to exit. (Bug #11749591, Bug #36805)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.14 (5.5.34-ndb-7.2.14) (2013-10-31, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.14 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the \mathtt{NDB} storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.34 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.34 (2013-09-20, General Availability)).

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Added the ExtraSendBufferMemory parameter for management nodes and API nodes. (Formerly, this parameter was available only for configuring data nodes.) See ExtraSendBufferMemory (management nodes), and ExtraSendBufferMemory (API nodes), for more information. (Bug #14555359)
- BLOB and TEXT columns are now reorganized by the ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement. (Bug #13714148)

Bugs Fixed

- **Performance:** In a number of cases found in various locations in the MySQL NDB Cluster codebase, unnecessary iterations were performed; this was caused by failing to break out of a repeating control structure after a test condition had been met. This community-contributed fix removes the unneeded repetitions by supplying the missing breaks. (Bug #16904243, Bug #69392, Bug #16904338, Bug #69394, Bug #16778417, Bug #69171, Bug #16778494, Bug #69172, Bug #16798410, Bug #69207, Bug #16801489, Bug #69215, Bug #16904266, Bug #69393)
- Packaging; Microsoft Windows: The MySQL NDB Cluster installer for Windows provided a
 nonfunctional option to install debug symbols (contained in *.pdb files). This option has been removed
 from the installer.



Note

You can obtain the *.pdb debug files for a given MySQL NDB Cluster release from the Windows .zip archive for the same release, such as mysql-

cluster-gpl-7.2.14-win32.zip or mysql-cluster-gpl-7.3.2winx64.zip.

(Bug #16748308, Bug #69112)

- Packaging; Microsoft Windows: The MySQL NDB Cluster Windows installer attempted to use the wrong path to the my.ini file and the executables directory. (Bug #13813120, Bug #64510)
- Packaging: A fix has been made in this release correcting a number of issues found in some recent MySQL-Cluster-server RPM packages, including dependencies on the mysql-server package and conflicts with the mysql-libs package needed by other common applications. Platforms known to have been affected by these issues include CentOS 6, Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6, and Oracle Linux 6. (Bug #14063590, Bug #14181419, Bug #65534)
- **Microsoft Windows:** The Windows error *ERROR_FILE_EXISTS* was not recognized by NDB, which treated it as an unknown error. (Bug #16970960)
- NDB Disk Data: The statements CREATE TABLESPACE, ALTER LOGFILE GROUP, and ALTER TABLESPACE failed with a syntax error when INITIAL_SIZE was specified using letter abbreviations such as M or G. In addition, CREATE LOGFILE GROUP failed when INITIAL_SIZE, UNDO_BUFFER_SIZE, or both options were specified using letter abbreviations. (Bug #13116514, Bug #16104705, Bug #62858)
- NDB Replication: Trying to use a stale .frm file and encountering a mismatch bewteen table definitions could cause mysqld to make errors when writing to the binary log. (Bug #17250994)
- NDB Replication: Replaying a binary log that had been written by a mysqld from a MySQL Server distribution (and from not a MySQL NDB Cluster distribution), and that contained DML statements, on a MySQL NDB Cluster SQL node could lead to failure of the SQL node. (Bug #16742250)
- NDB Cluster APIs: For each log event retrieved using the MGM API, the log event category (ndb_mgm_event_category) was simply cast to an enum type, which resulted in invalid category values. Now an offset is added to the category following the cast to ensure that the value does not fall out of the allowed range.



Note

This change was reverted by the fix for Bug #18354165. See the MySQL NDB Cluster API Developer documentation for ndb_logevent_get_next(), for more information.

(Bug #16723708)

References: See also: Bug #18354165.

- NDB Cluster APIs: The Event::setTable() method now supports a pointer or a reference to table as its required argument. If a null table pointer is used, the method now returns -1 to make it clear that this is what has occurred. (Bug #16329082)
- ndbmemcache: The CMakeLists.txt files for ndbmemcache wrote into the source tree, preventing out-of-source builds. (Bug #14650456)
- ndbmemcache: ndbmemcache did not handle passed-in BINARY values correctly.
- Trying to restore to a table having a BLOB column in a different position from that of the original one caused ndb restore --restore-data to fail. (Bug #17395298)

- ndb_restore could abort during the last stages of a restore using attribute promotion or demotion into an existing table. This could happen if a converted attribute was nullable and the backup had been run on active database. (Bug #17275798)
- The DBUTIL data node block is now less strict about the order in which it receives certain messages from other nodes. (Bug #17052422)
- RealTimeScheduler did not work correctly with data nodes running ndbmtd. (Bug #16961971)
- File system errors occurring during a local checkpoint could sometimes cause an LCP to hang with no
 obvious cause when they were not handled correctly. Now in such cases, such errors always cause
 the node to fail. Note that the LQH block always shuts down the node when a local checkpoint fails; the
 change here is to make likely node failure occur more quickly and to make the original file system error
 more visible. (Bug #16961443)
- mysql_upgrade failed when upgrading from MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1.26 to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.13 when it attempted to invoke a stored procedure before the mysql.proc table had been upgraded. (Bug #16933405)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #16226274.

- The planned or unplanned shutdown of one or more data nodes while reading table data from the ndbinfo database caused a memory leak. (Bug #16932989)
- Maintenance and checking of parent batch completion in the SPJ block of the NDB kernel was reimplemented. Among other improvements, the completion state of all ancestor nodes in the tree are now preserved. (Bug #16925513)
- Executing DROP TABLE while DBDIH was updating table checkpoint information subsequent to a node failure could lead to a data node failure. (Bug #16904469)
- In certain cases, when starting a new SQL node, mysqld failed with Error 1427 Api node died, when SUB START REQ reached node. (Bug #16840741)
- Failure to use container classes specific NDB during node failure handling could cause leakage of commit-ack markers, which could later lead to resource shortages or additional node crashes. (Bug #16834416)
- Use of an uninitialized variable employed in connection with error handling in the DBLQH kernel block could sometimes lead to a data node crash or other stability issues for no apparent reason. (Bug #16834333)
- A race condition in the time between the reception of a execNODE_FAILREP signal by the QMGR kernel block and its reception by the DBLQH and DBTC kernel blocks could lead to data node crashes during shutdown. (Bug #16834242)
- The CLUSTERLOG command (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) caused ndb_mgm to crash on Solaris SPARC systems. (Bug #16834030)
- The NDB Error-Reporting Utility (ndb_error_reporter) failed to include the cluster nodes' log files in the archive it produced when the FILE option was set for the parameter LogDestination. (Bug #16765651)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

• The LCP fragment scan watchdog periodically checks for lack of progress in a fragment scan performed as part of a local checkpoint, and shuts down the node if there is no progress after a given amount of

time has elapsed. This interval, formerly hard-coded as 60 seconds, can now be configured using the LcpScanProgressTimeout data node configuration parameter added in this release.

This configuration parameter sets the maximum time the local checkpoint can be stalled before the LCP fragment scan watchdog shuts down the node. The default is 60 seconds, which provides backward compatibility with previous releases.

You can disable the LCP fragment scan watchdog by setting this parameter to 0. (Bug #16630410)

• Added the ndb_error_reporter options --connection-timeout, which makes it possible to set a timeout for connecting to nodes, --dry-scp, which disables scp connections to remote hosts, and --skip-nodegroup, which skips all nodes in a given node group. (Bug #16602002)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

- After issuing START BACKUP *id* WAIT STARTED, if *id* had already been used for a backup ID, an error caused by the duplicate ID occurred as expected, but following this, the START BACKUP command never completed. (Bug #16593604, Bug #68854)
- ndb_mgm treated backup IDs provided to ABORT BACKUP commands as signed values, so that backup IDs greater than 2³¹ wrapped around to negative values. This issue also affected out-of-range backup IDs, which wrapped around to negative values instead of causing errors as expected in such cases. The backup ID is now treated as an unsigned value, and ndb_mgm now performs proper range checking for backup ID values greater than MAX_BACKUPS (2³²). (Bug #16585497, Bug #68798)
- When trying to specify a backup ID greater than the maximum allowed, the value was silently truncated. (Bug #16585455, Bug #68796)
- The unexpected shutdown of another data node as a starting data node received its node ID caused the latter to hang in Start Phase 1. (Bug #16007980)

References: See also: Bug #18993037.

- SELECT ... WHERE ... LIKE from an NDB table could return incorrect results when using engine_condition_pushdown=ON. (Bug #15923467, Bug #67724)
- The NDB receive thread waited unnecessarily for additional job buffers to become available when
 receiving data. This caused the receive mutex to be held during this wait, which could result in a busy
 wait when the receive thread was running with real-time priority.

This fix also handles the case where a negative return value from the initial check of the job buffer by the receive thread prevented further execution of data reception, which could possibly lead to communication blockage or configured ReceiveBufferMemory underutilization. (Bug #15907515)

- When the available job buffers for a given thread fell below the critical threshold, the internal
 multithreading job scheduler waited for job buffers for incoming rather than outgoing signals to become
 available, which meant that the scheduler waited the maximum timeout (1 millisecond) before resuming
 execution. (Bug #15907122)
- Under some circumstances, a race occurred where the wrong watchdog state could be reported. A new state name Packing Send Buffers is added for watchdog state number 11, previously reported as Unknown place. As part of this fix, the state numbers for states without names are always now reported in such cases. (Bug #14824490)
- Creating more than 32 hash maps caused data nodes to fail. Usually new hashmaps are created
 only when performing reorganzation after data nodes have been added or when explicit partitioning
 is used, such as when creating a table with the MAX_ROWS option, or using PARTITION BY KEY()
 PARTITIONS n. (Bug #14710311)

When a node fails, the Distribution Handler (DBDIH kernel block) takes steps together with the
Transaction Coordinator (DBTC) to make sure that all ongoing transactions involving the failed node are
taken over by a surviving node and either committed or aborted. Transactions taken over which are then
committed belong in the epoch that is current at the time the node failure occurs, so the surviving nodes
must keep this epoch available until the transaction takeover is complete. This is needed to maintain
ordering between epochs.

A problem was encountered in the mechanism intended to keep the current epoch open which led to a race condition between this mechanism and that normally used to declare the end of an epoch. This could cause the current epoch to be closed prematurely, leading to failure of one or more surviving data nodes. (Bug #14623333, Bug #16990394)

- When performing an INSERT ... ON DUPLICATE KEY UPDATE on an NDB table where the row to be inserted already existed and was locked by another transaction, the error message returned from the INSERT following the timeout was Transaction already aborted instead of the expected Lock wait timeout exceeded. (Bug #14065831, Bug #65130)
- When using dynamic listening ports for accepting connections from API nodes, the port numbers were
 reported to the management server serially. This required a round trip for each API node, causing the
 time required for data nodes to connect to the management server to grow linearly with the number
 of API nodes. To correct this problem, each data node now reports all dynamic ports at once. (Bug
 #12593774)
- ndb_error-reporter did not support the --help option. (Bug #11756666, Bug #48606)
 References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.
- When START BACKUP WAIT STARTED was run from the command line using ndb_mgm --execute (-e), the client did not exit until the backup completed. (Bug #11752837, Bug #44146)
- Formerly, the node used as the coordinator or leader for distributed decision making between nodes (also known as the DICT manager—see The DBDICT Block) was indicated in the output of the ndb_mgm client SHOW command as the "master" node, although this node has no relationship to a master server in MySQL Replication. (It should also be noted that it is not necessary to know which node is the leader except when debugging NDBCLUSTER source code.) To avoid possible confusion, this label has been removed, and the leader node is now indicated in SHOW command output using an asterisk (*) character. (Bug #11746263, Bug #24880)
- Program execution failed to break out of a loop after meeting a desired condition in a number of internal methods, performing unneeded work in all cases where this occurred. (Bug #69610, Bug #69611, Bug #69736, Bug #17030606, Bug #17030614, Bug #17160263)
- ABORT BACKUP in the ndb_mgm client (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) took
 an excessive amount of time to return (approximately as long as the backup would have required
 to complete, had it not been aborted), and failed to remove the files that had been generated by the
 aborted backup. (Bug #68853, Bug #17719439)
- Attribute promotion and demotion when restoring data to NDB tables using ndb_restore --restore-data with the --promote-attributes and --lossy-conversions options has been improved as follows:
 - Columns of types CHAR, and VARCHAR can now be promoted to BINARY and VARBINARY, and columns of the latter two types can be demoted to one of the first two.

Note that converted character data is not checked to conform to any character set.

• Any of the types CHAR, VARCHAR, BINARY, and VARBINARY can now be promoted to TEXT or BLOB.

When performing such promotions, the only other sort of type conversion that can be performed at the same time is between character types and binary types.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.13 (5.5.31-ndb-7.2.13) (2013-06-14, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.13 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.31 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.31 (2013-04-18, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- NDB Cluster APIs: Added DUMP code 2514, which provides information about counts of transaction objects per API node. For more information, see DUMP 2514. See also Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client. (Bug #15878085)
- When ndb_restore fails to find a table, it now includes in the error output an NDB API error code giving the reason for the failure. (Bug #16329067)

Bugs Fixed

- Incompatible Change; NDB Replication: The default value for the binlog_format system variable when the NDB storage engine is enabled is now MIXED. If NDB is not enabled, the default binary logging format is STATEMENT, as in the standard MySQL Server. (Bug #16417224)
- NDB Disk Data: NDB error 899 RowId already allocated was raised due to a RowId "leak" which
 occurred under either of the following sets of circumstances:
 - 1. Insertion of a row into an in-memory table was rejected after an ordered index update failed due to insufficient DataMemory.
 - 2. Insertion of a row into a Disk Data table was rejected due to lack of sufficient table space.

(Bug #13927679)

References: See also: Bug #22494024, Bug #13990924.

• The NDB Error-Reporting Utility (ndb_error_reporter) failed to include the cluster nodes' log files in the archive it produced when the FILE option was set for the parameter LogDestination. (Bug #16765651)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

 A WHERE condition that contained a boolean test of the result of an IN subselect was not evaluated correctly. (Bug #16678033)

- In some cases a data node could stop with an exit code but no error message other than (null) was logged. (This could occur when using ndbd or ndbmtd for the data node process.) Now in such cases the appropriate error message is used instead (see Data Node Error Messages). (Bug #16614114)
- mysql_upgrade failed when run on an SQL node where distributed privileges were in use. (Bug #16226274)
- Improved handling of lagging row change event subscribers by setting size of the GCP pool to the value of MaxBufferedEpochs. This fix also introduces a new MaxBufferedEpochBytes data node configuration parameter, which makes it possible to set a total number of bytes per node to be reserved for buffering epochs. In addition, a new DUMP code (8013) has been added which causes a list a lagging subscribers for each node to be printed to the cluster log (see DUMP 8013). (Bug #16203623)
- Purging the binary logs could sometimes cause mysqld to crash. (Bug #15854719)
- An error message in src/mgmsrv/MgmtSrvr.cpp was corrected. (Bug #14548052, Bug #66518)
- The help text for ndb_select_count did not include any information about using table names. (Bug #11755737, Bug #47551)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.12 (5.5.30-ndb-7.2.12) (2013-03-27, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.12 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating fixes for bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases made in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 (see Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 (5.5.29-ndb-7.2.11) (Not released)) and updating the version of the mysqld included with the NDB Cluster distribution from version 5.5.29 to 5.5.30 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.30 (2013-02-05, General Availability)).

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 (5.5.29-ndb-7.2.11) (Not released)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.29 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.29 (2012-12-21, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Following an upgrade to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 or later, it was not possible to downgrade online again to any previous version, due to a change in that version in the default size (number of LDM

threads used) for NDB table hash maps. The fix for this issue makes the size configurable, with the addition of the DefaultHashMapSize configuration parameter.

To retain compatibility with an older release that does not support large hash maps, you can set this parameter in the cluster' config.ini file to the value used in older releases (240) before performing an upgrade, so that the data nodes continue to use smaller hash maps that are compatible with the older release. You can also now employ this parameter in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0 and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 to enable larger hash maps prior to upgrading to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. For more information, see the description of the DefaultHashMapSize parameter. (Bug #14800539)

References: See also: Bug #14645319.

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change; NDB Cluster APIs: When checking—as part of evaluating an if predicate—which error codes should be propagated to the application, any error code less than 6000 caused the current row to be skipped, even those codes that should have caused the query to be aborted. In addition, a scan that aborted due to an error from DBTUP when no rows had been sent to the API caused DBLQH to send a SCAN_FRAGCONF signal rather than a SCAN_FRAGREF signal to DBTC. This caused DBTC to time out waiting for a SCAN_FRAGREF signal that was never sent, and the scan was never closed.

As part of this fix, the default <code>ErrorCode</code> value used by <code>NdbInterpretedCode::interpret_exit_nok()</code> has been changed from 899 (Rowid already allocated) to 626 (Tuple did not exist). The old value continues to be supported for backward compatibility. User-defined values in the range 6000-6999 (inclusive) are also now supported. You should also keep in mind that the result of using any other <code>ErrorCode</code> value not mentioned here is not defined or guaranteed.

See also The NDB Communication Protocol, and NDB Kernel Blocks, for more information. (Bug #16176006)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The Ndb::computeHash() API method performs a malloc() if no buffer is provided for it to use. However, it was assumed that the memory thus returned would always be suitably aligned, which is not always the case. Now when malloc() provides a buffer to this method, the buffer is aligned after it is allocated, and before it is used. (Bug #16484617)
- When using tables having more than 64 fragments in a MySQL NDB Cluster where multiple TC threads
 were configured (on data nodes running ndbmtd, using ThreadConfig), AttrInfo and KeyInfo
 memory could be freed prematurely, before scans relying on these objects could be completed, leading
 to a crash of the data node. (Bug #16402744)

References: See also: Bug #13799800. This issue is a regression of: Bug #14143553.

- When started with --initial and an invalid --config-file (-f) option, ndb_mgmd removed the old configuration cache before verifying the configuration file. Now in such cases, ndb_mgmd first checks for the file, and continues with removing the configuration cache only if the configuration file is found and is valid. (Bug #16299289)
- Executing a DUMP 2304 command during a data node restart could cause the data node to crash with a Pointer too large error. (Bug #16284258)
- Including a table as a part of a pushed join should be rejected if there are outer joined tables in between the table to be included and the tables with which it is joined with; however the check as performed for any such outer joined tables did so by checking the join type against the root of the pushed query, rather than the common ancestor of the tables being joined. (Bug #16199028)

References: See also: Bug #16198866.

• Some queries were handled differently with ndb_join_pushdown enabled, due to the fact that outer join conditions were not always pruned correctly from joins before they were pushed down. (Bug #16198866)

References: See also: Bug #16199028.

- Data nodes could fail during a system restart when the host ran short of memory, due to signals of the wrong types (ROUTE_ORD and TRANSID_AI_R) being sent to the DBSPJ kernel block. (Bug #16187976)
- Attempting to perform additional operations such as ADD COLUMN as part of an ALTER [ONLINE | OFFLINE] TABLE ... RENAME ... statement is not supported, and now fails with an ER NOT SUPPORTED YET error. (Bug #16021021)
- The mysql.server script exited with an error if the status command was executed with multiple servers running. (Bug #15852074)
- Due to a known issue in the MySQL Server, it is possible to drop the PERFORMANCE_SCHEMA database.
 (Bug #15831748) In addition, when executed on a MySQL Server acting as a MySQL NDB Cluster SQL node, DROP DATABASE caused this database to be dropped on all SQL nodes in the cluster. Now, when executing a distributed drop of a database, NDB does not delete tables that are local only. This prevents MySQL system databases from being dropped in such cases. (Bug #14798043)

References: See also: Bug #15831748.

• When performing large numbers of DDL statements (100 or more) in succession, adding an index to a table sometimes caused mysqld to crash when it could not find the table in NDB. Now when this problem occurs, the DDL statement should fail with an appropriate error.

A workaround in such cases may be to create the table with the index as part of the initial CREATE TABLE, rather than adding the index in a subsequent ALTER TABLE statement. (Bug #14773491)

- Executing OPTIMIZE TABLE on an NDB table containing TEXT or BLOB columns could sometimes cause mysqld to fail. (Bug #14725833)
- Executing a DUMP 1000 command that contained extra or malformed arguments could lead to data node failures. (Bug #14537622)
- Exhaustion of LongMessageBuffer memory under heavy load could cause data nodes running ndbmtd to fail. (Bug #14488185)
- The ndb mgm client HELP command did not show the complete syntax for the REPORT command.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.10 (5.5.29-ndb-7.2.10) (2013-01-02, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.10 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.29 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.29 (2012-12-21, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Added several new columns to the transporters table and counters for the counters table of the
 ndbinfo information database. The information provided may help in troublehsooting of transport
 overloads and problems with send buffer memory allocation. For more information, see the descriptions
 of these tables. (Bug #15935206)
- To provide information which can help in assessing the current state of arbitration in a MySQL NDB Cluster as well as in diagnosing and correcting arbitration problems, 3 new tables—membership, arbitrator_validity_detail, and arbitrator_validity_summary—have been added to the ndbinfo information database. (Bug #13336549)

Bugs Fixed

- NDB Replication: Setting slave_allow_batching had no effect. (Bug #15953730)
- When an NDB table grew to contain approximately one million rows or more per partition, it became
 possible to insert rows having duplicate primary or unique keys into it. In addition, primary key lookups
 began to fail, even when matching rows could be found in the table by other means.

This issue was introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0.36, MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1.26, and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9. Signs that you may have been affected include the following:

- · Rows left over that should have been deleted
- Rows unchanged that should have been updated
- Rows with duplicate unique keys due to inserts or updates (which should have been rejected) that failed to find an existing row and thus (wrongly) inserted a new one

This issue does not affect simple scans, so you can see all rows in a given *table* using SELECT * FROM *table* and similar queries that do not depend on a primary or unique key.

Upgrading to or downgrading from an affected release can be troublesome if there are rows with duplicate primary or unique keys in the table; such rows should be merged, but the best means of doing so is application dependent.

In addition, since the key operations themselves are faulty, a merge can be difficult to achieve without taking the MySQL NDB Cluster offline, and it may be necessary to dump, purge, process, and reload the data. Depending on the circumstances, you may want or need to process the dump with an external application, or merely to reload the dump while ignoring duplicates if the result is acceptable.

Another possibility is to copy the data into another table without the original table' unique key constraints or primary key (recall that CREATE TABLE t2 SELECT * FROM t1 does not by default copy t1's primary or unique key definitions to t2). Following this, you can remove the duplicates from the copy, then add back the unique constraints and primary key definitions. Once the copy is in the desired state, you can either drop the original table and rename the copy, or make a new dump (which can be loaded later) from the copy. (Bug #16023068, Bug #67928)

The management client command ALL REPORT BackupStatus failed with an error when used with
data nodes having multiple LQH worker threads (ndbmtd data nodes). The issue did not effect the
node_id REPORT BackupStatus form of this command. (Bug #15908907)

- The multithreaded job scheduler could be suspended prematurely when there were insufficient free job
 buffers to allow the threads to continue. The general rule in the job thread is that any queued messages
 should be sent before the thread is allowed to suspend itself, which guarantees that no other threads
 or API clients are kept waiting for operations which have already completed. However, the number of
 messages in the queue was specified incorrectly, leading to increased latency in delivering signals,
 sluggish response, or otherwise suboptimal performance. (Bug #15908684)
- The setting for the DefaultOperationRedoProblemAction API node configuration parameter was ignored, and the default value used instead. (Bug #15855588)
- Node failure during the dropping of a table could lead to the node hanging when attempting to restart.

When this happened, the NDB internal dictionary (DBDICT) lock taken by the drop table operation was held indefinitely, and the logical global schema lock taken by the SQL the drop table operation from which the drop operation originated was held until the NDB internal operation timed out. To aid in debugging such occurrences, a new dump code, DUMP 1228 (or DUMP DictDumpLockQueue), which dumps the contents of the DICT lock queue, has been added in the ndb mgm client. (Bug #14787522)

• Job buffers act as the internal queues for work requests (signals) between block threads in ndbmtd and could be exhausted if too many signals are sent to a block thread.

Performing pushed joins in the DBSPJ kernel block can execute multiple branches of the query tree in parallel, which means that the number of signals being sent can increase as more branches are executed. If DBSPJ execution cannot be completed before the job buffers are filled, the data node can fail.

This problem could be identified by multiple instances of the message sleeploop 10!! in the cluster out log, possibly followed by job buffer full. If the job buffers overflowed more gradually, there could also be failures due to error 1205 (Lock wait timeout exceeded), shutdowns initiated by the watchdog timer, or other timeout related errors. These were due to the slowdown caused by the 'sleeploop'.

Normally up to a 1:4 fanout ratio between consumed and produced signals is permitted. However, since there can be a potentially unlimited number of rows returned from the scan (and multiple scans of this type executing in parallel), any ratio greater 1:1 in such cases makes it possible to overflow the job buffers.

The fix for this issue defers any lookup child which otherwise would have been executed in parallel with another is deferred, to resume when its parallel child completes one of its own requests. This restricts the fanout ratio for bushy scan-lookup joins to 1:1. (Bug #14709490)

References: See also: Bug #14648712.

- During an online upgrade, certain SQL statements could cause the server to hang, resulting in the error Got error 4012 'Request ndbd time-out, maybe due to high load or communication problems' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14702377)
- The recently added LCP fragment scan watchdog occasionally reported problems with LCP fragment scans having very high table id, fragment id, and row count values.

This was due to the watchdog not accounting for the time spent draining the backup buffer used to buffer rows before writing to the fragment checkpoint file.

Now, in the final stage of an LCP fragment scan, the watchdog switches from monitoring rows scanned to monitoring the buffer size in bytes. The buffer size should decrease as data is written to the file, after which the file should be promptly closed. (Bug #14680057)

- Under certain rare circumstances, MySQL NDB Cluster data nodes could crash in conjunction with a configuration change on the data nodes from a single-threaded to a multithreaded transaction coordinator (using the ThreadConfig configuration parameter for ndbmtd). The problem occurred when a mysqld that had been started prior to the change was shut down following the rolling restart of the data nodes required to effect the configuration change. (Bug #14609774)
- On Microsoft Windows with CMake 2.6, the build process would not stop if the create_initial_db step failed. (Bug #13713525)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9 (5.5.28-ndb-7.2.9) (2012-11-22, General Availability)



Note

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9 was withdrawn shortly after release, due to a problem with primary keys and tables with very many rows that was introduced in this release (Bug #16023068, Bug #67928). Users should upgrade to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.10, which fixes this issue.

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.28 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.28 (2012-09-28, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Important Change; MySQL NDB ClusterJ: A new CMake option WITH_NDB_JAVA is introduced. When this option is enabled, the MySQL NDB Cluster build is configured to include Java support, including support for ClusterJ. If the JDK cannot be found, CMake fails with an error. This option is enabled by default; if you do not wish to compile Java support into MySQL NDB Cluster, you must now set this explicitly when configuring the build, using -DWITH_NDB_JAVA=OFF. (Bug #12379755)
- Added 3 new columns to the transporters table in the ndbinfo database. The remote_address, bytes_sent, and bytes_received columns help to provide an overview of data transfer across the transporter links in a MySQL NDB Cluster. This information can be useful in verifying system balance, partitioning, and front-end server load balancing; it may also be of help when diagnosing network problems arising from link saturation, hardware faults, or other causes. (Bug #14685458)
- Data node logs now provide tracking information about arbitrations, including which nodes have assumed the arbitrator role and at what times. (Bug #11761263, Bug #53736)

Bugs Fixed

 NDB Disk Data: Concurrent DML and DDL operations against the same NDB table could cause mysqld to crash. (Bug #14577463)

- NDB Replication: When the value of ndb_log_apply_status was set to 1, it was theoretically possible for the ndb_apply_status table's server_id column not to be propagated correctly. (Bug #14772503)
- NDB Replication: Transactions originating on a replication master are applied on slaves as if using AO_AbortError, but transactions replayed from a binary log were not. Now transactions being replayed from a log are handled in the same way as those coming from a "live" replication master.

See NdbOperation::AbortOption, for more information. (Bug #14615095)

- A slow filesystem during local checkpointing could exert undue pressure on DBDIH kernel block file page buffers, which in turn could lead to a data node crash when these were exhausted. This fix limits the number of table definition updates that DBDIH can issue concurrently. (Bug #14828998)
- The management server process, when started with --config-cache=FALSE, could sometimes hang during shutdown. (Bug #14730537)
- The output from ndb_config --configinfo now contains the same information as that from ndb_config --configinfo --xml, including explicit indicators for parameters that do not require restarting a data node with --initial to take effect. In addition, ndb_config indicated incorrectly that the LogLevelCheckpoint data node configuration parameter requires an initial node restart to take effect, when in fact it does not; this error was also present in the MySQL NDB Cluster documentation, where it has also been corrected. (Bug #14671934)
- Attempting to restart more than 5 data nodes simultaneously could cause the cluster to crash. (Bug #14647210)
- In MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7, the size of the hash map was increased to 3840 LDM threads. However, when upgrading a MySQL NDB Cluster from a previous release, existing tables could not use or be modified online to take advantage of the new size, even when the number of fragments was increased by (for example) adding new data nodes to the cluster. Now in such cases, following an upgrade and (once the number of fragments has been increased), you can run ALTER TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION on tables that were created in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.6 or earlier, after which they can use the larger hash map size. (Bug #14645319)
- Concurrent ALTER TABLE with other DML statements on the same NDB table returned Got error -1 'Unknown error code' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14578595)
- CPU consumption peaked several seconds after the forced termination an NDB client application due
 to the fact that the DBTC kernel block waited for any open transactions owned by the disconnected
 API client to be terminated in a busy loop, and did not break between checks for the correct state. (Bug
 #14550056)
- Receiver threads could wait unnecessarily to process incomplete signals, greatly reducing performance of ndbmtd. (Bug #14525521)
- On platforms where epoll was not available, setting multiple receiver threads with the ThreadConfig parameter caused ndbmtd to fail. (Bug #14524939)
- Setting BackupMaxWriteSize to a very large value as compared with DiskCheckpointSpeed caused excessive writes to disk and CPU usage. (Bug #14472648)
- Added the --connect-retries and --connect-delay startup options for ndbd and ndbmtd.

 --connect-retries (default 12) controls how many times the data node tries to connect to a management server before giving up; setting it to -1 means that the data node never stops trying to make contact. --connect-delay sets the number of seconds to wait between retries; the default is 5. (Bug #14329309, Bug #66550)

• Following a failed ALTER TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement, a subsequent execution of this statement after adding new data nodes caused a failure in the DBDIH kernel block which led to an unplanned shutdown of the cluster.

DUMP code 7019 was added as part of this fix. It can be used to obtain diagnostic information relating to a failed data node. See DUMP 7019, for more information. (Bug #14220269)

References: See also: Bug #18550318.

- It was possible in some cases for two transactions to try to drop tables at the same time. If the master
 node failed while one of these operations was still pending, this could lead either to additional node
 failures (and cluster shutdown) or to new dictionary operations being blocked. This issue is addressed
 by ensuring that the master will reject requests to start or stop a transaction while there are outstanding
 dictionary takeover requests. In addition, table-drop operations now correctly signal when complete, as
 the DBDICT kernel block could not confirm node takeovers while such operations were still marked as
 pending completion. (Bug #14190114)
- The DBSPJ kernel block had no information about which tables or indexes actually existed, or which had been modified or dropped, since execution of a given query began. Thus, DBSPJ might submit dictionary requests for nonexistent tables or versions of tables, which could cause a crash in the DBDIH kernel block.

This fix introduces a simplified dictionary into the DBSPJ kernel block such that DBSPJ can now check reliably for the existence of a particular table or version of a table on which it is about to request an operation. (Bug #14103195)

 Previously, it was possible to store a maximum of 46137488 rows in a single MySQL NDB Cluster partition. This limitation has now been removed. (Bug #13844405, Bug #14000373)

References: See also: Bug #13436216.

When using ndbmtd and performing joins, data nodes could fail where ndbmtd processes were
configured to use a large number of local query handler threads (as set by the ThreadConfig
configuration parameter), the tables accessed by the join had a large number of partitions, or both. (Bug
#13799800, Bug #14143553)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.8 (5.5.27-ndb-7.2.8) (2012-09-07, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.8 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.27 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.27 (2012-08-02, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

 An improvement introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 saves memory used by buffers for communications between threads. One way in which this was implemented was by not allocating buffers between threads which were assumed not to communicate, including communication between local query handler (LQH or LDM) threads. However, the BACKUP kernel block is used by the LDM thread, and during NDB native backup the first instance of this block used by the first LDM thread acts as a client coordinator, and thus attempts to communicate with other LDM threads. This caused the START BACKUP command to fail when using ndbmtd configured with multiple LDM threads.

The fix for this issue restores the buffer used for communication between LDM threads in such cases. (Bug #14489398)

- When reloading the redo log during a node or system restart, and with NoOffragmentLogFiles
 greater than or equal to 42, it was possible for metadata to be read for the wrong file (or files). Thus, the
 node or nodes involved could try to reload the wrong set of data. (Bug #14389746)
- When an NDB table was created during a data node restart, the operation was rolled back in the NDB engine, but not on the SQL node where it was executed. This was due to the table . FRM files not being cleaned up following the operation that was rolled back by NDB. Now in such cases these files are removed. (Bug #13824846)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 (5.5.25a-ndb-7.2.7) (2012-07-17, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.25a (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.25a (2012-07-05, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

- Important Change: When FILE was used for the value of the LogDestination parameter without also specifying the filename, the log file name defaulted to logger.log. Now in such cases, the name defaults to ndb_nodeid_cluster.log. (Bug #11764570, Bug #57417)
- Packaging; Solaris: Some builds on Solaris 64-bit failed because the packages exceeded the 2GB limit for the SVR4 installation layout. Now such packages are built without the embedded versions of mysqltest and mysql-client_test to save space. (Bug #14058643)
- Packaging; NDB Cluster APIs: The file META-INF/services/ org.apache.openjpa.lib.conf.ProductDerivation was missing from the clusterjpa JAR file. This could cause setting openjpa.BrokerFactory to "ndb" to be rejected. (Bug #14192154)

References: See also: Bug #52106.

- NDB Cluster APIs: libndbclient did not include the NdbScanFilter class. (Bug #14010507)
- NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB API application called NdbScanOperation::nextResult() again after the previous call had returned end-of-file (return code 1), a transaction object was leaked. Now when this happens, NDB returns error code 4210 (Ndb sent more info than length specified); previouslyu in such cases, -1 was returned. In addition, the extra transaction object associated with the scan is freed, by returning it to the transaction coordinator's idle list. (Bug #11748194)

- If the Transaction Coordinator aborted a transaction in the "prepared" state, this could cause a resource leak. (Bug #14208924)
- When attempting to connect using a socket with a timeout, it was possible (if the timeout was exceeded) for the socket not to be set back to blocking. (Bug #14107173)
- A shortage of scan fragment records in DBTC resulted in a leak of concurrent scan table records and key operation records. (Bug #13966723)
- Attempting to add both a column and an index on that column in the same online ALTER TABLE statement caused mysqld to fail. Although this issue affected only the mysqld shipped with MySQL NDB Cluster, the table named in the ALTER TABLE could use any storage engine for which online operations are supported. (Bug #12755722)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.6 (5.5.22-ndb-7.2.6) (2012-05-21, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.6 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.22 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.22 (2012-03-21, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change: The ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement can be used to create new table partitions after new empty nodes have been added to a MySQL NDB Cluster. Usually, the number of partitions to create is determined automatically, such that, if no new partitions are required, then none are created. This behavior can be overridden by creating the original table using the MAX_ROWS option, which indicates that extra partitions should be created to store a large number of rows. However, in this case ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION simply uses the MAX_ROWS value specified in the original CREATE TABLE statement to determine the number of partitions required; since this value remains constant, so does the number of partitions, and so no new ones are created. This means that the table is not rebalanced, and the new data nodes remain empty.

To solve this problem, support is added for ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... MAX_ROWS=newvalue, where newvalue is greater than the value used with MAX_ROWS in the original CREATE TABLE statement. This larger MAX_ROWS value implies that more partitions are required; these are allocated on the new data nodes, which restores the balanced distribution of the table data.

For more information, see ALTER TABLE Statement, and Adding NDB Cluster Data Nodes Online. (Bug #13714648)

- NDB Replication: Error handling in conflict detection and resolution has been improved to include
 errors generated for reasons other than operation execution errors, and to distinguish better between
 permanent errors and transient errors. Transactions failing due to transient problems are now retried
 rather than leading to SQL node shutdown as occurred in some cases. (Bug #13428909)
- NDB Replication: DDL statements could sometimes be missed during replication channel cutover,
 due to the fact that there may not be any epochs following the last applied epoch when the slave is up
 to date and no new epoch has been finalized on the master. Because epochs are not consecutively
 numbered, there may be a gap between the last applied epoch and the next epoch; thus it is not possible

to determine the number assigned to the next epoch. This meant that, if the new master did not have all epochs, it was possible for those epochs containing only DDL statements to be skipped over.

The fix for this problem includes modifications to mysqld binary logging code so that the next position in the binary log following the COMMIT event at the end of an epoch transaction, as well as the addition of two new columns next_file and next_position to the mysql.ndb_binlog_index table. In addition, a new replication channel cutover mechanism is defined that employs these new columns. To make use of the new cutover mechanism, it is necessary to modify the query used to obtain the start point; in addition, to simplify prevention of possible errors caused by duplication of DDL statements, a new shorthand value ddl_exist_errors is implemented for use with the mysqld option --slave-skip-errors. It is highly recommended that you use this option and value on the new replication slave when using the modified query.

For more information, see Implementing Failover with NDB Cluster Replication.

Note that the existing replication channel cutover mechanism continues to function as before, including the same limitations described previously. (Bug #11762277, Bug #54854)

- NDB Cluster APIs: An assert in memcache/include/Queue.h by NDB could cause memcached to fail. (Bug #13874027)
- An error handling routine in the local query handler (DBLQH) used the wrong code path, which could corrupt the transaction ID hash, causing the data node process to fail. This could in some cases possibly lead to failures of other data nodes in the same node group when the failed node attempted to restart. (Bug #14083116)
- When a fragment scan occurring as part of a local checkpoint (LCP) stopped progressing, this kept the
 entire LCP from completing, which could result it redo log exhaustion, write service outage, inability
 to recover nodes, and longer system recovery times. To help keep this from occurring, MySQL NDB
 Cluster now implements an LCP watchdog mechanism, which monitors the fragment scans making up
 the LCP and takes action if the LCP is observed to be delinquent.

This is intended to guard against any scan related system-level I/O errors or other issues causing problems with LCP and thus having a negative impact on write service and recovery times. Each node independently monitors the progress of local fragment scans occurring as part of an LCP. If no progress is made for 20 seconds, warning logs are generated every 10 seconds thereafter for up to 1 minute. At this point, if no progress has been made, the fragment scan is considered to have hung, and the node is restarted to enable the LCP to continue.

In addition, a new ndbd exit code NDBD_EXIT_LCP_SCAN_WATCHDOG_FAIL is added to identify when this occurs. See LQH Errors, for more information. (Bug #14075825)

- It could sometimes happen that a query pushed down to the data nodes could refer to buffered rows
 which had been released, and possibly overwritten by other rows. Such rows, if overwritten, could lead
 to incorrect results from a pushed query, and possibly even to failure of one or more data nodes or SQL
 nodes. (Bug #14010406)
- DUMP 2303 in the ndb_mgm client now includes the status of the single fragment scan record reserved for a local checkpoint. (Bug #13986128)
- Pushed joins performed as part of a stored procedure or trigger could cause spurious Out of memory errors on the SQL node where they were executed. (Bug #13945264)

References: See also: Bug #13944272.

• INSERT ... SELECT executed inside a trigger or stored procedure with ndb_join_pushdown enabled could lead to a crash of the SQL node on which it was run. (Bug #13901890)

References: See also: Bug #13945264.

- When upgrading or downgrading between a MySQL NDB Cluster version supporting distributed pushdown joins (MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 and later) and one that did not, queries that the later MySQL NDB Cluster version tried to push down could cause data nodes still running the earlier version to fail. Now the SQL nodes check the version of the software running on the data nodes, so that queries are not pushed down if there are any data nodes in the cluster that do not support pushdown joins. (Bug #13894817)
- ndbmemcached exited unexpectedly when more than 128 clients attempted to connect concurrently using prefixes. In addition, a NOT FOUND error was returned when the memcached engine encountered a temporary error from NDB; now the error No Ndb Instances in freelist is returned instead. (Bug #13890064, Bug #13891085)
- The performance of ndbmemcache with a workload that consisted mostly of primary key reads became degraded. (Bug #13868787, Bug #64713)
- When the --skip-config-cache and --initial options were used together, ndb_mgmd failed to start. (Bug #13857301)
- The memcached server failed to build correctly on 64-bit Solaris/SPARC. (Bug #13854122)
- ALTER ONLINE TABLE failed when a DEFAULT option was used. (Bug #13830980)
- In some cases, restarting data nodes spent a very long time in Start Phase 101, when API nodes must connect to the starting node (using NdbEventOperation), when the API nodes trying to connect failed in a live-lock scenario. This connection process uses a handshake during which a small number of messages are exchanged, with a timeout used to detect failures during the handshake.

Prior to this fix, this timeout was set such that, if one API node encountered the timeout, all other nodes connecting would do the same. The fix also decreases this timeout. This issue (and the effects of the fix) are most likely to be observed on relatively large configurations having 10 or more data nodes and 200 or more API nodes. (Bug #13825163)

ndbmtd failed to restart when the size of a table definition exceeded 32K.

(The size of a table definition is dependent upon a number of factors, but in general the 32K limit is encountered when a table has 250 to 300 columns.) (Bug #13824773)

- An initial start using ndbmtd could sometimes hang. This was due to a state which occurred when
 several threads tried to flush a socket buffer to a remote node. In such cases, to minimize flushing of
 socket buffers, only one thread actually performs the send, on behalf of all threads. However, it was
 possible in certain cases for there to be data in the socket buffer waiting to be sent with no thread ever
 being chosen to perform the send. (Bug #13809781)
- When trying to use ndb_size.pl --hostname=host:port to connect to a MySQL server running on a nonstandard port, the port argument was ignored. (Bug #13364905, Bug #62635)
- The transaction_allow_batching server system variable was inadvertently removed from the NDB 7.2 codebase prior to General Availability. This fix restores the variable. (Bug #64697, Bug #13891116, Bug #13947227)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.5 (5.5.20-ndb-7.2.5) (2012-03-20, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.5 is a new release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine, and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.20 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.20 (2012-01-10, General Availability)).

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change; NDB Replication: The master limited the number of operations per transaction to 10000 (based on TimeBetweenEpochs). This could result in a larger number of data-modification operations in a single epoch than could be applied at one time, due to the limit imposed on the slave by its (own) setting for MaxDMLOperationsPerTransaction.

The fix for this issue is to allow a replication slave cluster to exceed the configured value of MaxDMLOperationsPerTransaction when necessary, so that it can apply all DML operations received from the master in the same transaction. (Bug #12825405)

- Important Change: A number of changes have been made in the configuration of transporter send buffers.
 - 1. The data node configuration parameter ReservedSendBufferMemory is now deprecated, and thus subject to removal in a future MySQL NDB Cluster release. ReservedSendBufferMemory has been non-functional since it was introduced and remains so.
 - 2. TotalSendBufferMemory now works correctly with data nodes using ndbmtd.
 - 3. SendBufferMemory can now over-allocate into SharedGlobalMemory for ndbmtd data nodes (only).
 - 4. A new data node configuration parameter ExtraSendBufferMemory is introduced. Its purpose is to control how much additional memory can be allocated to the send buffer over and above that specified by TotalSendBufferMemory or SendBufferMemory. The default setting (0) allows up to 16MB to be allocated automatically.

(Bug #13633845, Bug #11760629, Bug #53053)

• NDB Replication: Conflict detection and resolution for statements updating a given table could be employed only on the same server where the table was created. When an NDB table is created by executing DDL on an SQL node, the binary log setup portion of the processing for the CREATE TABLE statement reads the table's conflict detection function from the ndb_replication table and sets up that function for the table. However, when the created table was discovered by other SQL nodes attached to the same MySQL NDB Cluster due to schema distribution, the conflict detection function was not correctly set up. The same problem occurred when an NDB table was discovered as a result of selecting a database for the first time (such as when executing a USE statement), and when a table was discovered as a result of scanning all files at server startup.

Both of these issues were due to a dependency of the conflict detection and resolution code on table objects, even in cases where checking for such objects might not be appropriate. With this fix, conflict

detection and resolution for any NDB table works whether the table was created on the same SQL node, or on a different one. (Bug #13578660)

- Setting insert_id had no effect on the auto-increment counter for NDB tables. (Bug #13731134)
- A data node crashed when more than 16G fixed-size memory was allocated by DBTUP to one fragment (because the DBACC kernel block was not prepared to accept values greater than 32 bits from it, leading to an overflow). Now in such cases, the data node returns Error 889 Table fragment fixed data reference has reached maximum possible value.... When this happens, you can work around the problem by increasing the number of partitions used by the table (such as by using the MAXROWS option with CREATE TABLE). (Bug #13637411)

References: See also: Bug #11747870, Bug #34348.

- Several instances in the NDB code affecting the operation of multithreaded data nodes, where SendBufferMemory was associated with a specific thread for an unnecessarily long time, have been identified and fixed, by minimizing the time that any of these buffers can be held exclusively by a given thread (send buffer memory being critical to operation of the entire node). (Bug #13618181)
- A very large value for BackupWriteSize, as compared to BackupMaxWriteSize,
 BackupDataBufferSize, or BackupLogBufferSize, could cause a local checkpoint or backup to
 hang. (Bug #13613344)
- Queries using LIKE ... ESCAPE on NDB tables failed when pushed down to the data nodes. Such
 queries are no longer pushed down, regardless of the value of engine_condition_pushdown. (Bug
 #13604447, Bug #61064)
- To avoid TCP transporter overload, an overload flag is kept in the NDB kernel for each data node; this flag is used to abort key requests if needed, yielding error 1218 Send Buffers overloaded in NDB kernel in such cases. Scans can also put significant pressure on transporters, especially where scans with a high degree of parallelism are executed in a configuration with relatively small send buffers. However, in these cases, overload flags were not checked, which could lead to node failures due to send buffer exhaustion. Now, overload flags are checked by scans, and in cases where returning sufficient rows to match the batch size (--ndb-batch-size server option) would cause an overload, the number of rows is limited to what can be accommodated by the send buffer.

See also Configuring NDB Cluster Send Buffer Parameters. (Bug #13602508)

 A SELECT from an NDB table using LIKE with a multibyte column (such as utf8) did not return the correct result when engine_condition_pushdown was enabled. (Bug #13579318, Bug #64039)

References: See also: Bug #13608135.

- memcached started with the ndb_engine.so plugin failed to start if the ndbmemcache database was missing. (Bug #13567414)
- When starting memcached using ndb_engine.so with only 2 API slots available in the cluster configuration file, memcached attempted to make a third connection and crashed when this failed. (Bug #13559728)
- A node failure and recovery while performing a scan on more than 32 partitions led to additional node failures during node takeover. (Bug #13528976)
- The --skip-config-cache option now causes ndb_mgmd to skip checking for the configuration directory, and thus to skip creating it in the event that it does not exist. (Bug #13428853)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.4 (5.5.19-ndb-7.2.4) (2012-02-15, General Availability)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.4 is the first *General Availability* release in the MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 release series, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine and fixing recently discovered bugs in previous MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 development releases.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.19 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.19 (2011-12-08, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change: A mysqld process joining a MySQL NDB Cluster where distributed privileges are in use now automatically executes a FLUSH PRIVILEGES as part of the connection process, so that the cluster's distributed privileges take immediate effect on the new SQL node. (Bug #13340854)

Bugs Fixed

 Packaging: RPM distributions of MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 contained a number of packages which in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 have been merged into the MySQL-Cluster-server RPM. However, the MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 MySQL-Cluster-server RPM did not actually obsolete these packages, which meant that they had to be removed manually prior to performing an upgrade from a MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 RPM installation.

These packages include the MySQL-Cluster-clusterj, MySQL-Cluster-extra, MySQL-Cluster-management, MySQL-Cluster-storage, and MySQL NDB Cluster-tools RPMs.

For more information, see Installing NDB Cluster from RPM. (Bug #13545589)

- NDB Replication: Under certain circumstances, the Rows count in the output of SHOW TABLE STATUS for a replicated slave NDB table could be misreported as many times larger than the result of SELECT COUNT(*) on the same table. (Bug #13440282)
- Accessing a table having a BLOB column but no primary key following a restart of the SQL node failed with Error 1 (Unknown error code). (Bug #13563280)
- At the beginning of a local checkpoint, each data node marks its local tables with a "to be checkpointed" flag. A failure of the master node during this process could cause either the LCP to hang, or one or more data nodes to be forcibly shut down. (Bug #13436481)
- A node failure while a ANALYZE TABLE statement was executing resulted in a hung connection (and the user was not informed of any error that would cause this to happen). (Bug #13416603)

References: See also: Bug #13407848.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.3 (5.5.17-ndb-7.2.3) (Not released)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.3 is a new development preview release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine for testing and user feedback.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.17 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.17 (2011-10-19, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

 Added the ThreadConfig data node configuration parameter to enable control of multiple threads and CPUs when using ndbmtd, by assigning threads of one or more specified types to execute on one or more CPUs. This can provide more precise and flexible control over multiple threads than can be obtained using the LockExecuteThreadToCPU parameter. (Bug #11795581)

Bugs Fixed

- Important Change; NDB Replication: A unique key constraint violation caused NDB slaves to stop rather than to continue when the slave_exec_mode was IDEMPOTENT. In such cases, NDB now behaves as other MySQL storage engines do when in IDEMPOTENT mode. (Bug #11756310)
- NDB Replication: With many SQL nodes, all writing binary logs, connected to a MySQL NDB Cluster, RENAME TABLE could cause data node processes (ndbmtd) to fail. (Bug #13447705)
- Added the MinFreePct data node configuration parameter, which specifies a percentage of data node
 resources to hold in reserve for restarts. The resources monitored are DataMemory, IndexMemory,
 and any per-table MAX_ROWS settings (see CREATE TABLE Statement). The default value of
 MinFreePct is 5, which means that 5% from each these resources is now set aside for restarts. (Bug
 #13436216)
- Issuing TRUNCATE TABLE on mysql.user, mysql.host, mysql.db, mysql.tables_priv, mysql.proxies_priv, or mysql.procs_priv, when these tables had been converted to MySQL NDB Cluster distributed grant tables, caused mysqld to crash. (Bug #13346955)
- Restarting an SQL node configured for distributed grants could sometimes result in a crash. (Bug #13340819)
- Previously, forcing simultaneously the shutdown of multiple data nodes using SHUTDOWN -F in the ndb_mgm management client could cause the entire cluster to fail. Now in such cases, any such nodes are forced to abort immediately. (Bug #12928429)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.2 (5.5.16-ndb-7.2.2) (2011-12-14, Development Milestone Release)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.2 is a new development preview release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine for testing and user feedback.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.16 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.16 (2011-09-15, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

NDB Cluster APIs: Added support for the Memcache API using ndbmemcache, a loadable storage
engine for memcached version 1.6 and later, which can be used to provide a persistent MySQL NDB
Cluster data store, accessed using the memcache protocol.

The standard memcached caching engine is now included in the MySQL NDB Cluster distribution. Each memcached server, in addition to providing direct access to data stored in a MySQL NDB Cluster, is able to cache data locally and serve (some) requests from this local cache.

The memcached server can also provide an interface to existing MySQL NDB Cluster tables that is strictly defined, so that an administrator can control exactly which tables and columns are referenced by particular memcache keys and values, and which operations are allowed on these keys and values.

For more information, see ndbmemcache—Memcache API for NDB Cluster.

• Added the ndbinfo_select_all utility.

Bugs Fixed

- Microsoft Windows: The include/storage directory, where the header files supplied for use in compiling MySQL NDB Cluster applications are normally located, was missing from MySQL NDB Cluster release packages for Windows. (Bug #12690665)
- NDB Replication: The mysqlbinlog --database option generated table mapping errors when used with NDB tables, unless the binary log was generated using --log-bin-use-v1-row-events=0. (Bug #13067813)
- When adding data nodes online, if the SQL nodes were not restarted before starting the new data nodes, the next query to be executed crashed the SQL node on which it was run. (Bug #13715216, Bug #62847)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #13117187.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.1 (5.5.15-ndb-7.2.1) (2011-10-03, Development Milestone Release)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.1 is a new development preview release of NDB Cluster, incorporating new features in the NDB storage engine for testing and user feedback.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.5 through MySQL 5.5.15 (see Changes in MySQL 5.5.15 (2011-07-28, General Availability)).

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change; NDB Replication: Due to the existing layout of binary log row events, it was not possible to extend them with extra information which could be safely ignored by old slaves. New versions of the WRITE_ROW, UPDATE_ROW, and DELETE_ROW events have been implemented; these are referred to as "Version 2" binary log events, and are intended for future enhancements such as improved conflict detection and resolution. The TABLE MAP event is not affected.

Version 2 binary log row events are not backward compatible, and cannot be read by older slaves. A new mysqld option --log-bin-use-v1-row-events can be used to force writing of Version 1 row events into the binary log. This can be used during upgrades to make a newer mysqld generate Version 1 binary log row events that can be read by older slaves.

• Important Change: By default, data nodes now exhibit fail-fast behavior whenever they encounter corrupted tuples—in other words, a data node forcibly shuts down whenever it detects a corrupted tuple. To override this behavior, you can disable the CrashOnCorruptedTuple data node configuration parameter, which is enabled by default.

This is a change from MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0 and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1, where CrashOnCorruptedTuple was disabled (so that data nodes ignored tuple corruption) by default. (Bug #12598636)

- Important Change: The default values for a number of MySQL NDB Cluster data node configuration
 parameters have changed, to provide more resiliency to environmental issues and better handling
 of some potential failure scenarios, and to perform more reliably with increases in memory and other
 resource requirements brought about by recent improvements in join handling by NDB. The affected
 parameters are listed here:
 - HeartbeatIntervalDbDb: Default increased from 1500 ms to 5000 ms.
 - ArbitrationTimeout: Default increased from 3000 ms to 7500 ms.
 - TimeBetweenEpochsTimeout: Now effectively disabled by default (default changed from 4000 ms to 0).
 - SharedGlobalMemory: Default increased from 20MB to 128MB.
 - MaxParallelScansPerFragment: Default increased from 32 to 256.

In addition, when MaxNoOfLocalScans is not specified, the value computed for it automatically has been increased by a factor of 4 (that is, to 4 times MaxNoOfConcurrentScans, times the number of data nodes in the cluster).

• Important Change: MySQL user privileges can now be distributed automatically across all MySQL servers (SQL nodes) connected to the same MySQL NDB Cluster. Previously, each MySQL Server's user privilege tables were required to use the MyISAM storage engine, which meant that a user account and its associated privileges created on one SQL node were not available on any other SQL node without manual intervention. MySQL NDB Cluster now provides an SQL script file ndb_dist_priv.sql that can be found in share/mysql under the MySQL installation directory; loading this script creates a stored procedure mysql_cluster_move_privileges that can be used following initial installation to convert the privilege tables to the NDB storage engine, so that any time a

MySQL user account is created, dropped, or has its privileges updated on any SQL node, the changes take effect immediately on all other MySQL servers attached to the cluster. Note that you may need to execute FLUSH PRIVILEGES on any SQL nodes with connected MySQL clients (or to disconnect and then reconnect the clients) in order for those clients to be able to see the changes in privileges.

Once mysql_cluster_move_privileges has been executed successfully, all MySQL user privileges are distributed across all connected MySQL Servers. MySQL Servers that join the cluster after this automatically participate in the privilege distribution.

ndb_dist_priv.sql also provides stored routines that can be used to verify that the privilege tables have been distributed successfully, and to perform other tasks.

For more information, see Distributed Privileges Using Shared Grant Tables.

• **Performance:** Added support for pushing down joins to the NDB kernel for parallel execution across the data nodes, which can speed up execution of joins across NDB tables by a factor of 20 or more in some cases. Some restrictions apply on the types of joins that can be optimized in this way; in particular, columns to be joined must use exactly the same data type, and cannot be any of the BLOB or TEXT types. In addition, columns to be joined must be part of a table index or primary key. Support for this feature can be enabled or disabled using the ndb_join_pushdown server system variable (enabled by default); see the description of this variable for more information and examples.

As part of this improvement, the status variables Ndb_pushed_queries_defined, Ndb_pushed_queries_dropped, Ndb_pushed_queries_executed, and Ndb_pushed_reads also been introduced for monitoring purposes. You can also see whether a given join is pushed down using EXPLAIN. In addition, several new counters relating to push-down join performance have been added to the counters table in the ndbinfo database. For more information, see the descriptions of the status variables previously mentioned.

• NDB Replication: Added two new conflict detection functions NDB\$EPOCH() and NDB \$EPOCH_TRANS() useful in circular replication scenarios with two MySQL NDB Clusters. Each of these functions requires designating one cluster as primary and one as secondary, and implements a "primary always wins" rule for determining whether to accept conflicting changes. When using NDB \$EPOCH(), conflicting rows on the secondary are realigned with those on the primary; when using NDB \$EPOCH_TRANS(), it is transactions containing rows in conflict (and any transactions which depend on them) on the secondary that are realigned.

Using NDB\$EPOCH_TRANS() as the conflict detection function has two additional requirements:

- 1. The binary log must be written using Version 2 row events; that is, the mysqld processes on both the primary and the secondary must be started with --log-bin-use-v1-row-events=0.
- 2. The secondary must include transaction IDs for all rows written into its binary log. This can be done by setting --ndb-log-transaction-id=1. (This server option is also added in this release.)

A number of new server status variables have been added to monitor conflict detection and resolution performed using these functions, including Ndb_conflict_fn_epoch, Ndb_conflict_fn_epoch_trans, and Ndb_conflict_trans_row_conflict_count. See NDB Cluster Status Variables.

For more information, see NDB Cluster Replication Conflict Resolution.

• It is now possible to filter the output from ndb_config so that it displays only system, data node, or connection parameters and values, using one of the options --system, --nodes, or --connections, respectively. In addition, it is now possible to specify from which data node the configuration data is obtained, using the --config_from_node option that is added in this release.

For more information, see ndb_config — Extract NDB Cluster Configuration Information. (Bug #11766870)

Bugs Fixed

 Incompatible Change; NDB Cluster APIs: Restarting a machine hosting data nodes, SQL nodes, or both, caused such nodes when restarting to time out while trying to obtain node IDs.

As part of the fix for this issue, the behavior and default values for the NDB API Ndb_cluster_connection::connect() method have been improved. Due to these changes, the version number for the included NDB client library (libndbclient.so) has been increased from 4.0.0 to 5.0.0. For NDB API applications, this means that as part of any upgrade, you must do both of the following:

- Review and possibly modify any NDB API code that uses the connect() method, in order to take into account its changed default retry handling.
- Recompile any NDB API applications using the new version of the client library.

Also in connection with this issue, the default value for each of the two mysqld options --ndb-wait-connected and --ndb-wait-setup has been increased to 30 seconds (from 0 and 15, respectively). In addition, a hard-coded 30-second delay was removed, so that the value of --ndb-wait-connected is now handled correctly in all cases. (Bug #12543299)

AUTO_INCREMENT values were not set correctly for INSERT IGNORE statements affecting NDB tables.
 This could lead such statements to fail with Got error 4350 'Transaction already aborted' from NDBCLUSTER when inserting multiple rows containing duplicate values. (Bug #11755237, Bug #46985)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.0 (5.1.51-ndb-7.2.0) (2011-04-11, Development Milestone Release)

MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.0 is a development preview release of NDB Cluster, incorporating several new features in the NDB storage engine for testing and user feedback.

Obtaining MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.0 source code and binaries can be obtained from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/cluster/.

This release also incorporates all bug fixes and changes made in previous NDB Cluster releases, as well as all bug fixes and feature changes which were added in mainline MySQL 5.1 through MySQL 5.1.51.

Functionality Added or Changed

- Important Change: The default values for a number of MySQL NDB Cluster data node configuration parameters have changed, to provide more resiliency to environmental issues and better handling of some potential failure scenarios, and to perform more reliably with increases in memory and other resource requirements brought about by recent improvements in join handling by NDB. The affected parameters are listed here:
 - HeartbeatIntervalDbDb: Default increased from 1500 ms to 5000 ms.
 - ArbitrationTimeout: Default increased from 3000 ms to 7500 ms.
 - TimeBetweenEpochsTimeout: Now effectively disabled by default (default changed from 4000 ms to 0).

- SharedGlobalMemory: Default increased from 20MB to 128MB.
- MaxParallelScansPerFragment: Default increased from 32 to 256.

In addition, when MaxNoOfLocalScans is not specified, the value computed for it automatically has been increased by a factor of 4 (that is, to 4 times MaxNoOfConcurrentScans, times the number of data nodes in the cluster).

• Important Change: MySQL user privileges can now be distributed automatically across all MySQL servers (SQL nodes) connected to the same MySQL NDB Cluster. Previously, each MySQL Server's user privilege tables were required to use the MyISAM storage engine, which meant that a user account and its associated privileges created on one SQL node were not available on any other SQL node without manual intervention. MySQL NDB Cluster now provides an SQL script file ndb_dist_priv.sql that can be found in share/mysql under the MySQL installation directory; loading this script creates a stored procedure mysql_cluster_move_privileges that can be used following initial installation to convert the privilege tables to the NDB storage engine, so that any time a MySQL user account is created, dropped, or has its privileges updated on any SQL node, the changes take effect immediately on all other MySQL servers attached to the cluster. Note that you may need to execute FLUSH PRIVILEGES on any SQL nodes with connected MySQL clients (or to disconnect and then reconnect the clients) in order for those clients to be able to see the changes in privileges.

Once mysql_cluster_move_privileges has been executed successfully, all MySQL user privileges are distributed across all connected MySQL Servers. MySQL Servers that join the cluster after this automatically participate in the privilege distribution.

ndb_dist_priv.sql also provides stored routines that can be used to verify that the privilege tables have been distributed successfully, and to perform other tasks.

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Release Series Changelogs: MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2

This section contains unified changelog information for the MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 release series.

For changelogs covering individual MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 releases, see NDB Cluster Release Notes.

For general information about features added in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2, see What is New in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.

For an overview of features added in MySQL 5.5 that are not specific to NDB Cluster, see What Is New in MySQL 5.5. For a complete list of all bug fixes and feature changes made in MySQL 5.5 that are not specific to NDB Cluster, see the MySQL 5.5 Release Notes.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.35 (5.5.62-ndb-7.2.35) (2018-10-23, General availability)

Bugs Fixed

• Packaging: The MySQL-Cluster-devel-gpl and MySQL-devel RPM packages for NDB Cluster did not provide mysql-devel. (Bug #66914, Bug #23525339)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.34 (5.5.61-ndb-7.2.34) (2018-07-27, General availability)

Bugs Fixed

 An internal buffer being reused immediately after it had been freed could lead to an unplanned data node shutdown. (Bug #27622643)

References: See also: Bug #28698831.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.33 (5.5.60-ndb-7.2.33) (2018-04-20, General availability)

Bugs Fixed

 Queries using very large lists with IN were not handled correctly, which could lead to data node failures. (Bug #27397802)

References: See also: Bug #28728603.

• ndb_restore --print-data --hex did not print trailing 0s of LONGVARBINARY values. (Bug #65560, Bug #14198580)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.32 (5.5.59-ndb-7.2.32) (2018-01-08, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

- Following TRUNCATE TABLE on an NDB table, its AUTO_INCREMENT ID was not reset on an SQL node not performing binary logging. (Bug #14845851)
- The NDBFS block's OM_SYNC flag is intended to make sure that all FSWRITEREQ signals used for a given file are synchronized, but was ignored by platforms that do not support O_SYNC, meaning that this feature did not behave properly on those platforms. Now the synchronization flag is used on those platforms that do not support O_SYNC. (Bug #76975, Bug #21049554)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.28 (5.5.55-ndb-7.2.28) (2017-04-10, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

NDB Disk Data: Stale data from NDB Disk Data tables that had been dropped could potentially be
included in backups due to the fact that disk scans were enabled for these. To prevent this possibility,

disk scans are now disabled—as are other types of scans—when taking a backup. (Bug #84422, Bug #25353234)

• NDB Disk Data: In some cases, setting dynamic in-memory columns of an NDB Disk Data table to NULL was not handled correctly. (Bug #79253, Bug #22195588)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.27 (5.5.54-ndb-7.2.27) (2017-01-17, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

 A number of potential buffer overflow issues were found and fixed in the NDB codebase. (Bug #25260091)

References: See also: Bug #23152979.

ndb_restore did not restore tables having more than 341 columns correctly. This was due to the fact
that the buffer used to hold table metadata read from .ctl files was of insufficient size, so that only part
of the table descriptor could be read from it in such cases. This issue is fixed by increasing the size of
the buffer used by ndb_restore for file reads. (Bug #25182956)

References: See also: Bug #25302901.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.26 (5.5.53-ndb-7.2.26) (2016-10-18, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

- Several object constructors and similar functions in the NDB codebase did not always perform sanity checks when creating new instances. These checks are now performed under such circumstances. (Bug #77408, Bug #21286722)
- An internal call to malloc() was not checked for NULL. The function call was replaced with a direct write. (Bug #77375, Bug #21271194)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.25 (5.5.50-ndb-7.2.25) (2016-07-18, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

Incompatible Change: When the data nodes are only partially connected to the API nodes, a node
used for a pushdown join may get its request from a transaction coordinator on a different node, without
(yet) being connected to the API node itself. In such cases, the NodeInfo object for the requesting API
node contained no valid info about the software version of the API node, which caused the DBSPJ block
to assume (incorrectly) when aborting to assume that the API node used NDB version 7.2.4 or earlier,
requiring the use of a backward compatability mode to be used during query abort which sent a node
failure error instead of the real error causing the abort.

Now, whenever this situation occurs, it is assumed that, if the NDB software version is not yet available, the API node version is greater than 7.2.4. (Bug #23049170)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.24 (5.5.48-ndb-7.2.24) (2016-04-19, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• Restoration of metadata with ndb_restore -m occasionally failed with the error message Failed to create index... when creating a unique index. While disgnosing this problem, it was found that the internal error PREPARE_SEIZE_ERROR (a temporary error) was reported as an unknown error. Now in such cases, ndb_restore retries the creation of the unique index, and PREPARE_SEIZE_ERROR is reported as NDB Error 748 Busy during read of event table. (Bug #21178339)

References: See also: Bug #22989944.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.23 (5.5.47-ndb-7.2.23) (2016-01-19, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: The binary log injector did not work correctly with TE_INCONSISTENT event type handling by Ndb::nextEvent(). (Bug #22135541)

References: See also: Bug #20646496.

• NDB Cluster APIs: Ndb::pollEvents() and pollEvents2() were slow to receive events, being dependent on other client threads or blocks to perform polling of transporters on their behalf. This fix allows a client thread to perform its own transporter polling when it has to wait in either of these methods.

Introduction of transporter polling also revealed a problem with missing mutex protection in the ndbcluster_binlog handler, which has been added as part of this fix. (Bug #79311, Bug #20957068, Bug #22224571)

- In debug builds, a WAIT_EVENT while polling caused excessive logging to stdout. (Bug #22203672)
- When executing a schema operation such as CREATE TABLE on a MySQL NDB Cluster with multiple SQL nodes, it was possible for the SQL node on which the operation was performed to time out while waiting for an acknowledgement from the others. This could occur when different SQL nodes had different settings for --ndb-log-updated-only, --ndb-log-update-as-write, or other mysqld options effecting binary logging by NDB.

This happened due to the fact that, in order to distribute schema changes between them, all SQL nodes subscribe to changes in the ndb_schema system table, and that all SQL nodes are made aware of each others subscriptions by subscribing to TE_SUBSCRIBE and TE_UNSUBSCRIBE events. The names of events to subscribe to are constructed from the table names, adding REPL\$ or REPLF\$ as a prefix. REPLF\$ is used when full binary logging is specified for the table. The issue described previously arose because different values for the options mentioned could lead to different events being subscribed to by different SQL nodes, meaning that all SQL nodes were not necessarily aware of each other, so that the code that handled waiting for schema distribution to complete did not work as designed.

To fix this issue, MySQL NDB Cluster now treats the ndb_schema table as a special case and enforces full binary logging at all times for this table, independent of any settings for mysqld binary logging options. (Bug #22174287, Bug #79188)

Using ndb_mgm STOP -f to force a node shutdown even when it triggered a complete shutdown of
the cluster, it was possible to lose data when a sufficient number of nodes were shut down, triggering a
cluster shutdown, and the timing was such that SUMA handovers had been made to nodes already in the
process of shutting down. (Bug #17772138)

- The internal NdbEventBuffer::set_total_buckets() method calculated the number of remaining buckets incorrectly. This caused any incomplete epoch to be prematurely completed when the SUB_START_CONF signal arrived out of order. Any events belonging to this epoch arriving later were then ignored, and so effectively lost, which resulted in schema changes not being distributed correctly among SQL nodes. (Bug #79635, Bug #22363510)
- Schema events were appended to the binary log out of order relative to non-schema events. This was caused by the fact that the binary log injector did not properly handle the case where schema events and non-schema events were from different epochs.

This fix modifies the handling of events from the two schema and non-schema event streams such that events are now always handled one epoch at a time, starting with events from the oldest available epoch, without regard to the event stream in which they occur. (Bug #79077, Bug #22135584, Bug #20456664)

- NDB failed during a node restart due to the status of the current local checkpoint being set but not as
 active, even though it could have other states under such conditions. (Bug #78780, Bug #21973758)
- The value set for spintime by the ThreadConfig parameter was not calculated correctly, causing the spin to continue for longer than actually specified. (Bug #78525, Bug #21886476)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.22 (5.5.46-ndb-7.2.22) (2015-10-19, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: While executing dropEvent(), if the coordinator DBDICT failed after the subscription manager (SUMA block) had removed all subscriptions but before the coordinator had deleted the event from the system table, the dropped event remained in the table, causing any subsequent drop or create event with the same name to fail with NDB error 1419 Subscription already dropped or error 746 Event name already exists. This occurred even when calling dropEvent() with a nonzero force argument.

Now in such cases, error 1419 is ignored, and DBDICT deletes the event from the table. (Bug #21554676)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The internal value representing the latest global checkpoint was not always updated when a completed epoch of event buffers was inserted into the event queue. This caused subsequent calls to Ndb::pollEvents() and pollEvents2() to fail when trying to obtain the correct GCI for the events available in the event buffers. This could also result in later calls to nextEvent() or nextEvent2() seeing events that had not yet been discovered. (Bug #78129, Bug #21651536)
- Backup block states were reported incorrectly during backups. (Bug #21360188)

References: See also: Bug #20204854, Bug #21372136.

When a data node is known to have been alive by other nodes in the cluster at a given global
checkpoint, but its sysfile reports a lower GCI, the higher GCI is used to determine which global
checkpoint the data node can recreate. This caused problems when the data node being started had a
clean file system (GCI = 0), or when it was more than more global checkpoint behind the other nodes.

Now in such cases a higher GCI known by other nodes is used only when it is at most one GCI ahead. (Bug #19633824)

References: See also: Bug #20334650, Bug #21899993. This issue is a regression of: Bug #29167.

• After restoring the database schema from backup using ndb_restore, auto-discovery of restored tables in transactions having multiple statements did not work correctly, resulting in Deadlock found when trying to get lock; try restarting transaction errors.

This issue was encountered both in the mysql client, as well as when such transactions were executed by application programs using Connector/J and possibly other MySQL APIs.

Prior to upgrading, this issue can be worked around by executing SELECT TABLE_NAME, TABLE_SCHEMA FROM INFORMATION_SCHEMA.TABLES WHERE ENGINE = 'NDBCLUSTER' on all SQL nodes following the restore operation, before executing any other statements. (Bug #18075170)

- ndb_desc used with the --extra-partition-info and --blob-info options failed when run against a table containing one or more TINYBLOB. columns. (Bug #14695968)
- When attempting to enable index statistics, creation of the required system tables, events and event subscriptions often fails when multiple mysqld processes using index statistics are started concurrently in conjunction with starting, restarting, or stopping the cluster, or with node failure handling. This is normally recoverable, since the affected mysqld process or processes can (and do) retry these operations shortly thereafter. For this reason, such failures are no longer logged as warnings, but merely as informational events. (Bug #77760, Bug #21462846)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.21 (5.5.44-ndb-7.2.21) (2015-07-13, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- A number of improvements, listed here, have been made with regard to handling issues that could arise
 when an overload arose due to a great number of inserts being performed during a local checkpoint
 (LCP):
 - Failures sometimes occurred during restart processing when trying to execute the undo log, due to a problem with finding the end of the log. This happened when there remained unwritten pages at the end of the first undo file when writing to the second undo file, which caused the execution of undo logs in reverse order and so execute old or even nonexistent log records.

This is fixed by ensuring that execution of the undo log begins with the proper end of the log, and, if started earlier, that any unwritten or faulty pages are ignored.

- It was possible to fail during an LCP, or when performing a COPY_FRAGREQ, due to running out of
 operation records. We fix this by making sure that LCPs and COPY_FRAG use resources reserved
 for operation records, as was already the case with scan records. In addition, old code for ACC
 operations that was no longer required but that could lead to failures was removed.
- When an LCP was performed while loading a table, it was possible to hit a livelock during LCP scans, due to the fact that each record that was inserted into new pages after the LCP had started had its LCP_SKIP flag set. Such records were discarded as intended by the LCP scan, but when inserts occurred faster than the LCP scan could discard records, the scan appeared to hang. As part of this issue, the scan failed to report any progress to the LCP watchdog, which after 70 seconds of livelock killed the process. This issue was observed when performing on the order of 250000 inserts per second over an extended period of time (120 seconds or more), using a single LDM.

This part of the fix makes a number of changes, listed here:

- We now ensure that pages created after the LCP has started are not included in LCP scans; we also ensure that no records inserted into those pages have their LCP_SKIP flag set.
- Handling of the scan protocol is changed such that a certain amount of progress is made by the LCP regardless of load; we now report progress to the LCP watchdog so that we avoid failure in the event that an LCP is making progress but not writing any records.
- We now take steps to guarantee that LCP scans proceed more quickly than inserts can occur, by
 ensuring that scans are prioritized this scanning activity, and thus, that the LCP is in fact (eventually)
 completed.
- In addition, scanning is made more efficient, by prefetching tuples; this helps avoid stalls while fetching memory in the CPU.
- Row checksums for preventing data corruption now include the tuple header bits.

(Bug #76373, Bug #20727343, Bug #76741, Bug #69994, Bug #20903880, Bug #76742, Bug #20904721, Bug #76883, Bug #20980229)

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change; NDB Cluster APIs: Added the method

Ndb::isExpectingHigherQueuedEpochs() to the NDB API to detect when additional, newer event epochs were detected by pollEvents2().

The behavior of Ndb::pollEvents() has also been modified such that it now returns NDB_FAILURE_GCI (equal to ~(Uint64) 0) when a cluster failure has been detected. (Bug #18753887)

- NDB Cluster APIs: Creation and destruction of Ndb_cluster_connection objects by multiple threads could make use of the same application lock, which in some cases led to failures in the global dictionary cache. To alleviate this problem, the creation and destruction of several internal NDB API objects have been serialized. (Bug #20636124)
- NDB Cluster APIs: A number of timeouts were not handled correctly in the NDB API. (Bug #20617891)
- Previously, multiple send threads could be invoked for handling sends to the same node; these threads then competed for the same send lock. While the send lock blocked the additional send threads, work threads could be passed to other nodes.

This issue is fixed by ensuring that new send threads are not activated while there is already an active send thread assigned to the same node. In addition, a node already having an active send thread assigned to it is no longer visible to other, already active, send threads; that is, such a node is longer added to the node list when a send thread is currently assigned to it. (Bug #20954804, Bug #76821)

Queueing of pending operations when the redo log was overloaded
 (DefaultOperationRedoProblemAction API node configuration parameter) could lead to timeouts
 when data nodes ran out of redo log space (P_TAIL_PROBLEM errors). Now when the redo log is full,
 the node aborts requests instead of queuing them. (Bug #20782580)

References: See also: Bug #20481140.

• The multithreaded scheduler sends to remote nodes either directly from each worker thread or from dedicated send threadsL, depending on the cluster's configuration. This send might transmit all, part, or none of the available data from the send buffers. While there remained pending send data, the worker or send threads continued trying to send in a loop. The actual size of the data sent in the most

recent attempt to perform a send is now tracked, and used to detect lack of send progress by the send or worker threads. When no progress has been made, and there is no other work outstanding, the scheduler takes a 1 millisecond pause to free up the CPU for use by other threads. (Bug #18390321)

References: See also: Bug #20929176, Bug #20954804.

• In some cases, attempting to restore a table that was previously backed up failed with a File Not Found error due to a missing table fragment file. This occurred as a result of the NDB kernel BACKUP block receiving a Busy error while trying to obtain the table description, due to other traffic from external clients, and not retrying the operation.

The fix for this issue creates two separate queues for such requests—one for internal clients such as the BACKUP block or ndb_restore, and one for external clients such as API nodes—and prioritizing the internal queue.

Note that it has always been the case that external client applications using the NDB API (including MySQL applications running against an SQL node) are expected to handle Busy errors by retrying transactions at a later time; this expectation is *not* changed by the fix for this issue. (Bug #17878183)

References: See also: Bug #17916243.

- In some cases, the DBDICT block failed to handle repeated GET_TABINFOREQ signals after the first one, leading to possible node failures and restarts. This could be observed after setting a sufficiently high value for MaxNoOfExecutionThreads and low value for LcpScanProgressTimeout. (Bug #77433, Bug #21297221)
- It was possible to end up with a lock on the send buffer mutex when send buffers became a limiting resource, due either to insufficient send buffer resource configuration, problems with slow or failing communications such that all send buffers became exhausted, or slow receivers failing to consume what was sent. In this situation worker threads failed to allocate send buffer memory for signals, and attempted to force a send in order to free up space, while at the same time the send thread was busy trying to send to the same node or nodes. All of these threads competed for taking the send buffer mutex, which resulted in the lock already described, reported by the watchdog as Stuck in Send. This fix is made in two parts, listed here:
 - The send thread no longer holds the global send thread mutex while getting the send buffer mutex; it now releases the global mutex prior to locking the send buffer mutex. This keeps worker threads from getting stuck in send in such cases.
 - 2. Locking of the send buffer mutex done by the send threads now uses a try-lock. If the try-lock fails, the node to make the send to is reinserted at the end of the list of send nodes in order to be retried later. This removes the Stuck in Send condition for the send threads.

(Bug #77081, Bug #21109605)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.20 (5.5.43-ndb-7.2.20) (2015-04-13, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change: The maximum failure time calculation used to ensure that normal node failure handling mechanisms are given time to handle survivable cluster failures (before global checkpoint watchdog mechanisms start to kill nodes due to GCP delays) was excessively conservative, and neglected to consider that there can be at most number_of_data_nodes / NoOfReplicas node failures before the cluster can no longer survive. Now the value of NoOfReplicas is properly taken into account when performing this calculation.

This fix adds the TimeBetweenGlobalCheckpointsTimeout data node configuration parameter, which makes the minimum timeout between global checkpoints settable by the user. This timeout was previously fixed internally at 120000 milliseconds, which is now the default value for this parameter. (Bug #20069617, Bug #20069624)

References: See also: Bug #19858151, Bug #20128256, Bug #20135976.

• NDB Cluster APIs: When a transaction is started from a cluster connection, Table and Index schema objects may be passed to this transaction for use. If these schema objects have been acquired from a different connection (Ndb_cluster_connection object), they can be deleted at any point by the deletion or disconnection of the owning connection. This can leave a connection with invalid schema objects, which causes an NDB API application to fail when these are dereferenced.

To avoid this problem, if your application uses multiple connections, you can now set a check to detect sharing of schema objects between connections when passing a schema object to a transaction, using the NdbTransaction::setSchemaObjectOwnerChecks() method added in this release. When this check is enabled, the schema objects having the same names are acquired from the connection and compared to the schema objects passed to the transaction. Failure to match causes the application to fail with an error. (Bug #19785977)

• NDB Cluster APIs: The increase in the default number of hashmap buckets (DefaultHashMapSize API node configuration parameter) from 240 to 3480 in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 increased the size of the internal DictHashMapInfo::HashMap type considerably. This type was allocated on the stack in some getTable() calls which could lead to stack overflow issues for NDB API users.

To avoid this problem, the hashmap is now dynamically allocated from the heap. (Bug #19306793)

NDB Cluster APIs: A scan operation, whether it is a single table scan or a query scan used by a pushed join, stores the result set in a buffer. This maximum size of this buffer is calculated and preallocated before the scan operation is started. This buffer may consume a considerable amount of memory; in some cases we observed a 2 GB buffer footprint in tests that executed 100 parallel scans with 2 single-threaded (ndbd) data nodes. This memory consumption was found to scale linearly with additional fragments.

A number of root causes, listed here, were discovered that led to this problem:

- Result rows were unpacked to full NdbRecord format before they were stored in the buffer. If only some but not all columns of a table were selected, the buffer contained empty space (essentially wasted).
- Due to the buffer format being unpacked, VARCHAR and VARBINARY columns always had to be allocated for the maximum size defined for such columns.
- BatchByteSize and MaxScanBatchSize values were not taken into consideration as a limiting factor when calculating the maximum buffer size.

These issues became more evident in NDB 7.2 and later MySQL NDB Cluster release series. This was due to the fact buffer size is scaled by BatchSize, and that the default value for this parameter was increased fourfold (from 64 to 256) beginning with MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.1.

This fix causes result rows to be buffered using the packed format instead of the unpacked format; a buffered scan result row is now not unpacked until it becomes the current row. In addition,

BatchByteSize and MaxScanBatchSize are now used as limiting factors when calculating the required buffer size.

Also as part of this fix, refactoring has been done to separate handling of buffered (packed) from handling of unbuffered result sets, and to remove code that had been unused since NDB 7.0 or earlier. The NdbRecord class declaration has also been cleaned up by removing a number of unused or redundant member variables. (Bug #73781, Bug #75599, Bug #19631350, Bug #20408733)

• It was found during testing that problems could arise when the node registered as the arbitrator disconnected or failed during the arbitration process.

In this situation, the node requesting arbitration could never receive a positive acknowledgement from the registered arbitrator; this node also lacked a stable set of members and could not initiate selection of a new arbitrator.

Now in such cases, when the arbitrator fails or loses contact during arbitration, the requesting node immediately fails rather than waiting to time out. (Bug #20538179)

• When a data node fails or is being restarted, the remaining nodes in the same nodegroup resend to subscribers any data which they determine has not already been sent by the failed node. Normally, when a data node (actually, the SUMA kernel block) has sent all data belonging to an epoch for which it is responsible, it sends a SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_REP signal, together with a count, to all subscribers, each of which responds with a SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_ACK. When SUMA receives this acknowledgment from all subscribers, it reports this to the other nodes in the same nodegroup so that they know that there is no need to resend this data in case of a subsequent node failure. If a node failed before all subscribers sent this acknowledgement but before all the other nodes in the same nodegroup received it from the failing node, data for some epochs could be sent (and reported as complete) twice, which could lead to an unplanned shutdown.

The fix for this issue adds to the count reported by SUB_GCP_COMPLETE_ACK a list of identifiers which the receiver can use to keep track of which buckets are completed and to ignore any duplicate reported for an already completed bucket. (Bug #17579998)

- When performing a restart, it was sometimes possible to find a log end marker which had been written
 by a previous restart, and that should have been invalidated. Now when searching for the last page to
 invalidate, the same search algorithm is used as when searching for the last page of the log to read.
 (Bug #76207, Bug #20665205)
- When reading and copying transporter short signal data, it was possible for the data to be copied back to the same signal with overlapping memory. (Bug #75930, Bug #20553247)
- When a bulk delete operation was committed early to avoid an additional round trip, while also returning
 the number of affected rows, but failed with a timeout error, an SQL node performed no verification that
 the transaction was in the Committed state. (Bug #74494, Bug #20092754)

References: See also: Bug #19873609.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.19 (5.5.41-ndb-7.2.19) (2015-01-25, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Disk Data: An update on many rows of a large Disk Data table could in some rare cases lead to node failure. In the event that such problems are observed with very large transactions on Disk Data tables you can now increase the number of page entries allocated for disk page buffer memory by

raising the value of the DiskPageBufferEntries data node configuration parameter added in this release. (Bug #19958804)

- NDB Disk Data: In some cases, during DICT master takeover, the new master could crash while attempting to roll forward an ongoing schema transaction. (Bug #19875663, Bug #74510)
- NDB Disk Data: When a node acting as a DICT master fails, the arbitrator selects another node to take over in place of the failed node. During the takeover procedure, which includes cleaning up any schema transactions which are still open when the master failed, the disposition of the uncommitted schema transaction is decided. Normally this transaction be rolled back, but if it has completed a sufficient portion of a commit request, the new master finishes processing the commit. Until the fate of the transaction has been decided, no new TRANS_END_REQ messages from clients can be processed. In addition, since multiple concurrent schema transactions are not supported, takeover cleanup must be completed before any new transactions can be started.

A similar restriction applies to any schema operations which are performed in the scope of an open schema transaction. The counter used to coordinate schema operation across all nodes is employed both during takeover processing and when executing any non-local schema operations. This means that starting a schema operation while its schema transaction is in the takeover phase causes this counter to be overwritten by concurrent uses, with unpredictable results.

The scenarios just described were handled previously using a pseudo-random delay when recovering from a node failure. Now we check before the new master has rolled forward or backwards any schema transactions remaining after the failure of the previous master and avoid starting new schema transactions or performing operations using old transactions until takeover processing has cleaned up after the abandoned transaction. (Bug #19874809, Bug #74503)

- NDB Disk Data: When a node acting as DICT master fails, it is still possible to request that any open schema transaction be either committed or aborted by sending this request to the new DICT master. In this event, the new master takes over the schema transaction and reports back on whether the commit or abort request succeeded. In certain cases, it was possible for the new master to be misidentified—that is, the request was sent to the wrong node, which responded with an error that was interpreted by the client application as an aborted schema transaction, even in cases where the transaction could have been successfully committed, had the correct node been contacted. (Bug #74521, Bug #19880747)
- NDB Cluster APIs: The buffer allocated by an NdbScanOperation for receiving scanned rows was not released until the NdbTransaction owning the scan operation was closed. This could lead to excessive memory usage in an application where multiple scans were created within the same transaction, even if these scans were closed at the end of their lifecycle, unless NdbScanOperation::close() was invoked with the releaseOp argument equal to true. Now the buffer is released whenever the cursor navigating the result set is closed with NdbScanOperation::close(), regardless of the value of this argument. (Bug #75128, Bug #20166585)
- The global checkpoint commit and save protocols can be delayed by various causes, including slow
 disk I/O. The DIH master node monitors the progress of both of these protocols, and can enforce a
 maximum lag time during which the protocols are stalled by killing the node responsible for the lag when
 it reaches this maximum. This DIH master GCP monitor mechanism did not perform its task more than
 once per master node; that is, it failed to continue monitoring after detecting and handling a GCP stop.
 (Bug #20128256)

References: See also: Bug #19858151, Bug #20069617, Bug #20062754.

- A number of problems relating to the fired triggers pool have been fixed, including the following issues:
 - When the fired triggers pool was exhausted, NDB returned Error 218 (Out of LongMessageBuffer). A new error code 221 is added to cover this case.
 - An additional, separate case in which Error 218 was wrongly reported now returns the correct error.
 - Setting low values for MaxNoOfFiredTriggers led to an error when no memory was allocated if
 there was only one hash bucket.
 - An aborted transaction now releases any fired trigger records it held. Previously, these records were held until its ApiConnectRecord was reused by another transaction.
 - In addition, for the Fired Triggers pool in the internal ndbinfo.ndb\$pools table, the high value always equalled the total, due to the fact that all records were momentarily seized when initializing them. Now the high value shows the maximum following completion of initialization.

(Bug #19976428)

 Online reorganization when using ndbmtd data nodes and with binary logging by mysqld enabled could sometimes lead to failures in the TRIX and DBLQH kernel blocks, or in silent data corruption. (Bug #19903481)

References: See also: Bug #19912988.

The local checkpoint scan fragment watchdog and the global checkpoint monitor can each exclude a
node when it is too slow when participating in their respective protocols. This exclusion was implemented
by simply asking the failing node to shut down, which in case this was delayed (for whatever reason)
could prolong the duration of the GCP or LCP stall for other, unaffected nodes.

To minimize this time, an isolation mechanism has been added to both protocols whereby any other live nodes forcibly disconnect the failing node after a predetermined amount of time. This allows the failing node the opportunity to shut down gracefully (after logging debugging and other information) if possible, but limits the time that other nodes must wait for this to occur. Now, once the remaining live nodes have processed the disconnection of any failing nodes, they can commence failure handling and restart the related protocol or protocol, even if the failed node takes an excessively long time to shut down. (Bug #19858151)

References: See also: Bug #20128256, Bug #20069617, Bug #20062754.

- A watchdog failure resulted from a hang while freeing a disk page in TUP_COMMITREQ, due to use of an uninitialized block variable. (Bug #19815044, Bug #74380)
- Multiple threads crashing led to multiple sets of trace files being printed and possibly to deadlocks. (Bug #19724313)
- When a client retried against a new master a schema transaction that failed previously against the
 previous master while the latter was restarting, the lock obtained by this transaction on the new master
 prevented the previous master from progressing past start phase 3 until the client was terminated, and
 resources held by it were cleaned up. (Bug #19712569, Bug #74154)
- When a new data node started, API nodes were allowed to attempt to register themselves with the data node for executing transactions before the data node was ready. This forced the API node to wait an extra heartbeat interval before trying again.

To address this issue, a number of HA_ERR_NO_CONNECTION errors (Error 4009) that could be issued during this time have been changed to Cluster temporarily unavailable errors (Error 4035),

which should allow API nodes to use new data nodes more quickly than before. As part of this fix, some errors which were incorrectly categorised have been moved into the correct categories, and some errors which are no longer used have been removed. (Bug #19524096, Bug #73758)

- When executing very large pushdown joins involving one or more indexes each defined over several
 columns, it was possible in some cases for the DBSPJ block (see The DBSPJ Block) in the NDB kernel to
 generate SCAN_FRAGREQ signals that were excessively large. This caused data nodes to fail when these
 could not be handled correctly, due to a hard limit in the kernel on the size of such signals (32K). This fix
 bypasses that limitation by breaking up SCAN_FRAGREQ data that is too large for one such signal, and
 sending the SCAN_FRAGREQ as a chunked or fragmented signal instead. (Bug #19390895)
- ndb_index_stat sometimes failed when used against a table containing unique indexes. (Bug #18715165)
- Queries against tables containing a CHAR(0) columns failed with ERROR 1296 (HY000): Got error 4547 'RecordSpecification has overlapping offsets' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14798022)
- ndb_restore failed while restoring a table which contained both a built-in conversion on the primary key and a staging conversion on a TEXT column.

During staging, a BLOB table is created with a primary key column of the target type. However, a conversion function was not provided to convert the primary key values before loading them into the staging blob table, which resulted in corrupted primary key values in the staging BLOB table. While moving data from the staging table to the target table, the BLOB read failed because it could not find the primary key in the BLOB table.

Now all BLOB tables are checked to see whether there are conversions on primary keys of their main tables. This check is done after all the main tables are processed, so that conversion functions and parameters have already been set for the main tables. Any conversion functions and parameters used for the primary key in the main table are now duplicated in the BLOB table. (Bug #73966, Bug #19642978)

 Corrupted messages to data nodes sometimes went undetected, causing a bad signal to be delivered to a block which aborted the data node. This failure in combination with disconnecting nodes could in turn cause the entire cluster to shut down.

To keep this from happening, additional checks are now made when unpacking signals received over TCP, including checks for byte order, compression flag (which must not be used), and the length of the next message in the receive buffer (if there is one).

Whenever two consecutive unpacked messages fail the checks just described, the current message is assumed to be corrupted. In this case, the transporter is marked as having bad data and no more unpacking of messages occurs until the transporter is reconnected. In addition, an entry is written to the cluster log containing the error as well as a hex dump of the corrupted message. (Bug #73843, Bug #19582925)

- ndb_restore --print-data truncated TEXT and BLOB column values to 240 bytes rather than 256 bytes. (Bug #65467, Bug #14571512)
- Transporter send buffers were not updated properly following a failed send. (Bug #45043, Bug #20113145)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.18 (5.5.40-ndb-7.2.18) (2014-10-16, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Added the --exclude-missing-tables option for ndb_restore. When enabled, the option causes tables present in the backup but not in the target database to be ignored. (Bug #57566, Bug #11764704)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: The fix for Bug #16723708 stopped the ndb_logevent_get_next() function from casting a log event's ndb_mgm_event_category to an enum type, but this change interfered with existing applications, and so the function's original behavior is now reinstated. A new MGM API function exhibiting the corrected behavior ndb_logevent_get_next2() has been added in this release to take the place of the reverted function, for use in applications that do not require backward compatibility. In all other respects apart from this, the new function is identical with its predecessor. (Bug #18354165)

References: Reverted patches: Bug #16723708.

- NDB Cluster APIs: NDB API scans leaked Ndb_cluster_connection objects after nextResult() was called when an operation resulted in an error. This leak locked up the corresponding connection objects in the DBTC kernel block until the connection was closed. (Bug #17730825, Bug #20170731)
- When assembling error messages of the form Incorrect state for node n state:
 node_state, written when the transporter failed to connect, the node state was used in place of the
 node ID in a number of instances, which resulted in errors of this type for which the node state was
 reported incorrectly. (Bug #19559313, Bug #73801)
- In some cases, transporter receive buffers were reset by one thread while being read by another.
 This happened when a race condition occurred between a thread receiving data and another thread initiating disconnect of the transporter (disconnection clears this buffer). Concurrency logic has now been implemented to keep this race from taking place. (Bug #19552283, Bug #73790)
- The failure of a data node could in some situations cause a set of API nodes to fail as well due to the sending of a CLOSE_COMREQ signal that was sometimes not completely initialized. (Bug #19513967)
- A more detailed error report is printed in the event of a critical failure in one of the NDB internal sendSignal*() methods, prior to crashing the process, as was already implemented for sendSignal(), but was missing from the more specialized sendSignalNoRelease() method. Having a crash of this type correctly reported can help with identifying configuration hardware issues in some cases. (Bug #19414511)

References: See also: Bug #19390895.

- ndb_restore failed to restore the cluster's metadata when there were more than approximately 17 K data objects. (Bug #19202654)
- The fix for a previous issue with the handling of multiple node failures required determining the number
 of TC instances the failed node was running, then taking them over. The mechanism to determine
 this number sometimes provided an invalid result which caused the number of TC instances in the
 failed node to be set to an excessively high value. This in turn caused redundant takeover attempts,
 which wasted time and had a negative impact on the processing of other node failures and of global
 checkpoints. (Bug #19193927)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #18069334.

- Parallel transactions performing reads immediately preceding a delete on the same tuple could cause the NDB kernel to crash. This was more likely to occur when separate TC threads were specified using the ThreadConfig configuration parameter. (Bug #19031389)
- Attribute promotion between different TEXT types (any of TINYTEXT, TEXT, MEDIUMTEXT, and LONGTEXT) by ndb_restore was not handled properly in some cases. In addition, TEXT values are now truncated according to the limits set by mysqld (for example, values converted to TINYTEXT from another type are truncated to 256 bytes). In the case of columns using a multibyte character set, the value is truncated to the end of the last well-formed character.

Also as a result of this fix, conversion to a TEXT column of any size that uses a different character set from the original is now disallowed. (Bug #18875137)

- To assist with diagnostic issues where many watchdog warnings are raised, it is now possible to activate
 (or deactivate) a killer watchdog using DUMP 2610 in the ndb_mgm client. When set, this shuts down the
 data node on which the next watchdog warning occurs, providing a trace log. (Bug #18703922)
- The NDB optimized node recovery mechanism attempts to transfer only relevant page changes to a starting node in order to speed the recovery process; this is done by having the starting node indicate the index of the last global checkpoint (GCI) in which it participated, so that the node that was already running copies only data for rows which have changed since that GCI. Every row has a GCI metacolumn which facilitates this; for a deleted row, the slot formerly stpring this row's data contains a GCI value, and for deleted pages, every row on the missing page is considered changed and thus needs to be sent.

When these changes are received by the starting node, this node performs a lookup for the page and index to determine what they contain. This lookup could cause a real underlying page to be mapped against the logical page ID, even when this page contained no data.

One way in which this issue could manifest itself occurred after cluster <code>DataMemory</code> usage approached maximum, and deletion of many rows followed by a rolling restart of the data nodes was performed with the expectation that this would free memory, but in fact it was possible in this scenario for memory not to be freed and in some cases for memory usage actually to increase to its maximum.

This fix solves these issues by ensuring that a real physical page is mapped to a logical ID during node recovery only when this page contains actual data which needs to be stored. (Bug #18683398, Bug #18731008)

mysqld failed while attempting a read removal before a delete with an index merge. This occurred only
when a quick select was also generated for the delete operation. During read removal, the index from
the quick select is used to access the table structure. In this case, because the delete uses an index
merge, the quick select index is set to MAX_KEY instead of a valid index value, which led to a bad pointer
(which was then dereferenced).

The fix for this problem adds a check so that read removal before delete is not attempted if the quick select index has a value of MAX_KEY. (Bug #18487960)

- When a data node sent a MISSING_DATA signal due to a buffer overflow and no event data had
 yet been sent for the current epoch, the dummy event list created to handle this inconsistency was
 not deleted after the information in the dummy event list was transferred to the completed list. (Bug
 #18410939)
- Incorrect calculation of the next autoincrement value following a manual insertion towards the end of a cached range could result in duplicate values sometimes being used. This issue could

manifest itself when using certain combinations of values for auto_increment_increment, auto increment offset, and ndb autoincrement prefetch sz.

This issue has been fixed by modifying the calculation to make sure that the next value from the cache as computed by NDB is of the form $auto_increment_offset + (N * auto_increment_increment$. This avoids any rounding up by the MySQL Server of the returned value, which could result in duplicate entries when the rounded-up value fell outside the range of values cached by NDB. (Bug #17893872)

- ndb_show_tables --help output contained misleading information about the --database (-d) option. In addition, the long form of the option (--database) did not work properly. (Bug #17703874)
- Using the --help option with ndb_print_file caused the program to segfault. (Bug #17069285)
- For multithreaded data nodes, some threads do communicate often, with the result that very old signals can remain at the top of the signal buffers. When performing a thread trace, the signal dumper calculated the latest signal ID from what it found in the signal buffers, which meant that these old signals could be erroneously counted as the newest ones. Now the signal ID counter is kept as part of the thread state, and it is this value that is used when dumping signals for trace files. (Bug #73842, Bug #19582807)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.17 (5.5.37-ndb-7.2.17) (2014-07-11, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• NDB Cluster APIs: Added as an aid to debugging the ability to specify a human-readable name for a given Ndb object and later to retrieve it. These operations are implemented, respectively, as the setNdbObjectName() and getNdbObjectName() methods.

To make tracing of event handling between a user application and NDB easier, you can use the reference (from getReference() followed by the name (if provided) in printouts; the reference ties together the application Ndb object, the event buffer, and the NDB storage engine's SUMA block. (Bug #18419907)

Bugs Fixed

• NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB data node indicates a buffer overflow via an empty epoch, the event buffer places an inconsistent data event in the event queue. When this was consumed, it was not removed from the event queue as expected, causing subsequent nextEvent() calls to return 0. This caused event consumption to stall because the inconsistency remained flagged forever, while event data accumulated in the queue.

Event data belonging to an empty inconsistent epoch can be found either at the beginning or somewhere in the middle. pollEvents() returns 0 for the first case. This fix handles the second case: calling nextEvent() call dequeues the inconsistent event before it returns. In order to benefit from this fix, user applications must call nextEvent() even when pollEvents() returns 0. (Bug #18716991)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The pollEvents() method returned 1, even when called with a wait time equal to 0, and there were no events waiting in the queue. Now in such cases it returns 0 as expected. (Bug #18703871)
- Processing a NODE_FAILREP signal that contained an invalid node ID could cause a data node to fail. (Bug #18993037, Bug #73015)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #16007980.

- When building out of source, some files were written to the source directory instead of the build dir.
 These included the manifest.mf files used for creating ClusterJ jars and the pom.xml file used by mvn_install_ndbjtie.sh. In addition, ndbinfo.sql was written to the build directory, but marked as output to the source directory in CMakeLists.txt. (Bug #18889568, Bug #72843)
- It was possible for a data node restart to become stuck indefinitely in start phase 101 (see Summary of NDB Cluster Start Phases) when there were connection problems between the node being restarted and one or more subscribing API nodes.

To help prevent this from happening, a new data node configuration parameter RestartSubscriberConnectTimeout has been introduced, which can be used to control how long a data node restart can stall in start phase 101 before giving up and attempting to restart again. The default is 12000 ms. (Bug #18599198)

• Executing ALTER TABLE . . . REORGANIZE PARTITION after increasing the number of data nodes in the cluster from 4 to 16 led to a crash of the data nodes. This issue was shown to be a regression caused by previous fix which added a new dump handler using a dump code that was already in use (7019), which caused the command to execute two different handlers with different semantics. The new handler was assigned a new DUMP code (7024). (Bug #18550318)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #14220269.

- Following a long series of inserts, when running with a relatively small redo log and an insufficient large value for MaxNoOfConcurrentTransactions, there remained transactions that were blocked by the lack of redo log and were thus not aborted in the correct state (waiting for prepare log to be sent to disk, or LOG_QUEUED state). This caused the redo log to remain blocked until unblocked by a completion of a local checkpoint. This could lead to a deadlock, when the blocked aborts in turned blocked global checkpoints, and blocked GCPs block LCPs. To prevent this situation from arising, we now abort immediately when we reach the LOG_QUEUED state in the abort state handler. (Bug #18533982)
- ndbmtd supports multiple parallel receiver threads, each of which performs signal reception for a subset
 of the remote node connections (transporters) with the mapping of remote_nodes to receiver threads
 decided at node startup. Connection control is managed by the multi-instance TRPMAN block, which is
 organized as a proxy and workers, and each receiver thread has a TRPMAN worker running locally.

The QMGR block sends signals to TRPMAN to enable and disable communications with remote nodes. These signals are sent to the TRPMAN proxy, which forwards them to the workers. The workers themselves decide whether to act on signals, based on the set of remote nodes they manage.

The current issue arises because the mechanism used by the TRPMAN workers for determining which connections they are responsible for was implemented in such a way that each worker thought it was responsible for all connections. This resulted in the TRPMAN actions for OPEN_COMORD, ENABLE_COMREQ, and CLOSE_COMREQ being processed multiple times.

The fix keeps TRPMAN instances (receiver threads) executing OPEN_COMORD, ENABLE_COMREQ and CLOSE_COMREQ requests. In addition, the correct TRPMAN instance is now chosen when routing from this instance for a specific remote connection. (Bug #18518037)

• During data node failure handling, the transaction coordinator performing takeover gathers all known state information for any failed TC instance transactions, determines whether each transaction has been committed or aborted, and informs any involved API nodes so that they can report this accurately to their clients. The TC instance provides this information by sending TCKEY_FAILREF or TCKEY_FAILCONF signals to the API nodes as appropriate top each affected transaction.

In the event that this TC instance does not have a direct connection to the API node, it attempts to deliver the signal by routing it through another data node in the same node group as the failing TC, and sends a GSN_TCKEY_FAILREFCONF_R signal to TC block instance 0 in that data node. A problem arose in the case of multiple transaction cooridnators, when this TC instance did not have a signal handler for such signals, which led it to fail.

This issue has been corrected by adding a handler to the TC proxy block which in such cases forwards the signal to one of the local TC worker instances, which in turn attempts to forward the signal on to the API node. (Bug #18455971)

- When running with a very slow main thread, and one or more transaction coordinator threads, on different CPUs, it was possible to encounter a timeout when sending a DIH_SCAN_GET_NODESREQ signal, which could lead to a crash of the data node. Now in such cases the timeout is avoided. (Bug #18449222)
- Failure of multiple nodes while using ndbmtd with multiple TC threads was not handled gracefully under a moderate amount of traffic, which could in some cases lead to an unplanned shutdown of the cluster. (Bug #18069334)
- A local checkpoint (LCP) is tracked using a global LCP state (c_lcpState), and each NDB table has a status indicator which indicates the LCP status of that table (tabLcpStatus). If the global LCP state is LCP_STATUS_IDLE, then all the tables should have an LCP status of TLS_COMPLETED.

When an LCP starts, the global LCP status is LCP_INIT_TABLES and the thread starts setting all the NDB tables to TLS_ACTIVE. If any tables are not ready for LCP, the LCP initialization procedure continues with CONTINUEB signals until all tables have become available and been marked TLS_ACTIVE. When this initialization is complete, the global LCP status is set to LCP_STATUS_ACTIVE.

This bug occurred when the following conditions were met:

- An LCP was in the LCP_INIT_TABLES state, and some but not all tables had been set to TLS_ACTIVE.
- The master node failed before the global LCP state changed to LCP_STATUS_ACTIVE; that is, before the LCP could finish processing all tables.
- The NODE_FAILREP signal resulting from the node failure was processed before the final CONTINUEB signal from the LCP initialization process, so that the node failure was processed while the LCP remained in the LCP_INIT_TABLES state.

Following master node failure and selection of a new one, the new master queries the remaining nodes with a MASTER_LCPREQ signal to determine the state of the LCP. At this point, since the LCP status was LCP_INIT_TABLES, the LCP status was reset to LCP_STATUS_IDLE. However, the LCP status of the tables was not modified, so there remained tables with TLS_ACTIVE. Afterwards, the failed node is removed from the LCP. If the LCP status of a given table is TLS_ACTIVE, there is a check that the global LCP status is not LCP_STATUS_IDLE; this check failed and caused the data node to fail.

Now the MASTER_LCPREQ handler ensures that the tabLcpStatus for all tables is updated to TLS_COMPLETED when the global LCP status is changed to LCP_STATUS_IDLE. (Bug #18044717)

• When performing a copying ALTER TABLE operation, mysqld creates a new copy of the table to be altered. This intermediate table, which is given a name bearing the prefix #sql-, has an updated schema but contains no data. mysqld then copies the data from the original table to this intermediate

table, drops the original table, and finally renames the intermediate table with the name of the original table.

mysqld regards such a table as a temporary table and does not include it in the output from SHOW TABLES; mysqldump also ignores an intermediate table. However, NDB sees no difference between such an intermediate table and any other table. This difference in how intermediate tables are viewed by mysqld (and MySQL client programs) and by the NDB storage engine can give rise to problems when performing a backup and restore if an intermediate table existed in NDB, possibly left over from a failed ALTER TABLE that used copying. If a schema backup is performed using mysqldump and the mysql client, this table is not included. However, in the case where a data backup was done using the ndb_mgm client's BACKUP command, the intermediate table was included, and was also included by ndb_restore, which then failed due to attempting to load data into a table which was not defined in the backed up schema.

To prevent such failures from occurring, ndb_restore now by default ignores intermediate tables created during ALTER TABLE operations (that is, tables whose names begin with the prefix #sql-). A new option --exclude-intermediate-sql-tables is added that makes it possible to override the new behavior. The option's default value is TRUE; to cause ndb_restore to revert to the old behavior and to attempt to restore intermediate tables, set this option to FALSE. (Bug #17882305)

- The logging of insert failures has been improved. This is intended to help diagnose occasional issues seen when writing to the mysgl.ndb binlog index table. (Bug #17461625)
- Employing a CHAR column that used the UTF8 character set as a table's primary key column led to node failure when restarting data nodes. Attempting to restore a table with such a primary key also caused ndb restore to fail. (Bug #16895311, Bug #68893)
- The --order (-o) option for the ndb_select_all utility worked only when specified as the last option, and did not work with an equals sign.

As part of this fix, the program's --help output was also aligned with the --order option's correct behavior. (Bug #64426, Bug #16374870)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.16 (5.5.37-ndb-7.2.16) (2014-04-08, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Handling of LongMessageBuffer shortages and statistics has been improved as follows:
 - The default value of LongMessageBuffer has been increased from 4 MB to 64 MB.
 - When this resource is exhausted, a suitable informative message is now printed in the data node log describing possible causes of the problem and suggesting possible solutions.
 - LongMessageBuffer usage information is now shown in the ndbinfo.memoryusage table. See the description of this table for an example and additional information.

Bugs Fixed

 Important Change: The server system variables ndb_index_cache_entries and ndb_index_stat_freq, which had been deprecated in a previous MySQL NDB Cluster release series, have now been removed. (Bug #11746486, Bug #26673)

- NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB API client application received a signal with an invalid block or signal number, NDB provided only a very brief error message that did not accurately convey the nature of the problem. Now in such cases, appropriate printouts are provided when a bad signal or message is detected. In addition, the message length is now checked to make certain that it matches the size of the embedded signal. (Bug #18426180)
- NDB Cluster APIs: Refactoring that was performed in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.15 inadvertently introduced a dependency in Ndb. hpp on a file that is not included in the distribution, which caused NDB API applications to fail to compile. The dependency has been removed. (Bug #18293112, Bug #71803)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #17647637.

• NDB Cluster APIs: An NDB API application sends a scan query to a data node; the scan is processed by the transaction coordinator (TC). The TC forwards a LQHKEYREQ request to the appropriate LDM, and aborts the transaction if it does not receive a LQHKEYCONF response within the specified time limit. After the transaction is successfully aborted, the TC sends a TCROLLBACKREP to the NDBAPI client, and the NDB API client processes this message by cleaning up any Ndb objects associated with the transaction.

The client receives the data which it has requested in the form of TRANSID_AI signals, buffered for sending at the data node, and may be delivered after a delay. On receiving such a signal, NDB checks the transaction state and ID: if these are as expected, it processes the signal using the Ndb objects associated with that transaction.

The current bug occurs when all the following conditions are fulfilled:

- The transaction coordinator aborts a transaction due to delays and sends a TCROLLBACPREP signal
 to the client, while at the same time a TRANSID_AI which has been buffered for delivery at an LDM is
 delivered to the same client.
- The NDB API client considers the transaction complete on receipt of a TCROLLBACKREP signal, and immediately closes the transaction.
- The client has a separate receiver thread running concurrently with the thread that is engaged in closing the transaction.
- The arrival of the late TRANSID_AI interleaves with the closing of the user thread's transaction such that TRANSID_AI processing passes normal checks before closeTransaction() resets the transaction state and invalidates the receiver.

When these conditions are all met, the receiver thread proceeds to continue working on the TRANSID_AI signal using the invalidated receiver. Since the receiver is already invalidated, its usage results in a node failure.

Now the Ndb object cleanup done for TCROLLBACKREP includes invalidation of the transaction ID, so that, for a given transaction, any signal which is received after the TCROLLBACKREP arrives does not pass the transaction ID check and is silently dropped. This fix is also implemented for the TC_COMMITREF, TCROLLBACKREF, TCKEY_FAILCONF, and TCKEY_FAILREF signals as well.

See also Operations and Signals, for additional information about NDB messaging. (Bug #18196562)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The example ndbapi-examples/ndbapi_blob_ndbrecord/main.cpp included an internal header file (ndb_global.h) not found in the MySQL NDB Cluster binary distribution. The example now uses stdlib.h and string.h instead of this file. (Bug #18096866, Bug #71409)
- NDB Cluster APIs: ndb_restore could sometimes report Error 701 System busy with other schema operation unnecessarily when restoring in parallel. (Bug #17916243)

When an ALTER TABLE statement changed table schemas without causing a change in the table's
partitioning, the new table definition did not copy the hash map from the old definition, but used the
current default hash map instead. However, the table data was not reorganized according to the new
hashmap, which made some rows inaccessible using a primary key lookup if the two hash maps had
incompatible definitions.

To keep this situation from occurring, any ALTER TABLE that entails a hashmap change now triggers a reorganisation of the table. In addition, when copying a table definition in such cases, the hashmap is now also copied. (Bug #18436558)

- When certain queries generated signals having more than 18 data words prior to a node failure, such signals were not written correctly in the trace file. (Bug #18419554)
- Checking of timeouts is handled by the signal TIME_SIGNAL. Previously, this signal was generated by the QMGR NDB kernel block in the main thread, and sent to the QMRG, DBLQH, and DBTC blocks (see NDB Kernel Blocks) as needed to check (respectively) heartbeats, disk writes, and transaction timeouts. In ndbmtd (as opposed to ndbd), these blocks all execute in different threads. This meant that if, for example, QMGR was actively working and some other thread was put to sleep, the previously sleeping thread received a large number of TIME_SIGNAL messages simultaneously when it was woken up again, with the effect that effective times moved very quickly in DBLQH as well as in DBTC. In DBLQH, this had no noticeable adverse effects, but this was not the case in DBTC; the latter block could not work on transactions even though time was still advancing, leading to a situation in which many operations appeared to time out because the transaction coordinator (TC) thread was comparatively slow in answering requests.

In addition, when the TC thread slept for longer than 1500 milliseconds, the data node crashed due to detecting that the timeout handling loop had not yet stopped. To rectify this problem, the generation of the TIME_SIGNAL has been moved into the local threads instead of QMGR; this provides for better control over how quickly TIME_SIGNAL messages are allowed to arrive. (Bug #18417623)

- The ServerPort and TcpBind_INADDR_ANY configuration parameters were not included in the output of ndb_mgmd --print-full-config. (Bug #18366909)
- After dropping an NDB table, neither the cluster log nor the output of the REPORT MemoryUsage
 command showed that the IndexMemory used by that table had been freed, even though the
 memory had in fact been deallocated. This issue was introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.14. (Bug
 #18296810)
- ndb_show_tables sometimes failed with the error message Unable to connect to management server and immediately terminated, without providing the underlying reason for the failure. To provide more useful information in such cases, this program now also prints the most recent error from the Ndb_cluster_connection object used to instantiate the connection. (Bug #18276327)
- -DWITH_NDBMTD=0 did not function correctly, which could cause the build to fail on platforms such as ARM and Raspberry Pi which do not define the memory barrier functions required to compile ndbmtd. (Bug #18267919)

References: See also: Bug #16620938.

The block threads managed by the multithreading scheduler communicate by placing signals in an out
queue or job buffer which is set up between all block threads. This queue has a fixed maximum size,
such that when it is filled up, the worker thread must wait for the consumer to drain the queue. In a highly
loaded system, multiple threads could end up in a circular wait lock due to full out buffers, such that they

were preventing each other from performing any useful work. This condition eventually led to the data node being declared dead and killed by the watchdog timer.

To fix this problem, we detect situations in which a circular wait lock is about to begin, and cause buffers which are otherwise held in reserve to become available for signal processing by queues which are highly loaded. (Bug #18229003)

- The ndb_mgm client START BACKUP command (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) could experience occasional random failures when a ping was received prior to an expected BackupCompleted event. Now the connection established by this command is not checked until it has been properly set up. (Bug #18165088)
- The local checkpoint lag watchdog tracking the number of times a check for LCP timeout was performed
 using the system scheduler and used this count to check for a timeout condition, but this caused a
 number of issues. To overcome these limitations, the LCP watchdog has been refactored to keep track
 of its own start times, and to calculate elapsed time by reading the (real) clock every time it is called.
 (Bug #17842035)

References: See also: Bug #17647469.

 Data nodes running ndbmtd could stall while performing an online upgrade of a MySQL NDB Cluster containing a great many tables from a version prior to NDB 7.2.5 to version 7.2.5 or later. (Bug #16693068)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.15 (5.5.35-ndb-7.2.15) (2014-02-05, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

- Packaging; Solaris: Compilation of ndbmtd failed on Solaris 10 and 11 for 32-bit x86, and the binary was not included in the binary distributions for these platforms. (Bug #16620938)
- Microsoft Windows: Timers used in timing scheduler events in the NDB kernel have been refactored, in part to insure that they are monotonic on all platforms. In particular, on Windows, event intervals were previously calculated using values obtained from GetSystemTimeAsFileTime(), which reads directly from the system time ("wall clock"), and which may arbitrarily be reset backward or forward, leading to false watchdog or heartbeat alarms, or even node shutdown. Lack of timer monotonicity could also cause slow disk writes during backups and global checkpoints. To fix this issue, the Windows implementation now uses QueryPerformanceCounters() instead of GetSystemTimeAsFileTime(). In the event that a monotonic timer is not found on startup of the data nodes, a warning is logged.

In addition, on all platforms, a check is now performed at compile time for available system monotonic timers, and the build fails if one cannot be found; note that CLOCK_HIGHRES is now supported as an alternative for CLOCK_MONOTONIC if the latter is not available. (Bug #17647637)

- NDB Disk Data: When using Disk Data tables and ndbmtd data nodes, it was possible for the undo buffer to become overloaded, leading to a crash of the data nodes. This issue was more likely to be encountered when using Disk Data columns whose size was approximately 8K or larger. (Bug #16766493)
- NDB Cluster APIs: UINT_MAX64 was treated as a signed value by Visual Studio 2010. To prevent this from happening, the value is now explicitly defined as unsigned. (Bug #17947674)

References: See also: Bug #17647637.

- NDB Cluster APIs: It was possible for an Ndb object to receive signals for handling before it was initialized, leading to thread interleaving and possible data node failure when executing a call to Ndb::init(). To guard against this happening, a check is now made when it is starting to receive signals that the Ndb object is properly initialized before any signals are actually handled. (Bug #17719439)
- NDB Cluster APIs: Compilation of example NDB API program files failed due to missing include directives. (Bug #17672846, Bug #70759)
- Monotonic timers on several platforms can experience issues which might result in the monotonic clock doing small jumps back in time. This is due to imperfect synchronization of clocks between multiple CPU cores and does not normally have an adverse effect on the scheduler and watchdog mechanisms; so we handle some of these cases by making backtick protection less strict, although we continue to ensure that the backtick is less than 10 milliseconds. This fix also removes several checks for backticks which are thereby made redundant. (Bug #17973819)
- Under certain specific circumstances, in a cluster having two SQL nodes, one of these could hang, and could not be accessed again even after killing the mysqld process and restarting it. (Bug #17875885, Bug #18080104)

References: See also: Bug #17934985.

 Poor support or lack of support on some platforms for monotonic timers caused issues with delayed signal handling by the job scheduler for the multithreaded data node. Variances (timer leaps) on such platforms are now handled in the same way the multithreaded data node process that they are by the singlethreaded version. (Bug #17857442)

References: See also: Bug #17475425, Bug #17647637.

• In some cases, with ndb_join_pushdown enabled, it was possible to obtain from a valid query the error Got error 290 'Corrupt key in TC, unable to xfrm' from NDBCLUSTER even though the data was not actually corrupted.

It was determined that a NULL in a VARCHAR column could be used to construct a lookup key, but since NULL is never equal to any other value, such a lookup could simple have been eliminated instead. This NULL lookup in turn led to the spurious error message.

This fix takes advantage of the fact that a key lookup with NULL never finds any matching rows, and so NDB does not try to perform the lookup that would have led to the error. (Bug #17845161)

- It was theoretically possible in certain cases for a number of output functions internal to the NDB code to supply an uninitialized buffer as output. Now in such cases, a newline character is printed instead. (Bug #17775602, Bug #17775772)
- Use of the localtime() function in NDB multithreading code led to otherwise nondeterministic failures in ndbmtd. This fix replaces this function, which on many platforms uses a buffer shared among multiple threads, with localtime_r(), which can have allocated to it a buffer of its own. (Bug #17750252)
- When using single-threaded (ndbd) data nodes with RealTimeScheduler enabled, the CPU did not, as intended, temporarily lower its scheduling priority to normal every 10 milliseconds to give other, non-realtime threads a chance to run. (Bug #17739131)
- During arbitrator selection, QMGR (see The QMGR Block) runs through a series of states, the first few of which are (in order) NULL, INIT, FIND, PREP1, PREP2, and START. A check for an arbitration selection timeout occurred in the FIND state, even though the corresponding timer was not set until QMGR reached the PREP1 and PREP2 states. Attempting to read the resulting uninitialized timestamp value could lead to false Could not find an arbitrator, cluster is not partition-safe warnings.

This fix moves the setting of the timer for arbitration timeout to the INIT state, so that the value later read during FIND is always initialized. (Bug #17738720)

The global checkpoint lag watchdog tracking the number of times a check for GCP lag was performed
using the system scheduler and used this count to check for a timeout condition, but this caused a
number of issues. To overcome these limitations, the GCP watchdog has been refactored to keep track
of its own start times, and to calculate elapsed time by reading the (real) clock every time it is called.

In addition, any backticks (rare in any case) are now handled by taking the backward time as the new current time and calculating the elapsed time for this round as 0. Finally, any ill effects of a forward leap, which possibly could expire the watchdog timer immediately, are reduced by never calculating an elapsed time longer than the requested delay time for the watchdog timer. (Bug #17647469)

References: See also: Bug #17842035.

- The length of the interval (intended to be 10 seconds) between warnings for GCP_COMMIT when the GCP progress watchdog did not detect progress in a global checkpoint was not always calculated correctly. (Bug #17647213)
- In certain rare cases on commit of a transaction, an Ndb object was released before the transaction coordinator (DBTC kernel block) sent the expected COMMIT_CONF signal; NDB failed to send a COMMIT_ACK signal in response, which caused a memory leak in the NDB kernel could later lead to node failure.

Now an Ndb object is not released until the COMMIT_CONF signal has actually been received. (Bug #16944817)

• After restoring the database metadata (but not any data) by running ndb_restore --restore-meta (or -m), SQL nodes would hang while trying to SELECT from a table in the database to which the metadata was restored. In such cases the attempt to query the table now fails as expected, since the table does not actually exist until ndb_restore is executed with --restore-data (-r). (Bug #16890703)

References: See also: Bug #21184102.

- Losing its connections to the management node or data nodes while a query against the ndbinfo.memoryusage table was in progress caused the SQL node where the query was issued to fail. (Bug #14483440, Bug #16810415)
- The ndbd_redo_log_reader utility now supports a --help option. Using this options causes the program to print basic usage information, and then to exit. (Bug #11749591, Bug #36805)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.14 (5.5.34-ndb-7.2.14) (2013-10-31, General Availability)

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

Added the ExtraSendBufferMemory parameter for management nodes and API nodes. (Formerly, this parameter was available only for configuring data nodes.) See ExtraSendBufferMemory (management nodes), and ExtraSendBufferMemory (API nodes), for more information. (Bug #14555359)

• BLOB and TEXT columns are now reorganized by the ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement. (Bug #13714148)

Bugs Fixed

- **Performance:** In a number of cases found in various locations in the MySQL NDB Cluster codebase, unnecessary iterations were performed; this was caused by failing to break out of a repeating control structure after a test condition had been met. This community-contributed fix removes the unneeded repetitions by supplying the missing breaks. (Bug #16904243, Bug #69392, Bug #16904338, Bug #69394, Bug #16778417, Bug #69171, Bug #16778494, Bug #69172, Bug #16798410, Bug #69207, Bug #16801489, Bug #69215, Bug #16904266, Bug #69393)
- Packaging; Microsoft Windows: The MySQL NDB Cluster installer for Windows provided a
 nonfunctional option to install debug symbols (contained in *.pdb files). This option has been removed
 from the installer.



Note

You can obtain the *.pdb debug files for a given MySQL NDB Cluster release from the Windows .zip archive for the same release, such as mysql-cluster-gpl-7.2.14-win32.zip or mysql-cluster-gpl-7.3.2-winx64.zip.

(Bug #16748308, Bug #69112)

- Packaging; Microsoft Windows: The MySQL NDB Cluster Windows installer attempted to use the wrong path to the my.ini file and the executables directory. (Bug #13813120, Bug #64510)
- Packaging: A fix has been made in this release correcting a number of issues found in some recent MySQL-Cluster-server RPM packages, including dependencies on the mysql-server package and conflicts with the mysql-libs package needed by other common applications. Platforms known to have been affected by these issues include CentOS 6, Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6, and Oracle Linux 6. (Bug #14063590, Bug #14181419, Bug #65534)
- **Microsoft Windows:** The Windows error *ERROR_FILE_EXISTS* was not recognized by NDB, which treated it as an unknown error. (Bug #16970960)
- NDB Disk Data: The statements CREATE TABLESPACE, ALTER LOGFILE GROUP, and ALTER TABLESPACE failed with a syntax error when INITIAL_SIZE was specified using letter abbreviations such as M or G. In addition, CREATE LOGFILE GROUP failed when INITIAL_SIZE, UNDO_BUFFER_SIZE, or both options were specified using letter abbreviations. (Bug #13116514, Bug #16104705, Bug #62858)
- NDB Cluster APIs: For each log event retrieved using the MGM API, the log event category
 (ndb_mgm_event_category) was simply cast to an enum type, which resulted in invalid category
 values. Now an offset is added to the category following the cast to ensure that the value does not fall
 out of the allowed range.



Note

This change was reverted by the fix for Bug #18354165. See the MySQL NDB Cluster API Developer documentation for ndb_logevent_get_next(), for more information.

(Bug #16723708)

References: See also: Bug #18354165.

- NDB Cluster APIs: The Event::setTable() method now supports a pointer or a reference to table as its required argument. If a null table pointer is used, the method now returns -1 to make it clear that this is what has occurred. (Bug #16329082)
- Trying to restore to a table having a BLOB column in a different position from that of the original one caused ndb restore --restore-data to fail. (Bug #17395298)
- ndb_restore could abort during the last stages of a restore using attribute promotion or demotion into an existing table. This could happen if a converted attribute was nullable and the backup had been run on active database. (Bug #17275798)
- The DBUTIL data node block is now less strict about the order in which it receives certain messages from other nodes. (Bug #17052422)
- RealTimeScheduler did not work correctly with data nodes running ndbmtd. (Bug #16961971)
- File system errors occurring during a local checkpoint could sometimes cause an LCP to hang with no
 obvious cause when they were not handled correctly. Now in such cases, such errors always cause
 the node to fail. Note that the LQH block always shuts down the node when a local checkpoint fails; the
 change here is to make likely node failure occur more quickly and to make the original file system error
 more visible. (Bug #16961443)
- mysql_upgrade failed when upgrading from MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1.26 to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.13
 when it attempted to invoke a stored procedure before the mysql.proc table had been upgraded. (Bug
 #16933405)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #16226274.

- The planned or unplanned shutdown of one or more data nodes while reading table data from the ndbinfo database caused a memory leak. (Bug #16932989)
- Maintenance and checking of parent batch completion in the SPJ block of the NDB kernel was reimplemented. Among other improvements, the completion state of all ancestor nodes in the tree are now preserved. (Bug #16925513)
- Executing DROP TABLE while DBDIH was updating table checkpoint information subsequent to a node failure could lead to a data node failure. (Bug #16904469)
- In certain cases, when starting a new SQL node, mysqld failed with Error 1427 Api node died, when SUB_START_REQ reached node. (Bug #16840741)
- Failure to use container classes specific NDB during node failure handling could cause leakage of commit-ack markers, which could later lead to resource shortages or additional node crashes. (Bug #16834416)
- Use of an uninitialized variable employed in connection with error handling in the DBLQH kernel block could sometimes lead to a data node crash or other stability issues for no apparent reason. (Bug #16834333)
- A race condition in the time between the reception of a execNODE_FAILREP signal by the QMGR kernel block and its reception by the DBLQH and DBTC kernel blocks could lead to data node crashes during shutdown. (Bug #16834242)
- The CLUSTERLOG command (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) caused ndb_mgm to crash on Solaris SPARC systems. (Bug #16834030)
- The NDB Error-Reporting Utility (ndb_error_reporter) failed to include the cluster nodes' log files in the archive it produced when the FILE option was set for the parameter LogDestination. (Bug #16765651)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

• The LCP fragment scan watchdog periodically checks for lack of progress in a fragment scan performed as part of a local checkpoint, and shuts down the node if there is no progress after a given amount of time has elapsed. This interval, formerly hard-coded as 60 seconds, can now be configured using the LcpScanProgressTimeout data node configuration parameter added in this release.

This configuration parameter sets the maximum time the local checkpoint can be stalled before the LCP fragment scan watchdog shuts down the node. The default is 60 seconds, which provides backward compatibility with previous releases.

You can disable the LCP fragment scan watchdog by setting this parameter to 0. (Bug #16630410)

• Added the ndb_error_reporter options --connection-timeout, which makes it possible to set a timeout for connecting to nodes, --dry-scp, which disables scp connections to remote hosts, and --skip-nodegroup, which skips all nodes in a given node group. (Bug #16602002)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

- After issuing START BACKUP *id* WAIT STARTED, if *id* had already been used for a backup ID, an error caused by the duplicate ID occurred as expected, but following this, the START BACKUP command never completed. (Bug #16593604, Bug #68854)
- ndb_mgm treated backup IDs provided to ABORT BACKUP commands as signed values, so that backup IDs greater than 2³¹ wrapped around to negative values. This issue also affected out-of-range backup IDs, which wrapped around to negative values instead of causing errors as expected in such cases. The backup ID is now treated as an unsigned value, and ndb_mgm now performs proper range checking for backup ID values greater than MAX_BACKUPS (2³²). (Bug #16585497, Bug #68798)
- When trying to specify a backup ID greater than the maximum allowed, the value was silently truncated. (Bug #16585455, Bug #68796)
- The unexpected shutdown of another data node as a starting data node received its node ID caused the latter to hang in Start Phase 1. (Bug #16007980)

References: See also: Bug #18993037.

- SELECT ... WHERE ... LIKE from an NDB table could return incorrect results when using engine_condition_pushdown=ON. (Bug #15923467, Bug #67724)
- The NDB receive thread waited unnecessarily for additional job buffers to become available when
 receiving data. This caused the receive mutex to be held during this wait, which could result in a busy
 wait when the receive thread was running with real-time priority.

This fix also handles the case where a negative return value from the initial check of the job buffer by the receive thread prevented further execution of data reception, which could possibly lead to communication blockage or configured ReceiveBufferMemory underutilization. (Bug #15907515)

- When the available job buffers for a given thread fell below the critical threshold, the internal
 multithreading job scheduler waited for job buffers for incoming rather than outgoing signals to become
 available, which meant that the scheduler waited the maximum timeout (1 millisecond) before resuming
 execution. (Bug #15907122)
- Under some circumstances, a race occurred where the wrong watchdog state could be reported. A new state name Packing Send Buffers is added for watchdog state number 11, previously reported as Unknown place. As part of this fix, the state numbers for states without names are always now reported in such cases. (Bug #14824490)

- Creating more than 32 hash maps caused data nodes to fail. Usually new hashmaps are created
 only when performing reorganzation after data nodes have been added or when explicit partitioning
 is used, such as when creating a table with the MAX_ROWS option, or using PARTITION BY KEY()
 PARTITIONS n. (Bug #14710311)
- When a node fails, the Distribution Handler (DBDIH kernel block) takes steps together with the
 Transaction Coordinator (DBTC) to make sure that all ongoing transactions involving the failed node are
 taken over by a surviving node and either committed or aborted. Transactions taken over which are then
 committed belong in the epoch that is current at the time the node failure occurs, so the surviving nodes
 must keep this epoch available until the transaction takeover is complete. This is needed to maintain
 ordering between epochs.

A problem was encountered in the mechanism intended to keep the current epoch open which led to a race condition between this mechanism and that normally used to declare the end of an epoch. This could cause the current epoch to be closed prematurely, leading to failure of one or more surviving data nodes. (Bug #14623333, Bug #16990394)

- When performing an INSERT ... ON DUPLICATE KEY UPDATE on an NDB table where the row to
 be inserted already existed and was locked by another transaction, the error message returned from the
 INSERT following the timeout was Transaction already aborted instead of the expected Lock
 wait timeout exceeded. (Bug #14065831, Bug #65130)
- When using dynamic listening ports for accepting connections from API nodes, the port numbers were
 reported to the management server serially. This required a round trip for each API node, causing the
 time required for data nodes to connect to the management server to grow linearly with the number
 of API nodes. To correct this problem, each data node now reports all dynamic ports at once. (Bug
 #12593774)
- ndb_error-reporter did not support the --help option. (Bug #11756666, Bug #48606)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

- When START BACKUP WAIT STARTED was run from the command line using ndb_mgm --execute (-e), the client did not exit until the backup completed. (Bug #11752837, Bug #44146)
- Formerly, the node used as the coordinator or leader for distributed decision making between nodes (also known as the DICT manager—see The DBDICT Block) was indicated in the output of the ndb_mgm client SHOW command as the "master" node, although this node has no relationship to a master server in MySQL Replication. (It should also be noted that it is not necessary to know which node is the leader except when debugging NDBCLUSTER source code.) To avoid possible confusion, this label has been removed, and the leader node is now indicated in SHOW command output using an asterisk (*) character. (Bug #11746263, Bug #24880)
- Program execution failed to break out of a loop after meeting a desired condition in a number of internal methods, performing unneeded work in all cases where this occurred. (Bug #69610, Bug #69611, Bug #69736, Bug #17030606, Bug #17030614, Bug #17160263)
- ABORT BACKUP in the ndb_mgm client (see Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client) took
 an excessive amount of time to return (approximately as long as the backup would have required
 to complete, had it not been aborted), and failed to remove the files that had been generated by the
 aborted backup. (Bug #68853, Bug #17719439)

- Attribute promotion and demotion when restoring data to NDB tables using ndb_restore --restore-data with the --promote-attributes and --lossy-conversions options has been improved as follows:
 - Columns of types CHAR, and VARCHAR can now be promoted to BINARY and VARBINARY, and columns of the latter two types can be demoted to one of the first two.

Note that converted character data is not checked to conform to any character set.

Any of the types CHAR, VARCHAR, BINARY, and VARBINARY can now be promoted to TEXT or BLOB.

When performing such promotions, the only other sort of type conversion that can be performed at the same time is between character types and binary types.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.13 (5.5.31-ndb-7.2.13) (2013-06-14, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- NDB Cluster APIs: Added DUMP code 2514, which provides information about counts of transaction objects per API node. For more information, see DUMP 2514. See also Commands in the NDB Cluster Management Client. (Bug #15878085)
- When ndb_restore fails to find a table, it now includes in the error output an NDB API error code giving the reason for the failure. (Bug #16329067)

Bugs Fixed

- Incompatible Change; NDB Replication: The default value for the binlog_format system variable when the NDB storage engine is enabled is now MIXED. If NDB is not enabled, the default binary logging format is STATEMENT, as in the standard MySQL Server. (Bug #16417224)
- NDB Disk Data: NDB error 899 RowId already allocated was raised due to a RowId "leak" which occurred under either of the following sets of circumstances:
 - 1. Insertion of a row into an in-memory table was rejected after an ordered index update failed due to insufficient DataMemory.
 - 2. Insertion of a row into a Disk Data table was rejected due to lack of sufficient table space.

(Bug #13927679)

References: See also: Bug #22494024, Bug #13990924.

• The NDB Error-Reporting Utility (ndb_error_reporter) failed to include the cluster nodes' log files in the archive it produced when the FILE option was set for the parameter LogDestination. (Bug #16765651)

References: See also: Bug #11752792, Bug #44082.

• A WHERE condition that contained a boolean test of the result of an IN subselect was not evaluated correctly. (Bug #16678033)

- In some cases a data node could stop with an exit code but no error message other than (null) was logged. (This could occur when using ndbd or ndbmtd for the data node process.) Now in such cases the appropriate error message is used instead (see Data Node Error Messages). (Bug #16614114)
- mysql_upgrade failed when run on an SQL node where distributed privileges were in use. (Bug #16226274)
- Improved handling of lagging row change event subscribers by setting size of the GCP pool to the value of MaxBufferedEpochs. This fix also introduces a new MaxBufferedEpochBytes data node configuration parameter, which makes it possible to set a total number of bytes per node to be reserved for buffering epochs. In addition, a new DUMP code (8013) has been added which causes a list a lagging subscribers for each node to be printed to the cluster log (see DUMP 8013). (Bug #16203623)
- Purging the binary logs could sometimes cause mysqld to crash. (Bug #15854719)
- An error message in src/mgmsrv/MgmtSrvr.cpp was corrected. (Bug #14548052, Bug #66518)
- The help text for ndb_select_count did not include any information about using table names. (Bug #11755737, Bug #47551)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.12 (5.5.30-ndb-7.2.12) (2013-03-27, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

 The length of time a management node waits for a heartbeat message from another management node is now configurable using the HeartbeatIntervalMgmdMgmd management node configuration parameter added in this release. The connection is considered dead after 3 missed heartbeats. The default value is 1500 milliseconds, or a timeout of approximately 6000 ms. (Bug #17807768, Bug #16426805)

Bugs Fixed

• **NDB Cluster APIs:** Trying to access old rows while using role=ndb-caching after restarting the memached daemon caused the daemon to crash.

The current fix prevents the crash in such cases but does not provide full support for role=ndb-caching. (Bug #16204844)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.11 (5.5.29-ndb-7.2.11) (Not released)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Following an upgrade to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 or later, it was not possible to downgrade online again to any previous version, due to a change in that version in the default size (number of LDM threads used) for NDB table hash maps. The fix for this issue makes the size configurable, with the addition of the DefaultHashMapSize configuration parameter.

To retain compatibility with an older release that does not support large hash maps, you can set this parameter in the cluster config.ini file to the value used in older releases (240) before performing an

upgrade, so that the data nodes continue to use smaller hash maps that are compatible with the older release. You can also now employ this parameter in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0 and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 to enable larger hash maps prior to upgrading to MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2. For more information, see the description of the DefaultHashMapSize parameter. (Bug #14800539)

References: See also: Bug #14645319.

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change; NDB Cluster APIs: When checking—as part of evaluating an if predicate—which error codes should be propagated to the application, any error code less than 6000 caused the current row to be skipped, even those codes that should have caused the query to be aborted. In addition, a scan that aborted due to an error from DBTUP when no rows had been sent to the API caused DBLQH to send a SCAN_FRAGCONF signal rather than a SCAN_FRAGREF signal to DBTC. This caused DBTC to time out waiting for a SCAN_FRAGREF signal that was never sent, and the scan was never closed.

As part of this fix, the default <code>ErrorCode</code> value used by <code>NdbInterpretedCode::interpret_exit_nok()</code> has been changed from 899 (Rowid already allocated) to 626 (Tuple did not exist). The old value continues to be supported for backward compatibility. User-defined values in the range 6000-6999 (inclusive) are also now supported. You should also keep in mind that the result of using any other <code>ErrorCode</code> value not mentioned here is not defined or guaranteed.

See also The NDB Communication Protocol, and NDB Kernel Blocks, for more information. (Bug #16176006)

- NDB Cluster APIs: The Ndb::computeHash() API method performs a malloc() if no buffer is provided for it to use. However, it was assumed that the memory thus returned would always be suitably aligned, which is not always the case. Now when malloc() provides a buffer to this method, the buffer is aligned after it is allocated, and before it is used. (Bug #16484617)
- When using tables having more than 64 fragments in a MySQL NDB Cluster where multiple TC threads
 were configured (on data nodes running ndbmtd, using ThreadConfig), AttrInfo and KeyInfo
 memory could be freed prematurely, before scans relying on these objects could be completed, leading
 to a crash of the data node. (Bug #16402744)

References: See also: Bug #13799800. This issue is a regression of: Bug #14143553.

- When started with --initial and an invalid --config-file (-f) option, ndb_mgmd removed the old configuration cache before verifying the configuration file. Now in such cases, ndb_mgmd first checks for the file, and continues with removing the configuration cache only if the configuration file is found and is valid. (Bug #16299289)
- Executing a DUMP 2304 command during a data node restart could cause the data node to crash with a Pointer too large error. (Bug #16284258)
- Including a table as a part of a pushed join should be rejected if there are outer joined tables in between the table to be included and the tables with which it is joined with; however the check as performed for any such outer joined tables did so by checking the join type against the root of the pushed query, rather than the common ancestor of the tables being joined. (Bug #16199028)

References: See also: Bug #16198866.

• Some queries were handled differently with ndb_join_pushdown enabled, due to the fact that outer join conditions were not always pruned correctly from joins before they were pushed down. (Bug #16198866)

References: See also: Bug #16199028.

- Data nodes could fail during a system restart when the host ran short of memory, due to signals of the wrong types (ROUTE ORD and TRANSID AI R) being sent to the DBSPJ kernel block. (Bug #16187976)
- Attempting to perform additional operations such as ADD COLUMN as part of an ALTER [ONLINE | OFFLINE] TABLE ... RENAME ... statement is not supported, and now fails with an ER_NOT_SUPPORTED_YET error. (Bug #16021021)
- Due to a known issue in the MySQL Server, it is possible to drop the PERFORMANCE_SCHEMA database.
 (Bug #15831748) In addition, when executed on a MySQL Server acting as a MySQL NDB Cluster SQL node, DROP DATABASE caused this database to be dropped on all SQL nodes in the cluster. Now, when executing a distributed drop of a database, NDB does not delete tables that are local only. This prevents MySQL system databases from being dropped in such cases. (Bug #14798043)

References: See also: Bug #15831748.

• When performing large numbers of DDL statements (100 or more) in succession, adding an index to a table sometimes caused mysqld to crash when it could not find the table in NDB. Now when this problem occurs, the DDL statement should fail with an appropriate error.

A workaround in such cases may be to create the table with the index as part of the initial CREATE TABLE, rather than adding the index in a subsequent ALTER TABLE statement. (Bug #14773491)

- Executing OPTIMIZE TABLE on an NDB table containing TEXT or BLOB columns could sometimes cause mysqld to fail. (Bug #14725833)
- Executing a DUMP 1000 command that contained extra or malformed arguments could lead to data node failures. (Bug #14537622)
- Exhaustion of LongMessageBuffer memory under heavy load could cause data nodes running ndbmtd to fail. (Bug #14488185)
- The ndb_mgm client HELP command did not show the complete syntax for the REPORT command.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.10 (5.5.29-ndb-7.2.10) (2013-01-02, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Added several new columns to the transporters table and counters for the counters table of the
 ndbinfo information database. The information provided may help in troublehsooting of transport
 overloads and problems with send buffer memory allocation. For more information, see the descriptions
 of these tables. (Bug #15935206)
- To provide information which can help in assessing the current state of arbitration in a MySQL NDB Cluster as well as in diagnosing and correcting arbitration problems, 3 new tables—membership, arbitrator_validity_detail, and arbitrator_validity_summary—have been added to the ndbinfo information database. (Bug #13336549)

Bugs Fixed

When an NDB table grew to contain approximately one million rows or more per partition, it became
possible to insert rows having duplicate primary or unique keys into it. In addition, primary key lookups
began to fail, even when matching rows could be found in the table by other means.

This issue was introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0.36, MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1.26, and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9. Signs that you may have been affected include the following:

- · Rows left over that should have been deleted
- Rows unchanged that should have been updated
- Rows with duplicate unique keys due to inserts or updates (which should have been rejected) that failed to find an existing row and thus (wrongly) inserted a new one

This issue does not affect simple scans, so you can see all rows in a given *table* using SELECT * FROM *table* and similar queries that do not depend on a primary or unique key.

Upgrading to or downgrading from an affected release can be troublesome if there are rows with duplicate primary or unique keys in the table; such rows should be merged, but the best means of doing so is application dependent.

In addition, since the key operations themselves are faulty, a merge can be difficult to achieve without taking the MySQL NDB Cluster offline, and it may be necessary to dump, purge, process, and reload the data. Depending on the circumstances, you may want or need to process the dump with an external application, or merely to reload the dump while ignoring duplicates if the result is acceptable.

Another possibility is to copy the data into another table without the original table' unique key constraints or primary key (recall that CREATE TABLE t2 SELECT * FROM t1 does not by default copy t1's primary or unique key definitions to t2). Following this, you can remove the duplicates from the copy, then add back the unique constraints and primary key definitions. Once the copy is in the desired state, you can either drop the original table and rename the copy, or make a new dump (which can be loaded later) from the copy. (Bug #16023068, Bug #67928)

- The management client command ALL REPORT BackupStatus failed with an error when used with data nodes having multiple LQH worker threads (ndbmtd data nodes). The issue did not effect the node_id REPORT BackupStatus form of this command. (Bug #15908907)
- The multithreaded job scheduler could be suspended prematurely when there were insufficient free job
 buffers to allow the threads to continue. The general rule in the job thread is that any queued messages
 should be sent before the thread is allowed to suspend itself, which guarantees that no other threads
 or API clients are kept waiting for operations which have already completed. However, the number of
 messages in the queue was specified incorrectly, leading to increased latency in delivering signals,
 sluggish response, or otherwise suboptimal performance. (Bug #15908684)
- The setting for the DefaultOperationRedoProblemAction API node configuration parameter was ignored, and the default value used instead. (Bug #15855588)
- Node failure during the dropping of a table could lead to the node hanging when attempting to restart.

When this happened, the NDB internal dictionary (DBDICT) lock taken by the drop table operation was held indefinitely, and the logical global schema lock taken by the SQL the drop table operation from which the drop operation originated was held until the NDB internal operation timed out. To aid in debugging such occurrences, a new dump code, DUMP 1228 (or DUMP DictDumpLockQueue), which dumps the contents of the DICT lock queue, has been added in the ndb_mgm client. (Bug #14787522)

• Job buffers act as the internal queues for work requests (signals) between block threads in ndbmtd and could be exhausted if too many signals are sent to a block thread.

Performing pushed joins in the DBSPJ kernel block can execute multiple branches of the query tree in parallel, which means that the number of signals being sent can increase as more branches are executed. If DBSPJ execution cannot be completed before the job buffers are filled, the data node can fail.

This problem could be identified by multiple instances of the message sleeploop 10!! in the cluster out log, possibly followed by job buffer full. If the job buffers overflowed more gradually, there could also be failures due to error 1205 (Lock wait timeout exceeded), shutdowns initiated by the watchdog timer, or other timeout related errors. These were due to the slowdown caused by the 'sleeploop'.

Normally up to a 1:4 fanout ratio between consumed and produced signals is permitted. However, since there can be a potentially unlimited number of rows returned from the scan (and multiple scans of this type executing in parallel), any ratio greater 1:1 in such cases makes it possible to overflow the job buffers.

The fix for this issue defers any lookup child which otherwise would have been executed in parallel with another is deferred, to resume when its parallel child completes one of its own requests. This restricts the fanout ratio for bushy scan-lookup joins to 1:1. (Bug #14709490)

References: See also: Bug #14648712.

- During an online upgrade, certain SQL statements could cause the server to hang, resulting in the error Got error 4012 'Request ndbd time-out, maybe due to high load or communication problems' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14702377)
- The recently added LCP fragment scan watchdog occasionally reported problems with LCP fragment scans having very high table id, fragment id, and row count values.

This was due to the watchdog not accounting for the time spent draining the backup buffer used to buffer rows before writing to the fragment checkpoint file.

Now, in the final stage of an LCP fragment scan, the watchdog switches from monitoring rows scanned to monitoring the buffer size in bytes. The buffer size should decrease as data is written to the file, after which the file should be promptly closed. (Bug #14680057)

Under certain rare circumstances, MySQL NDB Cluster data nodes could crash in conjunction with
a configuration change on the data nodes from a single-threaded to a multithreaded transaction
coordinator (using the ThreadConfig configuration parameter for ndbmtd). The problem occurred
when a mysqld that had been started prior to the change was shut down following the rolling restart of
the data nodes required to effect the configuration change. (Bug #14609774)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.9 (5.5.28-ndb-7.2.9) (2012-11-22, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change; MySQL NDB ClusterJ: A new CMake option WITH_NDB_JAVA is introduced. When this option is enabled, the MySQL NDB Cluster build is configured to include Java support, including

- support for ClusterJ. If the JDK cannot be found, CMake fails with an error. This option is enabled by default; if you do *not* wish to compile Java support into MySQL NDB Cluster, you must now set this explicitly when configuring the build, using -DWITH_NDB_JAVA=OFF. (Bug #12379755)
- Added 3 new columns to the transporters table in the ndbinfo database. The remote_address, bytes_sent, and bytes_received columns help to provide an overview of data transfer across the transporter links in a MySQL NDB Cluster. This information can be useful in verifying system balance, partitioning, and front-end server load balancing; it may also be of help when diagnosing network problems arising from link saturation, hardware faults, or other causes. (Bug #14685458)
- Data node logs now provide tracking information about arbitrations, including which nodes have assumed the arbitrator role and at what times. (Bug #11761263, Bug #53736)

Bugs Fixed

- NDB Disk Data: Concurrent DML and DDL operations against the same NDB table could cause mysqld to crash. (Bug #14577463)
- A slow filesystem during local checkpointing could exert undue pressure on DBDIH kernel block file page buffers, which in turn could lead to a data node crash when these were exhausted. This fix limits the number of table definition updates that DBDIH can issue concurrently. (Bug #14828998)
- The management server process, when started with --config-cache=FALSE, could sometimes hang during shutdown. (Bug #14730537)
- The output from ndb_config --configinfo now contains the same information as that from ndb_config --configinfo --xml, including explicit indicators for parameters that do not require restarting a data node with --initial to take effect. In addition, ndb_config indicated incorrectly that the LogLevelCheckpoint data node configuration parameter requires an initial node restart to take effect, when in fact it does not; this error was also present in the MySQL NDB Cluster documentation, where it has also been corrected. (Bug #14671934)
- Attempting to restart more than 5 data nodes simultaneously could cause the cluster to crash. (Bug #14647210)
- In MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7, the size of the hash map was increased to 3840 LDM threads. However, when upgrading a MySQL NDB Cluster from a previous release, existing tables could not use or be modified online to take advantage of the new size, even when the number of fragments was increased by (for example) adding new data nodes to the cluster. Now in such cases, following an upgrade and (once the number of fragments has been increased), you can run ALTER TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION on tables that were created in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.6 or earlier, after which they can use the larger hash map size. (Bug #14645319)
- Concurrent ALTER TABLE with other DML statements on the same NDB table returned Got error -1 'Unknown error code' from NDBCLUSTER. (Bug #14578595)
- CPU consumption peaked several seconds after the forced termination an NDB client application due
 to the fact that the DBTC kernel block waited for any open transactions owned by the disconnected
 API client to be terminated in a busy loop, and did not break between checks for the correct state. (Bug
 #14550056)
- Receiver threads could wait unnecessarily to process incomplete signals, greatly reducing performance of ndbmtd. (Bug #14525521)
- On platforms where epoll was not available, setting multiple receiver threads with the ThreadConfig
 parameter caused ndbmtd to fail. (Bug #14524939)

- Setting BackupMaxWriteSize to a very large value as compared with DiskCheckpointSpeed caused excessive writes to disk and CPU usage. (Bug #14472648)
- Added the --connect-retries and --connect-delay startup options for ndbd and ndbmtd.

 --connect-retries (default 12) controls how many times the data node tries to connect to a management server before giving up; setting it to -1 means that the data node never stops trying to make contact. --connect-delay sets the number of seconds to wait between retries; the default is 5. (Bug #14329309, Bug #66550)
- Following a failed ALTER TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement, a subsequent execution of this statement after adding new data nodes caused a failure in the DBDIH kernel block which led to an unplanned shutdown of the cluster.

DUMP code 7019 was added as part of this fix. It can be used to obtain diagnostic information relating to a failed data node. See DUMP 7019, for more information. (Bug #14220269)

References: See also: Bug #18550318.

- It was possible in some cases for two transactions to try to drop tables at the same time. If the master
 node failed while one of these operations was still pending, this could lead either to additional node
 failures (and cluster shutdown) or to new dictionary operations being blocked. This issue is addressed
 by ensuring that the master will reject requests to start or stop a transaction while there are outstanding
 dictionary takeover requests. In addition, table-drop operations now correctly signal when complete, as
 the DBDICT kernel block could not confirm node takeovers while such operations were still marked as
 pending completion. (Bug #14190114)
- The DBSPJ kernel block had no information about which tables or indexes actually existed, or which had been modified or dropped, since execution of a given query began. Thus, DBSPJ might submit dictionary requests for nonexistent tables or versions of tables, which could cause a crash in the DBDIH kernel block.

This fix introduces a simplified dictionary into the DBSPJ kernel block such that DBSPJ can now check reliably for the existence of a particular table or version of a table on which it is about to request an operation. (Bug #14103195)

 Previously, it was possible to store a maximum of 46137488 rows in a single MySQL NDB Cluster partition. This limitation has now been removed. (Bug #13844405, Bug #14000373)

References: See also: Bug #13436216.

When using ndbmtd and performing joins, data nodes could fail where ndbmtd processes were
configured to use a large number of local query handler threads (as set by the ThreadConfig
configuration parameter), the tables accessed by the join had a large number of partitions, or both. (Bug
#13799800, Bug #14143553)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.8 (5.5.27-ndb-7.2.8) (2012-09-07, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

 An improvement introduced in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 saves memory used by buffers for communications between threads. One way in which this was implemented was by not allocating buffers between threads which were assumed not to communicate, including communication between local query handler (LQH or LDM) threads. However, the BACKUP kernel block is used by the LDM thread, and during NDB native backup the first instance of this block used by the first LDM thread acts as a client coordinator, and thus attempts to communicate with other LDM threads. This caused the START BACKUP command to fail when using ndbmtd configured with multiple LDM threads.

The fix for this issue restores the buffer used for communication between LDM threads in such cases. (Bug #14489398)

- When reloading the redo log during a node or system restart, and with NoOfFragmentLogFiles greater than or equal to 42, it was possible for metadata to be read for the wrong file (or files). Thus, the node or nodes involved could try to reload the wrong set of data. (Bug #14389746)
- When an NDB table was created during a data node restart, the operation was rolled back in the NDB engine, but not on the SQL node where it was executed. This was due to the table .FRM files not being cleaned up following the operation that was rolled back by NDB. Now in such cases these files are removed. (Bug #13824846)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.7 (5.5.25a-ndb-7.2.7) (2012-07-17, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

References: See also: Bug #52106.

- Important Change: When FILE was used for the value of the LogDestination parameter without also specifying the filename, the log file name defaulted to logger.log. Now in such cases, the name defaults to ndb_nodeid_cluster.log. (Bug #11764570, Bug #57417)
- Packaging; Solaris: Some builds on Solaris 64-bit failed because the packages exceeded the 2GB limit for the SVR4 installation layout. Now such packages are built without the embedded versions of mysqltest and mysql-client_test to save space. (Bug #14058643)
- Packaging; NDB Cluster APIs: The file META-INF/services/
 org.apache.openjpa.lib.conf.ProductDerivation was missing from the clusterjpa JAR
 file. This could cause setting openjpa.BrokerFactory to "ndb" to be rejected. (Bug #14192154)
- NDB Cluster APIs: libndbclient did not include the NdbScanFilter class. (Bug #14010507)
- NDB Cluster APIs: When an NDB API application called NdbScanOperation::nextResult() again after the previous call had returned end-of-file (return code 1), a transaction object was leaked. Now when this happens, NDB returns error code 4210 (Ndb sent more info than length specified); previouslyu in such cases, -1 was returned. In addition, the extra transaction object associated with the scan is freed, by returning it to the transaction coordinator's idle list. (Bug #11748194)
- If the Transaction Coordinator aborted a transaction in the "prepared" state, this could cause a resource leak. (Bug #14208924)
- When attempting to connect using a socket with a timeout, it was possible (if the timeout was exceeded) for the socket not to be set back to blocking. (Bug #14107173)
- A shortage of scan fragment records in DBTC resulted in a leak of concurrent scan table records and key operation records. (Bug #13966723)
- Attempting to add both a column and an index on that column in the same online ALTER TABLE statement caused mysqld to fail. Although this issue affected only the mysqld shipped with MySQL

NDB Cluster, the table named in the ALTER TABLE could use any storage engine for which online operations are supported. (Bug #12755722)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.6 (5.5.22-ndb-7.2.6) (2012-05-21, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

• Important Change: The ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION statement can be used to create new table partitions after new empty nodes have been added to a MySQL NDB Cluster. Usually, the number of partitions to create is determined automatically, such that, if no new partitions are required, then none are created. This behavior can be overridden by creating the original table using the MAX_ROWS option, which indicates that extra partitions should be created to store a large number of rows. However, in this case ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... REORGANIZE PARTITION simply uses the MAX_ROWS value specified in the original CREATE TABLE statement to determine the number of partitions required; since this value remains constant, so does the number of partitions, and so no new ones are created. This means that the table is not rebalanced, and the new data nodes remain empty.

To solve this problem, support is added for ALTER ONLINE TABLE ... MAX_ROWS=newvalue, where newvalue is greater than the value used with MAX_ROWS in the original CREATE TABLE statement. This larger MAX_ROWS value implies that more partitions are required; these are allocated on the new data nodes, which restores the balanced distribution of the table data.

For more information, see ALTER TABLE Statement, and Adding NDB Cluster Data Nodes Online. (Bug #13714648)

- NDB Cluster APIs: An assert in memcache/include/Queue.h by NDB could cause memcached to fail. (Bug #13874027)
- An error handling routine in the local query handler (DBLQH) used the wrong code path, which could corrupt the transaction ID hash, causing the data node process to fail. This could in some cases possibly lead to failures of other data nodes in the same node group when the failed node attempted to restart. (Bug #14083116)
- When a fragment scan occurring as part of a local checkpoint (LCP) stopped progressing, this kept the
 entire LCP from completing, which could result it redo log exhaustion, write service outage, inability
 to recover nodes, and longer system recovery times. To help keep this from occurring, MySQL NDB
 Cluster now implements an LCP watchdog mechanism, which monitors the fragment scans making up
 the LCP and takes action if the LCP is observed to be delinquent.

This is intended to guard against any scan related system-level I/O errors or other issues causing problems with LCP and thus having a negative impact on write service and recovery times. Each node independently monitors the progress of local fragment scans occurring as part of an LCP. If no progress is made for 20 seconds, warning logs are generated every 10 seconds thereafter for up to 1 minute. At this point, if no progress has been made, the fragment scan is considered to have hung, and the node is restarted to enable the LCP to continue.

In addition, a new ndbd exit code NDBD_EXIT_LCP_SCAN_WATCHDOG_FAIL is added to identify when this occurs. See LQH Errors, for more information. (Bug #14075825)

• It could sometimes happen that a query pushed down to the data nodes could refer to buffered rows which had been released, and possibly overwritten by other rows. Such rows, if overwritten, could lead to incorrect results from a pushed query, and possibly even to failure of one or more data nodes or SQL nodes. (Bug #14010406)

- DUMP 2303 in the ndb_mgm client now includes the status of the single fragment scan record reserved for a local checkpoint. (Bug #13986128)
- Pushed joins performed as part of a stored procedure or trigger could cause spurious Out of memory
 errors on the SQL node where they were executed. (Bug #13945264)

References: See also: Bug #13944272.

• INSERT ... SELECT executed inside a trigger or stored procedure with ndb_join_pushdown enabled could lead to a crash of the SQL node on which it was run. (Bug #13901890)

References: See also: Bug #13945264.

- When upgrading or downgrading between a MySQL NDB Cluster version supporting distributed
 pushdown joins (MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 and later) and one that did not, queries that the later MySQL
 NDB Cluster version tried to push down could cause data nodes still running the earlier version to fail.
 Now the SQL nodes check the version of the software running on the data nodes, so that queries are
 not pushed down if there are any data nodes in the cluster that do not support pushdown joins. (Bug
 #13894817)
- ndbmemcached exited unexpectedly when more than 128 clients attempted to connect concurrently using prefixes. In addition, a NOT FOUND error was returned when the memcached engine encountered a temporary error from NDB; now the error No Ndb Instances in freelist is returned instead. (Bug #13890064, Bug #13891085)
- The performance of ndbmemcache with a workload that consisted mostly of primary key reads became degraded. (Bug #13868787, Bug #64713)
- When the --skip-config-cache and --initial options were used together, ndb_mgmd failed to start. (Bug #13857301)
- The memcached server failed to build correctly on 64-bit Solaris/SPARC. (Bug #13854122)
- ALTER ONLINE TABLE failed when a DEFAULT option was used. (Bug #13830980)
- In some cases, restarting data nodes spent a very long time in Start Phase 101, when API nodes must connect to the starting node (using NdbEventOperation), when the API nodes trying to connect failed in a live-lock scenario. This connection process uses a handshake during which a small number of messages are exchanged, with a timeout used to detect failures during the handshake.

Prior to this fix, this timeout was set such that, if one API node encountered the timeout, all other nodes connecting would do the same. The fix also decreases this timeout. This issue (and the effects of the fix) are most likely to be observed on relatively large configurations having 10 or more data nodes and 200 or more API nodes. (Bug #13825163)

ndbmtd failed to restart when the size of a table definition exceeded 32K.

(The size of a table definition is dependent upon a number of factors, but in general the 32K limit is encountered when a table has 250 to 300 columns.) (Bug #13824773)

- An initial start using ndbmtd could sometimes hang. This was due to a state which occurred when
 several threads tried to flush a socket buffer to a remote node. In such cases, to minimize flushing of
 socket buffers, only one thread actually performs the send, on behalf of all threads. However, it was
 possible in certain cases for there to be data in the socket buffer waiting to be sent with no thread ever
 being chosen to perform the send. (Bug #13809781)
- When trying to use ndb_size.pl --hostname=host:port to connect to a MySQL server running on a nonstandard port, the port argument was ignored. (Bug #13364905, Bug #62635)

• The transaction_allow_batching server system variable was inadvertently removed from the NDB 7.2 codebase prior to General Availability. This fix restores the variable. (Bug #64697, Bug #13891116, Bug #13947227)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.5 (5.5.20-ndb-7.2.5) (2012-03-20, General Availability)

Bugs Fixed

- Important Change: A number of changes have been made in the configuration of transporter send buffers.
 - 1. The data node configuration parameter ReservedSendBufferMemory is now deprecated, and thus subject to removal in a future MySQL NDB Cluster release. ReservedSendBufferMemory has been non-functional since it was introduced and remains so.
 - 2. TotalSendBufferMemory now works correctly with data nodes using ndbmtd.
 - 3. SendBufferMemory can now over-allocate into SharedGlobalMemory for ndbmtd data nodes (only).
 - 4. A new data node configuration parameter ExtraSendBufferMemory is introduced. Its purpose is to control how much additional memory can be allocated to the send buffer over and above that specified by TotalSendBufferMemory or SendBufferMemory. The default setting (0) allows up to 16MB to be allocated automatically.

(Bug #13633845, Bug #11760629, Bug #53053)

- Setting insert_id had no effect on the auto-increment counter for NDB tables. (Bug #13731134)
- A data node crashed when more than 16G fixed-size memory was allocated by DBTUP to one fragment (because the DBACC kernel block was not prepared to accept values greater than 32 bits from it, leading to an overflow). Now in such cases, the data node returns Error 889 Table fragment fixed data reference has reached maximum possible value.... When this happens, you can work around the problem by increasing the number of partitions used by the table (such as by using the MAXROWS option with CREATE TABLE). (Bug #13637411)

References: See also: Bug #11747870, Bug #34348.

- Several instances in the NDB code affecting the operation of multithreaded data nodes, where SendBufferMemory was associated with a specific thread for an unnecessarily long time, have been identified and fixed, by minimizing the time that any of these buffers can be held exclusively by a given thread (send buffer memory being critical to operation of the entire node). (Bug #13618181)
- A very large value for BackupWriteSize, as compared to BackupMaxWriteSize, BackupDataBufferSize, or BackupLogBufferSize, could cause a local checkpoint or backup to hang. (Bug #13613344)
- Queries using LIKE ... ESCAPE on NDB tables failed when pushed down to the data nodes. Such
 queries are no longer pushed down, regardless of the value of engine_condition_pushdown. (Bug
 #13604447, Bug #61064)
- To avoid TCP transporter overload, an overload flag is kept in the NDB kernel for each data node; this flag is used to abort key requests if needed, yielding error 1218 Send Buffers overloaded in NDB kernel in such cases. Scans can also put significant pressure on transporters, especially where scans with a high degree of parallelism are executed in a configuration with relatively small send buffers.

However, in these cases, overload flags were not checked, which could lead to node failures due to send buffer exhaustion. Now, overload flags are checked by scans, and in cases where returning sufficient rows to match the batch size (--ndb-batch-size server option) would cause an overload, the number of rows is limited to what can be accommodated by the send buffer.

See also Configuring NDB Cluster Send Buffer Parameters. (Bug #13602508)

 A SELECT from an NDB table using LIKE with a multibyte column (such as utf8) did not return the correct result when engine_condition_pushdown was enabled. (Bug #13579318, Bug #64039)

References: See also: Bug #13608135.

- memcached started with the ndb_engine.so plugin failed to start if the ndbmemcache database was missing. (Bug #13567414)
- When starting memcached using ndb_engine.so with only 2 API slots available in the cluster configuration file, memcached attempted to make a third connection and crashed when this failed. (Bug #13559728)
- A node failure and recovery while performing a scan on more than 32 partitions led to additional node failures during node takeover. (Bug #13528976)
- The --skip-config-cache option now causes ndb_mgmd to skip checking for the configuration directory, and thus to skip creating it in the event that it does not exist. (Bug #13428853)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.4 (5.5.19-ndb-7.2.4) (2012-02-15, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change: A mysqld process joining a MySQL NDB Cluster where distributed privileges are in use now automatically executes a FLUSH PRIVILEGES as part of the connection process, so that the cluster's distributed privileges take immediate effect on the new SQL node. (Bug #13340854)

Bugs Fixed

• Packaging: RPM distributions of MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 contained a number of packages which in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 have been merged into the MySQL-Cluster-server RPM. However, the MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2 MySQL-Cluster-server RPM did not actually obsolete these packages, which meant that they had to be removed manually prior to performing an upgrade from a MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1 RPM installation.

These packages include the MySQL-Cluster-clusterj, MySQL-Cluster-extra, MySQL-Cluster-management, MySQL-Cluster-storage, and MySQL NDB Cluster-tools RPMs.

For more information, see Installing NDB Cluster from RPM. (Bug #13545589)

- Accessing a table having a BLOB column but no primary key following a restart of the SQL node failed with Error 1 (Unknown error code). (Bug #13563280)
- At the beginning of a local checkpoint, each data node marks its local tables with a "to be checkpointed" flag. A failure of the master node during this process could cause either the LCP to hang, or one or more data nodes to be forcibly shut down. (Bug #13436481)

• A node failure while a ANALYZE TABLE statement was executing resulted in a hung connection (and the user was not informed of any error that would cause this to happen). (Bug #13416603)

References: See also: Bug #13407848.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.3 (5.5.17-ndb-7.2.3) (Not released)

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

 Added the ThreadConfig data node configuration parameter to enable control of multiple threads and CPUs when using ndbmtd, by assigning threads of one or more specified types to execute on one or more CPUs. This can provide more precise and flexible control over multiple threads than can be obtained using the LockExecuteThreadToCPU parameter. (Bug #11795581)

Bugs Fixed

- Added the MinFreePct data node configuration parameter, which specifies a percentage of data node
 resources to hold in reserve for restarts. The resources monitored are DataMemory, IndexMemory,
 and any per-table MAX_ROWS settings (see CREATE TABLE Statement). The default value of
 MinFreePct is 5, which means that 5% from each these resources is now set aside for restarts. (Bug
 #13436216)
- Issuing TRUNCATE TABLE on mysql.user, mysql.host, mysql.db, mysql.tables_priv, mysql.proxies_priv, or mysql.procs_priv, when these tables had been converted to MySQL NDB Cluster distributed grant tables, caused mysqld to crash. (Bug #13346955)
- Restarting an SQL node configured for distributed grants could sometimes result in a crash. (Bug #13340819)
- Previously, forcing simultaneously the shutdown of multiple data nodes using SHUTDOWN -F in the ndb_mgm management client could cause the entire cluster to fail. Now in such cases, any such nodes are forced to abort immediately. (Bug #12928429)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.2 (5.5.16-ndb-7.2.2) (2011-12-14, Development Milestone Release)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

NDB Cluster APIs: Added support for the Memcache API using ndbmemcache, a loadable storage
engine for memcached version 1.6 and later, which can be used to provide a persistent MySQL NDB
Cluster data store, accessed using the memcache protocol.

The standard memcached caching engine is now included in the MySQL NDB Cluster distribution. Each memcached server, in addition to providing direct access to data stored in a MySQL NDB Cluster, is able to cache data locally and serve (some) requests from this local cache.

The memcached server can also provide an interface to existing MySQL NDB Cluster tables that is strictly defined, so that an administrator can control exactly which tables and columns are referenced by particular memcache keys and values, and which operations are allowed on these keys and values.

For more information, see ndbmemcache—Memcache API for NDB Cluster.

• Added the ndbinfo_select_all utility.

Bugs Fixed

- Microsoft Windows: The include/storage directory, where the header files supplied for use in compiling MySQL NDB Cluster applications are normally located, was missing from MySQL NDB Cluster release packages for Windows. (Bug #12690665)
- When adding data nodes online, if the SQL nodes were not restarted before starting the new data nodes, the next query to be executed crashed the SQL node on which it was run. (Bug #13715216, Bug #62847)

References: This issue is a regression of: Bug #13117187.

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.1 (5.5.15-ndb-7.2.1) (2011-10-03, Development Milestone Release)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Important Change: By default, data nodes now exhibit fail-fast behavior whenever they encounter corrupted tuples—in other words, a data node forcibly shuts down whenever it detects a corrupted tuple. To override this behavior, you can disable the CrashOnCorruptedTuple data node configuration parameter, which is enabled by default.

This is a change from MySQL NDB Cluster 7.0 and MySQL NDB Cluster 7.1, where CrashOnCorruptedTuple was disabled (so that data nodes ignored tuple corruption) by default. (Bug #12598636)

- Important Change: The default values for a number of MySQL NDB Cluster data node configuration parameters have changed, to provide more resiliency to environmental issues and better handling of some potential failure scenarios, and to perform more reliably with increases in memory and other resource requirements brought about by recent improvements in join handling by NDB. The affected parameters are listed here:
 - HeartbeatIntervalDbDb: Default increased from 1500 ms to 5000 ms.
 - ArbitrationTimeout: Default increased from 3000 ms to 7500 ms.
 - TimeBetweenEpochsTimeout: Now effectively disabled by default (default changed from 4000 ms to 0).
 - SharedGlobalMemory: Default increased from 20MB to 128MB.
 - MaxParallelScansPerFragment: Default increased from 32 to 256.

In addition, when MaxNoOfLocalScans is not specified, the value computed for it automatically has been increased by a factor of 4 (that is, to 4 times MaxNoOfConcurrentScans, times the number of data nodes in the cluster).

• Important Change: MySQL user privileges can now be distributed automatically across all MySQL servers (SQL nodes) connected to the same MySQL NDB Cluster. Previously, each MySQL Server's user privilege tables were required to use the MyISAM storage engine, which meant that a user account and its associated privileges created on one SQL node were not available on any other SQL node without manual intervention. MySQL NDB Cluster now provides an SQL script file ndb_dist_priv.sql that can be found in share/mysql under the MySQL installation directory; loading this script creates a stored procedure mysql_cluster_move_privileges that can be used following initial installation to convert the privilege tables to the NDB storage engine, so that any time a MySQL user account is created, dropped, or has its privileges updated on any SQL node, the changes take effect immediately on all other MySQL servers attached to the cluster. Note that you may need to execute FLUSH PRIVILEGES on any SQL nodes with connected MySQL clients (or to disconnect and then reconnect the clients) in order for those clients to be able to see the changes in privileges.

Once mysql_cluster_move_privileges has been executed successfully, all MySQL user privileges are distributed across all connected MySQL Servers. MySQL Servers that join the cluster after this automatically participate in the privilege distribution.

ndb_dist_priv.sql also provides stored routines that can be used to verify that the privilege tables have been distributed successfully, and to perform other tasks.

For more information, see Distributed Privileges Using Shared Grant Tables.

• **Performance:** Added support for pushing down joins to the NDB kernel for parallel execution across the data nodes, which can speed up execution of joins across NDB tables by a factor of 20 or more in some cases. Some restrictions apply on the types of joins that can be optimized in this way; in particular, columns to be joined must use exactly the same data type, and cannot be any of the BLOB or TEXT types. In addition, columns to be joined must be part of a table index or primary key. Support for this feature can be enabled or disabled using the ndb_join_pushdown server system variable (enabled by default); see the description of this variable for more information and examples.

As part of this improvement, the status variables Ndb_pushed_queries_defined, Ndb_pushed_queries_dropped, Ndb_pushed_queries_executed, and Ndb_pushed_reads also been introduced for monitoring purposes. You can also see whether a given join is pushed down using EXPLAIN. In addition, several new counters relating to push-down join performance have been added to the counters table in the ndbinfo database. For more information, see the descriptions of the status variables previously mentioned.

• It is now possible to filter the output from ndb_config so that it displays only system, data node, or connection parameters and values, using one of the options --system, --nodes, or --connections, respectively. In addition, it is now possible to specify from which data node the configuration data is obtained, using the --config_from_node option that is added in this release.

For more information, see ndb_config — Extract NDB Cluster Configuration Information. (Bug #11766870)

Bugs Fixed

 Incompatible Change; NDB Cluster APIs: Restarting a machine hosting data nodes, SQL nodes, or both, caused such nodes when restarting to time out while trying to obtain node IDs.

As part of the fix for this issue, the behavior and default values for the NDB API Ndb_cluster_connection::connect() method have been improved. Due to these changes, the version number for the included NDB client library (libndbclient.so) has been increased from 4.0.0 to 5.0.0. For NDB API applications, this means that as part of any upgrade, you must do both of the following:

- Review and possibly modify any NDB API code that uses the connect () method, in order to take into account its changed default retry handling.
- Recompile any NDB API applications using the new version of the client library.

Also in connection with this issue, the default value for each of the two mysqld options --ndb-wait-connected and --ndb-wait-setup has been increased to 30 seconds (from 0 and 15, respectively). In addition, a hard-coded 30-second delay was removed, so that the value of --ndb-wait-connected is now handled correctly in all cases. (Bug #12543299)

AUTO_INCREMENT values were not set correctly for INSERT IGNORE statements affecting NDB tables.
 This could lead such statements to fail with Got error 4350 'Transaction already aborted' from NDBCLUSTER when inserting multiple rows containing duplicate values. (Bug #11755237, Bug #46985)

Changes in MySQL NDB Cluster 7.2.0 (5.1.51-ndb-7.2.0) (2011-04-11, Development Milestone Release)

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