Installing Solutions Enabler

This section contains a brief walk through for Solutions enabler deployment, for the purpose of monitoring by SQL Workload Analysis. for the full procedure and options of Solutions Enabler deployment, see also the *Solutions enabler Installation Guide* document, which can be found in the document set on the EMC web site.



On the SQL Workload Analysis server

- 1. Install Solutions Enabler.
 - a. Select the destination folder.
 - b. Select the Setup Type (use: Complete)
 - c. On the Services List, leave the default settings for the Stordeamon Services.
 - d. Click Next.
 - e. Click Install.
- 2. If your SQL Server instance stores its data on CLARiiON or VNX storage arrays, Statistics Logging should be enabled. The following procedure should be done per storage array:
 - a. Open Navisphere GUI or Unisphere web GUI. Typically, this will require a user with Storage Administrator rights and the URL of the Navisphere software.
 b. Right-click on the APM storage System (or on CLARiiON unit ID in Unisphere GUI) and select **Properties**.

eneral	SP Cache	SP Memory	SP Memory Software Environment				
Proper	ties						
Name:		CKM001101	00084				
Serial I	Number:	CKM001101	CKM00110100084				
Unique	ID (WWN):	50:06:01:	60:C4:60	52:A6	5		
iSCSI i	iqn:	iqn.1992-0	04.com.en	nc:cx.	ckm00110	100084	
Base U	UID (TRU64):	0					
Model: Status:		CX4-120 Warning (9)					
							Config
Stat	istics Logging	Mixed	d Mode	v .	Storage Gr	oups	
Storag	e Processors						
SP		IP Addresses		DNS Hostname			
SP B		166.98.18.71	L	spb			
SP A		166.98.18.70	0	spa			

- c. On the General tab, select Statistics Logging.
- d. Click Apply.
- e. Click OK.
- f. Click File > Save and Exit.
- 3. Initialize Solutions Enabler (building the symapi\db\symapi_db.bin file).
 - a. Open a Windows command prompt.
 - b. Navigate to the directory in which the EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
 - c. Execute: SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe discover -all
 - The "No devices were found" message is expected and does not indicate an error.

On each monitored server

- 1. Install Solutions Enabler.
 - a. Select the destination folder.
 - b. Select he Setup Type (use: Complete)
 - c. On the Service List, use the defaults and also check the SYMAPI daemon checkbox.
 - d. Click Next.
 - e. Click Install.

- 2. If your SQL Server instance stores its data on CLARiiON or VNX storage arrays, the monitored server should be authorized using a SYMCLI command as follows:
 - a. Make sure you have the array's Storage Processors (SP) hostname or IP address, and the array's administrator username and password.
 - b. Open the command prompt.
 - c. Navigate to the directory in which EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
 - d. Execute: SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe authorization add -host {VNX-SP} -username {VNX Administrator} password {VNX Administrator Password}
- 3. If your SQL Server instance stores its data on Symmetrix (DMX or VMAX) storage arrays, gatekeeper devices must be installed.
 - a. Gatekeeper device is a small device (less than 3 MB) used by Solutions Enabler to improve the communication with the storage array. The assistance of a storage administrator is required.
 - b. To verify which storage units and devices are attached to a monitored server, execute: SYMCLI\BIN\syming.exe The following table shows an example of the command's output.

Device	Product			Device		
Name	Туре	Vendor	ID	Rev	Ser Num	Cap (KB)
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE0		SEAGATE	ST15150W	HP12	02994239	4194157
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE1		EMC	SYMMETRIX	5265	<mark>93</mark> 052361	4224000
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE2		EMC	SYMMETRIX	5265	<mark>93</mark> 052461	4224000
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE3		EMC	SYMMETRIX	5265	<mark>93</mark> 052561	4224000
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE4	GK	EMC	SYMMETRIX	5265	<mark>93</mark> 050161	2880
\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE5	GK	EMC	SYMMETRIX	5265	<mark>93</mark> 051161	2880

- c. Gatekeeper devices are marked with **GK** in the **Type** column. The two most left digits (93 in this example) are the suffix of unit ID.
- d. If gatekeeper devices are missing, ask the storage administrator to define them. To verify, execute SYMCLI\BIN\syming.exe and check its output once again.
- 4. If the monitored SQL Server instance runs on a VMware guest server, the monitored server should be authorized using a SYMCLI command as follows:
 - a. Make sure you have the ESX server hostname or IP address, and the ESX server's administrator username and password.
 - b. Open a command prompt.
 - c. Navigate to the directory in which EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
 - d. Execute: SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe authorization add -host {ESX server} -username {ESX server
 - Administrator} -password {ESX server Administrator Password} -vmware
- 5. If the monitored SQL Server instance runs on a Microsoft Hyper-V guest server, the monitored server should be authorized using a SYMCLI command as follows:



Only pass-through devices are supported. Devices configured as VHD are not supported.

- a. Make sure you have the Hyper-V hostname or IP address, and Hyper-V's administrator username and password.
- b. Open a command prompt.
- c. Navigate to the directory in which EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
- d. Execute: SYMCLI\BIN\symcli.exe authorization add -host {Hyper-V hostname} -username {Hyper-V
- Administrator} -password {Hyper-V Administrator Password} -hyperv
- 6. Initialize Solutions Enabler (building the symapi\db\symapi_db.bin file).
 - a. Open a Windows command prompt.
 - b. Change to the directory in which the EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
 - c. Execute the discover command:
 - SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe discover -all

This time, "No devices were found" message should be considered an error. If no devices were found, retry carefully steps 1 to 6. If still not found, open a support case using the Precise community portal.

d. If your SQL Server instance stores its data on Symmetrix (DMX or VMAX) storage arrays, execute SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe list

Its output should list all attached Symmetrix storage units. Each of the units that are actually used to store SQL Server DB files should be marked as local in the **Attachment** column. See example:

Symmetrix	Attachment	Model	Version
000190103692	Remote	DMX3-24	5773
0001907653 <mark>93</mark>	Local	VMAX-1	5875

e. If your SQL Server instance stores its data on VNX or CLARiiON storage arrays, execute SYMCLI\BIN\symcfg.exe list - clariion

Its output should list all attached VNX and CLARiiON storage units.

Verifying Solutions Enabler's Deployment and Configuration

The last verification step should be done on each monitored serer. It should be verified regardless of the storage array series (SYMMETRIX or CLARiiON).

To manually verify that Solutions Enabler was successfully deployed and configured:

- 1. Select a database file that is stored on an EMC sorage array (file size must be > 0).
- 2. Open a Windows command prompt.
- 3. Navigate to the directory in which the EMC Solutions Enabler is installed.
- 4. Execute: SYMCLI\BIN\symrslv.exe file <full path and name of the selected DB file>
 5. The output should contain a table with the following column titles:

Size, Array, Dev, Offset, PPdevName, Offset, and Attr. Array and Dev should present EMC unit and EMC device. If "N/A" is presented instead, then EMC Solutions Enabler failed to map the file. In this case, open a support case using the Precise community portal.

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