

Cloud Benchmarking

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This document is Part C of the lectures on Cloud Benchmarking and contains a set of exercises to benchmark a public cloud platform. Part B was on OpenStack Operations and contained a set of exercises to operate OpenStack cloud platform. Part A was on OpenStack, Operations and Troubleshooting.

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1 Overview

This document describes the benchmarking of AliCloud ECS and RDS. By no means, it should be considered a final study. Many more experiments and tests are needed to obtain a precise view of benchmarking. Nonetheless, it describes the main techniques and tools which are used for benchmarking exercises.

The benchmarking includes the following main activities:

- Create an ECS (Elastic Compute Service) instance
- Install performance analysis tools in VM (e.g., sysbench, netperf, etc.)
- Benchmark the CPU, the network, disk I/O, and file access
- Create RDS (Relational Database Service) instance
- Create database and accounts with privileges
- Run IOPS and connection to test the RDS
- Deploy Wordpress web application in VM
- Access Wordpress remotely

2 ECS Benchmarking

The performance benchmarking and reporting of ECS placed emphasis on:

- Benchmarking of ECS
- Focus on CPU, storage and networking performance, e.g., disk IO, networking IO.
- Benchmarking of RDS
- Focus on database IOPS, QPS, connection number and others relevant index.

Students can open an AliCloud account and use the resources for the exercise.

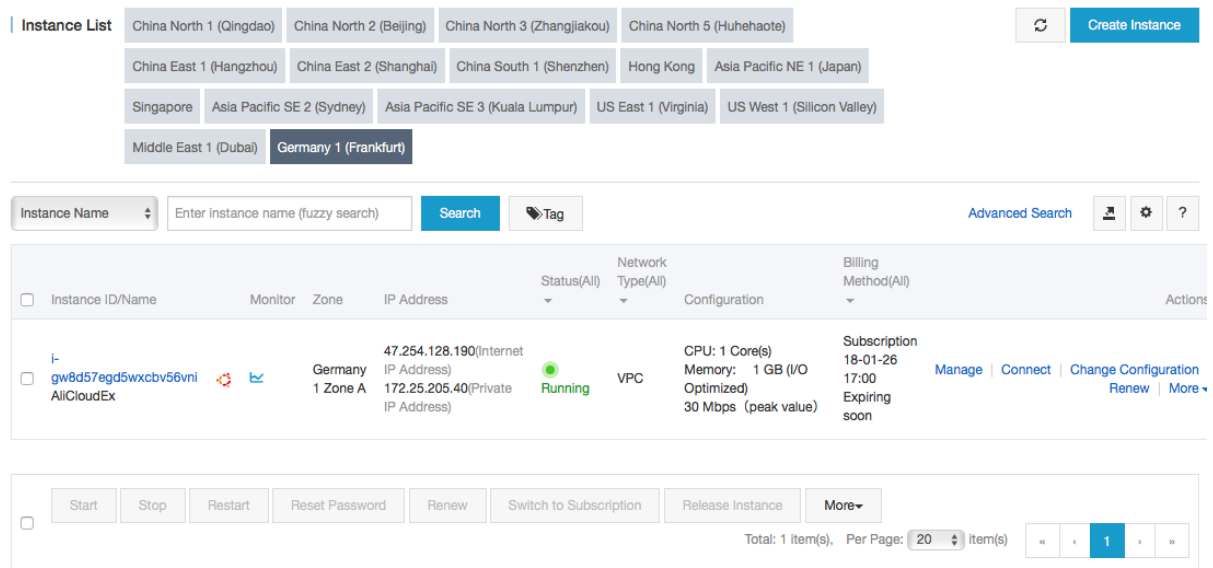
- <http://intl.aliyun.com/campaign/freetrial>

2.1 Preparing the VM

2.1.1 VM Creation

An ECS instance with 1 core and 1GB memory was created.

ECS Region: EU Central 1 (Frankfurt)
I/O Optimized: IO optimized instance
Instance type: 1-core, 1GB
Network Type: VPC
Bandwidth: 30Mbps (Data transfer usage)
OS: Ubuntu 16.04 64bit
System Disk: 40GB SSD Cloud Disk
Auto-renew: No
Server Guard: No
Order Type: starter-package
Prompt : If you select 1M bandwidth or above, a public IP will be distributed, which is unable to unbind.



The screenshot shows the 'Instance List' in the Alibaba Cloud console. At the top, there are buttons for various regions: China North 1 (Qingdao), China North 2 (Beijing), China North 3 (Zhangjiakou), China North 5 (Huhehaote), China East 1 (Hangzhou), China East 2 (Shanghai), China South 1 (Shenzhen), Hong Kong, Asia Pacific NE 1 (Japan), Singapore, Asia Pacific SE 2 (Sydney), Asia Pacific SE 3 (Kuala Lumpur), US East 1 (Virginia), US West 1 (Silicon Valley), Middle East 1 (Dubai), and Germany 1 (Frankfurt). A 'Create Instance' button is visible on the right.

Below the region selection, there is a search bar for 'Instance Name' and a 'Tag' button. The main table lists instances with columns for Instance ID/Name, Monitor, Zone, IP Address, Status, Network Type, Configuration, and Billing Method. One instance is shown: ID 'gw8d57egd5wxcbv56vni', Name 'AliCloudEx', Zone 'Germany 1 Zone A', IP Address '47.254.128.190', Status 'Running', Network Type 'VPC', Configuration 'CPU: 1 Core(s), Memory: 1 GB (I/O Optimized), 30 Mbps (peak value)', and Billing Method 'Subscription 18-01-26 17:00 Expiring soon'. Action buttons like 'Manage', 'Connect', 'Change Configuration', 'Renew', and 'More' are present for this instance.

At the bottom, there is a row of instance management buttons: Start, Stop, Restart, Reset Password, Renew, Switch to Subscription, Release Instance, and More. A pagination bar shows 'Total: 1 Item(s), Per Page: 20 Item(s)'.

Figure 1. Console and instance panel

2.1.2 SSH Access

To gain access to the VM created, the private key **alicloud.pem** generated using the option **Key Pairs** of the console was used along with **ssh**:

```
$ Jorge's-iMac:~$ ssh jcardoso$ ssh -i alicloud.pem root@47.254.128.190
```

The output is:

```
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-62-generic x86_64)
```

```
* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage
```

```
Welcome to Alibaba Cloud Elastic Compute Service !
```

2.1.3 OS Update

The VM was updated with the latest Ubuntu packages.

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install unzip
$ sudo apt-get install software-properties-common python-software-properties
$ sudo add-apt-repository main
$ sudo add-apt-repository universe
$ sudo add-apt-repository restricted
$ sudo add-apt-repository multiverse
```

2.2 Benchmarking

2.2.1 CPU Benchmark

To benchmark CPU, the **byte-unixbench** tools was used:

```
$ wget https://github.com/kdlucas/byte-unixbench/archive/master.zip
$ unzip ./master.zip
$ cd ./byte-unixbench-master/UnixBench
$ ./Run
```

After running the tool, the output obtained was:

```
=====
BYTE UNIX Benchmarks (Version 5.1.3)

System: AliCloudEx: GNU/Linux
OS: GNU/Linux -- 4.4.0-62-generic -- #83-Ubuntu SMP Wed Jan 18 14:10:15 UTC 2017
Machine: x86_64 (x86_64)
Language: en_US.utf8 (charmap="UTF-8", collate="UTF-8")
CPU 0: Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2682 v4 @ 2.50GHz (5000.0 bogomips)
      x86-64, MMX, Physical Address Ext, SYSENTER/SYSEXIT, SYSCALL/SYSRET
    20:02:01 up 4 days, 20:17,  1 user,  load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.20; runlevel
2017-12-26

-----
Benchmark Run: Sun Dec 31 2017 20:02:01 - 20:30:05
1 CPU in system; running 1 parallel copy of tests

Dhrystone 2 using register variables          34438786.9 lps   (10.0 s, 7 samples)
Double-Precision Whetstone                   4186.1 MWIPS  (9.9 s, 7 samples)
Execl Throughput                             5661.1 lps   (29.6 s, 2 samples)
File Copy 1024 bufsize 2000 maxblocks        1295671.2 KBps  (30.0 s, 2 samples)
File Copy 256 bufsize 500 maxblocks          352375.9 KBps  (30.0 s, 2 samples)
File Copy 4096 bufsize 8000 maxblocks        2915577.3 KBps  (30.0 s, 2 samples)
Pipe Throughput                             2344275.2 lps   (10.0 s, 7 samples)
Pipe-based Context Switching                 340783.6 lps   (10.0 s, 7 samples)
Process Creation                             17191.1 lps   (30.0 s, 2 samples)
Shell Scripts (1 concurrent)                 10418.7 lpm    (60.0 s, 2 samples)
Shell Scripts (8 concurrent)                 1349.6 lpm     (60.0 s, 2 samples)
System Call Overhead                        4089066.5 lps   (10.0 s, 7 samples)

System Benchmarks Index Values
Dhrystone 2 using register variables          116700.0      34438786.9    2951.1
Double-Precision Whetstone                   55.0         4186.1       761.1
Execl Throughput                             43.0         5661.1     1316.5
File Copy 1024 bufsize 2000 maxblocks        3960.0      1295671.2   3271.9
File Copy 256 bufsize 500 maxblocks          1655.0      352375.9   2129.2
File Copy 4096 bufsize 8000 maxblocks        5800.0      2915577.3   5026.9
Pipe Throughput                             12440.0     2344275.2   1884.5
Pipe-based Context Switching                 4000.0      340783.6    852.0
Process Creation                             126.0       17191.1    1364.4
Shell Scripts (1 concurrent)                 42.4        10418.7    2457.2
Shell Scripts (8 concurrent)                  6.0         1349.6    2249.4
System Call Overhead                        15000.0     4089066.5   2726.0
=====
System Benchmarks Index Score                               1970.1
=====
```

The CPU has a score of **1970.1** for a single task. The AliCloud VM has a similar performance with an Intel Xeon Processor E5-2680 v2 made available in 2013. To compare results with other platforms, see http://linux-bench.com/results/?table=unixbench_single. The comparison table is not maintained and verified. Thus, entries may not reflect real performance and may be in some cases incorrect. Therefore, the tool has more utility when used to directly compare systems.

Figure 2 shows the CPU performance using the AliCloud console.

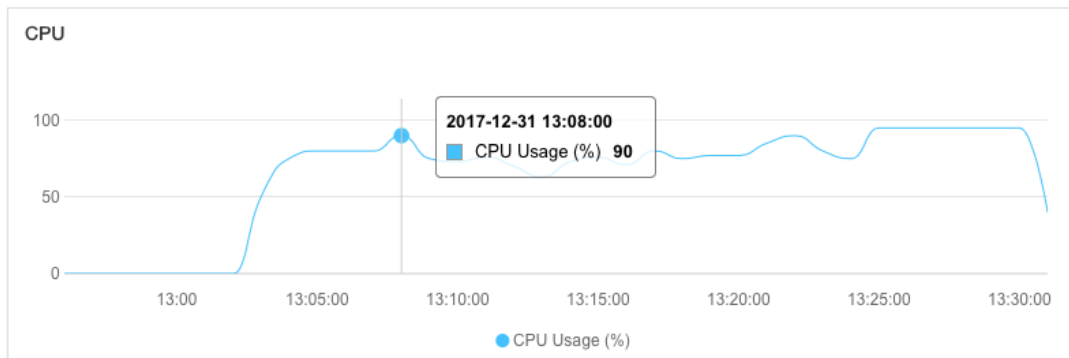


Figure 2. CPU benchmark using AliCloud console

Figure 3 shows the **top** unix utility to observe the performance of the CPU. The values shown by AliCloud console and the top utility generally differ in 10%-20%.

```
top - 20:34:58 up 4 days, 20:50, 2 users, load average: 0.27, 1.82, 1.72
Tasks: 110 total, 2 running, 108 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s):100.0 us, 0.0 sy, 0.0 ni, 0.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
KiB Mem : 1016096 total, 647104 free, 198604 used, 170388 buff/cache
KiB Swap: 0 total, 0 free, 0 used. 653432 avail Mem
```

PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR	S	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+	COMMAND
28813	root	20	0	4372	688	616	R	99.9	0.1	0:06.24	dhry2reg
1	root	20	0	37884	2504	540	S	0.0	0.2	0:03.69	systemd
2	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.02	kthreadd
3	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:09.47	ksoftirqd/0
5	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	kworker/0:0H
7	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:14.43	rcu_sched
8	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	rcu_bh
9	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	migration/0
10	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:01.14	watchdog/0
11	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	kdevtmpfs
12	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	netns
13	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	perf
14	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.08	khungtaskd
15	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	writeback
16	root	25	5	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	ksmd
17	root	39	19	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.56	khugepaged
18	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	crypto
19	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	kintegrityd
20	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	bioset
21	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	kblockd

Figure 3. CPU benchmark using top unix utility

Another tool which can be used for CPU benchmarking is **sysbench**. For example, the following command enables to study how threaded process scales for the VM.

```
$ for each in 1 2 4 8 16 32 64; do sysbench --test=cpu --cpu-max-prime=20000 --num-threads=$each run; done
```

The results were close to 26 seconds. Naturally, since the VM we are benchmarking has only one core (run: `$ cat /proc/cpuinfo`), increasing the number of threads can in some cases even slowdown the computation time. But for multicore CPUs, the true performance will be measured when running the benchmark with the correct amount

of threads. A CPU with 8 cores should run an 8 thread CPU benchmark to get the true performance number.

Ideally the benchmark should also be done for Amazon AWS, MS Azure, and Google GCP to establish a baseline and calculate an offset of performance.

Other programs to benchmark a VM can be found at:

- <https://wiki.mikejung.biz/Benchmarking>

2.2.2 Disk IO Benchmark

To measure disk IO performance, **sysbench** was used. First, a test file of 30GB (we are using a SSD with 40GB) was created. The file needs to be much bigger than the RAM, otherwise the system will use RAM for caching which tampers with the benchmark results.

```
$ sysbench --test=fileio --file-total-size=30G prepare
```

The output was:

```
sysbench 0.4.12: multi-threaded system evaluation benchmark  
  
128 files, 245760Kb each, 30720Mb total  
Creating files for the test...
```

Afterwards, benchmark itself can be run:

```
$ sysbench --test=fileio --file-total-size=30G --file-test-mode=rndrw --init-rng=on --max-time=300 --max-requests=0 run
```

The output was:

```
sysbench 0.4.12: multi-threaded system evaluation benchmark
```

```
Running the test with following options:  
Number of threads: 1  
Initializing random number generator from timer.
```

```
Extra file open flags: 0  
128 files, 240Mb each  
30Gb total file size  
Block size 16Kb  
Number of random requests for random IO: 0  
Read/Write ratio for combined random IO test: 1.50  
Periodic FSYNC enabled, calling fsync() each 100 requests.  
Calling fsync() at the end of test, Enabled.  
Using synchronous I/O mode  
Doing random r/w test  
Threads started!  
Time limit exceeded, exiting...  
Done.
```

```
Operations performed: 428100 Read, 285400 Write, 913193 Other = 1626693 Total  
Read 6.5323Gb Written 4.3549Gb Total transferred 10.887Gb (37.161Mb/sec)  
2378.33 Requests/sec executed
```

```
Test execution summary:  
total time: 300.0002s  
total number of events: 713500  
total time taken by event execution: 157.0585
```

```
per-request statistics:
  min:                0.00ms
  avg:                0.22ms
  max:                33.67ms
  approx. 95 percentile: 0.32ms
```

```
Threads fairness:
  events (avg/stddev): 713500.0000/0.00
  execution time (avg/stddev): 157.0585/0.00
```

The important number is the *Kb/sec* value:

- *Operations performed: ... 1626693. (i.e., 1626693/300s=5422 IOPS)*
- *Total transferred 10.887Gb (37.161Kb/sec)*

Analysing the disk monitoring interface of the AliCloud console, the following results for IOPS were observed (Figure 4).

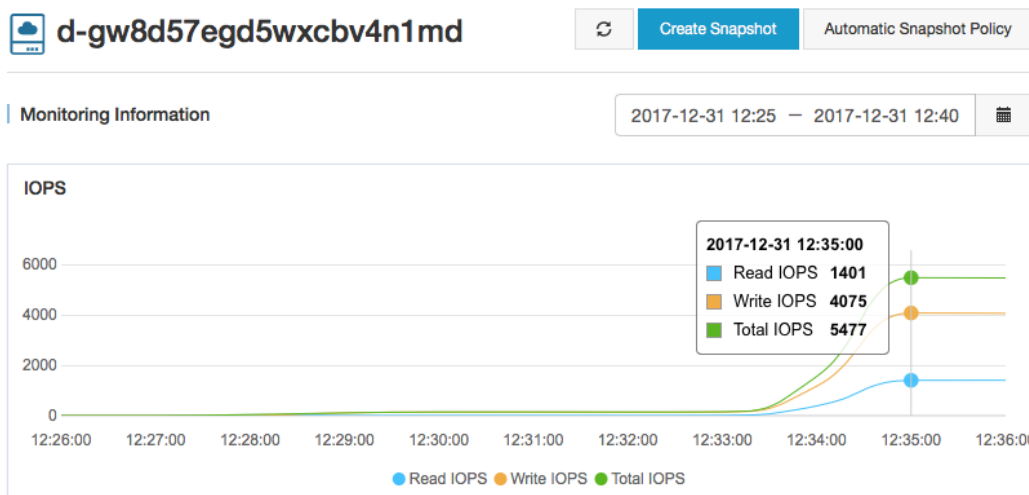


Figure 4. Disk IO benchmark (IOPS)

It can be seen that the benchmarking done using sysbench provides similar values (5422 vs 5477) when compared to the results of the console.

Analysing the disk monitoring interface of the console, the following results for the throughput can be observed (Figure 5).

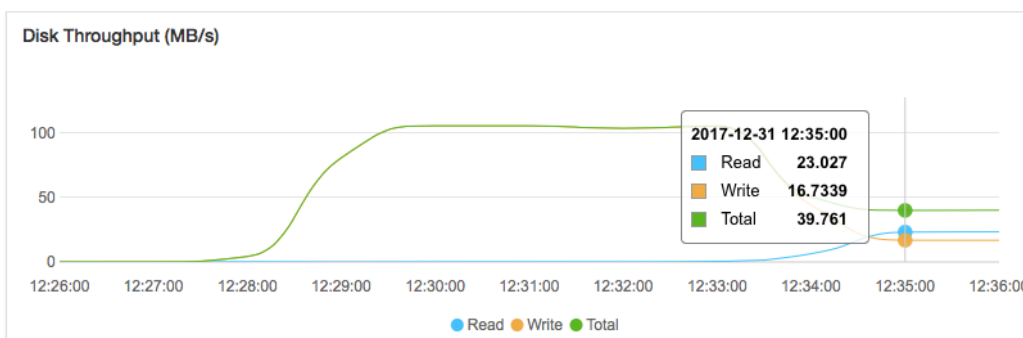


Figure 5. Disk IO benchmark (throughput)

It can be seen that the benchmarking done provides similar values (36Mb/s vs 39Mb/s) when compared to the results of the console. The difference is most likely due to buffering being ignored by sysbench.

After the benchmark, the 30GB test file can be deleted from the system.

```
$ sysbench --test=fileio --file-total-size=30G cleanup
```

A proper performance evaluation would require to run the benchmark with different block sizes (e.g., 4, 8, 12, and 16Kb) and with different number of threads (e.g., 1, 2, 3, and 4) assuming the use of a VM with a multicore CPU.

2.2.3 Network Benchmark

2.2.3.1 Point-to-point Connection

The network was tested using the unix utility **netperf**.

```
$ wget  
http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/pool/multiverse/n/netperf/netperf_2.6.0-2_i386.deb  
$ sudo dpkg -i netperf_2.6.0-2_i386.deb
```

Since **netperf** works with a client and a server, the server run in the AliCloud VM:

```
$ netserver -D -4 -L 0.0.0.0 -p 12865
```

The client run in a remote MacOS computer:

```
Jorges-iMac:osk jcardoso$ sudo netperf -H 47.254.128.190 -l 60 -t  
TCP_STREAM -p 12865
```

The results show that the network has a throughput of $1.43 \cdot 10^6$ bits /sec when communicating between ECS and the remote MacOS.

```
MIGRATED TCP STREAM TEST from (null) (0.0.0.0) port 0 AF_INET to (null) () port 0  
AF_INET  
Recv  Send  Send  
Socket Socket Message Elapsed  
Size  Size  Size  Time  Throughput  
bytes bytes bytes secs.  10^6bits/sec  
  
87380 131072 131072 61.05 1.43
```

Analysing the network monitoring interface of the console, the following results for the throughput can be observed (Figure 6).

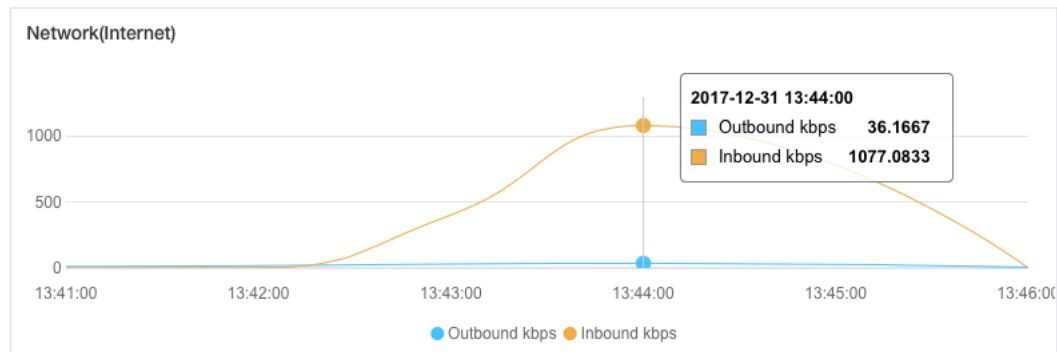


Figure 6. Network benchmark (client-server throughput)

Both values are roughly similar (a thorough investigation would be needed to understand why the difference exists). The throughput is mainly limited by the speed of the internet connection on the client side, i.e., the MacOS system.

The same benchmark was reexecuted using a remote client located in another cloud provider (<https://www.cloud.mwn.de>). The results were higher with an AliCloud VM network throughput of $104.33 \cdot 10^6$ bits/sec.

```
MIGRATED TCP STREAM TEST from 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0) port 0 AF_INET to 47.254.128.190 ()
port 0 AF_INET : demo
Recv  Send  Send
Socket Socket Message Elapsed
Size Size Size Time Throughput
bytes bytes bytes secs. 10^6bits/sec
87380 16384 16384 60.23 104.33
```

2.2.3.2 Internet Connection

I also tested the upload and download network speed to the internet connection of the AliCloud VM. I used speedtest.

```
$ wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/sivel/speedtest-
cli/master/speedtest.py
$ python speedtest.py
```

The results of speedtest.py were:

```
Retrieving speedtest.net configuration...
Testing from Alibaba (47.254.128.190)...
Retrieving speedtest.net server list...
Selecting best server based on ping...
Hosted by SoftLayer Technologies, Inc. (Frankfurt) [0.65 km]: 1.68 ms
Testing download
speed.....
..
Download: 414.37 Mbit/s
Testing upload
speed.....
.....
Upload: 35.15 Mbit/s
```

The results show that the VM network has a throughput of:

- Download 414.37 Mbits/s
- Upload 35.15 Mbit/s

The tests would need to be complemented by varying the number of concurrent connections.

3 RDS Benchmarking

To test the performance of the RDS service, the focus was on database IOPS, QPS, connection number and others relevant index.

3.1 Preparation

3.1.1 DB Preparation

The first step is to start launching a new DBMS.

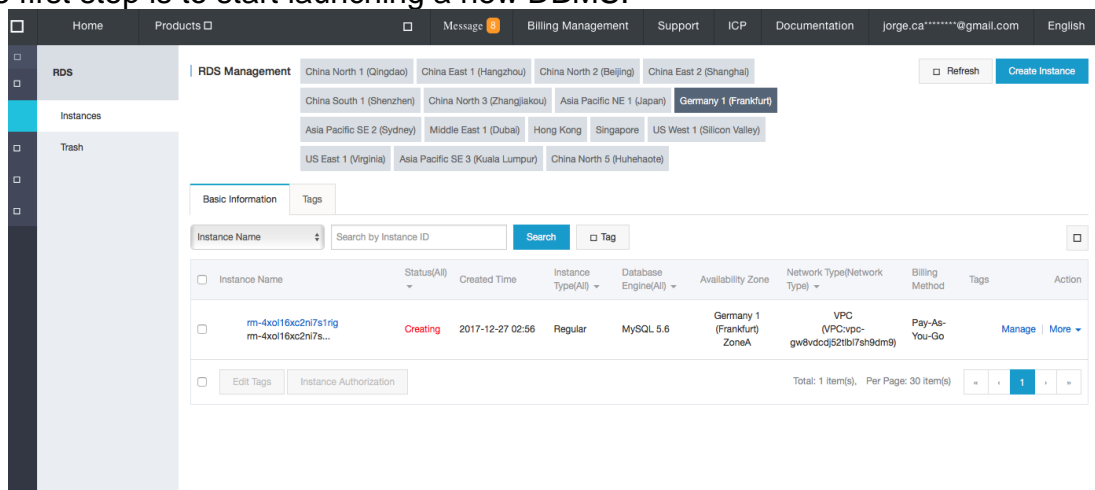


Figure 7. RDS creation

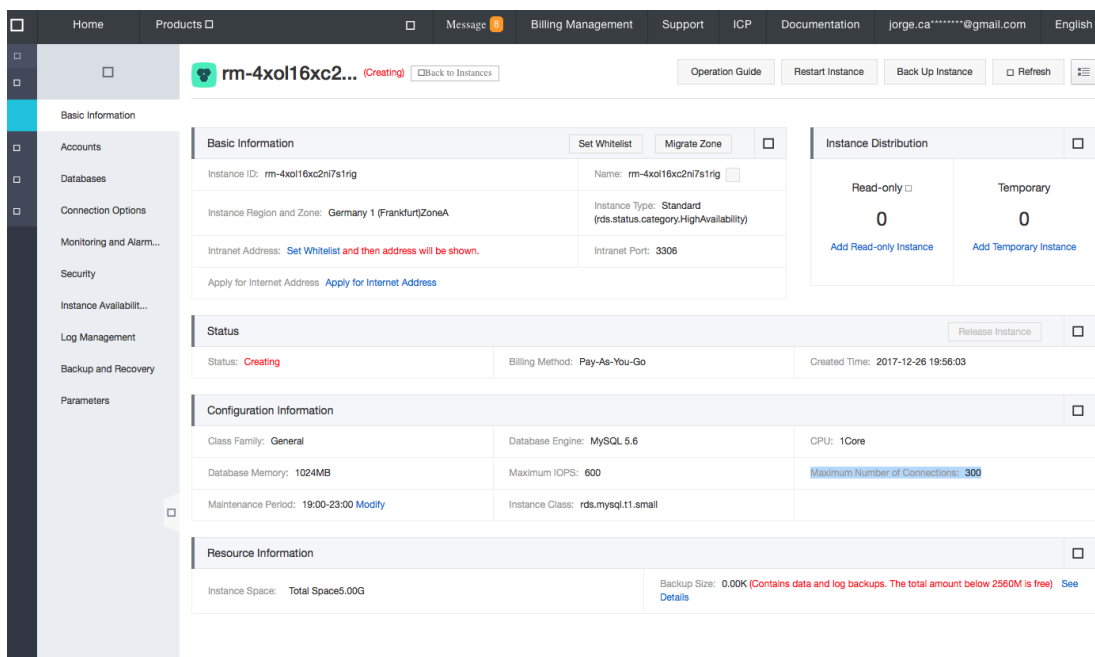


Figure 8. RDS view

Afterwards, create a new database called mydb.

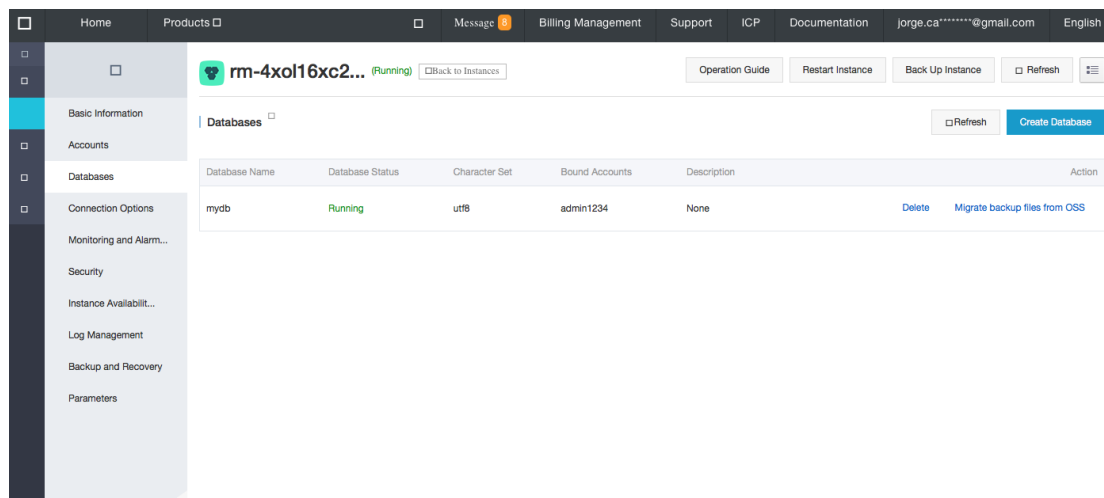


Figure 9. The mydb database

3.1.2 VM Preparation

Install the required packages to get access to the RDS:

```
$ sudo apt install mysql-client-core-5.7
$ sudo apt install mariadb-client-core-10.0
```

3.1.3 Access the database

Use the Intranet ip of database to access the database:

- rm-4xol16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com

```
$ mysql -u admin1234 -p -h rm-4xol16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com mydb
```

3.2 DB Benchmarking

To measure MySQL performance, **sysbench** was used.

First, a test table in the database *test* with 1,000,000 rows of data was created:

```
$ root@AliCloudEx:~# sysbench --test=oltp --oltp-table-size=1000000 --mysql-db=test --mysql-user=admin1 --mysql-host=rm-4xol16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com --mysql-password=H***2#$ --db-driver=mysql prepare
```

Afterwards, launch a **read test** with 8 threads using the database *test*:

```
$ sysbench --test=oltp --oltp-table-size=1000000 --mysql-host=rm-4xol16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com --mysql-db=test --mysql-user=admin1 --mysql-password=H***2#$ --db-driver=mysql --max-time=60 --oltp-read-only=on --max-requests=0 --num-threads=8 run
```

The output was:

```
sysbench 0.4.12: multi-threaded system evaluation benchmark
```

```
Running the test with following options:
Number of threads: 8
```

```
Doing OLTP test.
Running mixed OLTP test
```

```
Doing read-only test
Using Special distribution (12 iterations, 1 pct of values are returned in 75 pct
cases)
Using "BEGIN" for starting transactions
Using auto_inc on the id column
Threads started!
Time limit exceeded, exiting...
(last message repeated 7 times)
Done.
```

```
OLTP test statistics:
  queries performed:
    read:                322364
    write:                0
    other:               46052
    total:               368416
  transactions:        23026 (383.72 per sec.)
  deadlocks:            0 (0.00 per sec.)
  read/write requests: 322364 (5372.11 per sec.)
  other operations:     46052 (767.44 per sec.)
```

```
Test execution summary:
  total time:                60.0070s
  total number of events:    23026
  total time taken by event execution: 479.9380
  per-request statistics:
    min:                    6.00ms
    avg:                    20.84ms
    max:                    88.00ms
    approx. 95 percentile:  43.15ms
```

```
Threads fairness:
  events (avg/stddev):      2878.2500/74.80
  execution time (avg/stddev): 59.9922/0.00
```

The important number is the transactions per second value:

- *transactions: **23026 (383.72 per sec.)***

Afterwards, launch a read/write test with 8 threads using the database test:

```
$ sysbench --test=oltp --oltp-table-size=1000000 --mysql-host=rm-
4xoll16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com --mysql-db=test --
mysql-user=admin1 --mysql-password=H****2#$ --db-driver=mysql --max-
time=60 --oltp-read-only=off --max-requests=0 --num-threads=8 run
```

The output was:

```
sysbench 0.4.12: multi-threaded system evaluation benchmark
```

```
Running the test with following options:
Number of threads: 8
```

```
Doing OLTP test.
Running mixed OLTP test
Using Special distribution (12 iterations, 1 pct of values are returned in 75 pct
cases)
Using "BEGIN" for starting transactions
Using auto_inc on the id column
Threads started!
Time limit exceeded, exiting...
(last message repeated 7 times)
Done.
```

```

OLTP test statistics:
  queries performed:
    read:                174454
    write:               62305
    other:               24922
    total:               261681
  transactions:         12461 (207.64 per sec.)
  deadlocks:            0 (0.00 per sec.)
  read/write requests: 236759 (3945.11 per sec.)
  other operations:     24922 (415.27 per sec.)

Test execution summary:
  total time:           60.0134s
  total number of events: 12461
  total time taken by event execution: 480.0241
  per-request statistics:
    min:                8.67ms
    avg:                38.52ms
    max:                108.30ms
    approx. 95 percentile: 91.47ms

Threads fairness:
  events (avg/stddev): 1557.6250/24.65
  execution time (avg/stddev): 60.0030/0.00

```

The important number is the transactions per second value:

- transactions: **12461 (207.64 per sec.)**

To clean up the system afterwards (i.e., remove the test table), run:

```

sysbench --test=oltp --mysql-db=test --mysql-user=admin1 --mysql-
host=rm-4xol16xc2ni7slrig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com --mysql-
password=H****2#$ cleanup

```

3.3 Results

- Using 1 threads (results not shown)
 - The number of transactions is almost 140 for read only operations
 - The number of transactions is close to 100 for r/w operations
- Using 4 threads (results not shown)
 - The number of transactions is almost 400 for read only operations
 - The number of transactions is close to 200 for r/w operations
- Using 8 threads
 - The number of transactions is almost 400 for read only operations
 - The number of transactions is close to 200 for r/w operations

The database reaches maximum number of transactions supported using 4 threads. The IOPs were not measured, only the query performance. For short tests (e.g., a few seconds to up to a few minutes), the monitoring charts of the console did not show results.

4 Webapp Deployment

4.1 Overview

Application deployment and reporting involved deploying one web application to AliCloud. The reporting includes the deployment procedure and the problems

experienced. The deployment is minimal and involved using of one ECS and one RDS instances.

The application deployment was tested using WordPress web application on the cloud. The simplest deployment was carried out involving one compute instance ECS and one database service RDS. The following actions were executed:

- Apache, PHP, modules, and WordPress were installed in the ECS VM
- Create WordPress database in RDS
- Configure WordPress to use the RDS database created
- The database used was the RDS benchmarked in the previous tasks

4.2 Preparation

To install Apache web server:

```
$ sudo apt-get install apache2 apache2-utils
```

Enable Apache2 web server to start at system boot time:

```
$ sudo systemctl enable apache2  
$ sudo systemctl start apache2
```

To test that the server is running. Open the web browser and enter:

- **http://47.254.128.19.**

In case the web server is up and running, the Apache2 default index page is displayed.

Install PHP and modules for it to work with the web and database servers using the command below:

```
$ sudo apt-get install php7.0 php7.0-mysql libapache2-mod-php7.0  
php7.0-cli php7.0-cgi php7.0-gd
```

Test if php is working with the web server, create a **info.php** file inside `/var/www/html` with the content:

```
<?php  
phpinfo();  
?>
```

```
$ sudo vi /var/www/html/info.php
```

To test that the server is running with php support, open the web browser and enter:

- **http://47.254.128.19/info.php**

Install WordPress CMS by download the latest package and extract:

```
$ wget -c http://wordpress.org/latest.tar.gz  
$ tar -xzf latest.tar.gz
```

Move the WordPress files from the extracted folder to the Apache default root directory:

```
$ sudo rsync -av wordpress/* /var/www/html/
```

Set the permissions on the website directory to give ownership of the WordPress files to the web server as follows:

```
$ sudo chown -R www-data:www-data /var/www/html/  
$ sudo chmod -R 755 /var/www/html/
```

Create the WordPress database within RDS:

```
$ mysql -u admin1 -p -h rm-  
4xoll16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com
```

At the mysql shell, type the following commands:

```
mysql> CREATE DATABASE wp_myblog;  
mysql> GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON wp_myblog.* TO admin1@'47.254.128.190'  
IDENTIFIED BY 'H****2#$';  
mysql> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;  
mysql> EXIT;
```

Rename the file **wp-config-sample.php** to **wp-config.php**:

```
$ sudo mv /var/www/html/wp-config-sample.php /var/www/html/wp-  
config.php
```

Update the file with database information:

```
// ** MySQL settings - You can get this info from your web host ** //  
/** The name of the database for WordPress */  
define('DB_NAME', 'wp_myblog'); /** MySQL database username */  
define('DB_USER', 'admin1'); /** MySQL database password /  
define('DB_PASSWORD', 'H****2#$'); /** MySQL hostname */  
define('DB_HOST', 'rm-4xoll16xc2ni7s1rig.mysql.germany.rds.aliyuncs.com  
define('DB_CHARSET', 'utf8'); /** The Database Collate type. Don't  
change this if in doubt. */  
define('DB_COLLATE', '');
```

Restart the web server and mysql service:

```
$ sudo systemctl restart apache2.service  
$ sudo systemctl restart mysql.service
```

4.3 Configure Wordpress

Open web browser, enter the server address to get the welcome page to configure the system:

- <http://47.254.128.190/index.php>

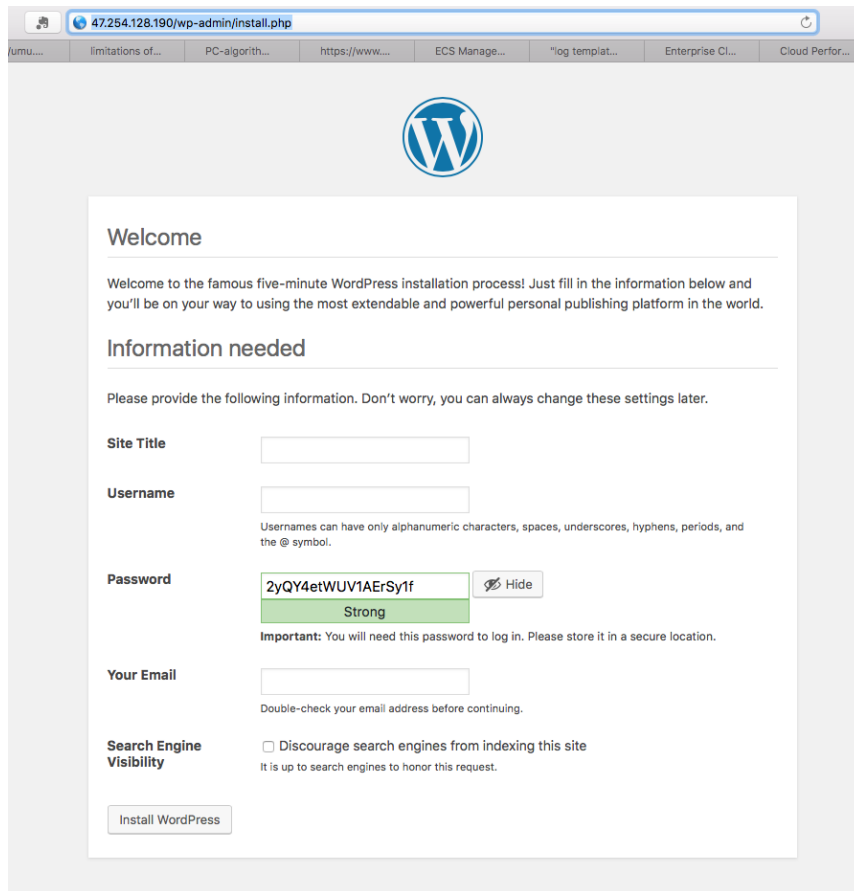


Figure 10. WordPress Welcome page