



# File Audit Logging

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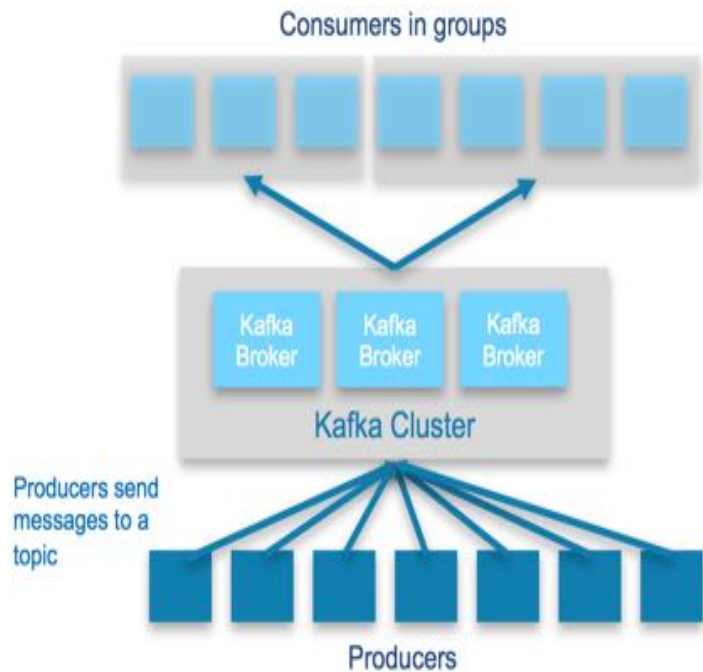
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# Motivation and Description



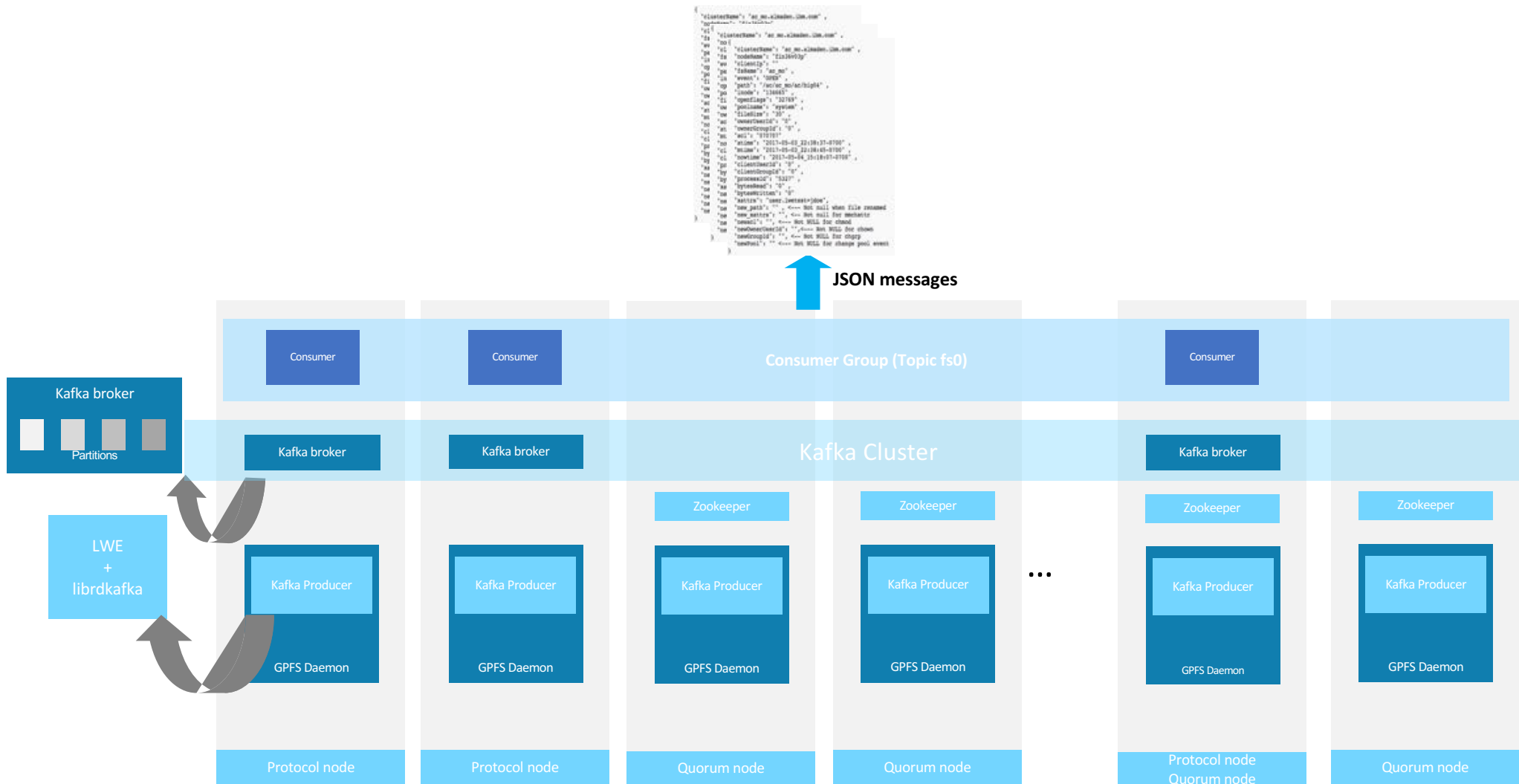
- Capture file operations on a given filesystem and log them for auditing purposes
- Display the stored events
- Capture most common types of file operation activity on the filesystem { create, open, close, destroy, rename, ACL changes, XATTR changes, rmdir, unlink }
- Protocol agnostic – Support Native GPFS, NFS, SMB
- Events are logged in a JSON formatted string
- Configurable options for log output include the device where it is mounted, name, retention period.
- Integrated into the system health infrastructure for easy monitoring of audit logging message queues and components

# Kafka Publish-Subscribe model



- Each audited filesystem will have an unique **topic** assigned to it in the MsgQueue
- Producers live inside the GPFS daemon publish events to the relevant **topic**
- Consumers subscribe to one **topic**
- Reliable architecture
  - Brokers are clustered
  - Consumer groups
  - Events replication across Brokers

# Architecture Overview

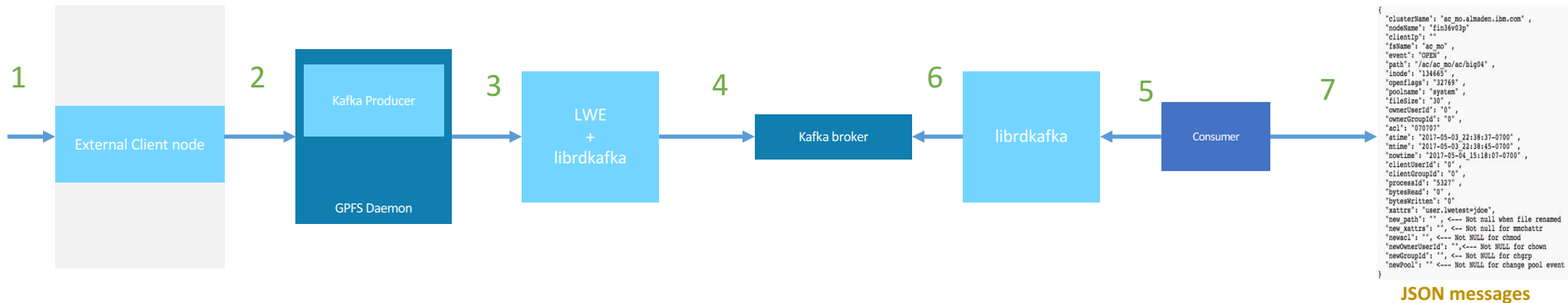


\*Zookeeper resides on the quorum nodes

\*\*Kafka Brokers can reside on any node (not confined to protocol nodes as depicted in this figure)

\*\*\*Using the standardized JSON format, client facing API can be derived.

# Flow of an event



```

{
  "clusterName": "ac.mo.almaden.ibm.com",
  "nodeName": "fia36v03p",
  "clientIp": "",
  "fsName": "ac_mo",
  "event": "OPEN",
  "path": "/ac/ac_mo/ac/big04",
  "inode": "134665",
  "openFlags": "32769",
  "poolName": "system",
  "fileSize": "30",
  "ownerUserId": "0",
  "ownerGroupId": "0",
  "acl": "07070",
  "atime": "2017-05-03 22:38:37-0700",
  "mtime": "2017-05-03 22:38:45-0700",
  "nowtime": "2017-05-04 15:18:07-0700",
  "clientId": "0",
  "clientGroupId": "0",
  "processId": "0",
  "processId": "5327",
  "bytesRead": "0",
  "bytesWritten": "0",
  "xattrs": "user.lvetest=done",
  "new_path": "",
  "new_xattrs": "",
  "new_acl": "",
  "new_ownerUserId": "",
  "new_groupId": "",
  "new_pool": ""
}
  
```

JSON messages

SeqNbr	Description
1	Client performs a file operation ( read/ write/ remove, ..) on a file in an audited filesystem
2	External client node sends the client request to the relevant gpfs-node
3	Gpfs daemon using internal LWE (lightweight events) machinery sends the events to the msgQueue
4	Event messages are reliably delivered to msgQueue listening on this topic.

SeqNbr	Description
5, 6	Consumers belonging to a consumerGroup listening on this event topic, will periodically pull events from the msgQueue
7	Consumers will write the consumed events from the MsgQueue into the audited filesystem's ".audit_log" fileset.



- Only Linux nodes (RHEL and Ubuntu)
- Linux Kernel version above > 3.10
- Minimum of 3 Linux quorum nodes
- Minimum of 3 nodes must be designated as Broker nodes
- Supported hardware platforms (x86 and PPCLE)
  - RHEL is supported on x86 and PPC LE
  - Ubuntu is only supported on x86
- Recommend that the ports 9092, 9093(not used currently, but will in future), 2181 and 2888-3888 are opened for TCP only.
- **Advanced License edition or the Data Management edition**



- During Installation, most configuration is automatically done and stored in /opt/kafka folder
- Free space requirements
  - min 5 GB local disk space per file system being audited
  - suggested 10 GB local disk space per file system being audited on all broker nodes
- 2 new rpms added to the package 5.0.0 release
  - **gpfs.kafka-\***
  - **gpfs.librdkafka-\***
- Java rpms installed on the Broker and Zookeeper nodes
  - **gpfs.java-\***

# Installation - Linux Nodes Only



Install GPFS  
packages

`./spectrumscale  
fileauditlogging  
enable`

`./spectrumscale  
install -precheck`

`./spectrumscale  
install -postcheck`

## # `./spectrumscale fileauditlogging enable`

[ INFO ] Enabling file audit logging in the cluster configuration file.

[ INFO ] Tip :If all node designations and any required file audit logging configurations are complete, proceed to assign filesystem to enable file audit logging configuration: `./spectrumscale filesystem modify --fileauditloggingenable <filesystem name>`.

# `./spectrumscale node list`

.  
.  
[ INFO ] File Audit logging : Enabled

## # `./spectrumscale install -precheck`

.  
.  
[ INFO ] Performing FILE AUDIT LOGGING checks.  
[ INFO ] Running environment checks for file Audit logging  
[ INFO ] File audit logging precheck OK≈

After install completes, verify that install installed the necessary GPFS rpms

```
# rpm -qa | egrep 'gpfs.java|kafka'  
gpfs.java*  
gpfs.kafka*  
gpfs.librdkafka*
```

# `./spectrumscale install -postcheck`



# Installation – During deploy



```
./spectrumscale node add <Node1> -p  
./spectrumscale node add <Node2> -p
```

```
./spectrumscale filesystem modify  
<Device> --fileauditloggingenable --  
logfileset .audit_log --retention 365
```

```
./spectrumscale deploy --precheck -f
```

1. Specify protocol nodes where Kafka Brokers will reside. Note: Shown below are 2 nodes for brevity, default configuration needs 3 protocol nodes.

```
# ./spectrumscale node add my_protocol_node1 -p  
[ INFO ] Setting my_protocol_node1.xxx.com as a protocol node.  
[ INFO ] Configuration updated.  
[ INFO ] Tip : If all node designations are complete, configure the protocol environment as needed: ./spectrumscale  
config protocols -f cesSharedRoot -m /ibm/cesSharedRoot  
# ./spectrumscale node add my_protocol_node2 -p  
[ INFO ] Setting my_protocol_node2.xxx.com as a protocol node.  
[ INFO ] Configuration updated.  
[ INFO ] Tip : If all node designations are complete, configure the protocol environment as needed: ./spectrumscale  
config protocols -f cesSharedRoot -m /ibm/cesSharedRoot
```

2. Enable NFS and SMB during deploy

```
# ./spectrumscale enable nfs  
[ INFO ] Enabling NFS on all protocol nodes.  
[ INFO ] Tip :If all node designations and any required protocol configurations are complete, proceed to check the  
installation configuration:./spectrumscale deploy --precheck
```

```
# ./spectrumscale enable smb  
[ INFO ] Enabling SMB on all protocol nodes.  
[ INFO ] Tip :If all node designations and any required protocol configurations are complete, proceed to check the  
installation configuration:./spectrumscale deploy --precheck
```



### 3. During deploy configuration, modify filesystem(s) for audit logging

```
# ./spectrumscale filesystem modify fs0 --fileauditloggingenable --logfileset .audit_log --retention 2
[ INFO ] The filesystem fs0 will be configured with file audit logging.
[ INFO ] Tip : Now that you have modified this filesystem to use file audit logging, you need to enable it using the
'. /spectrumscale fileauditlogging enable' command. please ignore if you have already enabled file audit logging.
[ INFO ] The filesystem fs0 will be configured file audit logging with .audit_log log fileset.
[ INFO ] The filesystem fs0 will be configured file audit logging with 2 retention days.
```

### 4. Deploy precheck will display precheck status of file audit logging

```
# ./spectrumscale deploy --precheck -f
.
.
[ INFO ] Performing FILE AUDIT LOGGING checks.
[ INFO ] Running environment checks for file Audit logging
[ INFO ] File audit logging precheck OK
```

### 5. After running deploy, validate using mm-CLI commands to ensure file audit logging is

```
# mmaudit all list
```

Audit Device	Cluster ID	Fileset Device	Fileset Name	Retention (Days)
fs0	4842233323150338002	fs0	.audit_log	2

```
# mmlsfs fs0 --file-audit-log
```

flag	value	description
--file-audit-log	Yes	File Audit Logging enabled?

# Enablement - mmsgqueue command



- Custom enablement of MsgQueue, to accommodate non-protocol nodes as Broker nodes

```
[(03:10:32) hs22n56:/root # mmsgqueue
mmsgqueue: Missing arguments.
Usage:
mmsgqueue enable { -N NodeName[,NodeName...] | NodeFile | NodeClass } [-q]
    or
mmsgqueue disable [-q]
    or
mmsgqueue status [-q]
    or
mmsgqueue list { --topics | --servers} [-q]
    or
mmsgqueue config --remove [-q]
[(03:10:37) hs22n56:/root # mmsgqueue status
Node          Contains  Broker   Contains  Zookeeper
Name          Broker   Status   Zookeeper Status
c6f2bc3n10.gpfs.net  no             good     yes       good
c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net  yes            good     yes       good
hs22n55.gpfs.net    yes            good     yes       good
hs22n56.gpfs.net    yes            good     no        good
hs22n95.gpfs.net    no             good     yes       good
(03:11:12) hs22n56:/root #
```

# Enablement - mmaudit command



- Post Installation and deployment, File audit logging can be enabled using “mmaudit”

```
[root@fin21p ~]# mmlsfs test_fs0 --file-audit-log
flag                value                description
-----
--file-audit-log   No                   File Audit Logging enabled?
[root@fin21p ~]# mmaudit test_fs0 enable
[I] Verifying MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to be enabled for device: test_fs0.
    Depending on cluster size, this may take some time.
[I] Successfully verified all configured MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to be enabled for device: test_fs0
[I] Successfully updated File Audit Logging configuration for device: test_fs0
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging topic on the MsgQueue for device: test_fs0
[I] Successfully created/linked File Audit Logging audit fileset .audit_log with link point /test_fs0/.audit_log
[I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging consumer group to audit device: test_fs0
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging policy partition(s) to audit device: test_fs0
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging consumer callbacks
[I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging for device: test_fs0
[root@fin21p ~]# mmlsfs test_fs0 --file-audit-log
flag                value                description
-----
--file-audit-log   Yes                  File Audit Logging enabled?
[root@fin21p ~]#
```



# Logging details - Where is it logged



- Each file system enabled for file audit logging, has a dedicated fileset where the audit logs will go. Default option is `.audit_log`
- `.audit_log` fileset is created as IAM mode noncompliant.
  - Files cannot be deleted if retention time is not expired.
  - But retention times can be reset and files can be deleted but not changed, by root user only.
- AuditLog files are nested within `/FS/.audit_log/topic/year/month/date/*`
- Easy to search and consume

```
(06:10:02) 192:/proto/.audit_log/154_6372129557625143312_29_audit/2017/11/29 # pwd
/proto/.audit_log/154_6372129557625143312_29_audit/2017/11/29
(06:10:03) 192:/proto/.audit_log/154_6372129557625143312_29_audit/2017/11/29 # ls -altr
total 77929
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root      4096 Nov 29 19:18 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root      4096 Nov 29 19:19 .
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 21287036 Nov 29 19:41 auditLogFile_hs22n95.gpfs.net_2017-11-29_19:19:04
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 31887301 Nov 29 19:41 auditLogFile_hs22n56.gpfs.net_2017-11-29_19:18:57
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 26612155 Nov 29 19:41 auditLogFile_hs22n55.gpfs.net_2017-11-29_19:19:00
(06:10:06) 192:/proto/.audit_log/154_6372129557625143312_29_audit/2017/11/29 #
```



- Live events can be monitored by tailing the current auditLogFile<...>
- Log file is written to an append only mode
- Rotation to a new log file ,upon reaching a threshold(500,000 events), is compressed and marked immutable for the retention period.
- Default retention period is 365 days

```
(02:08:57) hs22n56:/auditfs/.audit_log/156_6372129557625143312_5_audit/2017/11/13 # pwd
/auditfs/.audit_log/156_6372129557625143312_5_audit/2017/11/13
(02:08:59) hs22n56:/auditfs/.audit_log/156_6372129557625143312_5_audit/2017/11/13 # mmlsattr -L auditLogFile_hs22n56.gpfs.
net_2017-11-13_23:23:22
file name:          auditLogFile_hs22n56.gpfs.net_2017-11-13_23:23:22
metadata replication: 1 max 2
data replication:   1 max 2
immutable:         yes
appendOnly:        yea
indefiniteRetention: no
expiration Time:   Tue Nov 13 23:23:22 2018
flags:
storage pool name:  system
fileset name:      .audit_log
snapshot name:
creation time:     Mon Nov 13 23:23:22 2017
Misc attributes:   ARCHIVE COMPRESSION (library s) READONLY
Encrypted:         no
(02:09:07) hs22n56:/auditfs/.audit_log/156_6372129557625143312_5_audit/2017/11/13 #
```

# Logging details-What is logged (JSON)



```
{ "LWE_JSON": "0.0.1", "path": "/newfs/1Kfile2.restore", "oldPath": null, "clusterName": "pardie.cluster", "nodeName": "c6f2bc3n10", "nfsClientIp": "", "fsName": "newfs", "event": "OPEN", "inode": "26626", "openFlags": "32962", "poolName": "sp1", "fileSize": "0", "ownerUserId": "0", "ownerGroupId": "0", "atime": "2017-10-25_12:36:22-0400", "ctime": "2017-10-25_12:36:22-0400", "eventTime": "2017-10-25_12:36:22-0400", "clientId": "0", "clientGroupId": "0", "processId": "10437", "permissions": "200100644", "acls": "u::rwc, g::r, o::r, ", "xattrs": null }
```

Attribute Name	Description
LWE_JSON	Version of the record
Path	Path name of the file involved in the event
oldPath	Previous path name of the file during RENAME event. For all other events indicated as null.
clusterName	Name of the cluster where the event took place
nodeName	Name of the node where the event took place
nfsClientIp	IP address of the remote client involved in the event
fsName	name of the file system involved in the event
event	event type. One of the following events {OPEN, CREATE, CLOSE,RENAME, XATTRCHANGE, ACLCHANGE, UNLINK, DESTROY, RMDIR}
inode	inode number of the file involved in the event



Attribute Name	Description
openFlags	open flags specified during the event ( O_RDONLY, O_WRONLY,O_RDWR, O_CREAT, ...) as defined in fcntl.h
poolName	pool name where the file resides
fileSize	current size of the file in bytes
ownerUserId	owner id of the file involved in the event
ownerGroupId	group id of the file involved in the event
atime	The time in UTC format of the last access of the file involved in the event
ctime	The time in UTC format of the last status change of the file involved in the event
eventTime	The time in UTC format of the event
clientId	user id of process involved in the event
clientGroupId	group id of the process involved in the event
processId	process id involved in the event
permissions	permissions on the file involved in the event
acls	the access control lists involved in the event (Only in case of acl change event)
xattrs	the extended attributes involved in the event (Only in case of an Xattr change event)





- Protection for non-GPFS producer / consumers from connecting to the MsgQueue
- Brokers (MsgQueue) is started with auth mode
  - SASL\_PLAINTEXT (msgQ-gen=0) – for release 5.0.0
  - SASL\_SCRAM (SHA-512) -- starting 5.0.1 release
- SASL\_SCRAM the default authentication mode going forward.
- username and password are stored in the CCR
- Producer and Consumers will fetch {username:password} from CCR at FAL-enable / mount of the filesystem
- Whenever MsgQueue is disabled and re-enabled, MsgQueue generation number is incremented generating new {username:password}
- Additional level of validation with Producer and Consumers registering with the CCR using the MsgQueue-genNbr when fetching {username:password}

# Upgrade from 5.0.0 to 5.0.1



Install 5.0.1 packages

```
Upgrade cluster  
mmchconfig  
release=LATEST
```

```
mmaudit all list  
mmaudit all disable
```

```
mmsgqueue status  
mmsgqueue config --  
remove mmsgqueue  
enable -N <list of  
brokers>
```

```
mmaudit all enable
```

- Change in authentication mode from PLAINTEXT to SCRAM
- One time re-configuration of the MsgQueue with SCRAM configuration
- Additional openssl and libssl-dev Linux libraries needed for the new authentication mode
  - For RHEL, openssl-devel and cyrus-sasl-devel packages
  - For Ubuntu, libssl-dev and libsasl2-dev packages

# Manually upgrading FAL from 5.0.0 to 5.0.1



## 1. Upgrade cluster to latest release (5.0.0 to 5.0.1)

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmchconfig release=LATEST
Verifying that all nodes in the cluster are up-to-date ...
mmchconfig: Command successfully completed
mmchconfig: Propagating the cluster configuration data to all
affected nodes. This is an asynchronous process.
```

## 2. List the existing file systems that are file audit logging enabled

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmaudit all list
```

Audit Device	Cluster ID	Device	Fileset Name	Fileset	Retention (Days)
fs0	6391413883505451835	fs0	.audit_log_wind_fs0		25
fs1	6391413883505451835	fs1	.audit_log_wind_fs1		365

## 3. Disabling all the file audit logging enabled file systems, in this example

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmaudit fs0 disable
```

```
[I] Successfully deleted File Audit Logging policy partition(s) for device: fs0
[I] Successfully disabled File Audit Logging consumer group for device: fs0
[I] Successfully disabled ACL access to the File Audit Logging topic of the MsgQueue for device: fs0
[I] Successfully deleted File Audit Logging topic from the MsgQueue for device: fs0
[I] Successfully updated File Audit Logging configuration for device: fs0
[I] Successfully disabled File Audit Logging for device: fs0
```



```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmaudit fs1 disable
```

- [I] Successfully deleted File Audit Logging policy partition(s) for device: fs1
- [I] Successfully disabled File Audit Logging consumer group for device: fs1
- [I] Successfully disabled ACL access to the File Audit Logging topic of the MsgQueue for device: fs1
- [I] Successfully deleted File Audit Logging topic from the MsgQueue for device: fs1
- [I] Successfully updated File Audit Logging configuration for device: fs1
- [I] Successfully removed File Audit Logging consumer callbacks
- [I] Successfully removed File Audit Logging consumer node class kafkaAuditConsumerServers
- [I] Successfully disabled File Audit Logging for device: fs1

#### 4. Checking the message queue status, recording which nodes are broker nodes, and removing the message queue

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmmsgqueue status
```

Node Name	Contains Broker	Broker Status	Contains Zookeeper	Zookeeper Status
windwalker-vm1.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	yes	good	yes	good
windwalker-vm2.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	yes	good	yes	good
windwalker-vm3.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	yes	good	yes	good
windwalker-vm4.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	yes	good	no	
windwalker-vm5.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	no		yes	good
windwalker-vm6.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com	no		yes	good

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmmsgqueue config --remove
```

- [I] Attempting to disable the MsgQueue. This may take some time.
- [I] Disabling MsgQueue daemons.
- [I] Removing callbacks that control starting and stopping the MsgQueue daemons.
- [I] MsgQueue successfully disabled.
- [I] Removing MsgQueue callbacks, node classes and configuration information if present.
- [I] MsgQueue successfully disabled and configuration removed.



## 5. Re-enabling the message queue using the same broker nodes from before

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmmsgqueue enable -N windwalker-vm1.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com,windwalker-vm2.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com,windwalker-vm3.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com,windwalker-vm4.tuc.stglabs.ibm.com
```

- [I] The kafkaZookeeperServers node class was successfully created with 5 member nodes.
- [I] The kafkaBrokerServers node class was successfully created with 4 member nodes.
- [I] Successfully created Kafka broker configuration file and added to CCR.
- [I] Successfully created Kafka Zookeeper configuration file and added to CCR.
- [I] Enabling MsgQueue daemons.
- [I] Creating callbacks to control starting and stopping the MsgQueue daemons.
- [I] Pushing producer authentication information to eligible cluster nodes.  
Depending on cluster size, this may take some time.
- [I] MsgQueue successfully enabled.

## 6. Enable FAL for fs0 and fs1

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmaudit fs0 enable
```

- [I] Successfully created File Audit Logging consumer node class kafkaAuditConsumerServers
- [I] Verifying MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to be enabled for device: fs0.  
Depending on cluster size, this may take some time.
- [I] Successfully verified all configured MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to be enabled for device: fs0
- [I] Successfully updated File Audit Logging configuration for device: fs0
- [I] Successfully created File Audit Logging topic on the MsgQueue for device: fs0
- [I] Successfully enabled ACL access to the topic for producers and consumers for device: fs0
- [I] Successfully created/linked File Audit Logging audit fileset .audit\_log with link point /fs0/.audit\_log
- [I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging consumer group to audit device: fs0
- [I] Successfully created File Audit Logging policy partition(s) to audit device: fs0
- [I] Successfully created File Audit Logging consumer callbacks
- [I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging for device: fs0



```
root@windwalker-vm1 [root@fin21p ~]# mmaudit fs1 enable --log-fileset .audit_log_SCRAM_fs1 --retention 10
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging consumer node class kafkaAuditConsumerServers
[I] Verifying MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to be enabled for device: fs1.
    Depending on cluster size, this may take some time.
[I] Successfully verified all configured MsgQueue nodes meet minimum local space requirements for File Audit Logging to
be enabled for device: fs1
[I] Successfully updated File Audit Logging configuration for device: fs1
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging topic on the MsgQueue for device: fs1
[I] Successfully enabled ACL access to the topic for producers and consumers for device: fs1
[I] Successfully created/linked File Audit Logging audit fileset .audit_log_SCRAM_Iroc_fs with link point /fs1/.audit_log_SCRAM_fs1
[I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging consumer group to audit device: fs1
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging policy partition(s) to audit device: fs1
[I] Successfully created File Audit Logging consumer callbacks
[I] Successfully enabled File Audit Logging for device: fs1
```

## 6. Finally, view the new file audit logging configuration

```
root@windwalker-vm1:~# mmaudit all list
```

Audit Device	Cluster ID	Fileset Device	Fileset Name	Retention (Days)
fs0	6391413883505451835	fs0	.audit_log	365
fs1	6391413883505451835	fs1	.audit_log_SCRAM_fs1	10



- Monitoring using CLI commands
  - mmaudit
  - mmmmsgqueue
  - mmpmon
- Monitoring using mmhealth
  - Cluster wide
  - Node view
- Monitoring of FILEAUDITLOG component
  - auditc\_xxx events raised for various error and warning scenarios
- Monitoring of MSGQUEUE component
  - Kafka\_xxx | zookeeper\_xxx events raised for various msgQueue error and warning scenarios
- Monitoring using GUI
  - Via the Service and Events panel





# FAL monitoring using CLI-cmds

- mmaudit all consumerStatus -N ...

```
((08:53:25) hs22n56:/root # mmlsnodeclass kafkaAuditConsumerServers
Node Class Name      Members
-----
kafkaAuditConsumerServers  c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net,hs22n56.gpfs.net,hs22n55.gpfs.net
((08:53:28) hs22n56:/root #
((08:53:32) hs22n56:/root # mmaudit all consumerStatus -N c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net,hs22n56.gpfs.net,hs22n55.
gpfs.net
Dev Name  Cluster ID          Num Nodes
auditfs   6372129557625143312      3
Node Name      Is Consumer?  Status
c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net  yes          AUDIT_CONS_OK
Node Name      Is Consumer?  Status
hs22n55.gpfs.net   yes          AUDIT_CONS_OK
Node Name      Is Consumer?  Status
hs22n56.gpfs.net   yes          AUDIT_CONS_OK
(08:53:52) hs22n56:/root #
```

- mmmsgqueue status

```
((08:59:09) hs22n56:/root # mmmsgqueue status
Node      Contains  Broker      Contains  Zookeeper
Name      Broker   Status      Zookeeper Status
c6f2bc3n10.gpfs.net  no        good        yes       good
c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net  yes       good        yes       good
hs22n55.gpfs.net    yes       good        no
hs22n56.gpfs.net    yes       good        no
hs22n95.gpfs.net    no        good        yes       good
(08:59:33) hs22n56:/root #
```





# FAL monitoring using CLI-cmds

- mmpmon lkp\_s

```
[(08:03:47) hs22n56:/root # echo lkp_s | mmpmon

mmpmon> mmpmon node 192.168.116.116 name hs22n56 lkp_s rc 0
timestamp:      1510621435/694601
optionalP:      5
FS name:        N/A
Messages sent:  1142629
Messages failed: 0
Message rate avg: 0
Message rate max: 0
Bytes sent:     9141032
Latency avg:    0

mmpmon>
(08:03:55) hs22n56:/root # □
```

# Cluster wide: mmhealth cluster show



- Periodic polling and event callback registration mechanism is used.
- Possible lag in determining the health due to polling constraints.

```
(02:35:38) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth cluster show
```

Component	Total	Failed	Degraded	Healthy	Other
NODE	5	0	0	0	5
GPFS	5	0	0	0	5
NETWORK	5	0	0	5	0
FILESYSTEM	9	0	0	9	0
DISK	21	0	0	21	0
CES	2	0	0	2	0
FILEAUDITLOG	3	0	0	3	0
MSGQUEUE	4	0	0	4	0

```
(02:43:24) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth cluster show FILEAUDITLOG
```

Component	Node	Status	Reasons
FILEAUDITLOG	c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-
FILEAUDITLOG	hs22n56.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-
FILEAUDITLOG	hs22n55.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-

```
(02:43:34) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth cluster show MSGQUEUE
```

Component	Node	Status	Reasons
MSGQUEUE	c6f2bc3n10.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-
MSGQUEUE	c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-
MSGQUEUE	hs22n56.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-
MSGQUEUE	hs22n55.gpfs.net	HEALTHY	-

```
(02:43:46) hs22n56:/root #
```

# Node view: mmhealth node show



Two separate components monitored

- FILEAUDITLOG
- MSGQUEUE

```
(02:35:07) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth node show
Node name:      hs22n56.gpfs.net
Node status:    TIPS
Status Change:  13 min. ago

Component      Status      Status Change  Reasons
-----
GPFS           TIPS       13 min. ago    gpfs_maxstatcache_high
NETWORK        HEALTHY    16 min. ago    -
FILESYSTEM     HEALTHY    9 min. ago     -
DISK           HEALTHY    12 min. ago    -
FILEAUDITLOG   HEALTHY    7 min. ago     -
MSGQUEUE       HEALTHY    7 min. ago     -
(02:35:17) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth node show FILEAUDITLOG -v
Node name:      hs22n56.gpfs.net

Component      Status      Status Change  Reasons
-----
FILEAUDITLOG   HEALTHY    2017-10-26 14:28:01  -
  replicate    HEALTHY    2017-10-26 14:28:31  -

Event          Parameter    Severity    Active Since    Event Message
-----
auditc_ok      replicate    INFO        2017-10-26 14:28:01  File Audit consumer for fi
  running
auditc_service_ok  replicate    INFO        2017-10-26 14:28:01  File Audit consumer service
  icate is running
(02:35:29) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth node show MSGQUEUE -v
Node name:      hs22n56.gpfs.net

Component      Status      Status Change  Reasons
-----
MSGQUEUE       HEALTHY    2017-10-26 14:27:46  -

Event          Parameter    Severity    Active Since    Event Message
-----
kafka_ok       MSGQUEUE     INFO        2017-10-26 14:27:46  kafka process as expected, stat
zookeeper_ok   MSGQUEUE     INFO        2017-10-26 14:27:46  zookeeper process as expected,
(02:35:38) hs22n56:/root #
```



# Events view: mmhealth eventlog show

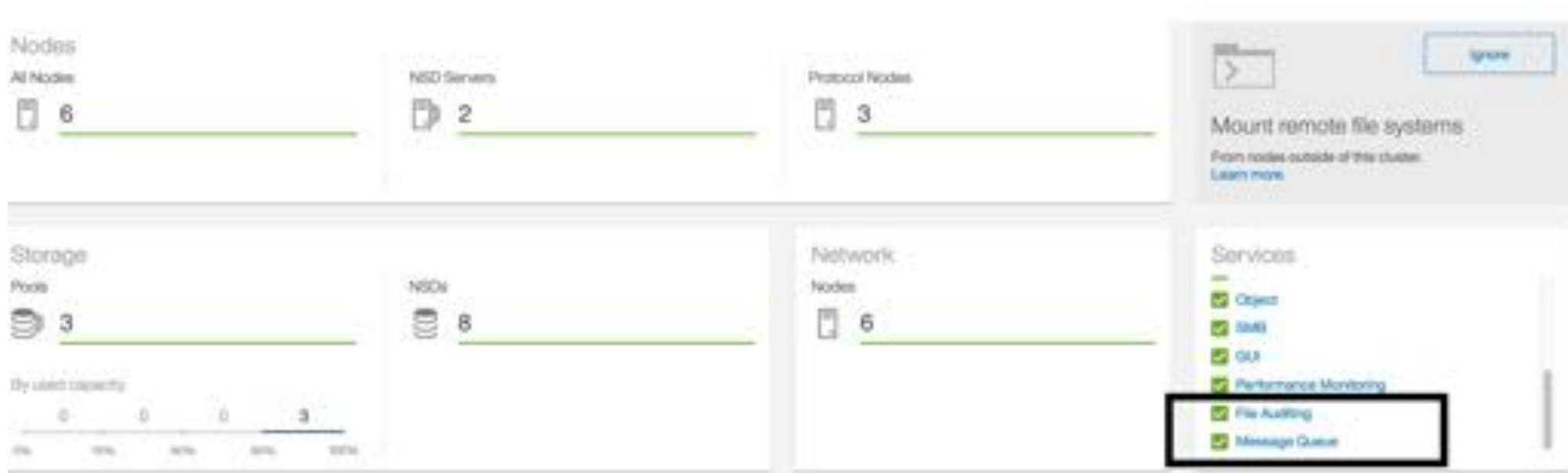


```
(03:00:32) hs22n56:/root # mmhealth node eventlog |grep auditc
2017-08-31 10:18:04.229518 EDT      auditc_service_failed      ERROR      File audit consumer audit_consumer
_151_6372129557625143312_audit.service for file system newfs is not running
2017-08-31 11:31:41.991794 EDT      auditc_service_ok          INFO       File Audit consumer service for fi
le system newfs is running
2017-08-31 11:41:42.444746 EDT      auditc_service_failed      ERROR      File audit consumer audit_consumer
_151_6372129557625143312_audit.service for file system newfs is not running
2017-08-31 12:38:11.622922 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:11.736420 EDT      auditc_initlockauditfile   ERROR      Failed to indicate to systemctl on
successful consumer startup sequence for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:11.814088 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
2017-08-31 12:38:11.873993 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:11.933671 EDT      auditc_initlockauditfile   ERROR      Failed to indicate to systemctl on
successful consumer startup sequence for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:11.995081 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
2017-08-31 12:38:12.053492 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:12.113638 EDT      auditc_initlockauditfile   ERROR      Failed to indicate to systemctl on
successful consumer startup sequence for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 12:38:12.173433 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
2017-08-31 12:38:12.233463 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 13:06:05.802094 EDT      auditc_service_failed      ERROR      File audit consumer audit_consumer
_151_6372129557625143312_audit.service for file system newfs is not running
2017-08-31 13:27:35.794314 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
2017-08-31 13:27:35.861883 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 13:27:35.929287 EDT      auditc_initlockauditfile   ERROR      Failed to indicate to systemctl on
successful consumer startup sequence for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 13:27:35.993484 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
2017-08-31 13:27:36.053627 EDT      auditc_brokerconnect       ERROR      Unable to connect to kafka broker
server c6f2bc3n2.gpfs.net:9092 for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 13:27:36.119540 EDT      auditc_initlockauditfile   ERROR      Failed to indicate to systemctl on
successful consumer startup sequence for filesystem newfs.
2017-08-31 13:27:36.179273 EDT      auditc_ok                   INFO       File Audit consumer for file syste
m newfs is running
```



## Home screen

- On the right-hand you can see the overall File Auditing and Message Queue status



# GUI – File Systems Panel



- Which file systems are enabled for FAL.
- Request this by using the Actions pull-down that is shown and then customize the columns to view the file audited file systems.

– File Systems

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NSD Servers 2  
NSDs 8

Overall data capacity

TiB

12 PM 06 PM Wed 09 06 AM

Total  
Used

Create File System View Details Actions Data interval 10:20 AM - 10:25 AM Export

Name	State	Data Capacity	File Audit	Pools	NSDs	Loc
fs0	Healthy	1,71 TiB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	3	
fs1	Healthy	1,22 TiB	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	3	
fs2	Healthy	1,000.00 GiB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	2	

# GUI – Services → File Auditing Panel



- View the overall File Auditing status for each node.
- This is a healthy system, so there is nothing in the Events section.

The screenshot displays the 'Services' section of the IBM GUI. A vertical sidebar on the left contains navigation icons, with the File Auditing icon highlighted. The main content area lists various services, each with a green checkmark indicating a healthy status. The 'File Auditing' service is highlighted in blue. To the right, a panel shows the 'Nodes' tab with a 'Refresh' button and a table of node statuses.

Node Name	Status
boneknapper-vm1...	Healthy
boneknapper-vm2...	Healthy
boneknapper-vm3...	Healthy



# GUI – Services → File Auditing Panel



- View the Auditing status at the File System level.

The screenshot displays the IBM GUI Services panel. On the left, a vertical navigation bar contains icons for Home, Overview, Mobile, Network, Object, Navigation, Alerts, Performance, File Auditing (highlighted), and Settings. The main content area is titled 'Services' and lists several services, each with a green checkmark icon and a brief description. The 'File Auditing' service is highlighted in blue. To the right, a 'File Systems' tab is active, showing a table of file systems with columns for File System, Node Name, and Status. A 'Refresh' button is located above the table.

File System	Node Name	Status
fs2	boneknapper-vm3...	Healthy
fs2	boneknapper-vm2...	Healthy
fs2	boneknapper-vm1...	Healthy
fs0	boneknapper-vm3...	Healthy
fs0	boneknapper-vm2...	Healthy
fs0	boneknapper-vm1...	Healthy



# GUI – Services → Message Queue Panel



- view the members of the message queue.
- aligns with the "mmsgqueue status" CLI command.
- This is a healthy system, so there is nothing in the Events section.

The screenshot displays the IBM GUI Services panel. On the left, a list of services is shown, with 'Message Queue' highlighted at the bottom. The main panel shows the 'Nodes' tab for the Message Queue service, displaying a table of nodes and their status.

Node Name	Status	Broker Service	Zookeeper Service	Quorum
boneknapper-vm1...	Healthy	Good	Good	✓
boneknapper-vm2...	Healthy	Good	Good	✓
boneknapper-vm3...	Healthy	Good	Good	✓
boneknapper-vm5...	Healthy		Good	✓
boneknapper-vm6...	Healthy		Good	✓

# GUI – Access → Command Audit Log Panel



- Every time a command related to FAL is ran (mmaudit, mmmmsgqueue, mmcrnodeclass, etc.), it is logged in this panel.

Command Audit Log

Actions ▾ Refresh Export

The name of the system user who performed the operation.

Command	Arguments	System User	OS User	Access Type	Execution Status	Start Time	End Time
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 10:21:30 AM	5/9/18 10:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 9:21:30 AM	5/9/18 9:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 8:21:30 AM	5/9/18 8:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 7:21:30 AM	5/9/18 7:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 6:21:30 AM	5/9/18 6:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 5:21:30 AM	5/9/18 5:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 4:21:31 AM	5/9/18 4:21:32 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 3:21:30 AM	5/9/18 3:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 2:21:30 AM	5/9/18 2:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 1:21:30 AM	5/9/18 1:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 12:21:30 AM	5/9/18 12:21:31 AM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 11:21:30 PM	5/9/18 11:21:31 PM
mmaudit	all list -Y	root	SYSTEM	GUI	Success	5/9/18 10:21:30 PM	5/9/18 10:21:31 PM



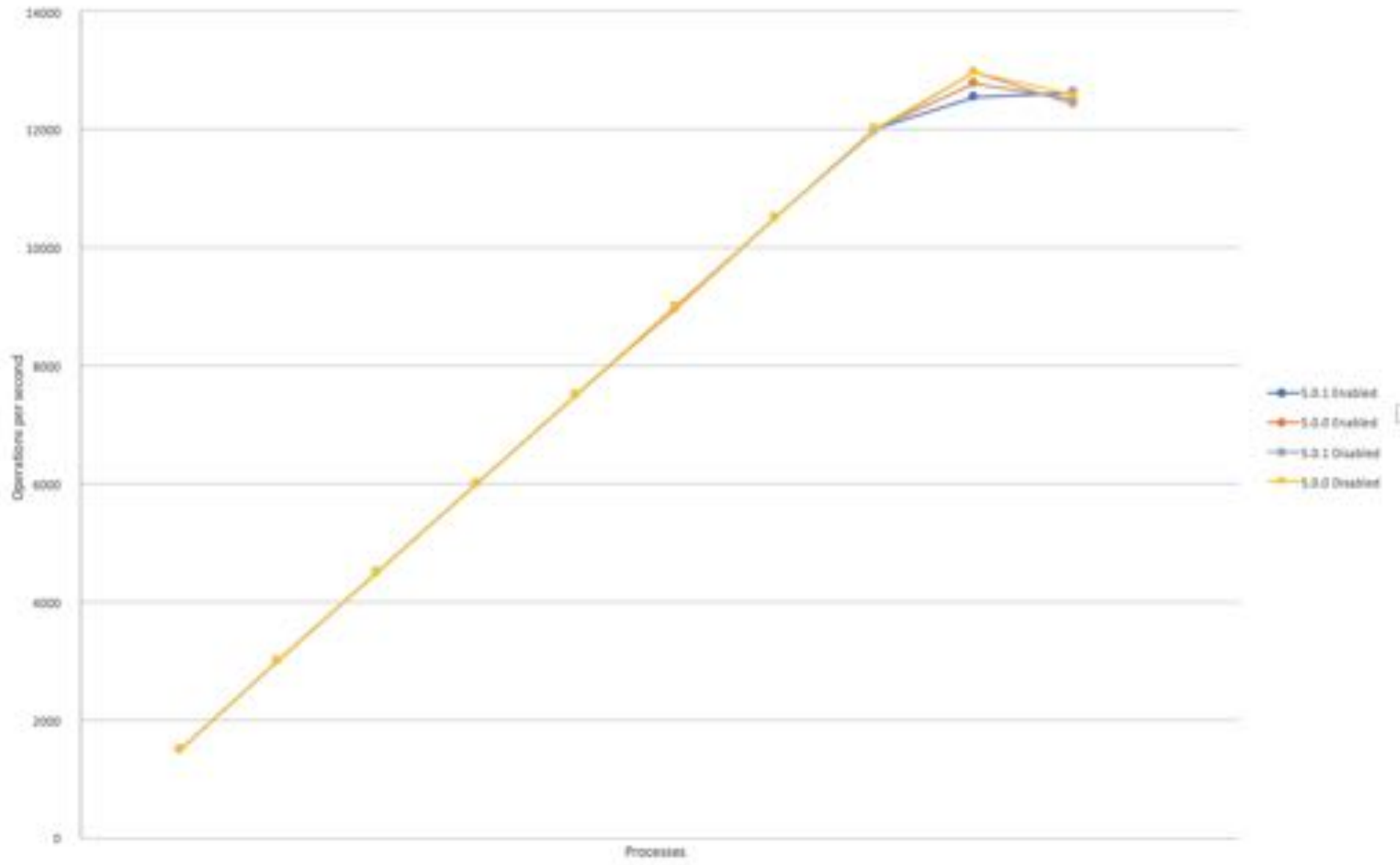
- Concerns
  - Does enabling FAL impact IO-performance on my filesystem?
  - How performant is FAL?
- Run perf tests to evaluate the above concerns
- Setup
  - Kafka cluster: 4 Broker nodes, 3 zookeeper nodes, 4 consumer nodes
  - Gpfs Cluster: 4 protocol nodes, 2 NSD server nodes (Linux 3.10.0-229.el7.x86\_64)
  - Network: 10 GE
  - Storage: IBM DCS3700
- Tests run
  - Metadata intensive workload benchmark
    - With and without FAL
  - mdtest
    - With FAL enabled
    - File create with MPI-count



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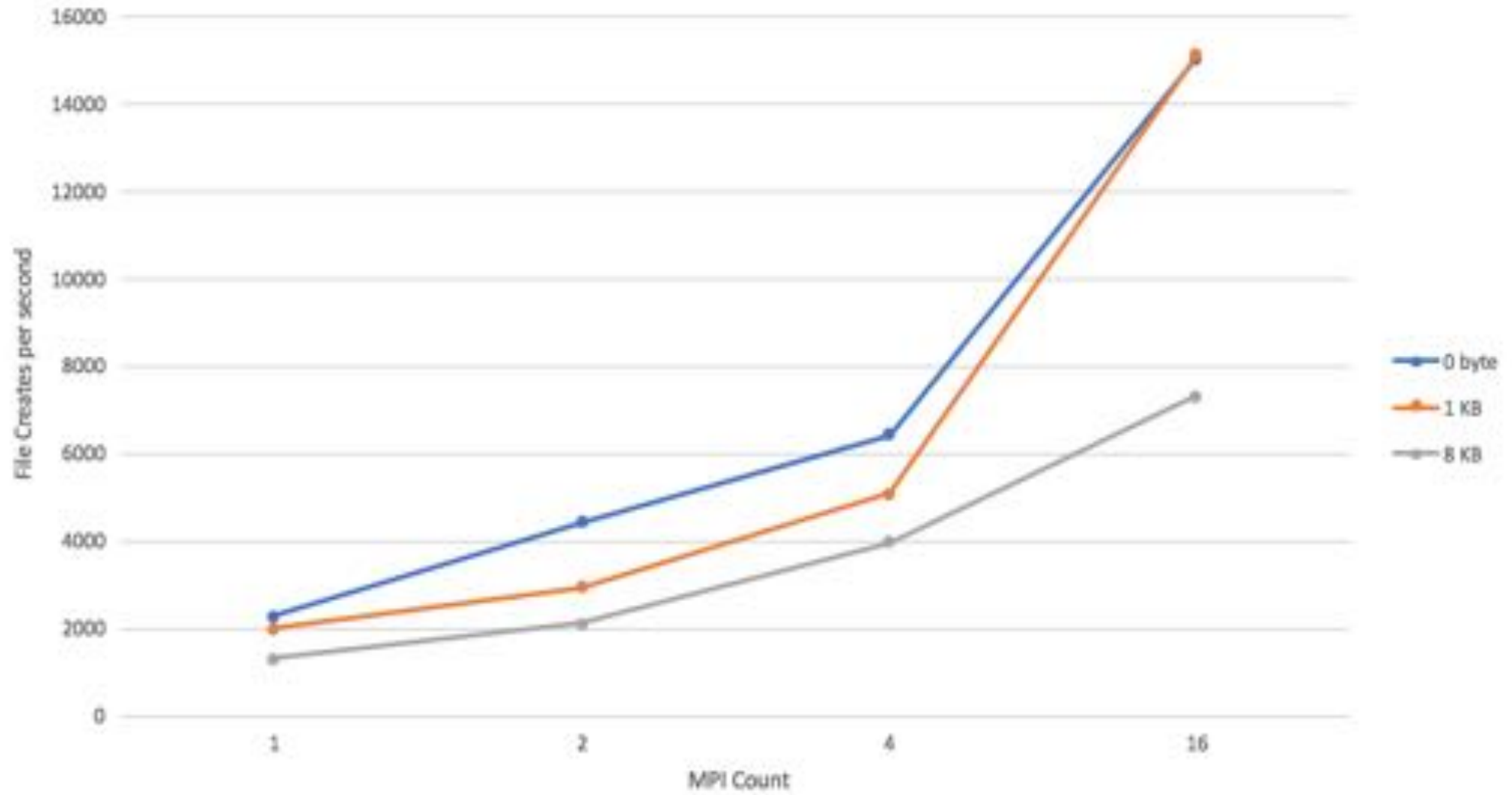


Performance with FAL Enabled vs Disabled





### File Creation Scaling with mdtest FAL enabled





- `/var/adm/ras/mmmmsgqueue.log`
  - Contains information regarding the set up and configuration operations that take place that affect the message queue
  - Valid on any node containing a broker and/or zookeeper
- `/var/adm/ras/mmaudit.log`
  - Contains information regarding the set up and configuration operations that take place that affect the File Audit Logging
  - Valid on any node running the File Audit Logging command or location where the subcommand may be run (such as a consumer)
- `/var/adm/ras/mmfs.log.latest`
  - Daemon log, and contains entries when major message queue or File Audit Logging activity occurs.
- `/var/log/messages` (Redhat)
- `/var/log/syslog` (Ubuntu)
  - Contains messages from Kafka components as well as the producer and consumers that are running on a node.
- Logs collected via `gpfs.snap`



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