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Before you use this information and the product it supports, read the information in “Notices” on page 197.

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## About this guide

This guide provides you with information about how to set up IBM Spectrum Protect™ Snapshot for UNIX and Linux. The information brings you through the steps from Planning, through to installing, configuring, administering, and operating the product for your particular setup.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for DB2® in a SAP environment is provided as a single installation package for AIX® or Linux. The product runs on the following storage systems:

- - IBM® System Storage® DS8000®
  - IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller
  - IBM XIV® Storage System
  - IBM Storwize® family and IBM Storwize V7000 Unified

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot runs online or offline backups of Oracle databases in a SAP environment that are on snapshot-oriented storage systems. Optionally, it backs up to IBM Spectrum Protect storage by using IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, IBM Spectrum Protect for Databases, or IBM Spectrum Protect backup-archive client.

IBM Spectrum Protect is a client/server licensed product that provides storage management services in a multi-platform computer environment. It is required only if the offload backup function of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is needed.

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## Who should read this guide

This guide is intended for system programmers and administrators who are responsible for implementing a backup and cloning solution in one of the supported environments.

The following list identifies hardware and software solutions and tasks that can be used with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The information that is presented in this publication assumes that you have an understanding of the following solutions and topics, as applicable.

- Storage systems or file systems that are used for the database or custom application:
  - IBM System Storage DS8000
  - IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller or IBM Storwize family
  - IBM XIV Storage System
  - IBM System Storage N series
  - NetApp systems
  - IBM General Parallel File System (GPFS™)
- Oracle or DB2 database administration
- IBM Spectrum Protect

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## **Publications**

The IBM Spectrum Protect product family includes IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, IBM Spectrum Protect for Space Management, IBM Spectrum Protect for Databases, and several other storage management products from IBM.

To view IBM product documentation, see IBM Knowledge Center.

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# What's new for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment

Learn about new features and enhancements in IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot Version 8.1.4.

New and changed information in this product documentation is indicated by a vertical bar (|) to the left-hand side of the change.

## Specify different backup version retention values

For all storage devices, you can specify different backup retention periods for each device class that is configured. During the configuration process, you can define different values for each device class with the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter in the profile. For more information about this feature, see Backup version retention.

**Tip:** To read all the information about the SVCDTA in this release, open this PDF.

## IBM SAN Volume Controller Dynamic Target Allocation (SVC DTA) incremental backups

Run incremental backups for SVCDTA with the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** option INCR. After the initial FlashCopy backup, incremental FlashCopy backups are run to the same target volume. The ability to run incremental backups to the SVC, results in improvements in how long the backup takes and eases the load on the SVC. For more information about incremental flash copies, see Incremental backups and MAX\_VERSIONS.

## New and modified parameters or functions

The following parameters are new:

### MAX\_VERSIONS for all device classes

Use this parameter in the CLIENT section of the profile for each **DEVICE\_CLASS** to create incremental FlashCopies. When **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** is set to INCR, the incremental FlashCopy is refreshed depending on the **MAX\_VERSIONS** value set. Specify the maximum number of snapshot backup versions to be kept before the oldest backup is deleted by using **MAX\_VERSIONS** to specify the maximum. For SVCDTA, when the version-delete deletes the oldest snapshot backup with an incremental FlashCopy relation, it reuses the target volumes of the expired backup and refreshes the FlashCopy relationship instead of deleting it. For more information about **MAX\_VERSIONS**, see “CLIENT” on page 110.

The following parameters are modified for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot 8.1.4:

### MAX\_VERSIONS for all device classes

Use this parameter in the CLIENT section of the profile for each **DEVICE\_CLASS** to create incremental FlashCopies. When **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** is set to INCR, the incremental FlashCopy is refreshed depending on the **MAX\_VERSIONS** value set. Specify the maximum number of snapshot backup versions to be kept before the oldest backup is deleted by using **MAX\_VERSIONS** to specify the maximum. For SVCDTA, when the version-delete deletes the oldest snapshot backup with an incremental FlashCopy relation, it reuses the target volumes of the expired backup and refreshes the FlashCopy relationship instead of deleting it. For more information about **MAX\_VERSIONS**, see “CLIENT” on page 110.



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## Chapter 1. Overview

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot provides a method to back up and restore data by using the advanced snapshot technologies of storage systems.

The following list identifies the applications that can be protected and cloned with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot:

- Oracle
- Oracle in an SAP environment
- Oracle with Automatic Storage Management (ASM)
- Oracle in a RAC environment.
- DB2
- DB2 in an SAP environment
- DB2 in a partitioned database environment. You can back up and restore data from single-partition databases, and logically or physically partitioned DB2 databases.
- Custom Applications (without cloning)

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can back up Oracle databases that are on snapshot-oriented storage systems or file systems.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot integrates with other IBM Spectrum Protect products to send snapshot backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server. These backups are called offloaded backups.

- To send snapshot backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server, a separate backup server is required.
- In Oracle in SAP environments, use IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning to send backups to the IBM Spectrum Protect server.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports AIX and Linux operating systems.

The following list identifies the storage solutions or file systems that you can use with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software:

- IBM XIV Storage System
- IBM Storwize family
- IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller
- IBM System Storage DS8000

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## Backup and restore methods with FlashCopy and snapshots

The terms *snapshot* or *FlashCopy* are used differently depending on your hardware storage. Both denote a logical point-in-time copy where the target volume represents an exact copy of the data on a source volume. The term *snapshot* is used generically to apply to all hardware types.

### Snapshots and FlashCopies

Depending on the storage hardware you use, the terms *snapshot* or *FlashCopy* are used. Both denote a logical point-in-time copy, where the target volume represents an exact copy of the data on a source volume. Data is transferred to the target

volume as the source volume is modified. This action is called copy-on-write, or redirect-on-write. The logical copy can be transformed into a physical full copy on the target volume. When target volumes must be provided in advance, the target volume must be the same size as the source volume. In addition, the target volume and source volume must have the same logical track format, and must be on the same storage system. When data is restored, it is copied from the target to the source volume. The term *snapshot* is used to signify snapshot and FlashCopy.

## **Types of snapshot backups**

Snapshot backups can be either full copy snapshots or space-efficient snapshots. The type of snapshot backups depends on the storage environment. During a full copy snapshot, all blocks of data on the source volume are copied to the target volume. During a space efficient snapshot, only blocks of data that are written on the source volume after the snapshot was created are copied to the target volume.

## **Transferring snapshots to an IBM Spectrum Protect server**

When you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect products, you can transfer snapshots to the IBM Spectrum Protect server. To send these snapshot backups to the IBM Spectrum Protect server, you must configure a backup server or cluster.

The following figure shows the relationship among the components in a production environment when you run a backup or restore snapshot.



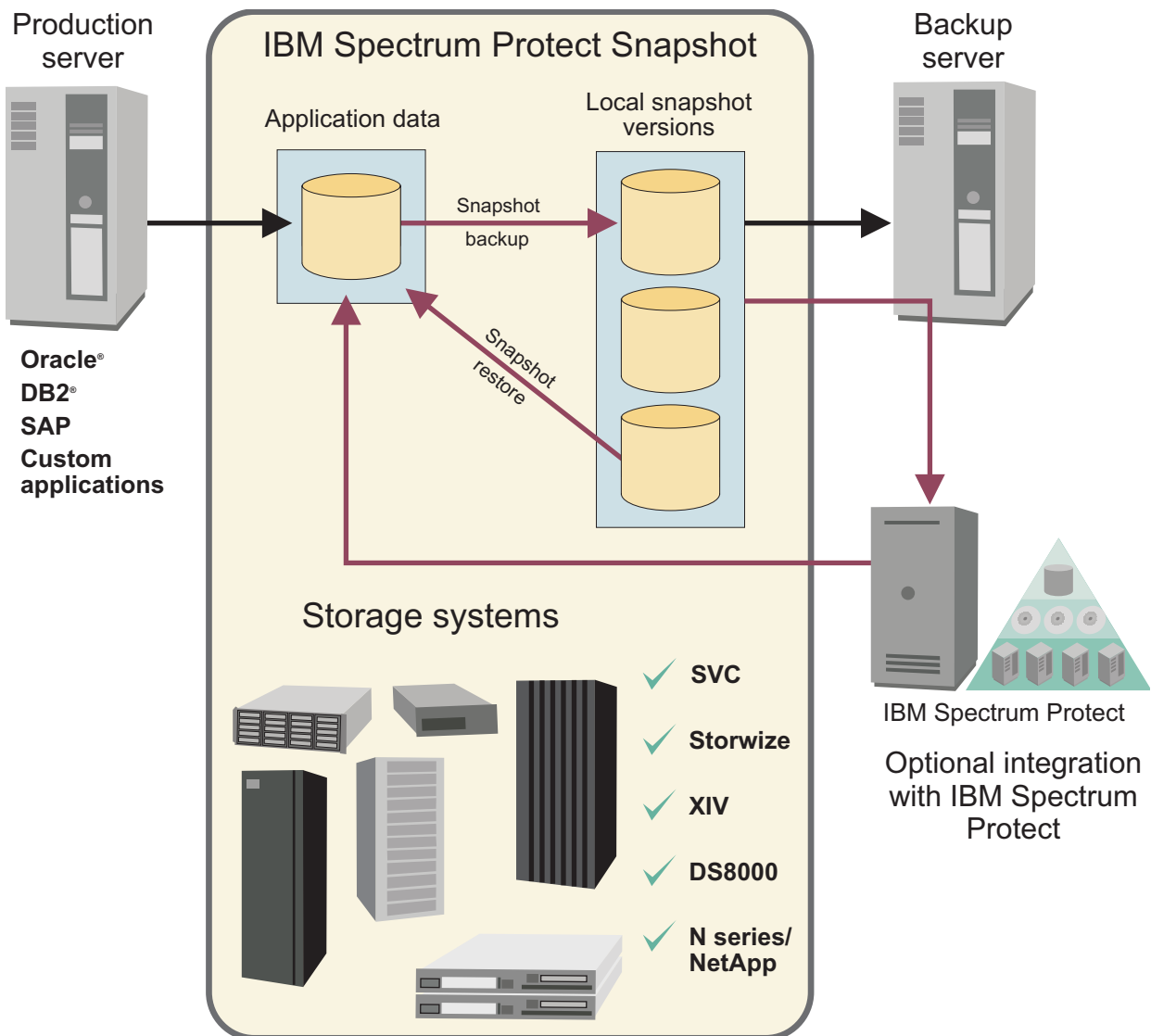


Figure 1. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup and restore environment.

## Database cloning

The database cloning process creates an exact copy of a database to provide near-production data.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the FlashCopy® or snapshot function of the storage hardware for database cloning. Cloned databases are required in the following scenarios:

- To create a test system before you introduce a new product release or new functions into a production environment.
- To create an education system from a master training system. You can reset the cloned database before you start a new course.
- To create a dedicated reporting system to offload the workload from the production environment.

Traditionally, the database cloning process redirected a restore operation to create the clone. This method has disadvantages, including system downtime and

degraded system performance. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot clones a database by using the storage system FlashCopy or snapshot capabilities to minimize the impact on the production database. A *clone server* or *clone system* is required by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to mount a cloned database.

The following figure shows how IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates and stores a cloned database on a clone server.

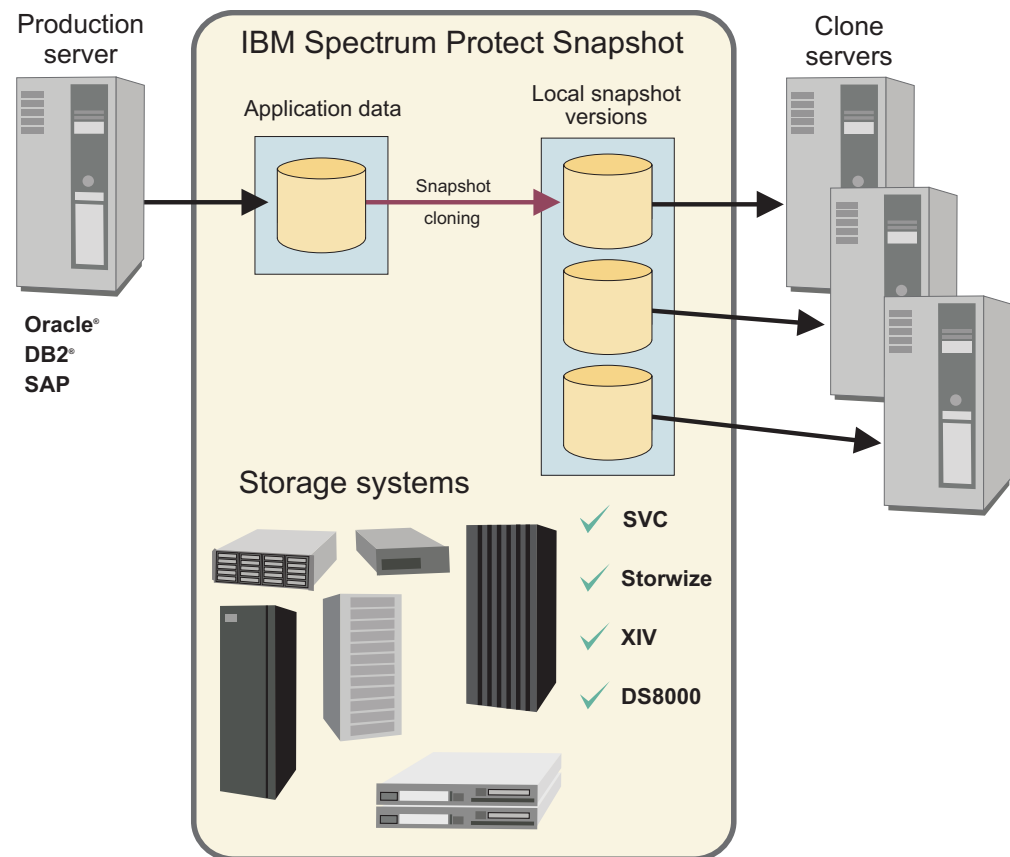


Figure 2. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and database cloning

## Software components

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is composed of several software components.

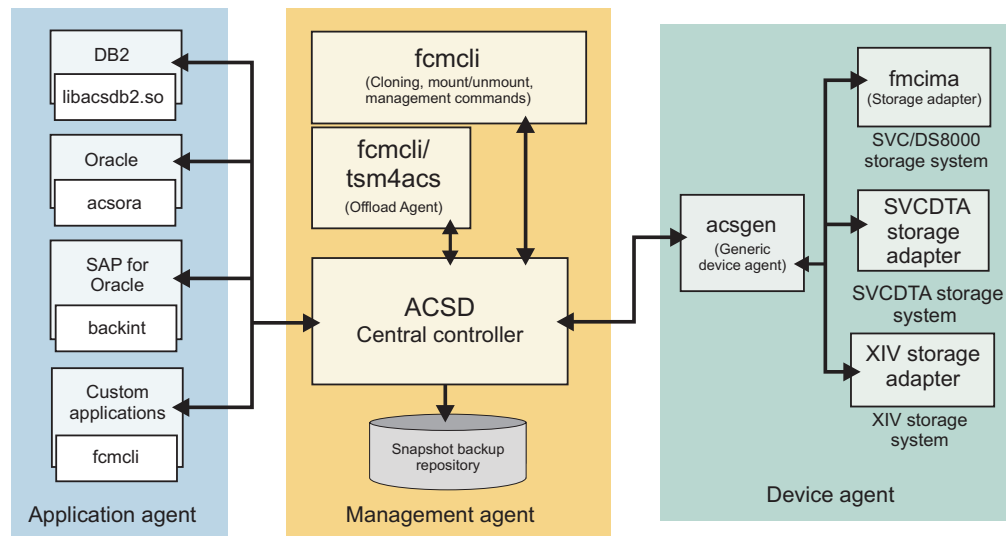


Figure 3. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot system components

### Application agent

The application agent provides the necessary support to implement snapshot-based backup and restore operations. This agent interacts with the applications and tracks when an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup is created for a specific application.

### Management agent

The management agent `acsd` coordinates all the components that are involved in backup, restore, and cloning operations. The agent controls the flow of information among the application and device agents, and other daemons. The agent provides access to the snapshot backup repository. This repository contains information about the snapshot backups and their relationships to snapshot-capable storage devices.

### Device agent

The `acsgen` device agent is a generic agent that interacts with specific adapters for each storage device and the management agent. This agent is also used to send and request updates of the progress and usability information that is stored in the local snapshot backup repository.

The following lists the specific agents for each device type that communicate with the `acsgen` agent:

- The CIM adapter `fmcima` is used with the generic device agent `acsgen`. This adapter sends commands to the supported storage device by using the CIM interface. Examples of supported storage include DS8000, Storwize family, and SAN Volume Controller with static target allocation.
- The storage adapter for SVCDTA communicates with the CLI interfaces of SAN Volume Controller and the Storwize family storage systems with dynamic target allocation via Secure Shell.
- The XIV storage adapter is used with the generic device agent `acsgen`. This adapter communicates with the `acsgen` agent and issues commands to the XIV Storage System by using the command line interface XCLI.
- Third-party adapters that can communicate with non-IBM devices are available. Third-party adapters are not part of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot product.

**Offload agent**

The offload agent `fcml` is used to send an existing snapshot to an IBM Spectrum Protect server. This agent also calls the generic device agent for mount and unmount operations on a backup system.

**IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot command line interface**

The command line interface `fcml`, is used to issue various commands.

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## Chapter 2. Planning

Before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux, review the system, application, and storage requirements.

Review the *Pre-installation Checklist* that is attached to the technote for the hardware and software requirements for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The detailed hardware and software requirements are published as a part of the *Hardware and Software Requirements* technote which can be found at this link: <http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. From this technote, select the required software version and then select the required component link. The hardware and software requirements page contains the *Pre-installation Checklist* and an *Installation Planning* worksheet.

**Note:** The *Pre-installation Checklist* contains the most current requirement information, use this list to validate your environment.

The following conditions are the minimum environment requirements:

- A suitable disk layout of the application on the production server
- Correctly defined storage definitions on the storage system
- Connectivity from the production server to the storage system

The *Pre-installation Checklist* documents the requirements that can be verified automatically by running the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot Prerequisite Checker.

The *Pre-installation Checklist* is published here: <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg214276>

The installation planning sheet helps you to determine the correct type of installation that is required for your environment. The following areas are covered in the planning sheet:

- How to determine the configuration mode for your environment.
- How to decide the parameters and settings for the specific application that you want to protect. The required parameters for each specific software application are outlined in the planning sheet.
- How to determine the parameters and settings for the specific storage system that you use in your environment.
- What passwords are required during the installation.

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### Capacity planning

Ensure that there is sufficient storage space before you install and use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

The storage space that is required for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be divided into the following categories:

- Space that is required for the global product installation on the system.
- Space that is required to enable each individual database instance with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.
- Space that is required on the storage system to store the actual snapshot backups or clones.

## Space requirement for global product installation

The space that is required for the product installation of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot varies depending on the underlying operating system. The following table shows the default installation paths and the average space requirements.

*Table 1. Space requirements for a global product installation of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot*

Operating system	Installation path	Space required (MB)
AIX	/usr/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_version_number	1250
Linux	/opt/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_version_number	500

## Space requirement for instances

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must also be installed on each instance that is enabled for snapshot-based data protection or cloning. This process is called activation and must be started after the installation. During this process, all necessary files are copied from the installation path to an instance-specific directory. The space that is required for each IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot enabled application is equal to the amount of space that is required for the global product installation.

The same amount of space is required for any backup or clone instance.

Extra space is required for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot log files. Log files are written continuously by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot without automatically deleting the older ones. You must monitor periodically the amount of space that is used by these log files and manually delete them if required.

## Space requirement for snapshot copies

The snapshot copies of your application data require the most space. The space that is required depends on the following factors:

- The total size of all volumes in the storage system that are part of the volume groups that contain the application data.
- The type of snapshot whether it is a full copy or a space-efficient snapshot.
- The number of backup copies.
- The number of changes that occur on the source volumes after a snapshot is taken. This factor applies to space-efficient snapshots only.

For remote mirroring with any of the following storage systems, each backup copy uses space on the remote site storage and on the local site until it is deleted.

XIV

SAN Volume Controller

IBM Storwize family

Use the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile to limit the number of snapshots that are stored on a storage system.

On SAN Volume Controller, IBM Storwize family, and IBM System Storage DS8000, full snapshot copies require the same amount of space as the corresponding source volumes. If there is not enough storage space available, you can increase the

capacity on the requested storage pool, or free up some items that are using existing capacity.

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## Required communication ports

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux uses ports for communication between its daemon processes on backup or cloning systems and the production system, and the storage systems. Port numbers are defined during the installation of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux.

To determine the default port numbers that are used for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux see the following table:

*Table 2. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux default port numbers*

TCP Port	Initiator: Out-Bound (From Host)	Target: In-Bound (To Host)
57328	Production server and backup/cloning server	ACSD port on production system
5989 (HTTPS port) <sup>[1]</sup> 5988 (HTTP port) <sup>[1]</sup>	Production server and backup/cloning server	SAN Volume Controller CIM agent, with static target allocation  Storwize family cluster CIM agent, with static target allocation
22	Production server and backup/cloning server	SSH port on SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family cluster, with dynamic target allocation
6989 (HTTPS port) <sup>[1]</sup> 6988 (HTTP port) <sup>[1]</sup>	Production server and backup/cloning server	DS8000 DS8000 CIM Agent
7778	Production server and backup/cloning server	XIV XIV CLI
[1] The protocol is specified in the <b>COPYSERVICES_COMMPROTOCOL</b> parameter of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile.		

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## Storage solutions

Before you install and configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software, review the storage solution setup. The storage device and its storage volumes must be accessible from all backup or clone servers in the environment.

## IBM XIV Storage System

When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a backup on an IBM XIV Storage System, a snapshot of all source volumes that belong to the protected application is created on the storage system. By default, this snapshot is a space-efficient read-only copy of the application.

If you set the **USE\_WRITABLE\_SNAPSHOTS** parameter to NO, the snapshots are not mounted directly on a backup host. Instead, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates duplicates from the snapshots as part of the mount procedure, and these duplicates are removed when the backup is unmounted. The duplicate is a space-efficient logical copy of the snapshot, and this copy is writable. The duplicate is effectively another image, so changes to the duplicate are not reflected in the snapshot. As a result, the mounted image can be altered without affecting the backup image and any subsequent restore operations of that backup. A subsequent mount operation presents the image as created when the snapshot occurred.

The **USE\_WRITABLE\_SNAPSHOTS** parameter specifies whether writable snapshots can be used for mount or restore operations. If writable snapshots are used, no duplicates are created during mount operations and all changes that are applied to the snapshot are preserved. For more information, see “LVM mirroring environments” on page 50. A typical IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile section for IBM XIV Storage System is provided here:

```
>>>
DEVICE_CLASS                XIV01
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE  XIV
PATH_TO_XCLI                 path where XCLI is installed
COPYSERVICES_SERVERNAME     xiv_hostname
COPYSERVICES_USERNAME       admin
COPYSERVICES_REMOTE         YES
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME xiv_hostname
COPYSERVICES_REMOTE_SERVERNAME xiv_remote_hostname
COPYSERVICES_REMOTE_USERNAME admin
USE_WRITABLE_SNAPSHOTS      AUTO
BACKUP_HOST_NAME            backup_host
<<<
```

For remote mirroring with an XIV storage system, each backup copy uses space on the remote site storage and on the local site until it is deleted.

### Dependent software packages

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires the IBM XIV Storage System command-line interface (XCLI) to be installed on all hosts. That is the production, backup, or clone servers where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed.

### Support for LVM mirroring (AIX only)

If AIX Logical Volume Manager (LVM) mirroring is used in the environment, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can create separate snapshots of either mirror.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses IBM XIV Storage System capabilities to restore writable snapshots. For writable snapshots, a mount operation directly mounts the original snapshot to another host. All changes to the snapshot are preserved, and a subsequent mount or backup operation contains all changes that occurred to the snapshot while mounted. For more information about using writable snapshots, see information about the **USE\_WRITABLE\_SNAPSHOTS** parameter in **DEVICE\_CLASS** section.



## (AIX only) Support for virtual I/O

IBM XIV Storage System and IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot support virtual I/O with n-port ID virtualization. On the production server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with N\_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) and Virtual I/O Server (VIOS). There is a one-to-one relationship between the virtual I/O logical volume and the storage LUN. On the backup server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with NPIV only.

## Best practices for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM XIV 11.6 Real-time Compression™

You can use IBM XIV 11.6 Real-time Compression with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The usage of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with compressed volumes is not changed. However, when you transform volumes that are managed by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot from the uncompressed state to the compressed state (or if you transform from compressed to uncompressed), use the following list of behaviors as a guide:

1. When source volume transformation is in progress (from uncompressed to compressed, or compressed to uncompressed), most IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations (for example, back up, restore, and mount) fail. The XIV adapter returns the **FMM18137E** message. Run the volume transformation at a time that does not overlap with scheduled backups or other IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot actions that run on the volume that is being transformed.
2. With the XIV system, you can transform a volume from uncompressed to compressed state (or compressed to uncompressed state) by using one of the following options:
  - With the `delete_source=yes` option, delete all volume backups. If you do not delete the volume backups, the transform is unsuccessful. You can use the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to manually delete the backups before the transform operation runs.
  - With the `delete_source=no` option, the volume backups are retained. After the transform completes, the original (source) volume is hidden from the host system. The original volume is replaced by the transformed volume. Any instant restore operation that completes with the backups made before the transformation are restored to the hidden volume on the storage device. The restore is not made to the volume seen by the host. Note the restore to the volume that is seen by the host appears to be successful, but the source volume visible to the host system is unchanged.

When you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to protect volumes to be transformed, delete the existing snapshot backups, regardless of the `delete_source` option setting.

### Related concepts:

“Remote mirror integration” on page 20

## SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family storage systems

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restores point-in-time copies from backups on SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family storage systems. You can also mount images on a remote server and back up the images to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

### SAN Volume Controller storage adapter device types

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux offers two backup solutions with Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller storage systems.

When you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you can select one of the following device types (**COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**):

#### SVCDTA

Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller: dynamic target allocation. During the backup process, target volumes are created dynamically and allocated on demand.

**SVC** Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller: static target allocation. You must manually create target volumes on the storage system before the backup process.

The device type (**COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**) that you select is added to the device class section of the profile. The **COPYSERVICES\_SERVERNAME** parameter stores the TCP/IP host name of the physical disk storage system.

**Restriction:** Both SVC and SVCDTA values are considered to be different hardware types, so limitations apply when they are used on the same storage system.

For a predefined target solution, before you start a backup operation you must ensure that the following tasks are completed:

- Target volumes are created on the storage system.
- Target sets for the volumes on the storage system are created.

A *target set* represents the mapping from the production host to the target volume on the storage system. You must specify a new target set for each backup generation to be retained on the storage system.

The following table provides a feature comparison between dynamic target volumes and predefined target volumes.

Table 3. Dynamic target volumes and predefined target volumes feature comparison.

Feature	Dynamic target volumes	Static target volumes
Command line interface	Storwize family or SAN Volume Controller command-line interface (CLI)	Common Information Model (CIM) interface
Number of snapshot images retained	Specify a value for each device class <b>MAX_VERSIONS</b> parameter.  Click here for information about the CLIENT section of the profile and values for <b>MAX_VERSIONS</b> .	Limited by the number of target sets defined

Table 3. Dynamic target volumes and predefined target volumes feature comparison. (continued)

Feature	Dynamic target volumes	Static target volumes
Selectively restore a single FlashCopy snapshot image	Yes	Yes, however any FlashCopy image in the target set that is newer than the FlashCopy restored is deleted

## Support for LVM mirroring (AIX only)

If AIX Logical Volume Manager (LVM) mirroring is used in the environment, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can create separate FlashCopy images of either mirror. Each mirror must be located in a different storage system.

## Support for virtual I/O (AIX only)

SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family logical unit numbers (LUNs) can be attached to a host directly or by using Virtual I/O (VIO). Both setups are supported, when there is a 1-1 relation between VIO logical volumes and storage LUNs on the storage subsystem.

A VIO is a logical partition (LPAR) on a pSeries system that is controlled by the IBM Hardware Management Console (HMC) or IBM Integrated Virtualization Manager (IVM). It owns the hardware adapters and allows access for other logical partitions. This feature allows the device to be shared. The LPAR associated with the resources is the VIO Server and the logical partitions that use it are VIO Clients. For example, they can share one disk on the VIO Server instead of rebooting each logical partition from a Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) adapter and SCSI disk. This function eliminates the number of required adapters, adapter slots, and disks.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses virtual SCSI adapters to map disks from a VIO to a client LPAR. Physical volumes are required to be mapped from the VIO to the client. However, mapping logical volumes or storage pools is not supported. On the production server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with N\_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) and Virtual I/O Server (VIOS). There is a one-to-one relationship between the virtual I/O logical volume and the storage LUN. On the backup server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with NPIV. In addition, VIOS is supported when you configure the **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME** parameter to use the **PREASSIGNED\_VOLUMES** in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile.

More details about supported combinations of operating system and storage subsystem levels, are available in the *Pre-installation Checklist* that is available at this URL <https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. From this technote, select the required software version and then select the required component link. The hardware and software requirement page contains the *Pre-installation Checklist* and an installation planning worksheet.

## Remote access to FlashCopy images


For static target allocation, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot allows mounting a FlashCopy backup image to another host. This image is writable and any changes that are made on that image are reflected in the backup and are included in the subsequent restore.

For dynamic target allocation, a writable duplicate is mounted which is dismissed on unmount. As a consequence, the original backup is not altered. For cloning operations, the backup is directly mounted in the same way as for static target allocation.

**Related tasks:**

“Running the setup script for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment” on page 37

**Related information:**

 [IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot - All Requirements Document](#)

## **Incremental backups and MAX\_VERSIONS for SVCDTA**

When you configure SAN Volume Controller Dynamic target allocation, you can choose to run incremental backups. When the maximum number of backups as defined by **MAX\_VERSIONS** is reached for a device class with **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE INCR**, the oldest backup is deleted just before the new backup is taken. This new backup refreshes the INCR FlashCopy relation of the previous deleted backup.

For more information about device class settings, see Device class backup version retention.

**Related tasks:**

“Configuring Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller dynamic target allocation (SVCDTA)” on page 42

## **Dynamic target allocation**

This solution creates dynamic target volumes on the storage system during a backup operation.

During the backup process, target volumes are created dynamically and allocated on demand. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the Storwize family or SAN Volume Controller command line interface (CLI) to communicate with the storage system. You do not need to install a Common Information Model (CIM) server.

**Tip:** Ensure that OpenSSH is installed on the Production and Backup servers. During the configuration process, you are prompted for the location of the OpenSSH binary.

**Important:** Using the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter in the CLIENT section of the profile, specify the number of backups to retain. Use a specific number of backups to retain or use the ADAPTIVE option for each **DEVICE\_CLASS** for **DEVICE\_CLASS<SVCDTA>**.

In SAN Volume Controller environments where the source volumes of a backup are mirrored internally and the copies are in two different SAN Volume Controller storage pools, the storage pool for the target volumes is not automatically determined. You must specify the target storage pool with the **SVC\_POOLNAME** parameter in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile when the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** is **YES**.

## Space-efficient multi-target FlashCopy on SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family

Space-efficient targets that are part of a multi-target FlashCopy cascade might be deleted by SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family if other targets of the same cascade are restored or overwritten by a new snapshot.

In a SAN Volume Controller or a Storwize family environment, the following situations might cause space-efficient targets to be deleted:

### Backup operations and cloning operations

An IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup operation uses the oldest target set that is available for the specified **DEVICE\_CLASS**. However, that target set might not be the oldest target set that is associated with the source volumes. This scenario is possible when more than one **DEVICE\_CLASS** is specified in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. When the snapshot backup that is available on the target set is not the oldest backup, then the older backups are deleted during the backup operation. The oldest target set is the set that is used for the oldest snapshot backup in a multiple target set configuration. This situation can also happen when a new snapshot cloning operation is started with the force option (-F).

**Important:** This does not apply if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation.

### Backup operations

An IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup operation uses the oldest target set that is available for the specified **DEVICE\_CLASS**. However, that target set might not be the oldest target set that is associated with the source volumes. This scenario is possible when more than one **DEVICE\_CLASS** is specified in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. When the FlashCopy backup that is available on the target set is not the oldest backup, then the older backups are deleted during the backup operation. The oldest target set is the set that is used for the oldest FlashCopy backup in a multiple target set configuration.

**Important:** This does not apply if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation.

### Restore operation

An IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore operation deletes any FlashCopy backups that are newer than the backup that is being restored. In addition, the backup that is restored with the current operation can also be deleted.

**Important:** This does not apply if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation.

### Target volume storage space exceeded

When the available storage capacity of a space-efficient FlashCopy target volume is exceeded, the target volume is taken offline. The data on the target volume that is taken offline is deleted.

## Static target allocation

When you use SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software can restore FlashCopy backups before completion of a background copy.

When you restore snapshot backups before completion of a background copy, space-efficient volumes can be enabled as backup targets. The background copy rate is set to zero to prevent the snapshot target from becoming fully allocated. When you use either SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family, and IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software in this scenario, use the following guidelines for the environment:

### Physical capacity

The physically allocated capacity of a space-efficient target volume must be large enough to contain all changes that occur to your production environment. Specifically, all changes that occur between the current and the subsequent backup. If the capacity is insufficient, the target volume goes offline and the corresponding backup becomes invalid.

SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family support the creation of automatically expanding target volumes. If you create target volumes that automatically expand, more storage is assigned to the target when the level of unused real volume capacity decreases. This additional storage ensures that sufficient capacity is available.

**Tip:** If you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation, all target volumes that were created dynamically will be auto-expandable.

### FlashCopy relationships

During a restore, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software stops FlashCopy relationships. These relationships include relationships that are established at the time when the backup is created to any subsequent relationships that are created on the same source LUN. All backups to space-efficient targets that are newer than the backup used for restore, and the backup from which you are restoring, are deleted. If the background copy was not completed, the same restriction applies to full and incremental FlashCopy backups.

To check whether a backup is going to be deleted, query the usability state of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups. If the backup is going to be deleted, during the restore process, the `DESTRUCTIVELY_RESTORABLE` state is set. Otherwise, the state is set to `REPETITIVELY_RESTORABLE`.

**Important:** This does not apply if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation. With SVCDTA, no backups are deleted during a restore operation.

### Target sets

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cannot reuse a target set for a new snapshot backup unless it corresponds to the last snapshot mapping in a cascaded snapshot relationship. This scenario implies that when IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot reuses a target set, all backups that are created before this point in time are deleted. In a non-mirrored environment, all backups that are created before this point in time are deleted when the following conditions are met:

- The same profile for the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups is used.

- This profile contains only one **DEVICE\_CLASS** statement in the **CLIENT** section.

In an LVM mirrored environment, all backups that are created before this point in time are deleted when the **CLIENT** section of the profile contains one **DEVICE\_CLASS** statement for each LVM mirror. If multiple device classes are specified within this statement, each device class must manage the same number of target sets.

**Important:** This does not apply if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation.

## Recommendations for setting up the environment with static target volumes

When you set up the SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family environments for use with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software, the following list identifies guidelines for the environment:

- If space-efficient source volumes are used in combination with space-efficient target volumes, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be configured to use **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE COPY**, **INCR**, or **NOCOPY**. If fully allocated source volumes are used in combination with space-efficient target volumes, then IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be configured to use **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE NOCOPY** only.
- Decide whether you want to use space-efficient or fully allocated backup targets. In mirrored environments, a different choice can be made for each mirror.
- For each mirror, use one **DEVICE\_CLASS** statement for disk-only backups. In addition, use one **DEVICE\_CLASS** statement for dual backups. A dual backup is a disk backup and tape backup. Make sure that the schedule is defined so that the target sets are reused cyclically across both device classes per mirror.

For example:

- Define three target sets in the **DISK\_ONLY** device class. Schedule these disk only backups to occur at 6:00, 12:00, and 18:00.
- Define one target set in a **DUAL\_BACKUP** device class. Set this schedule to create a disk and IBM Spectrum Protect backup at 00:15.

If the value for the profile parameter **MAX\_VERSIONS** is set to **ADAPTIVE** all disk-only backups taken before that point in time are deleted. Otherwise, the version policy causes the dual backup to fail if **MAX\_VERSIONS** specifies seven versions.

- If a backup that is characterized as **DESTRUCTIVELY\_RESTORABLE** is restored, the backup you are restoring and all backups that are taken after that point in time are deleted. The backup is not deleted when the backup is created with **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE FULL** or **INCR**, and the background copy completed.

## DS8000 storage system

For the DS8000 storage system, it is not possible to restore point-in-time copies when you set the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** parameter to **NOCOPY** in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile.

You can mount images on a remote server and back up the images to an IBM Spectrum Protect server when you use DS8000 storage systems.

## CIM server

Starting with DS8000 R4.1 the Common Information Model (CIM) server is embedded with the storage device. It is not necessary to install and configure the CIM server separately. For earlier releases of DS8000, a proxy CIM server is required and must be configured to manage the necessary storage clusters. For more information about configuring a proxy CIM server, see the DS8000 documentation.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires that FlashCopy backup target volumes be created in advance on DS8000. To provide a target set definition to IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, organize target volumes into target sets, where each target set represents one backup generation.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot automatically matches source volumes to suitable target volumes. However, each target set must contain at least one suitable target volume for each source volume to be backed up. Additional target volumes in a target set are allowed, but these target volumes are ignored.

## Support for LVM mirroring (AIX only)

If AIX Logical Volume Manager (LVM) mirroring is used in the environment, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can create separate FlashCopy images of either mirror.

DS8000 allows one incremental FlashCopy per source volume. When production volumes are mirrored by using Logical Volume Manager (LVM) mirroring, only one FlashCopy backup of this type per volume mirror is created. For incremental snapshots with DS8000 storage, only one target set can be specified in the target volumes file (.fct).

## Support for virtual I/O (AIX only)

DS8000 logical unit numbers (LUNs) can be attached to a host directly or by using Virtual I/O (VIO). Both setups are supported, when there is a 1-1 relation between VIO logical volumes and storage LUNs on the storage subsystem.

A VIO is a logical partition (LPAR) on a pSeries system that is controlled by the IBM Hardware Management Console (HMC) or IBM Integrated Virtualization Manager (IVM). It owns the hardware adapters and allows access for other logical partitions. This feature allows the device to be shared. The LPAR associated with the resources is the VIO Server and the logical partitions that use it are VIO Clients. For example, they can share one disk on the VIO Server instead of rebooting each logical partition from a Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) adapter and SCSI disk. This function eliminates the number of required adapters, adapter slots, and disks.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses virtual SCSI adapters to map disks from a VIO to a client LPAR. Physical volumes are required to be mapped from the VIO to the client. However, mapping logical volumes or storage pools is not supported. On the production server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with N\_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) and Virtual I/O Server (VIOS). There is a one to one relationship between the virtual I/O logical volume and the storage LUN. On the backup server, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports virtual I/O with NPIV. In addition, VIOS is supported when you configure the **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME** parameter to use the **PREASSIGNED\_VOLUMES** in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file.



More details about supported combinations of operating system and storage subsystem levels, are available in the Pre-installation Checklist that is available at this URL <https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. From this technote, select the required software version and then select the required component link. The hardware and software requirement page contains the Pre-installation Checklist and an installation planning worksheet.

## Remote access to FlashCopy images

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot allows mounting a FlashCopy backup image to another host. This image is writable and any changes that are made on that image are reflected in the backup and are included in the subsequent restore.

### Related information:

 <https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>

## Reconciliation of backups

Reconciliation is the process where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot periodically verifies that backups on the storage system are valid.

Depending on the storage system, FlashCopy or snapshot backups can be deleted, withdrawn, or stopped by certain operations on the storage system. When these events occur, it invalidates the FlashCopy or snapshot backup. During reconciliation, FlashCopy or snapshots backups that are no longer present or are invalid on the storage system are removed from the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository.

The reconciliation process removes IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups when the following events occur on storage systems:

### All storage systems

Manual intervention causes the following events to occur:

- The source volume or target volume relationship is withdrawn.
- The snapshot or FlashCopy is deleted.
- The FlashCopy mappings are stopped.

### The reconciliation process removes IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups when the following events occur on the IBM XIV Storage System

When there is no available space for snapshot backups, the IBM XIV Storage System deletes old snapshots to free space for new snapshots.

### The reconciliation process removes IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups when the following events occur on IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller and IBM Storwize family storage systems with static target allocation

- When a FlashCopy backup becomes invalid because it was created after the creation of the original backup that was later restored. This case applies to backups with space efficient target volumes, or if the background copy process is not yet finished. In addition, the backup that is subject to restore can also be invalidated by the storage system.
- When FlashCopy mappings of target volumes are used by the storage system for FlashCopy backups. When they are used in a specific FlashCopy backup, then previous FlashCopy backups can become invalid if they depend on the same mapping. This case applies to backups with space efficient target volumes or if the background copy process is not finished.

**The reconciliation process removes IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups when the following event occurs on IBM System Storage DS8000**

When a source target relationship is withdrawn backups are removed. This process does not happen automatically.

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## **Remote mirror integration**

When you use storage solutions with mirror technologies in combination with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, certain criteria must be met by the environment to integrate backup, restore, and cloning operations. For IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller and IBM System Storage DS8000 series, mirror technologies are labeled Global Mirror and Metro Mirror. For IBM XIV Storage System, mirror technologies are labeled Synchronous Remote Mirroring and Asynchronous Remote Mirroring.

### **SAN Volume Controller**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backs up application data consistently on SAN Volume Controller storage solutions with volumes that are simultaneously used as Metro Mirror or Global Mirror sources. You can configure either the sources or the targets of the Remote Mirror to be selected as the sources for the FlashCopy backup. In addition, do not use FlashCopy targets as Global Mirror or Metro Mirror sources.

### **IBM System Storage DS8000**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backs up DS8000 storage solutions with volumes that are simultaneously used as Global Mirror or Metro Mirror sources. In contrast to SAN Volume Controller, you can configure only the sources of the Global Mirror or Metro Mirror to be selected as the sources of the snapshot backup. When you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in this environment, do not use snapshot targets as Global Mirror and Metro Mirror sources.

### **IBM XIV Storage System**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can back up application data consistently on XIV storage solutions with volumes that are simultaneously used as Synchronous Remote Mirroring or Asynchronous Remote Mirroring sources. You can configure either the sources or the targets of the Remote Mirror to be selected as the sources for the FlashCopy backup.

Storage solutions that use mirror technologies with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must have the correct environment. The following list describes the criteria that must be met to ensure mirroring works correctly.

- The connectivity state must be online.
- The cluster partnership between the primary and secondary clusters must be configured before you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The following list identifies what you must configure when you are setting up the cluster partnership:
  - IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed on the production and backup host on the local site (primary cluster).
  - IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed on all systems, including the takeover and standby servers, running at the remote site (secondary cluster).
  - The local site contains the primary storage cluster for the production hosts. The primary cluster has data that is replicated to a secondary cluster on the remote site or to the same cluster.

- For intersystem copying, the remote site contains the mirror volumes in another storage cluster. In addition, the remote site also hosts the takeover and standby servers.
- SAN Volume Controller supports both intrasystem and intersystem Metro and Global Mirror.
- For XIV Synchronous Remote Mirroring and Asynchronous Remote Mirroring, configure either the source or the targets as a source for the snapshot backup.
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses a consistency group on the SAN Volume Controller and XIV storage solutions for the FlashCopy or snapshot. A consistency group is a group of volumes that are associated with a snapshot pair, which is a snapshot group of two corresponding instant copies of data, that is, point-in-time copies of a volume. For the snapshot pair, the logically related data must be kept consistent across the volumes. The snapshot consistency group can be used for a consistent point-in-time copy for an application or database that spans multiple volumes. The following list identifies more information about using consistency groups with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot:

#### **SAN Volume Controller**

- A consistency group contains a list of snapshot or Remote Copy relationships.
- The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software creates a snapshot consistency group on the secondary site to build a consistency unit between the source and target of the snapshot.
- You must define the consistency group for the mirror relationships between the master and auxiliary virtual disks.
- For Metro and Global Mirror, the state of the consistency group must be consistently synchronized.

#### **XIV**

- The operational state of mirror must be operational.
- A consistency group contains a list of volumes.
- A consistency group that contains all of the remote copy target volumes must exist before you start the snapshot on the remote system. Apply the storage commands to the consistency group to simplify management.
- The mirror relationship between the master and slave volumes must be defined in the consistency group.  
The master is where source volumes are located for the remote replication. The slave is where target volumes are located.
- For XIV synchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group must be consistently synchronized.
- For XIV asynchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group must be RPO\_OK.
- For Metro Mirror and Synchronous Remote Mirroring, the write operation is committed to the host after the data is written to both the source and target volumes.
- For Global Mirror and Asynchronous Remote Mirroring, the write operation is committed to the host immediately after the data is written to the source volume.
- In terms of master and slave sites, the master site is where source volumes are located for the remote replication. The slave site is where target volumes are

located. When a disaster occurs or when maintenance is necessary, the roles of master site and slave site can be changed.

The following figure illustrates the hosts and volumes that are involved in remote mirroring that uses Metro and Global mirrors.

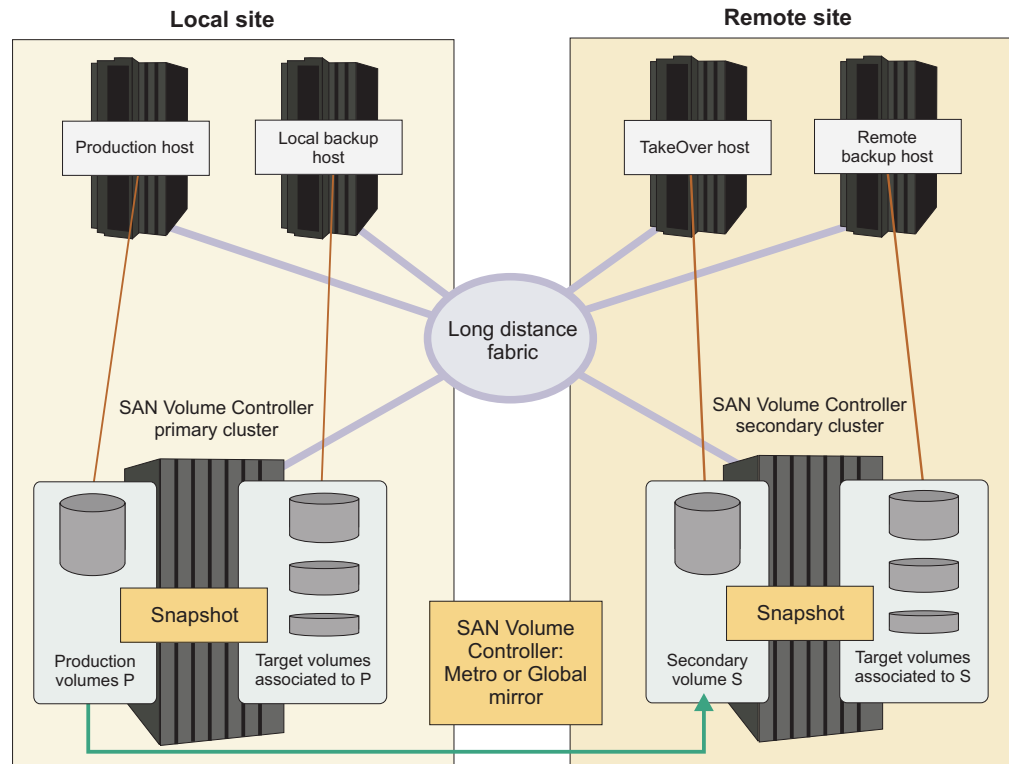


Figure 4. Remote mirroring using Metro Mirror and Global Mirror sources

## Remote mirroring and consistency groups

You must verify the configuration of the consistency group on SAN Volume Controller and XIV systems that use mirroring functions before you run IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup operations.

A *consistency group* is a group of copy relationships. You can group relationships into a consistency group that manages the consistency of dependent writes by creating a consistent point-in-time copy across multiple volumes or storage systems.

You must ensure that the connectivity state is online and configured for a SAN connection between the primary and secondary storage systems. The primary site contains the primary storage volumes for the production site. The volumes are then replicated to target volumes on the secondary site. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires the following configuration:

- For SAN Volume Controller, you must configure the consistency group:
  - For Metro Mirrors for static and dynamic target allocation, ensure that the state of the consistency group is consistently synchronized.
  - For Global Mirrors with dynamic target allocation, you must configure a *Global Mirror with Change Volumes* relationship:

- Ensure that the consistency group for the relationship has cycling mode set to multiple by selecting the Global Mirror with Change Volumes option when you create the relationship between the volumes. Global Mirror with Change Volumes is the name for a point-in-time asynchronous volume replication. You can create change volumes either when you create the Global Mirror relationships or you can add them to an existing relationship. Cycling mode and change volumes are not needed when you assign target allocation manually.
- The cycle period time set for the cycling mode and the number of I/O operations can influence the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot FlashCopy backup time. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot waits until the volumes at both sites are synchronized before a backup operation is completed. The cycle period is defined in seconds. The higher the cycle period the longer the time that is required for synchronization and to complete a FlashCopy backup. The factors that can influence the time are the number of I/O operations and the spread of the block-level changes across the storage system. The default value is 300 seconds.

**Restriction:** When you set the cycle period, the initial replication from the primary site change volume to the secondary change volume can take several hours before the volumes are synchronized. If you start an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup operation during this initial replication, the backup operation can fail due to the amount of time that is taken to complete the synchronization operation. Therefore, wait until the initial replication of change volumes is completed before you start a backup operation.

- For XIV systems, you must configure the consistency groups:
  - The consistency group must contain a list of mirrors.
  - The consistency group must contain a list of all of the remote copy target-volumes and this list must exist before you start the snapshot on the remote system.
  - The mirror relationship between the master (source) and slave (target) volumes must be defined in the consistency group. The master is on the source volume. The slave is on the target volume.
  - For synchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group must be consistently synchronized.
  - For asynchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group must be RPO\_OK.

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## Preparing applications that run on VMware or KVM

Before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on VMware or KVM virtual machines that run Linux guest operating systems, you must verify the configuration of the application that you want to protect.

### Before you begin

Different applications have specific IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration requirements. For more information about application-specific requirements, see Chapter 2, “Planning,” on page 7.

### Procedure

VMware

- Before you back up data or clone databases on VMware virtual machines, ensure that all source LUNs in the backup or clone operations are attached to the virtual machine with one of the following methods:
  - VMware physical mode raw device mapping (pRDM)
  - iSCSI
  - Network file system (NFS)
- Run an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore operation from a snapshot to an existing pRDM disk. The operation does not create a virtual machine or pRDM definition as part of the restore process.

#### KVM

- Before you back up data or clone databases on KVM virtual machines, ensure that all source LUNs in the backup or clone operations are attached to the virtual machine with one of the following methods:
  - Block device mapping (BDM)
  - iSCSI
  - Network file system (NFS)
  - PCI Passthrough
- Run an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore operation from a snapshot to an existing BDM disk. The restore operation does not create a virtual machine or BDM definition as part of the restore process.

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## Checking the KVM setup

Ensure that when the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot KVM setup uses Block Device Mapping, the LUNs are mapped to the KVM guest as multipath devices. The LUNs must be visible as multipath devices inside the KVM guest. Run the **multipath** command to check your setup for KVM.

### Procedure

To verify your KVM setup, run the **multipath** command from within the KVM guest. The command output looks similar to the following example:

```
kvm-guest:~ # multipath -ll
mpathat (360050768018205de4000000000001949) dm-7 IBM ,2145
size=2.0G features='1 queue_if_no_path' hwhandler='0' wp=rw
`-+- policy='service-time 0' prio=50 status=active
   `- 3:0:0:3 sdf 8:80 active ready running
```

In the example, *360050768018205de4000000000001949* is the LUN identifier. It is a unique number that must not be overwritten by the KVM stack. The product storage identifier must be visible inside the KVM guest. In the example, this identifier is *IBM ,2145*.

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## Chapter 3. Installing and setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot

To install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot you must follow the installation steps, run the setup script for your component, activate the installation for every application you want to protect, and configure the product. The first step is to install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server. If you choose to, you can upgrade your system from a previous version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to Version 8.1.4.

### About this task

Depending on your environment, a separate installation of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be required on a backup or clone server. The following set of tasks are required to complete the installation process.

### Procedure

1. Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server. During the installation, the product is installed to a global installation directory.  
The production server is the server where the application to be protected by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is located.
2. Activate the installation for every database instance you want to protect with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.  
During the activation, all the necessary files are copied from the installation directory, to the database instance installation directory.
3. Configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot by using a dedicated configuration script for the application that you want to protect, and optionally install and configure the product on a backup or clone server.  
If Open Secure Shell (OpenSSH) is configured between the production and the backup or clone servers, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be activated and configured on the backup or clone server by using the dedicated configuration script from the production server. Otherwise, a separate installation is required.
4. If backup and clone servers are not automatically activated and configured by the setup script, set up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the required servers. Backup servers or clone servers are auxiliary hosts that are required by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to mount backup images and clone databases. A backup server also is required to offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

### Results

The following files and directories are created on the production server, and optionally on the backup or clone servers, during the configuration process:

- When the ACS\_DIR directory is not identical to the instance directory, an ACS\_DIR configuration directory is created. The path for the ACS\_DIR directory is specified in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile.
- A profile in the ACS\_DIR configuration directory.
- A symbolic link from the <instance directory>/profile that points to the ACS\_DIR/profile when the two directories are not identical is created.
- A password file in the ACS\_DIR/shared directory.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemon processes are stopped and restarted if requested.

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## Preparing for installing

Before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, review the hardware, software requirements, and application environment. You must complete the Pre-installation Checklist and Planning Worksheet before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux.

The hardware and software requirements for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux are published in the following technote: <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. Follow the link to the requirements technote for your specific release or update level. From there you will find the *Pre-installation Checklist* and the *Installation Planning Worksheet* for the most recent version of the product.

To prepare your environment for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux, run the Prerequisite Checker tool.

### Related concepts:

“Prerequisite checker for Oracle” on page 27

## Required Operating System users and environment variables

The *instance* is a term that is used for a set of background processes and shared memory. The term *database instance* refers to a set of data that is stored on disk. An Oracle instance can mount and open a single database, and a database can be mounted and opened by one or more instances.

Often the Operating System (OS) user *oracle* has administrator permissions for databases in Oracle installations. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires a dedicated OS user for each instance. The environment variables *ORACLE\_HOME* and *ORACLE\_SID* must be set permanently for that user, and refer to the instance that can be used to connect to the database that is to be protected by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The user requires administrator permissions.

If you want to protect one database on a host, and plan to use the backup server to back up only one database with one Oracle instance, you can reuse the *oracle* user. Set the *ORACLE\_SID* variable to the instance that is used to connect to that database permanently on both the production server and the backup server in the *oracle* user profile.

If you want to protect multiple databases on one production or backup server host, you need one OS user per database on both the production server and backup server. This user ID is referred to as instance owner. The *ORACLE\_SID* that is set in the environment for each OS user, enables SQL\*Plus connections to the specific database to be protected by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. Export the Oracle-specific environment variables, such as *ORACLE\_HOME* and *ORACLE\_SID* so that they are accessible when you enter the `su - <instance_owner> -c` command.



## Prerequisite checker for Oracle

Check your system by running the Prerequisite checker tool before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle and Oracle in an SAP environment.

You must complete the *Pre-installation Checklist* checklist before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. In AIX and Linux environments, running the Prerequisite Checker tool automatically runs some of the checks that are documented in the *Pre-installation Checklist*. Running the tool on your AIX or Linux system, automatically checks for compatible operating system, database instance, and volume group layout in preparation for installing the product.

The *Pre-installation Checklist* is published here: <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>.

### Installing the Prerequisite Checker

As part of your preparation activities, install and run the Prerequisite Checker tool before you install or upgrade to a new version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux. Running the tool on your system automatically checks for compatible operating system, database instance, and volume group layout in preparation for installing IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

### Before you begin

Verify that your environment meets the hardware and software requirements of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot Prerequisite Checker.

### About this task

Log on to the production server that is to be supported by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, with the root user ID. Check the following requirements:

### Procedure

1. Download the IBM Spectrum Protect Prerequisite Checker installation file for your operating system from the download website. For information about downloading the Prerequisite Checker, see the Download Information.
2. Log on with the root user ID.
3. Start the installation wizard by running one of the following commands:

AIX: `<VERSION>-FCM-PREREQ-AIX.bin [-i console | -i swing]`

Linux: `<VERSION>-FCM-PREREQ-Linux.bin [-i console | -i swing]`

where, `-i console` indicates that the Prerequisite Checker is installed with the console version of the installer. `-i swing` indicates that the Prerequisite Checker is installed with the GUI version of the installer. This method is the default.

4. Complete the steps of the installation wizard. Choose to install the Prerequisite Checker to an arbitrary `checker_path`.

## Running the Prerequisite Checker

Run the Prerequisite Checker any number of times for any database instances on the production server, and review the `results.html` in your browser.

### Before you begin

Log on to the production server that is to be supported by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, with the root user ID. Check the following requirements:

- Oracle databases must be mounted.
- The default environment of the instance owner must contain all the environment settings necessary for interaction with the database.
- The instance owner must have the necessary access rights.

### Procedure

1. Log on with the root user ID.
2. Change to the `checker_path` directory where the Prerequisite Checker was installed.
3. Run the `fcmprereqchecker.sh` script as follows:

```
./fcmprereqchecker.sh -u <instance_owner> -s <storage_management_IP_address>  
-p <storage_management_port> [-o <output_path>] [-d <database_name>]
```

Where,

`instance_user` is the name of the instance owner.

`storage_management_IP_address` is the name or IP address of the storage subsystem that contains the database files.

`storage_management_port` is the management port of the storage subsystem that contains the database files.

`output_path` is used to specify a fully qualified directory where all output files and information are written. The default output path is `checker_path/logs`.

`database_name` is used to specify the name or alias of the database to be checked.

### Interpreting the Prerequisite Checker output

After you run the Prerequisite Checker, the results are stored to the `result.html` file that can be viewed in your default browser in the Prerequisite Checker Results page. In the case of passed checks, there is no corrective action required. For failures, you must modify your system before you proceed to install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux.

### About this task

The Summary reports the overall result of the checks run; the status is either Failed, Warning, or Passed. The machine name, Operating System, and serial number are listed with the results for each check.

### Procedure

- Find the `result.html` file and open it in your browser.  
The `result.html` file is stored in the `<output_path>` of the Prerequisite Checker. The default output path is `<checker_path>/logs`. If you specified a different output path with the `-o` option, the `result.html` and log files are stored there.

There is a text file version of the results stored there called `result.txt`. For information about fails and warnings, including message information, review the log file in the same directory.

- If your system has Passed, you can proceed to work through the checks in the *Pre-installation Checklist* that were not covered by the Prerequisite Checker tool.
- If your system has Failed, you must fix your environment before you install the product.
- Review each warning, and where possible fix the issues and rerun the checks for your system. In some cases, you must rerun a check manually. For more information about a check, go to the *Pre-installation Checklist* that is published at this link <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>.
- Follow the Next Steps that are advised in the results page.

## Uninstalling the Prerequisite Checker

You can uninstall the Prerequisite Checker tool independently of any action to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot product.

### Procedure

1. Log on with the root user ID.
2. Enter the following command:  
`<checker_path>/uninstall/uninstall.bin [-i console | -i swing]`

where:

`checker_path` is the path where the Prerequisite Checker was installed.

`-i console` indicates that the Prerequisite Checker is uninstalled using the console version of the uninstaller.

`-i swing` indicates that the Prerequisite Checker is uninstalled using the GUI version of the uninstaller.

If option `-i` is not specified, the same method used for installing the Prerequisite Checker is used for uninstalling the tool.

### Results

The Prerequisite Checker executable files are removed from your system.

## Preparing Oracle in an SAP environment

Before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, verify the configuration for Oracle in an SAP environment.

**Tip:** Review the exact volume layout specifications, supported through the SAP BR\*Tools Disk - Volume Backup function, in the *SAP Database Guide for Oracle*.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires that all Oracle table space data files, online redo logs, and control files are on file systems that are supported by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

The data that is under the `sapdata`, `origlog` and `mirrlog` directories must be on separate volume groups. If other data is stored within those volume groups, it is processed by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and included in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup image. This data is overwritten during a restore operation. As a result, do not store other objects such as database instance binary files and offline redo logs on the volume groups that you want to back up. SAP

BR\*Tools requires a list of files and directories that can be backed up. If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot detects such data in one of the volumes to be backed up, the backup operation can fail.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot processes table spaces at the volume level. The required volume group lay out for Oracle in an SAP environment is detailed in the *Volume group layout requirements* section of the *Pre-installation Checklist*.

The hardware and software requirements for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux are published in the following technote: <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. Follow the link to the requirements technote for your specific release or update level. From there you will find the *Pre-installation Checklist* and the *Installation Planning Worksheet* for the most recent version of the product.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not support a volume and storage layout where the database is spread across multiple storage devices. In an AIX logical volume manager mirroring environment, each mirror must be located within a separate storage cluster.

## Preparing backup and clone servers

Backup servers and clone servers are auxiliary hosts where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can mount backups and clones.

A backup server is used to offload the workload of sending data to the IBM Spectrum Protect server from the production server where the protected application is running. A clone server creates a clone of the productive database from a snapshot backup. You can share one backup or clone server among multiple applications or you can have multiple backup or clone servers. A backup server can also serve as a clone server. However, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not allow backup images to be mounted directly on the production server. A backup or clone server must be set up as a separate host.

### When a backup server is needed

Backup servers are auxiliary hosts where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can mount backups. The number of required IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup servers is determined by the number of servers that are used to access backup images.

For example, to access backup images on either site of a disaster recovery environment, at least two backup servers are needed. A backup server can also simultaneously be used for multiple applications and multiple production servers. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can mount a backup image on a backup server. For the following scenarios, at least one backup server is required.

- Mount backup images on another server.
- When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used with other products for example, IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning to offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.
- When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires a mount during a backup operation because one of the following conditions exists:
  - The database is running in an LVM mirrored environment on AIX.
  - Conditions that require a so called IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot forced mount operation for the different storage subsystem environments:

### **SAN Volume Controller, Storwize family, and DS8000**

A forced mount is required if the option `PREASSIGNED_VOLUMES` is set for the profile parameter `BACKUP_HOST_NAME` and the operating system is Linux.

### **DS8000**

A forced mount is required on AIX if the option `PREASSIGNED_VOLUMES` is set for the profile parameter `BACKUP_HOST_NAME` and a freeze and thaw action was not executed for the file systems.

A clone server is a single server, that can also be used as a backup server. A clone server is required when you use the cloning functionality of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

## **Installation prerequisites for backup and clone servers**

For hosts that are used as backup or clone servers, the operating system version and maintenance level must be the same as the production server.

### **Backup server prerequisites:**

When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used in an environment with IBM Spectrum Protect, a backup server is required. This backup server is used to offload the backup workload from the production server to the backup server, and sends the application critical backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server. Ensure that the required settings are in place before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the backup server.

To run the software, the following settings are required on the backup server:

- The user name and group name of the database instance owner on the production server must be available on the backup server. The same user ID (UID) and group ID (GID) must be used.
- A database instance with the same version as the database instance on the production server must be installed on the backup server.
- An Oracle database instance is required when incremental backups that use Oracle RMAN are run. SAP BR\*Tools are optional on the backup server.

The IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning client is used by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to start a subsequent backup to an IBM Spectrum Protect server, and must be installed and configured on both the production and the backup servers.

IBM Spectrum Protect API is used by this client and must be installed and configured on both the production and the backup servers.

Update the IBM Spectrum Protect backup-archive client node password on the production server and all backup servers whenever it changes. When IBM Spectrum Protect is configured to use the `PASSWORDACCESS GENERATE` parameter, the password can change without notification.

- If the IBM Spectrum Protect backup-archive client is configured to use the `PASSWORDACCESS GENERATE` parameter, use the IBM Spectrum Protect proxy-node capability to avoid authentication errors when the password is reset.
- Create one data node on the IBM Spectrum Protect server where all IBM Spectrum Protect clients from all backup and production servers are sending and retrieving data.

- Create one authentication node for each production server and backup server that is configured as proxy node to this data node.

#### Clone server prerequisites:

For setting up a cloning server, the database instances must be installed and configured on the clone server. Ensure that all the prerequisites are in place before you set up the clone server.

For FlashCopy cloning, the database instances must be installed and configured on the clone server.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires the following settings for cloning:

- A clone database instance with the same version and name as the database instance on the production server must be installed on the clone server.
- The user name and group name of the clone database instance owner on the clone system must be available on the clone server. The user ID (UID) and group ID (GID) can be different from the UID and GID of the production server database instance.
- For cloning in Oracle environments, the database SID cannot contain lowercase letters. If the SID contains lowercase letters, the clone database is created, but the lowercase letters in the SID of the clone system are converted to capitalized letters.

#### Offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server with Oracle RMAN:

To offload incremental backups from an Oracle environment, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires an Oracle database instance to be installed and configured on the backup server.

The Oracle specific environment variables, for example **ORACLE\_HOME**, and paths must be exported so that they are accessible if the `su - <instance owner> -c` command is entered. This accessibility can be verified by running `su - <instance owner> -c env | grep ORACLE` as root user. The Oracle recovery catalog database must exist and must be accessible from the production and backup server for the Oracle user ID. In this database, Oracle RMAN records all offloaded backups. For details on the setup of a recovery catalog database, see the Oracle manuals. To verify this setup, run the following command as the Oracle user on the production host:

```
rman target / catalog <catalog_user> / <catalog_password> @
<catalog_connect_string>
```

To verify the setup of the backup system, run the following command as the root user on the backup host:

```
su -<instance_owner> -c "rman target / catalog <catalog_user> /
<password> @ <catalog_connection_string>"
```

The command must be able to connect to both the target and the recovery catalog databases, and show the RMAN prompt. This operation can be finished with the quit command. For example,

```
$ rman target / catalog rman/rman@catdb
```

Recovery Manager: Release 11.2.0.3.0 - Production on Fri Aug 5 13:59:53 2016

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connected to target database: P01 (DBID=1213110920, not open)  
connected to recovery catalog database

RMAN> quit

Recovery Manager complete.  
\$

## Preparing backup or cloning servers for applications on VMware or KVM

If a backup or clone server you are using is a VMware or KVM virtual machine, the storage device must be attached to the virtual machine with either iSCSI or Network file system.

### Before you begin

Review “Installation prerequisites for backup and clone servers” on page 31 to ensure that all requirements for backup and clone servers are met. These requirements are also required for backup and clone servers on virtual machines.

### Procedure

- Verify that all target LUNs in backup or clone operations are attached to the virtual machine with one of the following attachment methods:
  - iSCSI
  - Network file system (NFS)
- Verify that all target LUNs in backup operations are attached to the virtual machine with one of the following attachment methods:
  - iSCSI
  - Network file system (NFS)

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## Installing and uninstalling IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in a SAP environment

Install or uninstall IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot using the graphical installation wizard, or the console wizard in interactive or silent mode

### Installing IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in interactive mode

Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server by using the graphical installation wizard, or the console wizard in interactive or silent mode.

### Before you begin

For the most up-to-date requirements, review the *Hardware and Software Requirements* technote that is associated with the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot release. This technote is available in the *IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot - All Requirement Documents* website at: <https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. Follow the link to the requirements technote for your specific release and version, and review the *Pre-Installation Checklist* and *Planning Worksheet*.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation packages are delivered as individual files. They are provided as an image that is downloaded from IBM Passport Advantage®.

The files are named like

`<version>-TIV-TSFCM-<platform>.bin`

Before you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on AIX or Linux, run the Prerequisite Checker to ensure that the prerequisites are met before you proceed with the installation process.

## Procedure

To install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server, complete these steps.

1. Log on to the production server and use the root user ID. Change to the directory where you downloaded the package file. Use one of the following methods to start the installation:

### Graphical user interface with the installation wizard

The installation wizard requires a graphical X Window System installation. Make sure the environment variable *DISPLAY* specifies *host:display*, where *host* identifies the host name of the X Server to be contacted and *display* is the display number. To use the graphical installation wizard, enter this command:

```
./<version>-TIV-TSFCM-<platform>.bin
```

If the graphical X Window System is not present, the installation continues in console mode.

### Console mode

To install in console mode, enter the following command:

```
./<version>-TIV-TSFCM-<platform>.bin -i console
```

2. Follow the prompts to install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.
3. In the Pre-Installation Summary, review your installation settings.

The installation directory for AIX is `/usr/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>`

The installation directory for Linux is `/opt/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>` If an error occurs during the installation process, correct the errors and restart the installation procedure. Find the `installation.log` file in the installation directory to troubleshoot installation errors.

## What to do next

After activating the instance, you must configure the instance to complete the setup.



## Installing in silent mode

To install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in silent mode, you must create a properties file.

### About this task

You can generate a properties file when you are installing the product in interactive mode. You can use this properties file to install similar setups in silent mode.

### Procedure

1. Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in interactive mode and generate a properties file with the following command that is run from the installation directory:

```
./<version>-TIV-TSFCM-<platform>.bin [-i console] -DRECORDFILE=<properties_file>
```

For example,

```
./8.1.0.4-TIV-TSFCM-AIX.bin -DRECORDFILE=/tmp/installation.properties
```

2. Invoke the executable file with the `-i` silent option and the `-f` option to specify the properties file:

```
./<version>-TIV-TSFCM-<platform>.bin -i silent -f <properties_file>
```

The *properties\_file* specification must contain a full path. For example,

```
./8.1.0.4-TIV-TSFCM-AIX.bin -i silent -f /tmp/installation.properties
```

3. Review the `installation.log` file in the installation directory to complete the process.

### What to do next

Activation

## Uninstalling the software

Complete the uninstallation procedure to uninstall a version of the product from your system.

### Procedure

1. Determine the installation path of the version of the product you want to uninstall. The following paths provide the location of the installation files:
  - For AIX operating systems, it is this path, `/usr/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>`.
  - For Linux operating systems, it is this path, `/opt/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>`.
2. Run the appropriate command for your operating system from the installation path:
  - For AIX operating systems, use this command `/usr/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>/uninstall/uninstaller.bin`.
  - For Linux, use this command `/opt/tivoli/tsfcm/acs_<version>/uninstall/uninstaller.bin`.

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## Activating an instance

During the activation process, the necessary files are copied from the installation directory to an instance-specific directory. The installer does not activate the instance. In order to activate an instance, follow the procedure.

### Procedure

1. Log in to the production server and use the root user ID. Change to the global installation directory.
2. Run the following command: `./setup_orasap.sh -a install -d <instance_owner_$HOME>`

The command creates the instance-specific path for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot executable files at `<instance_owner_$HOME>/acs`. This directory is referred to as instance directory.

### What to do next

After activating the instance, you must configure the instance to complete the setup.

#### Related concepts:

“Preparing backup and clone servers” on page 30

#### Related tasks:

“Configuring or reconfiguring IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot”

“Running the setup script for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment” on page 37

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## Configuring or reconfiguring IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot

After the installation and activation procedures complete, configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. To configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, use the setup script for your environment. The information that you enter is used to create the profile.

### Before you begin

Ensure that you complete the *Installation Planning Worksheet*. See the Planning section, for more information about the *Installation Planning worksheet*.

### About this task

Configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot by Running the setup script.

When you run the setup script to configure the product, you are asked for instance-specific information as follows.

- The type of instance, whether it is a production, backup, or clone system.
- What functionality is used on the system such as backup or cloning, or for offloading backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.
- Configuration information for the behavior of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.
- Settings for integration with other products such as an IBM Spectrum Protect server or IBM Spectrum Protect clients.
- Connection information and definitions for corresponding backup and clone instances if they are required.

- Connection information and settings for storage hardware. For more information about storage, see *Configuring storage environments*.

The *Installation Planning Worksheet* is available here <http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21427692>. It contains a list of parameters that are requested when you run the setup script in basic mode. For more information about profile parameters, see *Profile*. For more information about configuring the product for specific environments, see *Backing up data*. For more information about the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons, see *Setting up daemons*.

#### **Related concepts:**

Chapter 2, “Planning,” on page 7

## **Running the setup script for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment**

Run the setup script to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment.

### **Before you begin**

In most cases, it is sufficient to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in basic mode rather than advanced mode.

- In basic mode, a subset of parameters is editable and can be modified. For all other parameters, default values are used. The daemons are started automatically.
- In advanced mode, you can configure all parameters. You choose whether IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons are started automatically or not.

For more information about configuration files and different profile parameters, see *Configuration files*. To read about the profile contents and which parameters are editable in advanced mode, see *Profile*.

When the setup script is called for the first time for a specific instance, the type of instance is determined. This instance can be the productive instance or an instance for cloning. If this general information on the instance needs to be changed at a later point in time, you must run the setup script again in advanced mode.

Depending on your environment and the functionality to be used, extra configuration files might be required when you are configuring the product. The setup script checks that these files exist, but does not verify the contents. They must be complete before you run any IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot functions.

When you configure offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server, the startup script asks if you want to start offloaded tape backups after a snapshot completes. Choose yes to start the offload immediately after the snapshot backup completes. Alternatively, choose to schedule the offload operation to run at a different time by scheduling backups individually. The backup to the IBM Spectrum Protect server can be delayed until the necessary resources in the IBM Spectrum Protect server are available. In this case, you must schedule the backup process to start manually. For example, you can add a crontab entry. The default value is to run `fcml1` as a daemon process on the production server.

You can create multiple entries with different values for some parameters. To create multiple entries, when the script asks if you want to add another instance of a parameter, enter `y`. To delete a parameter entry, when prompted for a parameter

value enter !d. To display help for a parameter, enter ? at the prompt for the parameter value. The help is best viewed in a window that is set for at least 130 characters.

## Procedure

1. From the production database instance on the production server, log on as the database instance owner, and go to the instance directory.  
`<instance_owner_$HOME>/acs/`
2. Run the setup script by entering the following command  
`./setup_orasap.sh [-advanced]`
3. Follow the setup script instructions.

When you are configuring the production server, select On-Site Production System configuration with optional remote Backup System configuration. If OpenSSH is available, it is recommended that you set up backup and clone servers during the configuration process. To do this, select manage backup systems or manage clone instances. For more information about configuring a backup or clone server separately, see Setting up separately on backup or clone servers.

## Results

After you configured an instance, the following changes are made to the production server:

- The ACS\_DIR directory is created. The default location is `<instance owner $HOME>/acs`.
- The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile is created in the ACS\_DIR directory. Parameter values reflect values that you set during the configuration process.
- An `<ACS_DIR>/shared` directory is created for shared information for the production, backup, and clone servers.
- The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository for the metadata of each backup is created in the ACS\_REPOSITORY directory. The ACS\_REPOSITORY directory defaults to `<ACS_DIR>/acsrepository`
- A logs directory for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot logs and traces is created at `<ACS_DIR>/logs`.
- For secure communication with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons, IBM Global Security Kit key database files `fcncert.*` are created in the instance directory, with an `fcmselfcert.arm` file that contains a representation of the production server's self-signed public key. For more information about the secure communication, see Installing the GSKit.
- Links are created at `/usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run` for executable files and the key database in the instance directory.
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons that are required for the configuration, start automatically unless you stated otherwise when you configured the product in advanced mode.

If a backup server is automatically set up during the configuration process, the following changes are applied to the backup server:

- The instance directory is created in the same path as on the production server.
- The necessary IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot files are copied to the instance directory on the backup server.
- The ACS\_DIR directory is created in the same path as on the production server.

- The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile for the backup instance is created in the ACS\_DIR directory.
- The <ACS\_DIR>/shared directory is copied from the production system.
- A directory for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot logs and traces is created at <ACS\_DIR>/logs.
- For secure communication with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons, IBM Global Security Kit key database files fmcert.\* are created in the instance directory. Unless standard CA-signed certificates are used for server authentication, the fcmselfcert.arm file of the production system is imported in the keystore.
- Links are created at /usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run for executable files and the key database in the instance directory.
- The mount agent daemon starts automatically unless you stated otherwise when you configured the product in advanced mode.

If a clone server is automatically set up during configuration, the following changes are applied to the clone server:

- The clone instance directory is created.
- The necessary IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot files are copied to the clone instance directory.
- The <ACS\_DIR of clone instance> directory is created in the same path relative to the clone instance user \$HOME directory as on the production server.
- The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile for the clone instance is created in the <ACS\_DIR of clone instance> directory.
- The <ACS\_DIR>/shared directory is copied from the production system to the <ACS\_DIR of clone instance> directory.
- A directory for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot logs and traces is created at <ACS\_DIR of clone instance>/logs.
- For secure communication with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons, IBM Global Security Kit key database files fmcert.\* are created in the clone instance directory. Unless standard CA-signed certificates are used for server authentication, the fcmselfcert.arm file of the production system is imported to the keystore.
- Links are created in path /usr/sap/<clone SID>/SYS/exe/run for executable files and the key database in the clone instance directory.
- The mount agent daemon of the clone instance starts automatically unless you stated otherwise when you configured the product in advanced mode.

**Related tasks:**

“Setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot separately on backup or clone servers” on page 56

**Related reference:**

“Profile” on page 99

## Configuring storage environments

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires the connection and configuration information for all storage devices where data is to be protected. For IBM System Storage DS8000 environments and IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller with static target allocation, information on the associated volumes is also required.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot organizes information on storage hardware in device classes. A device class is a representation of a specific storage device with its connection information and related configuration. There must be a separate **DEVICE\_CLASS** defined for each storage device. If the same storage device is used with various functions and configurations, a separate device class must be defined for each configuration. An example of a different function, can be running full and incremental backups on different days of the week.

Device classes are documented as **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. Parameters in a **DEVICE\_CLASS** section describe the characteristics of a storage device. Therefore, they are independent of the protected application, but different parameters are required for the various types of supported storage hardware.

Each **DEVICE\_CLASS** can have specific version retention that is controlled through the profile parameter **MAX\_VERSIONS**, which is set during configuration. For more information about **DEVICE\_CLASS** version control with **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter, see Device class backup version retention.

Not all of the configuration topics are applicable to each storage system. For a list of storage environments and their associated configuration topics, see the following table.

Storage environment	Topics
IBM System Storage DS8000	"Configuring the CIM adapter for SP 800-131A compliant encryption" on page 45 "Select the <b>FLASHCOPY_TYPE</b> " on page 45 "Target set definitions" on page 47 "LVM mirroring environments" on page 50
IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller or IBM Storwize family with dynamic target set allocation	"Configuring Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller dynamic target allocation (SVCDTA)" on page 42 "Select the <b>FLASHCOPY_TYPE</b> " on page 45 "LVM mirroring environments" on page 50 "Configuring for remote mirroring" on page 53

Storage environment	Topics
IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller or IBM Storwize family with static target set allocation	<p>“Configuring the CIM adapter for SP 800-131A compliant encryption” on page 45</p> <p>“Select the <b>FLASHCOPY_TYPE</b>” on page 45</p> <p>“Target set definitions” on page 47</p> <p>“LVM mirroring environments” on page 50</p> <p>“Configuring for remote mirroring” on page 53</p>
IBM XIV Storage System	<p>“LVM mirroring environments” on page 50</p> <p>“Configuring for remote mirroring” on page 53</p>

For a complete list of parameters for each type of storage hardware, see “*DEVICE\_CLASS device*” on page 116.

## Backup version retention

Specify the number backups to be retained by using the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter when you are configuring IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

For example, if two device classes are configured and the first has a **MAX\_VERSIONS** set to 2 there are always two versions that are kept for that device class. The oldest version is deleted once a new backup is made. If you configure another device class with **MAX\_VERSIONS** set to 3, it always retains three backup versions for that device class. If you do not specify a **USE\_FOR** device class option, and you have two device classes in use with a **MAX\_VERSIONS** set to 2, there are four versions that are kept in total.

## Example of MAX\_VERSIONS for different device classes profile

In the following example, there are four backup versions to be kept when backups are taken with DC\_XIV1 and four backup versions to be kept when backups are taken with DC\_XIV2. Three backup versions are kept for backups that are taken with device class STANDARD. All other device classes have a **MAX\_VERSIONS** value of two, in this case SOME\_OTHER\_DC. That means that 13 backup versions are kept with this profile: two for SOME\_OTHER\_DC, three for STANDARD, and four each for DC\_XIV1 and DC\_XIV2. Thirteen backups are retained for this sample profile.

```
>>> CLIENT
MAX_VERSIONS 2
MAX_VERSIONS 3 USE_FOR STANDARD
MAX_VERSIONS 4 USE_FOR DC_XIV1
MAX_VERSIONS 4 USE_FOR DC_XIV2
DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD DC_XIV1 DC_XIV2 SOME_OTHER_DC
APPLICATION_TYPE GENERIC
TSM_BACKUP NO
NEGATIVE_LIST NO_CHECK
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
...
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS SOME_OTHER_DC
...
```

```

<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS DC_XIV1
...
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS DC_XIV2
...
<<<

```

In the following example, **MAX\_VERSIONS** is set to 2. There are four backup versions retained, two for each device class as there is no **USE\_FOR** device class option specified.

```

MAX_VERSIONS 2

>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS SOME_OTHER_DC
...
<<<

```

is the same like:

```

MAX_VERSIONS 2 USE_FOR STANDARD
MAX_VERSIONS 2 USE_FOR SOME_OTHER_DC

>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS SOME_OTHER_DC
...
<<<

```

## Configuring Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller dynamic target allocation (SVCDTA)

To allow dynamic volume creation during backup operations, you must enable Secure Shell (SSH) remote access to the storage system command-line interface (CLI) with Secure Shell (SSH) keys. An SSH key pair must be created to authenticate users for a secure connection to SAN Volume Controller.

### Before you begin

Verify that the OpenSSH client is installed on the production server, and the backup or clone server where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed. The OpenSSH client is installed by default on most AIX and Linux distributions. If it is not installed on your system, consult your AIX or Linux installation documentation.

### About this task

SSH is used to remotely enter commands on the SAN Volume Controller CLI. The following steps are required to enable CLI access with SSH keys:

- Generate a public and a private key pair
- Import the public key to the storage system
- Configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to authenticate with the private key.

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot user must have a unique SSH key at the SAN Volume Controller. After you generate the key pair, import the public key and add a key file for the SAN Volume Controller user as specified in the IBM Spectrum



Protect Snapshot profile. The parameters are **COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME** and **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME**. The user at the remote site also needs a key file.

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot user owns the private key and has RW access to that key file.

The full path to the private key file is specified in the profile. By default, the path is `$HOME/.ssh/svc_sshkey`. The public counterpart of the private key file must be imported to the SAN Volume Controller and associated to the user.

## Procedure

1. Generate an RSA key pair on the production server for the storage user name to access the storage system by entering the following command from the `$HOME/.ssh` directory. Ensure to enter the command as the database instance owner or application backup user from the `$HOME/.ssh` directory.

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa
```

This command generates two files, which you are prompted to name. If you select the name `svc_sshkey`, the private key is named `svc_sshkey`, and the public key is named `svc_sshkey.pub`.

**Tip:** Do not enter a passphrase for the file when prompted. For SVCDDTA dynamic target allocation, the passphrase must be empty.

2. If you do not remotely install the backup or cloning servers with SSH, you must copy the key pair to the backup and clone servers. Ensure that the key pair is stored in the same path as on the production server.
3. Upload the public key to the storage system for the SAN Volume Controller user that is specified by **COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME** in the profile.

For instructions about how to upload to the storage system, see the documentation that is provided for your storage system. The documentation is available in IBM SAN Volume Controller Knowledge Center <http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/STPVGU/welcome?lang=en>.

4. Switch to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance directory and run the setup script in advanced mode:

```
./setup_orasap.sh [-advanced]
```

**Note:** If you do not want to use an alternative SSH binary and the private key file is named `svc_sshkey` in the default path `$HOME/.ssh`, you can proceed to run the setup script in basic mode.

5. When prompted to specify a **SSH\_DIR** path, enter the path where the Secure Shell protocols and executable files are installed. The default location is `/usr/bin`.
6. When prompted to specify a **SVC\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH** path, enter the path and the file name for the private keyfile. The following example shows the default path and file name:

```
SVC_SSHKEY_FULLPATH    $HOME/.ssh/svc_sshkey
```

7. Continue configuring IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for SAN Volume Controller with the setup script for your component. When you are configuring SAN Volume Controller Dynamic Target Allocation, the profile that is created is saved with the necessary parameters.
8. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons are automatically restarted by running the setup script either in basic mode or in advanced mode.

## What to do next

If you are using SAN Volume Controller remote mirroring, the setup script asks if you want to create another SSH key to facilitate mirroring with the remote cluster. The key file **SVC\_REMOTE\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH** parameter specifies the private key file that is used for connecting to the secondary SAN Volume Controller site, and is specified by **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME**. The remote site user is the one specified by the parameter **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME**.

### Migrating SVC with static target allocation to SVCDTA (dynamic target allocation):

Change an existing configuration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux to use SVC dynamic target allocation (DTA) without losing older backups. Change the value of **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**: **SVC** to **SVCDTA** to update the profile and complete the migration.

#### About this task

Use the following information to modify an existing IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile and reconfigure the product to SVCDTA.

#### Procedure

1. To start the configuration process, run the setup script.
2. Choose (m) to modify the profile.
3. Change the value of **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** from SVC to SVCDTA.
4. If **MAX\_VERSIONS** is set to ADAPTIVE, you must return to the CLIENT section, and change the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter from ADAPTIVE to a fixed number.
5. Enter the existing server information for the storage system host name **COPYSERVICES\_SERVERNAME**<TCP/IP host name>.
6. Enter the user name for the primary storage device **COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME**. The default value is superuser.
7. Enter the path and the file name of the private SSH key file in parameter **SVC\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH**. For example,  
`SVC_SSHKEY_FULLPATH     $HOME/.ssh/svc_sshkey`
8. Accept the defaults for the remaining parameters, or change the values where required.

**Note:** Do not change the FlashCopy type.

#### Results

The updated profile is saved, and if required you can specify a backup system or quit the configuration. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux is configured to use the SAN Volume Controller storage adapter with dynamic target allocation.

After reconfiguring the profile for SVCDTA, all backups are managed by the new dynamic target allocation adapter, including all backups that were taken with the CIM adapter. Continue to mount, restore, delete, and expire backups as usual. When **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** is set to INCR, you can also refresh backups as required.

## Configuring the CIM adapter for SP 800-131A compliant encryption

CIM agents are provided by IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller, IBM Storwize, and IBM System Storage DS8000 systems. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux communicates with a CIM agent through the CIM interface. You must configure the CIM adapter to use the security standards, as defined in the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publications (SP) 800-131A for encryption.

### Before you begin

Ensure that the storage system is enabled for SP 800-131A standard encryption. For instructions about how to identify if the system is enabled, see the documentation that is provided for your storage system. For the SVC adapter with dynamic target allocation (type SVCDTA), compliance with SP 800-131A is provided by the OpenSSH client version that is installed on the same host as the product.

**Note:** For IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller and IBM Storwize family, this configuration applies only in the case of static target allocation (type SVC); the SVC adapter with dynamic target allocation (type SVCDTA) uses the CLI interface via Secure Shell (SSH) rather than the CIMOM interface.

### Procedure

1. Extract the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) certificate from the IBM storage system cluster. The certificate must be in the Privacy Enhanced Mail (PEM) format. From any Linux or UNIX system with a LAN connection to the storage system, run the following shell command,

```
echo | openssl s_client -connect <IBM_storage_cluster_IP>:5989 2>&1  
| sed -ne '/-BEGIN CERTIFICATE-/,/-END CERTIFICATE-/p'
```

where *ibm\_storage\_cluster\_ip* specifies the IP address of the storage system, and 5989 specifies the port number for the HTTPS connection.

2. Save the output to a text file and place the file in a secure location on the production and backup servers.
3. Run the setup script in advanced mode.
4. When prompted for the **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE** parameter for the storage system device class, enter the fully qualified path to the certificate file. For example:  

```
COPYSERVICES_CERTIFICATEFILE    <ACS_DIR>/truststore/svc_cluster.cert
```
5. Follow the setup script instructions to save the profile and restart the daemons.

### Select the FLASHCOPY\_TYPE

DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family storage solutions support various FlashCopy types that provide different capabilities for your backup strategy.

Using different FlashCopy types for different backup generations is a valid strategy for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. To implement such a backup strategy, define multiple **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections in the profile, where each section specifies the same storage device. The only difference is that each section specifies a different FlashCopy type. These **DEVICE\_CLASS** section definitions allow rules to be defined in the **CLIENT** profile section. The rules allow IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to select the appropriate **DEVICE\_CLASS** section for the next backup. For more information about the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter, see the **CLIENT** section.

If the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** is changed for one **DEVICE\_CLASS**, complete the following steps:

1. Unmount the backup if it is mounted on a backup system.
2. Delete the backup with the delete force option.
3. Change the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** and run a new backup with the new **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE**.

**Note:** If you use SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation you do not have to delete any old backups.

*Table 4. Selecting the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** for DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family*

<b>FLASHCOPY_TYPE</b>	<b>DS8000</b>	<b>SAN Volume Controller Storwize family</b>
COPY	Can be used for backup and restore. Protects from physical failures of the source volumes when the background copy completes.	Can be used for backup and restore. Protects from physical failures of the source volumes when the background copy completes. For more information, see Note 1 in this table.
INCR	Same characteristics as COPY <b>FLASHCOPY_TYPE</b> but with fewer COPY activities in the background. DS8000 allows at most 1 incremental FlashCopy per source volume. In mirroring environments, this setting allows it to retain 1 backup generation per mirror. For DS8000, there must be only one target set specified in the target volumes file (.fct) for incremental snapshots. CIM errors might occur when more than 1 target set is specified.	Same characteristics as COPY FlashCopy but with fewer COPY activities in the background. For more information, see Note 1 and Note 2 in this table.
NOCOPY	Can be mounted remotely, but cannot be restored.	Can be mounted remotely and can be restored.  Can be used to create a FlashCopy to a space-efficient target, but does not offer protection from physical failures to the source volume.  Space-efficient target volumes can reach capacity limits in which case they go offline. In this scenario, you lose the current backup and all older backups that are not at FULL_COPY. You can choose to create space-efficient targets with the AUTOEXPAND option. In this scenario, the target is allocated more physical storage to prevent it going offline.

Note 1: If space-efficient source volumes are used in combination with space-efficient target volumes, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be configured to use **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** COPY, INCR, or NOCOPY. If fully allocated source volumes are used in combination with space-efficient target volumes, then IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be configured to use **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** COPY, INCR, or NOCOPY. These options are available when the profile parameter **ALLOW\_ALL\_FLASHCOPY\_TYPES** is set to YES. The default value of **ALLOW\_ALL\_FLASHCOPY\_TYPES** is NO. When the default value is used, only **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** NOCOPY is possible.

Note 2: The information in Note 1 only applies if you use SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family static target allocation. If you use SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation, the profile parameter **ALLOW\_ALL\_FLASHCOPY\_TYPES** is not available.

The types of snapshots that are supported by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, depending on the storage solution and operating system, are indicated in the following table.

Table 5. Supported storage subsystems and FlashCopy types

Device	COPY	INCR	NOCOPY	Space-efficient snapshots	Changes made to a mounted snapshot backup
IBM System Storage DS8000	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Remains persistent and alters the content of the backup.
IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller IBM Storwize family with static target allocation	Yes	Yes	Yes Includes space-efficient copies if configured so.	N/A	Remains persistent and alters the content of the backup.
IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller IBM Storwize family with dynamic target allocation	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Reverted during unmount and does not alter the backup.
IBM XIV Storage System	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	Reverted during unmount and does not alter the backup or remains persistent and alters the content of the backup. See parameter <b>USE_WRITABLE_SNAPSHOTS</b> in XIV System DEVICE_CLASS in the Reference section.

## Target set definitions

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires target sets to be defined for SAN Volume Controller, Storwize family, and DS8000. A target set contains volumes that are allocated in the same storage subsystem, and are of the same size as the volumes that contain the data to be protected. The number of target sets determines the number of backup versions that can be kept at a time.

Define targets by using target set definition files, as follows:

- SAN Volume Controller
- Storwize family
- DS8000

Alternatively, use a naming convention for SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family only. This convention determines the name of the target for both the source volume name and the target set name as specified for the current operation.

**Tip:** There is no requirement to define target volumes, if you select SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family dynamic target allocation.

## Target set definition files:

A target set definition file contains a list of target volumes that are organized into target sets.

During the backup process, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software matches source volumes to suitable targets within a target set. To determine source target relations, associate a source name with a target name in a target set definition file. In this scenario, the relationship between the source and target is required. Backup processing fails if one of the targets is unavailable for the specified source. For details on the target selection algorithms, see “Target set and target volumes files” on page 136.

If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot attempts to mount the target set, the volumes within the target set must be assigned to a backup host. For example, the target set is mounted to create a backup to IBM Spectrum Protect. Because all target volumes within a single target are mounted to the same host, assign all target volumes within a target set to the same host. When you use multiple backup servers within your environment, use multiple target set definition files.

For SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family storage solutions, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can assign the target volumes dynamically during the mount operation. In this case, you must not assign the target volumes in advance of the mount operation.

```
>>> TARGET_SET SET_1 # IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot determines
                        a suitable target for every source
TARGET_VOLUME 40913158
TARGET_VOLUME 40A13158
TARGET_VOLUME 40B13158
<<<
>>> TARGET_SET SET_2 # For every source the target is mandated in the target set
                        # definition (source name following target name)
TARGET_VOLUME 40C13158 40613158
TARGET_VOLUME 40D13158 40713158
TARGET_VOLUME 40E13158 40813158
<<<
```

**Referring to target set definitions from the profile:** The following example is a section from an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file that shows the association between **TARGET\_SETS**, **VOLUMES\_FILE**, and *name of target set definition file* parameters.

```
>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE DS8000
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME <hostname> #
TARGET_SETS      VOLUMES_FILE
VOLUMES_FILE    name of target set definition file
FLASHCOPY_TYPE    INCR
<<<
```

If multiple DEVICE\_CLASS configuration sections are specified within the profile, each DEVICE\_CLASS section must be associated with a unique target set definition file. The target set names must be unique across all target set definition files. If all target sets within the target set definition file are assigned to the same host and associated with one DEVICE\_CLASS, they are mounted on the same host.

### Target set definitions using the naming convention:

Target set definitions can also be provided by using a naming convention on SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports using a naming convention, instead of a definition file, for target set definitions on SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family storage systems. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot determines the target volume names from the name of the target set, used for the current backup, and the name of the source volume.

Target sets are specified directly in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** configuration section of the profile for example, TARGET\_SETS 1 2 3. The names are generated from TARGET\_SETS and are sequentially numbered, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, and so on. When target sets are defined in the profile, the target set name must be unique in the entire profile. For example, you cannot have the TARGET\_SETS parameter, set to t1 for more than one device class. The following example shows multiple device classes that are named in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** configuration section of the profile:

```
>>> Device_Class SVC_01
.
.
TARGET_SETS t1 t2
.
.
<<<
>>> Device_Class SVC_02
.
.
TARGET_SETS t3 t4
.
.
<<<
>>> Device_Class SVC_03
.
.
TARGET_SETS t5 t6
.
.
<<<
```

A TARGET\_NAMING rule is also specified to determine the name of the target volume from the name of the source. For example, TARGET\_NAMING %SOURCE\_bt%TARGETSET. If the application is stored on a volume named *db\_vol*, the targets required by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot are *db\_vol\_bt1*, *db\_vol\_bt2*, and *db\_vol\_bt3*. These targets depend on the target set that is selected for the current backup.

```
>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME <hostname>
TARGET_SETS 1 2 3
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_bt%TARGETSET
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY
<<<
```

The given TARGET\_SETS or TARGET\_NAMING definition results in the following target volume names:

```
name of source volume_bt1
name of source volume_bt2
name of source volume_bt3
```

## LVM mirroring environments

The **LVM\_MIRRORING** parameter must be specified in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** configuration section with a value of YES. This example shows the configuration,

```
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRR 1
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE DS8000
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME DS8000_1
LVM_MIRRORING YES
TARGET_SETS VOLUMES_FILE
VOLUMES_FILE <name of target set definition file 1>
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRR 2
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE DS8000
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME DS8000_2
LVM_MIRRORING YES
TARGET_SETS VOLUMES_FILE
VOLUMES_FILE <name of target set definition file 2>
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
<<<
```

## Backup and clone server assignment

With IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software, you can mount backup images and clone images. Each backup image and clone image is mounted on a server. However, you cannot mount a backup image or a clone image on more than one server at one time.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot mount operation can be started by one of the following methods:

- By issuing a mount command from the command-line interface.
- By issuing a **create\_clone** or **refresh\_clone** command from the command-line interface.
- By issuing a backup command in environments where a forced mount is required during a backup operation.
- When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used with IBM Spectrum Protect and you offload backups to IBM Spectrum Protect.

The information that you enter during the installation and configuration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used to create a profile configuration file. The **DEVICE\_CLASS** section of this profile specifies the backup host name where the backup or clone images are mounted. There can be multiple **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections. The **CLIENT** section specifies the **DEVICE\_CLASS** to use for backup and offload operations. The **CLONING** section specifies the **DEVICE\_CLASS** to use for cloning operations.

FlashCopy or snapshot target volumes are mounted and assigned to selected backup or clone server. Depending on the storage system and profile configuration the following assignments occur:

### IBM XIV Storage Systems.

The assignment automatically occurs during the mount request.

### SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family

If the **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME** parameter is specified as *backup\_server\_hostname* in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section, the target volumes are mapped dynamically from the storage system to the backup and clone server.

### DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family

If the **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME** parameter is specified as



*PREASSIGNED\_VOLUMES* in the *DEVICE\_CLASS* section, the target volumes must be preassigned to a specific backup or clone server before you issue a mount command. Ensure that the target volumes of all target sets associated with a specific *DEVICE\_CLASS* are assigned to the same hosts. This setting ensures that targets associated with a single device class are mounted from the same backup or clone server.

For all IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot mount operations, there can be only one backup or clone server for each device class. If the identified servers have not mounted a backup or clone image, the mount request is propagated to those servers. The backup or clone is then mounted.

## Managing backups with the *DEVICE\_CLASS* parameter

Use the ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** parameter in the *CLIENT* section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file to select the storage device configuration for backups.

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** profile parameter can be used as a filter to determine these backup criteria:

- Partition number
- Day of week
- Time of backup
- Cloning only: Clone database name

When used in this manner, the ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** parameter provides access to a specific storage device. This device is identified by the copy services type, user name, and storage server name that is defined by the corresponding *DEVICE\_CLASS* profile section. It also provides a backup policy that is device-specific. For example, this device-specific backup policy might be defined by these factors:

- List of target sets on DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, or Storwize family
- The type of snapshot backup to be completed (for example, incremental or copy)
- The mount location of the backup
- Whether a snapshot backup should be offloaded to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

The ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** parameter is specified in the client section of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file. The settings for this parameter can be overridden with a command-line option during backup operations. Use the following command-line option:

### From the Oracle in an SAP environment interface

`-S device class` in SAP BR\*Tools configuration profile (.sap)  
util\_options parameter.

The ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** parameter cannot be specified with the **restore**, **mount**, **unmount**, and **delete** commands. You can specify the backup ID, if it is not specified the latest backup is used. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot automatically uses the ***DEVICE\_CLASS*** that was used for the selected backup at backup time.

## Examples of how to use *DEVICE\_CLASS* filters

This example creates alternating backups to each mirror. Device classes *MIRROR\_1* and *MIRROR\_2* refer to two separate storage clusters. Only those backups that are created to *MIRROR\_2* are offloaded to the IBM Spectrum Protect server:

```
>>> CLIENT
TSM_BACKUP LATEST USE_FOR MIRROR_2
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1 MIRROR_2
[...]
<<<
```

This example creates backups to MIRROR\_1 on Monday (1), Wednesday (3), and Friday (5). It creates backups to MIRROR\_2 on Sunday (0), Tuesday (2), and Thursday (4), and Saturday (6). All backups are stored on the IBM Spectrum Protect server:

```
>>> CLIENT
TSM_BACKUP LATEST
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1 USE_AT Mon Wed Fri
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_2 USE_AT Sun Tue Thu Sat
[...]
<<<
```

This example creates disk only backups during the specified period of the day. These disk only backups are considered space-efficient. A full backup is also created at midnight that is stored on the IBM Spectrum Protect server. Although the *DAYTIME* and *MIDNIGHT* device classes might have the same configuration, two different device classes are used. This setting is used even if both device classes point to the same SAN Volume Controller cluster:

```
>>> CLIENT
TSM_BACKUP LATEST USE_FOR MIDNIGHT
DEVICE_CLASS DAYTIME FROM 1:00 TO 23:59
DEVICE_CLASS MIDNIGHT FROM 0:00 TO 0:59
[...]
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS DAYTIME
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY
[...]
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIDNIGHT
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
SVC_COPY_RATE 80
[...]
<<<
```

**Note:** The time period that is specified cannot span midnight for a device class. If a device class time period is required to span midnight, you must specify two time periods for the device class. The first time period must end with a value 1 minute before midnight and the second time period must start at midnight. The following example shows how to specify a time period that spans midnight for a device class:

```
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 20:00 TO 23:59
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 00:00 TO 06:00
```

## Configuring for remote mirroring

When you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you can set the configuration parameters to create snapshots by using target volumes of remote mirroring relationships. These target volumes are used to create application consistent snapshot backups.

### Before you begin

Before you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to use target volumes that are associated with remote mirroring one of the following technologies must be deployed:

- SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family Global Mirror and Metro Mirror
- IBM XIV Storage System Synchronous Remote Mirroring and Asynchronous Remote Mirroring

### Configuring for remote mirroring on SVC

When you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you can set the configuration parameters to create snapshots by using target volumes of remote mirroring relationships. These target volumes are used to create application consistent snapshot backups.

### About this task

To configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family Global Mirror and Metro Mirror, complete the following steps:

#### Procedure

1. On the SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family system, create a partnership between the primary and secondary clusters. For example, you can run the following commands from the command-line interface:

```
ssh -i/dir/ssh-identity username@hostname or ip_primary_cluster
svctask mkpartnership -bandwidth bandwidth_in_mbps remote_cluster_name
or remote_cluster_id
```

2. Start the Global Mirror and Metro Mirror relationship by using either the graphical user interface or command-line interface. If you use the command-line interface, the following commands are provided as an example:

```
ssh -i/dir/ssh-identity username@hostname or ip_primary_cluster
svctask chpartnership -start remote_cluster_name or remote_cluster_id
```

3. Verify that the following information is true for the environment:
  - The production volumes are on the primary storage system.
  - The production volumes are in a remote mirror relationship with the remote volumes that are either in the secondary cluster, or in the same cluster.
  - All the remote mirror relationships are defined in a consistency group.
4. Run the setup script to configure a dedicated device class for the snapshot backups on the remote cluster. When you configure the new **DEVICE\_CLASS** section with the setup script, look for the following prompt:

```
Is the FlashCopy/Snapshot taken from the mirror volumes {COPYSERVICES_REMOTE}.
```

Enter *yes*. The **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME**, **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME**, and **TAKEOVER\_HOST\_NAME** parameters are also required for remote mirroring.

5. The SSH parameter **SVC\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH** specifies the path and the file name to the private SSH key file required for SAN Volume Controller. For remote

mirroring, **SVC\_REMOTE\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH** specifies the second SSH key file to be used for authentication on the remote site storage device. The key file is used to authenticate to the storage system with the user name specified for the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME** parameter. If you do not want to create a new key pair for the remote site, one key can be shared for both storage sites.

6. If you are using SAN Volume Controller with static target allocation, you must allocate target volumes. On the remote cluster of the SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family, specify the corresponding snapshot target volumes for each source. To specify the snapshot target volumes, use one of the following options:
  - Parameter **TARGET\_SETS** with **VOLUMES\_FILE**. For example:  

```
TARGET_SETS VOLUMES_FILE  
VOLUMES_FILE /<component database>/DS0/acs/volumes/STANDARD_gm.fct
```
  - Parameter **TARGET\_SETS** with **TARGET\_NAMING**. For example:  

```
TARGET_SETS dc2 dc3 dc4 dc5  
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCEx%TARGETSET
```
7. At the end of the setup script configuration process, verify the user name and password. When you see the following prompt, enter *yes*:  
Do you want to continue by specifying passwords for the defined sections?

## Configuring for remote mirroring on XIV

When you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you can set the configuration parameters to create snapshots by using target volumes of remote mirroring relationships. These target volumes are used to create application consistent snapshot backups.

### About this task

To configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with XIV Synchronous Remote Mirroring and Asynchronous Remote Mirroring, complete the following steps:

### Procedure

1. Define a coupling between peer volumes on the master and subordinate XIV systems, which creates a mirror relationship between the two.
2. Activate the XIV remote mirror couplings.
3. Define a coupling between peer consistency groups on the master and subordinate XIV systems, which creates a mirror relationship between the two.
4. Add volume mirror couplings to the consistency group couplings.
5. Run the setup script to configure a dedicated device class for the snapshot backups on the remote cluster. When you configure the new **DEVICE\_CLASS** section with the setup script, look for the following prompt:

Is the FlashCopy/Snapshot taken from the mirror volumes {COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE}.

Enter *yes*. The **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME**, **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME**, and **TAKEOVER\_HOST\_NAME** parameters are also required for remote mirroring.

### Example

The following information is provided as an example of how a team can complete asynchronous remote mirror configuration across two sites:

To configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM XIV Storage System with Asynchronous Remote Mirroring at both sites, certain ports must be open within the firewalls:

- On the production system, the production host, backup host, and primary XIV system must have ports open within the firewall.
- On the takeover system, the takeover host, backup host, and secondary XIV system must have ports open within the firewall.

For both the primary and secondary sites, the following ports must be open within the firewall:

- TCP port 3260 (iSCSI) open within firewalls for iSCSI replication
- Ports: http, https, ssh, and telnet
- TCP/IP ports: 55697, 5997, 5998, and 7778

All ports must be bidirectional.

## Setting up daemons

By default, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot daemons are started and restarted automatically. If you need to stop and start the daemon processes for any reason, you can do this as required.

### About this task

**Important:** If you want to configure the background daemons in a clustered environment, add the commands that are listed here to the High Availability (HA) startup scripts on the production system.

- `<instance directory>/acsd`
- `<instance directory>/acsgen -D`
- `<instance directory>/fcmcli -D` (optional)

The following daemons are started for the productive instance:

- The management agent, `acsd`
- The generic device agent, `acsgen -D`
- The offload agent, `fcmcli -D`, if offloaded backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server are to be started after a snapshot backup.

For each backup or clone instance, a mount agent, `acsgen -D -M`, must be started.

- `<instance directory>/acsgen -D -M -s <deviceclass>[,<deviceclass>...]`
- `<clone instance directory>/acsgen -D -M -s <clone_deviceclass>[,<clone_deviceclass>...]`

When you run the setup script in advanced mode, you can request that the daemons are not to be started automatically by the operating system. In this case, daemons must be started and set up to be restarted by other means.

### Related reference:

“Administrative commands” on page 161

## Postinstallation and post-configuration tasks

After you install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you can set up extra backup and clone servers.

Use the setup script to update the profile and configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on multiple backup servers from the production server when you install Open Secure Shell (OpenSSH) to enable backup servers for remote installation and configuration from the production server. NFS shares between the production server and backup server are not required for this type of remote installation.

Upgrades and reconfiguration must be run only from the master production server node.

If OpenSSH is not available, follow the instructions for “Setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot separately on backup or clone servers” and run the setup script. Choose **On-site Backup server configuration** as the configuration type. Before you run the setup script on a backup or clone server, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server. For details about how to stop an activated IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance, see IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot commands and scripts.

Typically, it is not necessary to run the setup script on the backup server after the initial configuration. Exceptions to this rule include:

- The use of alternative storage hardware might require a reconfiguration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the backup server.
- Changes to the scheduling policy for offloaded IBM Spectrum Protect backups might require you to configure the backup server again.
- If self-signed certificates are used, all changes to the certificates require a reconfiguration of the backup server.
- If OpenSSH is not used, you must copy the `fcmselcert.arm` file to the backup server before the setup script is run to configure the backup server again.

In these cases, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server before reconfiguring the backup server. Otherwise, you are prompted to stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production server.

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## Setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot separately on backup or clone servers

When you are configuring the production server, it is recommended that you set up a backup or clone server as required. To manage backup or clone servers from the production system with the setup script, Open Secure Shell (OpenSSH) is required. If it is not possible to set up from the production server, you must set up the backup or clone server separately. In this case, all upgrades to IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must be done separately on all servers.

### Before you begin

Ensure that you installed the product, and activated and configured the instance. Take a note of the hostname of the production server and the device classes that the backup or clone server are to use. If the default names were changed, ensure that you know the port of the IBM Spectrum Protect management agent (ACSD), and the ACS\_DIR directory name. The default ACS\_DIR directory is `<instance owner $HOME>/acs`.

Locate the following items on the production server before you proceed.

- The shared directory in the ACS\_DIR directory.
- The fcmselfcert.arm file in the instance directory. This file is needed when standard CA-signed certificates are not used for server authentication. To find out more about setting up Secure Socket Layer (SSL) and Transport Layer Security (TLS), see IBM Global Security Kit configuration

## Setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on a backup server

To set up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on a backup server separately, complete the following steps on the backup server.

### Procedure

Prepare the instance that is to be configured.

1. Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the backup server. For more information about how to install the product, see *Installing in interactive mode*.
2. Activate the instance on the backup server. For more information about how to activate an instance, see *Activating an instance*.
3. Log on to the backup system with the instance owner user ID.
4. If standard CA-signed certificates are not used for server authentication, copy the fcmselfcert.arm file of the production system to the instance directory on the backup system.

```
cd <instance directory>
```

```
scp <instance owner>@<production server>:<instance directory>/fcmselfcert.arm .
```

5. Check the backup server for the ACS\_DIR directory. Use the following command to create the directory:

```
mkdir -p <ACS_DIR>
```

6. Copy the <ACS\_DIR>/shared directory on the production system to the ACS\_DIR directory on the backup system:

```
cd <ACS_DIR>
```

```
scp -r <instance owner>@<production server>:<ACS_DIR>/shared .
```

7. From the instance directory, run the setup script.

```
cd <instance directory>
```

```
./setup_orasap.sh
```

8. Follow the prompts, ensuring to select **On-Site Backup System configuration**.
9. When you are asked for the **Hostname and port of machine running Management Agent (ACSD)**, enter the hostname of the production server, and the port of the management agent.

If the default port 57328 is used, entering the hostname is sufficient. When asked for the device classes to use for this backup system, enter the backup device classes that the server is to be used for.

## Setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on a clone server

To install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on a clone server separately, complete the following steps on the clone server.

### Procedure

Prepare the clone instance.

1. Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the clone server. For more information about how to install the product, see *Installing in interactive mode*.
2. Activate the clone instance on the clone server. For more information about how to activate an instance, see *Activating an instance*.
3. Log on to the clone system with the clone system owner ID.
4. If standard CA-signed certificates are not used for server authentication, copy the `fcmselfcert.arm` file on the production system, to the clone system in the instance directory.

```
cd <clone instance directory>
scp <instance owner>@<production server>:<instance directory>/fcmselfcert.arm .
```

5. Check the clone server for the ACS\_DIR directory. Create it with this command if it is not there,

```
mkdir -p <ACS_DIR of clone instance>
```

6. Copy the <ACS\_DIR>/shared directory on the production system to the ACS\_DIR directory of the clone instance:

```
cd <ACS_DIR of clone instance>
scp -r <instance owner>@<production server>:<ACS_DIR>/shared .
```

7. From the clone instance directory, run the setup script.

```
cd <instance directory>
./setup_orasap.sh
```

8. Follow the prompts, ensuring to select **On-Site Backup System configuration**.
9. When you are asked for the **Hostname and port of machine running Management Agent {ACSD}**, enter the hostname of the production server, and the port of the management agent.

If the default port 57328 is used, entering the hostname is sufficient. When asked for the device classes to use for this backup system, enter the backup device classes that the server is to be used for.

## Upgrading IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on a backup or clone server

Backup and clone instances must always be kept on the same IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot version and level. When you upgrade the software on the production server, you must upgrade the corresponding backup or clone servers.

### Procedure

1. Install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. This procedure is described in *Installing in interactive mode*.
2. Activate the backup or clone instance. This procedure is described in *Activating an instance*.



## What to do next

Typically, it is not necessary to run the setup script on a backup or clone server after the initial configuration. Some exceptions to this rule require a reconfiguration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. These exceptions are as follows.

- If any changes were made to the production server or to the port of the management agent, a reconfiguration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the backup server is required.
- If any changes were made to the device classes.
- If self-signed certificates are used and were changed. All changes to the certificates require a reconfiguration of the backup server. To do this reconfiguration, you must copy the `fcmselcert.arm` file from the production server before you run the setup script.

In all cases, you must copy the `<ACS_DIR>/shared` directory from the production server to the backup or clone server that is being configured.

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## Upgrading

To upgrade to a newer version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you must install that newer version. The updates are effective for instances only after you activate them with the new version of the product.

### About this task

When you are upgrading an instance, make sure to update its backup and clone systems.

### Procedure

1. Install the new version of the product as described here, “Installing IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in interactive mode” on page 33
2. After the product is installed successfully, the application-specific instances must be activated with the new version. “Activating an instance” on page 36
3. Run the setup script from within each activated application instance, and choose the option to modify the profile. Step through the parameters in the wizard.

This action updates the profile with new parameters and removes deprecated parameters, or renames them if required. If the backup system was not installed, activated, and configured separately, upgrade to the new version on your backup or clone system by selecting it from the wizard and choosing the option to **update IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation**. Follow the instructions to run the setup script as described here, “Running the setup script for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment” on page 37.

If the backup or clone system was installed, activated, and configured separately, follow the instructions in Setting up backup or clone servers.

4. Uninstall the older version of the product. Follow the instructions described here, “Uninstalling the software” on page 35

## Upgrading from IBM Tivoli Storage FlashCopy Manager version 3.1

The use of consistency groups is required for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The profile parameter **USE\_CONSISTENCY\_GROUPS** is no longer supported and is removed automatically from an IBM Tivoli Storage FlashCopy Manager v3.1 profile when the upgraded instance is configured.

### About this task

Use the setup script to migrate a profile that was created for IBM Tivoli Storage FlashCopy Manager V3.1 to IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

### Procedure

1. Log in to the production server with the instance owner ID, go to the instance directory, and run the setup script with the following command:  
`./setup_orasap.sh`
2. Follow the setup script instructions.

### What to do next

For each IBM Tivoli Storage FlashCopy Manager Version 3.1 profile that has the **USE\_CONSISTENCY\_GROUPS** parameter, repeat the steps to automatically remove the parameter.

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## Chapter 4. Protecting your data with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot

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### Backing up data

Create snapshot backups of your databases and applications with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. Integrated the product with IBM Spectrum Protect clients to offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

### Backing up Oracle in an SAP environment databases

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot integrates with multiple components when you back up an Oracle in an SAP environment database.

The following table summarizes the commands that are associated with backing an SAP database with Oracle.

Table 6. Summary of backup commands

Snapshot backup (disk only)	Back up to an IBM Spectrum Protect server		
	From production database (tape only)	Integrated with snapshot	From existing snapshot
brbackup -d util_vol ...	brbackup -d util_file ...	brbackup -d util_vol <sup>1</sup>	fccli -f tape_backup <sup>2, 3</sup>
<b>Note:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameter <b>TSM_BACKUP</b> must be set to one of the following options: YES, MANDATE, or LATEST, and the offload agent (tsm4acs) must be running in daemon mode on the production server.</li><li>2. The profile parameter <b>TSM_BACKUP</b> must be set to one of the following options: YES, MANDATE, or LATEST, and the offload agent must not be running in daemon mode.</li><li>3. The fccli -f tape_backup operation must be issued from the production system.</li></ol>			

For snapshot backups with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, brbackup is called with option -d util\_vol or -d util\_vol\_online.

The following parameters are used in the SAP BR\*Tool configuration files init<SID>.sap in the following scenarios.

#### backup\_type

Identifies the default type of the database backup. This parameter is used by brbackup.

#### backup\_dev\_type

Determines the backup medium that is used. The default is tape. To create a snapshot backup by using IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, this parameter must be set to util\_vol or to util\_vol\_online.

#### backup\_mode

Identifies the scope of the backup. This parameter is only used by brbackup. The default is all; however, if the parameter must be set to all and Oracle RMAN is used, an incremental offload to an IBM Spectrum Protect server backup cannot be created. When the **backup\_mode** parameter must be set to all, a backup of all data files is completed by using the backint interface.

For an incremental offload to an IBM Spectrum Protect server backup of an SAP with Oracle database by using Oracle RMAN, set the BR\*Tools option for the **backup\_mode** parameter to full.

**util\_par\_file**

Specifies the path to the profile (sent to **backint** by using the **-p** parameter). Typically this profile is the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning .utl file.

**util\_path**

Specifies the path to the **backint** executable file. If not specified, the **backint** executable file in /usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run directory is used.

**util\_options**

Specifies extra option arguments, which are appended to the **backint** call.

**util\_vol\_access**

Specifies the accessibility of snapshot backup volumes. This parameter must be set to none on the production server. When the SAP BR\*Tools are installed on the backup server, the parameter must be set to mount there.

**util\_vol\_unit**

Specifies the smallest unit that can be backed up with a snapshot or clone.

**util\_vol\_nlist**

Specifies a list of non-database files or directories that are on the database disk volume. To disable SAP BR\*Tools from checking for more files, specify `util_vol_nlist = no_check`. In addition to copying extra files on the database disk volume, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot overwrites those files during restore processing.

**Important:** For all backup scenarios with snapshot technology with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and by using certain storage systems, the snapshot backup requires available space on the target storage pool so that it can create the snapshot. If there is not enough storage space available, you can increase the capacity on the requested storage pool, or free up some items that are using existing capacity. Check the message for the exact amount of storage space that is required.

An SAP BR\*Tools brbackup operation with the option `-d util_vol` or `-d util_vol_online` is split into three phases as follows:

1. A snapshot backup of the Oracle database files as a volume backup with snapshot functionality.
2. A backup of the Oracle control files as a file backup.
3. A backup of the configuration and log files as a file backup.

**Related reference:**

“Oracle in an SAP environment BR\*Tools configuration profile (.sap)” on page 150

## Scenario 1 run a stand-alone disk-only backup

In this scenario, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot runs a stand-alone operation for a disk-only backup as IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is not installed.

In phase 1, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a disk-only snapshot backup of the database files. During phases 2 and 3, the control file, configuration files, and log files are saved to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository.

Contents of the SAP BR\*Tools profile (init<SID>.sap):

```
backup_dev_type = util_vol | util_vol_online
util_par_file = <ACS_DIR>/profile
util_path = <instance_directory>
```

In the SAP BR\*Tools profile, init<SID>.sap, the **util\_path** parameter must point to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance directory. The util\_par\_file must point to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile.

Settings of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile (<ACS\_DIR>/profile):

```
TSM_BACKUP NO
```

However, such an operation must not be run unless necessary because the Oracle control files and other files are transferred into the repository. These additional files in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository can cause performance issues that are related to back up, restore, and space availability. Even for disk-only backups, an integration with IBM Spectrum Protect or a third-party tape backup product is the preferred solution. For more information about this solution, see Scenario 2.

## Scenario 2 backing up with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning

In this scenario, IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning Data Protection for SAP is installed on both the production and the backup servers. The backup server is configured for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. This scenario demonstrates how the same backint profile (init<SID>.utl) and SAP BR\*Tools profile (.sap) can be used for a disk-only backup and a dual backup.

In phase 1, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a disk-only snapshot backup of the database files. When IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning integrates with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, the Oracle control files, configuration files, and the log files are saved to the IBM Spectrum Protect server in phases 2 and 3. This is the case for all types of backups, including the disk-only backup.

After the snapshot processing completes and a backup to the IBM Spectrum Protect server is requested (IBM Spectrum Protect only backup or dual backup), the snapshot backup is mounted on the backup server. From there, it is sent to the IBM Spectrum Protect server by using IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning.

The SAP BR\*Tools profile (.sap), is only needed on the production server. A *backint* profile, init<SID>.utl, is needed on the production and backup servers. The content of the *backint* profiles can be the same on both servers. An IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile (<ACS\_DIR>/profile) is needed on the production and backup servers. Both files are created by using the profile wizard. The following figure illustrates how the different profiles work together.

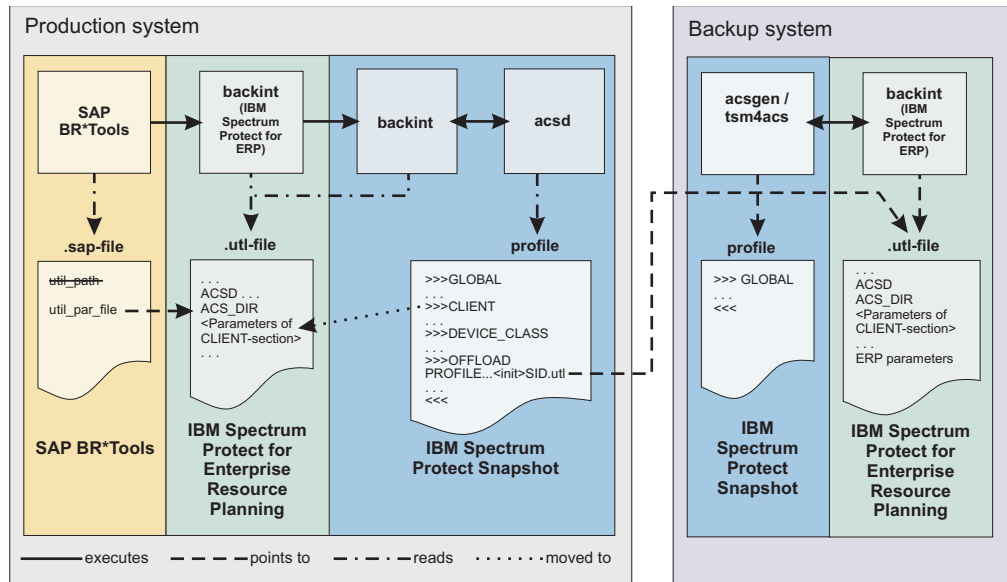


Figure 5. The backup profiles on the production and backup systems

A disk-only backup is a backup that is created by using snapshot technology with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The backup is not copied to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

An IBM Spectrum Protect only backup is a snapshot that is created for the sole purpose of creating an IBM Spectrum Protect backup from it. The snapshot is mounted on the backup server and copied to the IBM Spectrum Protect server.

A dual backup is a hybrid of a disk-only and an IBM Spectrum Protect only backup. It is a disk-only backup that is also copied to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

For all backups, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a disk-only snapshot backup of the database files in phase 1.

During phases 2 and 3, the control file, configuration files, and log files are saved to the IBM Spectrum Protect server by using IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning. Dual backups and IBM Spectrum Protect only backups are mounted on the backup system, and are sent from there to the IBM Spectrum Protect server.

In this scenario, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning are set up to create both disk-only and dual backups. At least two device classes are needed in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. One device class is called DISKONLY in the example and is used for disk-only backups. The other device class is called DUAL and is used for dual backups.

**Important:** When integrated with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile has no CLIENT section. You must add the CLIENT section parameters manually to the .utl file. After you add, the **TSM\_BACKUP** parameter to the .utl file, you must rename the parameter to **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT**. Also, after you add the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter you must rename the parameter to **MAX\_SNAPSHOT\_VERSIONS**. For a complete list of

profile parameters to add to the .utl file, see the “BACKINT configuration file” on page 143 in the configuration files section.

**Note:** Ensure that the added parameters are placed before the first SERVER statement in the .utl file.

The following two links are automatically created during the installation and configuration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and are used in this scenario:

- A link that is named *backint* in /usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run points to backint that is in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning installation directory.
- A link that is named <backint\_volume> in /usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run points to backint that is in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation directory.

```
TSM_BACKUP_FROM_SNAPSHOT NO USE_FOR DISKONLY
TSM_BACKUP_FROM_SNAPSHOT LATEST USE_FOR DUAL
DEVICE_CLASS DISKONLY USE_AT Mon Wed Fri
DEVICE_CLASS DUAL USE_AT Sun Tue Thu Sat
```

To enable both disk-only and dual backups, multiple instances of the **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** parameter are specified. These instances are connected to the appropriate device classes through the USE\_AT setting. In this example, disk-only snapshots are created on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, while dual backups are created on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

**Note:** The use of multiple device classes and **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** parameters in the SAP backint profile requires IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning 6.1.1 or later. For earlier releases of IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, control the device class by defining multiple BR\*Tools configuration profiles (.sap) in your environment.

Contents of the common SAP BR\*Tools profile (init<SID>.sap):

```
backup_dev_type = util_vol | util_vol_online
util_par_file = $ORACLE_HOME/dbs/init<SID>.utl
```

During the restore operation, the same init<SID>.sap files that are used during the original backup operation must be specified. For dual backups with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, use the init<SID>.sap file to restore both disk-only and dual backups. IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning delegates the restore of the snapshot backup to IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

### Scenario 3 use Oracle RMAN to create incremental backups of an SAP/Oracle database

IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning provides incremental backups that allow only the blocks that changed in the database to be offloaded to an IBM Spectrum Protect server backup. This method reduces the required space for the backend storage.

A full backup must exist before an incremental backup can be created. If there is no full backup, it is created automatically by RMAN when called by IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning.

RMAN incremental backups are enabled by using profile parameters in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file (.utl file).

To run an incremental level 1 backup on weekdays and a level 0 full backup on Sunday, the following parameters must be added to the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file (.utl file):

```
INCREMENTAL_LEVEL      1 USE_AT MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT
INCREMENTAL_LEVEL      0 USE_AT SUN
```

In this scenario, an Oracle recovery catalog database is required. This action must be run on the production and on the backup host. The recovery catalog database requires a password. This password can be set by entering the following command:

```
backint -p <profile> -f <catalog_password>
```

## Scenario 4 use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with a third-party backup product

This scenario demonstrates how IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and a third-party tape backup product are used in parallel to create a backup.

To run disk-only backups, the contents of the SAP BR\*Tools profile (init<SID>.sap) and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile (<ACS\_DIR>/profile) are the same as shown in Scenario 1.

The following two alternative methods can be used to run a tape backup:

1. Offload the snapshot that is managed by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to tape from a backup server with a third-party product. In this case, you must mount the snapshot to a backup server by using the **fcmlcli -f mount** command. You can offload the mounted backup to tape and unmount the snapshot by using **fcmlcli -f unmount**. In this scenario, your tape backup product must be able to do a redirected restore to the production system.
2. Complete a tape backup from the production system with a third-party product and use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to create complementary snapshot backups for faster recovery.

In this case, you can use the third-party tool configuration as-is without any changes because the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation does not replace the backint executable file. This file is in /usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run directory that is provided by the third-party vendor. For this IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration, you can proceed exactly as described in Scenario 1.

## Automate backups of Oracle in an SAP environment

A scheduled backup starts the backup operation automatically instead of manually.

An IBM Spectrum Protect schedule or crontab (UNIX or Linux) command are examples of those schedules that can be used to automatically run the snapshot disk backups on the production system. Any other suitable scheduler can also be employed.

The SAP® DBA Planning Calendar (either transaction DB13 or DBACOCKPIT) can be used to schedule backups with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot when the SAP® BR\*Tools profile (init<SID>.sap) is set up correctly.



## Oracle Data Guard standby database backup and restore

Run offline backups of Oracle Data Guard standby database as you would backup an Oracle database. The configuration, commands, and options are the same.

The Oracle Data Guard setup is composed of a primary database and one or more standby databases. Access to the primary database is read/write, while the standby databases that are always synchronized to the primary database, have read-only access. This setup is used as a high-availability setup, in which any of the standby databases can take over the role of primary database. In a failover or switchover scenario, the standby database becomes the primary database.

### **Related concepts:**

“Restore Oracle Data Guard standby or primary database” on page 73

### **Related reference:**

“Backing up Oracle in an SAP environment databases” on page 61

## Snapshot backup of individual mirrors

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports mirroring.

### **Mirroring by using the AIX logical volume manager (LVM mirroring)**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot provides LVM mirroring support for the following storage devices:

- DS8000
- IBM XIV Storage System
- Storwize family
- SAN Volume Controller

For those devices, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a snapshot backup where only one of the mirrors is copied during the backup. When LVM is used to mirror the database across sites, you can create offloaded tape backups on either site with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. In this situation, you do not have to transfer the backup image across sites. To complete this task, a backup server is required on either site where backup images can be mounted to transfer them to secondary backup media.

For DS8000, you can create at most one INCREMENTAL snapshot per source volume. However, in LVM environments, each source volume is mirrored. Therefore, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can create two INCREMENTAL snapshot backups for DS8000.

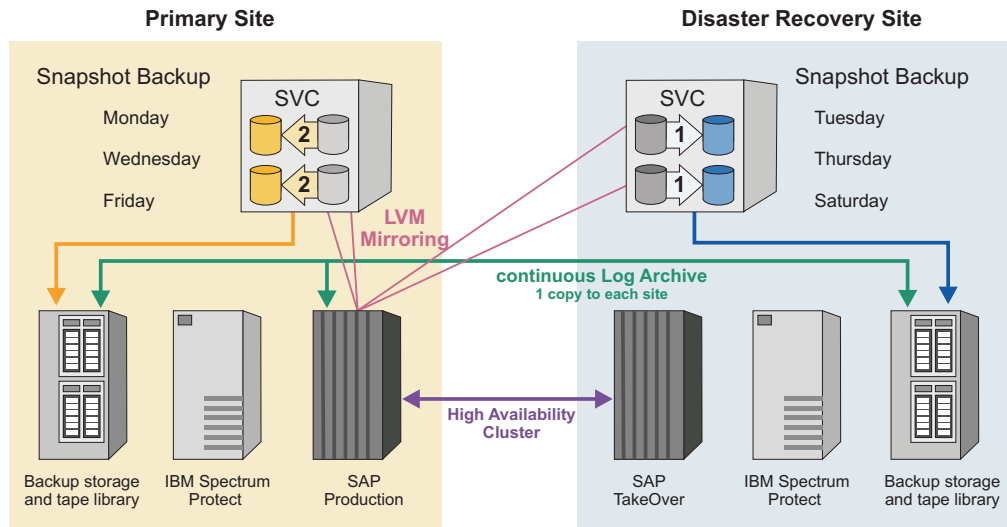


Figure 6. Cross-site mirrored SAP database that is protected with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

### AIX LVM mirroring advantages

- Only one of the two LVM mirrors are used for the snapshot. Using one mirror saves the number of needed target volumes and reduces the time that is needed for creating the snapshot.
- Avoids unnecessary performance degradation within the storage system.
- All LVM mirrors on the production system remain synchronized when the snapshot is created.
- Online or offline snapshot backups can be created in both LVM mirrored and non-LVM mirrored environments. The backup and restore procedures as provided in the applicable documentation remain unchanged.
- The snapshot backup process at no time compromises the high-availability purpose for which the mirrors were set up. It is not necessary to resynchronize the logical volumes after the snapshot backup request.
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot provides information about asymmetrical LVM mirror setups when they are encountered. The snapshot backup can fail in such environments, indicating a general deficiency of the high-availability setup.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires that the LVM mirroring sets are in different storage subsystems. For example, different SAN Volume Controller clusters. Complete mirrors must be stored on both storage clusters. If this setting is not possible, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot continues processing for those clusters where a complete image of the application can be found.

To configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for LVM mirroring, define both storage subsystems within the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. Use the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter to allow IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to select the storage subsystem. At least one backup server is required so that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can mount a snapshot backup to verify the consistency of the backup and split the LVM mirrors.

During a restore operation, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot runs all the commands that are required to prepare the LVM environment again for the second mirror. The administrator is informed by message FMM0755I in the detailed restore log file

that the volume groups are ready for synchronization. The administrator can run this operation at a more suitable time for instance after completion of the database recovery.

**Note:** The administrator must examine the log files for these messages. They do not display on the screen.

## **Support of AIX enhanced concurrent capable volume groups**

To support high-availability environments, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports enhanced concurrent capable volume groups.

## **Heterogeneous device mirroring**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not require the storage devices of different mirrors to be at the same version level.

## **Backing up data with remote mirroring**

When you back up data with remote mirroring, you can create local and remote snapshot backups.

### **About this task**

The local and remote snapshot backups can be created for Oracle in an SAP environment databases.

These steps can be applied to the following scenarios:

- SAN Volume Controller snapshot backup at the auxiliary cluster with either Metro Mirror or Global Mirror.
- XIV snapshot backup at the remote site with either Synchronous Remote Mirroring or Asynchronous Remote Mirroring.

To create local application-consistent snapshot backups with the source volumes of the system that is running remote mirroring, verify that one `DEVICE_CLASS` section is configured for the primary cluster. The production volumes are on the primary cluster. You can run the setup script to create or change `DEVICE_CLASS` sections. From the production host, start the local snapshot backup. There are no additional requirements.

To create application-consistent remote snapshot backups with the target volumes of the storage system that is running remote mirroring, complete the following steps. The first few steps do not include all details that are needed to complete the step. These steps are usually completed before you start the following procedure. The information is provided for your convenience. You can verify that you have the environment set up completely before the backup begins.

### **Procedure**

1. Verify IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed in a supported environment. You must have a database that is running on the primary cluster. The primary cluster is mirrored to a remote cluster with the storage feature for remote mirroring.
2. Use the setup script to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for remote mirroring. When you configure for remote mirroring, the following parameters are set in the `DEVICE_CLASS` section:
  - `COPYSERVICES_REMOTE YES`

- **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME** <SERVER\_NAME>
  - **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME** <USER\_NAME>
  - **TAKEOVER\_HOST\_NAME** <HOST\_NAME>
3. At the end of the setup script, the following question is displayed:  
Do you want to continue by specifying passwords for the defined sections?  
Enter *y* for yes.
  4. Verify that the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section that was created for remote mirroring during the configuration process, is selected. To verify, go to the **CLIENT** section of the profile. In the **CLIENT** section, the **DEVICE\_CLASS** that is in use is selected. When you back up data stored on Oracle in an SAP environment databases, the **DEVICE\_CLASS** is specified in the **BACKINT** configuration file that is known as the **.utl** file.
  5. From the production host, start the remote snapshot backup by typing in the following command:  

```
brbackup -p /oracle/<SID>/<dir>/init<SID>.sap -t online -d  
util_vol_online -c
```

When a snapshot backup is attempted, but the remote mirroring relationships are not synchronized, the backup fails and an error message is displayed. Before you can back up data, the mirroring relationships must be in the consistent synchronized state.

A snapshot consistency group is created in the remote cluster. The target of the mirroring relationships is the source of this new snapshot consistency group.

**Important:** Using some storage systems, the snapshot backup requires available space on the target storage pool so that it can create the snapshot. Increase the capacity on the requested storage pool, or free up items that are using existing capacity, if there is not enough space. Check the message for the exact amount of storage space that is required.

6. To verify that the backup is complete, from a command prompt window, enter the following command:  

```
fccli -f inquire_detail
```

## What to do next

When you complete the steps, you can mount and unmount the backup with the following commands:

- Mount the backup, from a command prompt window, by entering the following command: **fccli -f mount**
- Unmount the backup, from a command prompt window, by entering the following command: **fccli -f unmount**

### Related tasks:

“Updating **DEVICE\_CLASS** *device* for mirroring” on page 116

### Related reference:

“Mounting and unmounting snapshots on a secondary system” on page 173

## Logical Volume Manager support (AIX only)

You can use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in environments where volume groups are mirrored between two storage clusters by using Logical Volume Manager (LVM) mirroring on AIX.

This support is provided on IBM System Storage DS8000, IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller, IBM Storwize family, and IBM XIV Storage System. When LVM mirroring is used to mirror volume groups between two storage clusters, a snapshot backup is created such that only one mirror is being copied.

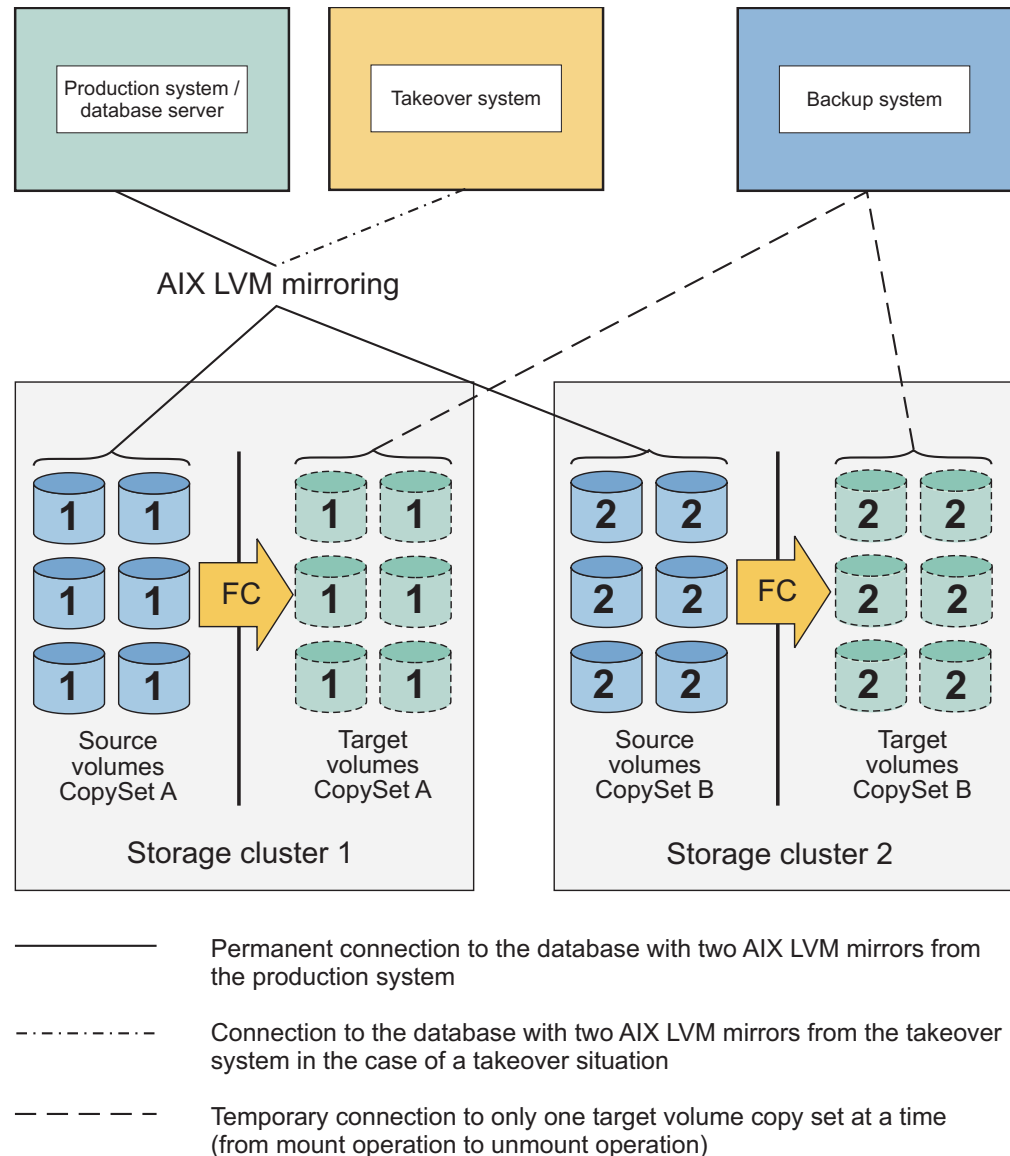


Figure 7. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in an LVM environment

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## Restoring Oracle databases in an SAP environment

Restore databases with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment by restoring from a snapshot on the storage subsystem, or restoring data from IBM Spectrum Protect. Specific command entries are used when restoring Oracle databases.

The following table summarizes the command entries according to the type of restore for Oracle:

*Table 7. Summary of Restore Commands for Native Oracle*

Snapshot Restore	Restore from IBM Spectrum Protect
acsora -f restore [-b backup_ID]	Using Data Protection for Oracle, RMAN.

This section describes how to restore your Oracle database using the snapshot restore feature.

## Restoring Oracle in an SAP environment databases

Specific command entries are used when you restore an Oracle in an SAP environment database from a snapshot or from IBM Spectrum Protect.

The SAP BR\*Tools BRRECOVER for Oracle databases is used as a database administration tool to help recover your database. BRRECOVER can be used from these interfaces:

- BRRECOVER command-line interface
- BRTOOLS with character-based menus or GUI

BRRECOVER can be used for these tasks:

- Complete database recovery
- Database point-in-time (PIT) recovery
- Tablespace PIT recovery
- Whole database reset
- Restore of individual backup files
- Restore and application of offline redo log files
- Disaster recovery

See the SAP BR\*Tools documentation for information about restore and recovery strategies.

The following table summarizes the command entries according to the type of restore:

*Table 8. Summary of Restore Commands for Oracle in an SAP environment*

Snapshot Restore	Restore from IBM Spectrum Protect
brrestore -d util_vol .....	brrestore -d util_file
brrecover	brrecover

## Restore Oracle Data Guard standby or primary database

When you are restoring an Oracle Data Guard database, there are two scenarios to choose from that depend on if a failover or switchover between the primary and the standby database took place. After a switchover or failover, when the standby database is changed to the primary database, the value of the **DATABASE\_CONTROL\_FILE\_RESTORE** allows you to choose from two recovery settings.

In the first scenario, the standby database remains in the standby database role. When that standby database is restored it results in a standby database with the point in time of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup. The synchronization with the Oracle Data Guard primary database can be restarted. In order for the synchronization to succeed, all the required archive logs must be available on the primary database.

In the second scenario, if the standby database was changed to the primary database, choose one of the following settings:

- **DATABASE\_CONTROL\_FILE\_RESTORE** parameter set to NO. A database recovery is required after the restore operation. In this case, the archived logs are required. This action results in an Oracle Data Guard primary database recovered to a specified point in time.
- **DATABASE\_CONTROL\_FILE\_RESTORE** parameter set to YES. A database recovery is not possible after the restore operation. The result of the restore operation is an Oracle Data Guard standby database with the point in time of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup.

### Related concepts:

“Oracle Data Guard standby database backup and restore” on page 67

### Related reference:

“Restoring Oracle databases in an SAP environment” on page 72

## Restoring data with remote mirroring

Restore data on a remote site with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

### Before you begin

The restore operations for the remote site must meet the following environment conditions:

- Data is successfully backed up and the backup copy of data is accessible on the remote site.
- A takeover host is running with the same operating system level as the production host.
- The takeover host is configured on the remote side.
- The database instance is created on the takeover host.
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software is installed on the takeover host. The software level on the production host and on the takeover host are the same.

**Note:** Never edit the existing **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameters in the profile. For takeover operations, always add new **DEVICE\_CLASSES** for the new local and new remote sites.

## Restoring data in an Oracle in an SAP environment environment

### About this task

The takeover operation is complete, and the reversal of roles and remote relationships are already in place. If not already included in the takeover operation, stop the acsd daemon on the primary production host, and transfer all the repository files from the primary production host to the takeover host. The repository files are in the directory defined by the parameter **ACS\_REPOSITORY** in the ACSD section of the profile.

**Note:** The snapshot restore operation requires sufficient available space on the target storage pool so that it can restore the necessary volume. Increase the capacity on the requested storage pool or free up some items that are using existing capacity in cases where there is insufficient space.

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot snapshot local repository and the SAP backup directory, `/oracle/<SID>/sapbackup`, are restored to the takeover host at a point in time after the remote backup. When you are restoring data in a maintenance scenario, not a disaster recovery scenario, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository and the SAP backup repository can be shared by NFS. Complete the following steps:

### Procedure

1. Update the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration parameters with the setup script wizard. Specifically, set the **ACSD** parameter to use the acsd on the takeover host in the GLOBAL section. Do not use the acsd of the production host.
2. In the `init<SID>.uti` file, set the **ACSD** parameter to use the acsd on the takeover host. Do not use the acsd of the production host.
3. Start the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot acsd daemon on the takeover host.
4. From the backups that are displayed, select the remote backup to use for the restore. The backups are displayed when you enter the query command on the takeover host. For example, **fcmlcli -f inquire\_detail**
5. Start the restore by entering the following command:  

```
BR_NSC=1 brrestore -m full -p <dir>/init<SID>.sap -b <sap backup log id>
-d util_vol -r <dir>/init<SID>.uti
```

### Results

The remote mirroring relationships are stopped. The volume groups with the file systems that contain the table spaces are restored from the FlashCopy targets to the remote mirroring targets. The file systems that contain the table spaces are mounted.

You must restart the remote relationships before taking another snapshot of remote mirroring targets. For IBM XIV Storage System, the remote relationships are removed. You must re-create the remote relationships before taking another snapshot of remote mirroring targets.



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## Cloning databases

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the FlashCopy or snapshot function of the storage solutions for database cloning. This method eliminates downtime and minimizes the impact on the production database.

For FlashCopy backup, the physical volume identification numbers (PVIDs) are not changed. For FlashCopy cloning, the PVIDs of the FlashCopy target disks are automatically changed by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software. You can have several cloned databases of one source database that are running on one host. Each clone target requires a unique database name.

With IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, a cloning process can be started with an online or offline source database. For online IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cloning, the source database is suspended for a short time. The suspension occurs when the storage system creates its FlashCopy or snapshot of the source database.

The cloned database (target database) can have the same database name as the source database. The cloned database can also be renamed to any valid database name during the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cloning process. Each clone target requires a unique database name. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires the cloned database to be created on a different database server than the source database server regardless of whether the clone database name is changed.

### Archiving logs on cloned databases

Note: Do not run any queries or operations on the Oracle database and ASM instance on the clone system while IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot clone operations are running.

When the source database cloned is in ARCHIVELOG mode, the resulting cloned database will not be configured as ARCHIVELOG but as NOARCHIVELOG mode. If you want to archive redo logs on the cloned database you must configure the database to enable archive logging, and specify a valid path to store the logs.

### Cloning and IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller

When you clone databases and use IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller, the space-efficient disks can be used as a target for FlashCopy cloning operations. However, when you use SAN Volume Controller space-efficient disks as a target for FlashCopy cloning, there are restrictions on the FlashCopy backups. You can complete cloning operations from the cloning source volumes. If you want to complete FlashCopy backup and FlashCopy cloning from the same source disks, use full target disks.

To use SAN Volume Controller space-efficient disks, in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** that is used for cloning operations, set the **ALLOW\_NOCOPY\_FLASHCOPY** parameter to YES.

## Cloning databases with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot

Create a database clone with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot using the `fcmlcli -f create_clone` command or the `fcmlcli -f refresh_clone` command.

When you enter one of the commands to create or refresh a clone, the following processing occurs:

1. The selected preprocessing scripts are run, including stopping the clone database. This step only occurs when using the `refresh_clone` command with the `-X pre-processing_configuration_file` option.
2. The FlashCopy clone is unmounted on the clone system. This step occurs only when using `refresh_clone` function.
3. A new FlashCopy clone is created, including the suspension and resumption of the source database, and mounted on the clone system.
4. The cloned database is recovered.
5. The cloned database is renamed to the target database name.
6. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot starts the cloned database.
7. The selected postprocessing scripts are run to clean up the clone database. This step occurs only when the `-Y post-processing_configuration_file` option is used.

## Cloning an Oracle Data Guard standby database

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can clone an Oracle Data Guard standby database.

To clone an Oracle Data Guard standby database, on the Oracle Data Guard standby server complete the following steps:

- Shut down the Oracle Data Guard standby instance.
- Log on to the Oracle Data Guard standby server and use the Oracle instance user ID.
- To create a clone, enter the following command:

```
./fcmlcli -f create_clone -C CLONE_ORACLE_SID -u CLONE_ORACLE_USER
```

This clone is a stand-alone Oracle database that can be opened in read and write mode. You can use the cloning command optional function `-X preprocessing-configuration-filename` and `-Y postprocessing-configuration-filename` to run preprocessing and postprocessing scripts on the cloned target system. You can use shell or sql scripts.

**Tip:** If the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameter **OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** is set to YES, the `initDBSID.ora` file is copied from the Oracle Data Guard standby server to the clone target system. This file contains Data Guard configuration information that is not required by the clone instance and can cause problems. Therefore, create a customized `initDBSID.ora` file for the Oracle clone instance and set the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot **OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** profile parameter to NO. You can copy the `initDBSID.ora` file and remove any specific Data Guard configuration information.

Typically Oracle temporary tablespace files are not present in the Data Guard standby server. If the temporary tablespace files are on the same file systems as the Oracle data files, no additional configuration is required by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. If the temporary tablespace files are on a dedicated file system or volume group, use the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** parameter in the cloning section of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile to include these files. Use the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST**

parameter to specify a fully qualified directory name and file name. This file contains the mount points where the Oracle temporary files are located. Use a separate line for each mount point. Then, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot includes the mount points and the corresponding volume groups in the FlashCopy cloning operation.

## Database cloning preprocessing and postprocessing

Repetitive processing steps that occur before and after database cloning can be automated by scripts.

The required functions in the automated scripts depend on the cloning environment. Because all possible environments cannot be covered by one package, preprocessing and postprocessing must be considered outside the scope of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cloning.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot provides a framework in which you can run shell scripts and component scripts on the clone system. Run the shell scripts before a clone database is unmounted and after a new clone database is created. Then, you can fully automate the cloning process.

## Configuration files used for cloning

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses preprocessing and postprocessing configuration files during cloning operations. The functions that are provided by the processing scripts depend on the cloning environment where they are issued.

All processing configuration files and the scripts that are defined in the configuration files must meet the following requirements:

- Files and scripts are stored on the clone system.
- Files and scripts have permissions for read and write access for the clone database instance owner. The preprocessing and postprocessing scripts have permissions for read and write access for the user who updates and runs the scripts. If the scripts are run by any user registered on the system, the scripts are owned by the root user. The root user has permission to read and write for the User, Group, and World user groups.
- Files and scripts have permission for read access for the production database instance owner.

**Attention:** If a write access level for the World user group is given, there is a security risk.

An example of a preprocessing configuration file for Oracle is: `/oracle/P01/acs/preprocessing.ini`. When adding processing configuration files, place each script on a separate line as shown in the following example:

```
/oracle/P01/acs/scripts/PreProcessing_stopsap.sh
/oracle/P01/acs/scripts/PreProcessing_stopdb.sh
```

Both processing configuration files support embedded user comments. A comment line in the configuration file is denoted by the number sign character: `#`. The scripts are specified with fully qualified file names. Each line of the processing configuration file represents one processing script. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot Offload Agent, `tsm4acs`, uses these arguments and their values when calling the scripts:

**DBNAME\_PROD**

The database name on the production system.

**DBNAME\_CLONE**

The database name on the cloning system.

**DBHOST\_PROD**

The host name of the production system.

**DBHOST\_CLONE**

The host name of the cloning system.

**CLONE\_TIMESTAMP**

The timestamp when the clone was created. This entry is also the time when the production database is suspended and the FlashCopy operation begins. The timestamp format is YYYYMMDDhhmmss. During preprocessing, the timestamp identifies when the previous FlashCopy clone is created. During postprocessing, the timestamp identifies when the current FlashCopy clone was created.

**SCHEMA**

The database schema of the production database as specified by the profile parameter **DATABASE\_SCHEMA**. Depending on SAP® Kernel release, this schema is SAPR3 or SAPDBName.

You can use the following processing scripts:

- SQL scripts with the extension .sql.
- Shell scripts with the extension .sh. Shell scripts can be started by a database user who is different from the clone database user. For example, when installing the SAP license for the cloned SAP system, start the postprocessing shell script as the SAP administration user *sidadm*:

```
scripts/PostProcessing_saplicense.sh:c01adm
```

By adding :c01adm to the script file name, the script runs as user c01adm instead of user orac01. This addition requires that the owner of the script be the same as the user who is the intended operator of the script. In this example, c01adm is the owner of the script. There is one exception. If a preprocessing or postprocessing script is owned by the root user, the script can be run by any user registered on the system.

The processing scripts that are defined in the processing configuration files run sequentially. The return code of each script is validated. The following values are used:

- RC=0** Processing ends successfully. If this script is the last script to be run, continue cloning. If this script is not the last script, continue with the next script.
- RC=1** Processing ends successfully with warning. If this script is the last script to be run, continue cloning. If this script is not the last script, continue with the next script.
- RC=2** Processing ends with an error. Cloning immediately stops. No additional scripts run.

The return code for each script is written to the cloning log files. The output is written to dedicated log files with the following file names:

```
clone_preproc.<timestamp>
clone_postproc.<timestamp>
```

## Cloning processing example

An example of a cloning configuration file, showing the production database named P01, and the clone database named C01.

```
./fcmcli -f preproc_clone -u oraclec01 -C C01 -X /oracle/C01/acs/preprocessing.ini
./fcmcli -f postproc_clone -u oraclec01 -C C01 -Y /oracle/C01/acs/postprocessing.ini
```

If a processing script needs extra command-line options, add these options to each line of the configuration file. In this example, the additional command-line argument LC01 is added to the script entry in the configuration file:

```
/oracle/C01/acs/scripts/PostProcessing_startListener.sh LC01
```

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot command-line interface issues a call to the processing script with the six default arguments. After these arguments are provided, extra command-line options are sent. In this example, the additional command-line argument LC01 is passed to the PostProcessing\_startListener.sh script as the seventh argument:

```
#!/bin/ksh
# FOLLOWING ACTIONS ARE PERFORMED -----
# start the Oracle Listener

DBNAME_PROD=$1
DBNAME_CLONE=$2
DBHOST_PROD=$3
DBHOST_CLONE=$4
CLONE_TIMESTAMP=$5

# ${SCHEMA} is schema owner (for SAP Kernel > 6.10, for userid other than SAPR3)
SCHEMA=$6
SCHEMA=$(echo ${SCHEMA} | tr [a-z] [A-Z])

# ${LISTENER} is the name of the listener to be started (taken from listener.ora)
LISTENER=$7

lsnrctl start ${LISTENER}
```

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## Usability states of snapshot backup operations

To view the usability states of a snapshot backup, use the **-f inquire\_detail** command option with the **fcmcli** command.

Table 9. Usability states

Usability state value	Meaning
REMOTELY_MOUNTABLE	Backup data can be mounted from a remote system.
REPETITIVELY_RESTORABLE	Backup data can be restored. The image can be used multiple times.
DESTRUCTIVELY_RESTORABLE	Data can be restored. After the restore, other backups and possibly the backup to be restored can potentially be deleted.
SWAP_RESTORABLE	Restore is possible by using the backup volumes directly rather than copying the data back to the source volumes.

Table 9. Usability states (continued)

Usability state value	Meaning
<b>PHYSICAL_PROTECTION</b>	The snapshot ensures protection from physical failures on the source volumes, there is no longer a dependency on the source volumes. This state does not necessarily mean that a <b>FULL_COPY</b> must be created with each snapshot. For example, block-level continuous data protection (CDP) mechanisms typically replicate the data only once, and then record changes only.
<b>FULL_COPY</b>	A full copy of the data was generated.
<b>INCOMPLETE</b>	A portion of the data that was backed up is deleted and can no longer be restored. This situation can happen, for example, after a partial restore of an old backup that is only <b>DESTRUCTIVELY_RESTORABLE</b> .
<b>MOUNTING</b>	A mount operation was requested on the backup server.
<b>MOUNTED</b>	This backup is mounted on a backup server.
<b>DELETING</b>	Indicates that a backup is marked for deletion. The deletion was requested.
<b>DELETED</b>	Indicates that the backup was deleted.
<b>BACKGROUND_MONITOR_PENDING</b>	Indicates that a required background copy process is not yet active or not yet finished. The device agent checks for backups with this state and monitors the associated volumes until the background copy is finished. After completion of the background copy, the usability state is changed to <b>FULL_COPY</b> .
<b>TAPE_BACKUP_PENDING</b>	Indicates that a requested backup to an IBM Spectrum Protect server is not yet started or is not yet finished successfully. The offload agent checks for backups with this state, and runs the requested tape backup. After the tape backup finishes successfully, this state is reset. If the tape backup stops with an error, the <b>TAPE_BACKUP_PENDING</b> state remains set, <b>TAPE_BACKUP_IN_PROGRESS</b> is reset, and a <i>retry</i> counter is incremented.
<b>TAPE_BACKUP_IN_PROGRESS</b>	Indicates that the requested tape backup was started by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload agent. If the backup fails, this state is reset.
<b>TAPE_BACKUP_COMPLETE</b>	Indicates that the requested tape backup is finished by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload agent.
<b>TAPE_BACKUP_FAILED</b>	Indicates that the tape backup of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload agent was not successful. The operation will not be retried.
<b>CLONE_DATABASE</b>	Indicates that an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cloning operation was started.

Table 9. Usability states (continued)

Usability state value	Meaning
<b>RESTORING</b>	Indicates that an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore operation was started.

## Usability state diagrams

The following usability state diagrams show the state changes during different operations. The green arrows are used for actions that you can start. The blue arrows are used for actions that are done automatically by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. The black arrows indicate IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations that you can use to change usability states.

### Snapshot backup

The first state diagram shows the usability state changes during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup operation. Depending on the storage system that is used some states differ.

For example, on XIV, the snapshot backup is immediately restorable and the restore can be repeated multiple times. After successfully processing on DS8000, and SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family devices, the **BACKGROUND\_MONITOR\_PENDING** usability state is changed to **FULL\_COPY** and **PHYSICAL\_PROTECTION** by a monitoring daemon (**acsgen -D**) when a COPY snapshot backup was requested.

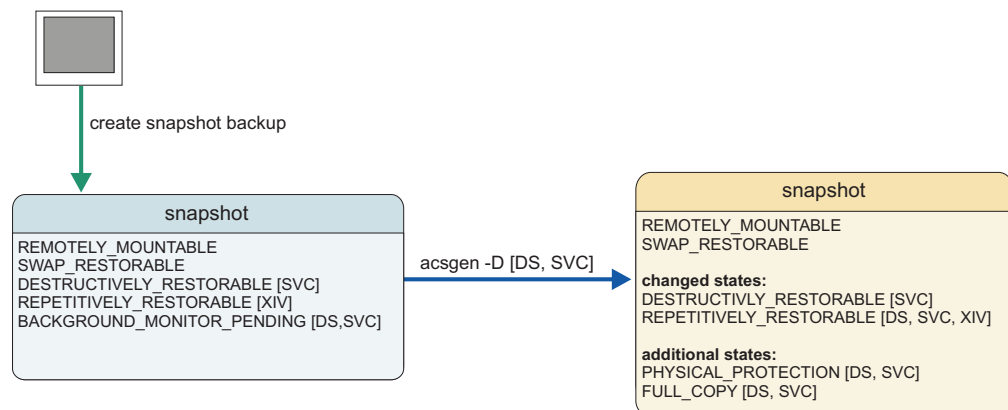


Figure 8. Usability States during snapshot backup

### Snapshot restore

The second state diagram shows the usability state changes during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore operation. On the DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller storage systems, the usability states change during a snapshot restore operation.

For DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller systems, the **BACKGROUND\_MONITOR\_PENDING** state is turned on in a **RESTORING** state. The background monitor daemon (**acsgen -D**) resets both states when the copy process in the storage system finishes.

For XIV there is no usability state change during restore processing.

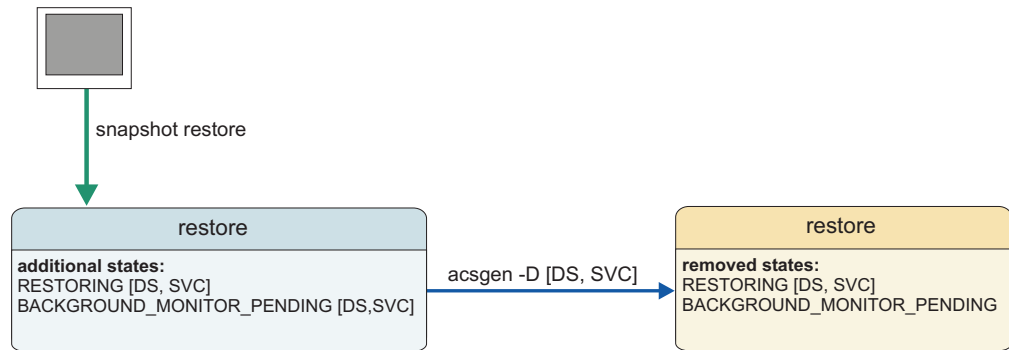


Figure 9. Usability states during snapshot restore

## Snapshot delete

The next state diagram shows the usability state changes during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot delete operation. There are two types of delete operations: delete and delete with force option. For both types, the snapshot backup is set to the **DELETING** state. After processing completes, the background monitor daemon (**acsgen -D**), switches the states to **DELETED**.

Snapshots on XIV systems are deleted, and the snapshot backup is removed from the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository by the background monitor daemon.

On the DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller storage systems, the snapshot relations are not deleted by the background monitor operation unless the delete force option was used on the delete command. For these systems, the snapshot backup is not deleted from the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. Instead, the FlashCopy relations of a deleted snapshot backup can be reused when a new backup is created.

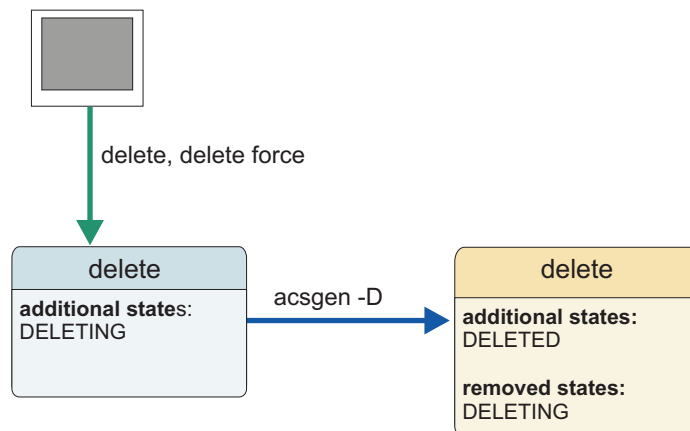


Figure 10. Usability states during snapshot delete

## Snapshot mount

The next state diagram shows the usability state changes during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot mount operation. You can start a snapshot mount operation by using the mount function of the command-line interface or start it automatically during the creation of a snapshot backup. In the latter case, it is named a forced



mount operation. In either case, the mount operation first changes the state to **MOUNTING**. If the mount operation finishes successfully, the state changes from **MOUNTING** to **MOUNTED**. If the mount operation fails, the state stays **MOUNTING**. The only operation that is allowed to remove a **MOUNTING** or **MOUNTED** state is a successful IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot unmount operation. If the unmount operation finishes successfully, the **MOUNTING** or **MOUNTED** state is removed. If the unmount operation fails, the state remains as **MOUNTING** or **MOUNTED**. An unmount force operation is not needed for unmounting unless an offloaded tape backup is in progress.

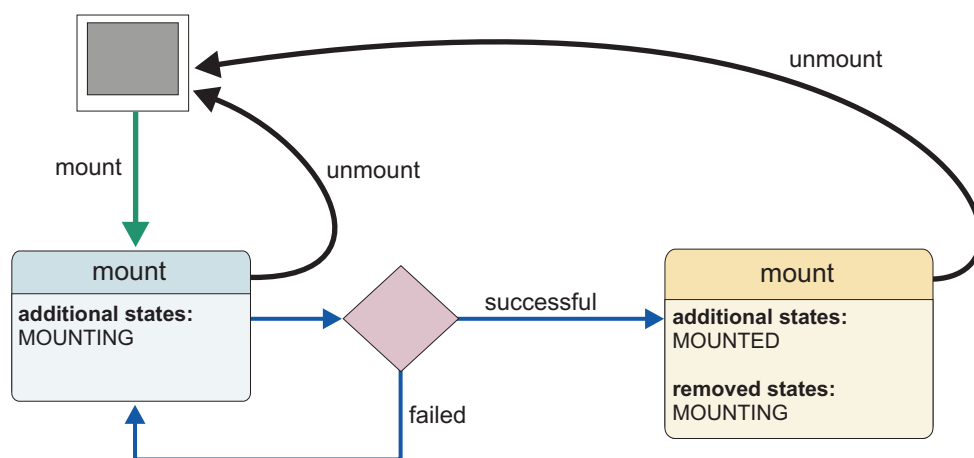


Figure 11. Usability states during snapshot mount

## Snapshot offload

The last state diagram shows the usability state change during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload operation. You can start a snapshot offload operation with the **tape\_backup** function of the command-line interface. Alternatively, run it automatically with the offload agent that is running in the background (**fcmc1i -D**). If the snapshot backup is not already mounted successfully, a mount operation is started automatically. The mount operation changes the state first to **MOUNTING** and then to **MOUNTED**. After that or in case that the snapshot backup was already mounted, the offload operation adds the state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** and runs the offloaded tape backup. If this operation is successful, the state switches from **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** to **TAPE\_BACKUP\_COMPLETE**. Otherwise, the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** state switches to a **TAPE\_BACKUP\_FAILED** state and the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** state persists. In either case, the automatic unmount operation is started and the **MOUNTED** state is removed when the operation completes successfully. If the mount operation fails, or the tape backup operation stops then the **MOUNTED** or **MOUNTING** state remains. The only operation that can remove these states is a successful IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot unmount operation. If the unmount operation finishes successfully, the **MOUNTED** or **MOUNTING** state is removed. If the unmount operation fails, the states are not removed. An unmount force operation is only needed for unmounting when an offloaded tape backup is in progress (**TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** is still set). The unmount force operation resets the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** state when it successfully completes the unmount operation.

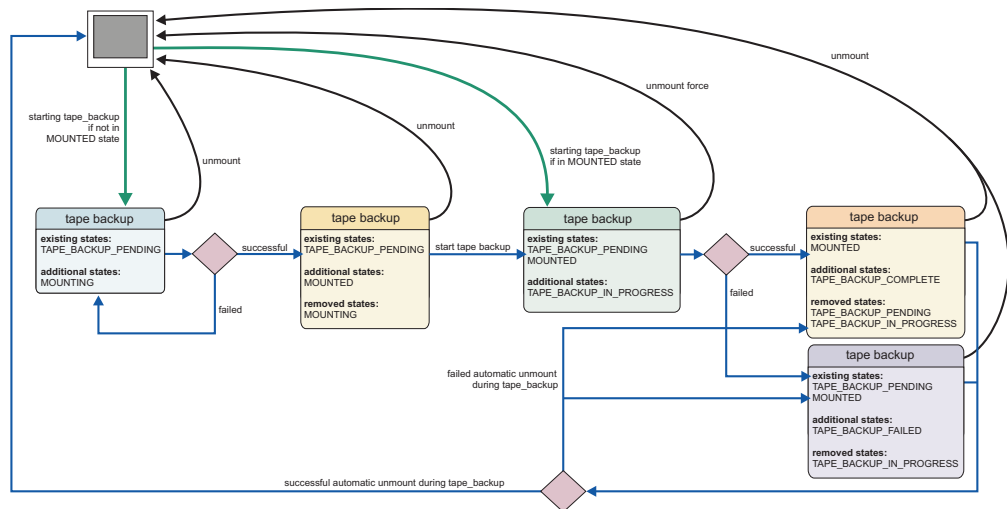


Figure 12. Usability states during snapshot offload

The usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** can be removed by using the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot function **fcmlcli -f update\_status** with the option **-S TSM\_BACKUP=NO**. This state is also removed by starting a new snapshot backup with the option **TSM\_BACKUP[\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT] LATEST**. This option automatically removes the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** from all snapshot backups that exist in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository.

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## Chapter 5. Troubleshooting

There are multiple resources for support.

The following list identifies the various ways that you can find information online:

- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot wiki on the developerWorks® site.
- Service Management Connect
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot product support. Enter the search term, such as an authorized program analysis report (APAR) number, release level, or operating system to narrow the search criteria for your support need.

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### General troubleshooting procedure

This procedure is valid for all IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot applications.

The starting point for problem determination is the summary log file located in the <ACS\_DIR>/logs directory. The summary log file name is summary.<timestamp>.log where <timestamp> is an entry that represents the four-digit year, month, and day (for example, summary.20090817.log). A new log file is created each day. This file contains a list of all operations and the most important messages. Each line begins with one of these prefixes to indicate the type of operation:

*Table 10. Message prefixes used in the summary log file*

Prefix	Operation
GEN	Generic message
DB	Database backup or restore; inquire or delete of FlashCopy backups
MON	Monitoring of the background copy that is performed by the storage device
TSM	Off-loaded backup to IBM Spectrum Protect
MNT	Mount and unmount services
CLO	FlashCopy cloning operations

The summary log file only contains the information about operations that were performed and whether they completed successfully. Error messages are also logged when they occur. A dedicated log file is created for each operation in the <ACS\_DIR>/logs/details. These files should be checked for detailed information when an error occurs.

This summary log file example shows a FlashCopy backup of a database. Messages with the DB prefix are issued by the database client. This is the application that requests the backup operation.

```
GEN 00:10:00 (70a)
=====
New backup operation started for database instance db2h51, database H51.

=====
DB 00:10:00 (70a) FMM1510I New connection received.
DB 00:10:00 (70a) FMM1513I *****> Database client connected: db2s95, database S95,
partition NODE0000
DB 00:10:00 (70a) FMM1574I Backup for db2s95.S95.DEVICE_CLASS:STANDARD.NODE0000 is
created using DEVICE_CLASS
DEVICE_CLASS:STANDARD.
```

```

DB 00:10:01 (80c) FMM1510I New connection received.
DB 00:10:01 (80c) FMM1514I *****> Device client connected.
DB 00:10:01 (80c) FMM6219I Backup to TSM: NO
DB 00:10:01 (80c) FMM1582I The target set 1 will be used for the current backup.
DB 00:10:44 (70a) FMM1014I Operation backup completed successful.
GEN 00:12:28 (70e)
=====

```

## Logging and tracing files

Log and trace files are updated during IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations.

Log and trace files are written to during backup and restore processing by these products:

- Oracle
- IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot
- Storage system
- CIM
- IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning
- Operating system

The following figure illustrates a sample sequence for examining log and trace files when troubleshooting SAP with Oracle IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

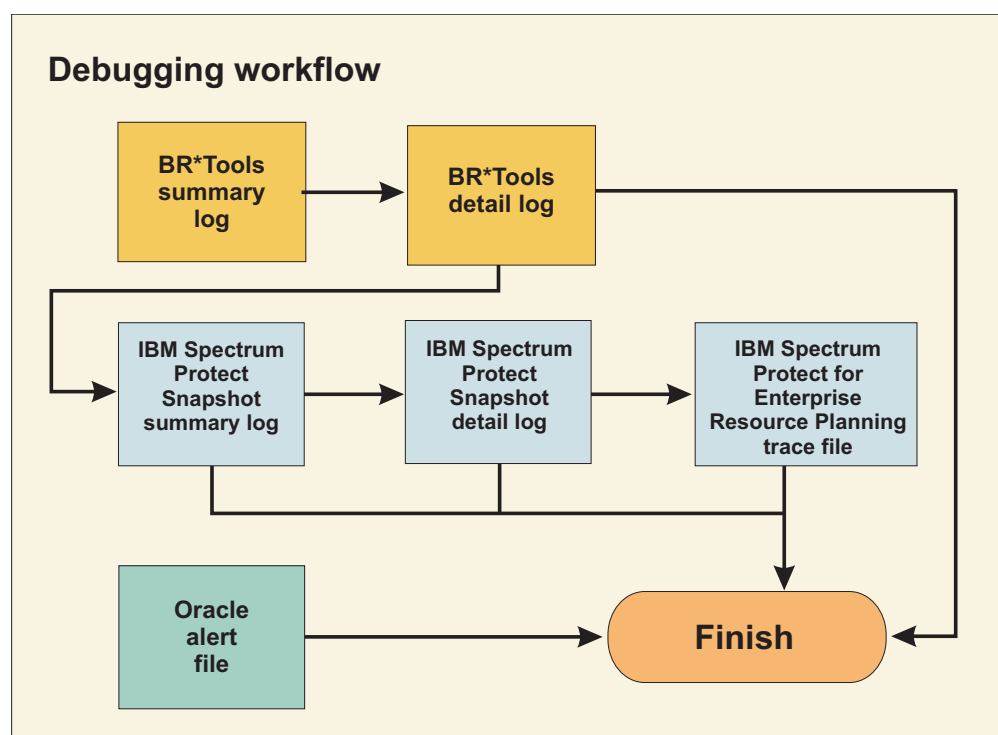


Figure 13. Debugging workflow for SAP with Oracle IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot

The following figure illustrates a sample sequence for examining log and trace files when troubleshooting SAP with Oracle IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect.

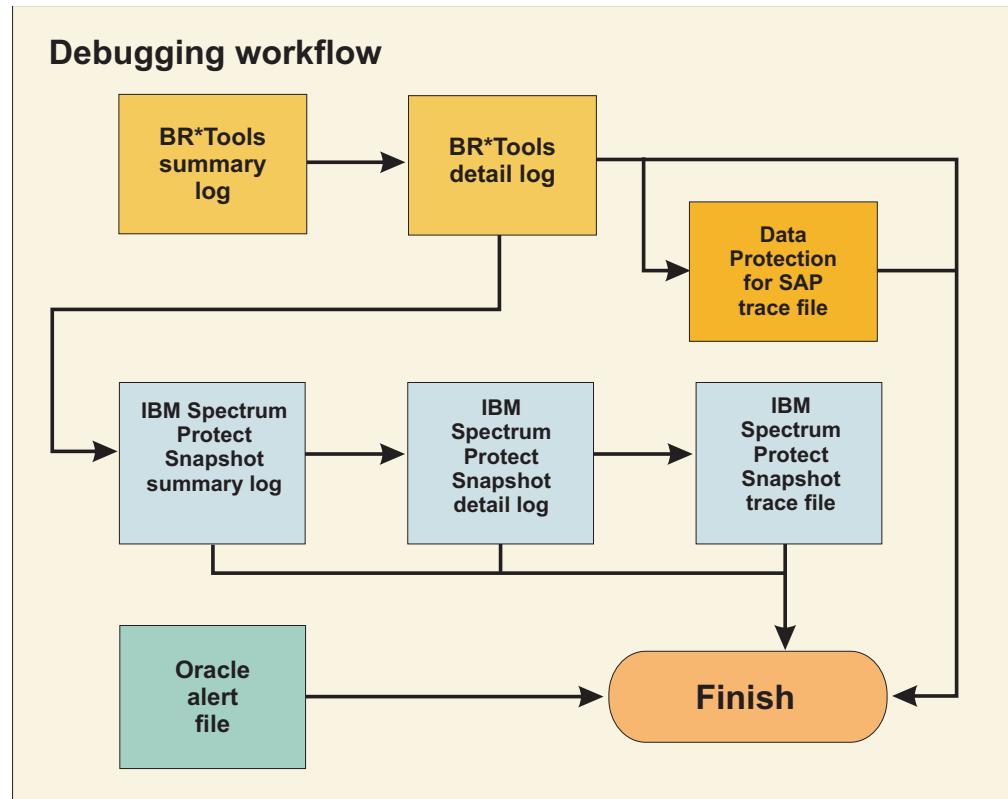


Figure 14. Debugging workflow for SAP with Oracle IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect

## Log files and trace files

Refer to these examples of the log and trace files that are maintained by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot document each operation in log files. In addition, trace files can be requested with the TRACE parameter in the profile. Do not activate tracing unless requested by IBM Support. If TRACE is set to YES, each IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot component creates an extra trace file in the log directory.

**Tip:** Ensure to look for, and manage the amount of free space of the file system that contains the ACS\_DIR/logs directory.

The following tables list the log and trace files that are maintained by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. These files are in ACS\_DIR/logs.

Table 11. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot log files

Purpose	File
Overview of operations and their result.	summary.timestamp.log
Overview about the monitoring of the background copy that is done by the storage device.	monitor.timestamp.log
Detailed log of a particular operation.	details/function.longtimestamp

Table 11. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot log files (continued)

Purpose	File
<b>Note:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>timestamp</i> is the date (yyyymmdd)</li> <li><i>longtimestamp</i> is the date and time (yyyymmddHHMMSS)</li> <li><i>function</i> is a value of backup, restore, inquire, delete, mount, unmount, tsm, or clone</li> </ul> <p>The summary log file is always used as an entry point. All major events, such as the start of a new operation or errors, are recorded in this file. A new summary log file is created for every day and records all operations of one day within a single file.</p>	

Table 12. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot trace files.

Component	File
Management Agent (acsd)	acsd.id.trace
Application client (for DB2, the Snapshot Backup Library)	client.instance.db name.node.id.trace
Generic Device Agent (acsgen)	acsgen.hostname.device class.node num.id.trace acsgen.hostname.function.id.trace acsgend.hostname.id.trace
Device Agent for IBM XIV® Storage System Devices	xivadapter_id_function.trace
Device Agent for CIM Devices (DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, Storwize family)	fmcima.hostname.function.id.trace fmcima.hostname.device class.node num.id.trace
Offload Agent (tsm4acs)	tsm4acs. host.id.trace
fcmcli	fcmcli.host.id.trace
RMAN (when started by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot)	rman.SID.id.log
<b>Notes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Names ending in -d are daemon processes (started with -D option).</li> <li><i>id</i> is the date (yyyymmdd) for log files written by daemon processes, date, and process ID (yyyymmdd.xxxxxx) for trace files written by daemon processes or a timestamp (yyyymmddHHMMSS) for log and trace files for other processes.</li> <li><i>device class</i> can be a device class specified in the profile or <b>a11</b> if no command-line parameter <b>-s device class</b> was specified for the device agent. It can also be omitted for traces of the device agent.</li> <li><i>instance</i> and <i>db hostname</i> can be <i>undef</i> for query and delete requests that are started with db2acsutil.</li> <li><i>node num</i> is the DB2 partition number in the case of DB2 and SAP with DB2. It is 0 for Oracle and SAP with Oracle or it can also be omitted for Oracle and SAP with Oracle.</li> <li><i>function</i> is backup, delete, restore, mount, unmount, or reconcile.</li> </ul>	

Table 13. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot return codes.

Reason code	Explanation	User response
0	Operation is successful	None

Table 13. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot return codes (continued).

Reason code	Explanation	User response
1	Operation terminated successfully with warnings	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation was successful but warning messages were reported. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file and the therein referenced detail log files for more information.
2	Operation terminated with error	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file and the therein referenced detail log files for more information.

Table 14. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installer exit codes.

Exit Code	Explanation	User Response
0	The operation completed successfully	The installation completed successfully without any warnings or errors.
1	The operation completed successfully with warnings.	The installation completed successfully, but one or more of the actions from the installation sequence caused a warning or a non-fatal error. See the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installer log file installation.log in the installation directory for details.
-1	The operation terminated with error	One or more of the actions from the installation sequence caused a unrecoverable error. See the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installer log file installation.log in the installation directory for details.
>=1000	The operation terminated with error <b>Note:</b> There more error codes with numbers greater than or equal to 1000 which all mean that some kind of error occurred.	One or more of the actions from the installation sequence caused a unrecoverable error. See the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installer log file installation.log in the installation directory for details.

Table 15. DB2 vendor reason codes.

Reason Code	Explanation	User Response
0	The operation is successful.	None
2	Communication error with device	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed. Check the db2diag.log and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.

Table 15. DB2 vendor reason codes (continued).

Reason Code	Explanation	User Response
3	The DB2 and vendor products are incompatible	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed during initialization of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot vendor library. The DB2 API version does not match the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot vendor library version. Check the db2diag.log for details.
6	Object specified cannot be found	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because the requested object cannot be found in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. Check the db2diag.log and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
8	Invalid user ID specified	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because an invalid user ID was specified on the db2 command line. Check the db2diag.log.
9	Invalid password provided	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because an invalid password was specified on the db2 command line. Check the db2diag.log.
10	Invalid options specified	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because an invalid db2 command-line option was specified. Check the db2diag.log.
11	Initialization failed	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot vendor library cannot be initialized. Check the db2diag.log and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
14	End of data reached	Not an error condition.
18	Device error	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
19	Warning	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation is successful with warning messages. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
21	More data to come	Not an error condition.
26	Delete object fails	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot delete operation failed. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.



Table 15. DB2 vendor reason codes (continued).

Reason Code	Explanation	User Response
29	Abort request failed	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot abort request failed. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
30	Unexpected Error	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed. Check the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
31	No data has been returned	Not an error condition.
32	Object not under Backup Adapter control	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operation failed because the object specified for a restore or query is not under the control of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. It might be under control of IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, for example. Check the db2diag.log and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.
34	Another database or application is using the same storage groups	The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot snapshot backup operation failed because another database or application is using the same storage group. Check the db2diag.log and the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot summary log file for details.

## Storage system log and trace files

Storage system log and trace files are updated during IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations.

Consult the documentation for the configured storage system.

## CIM log and trace files

CIM log and trace files are updated during IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations.

For more information about log and trace files for CIM, see the CIM documentation. The DS8000 Open API, SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family master console produce log and trace output.

## IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning log and trace files

IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning log and trace files are updated during backup and restore operations.

See the section *How to find files containing message output (log files)* in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning *Installation and User's Guide* for details concerning logs and traces within IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning.

**Important:** A trace file can be requested by specifying the TRACEFILE parameter in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning profile. However, do not place this file on NFS, because this might cause network problems due to the high volume of trace entries being written.

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## Troubleshooting mirroring relationships

There are some questions that might arise when implementing IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and storage systems with mirroring technologies. The following information is provided to help you answer questions unique to your environment.

### Question

Why are some remote mirroring relationships missing?

### Answer

The target volumes that are referenced in this solution are part of the remote mirror relationship. The target volumes are used as the source for the snapshot operation.

Before you start the snapshot backup that uses the target volumes, verify that the remote mirroring relationships are established. You can verify the relationships by using either the graphical user interface or the command-line interface. For example, if using SAN Volume Controller global mirror, you can enter the following command to verify the mirroring relationship:

```
ssh -i/<dir>/ssh-identity <username>@<hostname>  
svctask mkrcrelationship -master <vdiskname local> -aux <vdiskname remote>  
-cluster <clusterid> -name <relation name> -consistgrp <consgrp name>  
-global
```

### Question

The remote mirroring relationships are not in the state consistent\_synchronized. How does the state for remote mirroring relationship get updated?

### Answer

Go to the storage solution. Synchronize the consistency groups. For more information about synchronizing consistency groups, see the documentation that is provided with the storage hardware.

### Question

(SAN Volume Controller only) One or more of the FlashCopy target volumes for the remote site are missing. Where is the FlashCopy target volume?

### Answer

Use either the graphical user interface or command-line interface to start

the Metro Mirror or Global Mirror consistency group. For example, you can enter the following command from the command-line interface:

```
ssh -i/<di>ssh-identity <username>@<hostname of the cluster> svctask  
startrcconsistgrp conist group id>
```

#### Question

(XIV only) One of the following issues exists.

- The remote mirroring is not operational.
- For XIV synchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group is not consistent synchronized.
- For XIV asynchronous mirroring, the state of the consistency group is not RPO\_OK.

How are these issues resolved?

#### Answer

Verify that the consistency groups meet the following requirements:

- Consistency groups need to be enabled and synchronized.
- The volumes that are assigned to the consistency groups need to be correctly identified and enabled.

One consistency group per database partition is needed.

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## Troubleshooting storage solutions

There are some common problems that might occur when using IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and storage solutions. These problems and the solutions are provided to help you complete problem determination activities.

#### Question

During the backup or cloning on a storage solution running a supported AIX operating system, the mount of one or more file systems fails on the auxiliary host with the following message:

```
FMM0644E Error on running command: mount: 0506-334  
/oracle/C21/mirrlog2 is not a known file system.
```

How can this error be resolved?

#### Answer

When the storage solution running a supported AIX operating system imports a volume group, use the label of the logical volume for the new mount point. Check the production system to determine the labels of the logical volumes that support backup and clone operations. The fields **mount point** and **label** should have identical values. For example:

```
# lslv lvDS1data1  
LOGICAL VOLUME: lvDS1data1 VOLUME GROUP: DS1data1vg  
...  
MOUNT POINT: /db2/DS1/db2ds1/NODE0001 LABEL: /db2/DS1/db2ds1/NODE0001
```

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## Troubleshooting connectivity problems

This information covers a problem that can occur with connectivity. The problem and the solution are provided to help you complete problem determination activities.

### When the production server and backup server are separated by a firewall, socket connections might time out

#### Question

After a successful snapshot backup operation, why is it not possible to mount or unmount this snapshot backup on a backup or clone server?

#### Answer

The socket connection failure can result from a mismatch between the firewalls connection timeout setting and the operating systems frequency of sending keep alive network packets. When a firewall or other network devices such as a router or switch exists between the production and backup server, the daemon connection can time out. A similar situation can exist between a production and clone server. To prevent connections from timing out, the management agent acsd on the production server, requests that the operating system sends out network packets. These packets keep the connection between the servers alive.

The **tcp\_keepidle** operating system parameter specifies the interval of inactivity. Depending on the operating system, this parameter might vary. After this interval of inactivity, the TCP generates a keep alive transmission for the application that requests it. This interval is measured in half seconds. For AIX operating systems, the keep alive default value for this parameter is 14400 (2 hours). This frequency is sufficient for many environments. Decrease this value when the following conditions exist:

- A firewall or other network device exists between the production and backup or clone server.
- If the device connection timeout is less than 2 hours.

For AIX operating systems, issue the following network command to reduce the **tcp\_keepidle** parameter value and send a keep alive transmission every 5 minutes:

```
no -o tcp_keepidle=600
```

This change remains in effect until you restart the production server. To permanently modify this parameter, add the command to the `/etc/rc.net` file.

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## Troubleshooting tips for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle

Resolving problems encountered when using IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires tasks specific to the native Oracle database environment.

If an error condition occurs during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot event, there are several sources of information you can view to help determine what the problem might be. Be aware of the following information:

- Make sure to increase the size of the following two Oracle options located in the `$ORACLE_HOME/dbs/init(database_name).ora` file:

```
sort_area_size = 10000000
sort_area_retained_size = 10000000
```

- When using IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to back up an Oracle database, the target database being backed up *cannot* reside on the same volume group as the file system containing \$ORACLE\_HOME. Make sure that the Oracle Server does not share a volume group with the target database.
- When performing a full offline backup of a database, the target database on the production server must be in “startup mount” state at the time **acsora** is issued. Otherwise it will not be possible to restore the resulting backup without performing recovery.

This RMAN script template will restore the database backed up offline as described in the previous paragraph. It restores control files, datafiles, and opens the database *without* any application of logs. This script must be started with the target database in a “startup mount” state:

```
run
{
  allocate channel ch1 type 'SBT_TAPE' parms
  'ENV=(TDPO_OPTFILE=<full path of tdpo.opt file>)';
  set until scn = <Ckp SCN for backup being restored>;
  restore control file to '<full path of 1st control file>';
  restore control file to '<full path of 2nd control file>';
  restore control file to '<full path of 3rd control file>';
  alter database mount;
  restore
  (database);
  sql 'alter database open RESETLOGS';
  release channel ch1;
}
```

The database will in an open state and in a new incarnation after this script completes. All that remains is to issue the **reset database** command to RMAN and back up the database again since the previous backups are now rendered unusable since the database is in a new incarnation.

The <Ckp SCN for backup being restored> value is the Checkpoint SCN listed for the backup being restored in the RMAN **list backup** command. For example, the Checkpoint SCN is 32024 in the following list:

```
List of Backup Sets
Key Recid Stamp LV Set Stamp Set Count Completion Time
-----
26081 4 469212393 0 469212319 5 06-AUG-02

List of Backup Pieces
Key Pc# Cp# Status Completion Time Piece Name
-----
26082 1 1 AVAILABLE 06-AUG-02 05dvf74v_1_1

Lis of Datafiles Included
File Name LV Type Ckp SCN Ckp Time
-----
1 /dev/rmyfilelv 0 Full 32024 06-AUG-02
2 /dev/rmyrollbklv 0 Full 32024 06-AUG-02
3 /dev/rmytemplv 0 Full 32024 06-AUG-02
4 /dev/rmyuserlv 0 Full 32024 06-AUG-02
```

Note that for an offline backup, the Checkpoint SCN should be the same for all of the datafiles.

## Guidelines for Oracle variables

When the SQL\*Plus or Oracle Net configuration files do not reside in their default location, set the **TNS\_ADMIN** environment variable.

To run offloaded backups of Oracle databases, a recovery catalog database is needed. The database must be accessible by RMAN from the production host and the backup host. On the production host, use the following command to verify if the connection can be established. Before entering the command, log on as the database instance owner.

```
rman target / catalog catalog_db_user/catalog_user_password@catalog_db_connect_string
```

On the backup host, log on as the root user and enter the following command:

```
su - oracle_instance_owner -c rman target / catalog catalog_db_user/  
catalog_user_password@catalog_db_connect_string
```

If you receive errors that say RMAN is unable to connect to the catalog database, verify the configuration of the `tnsnames.ora` on the host where the command was run. In addition, verify the listener configuration on the host where the catalog database runs. For details about the setup of the catalog database and the listener configuration, see documentation provided by Oracle.

## IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle miscellaneous errors

Certain unique errors might occur when you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for native Oracle.

If you receive the following errors:

### **IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot fails on the backup server in DBCS locales when the datafile or the path to the datafile contains a DBCS name.**

This error is an Oracle problem that was reported to the Oracle development team. The Oracle Technical Assistance Request (TAR) number for this problem is 2367962.999.

The following procedure provides a workaround until the problem is resolved by Oracle:

1. Take the table space that contains the DBCS name in its datafile or the path to its datafile offline.
2. If the DBCS name is in the datafile, rename the DBCS datafile to an English name. If the DBCS name is in the path to the datafile, move the datafile to a path with an English name.
3. Log in to the Server Manager and issue the following command:  

```
ALTER TABLESPACE <dbcs_tablespace_name> RENAME DATAFILE  
'dbcs_path/dbcs_datafile' TO 'english_path/english_datafile';
```
4. Bring the table space online.
5. Delete the DBCS datafile if necessary.

Although IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot supports table spaces that are named with DBCS, datafiles or paths to the datafiles that contain DBCS must be renamed to English before running IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

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## Internet Protocol Version 6 (IPv6) support

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for UNIX and Linux software operates in IPv4, IPv6, and mixed environments.

The network configuration determines which protocol is used by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software. The acsd service listens for IPv4 and IPv6 connection requests. Connection requests to the acsd service are made for the addresses that are returned by the system for the respective port on the local host. Connection requests to other systems are made for the addresses that are specified by the user. When TCP/IP addresses are set from a command-line interface, or when you are configuring the product, IPv6 addresses are supported. When an IP address and a port are specified in the following format:

*<IPv4 address>:<service or port>*

the format needs to be changed for IPv environments only:

*<service or port>@<IP address>*

In pure IPv4 environments, the traditional format can be used.





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## Appendix A. Configuration files

When you complete the setup script, the information you enter is used to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the following configuration files:

- Profile
- Target volumes file
- Password file
- BACKINT configuration file for SAP databases (.utl file)
- BR\*Tools

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### Profile

When you complete the setup script, the information you enter is used to create the profile. Do not edit the profile manually, run the setup script to make any amendments to the profile. Each section of the profile includes parameters and options that determine how the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backs up and restores data in your environment. The following information explains the various parameters and options.

When you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot executable commands, the profile is identified by the value that is specified for option `-p`.

The profile is divided into the following sections:

- GLOBAL
- ACSD
- CLIENT
- DEVICE\_CLASS *device*
- OFFLOAD
- ORACLE
- CLONING

In some cases, there are multiple DEVICE\_CLASS sections. Each DEVICE\_CLASS section must have a unique *device* instance name.

The profile must be available on all database nodes and on the system where the management agent, `acsd`, is running. In addition, the GLOBAL section of the profile is required on all backup and clone systems.

To overwrite IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameters for Oracle in an SAP environment, use vendor options.

**GLOBAL** The GLOBAL section contains information that is required and used by all IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot components. The components reference the information in the GLOBAL section during the startup process. Changes to the Global section require a restart of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be installed on multiple systems within a database environment. For example, when a database is distributed among multiple application hosts or when a backup server is

used to transfer snapshot backups to IBM Spectrum Protect server. When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed on multiple systems within a database environment, there is only one active management agent. The location of this management agent is specified in GLOBAL section by using the **ACSD** parameter.

Other parameters in the GLOBAL section specify the location for logging, tracing, and password files. On the backup and clone servers, the only section of profile that is referenced is GLOBAL.

**ACSD** The ACSD section contains information that is used exclusively by the management agent, acsd. The ACSD section includes the **ACS\_REPOSITORY** parameter. The **ACS\_REPOSITORY** parameter specifies the directory where the management agent stores its backup repository. This repository is the most important collection of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot data. If the repository is lost, any previously created backup cannot be restored.

**CLIENT** The CLIENT section contains all parameters that relate to back up operations, including parameters for database applications, whether an IBM Spectrum Protect backup is to be created from the snapshot, how many snapshot backup generations to retain, and which **DEVICE\_CLASS** section is used during snapshot creation. The CLIENT section is used by the snapshot backup library that is loaded to start backup or restore processing.

When you configure offloaded backups with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the information that is contained in the CLIENT section is moved to the BACKINT configuration file (.utl file). For more information about the .utl file, see “BACKINT configuration file” on page 143.

#### **DEVICE\_CLASS** *device*

The **DEVICE\_CLASS** section contains parameters that are related to the storage device. A **DEVICE\_CLASS** section describes the characteristics of a storage device that can be used to create a snapshot backup. The parameters and options that are used in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section depend on the storage solution.

Each storage solution that is used in the environment must have a **DEVICE\_CLASS** section and must have a unique *<device>* instance name. At least one **DEVICE\_CLASS** section is required for the configuration of the management agent.

The **DEVICE\_CLASS** section that is used is determined by the value of the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter in the CLIENT section of the profile for backup operation. For cloning operations, this value is determined by the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter in the CLONING section of the profile. The same **DEVICE\_CLASS** value cannot be specified in the CLIENT and CLONING sections at the same time.

During backup, the value of the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter that is used is recorded in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. The same **DEVICE\_CLASS** must be used when you are restoring the backup. Therefore, use caution when you delete or rename **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections. If the appropriate section cannot be found, then the data that is backed up cannot be restored.

For each **DEVICE\_CLASS** section, a password is required. This password is used by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to authenticate to the management interface of the storage device that is represented by the

DEVICE\_CLASS section. You can specify the password during configuration with the setup script, or by using the following **fcmccli** command:

```
fcmccli -f password
```

### OFFLOAD

The parameters and options in the OFFLOAD section determine how a snapshot is transferred to IBM Spectrum Protect server. The information is sent to the offload agent, (fcmccli -D).

When the offload agent is started, it connects to the management agent and queries for snapshot backups where the **TSM\_BACKUP** or the **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** parameters indicate that a tape\_backup of the snapshot is requested. If such a snapshot backup is found, the offload agent mounts the snapshot on a backup server and calls IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning to initiate a backup to an IBM Spectrum Protect server. In this case, the OFFLOAD section is required and must include the **PROFILE** parameter.

**ORACLE** As the name implies, the ORACLE section is only used to identify parameters and options that describe the Oracle database. The ORACLE section is not needed for Oracle in an SAP environment configurations.

### CLONING

The CLONING section contains the parameters that are used for cloning operations. The section is ignored for all other operations.

## Examples

All parameters in a section are indicated by a section start notation, >>> <section\_name>, and a section end notation, <<<. The name is optional on the section end notation. Comments can be used at any place within the profile. Comments start with a # character and extend to the end of the line. Tab characters are permitted. The following example provides an example of the profile:

```
# Global section
>>> GLOBAL
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# ACSD section
>>> ACSD
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# CLIENT section
>>> CLIENT
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# DEVICE_CLASS device section
>>> DEVICE_CLASS device
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# DEVICE_CLASS device2 section
>>> DEVICE_CLASS device2
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
```

```

<<<
# OFFLOAD section
>>> OFFLOAD
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# ORACLE section
>>> ORACLE
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<
# CLONING section
>>> CLONING
parametername1 value1
parametername2 value1 value2
....
<<<

```

## GLOBAL

The profile parameters in the GLOBAL section contain basic configuration information. Examples of the type of information that is specified by the parameters are the port that is used by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and the location of log files. The parameters are independent of the storage solution, and database application.

The following list provides the parameters, a description of each parameter, and default values for the GLOBAL section of the profile configuration file.

### ACS\_DIR

Path to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration directory. This parameter is required. The following subdirectories are included in this directory:

**logs** The subdirectory contains all log and trace information for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

**shared** The subdirectory contains information that is shared among all IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot components.

When the subdirectory is initially created, the only file that is stored in the directory is the password file: `pwd.acsd`. This file contains the passwords for all devices that are specified within the profile. The file also contains a master password that is used from all components for authentication when they are connecting to the management agent. When you run remote configuration tasks from the production system with the setup script, the information in these directories is promoted to all systems that belong to the instance where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is configured. When you run configuration tasks separately, you must promote the information manually.

### Default

`<instance_owner_${HOME}>/acs`

### Advanced mode only

Yes

### ACSD

The host name of the system where the management agent is running and the port it is listening to. The following format is used for **ACSD**: `<hostname> <port>`

This parameter must be identical on all systems where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed for a database instance. While the parameter must be identical, each database instance can be managed by an individual management agent.

**Default**

*localhost 57328*

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**ENFORCE\_TLS12**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the security suite, IBM Global Security Kit (GSKit) for Secure Socket Layer / Transport Layer Security (SSL/TLS) TCP/IP connections. GSKit is able to provide SP800-131 compliant encryption by using the TLS protocol V1.2. To enforce the use of this protocol, select the option YES, otherwise the TLS version 1.0 and 1.1 is enabled by default.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TRACE**

There are two options for **TRACE**: YES and NO. YES means that tracing is enabled. NO means that tracing is not enabled.

Only use this parameter when advised to do so by IBM Support.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

## ACSD

Except where noted, the profile parameters in the ACSD section are independent of the storage device or application.

**ACS\_REPOSITORY**

This parameter denotes the directory of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. This directory is used for all operations, and must be in a secure location. If the repository is lost, all backups become unavailable to IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot even if they remain in the storage device.

The directory that is referenced by the **ACS\_REPOSITORY** parameter cannot be in a file system that participates in snapshot backup operations. If the directory is part of a file system that is used for snapshot backup operations, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot reports a failure. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository cannot be in the main IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot directory that is specified by the **ACS\_DIR** parameter. Ideally, the **ACS\_REPOSITORY** directory is a subdirectory of the **ACS\_DIR** directory. For example:

*<ACS\_DIR>/acsrepository*

Before you configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, the path to the **ACS\_REPOSITORY** is set, but the directory does not exist. The **ACS\_REPOSITORY** directory is created during the configuration process. If the directory specified for the **ACS\_REPOSITORY** parameter exists, an error is reported.

**Default**

<ACS\_DIR>/acsrepository.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**REPOSITORY\_LABEL**

When this parameter is set, a prefix is added to each volume name on the IBM XIV Storage System. The prefix contains 3 characters in one of the following ranges:

[a-z]

[A-Z]

[0-9]

**Note:** If the repository label changes, backups that are created with the prior repository label are excluded from reconciliation.

**Default**

TSM

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**SYNCHRONOUS\_RECONCILE**

This parameter is used to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to synchronously reconcile and delete snapshot backups. The following options are possible for this parameter.

**NO** Specify this option when you do not want to start a synchronous delete and reconcile operation.

**YES** Use this option to start a synchronous delete and reconcile process as part of a backup, restore, and delete operation. This process is useful for storage systems that delete snapshot backups during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup or cloning operation. SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family storage systems can delete backups during a restore operation.

**RESTORE\_AND\_DELETE**

Use the RESTORE\_AND\_DELETE option to start a synchronous delete and reconcile process as part of a restore and delete operation. This option is useful for storage systems that can delete snapshot backups during an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot restore process. For example, the Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller storage systems can delete backups during a restore and delete operation. The RESTORE\_AND\_DELETE option is also useful if you manually delete snapshot backups and use the force option (-f) on DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, or Storwize family storage systems.

**Default**

The default for this parameter is RESTORE\_AND\_DELETE.

**Advanced mode only**

YES

## ORACLE

The ORACLE section is an extension to the CLIENT and CLONING sections for ORACLE environments. The parameters do not depend on the storage device.

### CATALOG\_DATABASE\_CONNECT\_STRING

The recovery catalog connect string. This parameter specifies the connect string of the Recovery catalog database that is used to catalog backup information. This value corresponds to the value defined in the `<$ORACLE_HOME>/network/admin/tnsnames.ora` file.

#### Default

There is no default value. This parameter is specified by the user.

#### Advanced mode only

No.

### CATALOG\_DATABASE\_USERNAME

This parameter sets the user name that has the Oracle system database administrator privileges on the Recovery catalog database.

#### Default

There is no default value. This parameter is specified by the user.

#### Advanced mode only

No.

### TARGET\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE

This parameter specifies the fully resolved path and file name of the Oracle parameter file for the target database. This file is a text-based Oracle parameter file (PFILE) and not a binary Oracle Server Parameter File (SPFILE).

#### Default

`<$ORACLE_HOME>/dbs/init<$ORACLE_SID>.ora`

#### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## CLONING

The CLONING section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile contains parameters that are used for cloning operations. The parameters are independent of the storage device or application.

The following lists provide the parameters, a description of each parameter, and default values for the CLONING section.

The following parameters apply to Oracle in an SAP environment databases:

### CLONE\_TARGET\_DATABASE\_TYPE

This parameter identifies the installation type that is on the clone system. For SAP environments on Oracle, specify AUTO:

#### AUTO

AUTO is the default value for this parameter.

#### Default

AUTO.

#### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## DEVICE\_CLASS

This required parameter identifies the device class to use when you are cloning a database. The following code sample provides an example of how to specify options for this parameter:

```
DEVICE_CLASS <device class> USE_FOR_CLONING <list of clone database names>
```

There is an optional *conditions* statement that can be used. The following code sample includes an example of how to use the *conditions* statement. When you use the condition statement, use the following syntax:

```
[USE_AT <days of week>] [FROM <time> TO <time>]
```

The time period that is specified cannot span midnight for a device class. If a device class time period is required to span midnight, you must specify two time periods for the device class. The first time period must end with a value 1 minute before midnight and the second time period must start at midnight. The following example shows how to specify a time period that spans midnight for a device class:

```
DEVICE_CLASS <myClass1> USE_FOR_CLONING CL1 FROM 20:00 TO 23:59  
DEVICE_CLASS <myClass2> USE_FOR_CLONING CL2 FROM 00:00 TO 06:00
```

If multiple **DEVICE\_CLASS** statements are used, ensure that a unique 1-to-1 relation between the clone database name and the device class exists.

### Default

Not applicable.

### Advanced mode only

No.

## ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING

The **ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING** parameter is used to control processing when extra file systems that are not database files are specified by the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** parameter in a cloning operation. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot fails, when a file system that is specified by the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** parameter contains symbolic links that point to a file system on a different volume group that is not part of the snapshot operation. Set the **ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING** parameter to NO to ensure that symbolic links if present are not processed. You must manually add this parameter to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file. The following list identifies the possible options:

### YES

Use this option to ensure that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot processes all symbolic links of files or directories that are specified in the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** profile parameter.

**NO** Use this option to ensure that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not process symbolic links of files or directories that are specified in the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** profile parameter.

### Default

YES

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## FLASH\_DIR\_LIST

This parameter is used to include files systems that are not part of the database files in the snapshot operation. For example, when you are cloning an SAP Advanced Business Application Programming and Oracle Java™ system, the Java instance is not part of the database files. A clone of the Java instance is



created along with the clone of the database. In this scenario, use the **FLASH\_DIR\_LIST** parameter to include the Java instance directories.

Inside the file, specify one fully qualified file or directory on each line. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the snapshot function to snapshot the complete volume groups where the specified files or directories are located.

The default value is an empty list. This value prevents extra volumes from participating in the snapshot operation.

**Default**

By default, no file name is specified.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**DATABASE\_SCHEMA**

When a clone database is created from the production database, the database schema does not change. The clone database uses the database schema that is used by the production database. The **DATABASE\_SCHEMA** parameter is used to specify the database schema. For Oracle in an SAP environment databases, the **DATABASE\_SCHEMA** parameter is optional. The default database schema is determined by the `db5_ora_schema` environment variable. This environment variable is set on the production database instance owner environment.

If these environment variables are not set, the default database schema value is `SAPR3`. When the **DATABASE\_SCHEMA** parameter is used for a Oracle in an SAP environment database, the specified database schema value overrides all default database schema values. The **DATABASE\_SCHEMA** parameter is evaluated when the following conditions exist:

- A processing script is used with the **preproc\_clone** or **postproc\_clone** command.
- The **refresh\_clone** command is entered with the `-X` or `-Y` cloning parameter.
- The **create\_clone** command is entered with the `-Y` cloning parameter.

**Default**

The default value is determined by environment variables.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**NEGATIVE\_LIST**

The **NEGATIVE\_LIST** parameter is used to control processing when files that are not associated with the database are stored within the same file system that is used for the backup and restore operations. This parameter is required. The following list identifies the options:

**NO\_CHECK**

Use this option to not check for extra files. The operation ignores any additional files that are identified. When you use this option and data is restored, all files that are on the file system or volume group are overwritten.

**WARN**

Use this option to receive a warning message for each file that is identified on the volume, but not part of the snapshot operation. The processing continues. When you use this option and data is restored, all files that are on the file system or volume group are overwritten.

**ERROR**

Use this option to receive an error message for each file that is discovered on the volume, but not part of the snapshot operation. The processing ends.

***filename***

Use this option to back up and restore files that are not part of the database tablespace files. Using this option includes files in the snapshot operations. When you use this option, specify the fully qualified names of the files and directories. Use one line for each entry. When these files are identified, processing continues. When other files are identified, but not part of the database tablespace files or identified in the **NEGATIVE\_LIST** file, processing ends. Any directory that is listed in the **NEGATIVE\_LIST** file is processed recursively. For example, all files within the directory, including subdirectories, are processed during a backup or restore request.

**Default**

There is no default for this required parameter.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**TIMEOUT\_FLASH**

This parameter specifies the maximum time, in seconds, that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during the *flash* phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, an error message is displayed. This parameter allows the maximum time to be specified for a database to be suspended. This parameter also implies the maximum time when JFS2 file systems can be frozen. When the timeout is reached, the file systems thaw, the database is resumed, and the backup operation ends with an error. The minimum value for **TIMEOUT\_FLASH** is 5 seconds.

**Default**

The default value is 120 seconds.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TIMEOUT\_<PHASE>**

Specify the maximum time (in seconds) that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during the <phase> phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, the cloning operation ends and an error message is displayed. The default value is 3600 seconds.

You can specify one of these phase values for a snapshot backup. For example:

**TIMEOUT\_PREPARE**

- **PARTITION**
- **PREPARE**
- **VERIFY**
- **CLOSE**

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

The following parameters apply:

**OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE**

This parameter is included in the OFFLOAD section of the configuration profile.

The parameter specifies whether the database configuration file on the clone server is overwritten with the file from the production server. The parameter value in the OFFLOAD section is not applicable to cloning operations and is ignored.

To copy the database configuration file from the production system to the clone system, specify this parameter in the CLONING section of the configuration profile. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software requires two database configuration files to be available in the clone instance on the clone system. The default database configuration file name is <\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<\$ORACLE\_SID>.ora

In the scenario where the production system is <\$ORACLE\_SID>=P01 and the clone system is <\$ORACLE\_SID>=C01, the following database configuration files are required:

```
/oracle/C01/102_64/dbs/initP01.ora
/oracle/C01/102_64/dbs/initC01.ora
```

The initP01.ora file is used during the cloning process to recover the database that is used in the snapshot operation on the clone system. The initC01.ora file is used to rename and start the clone database.

Specify one of the following values:

#### YES

Copy the database configuration file from the production system to the clone system. The following processes occur:

- The clone database configuration file initP01.ora is copied on the clone system. The existing file, /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initP01.ora, is overwritten. If the production database uses a binary Oracle Server Parameter file (SPFILE), then it is dumped to a temporary pfile and copied to the clone system.
- If the production database is configured to use a binary Oracle SPFILE, do not specify a value for the **TARGET\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** parameter. In this scenario, the default database configuration file name <\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<\$ORACLE\_SID>.ora is used on the clone system.
- The clone database configuration file /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initP01.ora is copied to /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initC01.ora. The existing file, /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initC01.ora, is overwritten. All occurrences of P01 in this file are renamed to C01.

**NO** Do not copy the database configuration file from the production system to the clone system. This value requires that the database configuration files /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initP01.ora and /oracle/C01/102\_64/dbs/initC01.ora are available on the clone system. You must verify that these files are available and are valid.

If the name of the database configuration file on the production database is not the default file name, <\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<\$ORACLE\_SID>.ora, use the **TARGET\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** parameter, in the CLONING section, to specify the correct name. In this scenario, the clone database configuration file name is created by replacing the <\$ORACLE\_SID> value of the production database with the name of the clone database.

#### Default

YES

#### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## TARGET\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE

This parameter is included in the ORACLE section of the configuration profile.

The parameter specifies the database configuration file name. The parameter value in the ORACLE section is not applicable to cloning operations and is ignored.

Specify this parameter in the CLONING section of the profile to identify the name of the Oracle parameter file for the production database. Enter the fully resolved path and file name of the Oracle parameter file for the production database. By default, the file name of the Oracle parameter file for the production database is *initSID.ora*. This file must be a text-based Oracle parameter file (PFILE) and not a binary Oracle SPFILE. The default value is *<\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<\$ORACLE\_SID>.ora*. If the production database is configured to use a binary Oracle SPFILE, this file is automatically detected and this parameter must not be specified.

### Default

*<\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<\$ORACLE\_SID>.ora*

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## VOLUME\_MGR

### LVM

This input is the default value.

### Default

*LVM*

### Advanced mode only

No.

## CLIENT

When you use an Oracle database in an SAP environment with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the client parameters are stored in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration .utl file.

For information about the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file, see “BACKINT configuration file” on page 143. In addition, parameters must be specified in the SAP BRTOOLS configuration file, .sap file. For more information, see “Oracle in an SAP environment BR\*Tools configuration profile (.sap)” on page 150.

## APPLICATION\_TYPE

This parameter is used to specify the environment. For IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment, the **SAP\_ORACLE** parameter must be specified.

### SAP\_ORACLE

For IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP Environment, specify **SAP\_ORACLE**.

## DEVICE\_CLASS

This parameter specifies the device classes to use. The following sample identifies the syntax that can be used with the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter:

**DEVICE\_CLASS** *<list\_of\_device\_classes>* [*<conditions>*]

When a list of device classes is specified, the software determines which device class matches the device class in the environment. When multiple device

classes are specified, separate the device classes names with a space. The condition statement is optional. When you use the condition statement, use the following syntax:

```
[USE_AT <days of week>] [FROM <time> TO <time>]
```

The time period that is specified cannot span midnight for a device class. If a device class time period is required to span midnight, you must specify two time periods for the device class. The first time period must end with a value 1 minute before midnight and the second time period must start at midnight. The following example shows how to specify a time period that spans midnight for a device class:

```
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 20:00 TO 23:59  
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 00:00 TO 06:00
```

When there are different devices, multiple sections can be used. Each section provides information about a particular device. To select a particular section, use the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter. When the software restores data, the software uses the **DEVICE\_CLASS** value that is specified when the data was backed up.

The setup script automatically adds **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile when you add more instances of the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter to the CLIENT section of the profile.

#### Default

STANDARD

#### Advanced mode only

No

### ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING

The **ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING** parameter is used to control processing of the application file systems during the backup or restore operation. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot fails, when a file system contains symbolic links that point to a file system on a different volume group that is not part of the snapshot operation. Set the **ENHANCED\_PARTITIONING** parameter to NO to ensure that symbolic links if present are not processed. With this setting, there is no check for additional files that are not associated with the application. If you use this setting, the run time of the backup operation is likely to decrease depending on the file system structure. The following list identifies the possible options:

#### YES

Use this option to ensure that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot processes all symbolic links of files or directories.

**NO** Use this option to ensure that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not process symbolic links of files or directories.

#### Default

YES

#### Advanced mode only

Yes.

### LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW

This parameter specifies when to enable file system freeze and thaw actions. The following list identifies the possible options:

#### YES

Enable file system freeze before the snapshot operation and the thaw after the snapshot operation. For AIX, the YES value can be used only when all file systems included in the backup are JFS2 file systems.

**NO** Do not freeze the file system. To set this parameter to NO, a licensed version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is needed and a backup server is required for mounting the snapshot to ensure file system consistency.

The value NO is required if at least one file system that does not support freeze or thaw actions, such as JFS, is involved.

#### **AUTO**

If the **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND** parameter is set to YES, then this parameter is set with the following option: **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW YES**. If the file system does not support freeze actions, the AUTO value sets the parameter to **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW NO**.

For more information, see “Interdependency of **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**” on page 135.

#### **Default**

AUTO

#### **Advanced mode only**

Yes

#### **NEGATIVE\_LIST**

This parameter is used to control file processing. This processing occurs when files that are not associated with the database are stored within the same file system that is used for the backup and restore operations. This parameter is required. The following list identifies the possible options:

#### **NO\_CHECK**

This is the default value, and it means that there are no checks for extra files. The operation ignores any additional files that are identified. When you use the default value and data is restored, all files on the file system or volume group are overwritten.

#### **WARN**

Use this option to receive a warning message for each file that is identified on the volume, but not part of the snapshot operation. The processing continues. When you use this option and data is restored, all files on the file system or volume group are overwritten.

#### **ERROR**

Use this option to receive an error message for each file that is discovered on the volume, but not part of the snapshot operation. The processing ends.

#### ***filename***

Where *filename* is a name of a file that contains a list of fully qualified names of files and directories, each name requires a new line. Only files or directories that are not associated with the database but are stored within the file system that is used for backup operations are listed. Any file that is identified by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot that is not part of the database files or is not in the **NEGATIVE\_LIST** file, causes processing to end. Any directory that is listed in the **NEGATIVE\_LIST** file is processed recursively. For example, all files within the directory, including subdirectories, are processed during a backup or restore request.

When you are restoring data with remote mirroring, the value of this parameter is forced to **NO\_CHECK**. This value is used because at the time after the takeover operation there are no file systems mounted on the takeover host.

**Default**  
NO\_CHECK

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

## MAX\_VERSIONS

This parameter specifies the number of snapshot versions to store for each device class. The following list identifies the possible options:

MAX\_VERSIONS ADAPTIVE  
MAX\_VERSIONS 2  
MAX\_VERSIONS 3 USE\_FOR DC\_TEST

### ADAPTIVE

The maximum number varies depending on the available space. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot reuses the oldest target set as the target for the current backup.

**n** Where *n* is the maximum number of snapshot versions to be stored per device class. The amount of space that is required depends on the following factors:

- The number of snapshots.
- For each snapshot, the number of changes to the file system content since the snapshot was taken.

When this limit is reached, the oldest version is deleted.

### Optional

When you use value *n* you can add a device class after it USE\_FOR <device class> to specify that **MAX\_VERSIONS** *n* is valid for that device class only.

**Default**  
None

**Advanced mode only**  
No

When you add another **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter, specify values based on the following criteria:

- **MAX\_VERSIONS** with a specific value for a specific device class.
- **MAX\_VERSIONS** with a default value for all device classes that have no **MAX\_VERSIONS** already specified.
- **MAX\_VERSIONS** with an adaptive value. This value must be used only when there are no other values set for any **MAX\_VERSIONS** for any device classes.

## TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND

This parameter determines if the activity is suspended on the target database until the snapshot operation completes. For more information about this parameter, see “Interdependency of **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**” on page 135. The following list identifies the possible options:

### Yes

This option suspends the target database until the snapshot operation completes. When there are numerous transactions processing at the same time, use this option.

**NO** This option means that the target database is available while snapshot operations run.

**OFFLINE**

All backups must be offline for the snapshot operations to run. If the SAP software requests an offline backup, this parameter is ignored.

**Default**

Yes.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**TIMEOUT\_FLASH**

This parameter specifies the maximum time, in seconds, that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during the *flash* phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, an error message is displayed. This parameter allows the maximum time to be specified for a database to be suspended. This parameter also implies the maximum time when JFS2 file systems can be frozen. When the timeout is reached, the file systems thaw, the database is resumed, and the backup operation ends with an error. If the **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** parameter is set to either **AUTO** or **YES**, the minimal value for **TIMEOUT\_FLASH** is 5 seconds. In other scenarios, the minimal value is 1 second.

**Default**

The default value is 120 seconds.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TIMEOUT\_<PHASE>**

This parameter specifies the maximum time, in seconds, that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during a specific operation phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, either the backup or restore operation ends and an error message is shown.

Specify one of the following phase values for a snapshot backup:

- **PARTITION**
- **PREPARE**
- **FLASH** (this parameter has a separate description)
- **VERIFY**
- **CLOSE**

For example, **TIMEOUT\_PREPARE**.

Specify one of the following phase values for a snapshot restore:

- **PREPARERESTORE**
- **FLASHRESTORE**
- **COMPLETERESTORE**
- **CLOSE**

For example, **TIMEOUT\_FLASHRESTORE**.

**Default**

The default value is 3600 seconds.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TSM\_BACKUP**

This parameter specifies whether or not to create a IBM Spectrum Protect



backup from a snapshot. For Oracle in an SAP environment, in the .utl file, this parameter is named **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT**. For more information about the Oracle in an SAP environment .utl file, see “BACKINT configuration file” on page 143.

When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed on a backup server, you can create a IBM Spectrum Protect backup from a snapshot. When the **TSM\_BACKUP** parameter is set to YES, MANDATE, or LATEST, and after the offload agent runs, a IBM Spectrum Protect backup is created from the snapshot. The following list identifies the possible options:

**YES**

This option creates a IBM Spectrum Protect backup from this snapshot. If the IBM Spectrum Protect backup operation does not successfully complete, the target set can be reused.

**MANDATE**

This option creates a IBM Spectrum Protect backup but the target set cannot be reused until the IBM Spectrum Protect backup successfully completes.

**LATEST**

This option removes a backup request to IBM Spectrum Protect from a previous backup. When a new snapshot with **TSM\_BACKUP** set to LATEST, YES, or MANDATE is created, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot removes any unsuccessful backup request that were previously created with the **TSM\_BACKUP** option set to LATEST. This option prevents backup requests to IBM Spectrum Protect from queuing if they are not completed in time.

**NO** Keeps the snapshot backup but the snapshot is not used as a source for a subsequent tape backup operation.

**TSM\_ONLY**

After the IBM Spectrum Protect backup is completed, during the unmount operation, the backup is automatically marked for deletion. This action occurs regardless of whether the backup is successful or not.

**USE\_FOR <list of device classes>**

To create a IBM Spectrum Protect backup from snapshots that are performed with particular device classes, as specified in the profile, combine this attribute with other options. When you list device classes, separate device classes with the space character. There is no limit of the number of device classes.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No

## DEVICE\_CLASS *device*

The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile can contain one or more DEVICE\_CLASS sections. The device class section configures IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for use with a particular storage or file system solution. The parameters do not depend on the database that is protected.

Use care when you rename or delete a DEVICE\_CLASS section from the profile, as you cannot access backups that were taken with the original DEVICE\_CLASS section. Therefore, first remove backups and clones that are associated with the DEVICE\_CLASS before you rename or delete the DEVICE\_CLASS section.

A *device* refers to supported IBM XIV Storage System, IBM Storwize family, IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller, and IBM System Storage DS8000 series.

For more information about setting different device class **MAX\_VERSIONS**, see Backup version retention.

### Updating DEVICE\_CLASS *device* for mirroring

To use the mirroring technologies, a DEVICE\_CLASS section specific to the storage solution used for mirroring needs to be added to the profile configuration file. There is one exception to this statement: If remote backups are run, the existing DEVICE\_CLASS section for the device is sufficient. No additional DEVICE\_CLASS section is needed.

### About this task

When creating a DEVICE\_CLASS section for the storage solution used for mirroring, the section includes the same parameters as the device class for the local site, specific values for the remote site, and the parameters that are required to connect and send requests to the remote cluster. The parameters required to connect and send requests to the remote cluster are identified in the following list:

#### **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE**

The option set for this parameter determines if the backup is taken at the remote site. The options are YES and NO. The default option is set to NO.

#### **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME**

This parameter specifies the IP address or hostname for the secondary cluster.

If the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** parameter is set to YES, the parameter is required.

If the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** parameter is set to NO, the

**COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME** parameter cannot be used.

#### **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME**

This parameter specifies the user name used to connect to the secondary cluster. The default option is superuser. If the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** parameter is set to NO, the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME** parameter cannot be used.

#### **TAKEOVER\_HOST\_NAME**

This parameter is required when restoring a remote mirroring backup after a takeover procedure on the remote side. The value for this parameter is the host name of the takeover host and is only used in combination with the secondary cluster defined by the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_SERVERNAME** parameter. The value specified for this parameter needs to match the value defined in the storage system. If the values do not match, an error occurs.

The following DEVICE\_CLASS parameters need to be common to both clusters:

- **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL**

- **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE**
- **COPYSERVICES\_SERVERPORT**

## **DEVICE\_CLASS IBM XIV Storage System Storage System parameters**

The parameters that are defined in the device class section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile, configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for use with the IBM XIV Storage System.

### **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME**

This parameter specifies the name of the backup host that is used during offloaded tape backups only. The following list identifies the possible options:

#### ***backup\_server\_hostname***

Enter the host name or cluster name of the backup server as configured on the IBM XIV Storage System.

#### **None**

This option is used if you do not have a backup server.

#### **Default**

None

#### **Advanced mode only**

No.

### **CLONE\_DATABASE**

This parameter indicates whether the device class is used for cloning. The following list identifies the possible options:

#### **YES**

Use the device class for cloning. When the parameter is set to YES, the device class is unavailable for non-cloning backup or restore operations. The device class is ignored during backup expiration and reconciliation processing.

**NO** Do not use the device class for cloning.

The following example shows the **CLONE\_DATABASE** parameter that is specified in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section for **DEVICE\_CLASS STANDARD**.

```
>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
CLONE_DATABASE YES
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE XIV
PATH_TO_XCLI /home/xivtest/XCLI
COPYSERVICES_SERVERNAME nextra
COPYSERVICES_USERNAME admin
# RECON_INTERVAL 12
# USE_WRITABLE_SNAPSHOTS AUTO
BACKUP_HOST_NAME acsback5
<<<
```

#### **Default**

NO

#### **Advanced mode only**

No.

### **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**

This parameter is required. Only one device can be specified.

#### **XIV**

Specify the XIV option, when the database is stored on the IBM XIV Storage System.

On the console, any notifications that refer to IBM XIV Storage System operations and **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** are displayed as **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE=GENERIC**. Similarly, when you view the log or trace files in the **ACS\_DIR/logs** directory, any references that are related to the **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** for the IBM XIV Storage System are displayed as **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE=GENERIC**.

**Default**

Not available.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**COPYSERVICES\_SERVERNAME**

This parameter identifies the TCP/IP host name of the storage system where the data to protect is located.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME**

This parameter identifies the user name. Use the *XIV user* name that you use to log on to the IBM XIV Storage System.

**Default**

superuser

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**LVM\_MIRRORING**

Set this parameter to YES if your volume groups use AIX Logical Volume Manager mirroring.

**Default**

No.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**RECON\_INTERVAL**

This parameter specifies the interval, in hours, between two subsequent reconciliation operations. The options are whole numbers between 0 and 24 inclusive.

**Default**

12

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**PATH\_TO\_XCLI**

This parameter specifies the path where the IBM XIV command-line interface, XCLI, is installed. There is no default value. This parameter is only valid when **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** specifies XIV.

**Default**

None.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**USE\_WRITABLE\_SNAPSHOTS**

This parameter determines whether writable snapshots are used. Writable snapshots are required in LVM mirrored environments. The following list identifies the options:

**YES** Writable snapshots are used.

**NO** Writable snapshots are not used.

**AUTO** Based on the environment, the value is automatically selected.

**Default**

AUTO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

## **Storwize family and SAN Volume Controller Storage System parameters**

**DEVICE\_CLASS parameters for static target allocation:**

The device class parameters for static target allocation are defined in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. These parameters configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to use static target allocation with the IBM Storwize family or IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller storage systems.

**CLONE\_DATABASE**

This parameter indicates whether the device class is used for cloning. The following list identifies the possible options:

**YES** Use the device class for cloning. When the parameter is set to YES, the device class is unavailable for non-cloning backup or restore operations. The device class is ignored during backup expiration and reconciliation processing.

**NO** Do not use the device class for cloning.

**Default**

No

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**

This parameter is required. Only one device can be specified.

**SVC**

Specify the SVC option, when the database is stored on either the SAN Volume Controller or the Storwize family storage system.

**Tip:** You must manually create backup target volumes in advance on the storage system.

**Default**

Not available

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME**

This parameter identifies the user name. Use the *SVC user* name that you use to log on to the SAN Volume Controller master console or cluster. For Storwize family, use the *Storwize V7000 user* name that you use to log on to the Storwize family.

**Default**

superuser

**Advanced mode only**

No

**RECON\_INTERVAL**

This parameter specifies the interval, in hours, between two subsequent reconciliation operations. The options are whole numbers between 0 and 24 inclusive.

**Default**

12

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**LVM\_MIRRORING**

Set this parameter to YES if your volume groups use AIX Logical Volume Manager mirroring.

**Default**

No.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL**

This parameter identifies the protocol to be used for communication with the CIM Agent. The options are HTTP, for communication in a non-secure mode, and HTTPS, for communication in a secure mode.

**Default**

HTTPS

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE**

When **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL** is set to HTTPS, there are two options:

***certificate\_filename***

Name of a certificate file that is created for secure communication between the CIM Client and the CIM Agent.

**NO\_CERTIFICATE**

Select for null trust provider mode.

By default, the CIM Agent for IBM Storwize family or IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller requires communication in secure mode. For this scenario, clients such as IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must connect by using HTTPS instead of HTTP. This connection requires that the CIM Client obtain the public key that is used for encryption from the *truststore* certificate in the CIM Agent. After the client obtains the public key, the CIM Client is authenticated by using the user name and password.

To enable the HTTPS protocol, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameter **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL** must specify HTTPS. For this scenario, the **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE** parameter can define a certificate file name, and IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot exports the certificate by using this file.

The CIM Agent also provides another communication mode that is known as *null trust provider*. In this scenario, the CIM Agent does not verify that the certificate passed by the client matches a known certificate. Rather, it accepts any certificate from the client, including a null string for the file name. To enable this mode, the value of **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE** must be **NO\_CERTIFICATE**. This mode is used only if the production system, backup or clone systems, and the storage system are protected by a firewall. If **NO\_CERTIFICATE** is used, the `cimom.properties` parameter **DigestAuthentication** must be set to false.

**Default**  
NO\_CERTIFICATE

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**COPYSERVICES\_PRIMARY\_SERVERNAME**

This parameter identifies the server name or address that defines the TCP/IP address of the host that is running the CIM Agent. This host manages the SAN Volume Controller master console or the embedded CIM Agent in the Storwize family storage system.

For SAN Volume Controller, the **COPYSERVICES\_PRIMARY\_SERVERNAME** parameter, if specified, must point directly to the SAN Volume Controller cluster with the embedded CIM server. For Storwize family, the **COPYSERVICES\_PRIMARY\_SERVERNAME** parameter must point to the Storwize family cluster.

**Default**  
localhost

**Advanced mode only**  
No

**COPYSERVICES\_SERVERPORT**

This parameter identifies the server port number on the CIM Agent. This information is used to manage the primary and secondary Copy Services servers of the SAN Volume Controller master console or the embedded CIM Agent on the Storwize family storage system.

**Default**  
The default port number depends on the settings of **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** and **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL**:

COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE	COPYSERVICES_COMMPROTOCOL	Default Port
SVC	HTTPS	5989
	HTTP	5988

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**COPYSERVICES\_TIMEOUT**

This parameter identifies the maximum length of time, in minutes, that the CIM Client waits for a response to a call put to the CIMOM (CIM Agent). If the CIM Client does not receive a response within this time, an error message is displayed.

**Default**

6

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**FLASHCOPY\_TYPE**

This parameter specifies whether the storage solution does a bit-level copy of data from one logical volume to another. This parameter applies to any FlashCopy storage system. The following options are available:

**COPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of the data from one physical volume to another. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A fast snapshot restore of a backed-up database is required.
- A complete copy of the database data on the target volume is required.

**NOCOPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of a track if the data is modified after the initial FlashCopy request. This technique is typically referred as copy-on-write. This option applies only to FlashCopy devices. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A complete copy of the source volumes that contain the database files is not required on the target volumes.
- Backup time constraints are a concern.

**INCR** This option is similar to the COPY option but the INCR option copies only those tracks that were modified since the previous incremental FlashCopy was created. This option applies only to FlashCopy devices. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- IBM Spectrum Protect backups are taken from disk copies. This type of backup creates less burden on the storage system than for the COPY option.
- A snapshot restore operation of the backed up database is to be completed.
- More frequent backups for the database are scheduled.

The **SVC\_COPY\_RATE** parameter is forced to 0 when the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** parameter is specified as NOCOPY.

**Default**

COPY

**Advanced mode only**

No

**RESTORE\_FORCE**

This parameter specifies whether to force a restore. During a rerun of a snapshot restore, the message FMM0200E can be generated. This problem occurs if the background copy process of the previous snapshot restore is still running and the **RESTORE\_FORCE** parameter is set to NO. There are two ways to resolve the issue that is identified by the message:

- Wait until the background copy process ends.
- Set the **RESTORE\_FORCE** parameter to YES in the profile and try the snapshot restore again. This option withdraws all existing source and target



relationships, and creates new source and target relationships. A full copy is completed. If you want to set **RESTORE\_FORCE** to YES for a specific restore, you can create a temporary profile.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TARGET\_SETS**

This parameter indicates how target volumes are specified. The following options are available:

**VOLUMES\_FILE**

This parameter specifies that a file is used to specify the target volumes. The name of the file must be specified in the **VOLUMES\_FILE** parameter.

*list\_of target\_set\_names*

A list of target set names. For example: TARGET\_SETS 1 2 3

To define the naming convention for the target volumes, specify the **TARGET\_NAMING** parameter. For example: TARGET\_NAMING *string\_with\_wildcards\_%SOURCE\_and\_%TARGETSET*

This parameter and option define the naming convention for target volumes. When a backup volume is required, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot determines the name of the target set for the operation and the name of the source volume to be backed up. The name of the target volume that stores the backup is the name that is specified after the following strings are replaced with the respective values in the operation: *%SOURCE\_and\_%TARGETSET*.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No

**VOLUMES\_FILE**

Specify **VOLUMES\_FILE** if the target sets are passed in a target volumes file (.fct). Its actual name must be given in parameter **VOLUMES\_FILE**. Specify the fully qualified file name.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No

**ALLOW\_NOCOPY\_FLASHCOPY**

Use this parameter with the **CLONE\_DATABASE** parameter. The following list identifies the possible options:

**YES** Create an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot clone on space-efficient targets. For this device class, use space-efficient targets and set **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** to NOCOPY. FlashCopy backups cannot be stored on the same source volumes.

**NO** Do not create an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot clone on space-efficient targets. If both backup and cloning must be completed

on the same source volumes, cloning is completed to full targets and the **ALLOW\_NOCOPY\_FLASHCOPY** parameter is set to NO.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**ALLOW\_ALL\_FLASHCOPY\_TYPES**

Use this parameter when IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is configured with **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE COPY**, or **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE INCR**. Use the parameter when the source volumes are fully allocated and the target volumes are space efficient. The following list identifies the available options:

**YES** Allows IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to be configured to use **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE COPY**, or **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE INCR** when the source volumes are fully allocated and the target volumes are space efficient.

**NO** If the source volumes are fully allocated and the target volumes are space efficient, you can set the parameter **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** to **NOCOPY** only.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_CLEAN\_RATE**

This parameter specifies the cleaning rate for the FlashCopy mapping. A value from 1 to 100 can be entered.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_COPY\_RATE**

This parameter specifies the priority that the SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family gives to the FlashCopy background process for the current backup or restore. A value from 0 to 100 can be entered.

A value of 100 indicates the highest priority, but places the greatest burden on the responsiveness of the storage system. A value of 0 indicates the lowest priority, but suppresses the background copy process and forces the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** parameter to have the **NOCOPY** option.

**Default**

50

**Advanced mode only**

No

**SVC\_GRAIN\_SIZE**

This parameter specifies the grain size, in KB, for FlashCopy mapping for space-efficient virtual disks on SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family. The grain size of the space-efficient virtual disk must match the grain size of the FlashCopy. The options for this parameter are 64, and 256.

After the parameter is set, the value cannot be changed until the backup is deleted with the option -F to remove the mappings.

**Default**

256

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**DEVICE\_CLASS parameters for dynamic target allocation:**

The device class parameters for dynamic target allocation are defined in the **DEVICE\_CLASS** section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. These parameters configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to use dynamic target allocation with IBM Storwize family or IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller storage systems.

**CLONE\_DATABASE**

This parameter indicates whether the device class is used for cloning. The following list identifies the possible options:

**YES** Use the device class for cloning. When the parameter is set to YES, the device class is unavailable for non-cloning backup or restore operations. The device class is ignored during backup expiration and reconciliation processing.

**NO** Do not use the device class for cloning.

**Default**

No

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**

This parameter is required. Only one device can be specified.

**SVCDDTA**

Specify the SVCDDTA option when the storage system is SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family and you require the target volumes to be dynamically allocated during the backup process.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_SERVERNAME**

Defines the TCP/IP host name of the storage system where the application data to protect is allocated.

**Default**

None

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME**

Identifies the user name. Specify the user name that is used to log on to the SAN Volume Controller cluster. For Storwize family, specify the Storwize family user name.

**Default**  
superuser

**Advanced mode only**  
No

**SVC\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH**

Specifies the path and the file name to the private SSH key file. The key file is used to authenticate to the storage system with the user name specified for the **COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME** parameter. In an Oracle SAP environment, both the Oracle and sidadm users can start Snapshot operations. The private SSH key must be located in the home directory <\$HOME>/*.ssh* for both users.

**Default**  
<\$HOME>/*.ssh/svc\_sshkey*

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**SVC\_REMOTE\_SSHKEY\_FULLPATH**

This parameter specifies the second SSH key file to be used for authentication on the remote site storage device. The key file is used to authenticate to the storage system with the user name that is specified for the **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE\_USERNAME** parameter. If you do not want to create a new key pair for the remote site, one key can be shared for both storage sites.

**Default**  
<\$HOME>/*.ssh/svc\_sshkey*

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**SSH\_DIR**

Specifies the path to the Secure Shell protocols and executable files.

**Default**  
*/usr/bin*

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**SVC\_COPY\_RATE**

Specifies the priority that the storage system gives to the FlashCopy background process for the current backup or restore operation. Enter a value from the range 1 - 100.

The **SVC\_COPY\_RATE** parameter applies only for full copy backups (FLASHCOPY\_TYPE COPY). For space-efficient backups (FLASHCOPY\_TYPE NOCOPY), the copy rate is implicitly set to 0.

**Default**  
0

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes

**LVM\_MIRRORING**

Set this parameter to YES if your volume groups use AIX Logical Volume Manager mirroring.

**Default**  
No.

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

#### FLASHCOPY\_TYPE

Specifies whether the storage solution does a bit-level copy of data from one logical volume to another. This parameter applies to any FlashCopy storage system. The following options are available:

**COPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of the data from one physical volume to another. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A fast snapshot restore of a backed-up database is required.
- A complete copy of the database data on the target volume is required.

**NOCOPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of a track if the data is modified after the initial FlashCopy request. This technique is typically referred as copy-on-write. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A complete copy of the source volumes that contain the database files is not required on the target volumes.
- A fast snapshot restore of a backed-up database is required.
- Backup time constraints are a concern.

**INCR** This option is similar to the COPY option but the INCR option copies only those tracks that were modified since the previous incremental FlashCopy was created. This option applies only to FlashCopy devices. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- IBM Spectrum Protect backups are taken from disk copies. This type of backup creates less burden on the storage system than for the COPY option.
- A snapshot restore operation of the backed up database is to be completed.
- More frequent backups for the database are scheduled.

#### Default

NOCOPY

### Advanced mode only

No

#### SVC\_GRAIN\_SIZE

Specifies the grain size, in KB, for FlashCopy mapping for space-efficient virtual disks on SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family. The grain size of the space-efficient virtual disk must match the grain size of the FlashCopy. The options for this parameter are 64, and 256.

After the parameter is set, the value cannot be changed until the backup is deleted with the option -F to remove the mappings.

**Note:** When you are migrating from the SVC adapter with static target allocation, you must ensure that the grain size for the new SVCDDTA device classes is set to the same value as it was for the device classes for SVC.

#### Default

256

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_POOLNAME**

This parameter specifies the name of the storage pool that is used to create target volumes for the FlashCopy backups. A value must be assigned if a source volume has two copies in the SVC, and these copies are in two different storage pools. If the **DEVICE\_CLASS** is configured for remote site backup **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** YES, the specified pool name is related to the remote site storage device.

**Default**

Name of the storage pool where the source volume is located.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_IOGROUP**

Specifies the name of the input and output (IO) group, which is used to create target volumes for the FlashCopy backups. If the **DEVICE\_CLASS** is configured for remote site backup **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** YES, the specified IO group is related to the remote site storage device.

**Default**

Name of the IO group on the source volume where the FlashCopy relationship is established.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_MOUNT\_POOLNAME**

Specifies the name of the storage pool that is used to create temporary duplicates of the target volumes of a FlashCopy backup, which then mounts to a host. If the **DEVICE\_CLASS** is configured for remote site backup **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** YES, the specified pool name is related to the remote site storage device.

**Default**

Name of the storage pool that is used to create target volumes.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_MOUNT\_IOGROUP**

Specifies the name of the IO group, which is used to create duplicate volumes for the mount operation. If the **DEVICE\_CLASS** is configured for remote site backup **COPYSERVICES\_REMOTE** YES, the specified IO group is related to the remote site storage device.

**Default**

Name of the IO group on the storage system that is used to create target volumes.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**SVC\_TARGET\_VOLUME\_REAL\_SIZE**

Specify the percentage of the source volume size to allocate, which is used to create the actual target volumes during the backup operation.

The **SVC\_TARGET\_VOLUME\_REAL\_SIZE** parameter applies only to **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE NOCOPY**.

**Default**

10

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**RECON\_INTERVAL**

This parameter specifies the interval, in hours, between two subsequent reconciliation operations. The options are whole numbers between 0 and 24 inclusive.

**Default**

12

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**DEVICE\_CLASS DS8000 Storage System parameters**

The parameters that are defined in the device class section of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile, configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for use with the IBM System Storage DS8000.

**BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME**

This parameter specifies the name of the backup host that is used during offloaded tape backups only. The following list identifies the possible options:

**PREASSIGNED\_VOLUMES**

Specify this option when the target volumes are preassigned to a specific backup server.

**None**

This option is used if you do not have a backup server.

**Default**

None.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**CLONE\_DATABASE**

This parameter indicates whether the device class is used for cloning. The following list identifies the possible options:

**YES** Use the device class for cloning. When the parameter is set to YES, the device class is unavailable for non-cloning backup or restore operations. The device class is ignored during backup expiration and reconciliation processing.

**NO** Do not use the device class for cloning.

**Default**

No

**Advanced mode only**

No

**COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE**

This parameter is required. Only one device can be specified.

**DS8000**

Specify the DS8000 option, when the database is stored on any supported IBM DS8000 storage device.

**Default**

None.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**COPYSERVICES\_USERNAME**

This parameter identifies the user name, use the *cim user* of the CIM Agent for DS Open API. The CIM Agent for DS Open API manages the primary and secondary copy services servers of the DS8000 cluster.

**Default**

superuser

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**RECON\_INTERVAL**

This parameter specifies the interval, in hours, between two subsequent reconciliation operations. The options are whole numbers between 0 and 24 inclusive.

**Default**

12

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**LVM\_MIRRORING**

Set this parameter to YES if your volume groups use AIX Logical Volume Manager mirroring.

**Default**

No.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL**

This parameter identifies the protocol to be used for communication with the CIM Agent. The options are HTTP, for communication in a non-secure mode, and HTTPS, for communication in a secure mode.

**Default**

HTTPS

**Advanced mode only**

Yes.

**COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE**

When **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL** is set to HTTPS, there are two options:

*certificate\_filename*

Name of a certificate file that is created for secure communication between the CIM Client and the CIM Agent.

**NO\_CERTIFICATE**

Select for null trust provider mode.

By default, the CIM Agent for DS8000, which is preinstalled on the HMC, requires communication in secure mode. For this scenario, clients such as IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must connect by using HTTPS instead of HTTP. This connection requires that the CIM Client obtain the public key that is used



for encryption from the *truststore* certificate in the CIM Agent. After the client obtains the public key, the CIM Client is authenticated by using the user name and password.

To enable the HTTPS protocol, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameter **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL** must specify HTTPS. For this scenario, the **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE** parameter can define a certificate file name, and IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot exports the certificate by using this file.

The CIM Agent also provides another communication mode that is known as *null trust provider*. In this scenario, the CIM Agent does not verify that the certificate passed by the client matches a known certificate. Rather, it accepts any certificate passed from the client, including a null string for the file name. To enable this mode, the value of **COPYSERVICES\_CERTIFICATEFILE** must be **NO\_CERTIFICATE**. This mode should not be used unless the production and backup systems, and the storage system, are protected by a firewall. If **NO\_CERTIFICATE** is used, the `cimom.properties` parameter **DigestAuthentication** must be set to false.

**Default**  
NO\_CERTIFICATE

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes.

**COPYSERVICES\_PRIMARY\_SERVERNAME**

This parameter identifies the server name or address that defines the TCP/IP address of the host that is running the CIM Agent for DS Open API. This host manages the primary and secondary copy services servers of the DS8000 cluster.

**Default**  
localhost

**Advanced mode only**  
No.

**COPYSERVICES\_SECONDARY\_SERVERNAME**

This parameter identifies the name of the backup Copy Services server that is located within a snapshot devices cluster. Specify either the IP address or the server DNS name. This parameter can be used only in environments with DS8000 in combination with the proxy CIM Agent.

**Default**  
None

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes.

**COPYSERVICES\_SERVERPORT**

This parameter identifies the server port number of the host that is running the CIM Agent for DS Open API.

**Default**  
The default port number depends on the settings of **COPYSERVICES\_HARDWARE\_TYPE** and **COPYSERVICES\_COMMPROTOCOL**:

COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE	COPYSERVICES_COMMPROTOCOL	Default Port
DS8000	HTTPS	6989
	HTTP	6988

**Advanced mode only**  
Yes.

### **COPYSERVICES\_TIMEOUT**

This parameter identifies the maximum length of time, in minutes, that the CIM Client waits for a response to a call sent to the CIMOM (CIM Agent). If the CIM Client does not receive a response within this time, an error message is sent.

#### **Default**

6

#### **Advanced mode only**

Yes.

### **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE**

This parameter specifies whether the storage solution does a bit-level copy of data from one logical volume to another. This parameter applies to any FlashCopy storage system. The following options are available:

**COPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of the data from one physical volume to another. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A fast snapshot restore of a backed-up database is required.
- A complete copy of the database data on the target volume is required.

**NOCOPY** Directs the storage system to run a bit-level copy of a track if the data is modified after the initial FlashCopy request. This technique is typically referred as copy-on-write. This option applies only to FlashCopy devices. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- A complete copy of the source volumes that contain the database files is not required on the target volumes.
- Backup time constraints are a concern.

**INCR** This option is similar to the COPY option but the INCR option copies only those tracks that were modified since the previous incremental FlashCopy was created. This option applies only to FlashCopy devices. Specify this value when the following conditions are true:

- IBM Spectrum Protect backups are taken from disk copies. This type of backup creates less burden on the storage system than for the COPY option.
- A snapshot restore operation of the backed up database is to be completed.
- More frequent backups for the database are scheduled.

There must be only one target set specified in the target volumes file (.fct) for incremental snapshots. CIM errors might occur when more than one target set is specified. A successful backup of the database to the IBM Spectrum Protect server is possible even if the parameter is set to NOCOPY.

#### **Default**

COPY

#### **Advanced mode only**

No.

### **RESTORE\_FORCE**

This parameter specifies whether to force a restore. During a rerun of a snapshot restore, the message FMM0200E can be generated. This problem occurs if the background copy process of the previous snapshot restore is still

running and the **RESTORE\_FORCE** parameter is set to NO. There are two ways to resolve the issue that is identified by the message:

- Wait until the background copy process ends.
- Set the **RESTORE\_FORCE** parameter to YES in the profile and try the snapshot restore again. This option withdraws all existing source and target relationships, and creates new source and target relationships. A full copy is completed. If you want to set **RESTORE\_FORCE** to YES for a specific restore, you can create a temporary profile.

**Default**

NO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TARGET\_SETS**

This parameter indicates how target volumes are specified. The following list identifies the possible options:

**VOLUMES\_FILE**

Specify **VOLUMES\_FILE** if the **BACKUP\_HOSTNAME** is set to **PREASSIGNED\_VOLUMES**. The actual file name of the target volumes file (.fct) is specified in parameter **VOLUMES\_FILE**.

**Default**

None.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

**VOLUMES\_FILE**

This parameter specifies the name of the target volumes file (.fct). Specify the fully qualified file name.

**Default**

None.

**Advanced mode only**

No.

## OFFLOAD

The OFFLOAD section of the profile configuration contains information that is related to IBM Spectrum Protect backups from a snapshot.

File names that are specified in the offload section typically point to files that are on a backup server. The offload section is optional and can exist for Oracle, and Oracle in an SAP environment. The parameters do not depend on the storage device.

The following list provides the parameters, a description of each parameter, and default values applicable for Oracle in an SAP environment.

**BACKUP\_METHOD**

This parameter is preset by the setup script. In an Oracle in an SAP environment the value is set to BACKINT.

**Default**

BACKINT

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## Oracle in an SAP environment OFFLOAD parameters

The following list provides the parameters, a description of each parameter, and default values that are applicable in an Oracle in an SAP environment.

### OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE

This parameter specifies whether the database configuration file on the backup server is overwritten with the file from the production server. The database configuration file on the backup server is used to mount the database so that it can be offloaded to an IBM Spectrum Protect server. Specify one of the following values:

#### YES

Automatically copies the database configuration file to the backup system with the version that is defined on the production system.

**NO** Do not copy the production system database configuration file to the backup system.

If the production database is configured to use a text-based Oracle parameter file (PFILE), this setting requires that the default database configuration file `<$ORACLE_HOME>/dbs/init<$ORACLE_SID>.ora` is available and valid on the backup system. If the name of the database configuration file on the production database is not the default file name,

`<$ORACLE_HOME>/dbs/init<$ORACLE_SID>.ora`, use the

**TARGET\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** parameter, in the ORACLE section, to specify the correct name of the configuration file. If the production database is configured to use a binary Oracle SPFILE, this setting requires

that the database configuration file

`<Oracle_instance_owner_$HOME_directory>/acs/tempfiles/`

`init<$ORACLE_SID>.ora_fromSPfile` is available and valid on the backup

system. If you need a modified version of the SPFILE from the production

system, set **OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** YES to create this file automatically with a first backup and offload, then switch

**OVERWRITE\_DATABASE\_PARAMETER\_FILE** NO and modify this file for subsequent backups and offloads.

#### Default

YES

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

### DATABASE\_BACKUP\_INCREMENTAL\_LEVEL

This parameter specifies the level of backup. Any numerical value can be entered. The following conditions apply:

- To complete a full backup, use option 0. A full backup must be completed before an incremental backup can be run.
- To complete an incremental backup, enter a numerical value greater than 0. Incremental backups are progressive. For example, a level 0 backup must complete before a level 1 backup can start. A level 1 backup must be complete before a level 2 backup can occur.

#### Default

0

### Advanced mode only

No.

### PROFILE

This required parameter is used to specify the name of the external SAP backint profile (init<SID>.utl).

### Default

There is no default value.

### Advanced mode only

Yes.

## Changing profile parameters

Except for the GLOBAL and ACSD sections, changes to the profile take effect immediately and do not require restarting IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. Updates to the GLOBAL and ACSD sections require a restart of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

### About this task

To change the GLOBAL, ACSD, or any other sections of the profile, complete the following steps:

### Procedure

1. Start the setup script by entering the following command:

```
cd <instance directory>
./setup_orasap.sh
```

To run the setup script in advanced mode, use the **-advanced** option with the setup script command. If you run the setup script in advanced mode, you can change all parameters and override default values.

2. Follow the setup script instructions that are displayed.
3. When you run the setup script, select **manage backup systems** or **manage clone instances** as required.

This step is required when changes were made to the GLOBAL or ACSD sections so that all backup and clone systems are updated.

## Interdependency of LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW and TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND

The **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND** parameters are interdependent.

These two IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile parameters are interdependent in the following manner:

- If **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** is set to YES, the database must be suspended. Otherwise, write operations to the database might time out and leave the database in an inconsistent state. A specified value of YES for **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND** prevents this situation.
- If **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** is set to NO, the user might want to suspend the database without freezing the file system. Also, if JFS is used, freeze and thaw are not supported.
- If **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** is set to AUTO, and the file systems support the freeze function, the effect of AUTO is described in the following table. If the file systems do not support the freeze function, the AUTO value resolves to NO.

The following table summarizes the actions taken depending on the values of the two parameters:

Table 16. Actions taken depending on values of **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**

Value of <b>LVM_FREEZE_THAW</b>	Value of <b>TARGET_DATABASE_SUSPEND</b>		
	YES	NO	OFFLINE
YES	Suspend and freeze	Terminate with an appropriate error message. Conflicting parameters.	Offline with freeze
NO	Suspend, no freeze	No suspend, no freeze	Offline without freeze
AUTO	Treat as <b>LVM_FREEZE_THAW</b> YES	Treat as <b>LVM_FREEZE_THAW</b> NO	Offline with freeze

## Target set and target volumes files

Snapshot backups on DS8000, SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family with static target allocation, require a target set for each set of source volumes to be backed up. The target set is a set of target volumes, and several target sets can be defined for use in different snapshot backups. The target volumes file, with extension `.fct`, identifies the target volumes to be used for an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup.

The volumes in each target set that are used in a backup, must be specified in a separate target set. These target sets are specified in a target volumes file, the `.fct` file. The target set section name begins with the prefix **TARGET\_SET** and is appended with a target set name. The target set name differentiates different target set sections. The target set name can be any alphanumeric value.

In the **TARGET\_SET**, use the **TARGET\_VOLUME** parameter for every target volume in the target set as shown in the following example:

```
>>> TARGET_SET 1
TARGET_VOLUME ...
.
.
.
TARGET_VOLUME ...
<<<
```

To specify multiple target sets in the target volumes file, add the next target set section with a unique target set name as shown in this example:

```
>>> TARGET_SET 2
TARGET_VOLUME ...
.
.
.
TARGET_VOLUME ...
<<<
```

Comments can be entered before the first target set section only, and are indicated by a `#` character in the first column of each line. Tab characters can be entered.

When **VOLUMES\_FILE** is specified in the profile, the target volumes file can have any file name and does not conform to any naming convention.

**Related concepts:**

## Manage target volumes files for your storage system

Different storage systems require different methods of target volume mapping. Use the **VOLUMES\_FILE** parameter to share a target volume file between multiple device classes.

DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller, and Storwize family storage systems, need the **TARGET\_SETS** parameter to specify the target volumes file, **VOLUMES\_FILE**. The details are shown in the following table:

Table 17. Managing target volume LUNs by storage system

DS8000	SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family
Manual target LUN creation with the target volumes file (.fct) that defines the <b>VOLUMES_FILE</b> parameter.	Manual target LUN creation with the target volumes file (.fct) that defines the <b>VOLUMES_FILE</b> parameter.  Or,  Naming convention that defines the <b>TARGET_NAMING</b> parameter.

For IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to associate a target volume to a source volume, the following criteria must be met:

- The source volume and target volume must be in the same storage system.
- The source volume and target volume must be the same size.

A target volume is selected for validation as a suitable target volume for the source volume depending on the value of the parameter **TARGET\_SETS**.

### VOLUMES\_FILE

The **VOLUMES\_FILE** parameter is used to share a target volume file between multiple device classes by restricting a target set to a specific **DEVICE\_CLASS**. The target volume is validated as suitable for the source volume based on the value of the **TARGET\_SETS** parameter. The following criteria must be in place for a valid target volume:

- A target volumes file, .fct, must be specified.
- A list of target volumes must be specified in the target volumes file. The source volumes and the size are optional.

This example shows the syntax of target volumes files that are specified by the **VOLUMES\_FILE** parameter:

```
>>> TARGET_SET <target set name>
```

```
DEVICE_CLASS <device class name> # this parameter is optional and allows to
                                # restrict the use of this target set to a
                                # specific device class
```

```
TARGET_VOLUME <target> [<source>] [<size>]
[...]
<<<
[...]
```

If no source is specified in the **TARGET\_SETS** parameter and a FlashCopy relation exists between target volumes and a source volume, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot checks for each of the specified target volumes. If a FlashCopy relation exists, it is reused for the next FlashCopy backup. However, if no FlashCopy relation exists to a source volume, a new relation between one source volume and the target is created with the next FlashCopy backup. In this case, the created source-target pairs are unpredictable because they depend on the order of the target volumes as listed in the target volumes file. There is also a dependency on the order of the source volumes as they occur in the operating system. If you want predefined source-target pairs, you must specify the dedicated source volume for each of the target volumes in the target volumes file. Alternatively you can ensure that all FlashCopy relations exist in the storage system before the start of the FlashCopy backup.

**Related reference:**

“DS8000 target volume parameter settings”

“SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family target volume parameter settings” on page 139

“Target set handling for cloning” on page 141

### **Changing target set definitions system**

You can extend an existing target set definition file by either adding a target set or by adding another target volume to an existing target set.

If you want to remove a volume from an existing target set, ensure that backups on the affected target set are deleted first. All FlashCopy relations of volumes in the target set must also be withdrawn. If you want to remove a target set from a target set definition file, ensure that backups on the affected target set are deleted first. All FlashCopy relations of volumes in the target set must be withdrawn.

## **DS8000 target volume parameter settings**

Each target volume that is planned for use must be specified by its serial number for a DS8000 configuration.

A snapshot backup operation looks for either a source volume and target volume correlation, or a target-volume-only specification. A target set definition file contains a list of target volumes that are organized into target sets. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot attempts to match source volumes to suitable targets within a target set during backup.



Table 18. TARGET\_VOLUME parameters

Parameter Name	Value
TARGET_VOLUME <target volume serial number> <source volume serial number> <source volume size>	<p>Specify a source serial number with a target serial number in the target set definition file. This action determines source target relations. The relation between the source and target is required. Backup processing fails if one of the targets is unavailable for the specified source.</p> <p>This example shows a configuration where the DS8000 source volume with serial 75924811011 must be used in a FlashCopy with the target volume with serial number 75924811001.</p> <pre>TARGET_VOLUME 75924811001 75924811011 Size=2.0_GB</pre> <p>The source serial number and the size can be omitted or dashes can be entered in both fields as placeholders, as shown in the following example:</p> <pre>TARGET_VOLUME 75924811001 - -</pre> <p>Target volumes must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The size of the target volume must be the same as the size of the source volume.</li> <li>• The source and target volumes that are listed in one TARGET_SET must be in the same storage system.</li> <li>• The order of the parameters, target volume serial number, source volume serial number, and size of source volume must not be changed.</li> </ul>

## SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family target volume parameter settings

Each target volume that is used, must be specified by the corresponding virtual disk name. A snapshot backup operation looks for either a source volume and target volume correlation, or a target-volume-only specification.

### Changing or deleting target volume or target set definitions

A target set definition file contains a list of target volumes that are organized into target sets. During the backup process, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software attempts to match source volumes to suitable targets within a target set.

Table 19. *TARGET\_VOLUME* parameters (SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family)

Parameter Name	Value
<b>TARGET_VOLUME</b> <target volume virtual disk name> <source volume virtual disk name> <source volume size>	<p>Specify a source virtual disk name with a target virtual disk name in the target set definition file. This action determines source target relations. The relationship between the source and target is required. Backup processing fails if one of the targets is unavailable for the specified source.</p> <p>This example shows a configuration where the SAN Volume Controller source volume with virtual disk name <i>svdfsrc4</i> must be used in a FlashCopy with the target volume with virtual disk name <i>svdftgt4</i>.  <b>TARGET_VOLUME</b> svdftgt4 svdfsrc4 Size=2.0_GB</p> <p>The source virtual disk name and the size can be omitted or dashes can be entered in both fields as placeholders, as shown in the following example:  <b>TARGET_VOLUME</b> svdftgt4 - -</p> <p>Target volumes must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The size of the target volume must be the same or greater than the size of the source volume.</li> <li>• The source and target volumes that are listed in one <b>TARGET_SET</b> must be in the same SAN Volume Controller cluster.</li> <li>• The order of the parameters must not be changed.</li> </ul>

For more information about the criteria that are used to associate a target volume to a source volume, see “Target set and target volumes files” on page 136.

The following actions are possible with target sets:

- Change the **FLASHCOPY\_TYPE** value of an existing target set.
- Remove a target volume from an existing target set.
- Remove a complete target set.

To complete these types of changes, use the sequence of commands that are described in “Deleting snapshot backups” on page 159 with the force option.

For SAN Volume Controller 6.1 or later and Storwize family, with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software you can delete FlashCopy mappings that are not dependent on other FlashCopy mappings. Only the source and target FlashCopy mappings of the oldest backup can be deleted. If multiple backup generations are used and you want to delete a backup that is not the oldest backed up version, the background operation that deletes the mappings is delayed until all older backups are deleted or are reused by a new backup request.

The following example presents a typical Multiple Target FlashCopy (MTFC) cascade:

S->T4->T3->T2->T1

S = Source volume

T1-T4 = Snapshots taken at t1, t2, t3, t4 where T1 is the oldest,  
 T4 the most recent snapshot

T1 depends on T2,T3,T4,S

T2 depends on T3,T4,S

and so on...

Following the path from *S* to *T4* is called *downstream*. The opposite direction is called *upstream*.

**Example 1: T2 is restored**

All upstream snapshot mappings are stopped: *T3,T4*

**Example 2: T2 is overwritten by a new backup**

All downstream snapshot mappings are stopped: *T1*

**Related reference:**

“SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family target volumes file example” on page 192

## Target set handling for cloning

Cloning operations require specific settings for target sets.

The `TARGET_SETS` profile parameter identifies the target volumes to be used in the snapshot operation. This parameter must be specified in the device class section of the profile. You can specify one of these values with cloning operations:

**VOLUMES\_FILE <name of the target volumes file>(.fct)**

Specify the name of the target volumes file (.fct). The `USE_FOR_CLONING list of clone database names` statement identifies the correct target set to use for a specific clone database name. When more than one clone database name is specified in the list, the referenced target set is used for all specified clone database names. Each name that is specified in the list must be separated by a space. In this situation, the target set must be used by those clone databases only that are identified in the list. The `USE_FOR_CLONING` list of clone database names must be specified in the target volumes file.

**TARGET\_NAMING <string with wildcards %SOURCE> USE\_FOR\_CLONING <list of clone database names>**

Available for SAN Volume Controller only. Specify the naming convention for target volumes. When a backup volume is required at backup time, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot determines the name of the target set for the current operation and the name of the source volume to be backed up. The name of the volume that stores the backup is the name that is specified when the string `%SOURCE` is replaced with the respective value in the current operation. The required `USE_FOR_CLONING <list of clone database names>` statement identifies the correct target set to use for a specific clone database name. When more than one clone database name is specified in the list, the referenced target set is used for all specified clone database names. Each name that is specified in the list must be separated by a space. In this situation, only the target set must be used by those clone databases that are identified in the list. The `USE_FOR_CLONING` list of clone database names must be specified with the `TARGET_NAMING` parameter itself. It is possible to have multiple `TARGET_NAMING` entries in the device class where each represents a different clone database name.

**Restriction:** For SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family, when a new backup is started on a target volume that is not the oldest in the chain, SAN Volume Controller stops all mappings to older target volumes.

When a restore is requested from a target volume that is not the youngest in the chain, SAN Volume Controller stops all mappings to newer target volumes. When a mapping to a target volume stops in either of these situations, this target volume immediately goes offline if any of these conditions exist:

- The target volume is a space-efficient volume.

- The mapping was for an incremental copy that was ongoing.
- The mapping was for a full copy that was ongoing.

As a result, the target volumes for the production database to be cloned, and the target volumes for the snapshot backup of the same database, must not be on the same cluster. If you are cloning databases in an AIX Logical Volume Mirroring (LVM) environment, use FlashCopy cloning on one of the clusters, and FlashCopy backup on the other cluster. Avoid space-efficient target volumes for cloning. If space-efficient target volumes are used, the profile parameter `ALLOW_NOCOPY_FLASHCOPY YES` must be specified in the cloning device class section of the profile.

## Target volumes file (.fct) cloning examples

The target volumes file (specified by the `VOLUMES_FILE` parameter) must have the following syntax for Oracle:

```
>>> TARGET_SET <target set name>
    DEVICE_CLASS <device classes> USE_FOR_CLONING <list of clone database names>
        # this parameter is mandatory for FlashCopy Cloning and allows to
        # restrict the use of this target set to a specific device class
        # and to a specific clone database name
    TARGET_VOLUME target [source] [size]
    [...]
<<<
[...]
```

---

## IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot password file

To access the storage system where the database volumes are stored, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot requires a password file.

The password file contains a *master password* that is required by the agents such as application agents or offload agents, when they are authenticating or connecting to the Management Agent. When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot agents are running in a distributed environment across multiple servers, separate password file instances can be used for different nodes. In a distributed environment, you must ensure that each local password file instance contains all the passwords that are needed by the agents that are running on the node. The master password must be included in all instances. When backup and clone servers are set up with the setup script, the passwords are automatically made available on all servers.

A password file is created during the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration process. The setup script that is used for the configuration also updates information that is stored in the `/etc/inittab` directory. An example of the path to the password file follows:

```
<ACS_DIR>/shared/pwd.acsd
```

where, `<ACS_DIR>` is the value of the `ACS_DIR` parameter in the profile. In basic mode, the master password is not prompted as it is generated automatically if it is not set earlier. A generated password is available as the default password in advanced mode.

The minimum length of the master password is 8 characters. The password must contain at least one number and one letter. The use of special symbols increases the strength of the password.

## BACKINT configuration file

The BACKINT configuration file (.utl) includes parameters for the SAP with Oracle BACKINT interface and the backup server. The file extension for the BACKINT configuration file is .utl.

### IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment with an IBM Spectrum Protect server Storage Manager

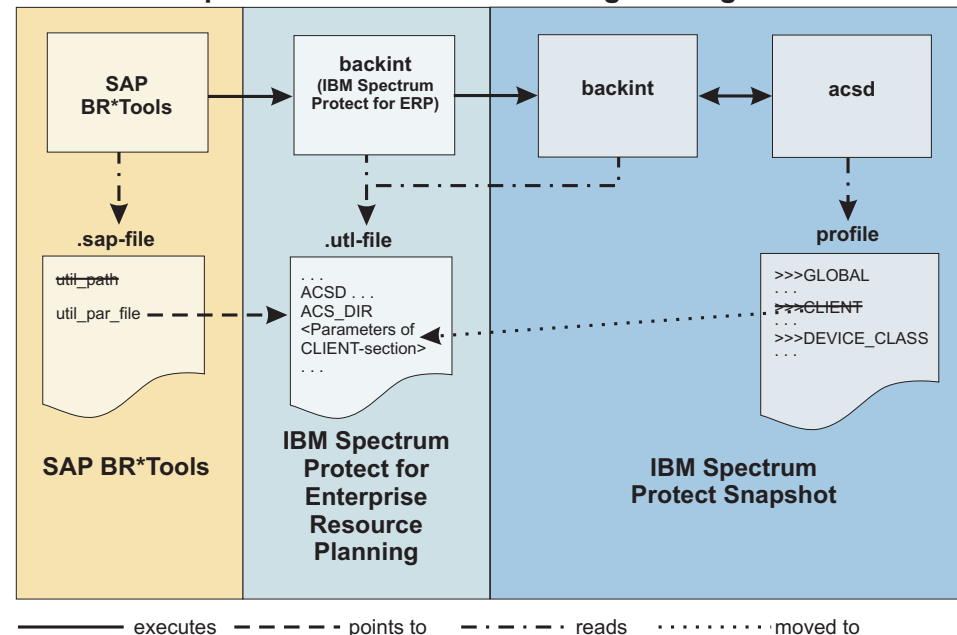


Figure 15. SAP with Oracle, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect

If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning to protect an SAP system that runs with an Oracle database. The parameters that are typically specified in the CLIENT section can be added to the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file (.utl file).

If the parameters are specified in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not require a separate .utl file.

When you use the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot setup script, new instances of the DEVICE\_CLASS parameter are added to the CLIENT section of the profile configuration file. If you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile does not contain a CLIENT section.

The following list describes each parameter, associated values, and default values that are relevant for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in the .utl file. The **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT**, **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**, and **ACS\_DIR** parameters are required. All other parameters are optional and are not required to be specified in the .utl file by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

#### **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT**

This parameter is equivalent to the **TSM\_BACKUP** parameter in the IBM Spectrum

Protect Snapshot profile. When a backup server is configured, the offload agent triggers an IBM Spectrum Protect backup from any snapshot that is created with **TSM\_BACKUP** set to YES, MANDATE, or LATEST.

When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used in combination with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the **TSM\_BACKUP** parameter is moved to the .utl file and renamed to **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOTS**.

△The following options are available:

**YES**

Create an IBM Spectrum Protect backup from this snapshot. If the IBM Spectrum Protect backup operation does not complete successfully, the target set can be reused.

**MANDATE**

In contrast to YES, the target volumes are not reused until the IBM Spectrum Protect backup completes successfully.

**LATEST**

When a snapshot backup was run with **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT**, and the offloaded backup to the IBM Spectrum Protect server failed or did not start, any new snapshot backup with option **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** set to LATEST, YES, or MANDATE, removes the backup request to IBM Spectrum Protect from the previous backup. This removal prevents backup requests to IBM Spectrum Protect from queuing if the requests cannot be completed in time.

**NO** Keep the snapshot backup and do not use it as a source for a subsequent tape backup operation.

**TSM\_ONLY**

The backup is automatically marked for deletion during the unmount operation after the IBM Spectrum Protect backup is completed. The backup is marked for deletion when the backup is successful and when the backup is unsuccessful.

**USE\_FOR <list of device classes>**

This attribute can be combined with any of the options to limit application to snapshots run with particular device classes as specified in the profile. Use a space to separate device classes.

**Default**

There is no default value, you must specify a value from one of the possible options.

**Advanced mode only**

No

**MAX\_SNAPSHOT\_VERSIONS**

This parameter is equivalent to the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile, and it specifies the number of snapshot versions to keep. When IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is used in combination with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, the **MAX\_VERSIONS** parameter is moved to the .utl file and renamed to **MAX\_SNAPSHOT\_VERSIONS**.

The following options are available:

**ADAPTIVE**

The maximum number varies depending on the available space in the storage device. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot reuses the oldest target set as the target for the current backup.

**n** Where n is the maximum number of snapshot versions to be stored. When this limit is reached, the oldest version is deleted.

**Default**

The default value is **ADAPTIVE**.

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW**

The **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** parameter specifies when to enable file system freeze and thaw actions. For more information, see “Interdependency of **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**” on page 135.

The following options are available:

**YES**

Enable file system freeze before the snapshot operation and thaw after the snapshot operation. For AIX, the value YES can be used only when all file systems included in the backup are JFS2 file systems.

**NO** Do not enable a freeze. The value NO is required if at least one file system that does not support freeze or thaw actions, such as JFS, is involved.

**AUTO**

If the **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND** parameter is YES, then this parameter is set with the following option: **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW YES**. If the file system does not support freeze actions, the **AUTO** value is NO.

**Default**

AUTO

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**

The **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND** parameter determines whether the activity on the target database is suspended until the FlashCopy operation completes. For more information, see “Interdependency of **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** and **TARGET\_DATABASE\_SUSPEND**” on page 135

The following options are available:

**YES**

Suspend the target database until the FlashCopy operation completes. Use this value when the level of transaction processing is high.

**NO** Do not suspend the target database.

**OFFLINE**

All backups must be offline. If SAP requests an offline backup, this parameter is ignored.

The values YES and NO imply an online backup type. When you run a backup with OFFLINE specified, the target database on the production system must be in a *startup mount* state at the time that either acsora or acsutil is issued. Otherwise, recovery must be run to restore the database.

**Default**

There is no default. A value for this parameter must be specified by the user.

**Advanced mode only**

No

## DEVICE\_CLASS

This parameter specifies the device classes to use. The following sample identifies the syntax that can be used with the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter:

```
DEVICE_CLASS <list_of_device_classes> [conditions]
```

When a list of device classes is specified, the software determines which device class matches the device class in the environment. When multiple device classes are specified, separate the device classes with the space character. The condition statement is optional. When you use the condition statement, use the following syntax:

```
[USE_AT <days of week>] [FROM <time> TO <time>]
```

**Note:** The time period that is specified cannot span midnight for a device class. If a device class time period is required to span midnight, you must specify two time periods for the device class. The first time period must end with a value 1 minute before midnight and the second time period must start at midnight. The following example shows how to specify a time period that spans midnight for a device class:

```
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 20:00 TO 23:59  
DEVICE_CLASS myClass FROM 00:00 TO 06:00
```

When there are different devices, multiple sections can be used. Each section provides information about a particular device. To select a particular section, use the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter. When the software restores data, the software uses the **DEVICE\_CLASS** value that is specified when the data was backed up.

The setup script automatically adds **DEVICE\_CLASS** sections to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile when you add more instances of the **DEVICE\_CLASS** parameter to the CLIENT section of the profile.

### Default

STANDARD

### Advanced mode only

No.

## ALLOW\_FULL\_FILE\_BACKUP

This parameter cannot be changed when you use the setup script. The options are YES and NO. This value specifies whether a full file backup is stored to the repository. Storing a full file backup or a full database backup to the repository affects performance, and is therefore not recommended.

### Default

NO

### Advanced mode only

Yes

## TIMEOUT\_FLASH

This parameter specifies the maximum time, in seconds, that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during the *flash* phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, an error message is displayed. The **TIMEOUT\_FLASH** parameter allows the maximum time to be specified for a database to be suspended. This parameter also implies the maximum time when JFS2 file systems can be frozen. When the timeout is reached, the file systems thaw, the database is resumed, and the backup operation ends with an error. If the **LVM\_FREEZE\_THAW** parameter is set to either AUTO or YES, the minimal value for **TIMEOUT\_FLASH** is 5 seconds. In other scenarios, the minimal value is 1 second.



**Default**

120 seconds

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**TIMEOUT\_<PHASE>**

This parameter specifies the maximum time, in seconds, that the database agent waits for a response to the management agent call during a specific operation phase. If the database agent does not receive a response within the specified time, either the backup or restore operation ends and an error message is shown.

Specify one of the following phase values for a FlashCopy backup:

- **PARTITION**
- **PREPARE**
- **FLASH** (this parameter has a separate description)
- **VERIFY**
- **CLOSE**

For example, **TIMEOUT\_PREPARE**.

Specify one of the following phase values for a snapshot restore:

- **PREPARERESTORE**
- **FLASHRESTORE**
- **COMPLETERESTORE**
- **CLOSE**

For example, **TIMEOUT\_FLASHRESTORE**.

**Default**

3600 seconds

**Advanced mode only**

Yes

**ACS\_DIR**

Path to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot configuration directory. This parameter is required. The following subdirectories are included in this directory:

**logs** The subdirectory contains all log and trace information for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

**shared** The subdirectory contains information that is shared among all IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot components.

When the subdirectory is initially created, the only file that is stored in the directory is the password file: `pwd.acsd`. This file contains the passwords for all devices that are specified within the profile. The file also contains a master password that is used from all components for authentication when they are connecting to the management agent. When you are running remote configuration tasks from the production system with SSH, the information in these directories is promoted to all systems that belong to the instance where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is configured. When you run configuration tasks separately, you must promote the information manually.

**Default**

`<instance_owner_$HOME>/acs`

### **Advanced mode only**

Yes

### **ACSD**

The ACSD is the host name of the system where the management agent is running, and the port it is listening to. The following format is used for **ACSD**:  
*<hostname> <port>*

This parameter must be identical on all systems where IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is installed for a database instance. While the parameter must be identical, each database instance can be managed by an individual management agent.

### **Default**

localhost 57328

### **Advanced mode only**

No

### **BACKUPIDPREFIX**

This parameter specifies a string that is added in front of the backup ID that is generated by FlashCopy Manager. This parameter can be used to separate the backups within the same repository so that other clients are not able to query, restore, or delete these backups.

The string can contain letters, integers, or the underscore character. The string must be 6 characters.

This parameter has the same meaning as the corresponding parameter in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning \*.utl file. Use the same value.

### **Default**

None

### **Advanced mode only**

Yes

### **INCREMENTAL**

This parameter is relevant when Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN) is used in combination with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning to create incremental offload backups to an IBM Spectrum Protect server.

**NO** No is the default value. If it is set to NO, all the other **INCREMENTAL\*** parameters have no effect.

### **CUMULATIVE**

The backup type is cumulative RMAN. Cumulative backups are run by using RMAN.

### **DIFFERENTIAL**

The backup type is incremental RMAN. Incremental backups are run by using RMAN.

### **Default**

NO

### **Advanced mode only**

No

### **INCREMENTAL\_CATALOG\_CONNECT\_STRING**

The **INCREMENTAL\_CATALOG\_CONNECT\_STRING** parameter is only for use with Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN).

This parameter specifies the name of the catalog that is passed to RMAN to connect to the catalog database. It is the name of the listener for the catalog database. If the **INCREMENTAL** parameter is enabled and this value is missing, an error message is displayed.

**Default**

There is no default value. You must specify a value if the **INCREMENTAL** parameter has any value other than NO.

**Advanced mode only**

No

**INCREMENTAL\_CATALOG\_USER**

This parameter is only for use with Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN).

This parameter specifies the name of the catalog that is passed to RMAN to connect to the catalog database. If the **INCREMENTAL** parameter is enabled, and this value is missing, an error message is displayed.

**Default**

There is no default value. You must specify a value if the **INCREMENTAL** parameter has any value other than NO.

**Advanced mode only**

No

**INCREMENTAL\_CHANNELS**

This parameter is only for use with Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN).

Specifies the number of parallel RMAN channels, 1 or more, that transfer the data.

**Default**

1

**Advanced mode only**

No

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**INCREMENTAL\_LEVEL**

This parameter is only for use with Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN).

The RMAN incremental level is an integer of value 0 or 1. An **INCREMENTAL\_LEVEL** of 0 generates a full backup and an **INCREMENTAL\_LEVEL** value of 1 generates an incremental backup. The specification of day and time is optional. If day and time are used, multiple occurrences of this parameter are valid if the time specifications do not overlap. Time must be specified in the 24-hour format. Days can be specified by weekday abbreviations such as *Mon* or *Tue*, or by numerical values 0 or 6 where 0 is Sunday and 6 is Saturday. The syntax for day and time specification is [USE\_AT <days of week>] [FROM <time> TO <time>]

**Default**

0

**Advanced mode only**

No

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## Oracle in an SAP environment BR\*Tools configuration profile (.sap)

This configuration profile is stored in the `$ORACLE_HOME/dbs` directory.

The .sap profile is described in detail in the SAP documentation, *SAP database guide for Oracle*. There might be an existing .sap file in your environment. The following information identifies the profile parameters that are valid in the .sap profile in combination with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

The following keywords are found in the .sap profile:

### **backup\_type**

Identifies the default type of the database backup. This parameter is only used by brbackup (default is `offline`).

### **backup\_mode**

Identifies the scope of the backup. This parameter is only used by brbackup. The default is `all`; however, if the parameter is set to `all` and Oracle RMAN is used, an incremental backup cannot be created. When the **backup\_mode** parameter is set to `all`, a backup of all data files is completed with the backint interface.

For an incremental backup of an Oracle in an SAP environment database using Oracle RMAN, set the BR\*Tools option for the **backup\_mode** parameter to `full`.

### **backup\_dev\_type**

Determines the backup medium that is used (the default is `tape`). To create a snapshot backup with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, this parameter must be set to `util_vol` or to `util_vol_online`.

### **util\_par\_file**

If you are running IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, set this parameter to the fully qualified path of the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning profile (.`utl` file).

This way IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the configuration that was added to the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning configuration file (.`utl` file).

If you are running IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in an environment where IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is not configured, set this parameter to the fully qualified path of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. This way IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the configuration that was added to the `CLIENT` section of that profile.

### **util\_path**

Specifies the path to the backint executable. If you are running IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning, you do not need to set this parameter. If you are running IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in an environment where IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is not available, set this parameter to the instance directory (`<Instance owner $HOME>/acs/`).

### **util\_vol\_unit**

Specifies the smallest unit that can be backed up with a snapshot or clone, and also determines restore granularity. The possible values are `sap_data` (finest restore granularity), `all_data`, and `all_dbf` (not typically used).

**Note:** SAP requires that the setting of this parameter correctly describes the disk layout of your database.

If your disk layout consists of the following volume groups, use `sap_data`:

- At least one volume group for each `sapdata` directory
- At least one volume group for each `origlog` directory
- At least one volume group for each `mirrlog` directory

For `sap_data`, there must be exactly one volume group for each `sapdata` directory, exactly one volume group for each `origlog` directory, and exactly one volume group for each `mirrlog` directory. If one of the `sap_data`, `origlog`, or `mirrlog` directories contain more than one volume group, a fourth parameter value `disk_vol` must be used. The parameters `disk_vol` and `all_dbf` contradict the SAP recommendation about the separation of data files and redo log files. The default value set by SAP is `sap_data`.

If your disk layout consists of the following volume groups, use `all_data`:

- At least one volume group for `sapdata`
- At least one volume group for `origlog`
- At least one volume group for `mirrlog`

#### **util\_vol\_access**

Specifies the accessibility of snapshot backup volumes:

- None (required on the production system)
- Copy (not supported)
- Mount (required on the backup system if SAP BR\*Tools are installed on the backup system)
- Both (not supported)

#### **util\_vol\_nlist = (<nfile\_name1>, <nfile\_name2>, ...) | no\_check**

This parameter defines a list of non-database files or directories that are on the database disk volumes but do not need to appear in the list of files to back up in the input file. These files are automatically included in the backup, but are never reported in the BACKINT interface messages, especially not in the #ERRFILE message. During a restore, these files (and possibly fixed files) might be overwritten without prior warning.

`no_check` deactivates the BACKINT check of the backup volumes. This check makes sure that the backup volumes do not contain either non-database files or database files that belong to a database other than the database to be backed up. When `no_check` is set, the user takes responsibility for making sure that the database volumes (directories `sapdata`, `origlog`, and `mirrlog`) contain only database files of the database to be backed up. Or, if the database volumes contain non-database files or database files from a database other than the database to be backed up, the user accepts that such files can be overwritten without warning.

#### **util\_options = <additional\_backint\_options>**

This parameter defines extra BACKINT options that BR\*Tools places after the standard command-line options when it calls the BACKINT program. With this parameter, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backint options `-0 <TSM_BACKUP_FROM_SNAPSHOT value>` and `-S <device class>` can be specified. For more information about backint options, see “BR\*TOOLS - User interface for Oracle in an SAP environment” on page 153.

Example:

```
util_options = "-0 yes -S STANDARD"
```



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## Appendix B. Commands and scripts

A list of various commands and scripts that are used with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot operations is provided.

### About this task

You can issue various commands for example to trigger a snapshot backup or snapshot restore. In addition, administrative tasks such as to start or stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot can be issued from the command line.

### Procedure

- Use `-d database-name` to specify the database name when you use the `-F` option. There is no default value.
- Use `-i instance-name` to specify the instance name that applies to the command you are running. This option is must be specified in the `-F` option. There is no default value.

### Example

`-d` is always `ORCL__`  
`-i` is the `<SID>`

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## Backup, restore, cloning commands, and utilities

You can issue commands to trigger a snapshot backup or snapshot restore, and to inquire and delete snapshot backups in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. You can create and manage database clones from the command-line interface.

### BR\*TOOLS - User interface for Oracle in an SAP environment

Because IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot fully integrates with SAP® BR\*TOOLS, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not provide a separate user interface. Information is provided about the query and deletion of snapshot backups, operations that are not directly supported by BR\*TOOLS.

For detailed information about how to use BR\*TOOLS to create snapshot backups, see *SAP Database Guide for Oracle*. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot provides a console user interface that can be used instead of BR\*TOOLS for query and restore operations. See “acsutil Snapshot Object Manager for Oracle” on page 155 for detailed information.

**Important:** If IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is not installed, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot does not use the default path `/usr/sap/<SID>/SYS/exe/run` to install the `backint` executable file. By not using the default path, an existing `backint` file cannot be overwritten. Therefore, you must start the `backint` executable file from the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation directory (`<INSTANCE_DIR>`).

If IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is installed, you can run the `backint` executable file from the default installation path. IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot inquire and delete commands can use the **backint** interface.

The syntax of the **backint** command is as follows:

```
backint [-p profile] -f <function> -t <backup_type> [-F]
```

where <function> is one of the following options:

```
inquire
inquire_detail
delete
```

and <backup\_type> is one of the following options:

```
volume
file
```

Table 20. Parameters for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot **backint** command

Option	Meaning
-p	IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot Backint profile (see “BACKINT configuration file” on page 143)
-f inquire or inquire_detail	Inquire function with or without detailed information about the backups.
-f delete	Delete function.
-t volume	This option can be used to manage snapshot backups that are created with IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.
-t file	Use this option to manage files that are backed up directly to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository. <b>Note:</b> When IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning is installed, both options are also supported by IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning. However, in this case option -t file is used to manage backups that are sent to the IBM Spectrum Protect server instead.
-F	Force option to be used with <b>inquire</b> , <b>inquire_detail</b> , or <b>delete</b> functions. When used with <b>inquire</b> or <b>inquire_detail</b> , all available backups and all backups marked for deletion are displayed. When used with the <b>delete</b> function, the option withdraws the source target FlashCopy relations on DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller.

## -f inquire and -f inquire\_detail functions

The **inquire** function that is run by SAP BR\*Tools and BRRESTORE, is used to query the IBM Spectrum Protect server for backup IDs or files that belong to a particular backup ID. For troubleshooting, run this function from the command line. You must specify the *backup\_type* as -t volume when you use the **inquire** function to obtain details about IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups. The following code is provided as an example:

```
backint -p /oracle/<SID>/dbs/init<SID>.utl -f inquire -t volume
```

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot prompts you to enter the inquiry in one of the following formats:

**#NULL**

Use to display all saved backup IDs. The following sample is provided:

```
#BACKUP JE0__A0DNE9Z74C
```



In this example, JE0\_\_A0DNE9Z74C is the backup ID. #BACKUP is not part of the backup ID. The first 6 characters are the user-defined prefix. The following 10 characters represent the unique ID for the backup.

#### **BackupID**

Use to display all of the files that relate to this backup ID. The following sample result is provided:

```
#BACKUP JE0__A0DNE9Z74C /oracle/C21/dbs/initC21.utl.
```

#### **#NULLfilename**

Use to display all of the backup IDs corresponding to this file. The *filename* variable must include both the path to and name of the file.

#### **BackupID filename**

Use to verify if a specific file is saved with a particular backup ID. The *filename* variable must include both the path to and name of the file.

### **-f delete**

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot version control mechanism deletes backups. However, you can manually delete a IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backup by using the **delete** function and specifying the backup to delete. You must specify the *backup\_type* as -t volume when you use the **delete** function to delete IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot backups. The delete function can delete full backups only.

This function can be started from the command line as follows:

```
backint -p /oracle/<SID>/dbs/init<SID>.utl -f delete -t volume
```

You are prompted to enter the backup ID.

## **acsutil Snapshot Object Manager for Oracle**

The Snapshot Object Manager for Oracle, acsutil, provides a snapshot backup query and restore interface for Oracle and Oracle in an SAP environment environments.

### **Functions of the acsutil command**

The Snapshot Object Manager for Oracle, acsutil, provides an interface for acsora to show available backups, run restore operations, and delete unwanted backups. It communicates with acsora through input and output files.

### **Syntax of the acsutil command**

```
acsutil [-p <profile>]
```

Where -p profile is the path and name of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile. The default value is *ACS\_DIR/profile*.

The Snapshot Object Manager user interface consists of a split window, which is character-based.

The first step is an automatic inquire operation for all backup IDs. The following figure shows the screen layout for the list of backup IDs found by the Snapshot Object Manager when the inquiry is complete.

ACS Utility V4.1.4.0, Copyright IBM 2017

Backup ID's	Files stored under

TAB change windows  
F6 fileInfo
F2 Restore  
F7 -----
F3 -----  
F8 Delete
F4 -----  
F10 eXit
F5 reFresh

If you mark the backup ID you are interested in and then press the Tab key, all file names that belong to the marked backup ID are displayed.

**Tab - Switch window side**

Move the cursor between the sides of the window.

**F2 - Restore**

Restore the marked backup ID.

**F5 - Refresh**

Refresh the list of backup IDs and file names.

**F6 - FileInfo**

Opens a separate window to display file information.

For backup IDs, the sequence number (backup version count) is shown.

**F8 - Delete**

Delete the selected backup ID and all corresponding files.

**F10 - Exit**

Exit from Snapshot Object Manager

**ENTER - Mark/unmark backup ID**

Mark or unmark the backup ID.

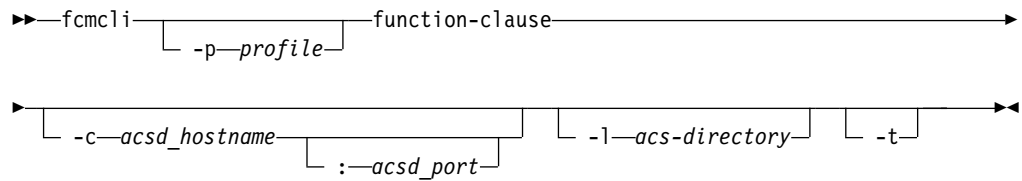
The Snapshot Object Manager can delete backup IDs with all included files. It is not possible to delete single files within a backup ID. To delete a backup ID, it must be highlighted. After pressing F8 you must confirm the deletion operation. The backup ID and all included files are deleted.

For each restore, a log file is created.

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## Cloning commands

You can use the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot command-line interface, `fccli`, to create and manage clones of component databases.



Syntax for obtaining version or help information:

### `fccli help`



Where:

**-p *profile***

Full profile name. Default value: *<instance directory>/profile*

**-c *acsd\_hostname***

Name of the server where the management agent (acsd) is running. Default value: *localhost*.

**acsd-port**

TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent (acsd) is listening. Default value: *57328*.

**-l *acs-directory***

Directory where the logs and shared directories are located. Default value: *ACS\_DIR*.

**-t** Start trace on. Default value: Trace off.

**-v** Show version.

**-h** Show help text.

The values for the function-clause parameter are described in the following sections.

## FlashCopy cloning function-clauses

The following functions are supported by the `fccli` command option `-f 'function'` for FlashCopy cloning operations:



**-X preprocessing-configuration-filename**

The name of the configuration file to be used with the preprocessing script.  
The preprocessing configuration file must be on the clone server.

**-Y postprocessing-configuration-filename.**

The name of the configuration file to be used with the postprocessing script.  
The postprocessing configuration file must be on the clone server.

The return code of the **fcmlcli** command is 0 if it finishes the request without an error or if there were no candidates for the request. The return code is 1 if one or more minor issues occur which are not critical but must be checked to prevent major issues later. Return code 2 indicates that an error occurred during the command execution.

Issue cloning-related commands on the production system as the production database instance owner. The cloning commands must be issued from the instance directory where the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot product files are located. The **fcmlcli** command identifies the name of the production database.

- For Oracle databases, the production database is identified by the value set for **ORACLE\_SID** in the CLIENT section of the profile that is referenced with the **-U** option.

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## Deleting snapshot backups

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot snapshot backups can be deleted from the snapshot repository.

### Before you begin

Optionally, you can delete snapshot backups on DS8000 and SAN Volume Controller storage subsystems that contain a dedicated set of target volumes in one or more target sets. With IBM XIV Storage System solutions you can create as many snapshot backups as needed, and old backups are manually deleted. Old backups can also be deleted automatically by using the **MAX\_VERSIONS** (**MAX\_SNAPSHOT\_VERSIONS**) parameter.

### About this task

Manually delete an IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot snapshot backup by following the procedure.

### Procedure

1. Run the following command to unmount the file systems and export the volume groups on a backup system. This method is used when the backup that is using this target set is currently mounted. This step can be omitted if the backup is not currently mounted.  

```
fcmlcli -f unmount [-B <backupID>]
```
2. Based on the use of this target set, any existing source, and target snapshot relationships (such as INCR or NOCOPY) must be withdrawn. Run the following command:  

```
backint -f delete -F -B <backupID>
```

## Results

**Note:** For IBM XIV Storage System, these commands delete the snapshot backup in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository, and the snapshot on the storage system is also deleted.

**Note:** (DS8000 or SAN Volume Controller): These commands delete the snapshot backup in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository only. The source and target relations on DS8000 or SAN Volume Controller are not withdrawn.

## Deleting a target volume or target set

To remove a target volume from a target set or to remove a complete target set, run the following steps to free up the target volumes:

### Procedure

1. Run the following command to unmount the file systems and export the volume groups on a backup system. If the backup is not mounted, do not run this step.

```
fccli -f unmount [-B <backupID>]
```

This method is used when the backup that is using this target set is mounted

2. Based on the use of this target set, any existing source, and target FlashCopy relationships (such as INCR or NOCOPY) must be withdrawn. Run the following command:

```
acsora -f delete -F -B <backupID>
```

## Results

The withdrawal of the source and target FlashCopy relationship is done by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot generic device agent, acsngen, as a background operation. This process can take up to 10 minutes. Do not try to reuse the target volumes before the actual process completes successfully.

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## Snapshot backup status in the repository

Ensure that you routinely check the status of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository.

To check the status of snapshot backups in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot repository, use one of the following commands:

For Oracle, `acsora -f inquire[_detail]`

or, `acsutil`

For Oracle in an SAP environment, `backint -f inquire[_detail] -t volume|file -p <SAP Backint profile (.utl)>`

or, `acsutil`

When using the `inquire_detail` command with the appropriate tool, output similar to the following displays:

```
Type Partition Backup-ID TSM Backup-ID State
DevClass TargetSet Background Copy BytestobeFlashcopied
#BACKUP NODE0000 C01__A0FY303K6B IN-PROGRESS MIRROR1 1 3.000GB of 3.000GB
3.000GB
```

UsabilityStates :  
REMOTELY\_MOUNTABLE, REPETITIVELY\_RESTOREABLE, SWAP-RESTORABLE, PHYSICAL\_PROTECTION,  
FULL\_COPY, TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING

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## Administrative commands

You can use commands to administer IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

Administrative commands are available for you to do the following tasks:

- Start, stop, or configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.
- Mount or unmount a snapshot backup on a secondary system.
- Create a backup to IBM Spectrum Protect from a snapshot if you have IBM Spectrum Protect configured in your environment

To use the commands to automate operations for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, add entries to the cron table (crontab) file. Because there are so many ways to implement IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software, there are no templates. To automate operations, either specify the commands in the crontab file, or create scripts and add the scripts to the crontab file.

## Configuration commands

Use configuration commands to run the setup script, maintain IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot passwords, and query the amount of storage space that is used for backups.

### Installation setup script

The setup script provides instructions for configuration. The setup script is used by the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation program. The setup script can also be used to manually set up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, and to complete a basic configuration.

The setup script uses the following command syntax:

```
setup_type.sh -a action -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>
```

For the *type* parameter, in the setup script name, the following values can be specified:

- setup\_ora.sh

You can use the setup script for the following purposes:

- Upgrade of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for one instance-specific installation, as root user:

```
setup_type.sh -a install -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>
```

The setup script is run from the installation directory.

- Initial configuration and reconfiguration:

```
setup_type.sh
```

The setup script must be run as the database instance owner.

- Initial configuration and reconfiguration in advanced mode:

```
setup_type.sh -advanced
```

- Stopping an activated instance:

```
setup_type.sh -a stop -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>
```

The command must run as the database instance owner.

- Starting an activated instance:

```
setup_type.sh -a start -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>
```

The command must be run as the database instance owner.

- Disabling a stopped instance:

```
setup_type.sh -a disable -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>
```

The command must be run as the database instance owner.

For a typical configuration, these commands are run on a production system. There are some scenarios where these commands need to be run on a backup system. If you are running the commands on both systems, when you stop or disable IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, run the command on the production system before the backup system.

The setup script can be used to install IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on multiple backup nodes from the production server. As a prerequisite, Open Secure Shell (OpenSSH) must be installed on all of the nodes in the backup server. NFS shares between the production server and backup server nodes are not required for this type of remote installation. OpenSSH is the preferred method for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

The script must be run from the database instance-specific installation directory:

- (Oracle) *Instance owner \$HOME directory/acs/*

The default action, setup, is run and the instance is configured.

If the script is called without parameters, it can be issued as the instance owner. The script creates a profile or changes an existing profile, and updates the daemon jobs according to the current profile (production system) or user preference (backup system).

If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cannot be stopped, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production system before you run the script with the -a install -d <Instance owner \$HOME directory> options.

## Setup script values

The following values are available for setup\_type.sh.

Use setup\_ora.sh to launch the Configuration Wizard to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle.

Or,

Use setup\_ora.sh to configure IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for Oracle in an SAP environment.

The following values are available for action. The instance directory name -d option, is required for all explicit actions.

### disable

This call can be issued as the root or instance owner. It stops IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot and removes all daemon jobs. To reactivate IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, call the script without parameters.



If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cannot be stopped, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production system before running `setup_type.sh -a install -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>`.

## **install**

This call needs to be issued with the root user ID. When issued, the following actions are completed:

1. Stops IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot (`setup_type.sh -a stop -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>`) For DB2 databases, change `<INSTANCE owner $HOME directory>` to `<INSTANCE owner $HOME directory>/sqlib`.
2. Copies all binary files from the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation directory to the instance-specific installation directory (`<instance directory>`)
3. Sets the appropriate access rights for the binary files.
4. Restarts IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot (`setup_type.sh -a start -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>`).

The steps to start and stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot are skipped if it is not configured.

If IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot cannot be stopped, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production system before running `setup_type.sh -a install -d <Instance owner $HOME directory>`.

## **start**

This call can be issued as the root or instance owner. The call starts a previously installed and configured version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. This call starts the configured daemon jobs.

## **stop**

This call can be issued as the root or instance owner. It stops the version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot that is currently running. This call updates the configured daemon jobs and checks that IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is stopped successfully (a write lock can be acquired for the `.lock` file that is located in the instance-specific installation directory).

This call fails on the backup system in environments where the instance-specific installation directory is shared between the production and backup systems, if IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot is running on the production system. To successfully stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in those environments, stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on the production system.

This option is not required for the default setup function.

## **Setting or changing passwords with the Configuration Wizard**

You can set or change passwords with the Configuration Wizard.

Use the command in this example:

```
setup_type.sh
```

Running the setup script without the `-a` action option proceeds through several tasks that are similar to the tasks described in Chapter 3, “Installing and setting up IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot,” on page 25.

When this command is issued, the profile wizard starts. You can use the profile wizard to edit the profile, and to set or change passwords. Using this wizard to

administer passwords is preferred because the wizard updates changed passwords on the backup systems. To update passwords on the backup system, specify **YES** at the following prompt:

```
Select the backup system to update or delete:
1) acsback5
n) configure a new backup system
b) return to previous menu
q) quit configuration
Select one of the options.
1
The selected backup system is acsback5
The backup system on acsback5 is configured with the device class(es) DISK_ONLY.
Select the action you want to take on the backup system acsback5:
1) update IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot installation
2) start IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot services
3) stop IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot
4) uninstall IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot
5) setup the SSH key authentication
b) return to backup system selection
q) quit the configuration
Select one of the options.
1
Do you want to update the Backup System installation on acsback5? [y|n] [y]
```

## Password administration

You can use the `setup_<type>.sh` script or the `fcmlcli -f password` command to change the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot passwords.

The `fcmlcli -f password` command supports an interactive and a non-interactive mode. To use the interactive mode, do not enter a password when you issue the command and you are prompted to enter the following passwords:

- The master password, which is the password of the acsd management agent. By default, a 32 character password is automatically generated. However, you can enter an alternative password.
- The password for the ORACLE section if defined in the specified profile.
- The passwords for the disk storage subsystems that are referenced by the DEVICE\_CLASS sections in the specified profile.

If the specified profile contains multiple DEVICE\_CLASS sections that reference the same physical disk storage subsystem, the password is queried one time by combining these DEVICE\_CLASS sections.

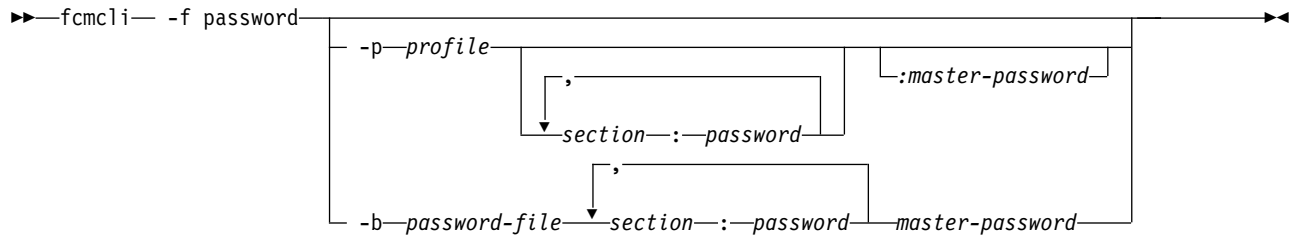
The interactive mode is the preferred method for setting passwords. Using this method, the passwords are verified by testing the connections to the corresponding storage devices, management agent, or database. For the non-interactive mode, the command syntax is verified but no additional validations are performed.

**Note:** The minimum length of the master password is 8 characters. The password must contain at least one number and one letter. The use of special symbols increases the strength of the password.

**Tip:** To ensure that backup servers are also updated by SSH if applicable, use the setup scripts to modify any passwords.

Use the following syntax to change the passwords for intercommunication between IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot components, and communication to Oracle databases and to storage devices.

## fcmdi command: -f password



### Parameters

#### -p *profile*

Specify the full path and name of the profile that is used. If the path is not specified, the profile file in the current working path is used.

In interactive mode, the command searches the profile for the ORACLE, and DEVICE\_CLASS sections and then requests you to enter the relevant passwords.

#### -b *password-file*

Specify the password file to be created or updated. By default, the shared/acsd.pwd password file is in the directory that is specified by the **ACS\_DIR** parameter. This parameter is included in the GLOBAL section of the profile file. This information is read from one of the following profiles:

- When the -p option is not specified, the profile file in the current working directory is used.
- When the -p option is specified, the profile file that is specified by this option is used.

#### *sectionname:password*

Specify the password for the user account that is referenced by the ORACLE, and DEVICE\_CLASS sections of the profile. To specify the password for the DEVICE\_CLASS section, replace the *sectionname* variable with the DEVICE\_CLASS:*device class name* variable for example, DEVICE\_CLASS:STANDARD. Use this syntax when you specify the password: DEVICE\_CLASS:*device class name:password*.

No spaces are allowed between the *sectionname:password* syntax.

#### *:masterpassword*

Specify the master password that is used to authenticate a library or agent to the acsd management agent. Alternatively, enter the value *auto* to enable IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to auto-generate a password. For example, issue the following command to auto-generate the master password:

```
./fcmdi -f password :auto
```

## GSKit commands

If you are not using SSH for remote installation and configuration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot on backup and cloning systems, use GSKit commands to manually import a self-signed certificate. If you decide to use a CA signed certificate, use GSKit commands to complete a manual setup.

### Manually importing the self-signed certificate

The self-signed certificate is automatically created by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. When the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot setup script is run on the production server, it automatically creates the `fcmselcert.arm` file. It is stored on the production server in the default installation path. The `fcmselcert.arm` file is automatically imported on the backup and cloning servers from the production server with the SSH remote deployment mechanisms of the setup script. When remote deployment is not used and you separately run the setup script on the backup or cloning server, the `fcmselcert.arm` file if present is automatically imported to the local key database and then deleted. To use this automation, copy the `fcmselcert.arm` file from the production server to either the backup or cloning server before you start the setup routines on the backup or cloning server.

Alternatively, you can import the self-signed certificate by using the following GSKit command. However, in most scenarios this step is not necessary as the file is automatically imported as part of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot setup process.

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -add -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server  
certificate" -file <path to fcmselcert.arm> -format ascii
```

This command fails if the key database already contains a certificate with the label FCM server certificate. To remove the certificate with the label FCM server certificate, you can use the following command:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -delete -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server  
certificate"
```

### CA Certificate

You can use a CA signed certificate for IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot. If the certificate that is assigned by a CA has no built-in GSKit support, import the CA root certificate into the key database file (`fmcert.kdb`). Use the GSKit command-line utilities to update the file on the production system, the backup system, and the cloning system. The root certificate of a trusted CA certificate is in the key database. GSKit has the following trusted root certificates:

- Entrust.net Global Secure Server Certification Authority
- Entrust.net Global Client Certification Authority
- Entrust.net Client Certification Authority
- Entrust.net Certification Authority (2048)
- Entrust.net Secure Server Certification Authority
- VeriSign Class 3 Public Primary Certification Authority
- VeriSign Class 2 Public Primary Certification Authority
- VeriSign Class 1 Public Primary Certification Authority
- VeriSign Class 4 Public Primary Certification Authority - G2
- VeriSign Class 3 Public Primary Certification Authority - G2
- VeriSign Class 2 Public Primary Certification Authority - G2
- VeriSign Class 1 Public Primary Certification Authority - G2

- VeriSign Class 4 Public Primary Certification Authority - G3
- VeriSign Class 3 Public Primary Certification Authority - G3
- VeriSign Class 2 Public Primary Certification Authority - G3
- VeriSign Class 1 Public Primary Certification Authority - G3
- Thawte Personal Premium CA
- Thawte Personal Freemail CA
- Thawte Personal Basic CA
- Thawte Premium Server CA
- Thawte Server CA
- RSA Secure Server Certification Authority
- Secure Server Certification Authority

The following example shows the command to request that a CA signed certificate is included:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -certreq -create -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server
certificate request" -dn dist_name -target fcmservecertreq.arm
```

For SP800-131 compliance, when the **ENFORCE\_TLS12** parameter is set to YES in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile, ensure that the certificate meets the minimum requirement by adding the following two options:

- -size 2048 (or higher)
- -sigalg sha224 (or higher)

**Note:** IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a self-signed certificate that is signed with SHA512, and the size is 4086 bits.

The **label** parameter can have any value except FCM server certificate. This value is already used by the self-signed certificate in the key database.

When you use a certificate that is signed by a CA that has no built-in GSKit support, you must import the CA root certificate. This task must be completed before the certificate is received or imported. The CA root certificate must be imported into the key database (KDB) files on the production system. The CA root certificate must also be imported into the KDB files on the backup and cloning servers. Issue the following command to import the root certificate:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -add -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server certificate
request" -file path to CARootCertificate.arm
```

Issue the following command to import a signed certificate when it is received from a CA:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -receive -file fcmservecertsigned.arm -db fmcert.kdb
-stashed
```

Rename the CA signed certificate label to FCM server certificate. Usually, the key database still contains the self-signed certificate, it must be deleted before the CA signed certificate can be renamed. To remove the self-signed certificate from the key database, issue the following command:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -delete -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server
certificate"
```

To rename the CA signed certificate issue the following command:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -rename -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label
"FCM server certificate request" -new_label "FCM server certificate"
```

The file `fcmselcert.arm` is used to export the self-signed certificate. When you use a CA certificate, the `.arm` file is obsolete and must be deleted on the production system. The self-signed certificate is automatically removed from the key database on the backup or cloning system during the next remote update with the setup script. If remote deployment is not used, you can manually remove the self-signed certificate from the key database on the backup and cloning servers. To remove the self-signed certificate, issue the following command:

```
gsk8capicmd_64 -cert -delete -db fmcert.kdb -stashed -label "FCM server  
certificate"
```

## Monitoring the expiry date of certificates

When a self-signed certificate is created, an expiry date can be specified. The expiration time of the certificate is specified in days. The default is 365 days. The duration is 1-7300 days (20 years). The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot setup script creates the self-signed certificate for the production, backup, and cloning servers. The expiration time of all self-signed certificates that is generated by the setup script is 20 years. If you are using CA signed certificates, the expiration date is set by the certificate authority. You must monitor certificates for expiry and remove any expired certificates. If the key database does not contain a valid certificate with the label `FCM server certificate` and the setup script is rerun, a new self-signed certificate is generated. The `.kdb`, `.rdb`, `.arm` and `.sth` files are rewritten.

### Related information:



[ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/webserver/appserv/library/v80/  
GSK\\_CapiCmd\\_UserGuide.pdf](ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/webserver/appserv/library/v80/GSK_CapiCmd_UserGuide.pdf)

## Query managed capacity

Use the **managed\_capacity** command to display information about IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot managed capacity and licensing.

When you run the **managed\_capacity** command, an XML managed capacity and licensing report is printed to the ACS directory or to another specified directory:

The report that is generated lists the capacity value that is calculated from source disks that are protected by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for which a FlashCopy or snapshot backup was created. If a volume contains multiple backups, that volume is counted once during the query. Identify the repository from which to list backups by specifying the profile that is associated with the source volume. The output displays the total managed capacity for all source volumes.

The **fcmdi -f managed\_capacity** syntax is as follows:

```
fcmdi -f managed_capacity [-p profile] [-c] [-o <output_directory>]
```

- p** Specify the name of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile that is associated with the backups on the volume.
- c** Specify this option to display the output as comma-separated values.
- o** Specify this option to print the report to a specified directory as an XML report to view in your browser. When you do not specify a **-o** directory, the report is printed to `ACS_DIR/capacity_reports`.

**Tip:** Ensure to regularly delete old copies of managed capacity reports from the output directory.

## Example output

This command displays capacity for the profile in /orc/S01/acs:

```
fcmdi -f managed_capacity -p /orc/S01/acs/profile
```

Output:

```
FMM0461I Created tracefile '/orc/S01/acs/logs/fmquery.trace' for process ID
'31634'.
FMM1498I Front-End Capacity Report: Total protected size: 108.723 MB
FMM1497I Front-End Capacity Report: Number of managed objects: 1
FMM1496I Back-End Capacity Report: Total protected size: 217.445 MB
FMM1493I Back-End Capacity Report: Number of managed objects: 2
FMM1495I Logical Unit (LUN) Capacity Report: Total protected size: 768.000 MB
FMM1494I Logical Unit (LUN) Capacity Report: Number of managed objects: 2
```

This command displays all volumes for the profile that is in /orc/S01/acs as comma-separated values:

```
fcmdi -f managed_capacity -p /orc/S01/acs/profile -c
```

Output:

```
...
tsm_sur_capacity,0
tsm_sur_objects,0
fcm_be_capacity,0
fcm_be_objects,0
fcm_lun_capacity,8589934592
fcm_lun_objects,4
tsm,no
```

For more information about front-end and back-end capacity and how to measure them, see the latest User's Guide at this site [ftp://public.dhe.ibm.com/storage/tivoli-storage-management/front\\_end\\_capacity\\_measurement\\_tools/](ftp://public.dhe.ibm.com/storage/tivoli-storage-management/front_end_capacity_measurement_tools/)

## Background daemons

For IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to work, some background daemon processes are required. Background daemon processes are not started directly. Instead, they are usually added to the /etc/inittab through the setup script commands.

To support high availability environments where the /etc/inittab cannot be used, you can instruct the setup\_orasap.sh scripts to provide you with the exact commands that must be added to your high availability scripts instead of adding entries to /etc/inittab.

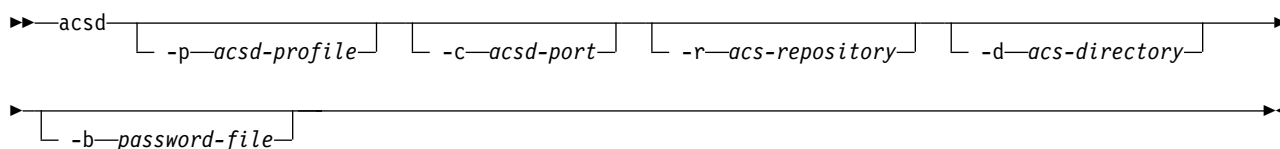
### Management agent acsd

The management agent, acsd, coordinates the snapshot backup operation. It is a background daemon process that starts automatically.

The management agent, acsd, controls the backup flow and mediates between the other agents. The acsd agent provides access to the snapshot backup repository, which contains information about the valid snapshot backups and their relationships to snapshot capable storage devices.

If you must deviate from the standard installation, the management agent offers the following command options for customization:

## acsd management agent



Syntax for obtaining version or help information:

## acsd management agent help

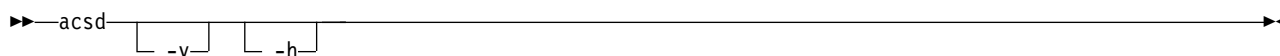


Table 21. Options for starting the management agent, acsd, as a daemon process

Option	Description	Default	Overrides profile parameter
-p acsd-profile	Full path and name of the profile that is used by the management agent.  The management agent uses the GLOBAL and acsd sections of the configuration profile.	<instance directory>/profile	
-c acsd-port	TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent is listening	57328	<b>ACSD</b> (port number or service name)
-r acs-repository	Directory name where the snapshot backup repository is located	None	<b>ACS_REPOSITORY</b>
-d acs-directory	Name of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot directory	ACS_DIR	
-b password-file	File in which the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot management agent password is stored (in encrypted form). See notes.	ACS_DIR/shared/pwd.acsd	No corresponding profile parameter.
-v	Display version and help information	None	N/A
-h	Display help information only	None	N/A

All parameters override the values that are specified in the acsd profile or the corresponding default values. The shared and logs directories are automatically created in ACS\_DIR. If no parameters are entered, acsd starts with the default profile and uses the default parameter values where applicable, or an error message is shown if this profile does not exist.

When acsd is started for the first time, or with a new **ACS\_DIR** parameter, the following actions occur:



- Create the subdirectories shared and logs
- Create a password file pwd.acsd in the shared subdirectory
- Generate a master password

When the snapshot backup library uses the same ACS\_DIR, it can authenticate itself to acsd with the password provided in the pwd.acsd file. If the snapshot backup library uses a different ACS\_DIR, the default password file pwd.acsd must be copied to that directory so that they can read the master password from that directory.

**Note:** The minimum length of the master password is 8 characters. It must contain at least one number and one letter. The use of special symbols increases the strength of the password.

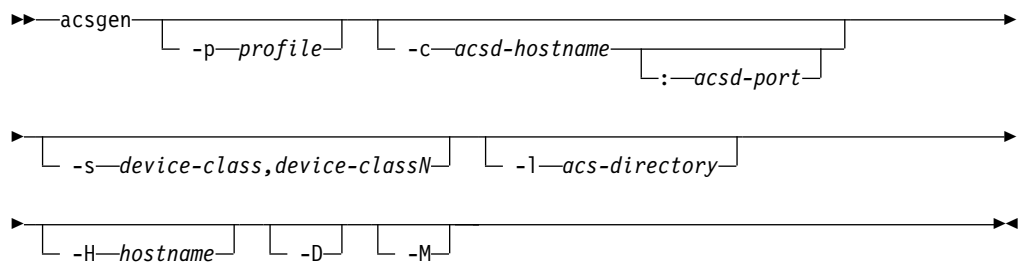
### Generic device agent: acsgen

The generic device agent, acsgen, is the component that uses adapters to start snapshot commands on snapshot-compatible devices.

The generic device agent, acsgen, is started as a background daemon so you are not required to manually start it.

If you must deviate from the standard installation, the generic device agent, acsgen, offers the following command options for customization:

#### acsgen generic device agent



Syntax for obtaining version or help information:

#### acsgen generic device agent help



*Table 22. Options for starting the generic device agent, acsgen.* Description of acsgen options with default values if applicable.

Option	Description	Default
-p profile	Full profile name.	<instance_directory>/profile
-c acsd-hostname	Name of the server where the management agent, acsd, is running.	localhost
acsd-port	TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent, acsd, is listening.	57328

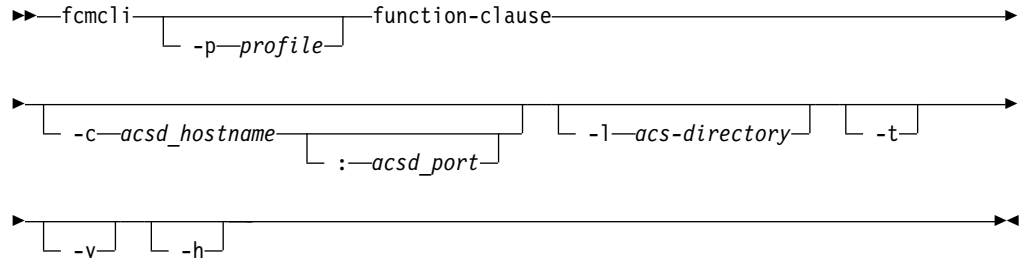
Table 22. Options for starting the generic device agent, *acsngen* (continued). Description of *acsngen* options with default values if applicable.

Option	Description	Default
-s device-class	Section in the profile that pertains to the device class. Specify multiple device classes by separating each device class by a space.	STANDARD
-l acs-directory	Directory where the logs and shared directories can be found.	<ACS_DIR>
-D	Start as daemon. The -a option defines the usability states that the device agent responds to. Valid only when started from the following path: /etc/inittab	Run and end.
-H hostname	The host name where the process is running. The primary use is by the launchpad component to check its partitions in a DB2 multi-partition environment.	The system host name that is displayed by the <b>hostname</b> command.
-M	Start the device agent as a mount agent. This agent is called for mounting or unmounting the target volumes on the backup system when any of the following situations exist: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An offloaded backup to IBM Spectrum Protect is requested</li> <li>• Database files on JFS file systems</li> <li>• Database files on AIX LVM mirrored volumes</li> <li>• The database is not suspended</li> <li>• Cloning databases</li> </ul> A mount verifies the consistency of the associated file systems.	Start as the monitoring agent.
-v	Display version and help information.	None
-h	Display help information only.	None

## Mounting and unmounting snapshots on a secondary system

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot commands are available to mount or unmount a snapshot backup on a secondary system.

### **fcmcli** command



Where:

#### **-p profile**

Full profile name. Default value: *<instance directory>/profile*

#### **-c acsd-hostname**

Name of the server where the management agent (acsd) is running. Default value: *localhost*

#### **acs-d-port**

TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent (acsd) is listening. Default value: *57328*

#### **-l acs-directory**

Directory where the logs and shared directories are located. Default value: *ACS\_DIR*

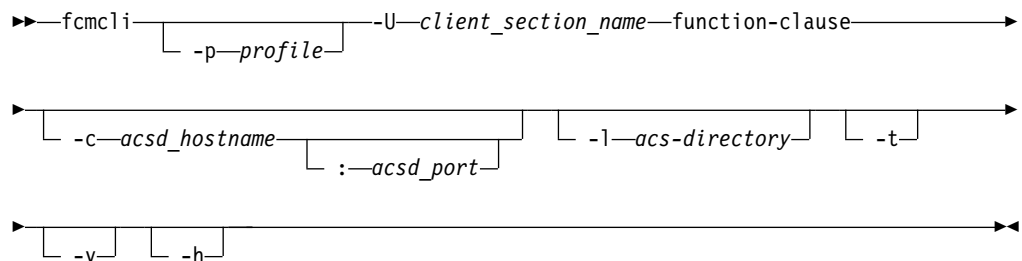
**-t** Start with trace on. Default value: off.

**-v** Show version.

**-h** Show help text.

The return code of the **fcmcli** command is *0* if it finishes the request without an error or if there were no candidates for the request. Return code *1* indicates one or more minor issues occurred that are not critical but can be checked to prevent major issues later. Return code *2* indicates that an error occurred during the command execution.

### **fcmcli** command



Where:

**-p *profile***

Full profile name. Default value: *<instance directory>/profile*

**-U *client\_section\_name***

If there is one CLIENT and one CLONING section this can be omitted. For profiles with multiple CLIENT and CLONING sections, -U must be defined.

**-c *acsd-hostname***

Name of the server where the management agent (acsd) is running. Default value: *localhost*

***acsd-port***

TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent (acsd) is listening. Default value: *57328*

**-l *acs-directory***

Directory where the logs and shared directories are located. Default value: *ACS\_DIR*

**-t** Start with trace on. Default value: off.

**-v** Show version.

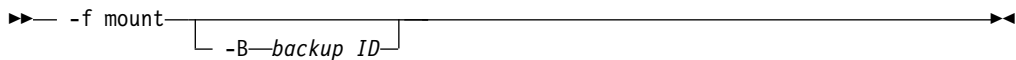
**-h** Show help text.

The return code of the **fcmlcli** command is *0* if it finishes the request without an error or if there were no candidates for the request. Return code *1* indicates one or more minor issues occurred that are not critical but can be checked to prevent major issues later. Return code *2* indicates that an error occurred during the command execution.

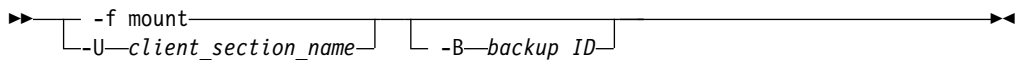
## FlashCopy administrative operations

The following functions are supported by the **fcmlcli** command option -f 'function' for mount and unmount:

**-f mount function-clauses**



**-f mount function-clauses**



Where:

**-f mount**

Mount snapshot target set.

**-F** Force a reset of **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** usability states for the specified snapshot backup during the unmount force function. This parameter also requires the following -B backup-id argument.

**-B backup ID**

The Backup ID as displayed by **fcmlcli -f inquire [\_detail]** command.

The following functions are supported by the **fcmlcli** command option **-f** 'function' for forced unmount:

**-f unmount function-clause with force option**

►► -f unmount — -F — -B *backup ID* —————►◄

The following functions are supported by the **fcmlcli** command option **-f** function for forced unmount:

**-f unmount function-clause with force option**

►► -f unmount — -U *client\_section\_name* — -F — -B *backup ID* —————►◄

Where:

**-f unmount**

Unmount snapshot target set.

**-F** Force a reset of **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** usability states for the specified snapshot backup during the unmount force function. This parameter also requires the following **-B backup-id** argument.

**-B backup ID**

The Backup ID as displayed by **fcmlcli -f inquire [\_detail]** command.

Where:

**-f unmount**

Unmount snapshot target set.

**-F** Force a reset of **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** usability states for the specified snapshot backup during the unmount force function. This parameter also requires the following **-B backup-id** argument.

**-U client\_section\_name** If there is one **CLIENT** and one **CLONING** section this value can be omitted. For profiles with multiple **CLIENT** and **CLONING** sections, **-U** must be defined.

**-B backup ID**

The Backup ID as displayed by **fcmlcli -f inquire [\_detail]** command.

The functions **mount**, **unmount**, or **tape\_backup** cannot run in parallel on the same backup server.

The following functions are supported by the **fcmlcli** command option **-f** 'function' for mount and unmount:

**-f mount and -f unmount function-clauses**

►► [ -f mount ] [ -f unmount ] [ -d *database-name* ] [ -i *instance-name* ] —————►◄  
 ► [ -B *backup ID* ] —————►◄

Where:

- f mount**  
Mount snapshot target set.
- f unmount**  
Unmount snapshot target set.
- d database-name**  
Database name.
- i instance-name**  
Instance name to apply to the command. There are no limitations.
- B backup ID**  
The Backup ID as displayed by `fcmlcli -f inquire [_detail]` or `db2acsutil` command.

The following functions are supported by the **fcmlcli** command option **-f 'function'** for forced unmount:

**-f unmount function-clause with force option**

►► -f unmount — -F — -d database-name — -i instance-name — -B backup ID —►◄

Where:

- f unmount**  
Unmount snapshot target set.
- F** Force a reset of **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** usability states for the specified snapshot backup during the unmount force function. This parameter also requires the following arguments:
  - -d database-name
  - -i instance-name
  - -B backup-id
- d database-name**  
Database name.
- i instance-name**  
Instance name to apply to the command. There are no limitations.
- B backup ID**  
The Backup ID as displayed by `fcmlcli -f inquire [_detail]` or `db2acsutil` command.

The functions **mount**, **unmount**, or **tape\_backup** cannot run in parallel on the same backup server.

**-f mount**

This command mounts a snapshot backup on a backup system.

Mounting a backup means the following occurs:

1. Configure the target volumes, which might need to be assigned to the offload system (see the profile parameter **BACKUP\_HOST\_NAME** in “*DEVICE\_CLASS device*” on page 116 for details).
2. Import the volume groups from the target volumes.
3. Mount all file systems within the volume groups.

The mount is done by one mount agent for each backup server. As a result, a mount agent is started by the launchpad daemon that runs on the respective backup server. By specifying more options (filter arguments) such as,

```
-i <instance-name>
-d <database-name>
-B <backup-id>
```

a specific snapshot backup can be selected for mounting on the offload system.

If no backup with the usability state `TAPE_BACKUP_PENDING` exists, the **-B** parameter is mandatory. Here are two examples. The first one is generic:

```
fcmdi -f mount -U <client_section_name> -B <backup-id>
```

```
fcmdi -f mount -d <database-name> -i <instance-name> -B <backup-id>.
```

Here is a specific example for Oracle:

```
fcmdi -f mount -U OR1 -B A0IFZH20KH
```

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Here is a generic example for Oracle in an SAP environment:

```
fcmdi -f mount -d <backupidprefix> -i <database-name> -B <backup-id>
```

Here is a specific example:

```
fcmdi -f mount -d OAS___ -i OAS -B A0I9V162X5
```

**Note:** If the option **-B** is omitted, the oldest backup still in state *tape\_backup\_pending* is selected implicitly.

To reflect whether a snapshot backup is being mounted or is mounted, the usability states **MOUNTING** and **MOUNTED**, are set for those backups in the snapshot backup repository. These two state values prevent a duplicate mount request for a backup that is being mounted, or is already mounted, on the backup system. If multiple snapshot backups of a database are candidates to be mounted, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot picks the one with the most recent snapshot backup ID.

### **-f unmount**

This command releases all resources on the offload server that were used by the mount command.

For *normal mode*, the unmount is completed by one mount agent for each backup server. A mount agent is started by the launchpad daemon that runs on the respective backup server. The following steps are completed by the software:

1. Unmount the file system that belongs to the target volumes.
2. Export the assigned volume group.
3. Remove the devices, `vpath/hdisk`, from the offload system.

When extra options, which are known as filter arguments, are specified, a specific snapshot backup can be selected for unmounting from the offload system. Use **-B** to identify the specific backup as follows:

```
-B <backup-id>
```

If the unmount does not succeed because of problems that are related to the device agent, the usability state of the backup remains **MOUNTED** in the snapshot backup repository. After resolving the problems on the backup system, the **fcmdi unmount**

command must be issued again. The command is issued again to finalize the unmount of the file systems and update the usability state of the backup in the snapshot backup repository. If an off-loaded tape backup is running, the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** is set and those backups are not be picked by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot for unmounting.

Unexpected system failures with offloaded tape backups can lead to an incorrect state of the backup reflected in the snapshot backup repository. The state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** is set. A built-in force option, **-F**, for the **fcmcli unmount** function is used to return the system to a usable state. Besides the normal unmount function, the unmount force option picks backups in the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** state as candidates to be unmounted and to reset the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** usability state for those backups. The **-B** option is specified to uniquely identify the backup that is involved.

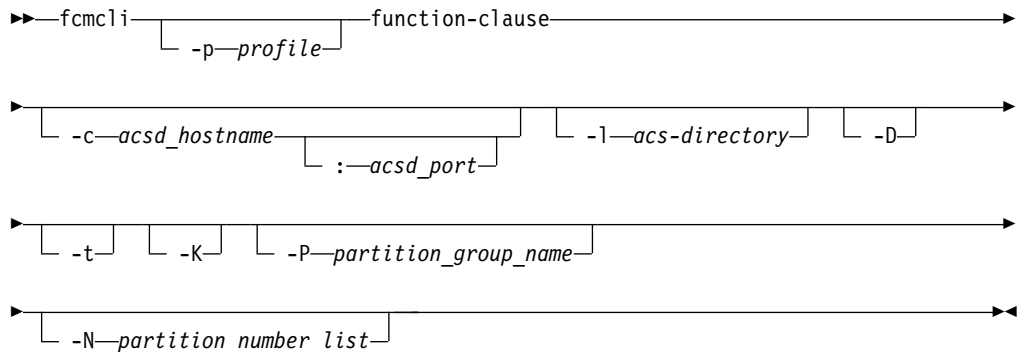
## Integration with IBM Spectrum Protect

If IBM Spectrum Protect is set up and configured in your environment, you can create a backup to IBM Spectrum Protect from a snapshot.

### The fcmcli offload agent

The offload agent is a daemon process that manages offloaded backups to IBM Spectrum Protect. The agent also provides a command line interface offering functions for managing IBM Spectrum Protect backups.

#### fcmcli command



Where:

#### **-p profile**

Full profile name. Default value: *<instance directory>/profile*

#### **-c acsd\_hostname**

Name of the server where the management agent (acsd) is running. Default value: *localhost*.

#### **acsd-port**

TCP/IP port number or service name on which the management agent (acsd) is listening. Default value: *57328*.

#### **-l acs-directory**

Directory where the logs and shared directories are located. Default value: *ACS\_DIR*.

**-D** Run as daemon process. Valid only when started from */etc/inittab*. Default value: Run and end.



- t Start trace on. Default value: Trace off.
- K In a multi-partition environment, the partitions remain mounted when all participating partitions are successfully offloaded to IBM Spectrum Protect. The offload agent unmounts all partitions after the last partition is successfully offloaded. Default value: Off. The unmount operation is part of every IBM Spectrum Protect backup operation.

**-P *partition\_group\_name***

The name of a partition group as specified in the profile with the **PARTITION\_GROUP** parameter.

**-N *partition\_number\_list***

A single number or list of numbers that are separated by a comma that specifies the partitions to apply the action against. When not specified, the action is applied to all partitions.

The values for the function-clause parameter are described in the following sections.

**-f *tape\_backup*:**

This offload agent command backs up data to tape storage.

**Note:** IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning must be installed on the production and backup server if you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot in an SAP environment with Oracle. IBM Spectrum Protect for Databases: Data Protection for Oracle as well as Oracle must be installed on the production and backup server if you use IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to protect an Oracle non-SAP environment.

To create a snapshot backup with a subsequent tape backup, **TSM\_BACKUP** or **TAPE\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** must be specified either as part of the backup command or as a profile parameter. This setting applies to all backups. The management agent updates the usability state with **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING**. The IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload agent then picks up all snapshot backups in the state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** and backs them up to tape. The `fcmlcli -f backup` operation must be issued from the production system.

To start the offload backup to tape, enter the command:

```
fcmlcli -f tape_backup
```

By specifying additional options or filter arguments such as

```
-i instance-name
-d database-name
```

the appropriate backup for the given instance and or database can be selected for offloading to tape. The `-B backup-id` option cannot be specified in conjunction with `-f tape_backup`. The backups should be processed in chronological order. The `tsm4acs` backs up the oldest snapshot eligible for transfer to IBM Spectrum Protect.

By specifying the `-D` option for the offload agent, it acts as a daemon process that periodically checks for outstanding tape backup requests. Furthermore, the offload agent, running as a daemon, tries to offload a snapshot backup to tape only one time. If the first attempt fails for some reason, the snapshot backup is marked

accordingly and is not be picked a second time by the tsm4acs daemon for offloading to tape. This type of backup must be offloaded to tape manually by issuing the following command:

```
fcmlcli -f tape_backup filter_arguments
```

If multiple snapshot backups of a database are candidates for offloading to tape, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot offload agent (whether as a daemon or with the **-f tape\_backup** function) always selects the one with the oldest snapshot backup ID. This selection ensures that the IBM Spectrum Protect backups are created in the appropriate sequential order.

**Tip:** Whenever a new snapshot backup with **TSM\_BACKUP** set to YES, MANDATE, or LATEST is created, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot sets the **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** status to NO for all snapshot backups that were previously created with **TSM\_BACKUP** set to LATEST. This prevents backup requests to IBM Spectrum Protect from queuing if they cannot be completed in time.

The tsm4acs **tape\_backup** function internally does the following steps:

1. Mount the file systems on the offload system if they were not previously mounted using fcmlcli with the 'mount' function or by a forced mount request. If all necessary file systems were mounted, this step is skipped.
2. Update the usability state to **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS** for all partitions that have the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** set.
3. Back up these partitions to tape.
4. Update usability states: For those partitions for which the backup succeeded, reset the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_PENDING** and set **TAPE\_BACKUP\_COMPLETE**. For those partitions where the backup failed, set the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_FAILED**. For all participating partitions, reset the usability state **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS**.
5. Unmount the file systems from the offload system.

When the usability state for a partition is **TAPE\_BACKUP\_IN\_PROGRESS**, any request to restart the offload of that partition to tape is refused.

If a backup to IBM Spectrum Protect fails, the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot software can try the backup operation again.

#### **-f update\_status:**

This offload agent command updates the usability state of a specified snapshot backup.

The usability state of a specified snapshot backup can be updated to either offload a snapshot to IBM Spectrum Protect (**TSM\_BACKUP=yes**), or to not offload a snapshot (**TSM\_BACKUP=no**). It is possible to offload a snapshot backup to IBM Spectrum Protect even though the **TSM\_BACKUP** or **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** profile parameter was deactivated during the snapshot backup operation. If there is no longer a need to offload the snapshot backup that was run with the parameter **TSM\_BACKUP** or **TSM\_BACKUP\_FROM\_SNAPSHOT** activated, the usability state can be reset.

To identify the backup whose state is to be modified, these parameters must also be specified using the **-f update\_status** command:

```
-d database-name  
-i instance-name  
-B backup-id
```



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## Appendix C. IBM Global Security Kit configuration

IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot uses the security suite IBM Global Security Kit (GSKit), for Secure Socket Layer (SSL) and Transport Layer Security (TLS) TCP/IP connections. GSKit supports Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS140-2) and also incorporates the security standards as defined in the Special Publications 800131 (SP 800-131). GSKit is automatically installed by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot.

This security standard requires longer key lengths, stronger cryptographic algorithms, and incorporates TLS Protocol version 1.2.

During the installation, IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot automatically creates a new key pair and a self-signed certificate if no default certificate exists. The key pair is stored in the local key database file. The self-signed certificate is created from the key pair and automatically distributed to all backup and cloning servers by the setup script through the existing SSH remote deployment mechanisms.

If you do not use the SSH remote deployment capabilities of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you must complete the following steps:

1. Globally install GSKit on each server by activating the instance. The required installation files are available in the `gskit_install` subdirectory of the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance directory.
2. Manually copy the `fcmselcert.arm` file to the backup and cloning servers. The manually copied certificate is imported automatically when the setup script is run on the backup or cloning servers.

To install or reinstall GSKit separately, enter the command, `./setup_orasap.sh -a install_gskit -d <instance directory>`

Alternatively, use a CA-signed certificate. The signed certificate can be from an internal or external certificate authority (CA). When SP800-131 encryption is enforced by setting the **ENFORCE\_TLS12** profile parameter to YES in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile, the signed certificate must comply with the standard as defined by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) SP800-131 standard encryption. This standard requires a minimum key size = 2048 bits and a signature algorithm = RSA with SHA-224 or higher. Import the CA-signed certificate to the key database on the production server.

If you use a standard CA-signed certificate, you do not need to handle `fcmselcert.arm` files. You must import the CA-signed certificate manually into the production server key ring. Use the GSKit command-line utilities to import the certificate to the production server. If the CA-signed certificate is not a standard certificate that GSKit has a root certificate for, you must import the certificate to all sites. No further action is necessary on the auxiliary servers.

The following GSKit files are installed by IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot:

- A key database file, `fcmselcert.kdb`, is in the instance directory.  
The KDB file on the production server contains a new key pair and a self-signed certificate. On the backup and cloning servers, the KDB file contains the public part of the self-signed certificate.
- A request database file, `fcmselcert.rdb`, is in the instance directory.

The request database file is used to store certificate requests that are associated with the key database. This file is automatically created when IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot creates a key database file.

- An encrypted stash file, `fcmcert.sth`.

The password that is protecting the key database file is generated automatically and is stored in the encrypted stash file.

- An ASCII encoded binary file, `fcmselfcert.arm`.

This file is used to export the public part of the self-signed certificate. It is also used to import the public part of the self-signed certificate to the backup and cloning servers.

When you install backup and clone servers separately without the use of SSH, the installation process installs and sets up IBM GSKit. In this scenario, after IBM GSKit installation, manually copy `fcmselfcert.arm` file to the backup and cloning servers.

- A certificate revocation list file, `fcmcert.crl`.

This file contains a list of revoked certificates.

The `.kdb`, `.rdb`, `.crl`, and the `.sth` files contain critical security parameters and these parameters must be protected against unauthorized access by the operating system. It is advisable to back up the key database files regularly, especially if you are using a CA-signed certificate.

## Enforcing SP800-131 compliant encryption

The files that are needed for IBM GSKit are automatically installed during the installation. To enforce SP800-131 compliant encryption, during the configuration of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot, you must set the **ENFORCE\_TLS12** parameter to YES in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile file. You must use the advanced mode during the configuration to specify this parameter. Otherwise, TLS Protocol version 1.0 and 1.1 is enabled as the default value for the **ENFORCE\_TLS12** parameter is NO.

Any existing self-signed certificates that were created by a previous version of IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot must be deleted to allow IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot to create new self-signed certificates. To remove any existing self-signed certificates, go to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance directory and enter the following command:

```
rm fmcert.*
```

**Note:** Do not delete certificates signed by certificate authority (CA). However, if the CA-signed certificate does not meet the minimum SP800-131 criteria, you must manually replace it with a new one.

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## Uninstall GSKit

GSKit must not be uninstalled unless you are sure that no product on the system is using it. When you uninstall GSKit, you remove the entire global GSKit installation from the system.

If required, you can uninstall GSKit with the following steps.

1. Log in with the root user ID.
2. Change to the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot instance directory.
3. Run the setup script to uninstall GSKit, as follows.

```
./setup_orasap.sh -a uninstall_gskit -d <instance_directory>
```





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## Appendix D. Examples

Refer to these IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot examples when you are configuring, updating, or following product tasks.

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### Overall disk layout example

Refer to this example when you are configuring the disk layout in an Oracle in an SAP environment environment.

The following figure shows file systems that are involved in a sample disk layout.

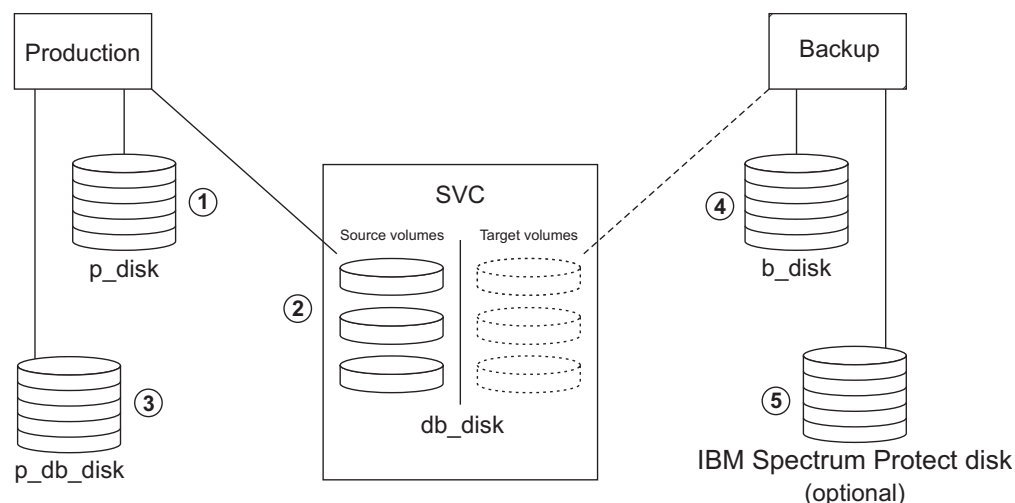


Figure 16. Example overall disk layout for an SAP with Oracle environment

The respective disk categories contain the following disk types that are used for the various file systems:

1. Local disks on the production system (*p\_disk* category) for the file systems

```
/oracle/A01
/usr/sap/A01
/usr/sap/trans
/oracle/A01/920_64
/oracle/A01/sapbackup
/oracle/A01/sapreorg
/sapmnt/A01
/oracle/A01/acs (ACS_DIR)
```

2. Source volume disks on the production system (*db\_disk* category) for the file systems

/oracle/A01/sapdata1	part of VG sapfcl1
/oracle/A01/sapdata2	part of VG sapfcl2
/oracle/A01/sapdata3	part of VG sapfcl2
/oracle/A01/sapdata4	part of VG sapfcl3
/oracle/A01/sapdata5	part of VG sapfcl3
/oracle/A01/sapdata6	part of VG sapfcl3
/oracle/A01/origlogA	part of VG sapfcs1
/oracle/A01/origlogB	part of VG sapfcs1
/oracle/A01/mirrlogA	part of VG sapfcs2
/oracle/A01/mirrlogB	part of VG sapfcs2

The *sapdata<x>* file systems were placed in different VGs for test and development purposes; alternatively they could be in a common volume group.

The Oracle control files are placed in <\$ORACLE\_HOME>/dbs/init<SID>.ora.:

```
/oracle/A01/sapdata1/cntrl/cntrlA01.dbf
/oracle/A01/origlogA/cntrl/cntrlA01.dbf
/oracle/A01/origlogB/cntrl/cntrlA01.dbf
```

3. Local disks on the production system (*p\_db\_disk* category) for the file systems

```
/oracle/A01/saparch
```

4. Local disks on the backup system (*b\_disk* category) for the file systems

```
/oracle/A01
/usr/sap/A01
/usr/sap/trans
/oracle/A01/acs (ACS_DIR)
```

5. (IBM Spectrum Protect server) Disks for the IBM Spectrum Protect server (*TSM\_disk* category) for the file systems used for the IBM Spectrum Protect server databases, logs, and storage volumes.

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## Disk only profile example

The profile provides parameters that customize how IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot works within a particular environment. Use this example to verify that the configuration of the profile is correct for your Oracle in an SAP environment.

The following example shows a profile:

```
>>> GLOBAL
# ACS_DIR /oracle/A01/acs
ACSD acsprod5 57328
# TRACE NO
<<<
>>> ACSD
ACS_REPOSITORY /oracle/A01/acs/pmtest
ADMIN_ASSISTANT no
# REPOSITORY_LABEL TSM
<<<
>>> CLIENT
# BACKUPIDPREFIX SAP_
APPLICATION_TYPE SAP_ORACLE
TARGET_DATABASE_SUSPEND YES
TSM_BACKUP YES
# MAX_VERSIONS ADAPTIVE
LVM_FREEZE_THAW 120
# TIMEOUT_FLASH 120
GLOBAL_SYSTEM_IDENTIFIER A01
# DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE XIV
# LVM_MIRRORING NO
PATH_TO_XCLI /home/xivtest/XCLI
COPYSERVICES_SERVERNAME nextra
COPYSERVICES_USERNAME admin
# RECON_INTERVAL 12
# USE_WRITABLE_SNAPSHOTS AUTO
BACKUP_HOST_NAME acsback5
<<<
```

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## Offload profile example

The profile provides parameters that customize how IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot works within a particular environment. Use this example to verify that the configuration of the profile is correct for an offloaded backup with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning.

Some parameters that are typically defined in the IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot profile are defined in the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning .utl file, with some parameters under different names.

The following profile is an example of a Oracle in an SAP environment profile that does not contain a CLIENT section:

```
>>> GLOBAL
# ACS_DIR /oracle/CET/acs
ACSD dooku 62000
TRACE YES
<<<

>>> ACSD
ACS_REPOSITORY /oracle/CET/acs/repository
# ADMIN_ASSISTANT NO
REPOSITORY_LABEL CET
<<<

>>> OFFLOAD
BACKUP_METHOD BACKINT
PROFILE /oracle/oracle11R2/dbs/initCET.utl
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME 192.168.1.104
# COPYSERVICES_USERNAME superuser
SVC_COPY_RATE 95
# SVC_CLEAN_RATE 50
# COPYSERVICES_COMMPROTOCOL HTTPS
# COPYSERVICES_CERTIFICATEFILE NO_CERTIFICATE
# COPYSERVICES_SERVERPORT 5989
FLASHCOPY_TYPE COPY
# COPYSERVICES_TIMEOUT 6
# RESTORE_FORCE NO
# LVM_MIRRORING NO
# RECON_INTERVAL 12
BACKUP_HOST_NAME bano
TARGET_SETS T1
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
<<<
```

The following excerpt is an example of the GLOBAL and CLIENT sections in a .utl file:

```
...
### TSM4ERP parameters
MAX_SESSIONS ...
CONFIG_FILE ...
BACKUPIDPREFIX CET___
...
### IBM Spectrum Protect Snapshot parameters
ACS_DIR /oracle/CET/acs/
ACSD dooku 62000
TRACE ON
...
TARGET_DATABASE_SUSPEND YES
```

```

LVM_FREEZE_THAW AUTO
TSM_BACKUP_FROM_SNAPSHOT YES
MAX_SNAPSHOT_VERSIONS ADAPTIVE
DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
...
### TSM4ERP server section parameters
SERVER ...
SESSIONS ...

```

The following example depicts the situation when the two profiles are created for the same database instance:

```

>>> GLOBAL
# ACS_DIR /oracle/CET/acs
ACSD dooku 62000
TRACE NO
<<<

>>> ACSD
ACS_REPOSITORY /oracle/CET/acs/repository
# ADMIN_ASSISTANT NO
REPOSITORY_LABEL CET
<<<

>>> CLIENT
BACKUPIDPREFIX CET
APPLICATION_TYPE SAP_ORACLE
TARGET_DATABASE_SUSPEND NO
# MAX_VERSIONS ADAPTIVE
# LVM_FREEZE_THAW AUTO
# TIMEOUT_FLASH 120
# GLOBAL_SYSTEM_IDENTIFIER
# DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
<<<

>>> DEVICE_CLASS STANDARD
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
COPYSERVICES_PRIMARY_SERVERNAME 192.168.1.104
# COPYSERVICES_USERNAME superuser
# CLONE_DATABASE NO
# SVC_COPY_RATE 80
# SVC_CLEAN_RATE 50
# COPYSERVICES_COMMPROTOCOL HTTPS
# COPYSERVICES_CERTIFICATEFILE NO_CERTIFICATE
# COPYSERVICES_SERVERPORT 5989
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
# COPYSERVICES_TIMEOUT 6
# RESTORE_FORCE NO
# LVM_MIRRORING NO
# RECON_INTERVAL 12
BACKUP_HOST_NAME BANO
TARGET_SETS T1 T2 T3 T4
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
<<<

```

---

## Incremental offload profile example

Refer to this example when you are editing the IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning profile (.utl file) for an off-loaded backup with IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning with Oracle RMAN.

The following excerpt is an example of a IBM Spectrum Protect for Enterprise Resource Planning profile (.utl file) that can be used on the production and backup server:

```
...
BACKUPIDPREFIX          TPR___

INCREMENTAL              DIFFERENTIAL
INCREMENTAL_CHANNELS     2
INCREMENTAL_LEVEL        1 USE_AT MON TUE WED Thu Fri Sat
INCREMENTAL_LEVEL        0 USE_AT SUN
INCREMENTAL_CATALOG_CONNECT_STRING catdb
INCREMENTAL_CATALOG_USER rman

TARGET_DATABASE_SUSPEND NO

MAX_SESSIONS             2
MAX_ARCH_SESSIONS        1
RL_COMPRESSION            0
REDOLOG_COPIES           2
MAX_VERSIONS             2

BUFFCOPY                 PREVENT
BUFFSIZE                 131072          # block size in bytes
REPORT                   5              # all additional messages + summary
CONFIG_FILE              /oracle/TPR/102_32/dbs/initTPR.bki

SERVER                   PYXIS_1          # Servername
SESSIONS                 2              # Max sessions
PASSWORDREQUIRED         YES            # Use a password
ADSMNODE                 TPR_ORA102_LNX  # Tivoli Storage Manager Nodename
BRBACKUPMGTCCLASS        MBDISK1        # Mgmt-Classes
BRARCHIVEMGTCCLASS       MLOG1 MLOG2    # Mgmt-Classes
```

---

## Target volumes file examples

Refer to this example when you are editing the target volumes file for a DS8000 storage subsystem configuration.

The following file is an example of a VOLUMES\_FILE .fct file that includes the target set configuration that is used for cloning:

```
#
#***** First sample *****#
#

#=====#

>>> TARGET_SET 1
TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA0111 - -
TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA0112 - -
TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA0113 - -
<<<
<<<

>>> TARGET_SET 3

DEVICE_CLASS CLONE USE_FOR_CLONING D98
TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA011D - -
```

```

TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA011E - -
TARGET_VOLUME 13ABCTA011F - -
<<<
<<<

#=====#

```

---

## SAN Volume Controller and Storwize family target volumes file example

Refer to this example when you are editing the target volumes file for an SAN Volume Controller or Storwize family storage system configuration.

```

#***** First sample *****#
#

#=====#

>>> TARGET_SET VOLUMES_SET_1
TARGET_VOLUME svdftgt1 svdrsrc2 -
TARGET_VOLUME svdftgt2 svdfsrc3 -
TARGET_VOLUME svdftgt3 svdfsrc4 -
TARGET_VOLUME svdftgt4 svdfsrc5 -
TARGET_VOLUME svdftgt5 svdfsrc6 -
<<<

#=====#

```

The following sample profile is an example of a profile in a non-mirrored environment. Create three space-efficient disk-only backups and one dual backup, at midnight, per day.

```

>>> CLIENT
...
TSM_BACKUP LATEST USE_FOR DISK_TSM
DEVICE_CLASS DISK_ONLY FROM 5:30 TO 23:59
DEVICE_CLASS DISK_TSM FROM 0:00 TO 05:29
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS DISK_ONLY
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY # space efficient targets
TARGET_SETS 1 2 3
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS DISK_TSM
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY # space efficient targets
TARGET_SETS DUAL
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<

```

This scenario illustrates a profile in a mirrored environment. On MIRROR\_1, two space-efficient FlashCopy backups are created on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The backup that is created at midnight is copied to IBM Spectrum Protect. The backup that is created at noon is retained only on disk. The backup that is created on Monday is retained until the target sets are reused on Wednesday. On MIRROR\_2, only one incremental FlashCopy backup was created on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. This backup is also copied to IBM Spectrum Protect. The backup is retained until the next incremental backup is started.

```

>>> CLIENT
...
TSM_BACKUP LATEST USE_FOR MIRROR_1_DISK_TSM MIRROR_2

```

```

DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_ONLY USE_AT Mon Wed Fri FROM 5:30 TO 23:59
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_TSM USE_AT Mon Wed Fri FROM 0:00 TO 05:29
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_2 USE_AT SUN Tue Thu Sat
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_ONLY
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY # space efficient targets
TARGET_SETS DO
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_TSM
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY # space efficient targets
TARGET_SETS DT
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_2
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
TARGET_SETS 1
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<

```

This example is like the previous example, but the example does not create IBM Spectrum Protect backups from MIRROR\_1. Rather, the example retains the space-efficient FlashCopy images for one week (same schedule).

```

>>> CLIENT
...
TSM_BACKUP LATEST USE_FOR MIRROR_1_DISK_TSM MIRROR_2
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_ONLY USE_AT Mon Wed Fri
DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_2 USE_AT Sun Tue Thu Sat
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_1_DISK_ONLY
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE NOCOPY # space efficient targets
TARGET_SETS 1A 1B 3A 3B 5A 5B
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<
>>> DEVICE_CLASS MIRROR_2
COPYSERVICES_HARDWARE_TYPE SVC
FLASHCOPY_TYPE INCR
TARGET_SETS 1
TARGET_NAMING %SOURCE_%TARGETSET
...
<<<

```





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## Appendix E. Accessibility features for the IBM Spectrum Protect product family

Accessibility features assist users who have a disability, such as restricted mobility or limited vision, to use information technology content successfully.

### Overview

The IBM Spectrum Protect family of products includes the following major accessibility features:

- Keyboard-only operation
- Operations that use a screen reader

The IBM Spectrum Protect family of products uses the latest W3C Standard, WAI-ARIA 1.0 ([www.w3.org/TR/wai-aria/](http://www.w3.org/TR/wai-aria/)), to ensure compliance with US Section 508 ([www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/communications-and-it/about-the-section-508-standards/section-508-standards](http://www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/communications-and-it/about-the-section-508-standards/section-508-standards)) and Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0 ([www.w3.org/TR/WCAG20/](http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG20/)). To take advantage of accessibility features, use the latest release of your screen reader and the latest web browser that is supported by the product.

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### Keyboard navigation

This product uses standard navigation keys.

### Interface information

User interfaces do not have content that flashes 2 - 55 times per second.

Web user interfaces rely on cascading style sheets to render content properly and to provide a usable experience. The application provides an equivalent way for low-vision users to use system display settings, including high-contrast mode. You can control font size by using the device or web browser settings.

Web user interfaces include WAI-ARIA navigational landmarks that you can use to quickly navigate to functional areas in the application.

### Vendor software

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## **Related accessibility information**

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TTY service  
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