

IBM Netcool OMNIbus WebGUI 8.1

Load Balancing Configuration

A step by step example

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Description

This guide has the purpose to illustrate a complete step by step example for a load balancing configuration for IBM Netcool OMNIBus WebGUI.

The steps described within this document are applicable for environments with DASH version 3.1.2 and higher. For creating this document, the tests were performed within an environment with WebGUI 8.1 Fix Pack 15 , DASH 3.1.3.2. and DB2 11.1.

They can be tested against any WebGUI 8.1.x environments as long as the DASH version is at least 3.1.2. and the installed DB2 is supported.

All the servers that will be part of the cluster **MUST** have the exact same versions and components installed.

Additional references:

https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSSHTQ_8.1.0/com.ibm.netcool_OMNIBus.doc_8.1.0/webtop/wip/concept/web_ovr_loadbalancingcluster.html

<https://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21983344>

Configuration needed on the DB2 server

Login to DB2 with the DB2 instance owner user, in this example the default **db2inst1** user has been used.

Start DB2 database by running the following command: **db2start**

Create an empty database, you can name it for example **DASHDB**

db2 create database DASHDB

connect to DASHDB: **db2 connect to DASHDB**

```
[db2inst1@thrivel1 ~]$ db2 create database DASDB
DB20000I  The CREATE DATABASE command completed successfully.
[db2inst1@thrivel1 ~]$ db2 connect to DASHDB

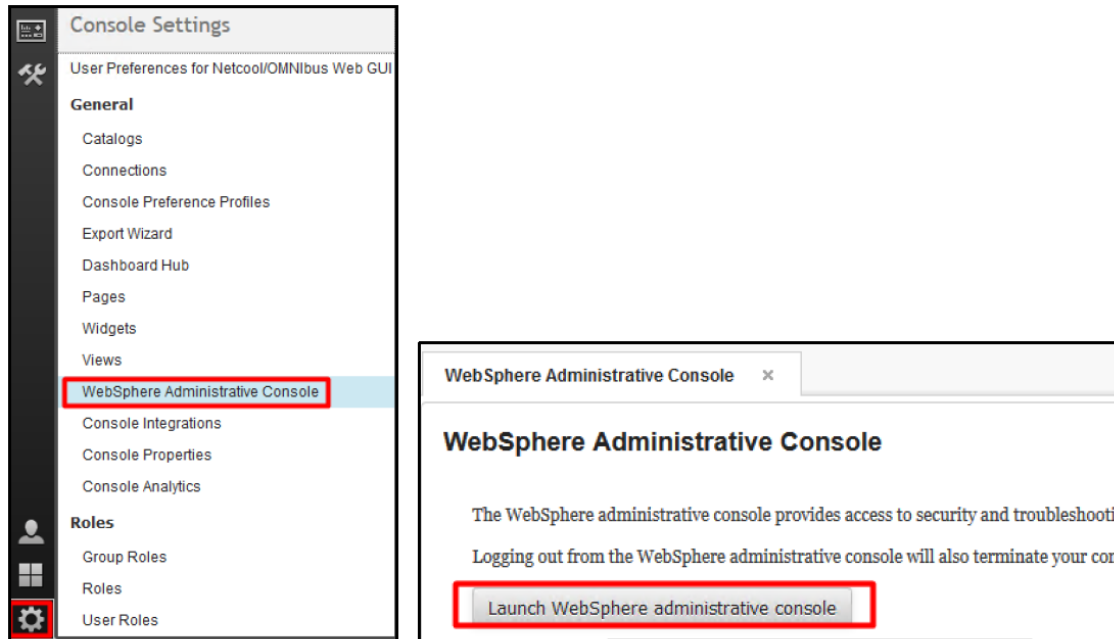
Database Connection Information

Database server          = DB2/LINUX8664 10.5.0
SQL authorization ID     = DB2INST1
Local database alias     = DASHDB
```

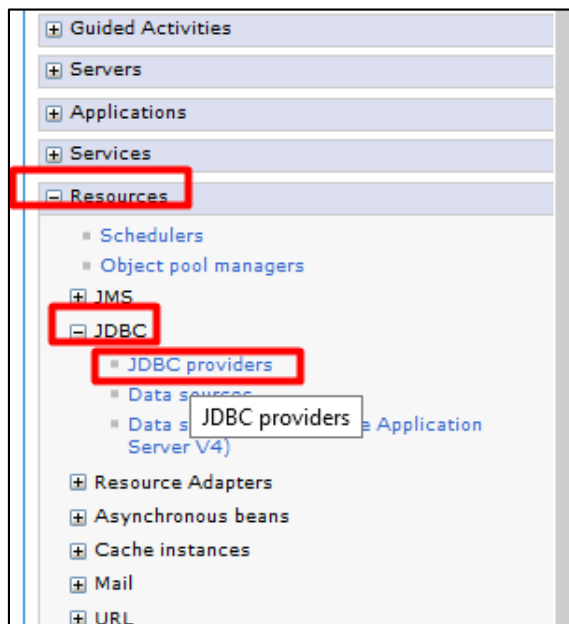
Configuration needed on each WebGUI server

On the first WebGUI server:

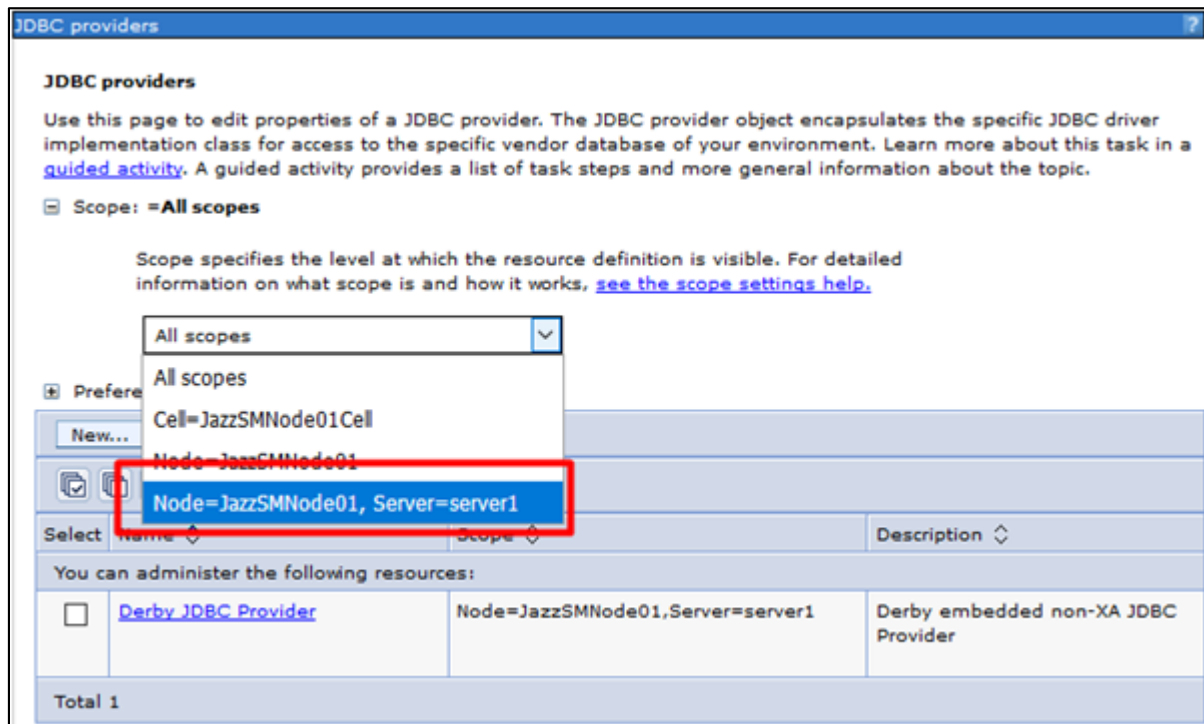
1. Login to the WebGUI server and open WebSphere Administrative Console



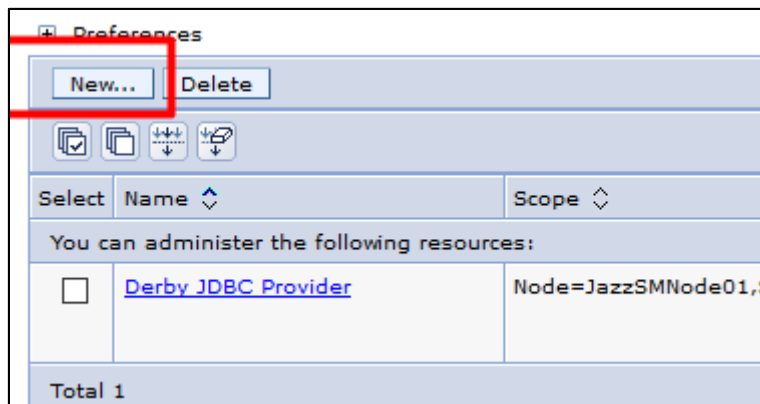
2. From WAS go to Resources -> JDBC -> JDBC providers



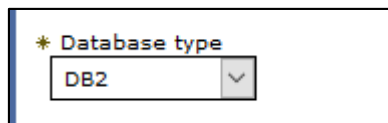
3. Select instead of “All scopes” the option Node=JazzSMNode01, Server=server1:



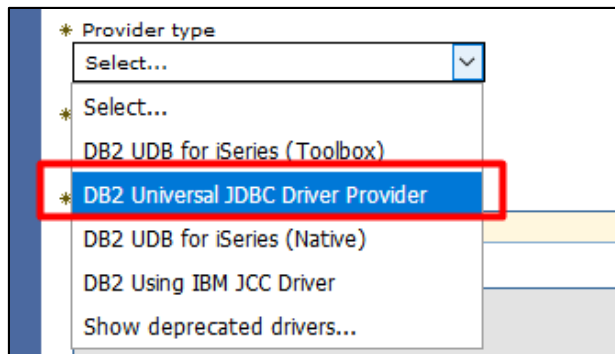
4. Create a new JDBC provider by clicking on the New option:



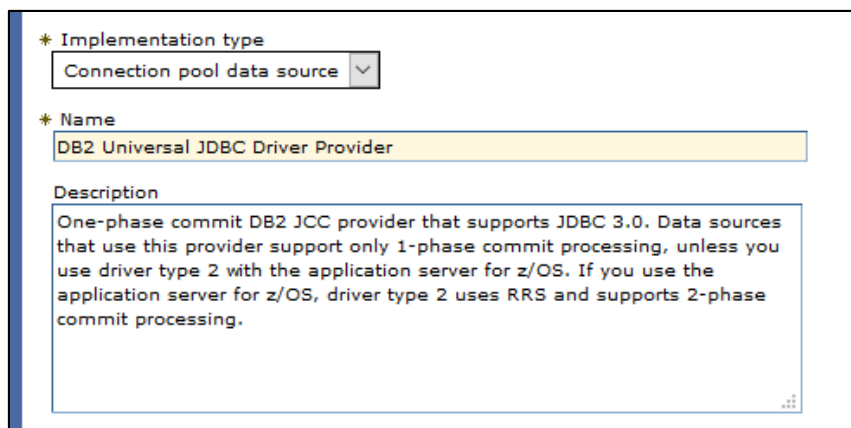
Select DB2 for database type:



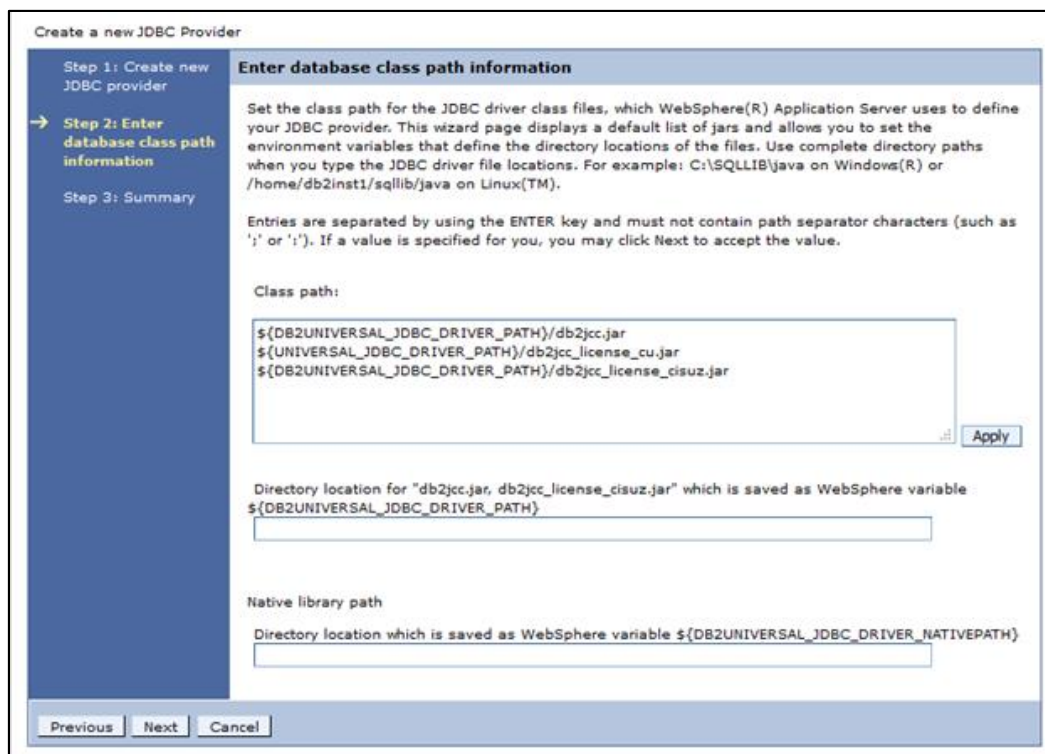
For provider type select DB2 universal JDBC driver provider:



For implementation type select connection pool data source:



Click **next**.



On the server search for **db2jcc.jar** file paths. There should be one under JazzSM directory which is required for native library path and one under WebSphere directory which is required for the first field.

```
[root@thrivel1 linux x86_64]# locate db2jcc.jar
/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/lib/db2/db2jcc.jar
/Miha/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/deploytool/itp/plugins/com.ibm.datatools.db2_2.1.110.v20121008_1514/driver/db2jcc.jar
[root@thrivel1 linux x86_64]#
```

Enter the following path to the directory location for the mentioned jar files:

/Miha/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/deploytool/itp/plugins/com.ibm.datatools.db2_2.1.110.v20121008_1514/driver

Directory location for "db2jcc.jar, db2jcc_license_cisuz.jar" which is saved as WebSphere variable `${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}`

AppServer/deploytool/itp/plugins/com.ibm.datatools.db2_2.1.110.v20121008_1514/driver

And the following path for the native directory:

/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/lib/db2

Native library path

Directory location which is saved as WebSphere variable `${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_NATIVEPATH}`

/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/lib/db2

Click **next**.

Click **finish**.

Create a new JDBC Provider

Create a new JDBC Provider

Step 1: Create new JDBC provider

Step 2: Enter database class path information

→ Step 3: Summary

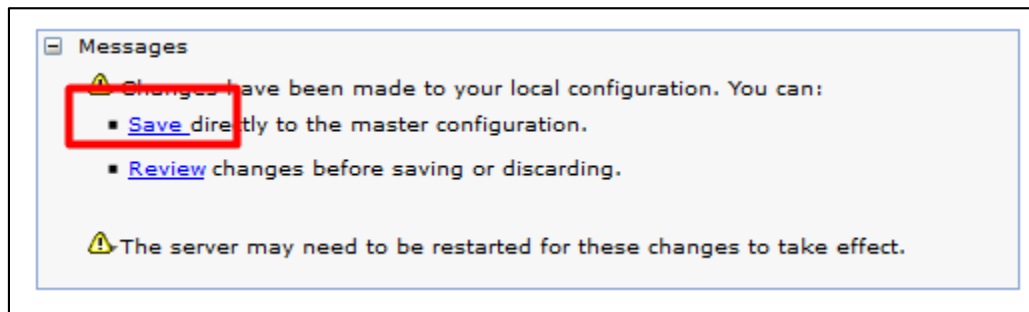
Summary

Summary of actions:

Options	Values
Scope	cells:JazzSMNode01Cell:nodes:JazzSMNode01:servers:server1
JDBC provider name	DB2 Universal JDBC Driver Provider
Description	One-phase commit DB2 JCC provider that supports JDBC 3.0. Data sources that use this provider support only 1-phase commit processing, unless you use driver type 2 with the application server for z/OS. If you use the application server for z/OS, driver type 2 uses RRS and supports 2-phase commit processing.
Class path	<code>\${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}/db2jcc.jar</code> <code>\${UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}/db2jcc_license_cu.jar</code> <code>\${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}/db2jcc_license_cisuz.jar</code>
<code>\${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}</code>	/Miha/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/deploytool/itp/plugins/com.ibm.datatools.db2_2.1.110.v20121008_1514/driver
<code>\${UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_PATH}</code>	
Native path	<code>\${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_NATIVEPATH}</code>
<code>\${DB2UNIVERSAL_JDBC_DRIVER_NATIVEPATH}</code>	/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/lib/db2
Implementation class name	com.ibm.db2.jcc.DB2ConnectionPoolDataSource

Previous Finish Cancel

Click **Save** to save the configuration (you will need to do this each time you get this screen):

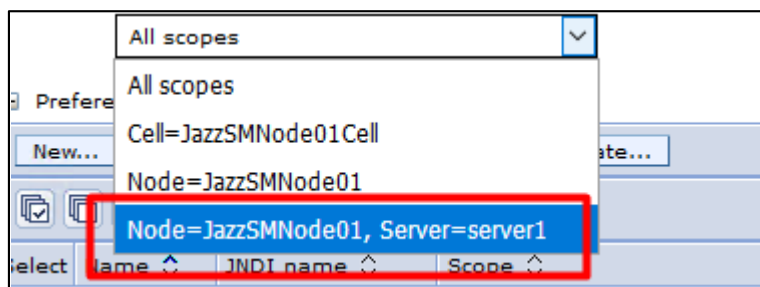


5. Create a new Data Source for JDBC.

Go to "Resources" -> JDBC -> Data Sources



Select instead of "All scopes" the option Node=JazzSMNode01, Server=server1:



Click on "New"

Enter **tipds** (this should be always named as this) and **jdbc/tipds** for JNDI name (this should be always named as this):

Scope

cells:JazzSMNode01Cell:nodes:JazzSMNode01:servers:server1

* Data source name

tipds

* JNDI name

jdbc/tipds

Click on **Next**.

Select the option "**Select an existing JDBC provider**" and select the "**DB2 universal JDBC driver provider**":

☐ Create new JDBC provider

☒ Select an existing JDBC provider

DB2 Universal JDBC Driver Provider

Select...

Derby JDBC Provider

DB2 Universal JDBC Driver Provider

Click on **Next**.

Create a data source

Create a data source

Step 1: Enter basic data source information

Step 2: Select JDBC provider

→ Step 3: Enter database specific properties for the data source

Step 4: Setup security aliases

Step 5: Summary

Enter database specific properties for the data source

Set these database-specific properties, which are required by the database vendor JDBC driver to support the connections that are managed through the datasource.

Name	Value
* Driver type	4
* Database name	DASHDB
* Server name	thriller1.castle.fyre.ibm.com
* Port number	50000

☒ Use this data source in container managed persistence (CMP)

Previous Next Cancel

Within this screen you will have to enter the name of the database that you have created e.g. **DASHDB** and also the server hostname and the port number where DB2 is installed.

Click **next**.

Step 1: Enter basic data source information

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Step 5: Summary

Setup security aliases

Select the authentication values for this resource.

Component-managed authentication alias
(none) ▼

Mapping-configuration alias
(none) ▼

Container-managed authentication alias
(none) ▼

Note: You can create a new J2C authentication alias by accessing one of the following links. Clicking on a link will cancel the wizard and your current wizard selections will be lost.

[Global J2C authentication alias](#)

[Security domains](#)

Previous Next Cancel

Within this screen you don't have to select anything, we'll complete this later.

Click **next**.

Click **finish**.

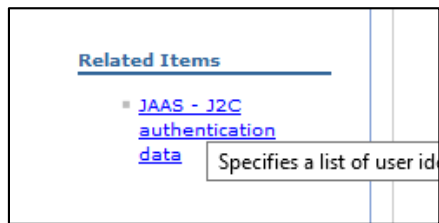
Click **Save** to store the configuration

6. Click on the data source that was created e.g. "**tipds**":

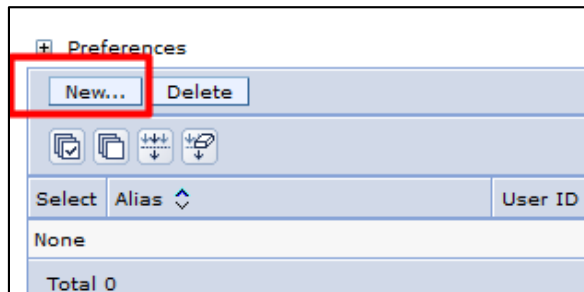
Select	Name	JNDI name	Scope	Provider	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	Default Datasource	DefaultDatasource	Node=JazzSMNode01,Server=server1	Derby JDBC Provider	Datasource for the WebSphere Default Application
<input type="checkbox"/>	tipds	jdbc/tipds	Node=JazzSMNode01,Server=server1	DB2 Universal JDBC Driver Provider	DB2 Universal Driver Datasource

Total 2

Select "**JAAS - J2C authentication data**" under the **Related Items** section.



Click on **new**:



Enter a name as alias – in this example the following name was used: **DB2_alias**

Enter the **db2inst1** user (the instance owner user from DB2) and its password.

The screenshot shows the 'JAAS - J2C authentication data' configuration dialog. The 'Alias' field contains 'DB2_alias', the 'User ID' field contains 'db2inst1', and the 'Password' field is masked with dots. The 'Description' field is empty. The 'Apply', 'OK', 'Reset', and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom.

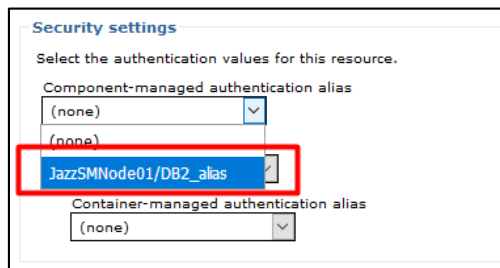
Click **ok**.

Save the configuration.

Select	Alias	User ID	Description
You can administer the following resources:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	JazzSMNode01/DB2_alias	db2inst1	
Total 1			

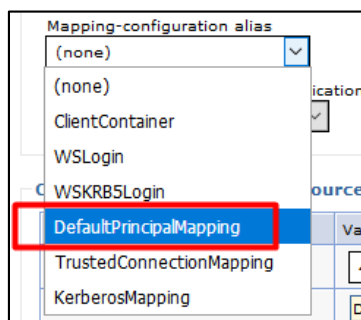
7. Return to the **tipds** data source and go to **Security Settings** section:

Select **JazzSMNode01/DB2_alias** for component-managed authentication alias:




The 'Security settings' dialog box shows two dropdown menus. The first, 'Component-managed authentication alias', has 'JazzSMNode01/DB2_alias' selected and highlighted with a red box. The second, 'Container-managed authentication alias', has '(none)' selected.

Select **DefaultPrincipalMapping** for mapping-configuration alias:



A dropdown menu for 'Mapping-configuration alias' with 'DefaultPrincipalMapping' selected and highlighted with a red box. Other visible options include '(none)', 'ClientContainer', 'WSLogin', 'WSKRBSLogin', 'TrustedConnectionMapping', and 'KerberosMapping'.

Select **JazzSMNode01/DB2_alias** for container-manager authentication alias:

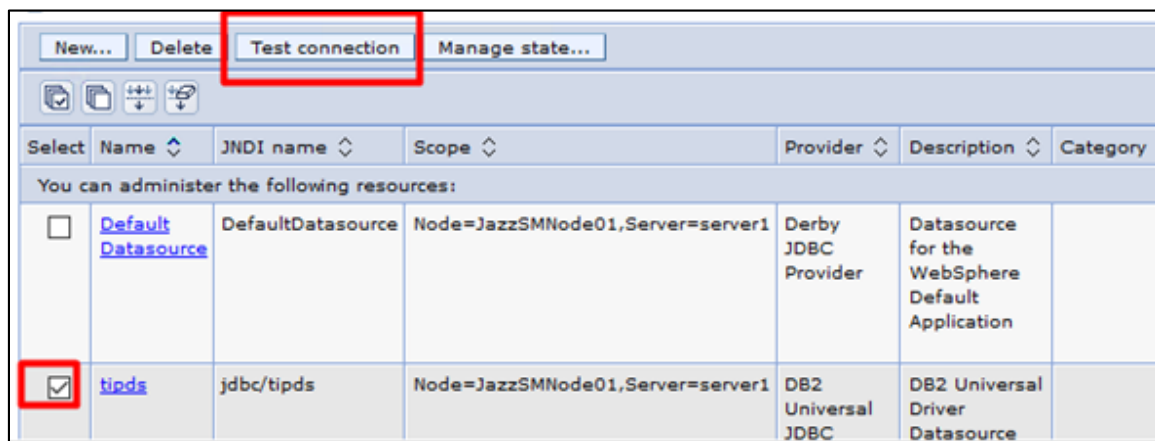


A dropdown menu for 'Container-managed authentication alias' with 'JazzSMNode01/DB2_alias' selected and highlighted with a red box. Other visible options include '(none)'.

Click **ok**.

Click **Save** to store the configuration.

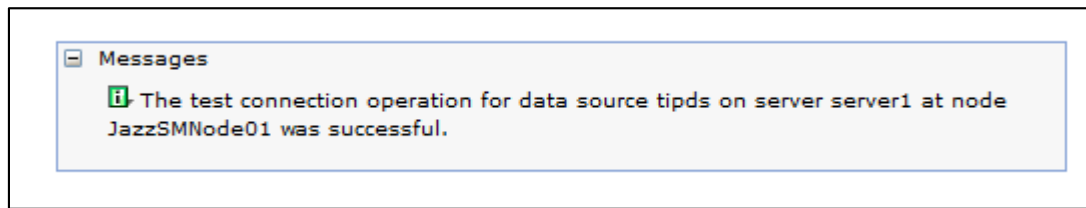
8. Check **tipds** data source connection:



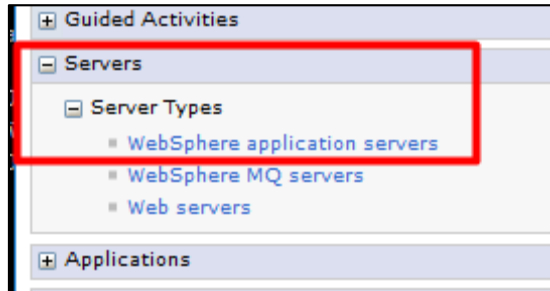
The 'Test connection' dialog box displays a table of data sources. The 'tipds' entry is selected with a red box around its checkbox.

Select	Name	JNDI name	Scope	Provider	Description	Category
<input type="checkbox"/>	Default Datasource	DefaultDatasource	Node=JazzSMNode01,Server=server1	Derby JDBC Provider	Datasource for the WebSphere Default Application	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tipds	jdbc/tipds	Node=JazzSMNode01,Server=server1	DB2 Universal JDBC	DB2 Universal Driver Datasource	

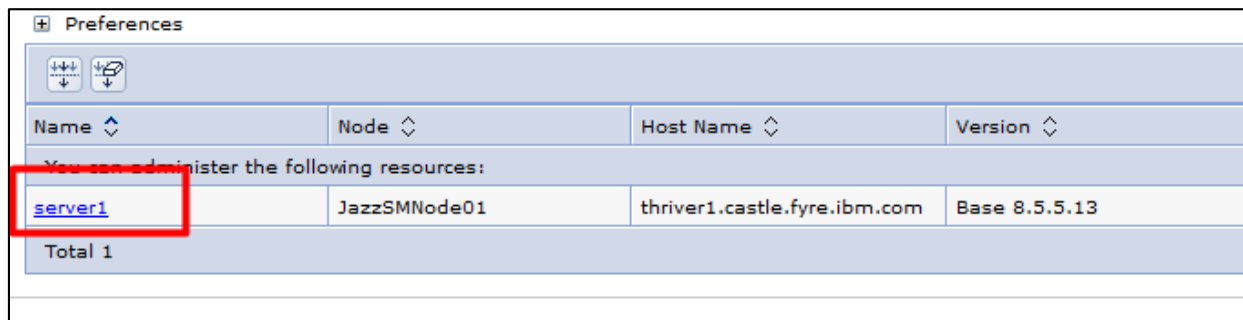
The output should be the below one:



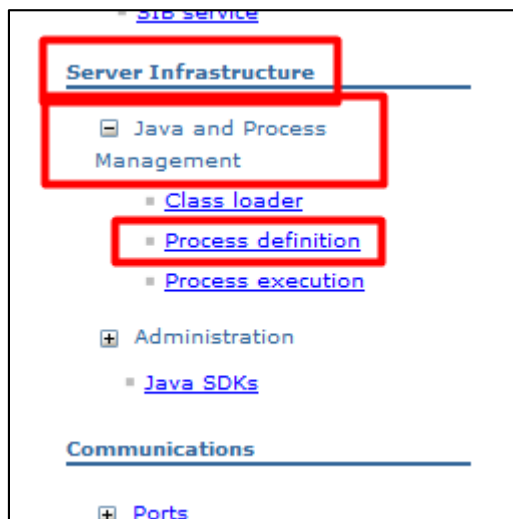
9. From WAS menu -> Servers -> Server Types -> WebSphere application servers



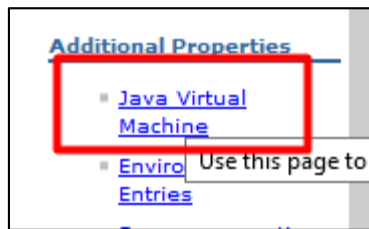
Click on **server1**:



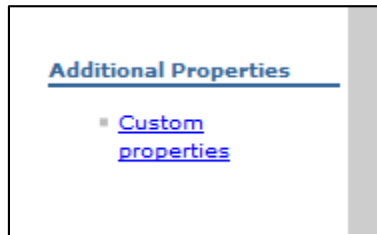
Under **Server Infrastructure** menu-> **Java and Process Management** => **Process Definition**



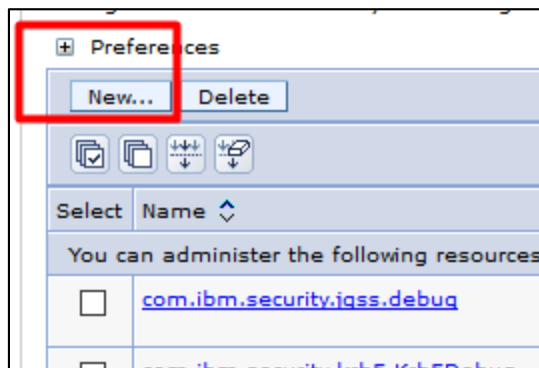
Click on **Java Virtual Machine** under the **Additional Properties** section:



Click on **Custom Properties** under the **Additional Properties** section:



Click on **New**:



Enter **com.ibm.isc.ha** for the Name property and **true** for the Value property:

A screenshot of a 'General Properties' dialog box. It contains two main fields: 'Name' and 'Value'. The 'Name' field is filled with the text 'com.ibm.isc.ha' and the 'Value' field is filled with the text 'true'. Below these fields is a 'Description' field which is empty. At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'Apply', 'OK', 'Reset', and 'Cancel'.

Click **apply** and **save**.

10. On the server, edit the **server.init** file from the webgui **etc** directory and set the following 2 properties as per above:

cluster.mode: on

timedtasks.enabled: true

Afterwards, you will need to restart webgui.

Then on the webgui server run the following command:

```
./consolecli.sh ListHANodes --username smadmin --password netcool
```

You should get your webgui server on the list.

Repeat all the above steps from 1 to 10 on all the other WebGUI servers that you want to add to this cluster setup.

Afterwards, with both servers configured you will need to enable server to server trust by following the steps described within the following link:

https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSEKCU_1.1.2.1/com.ibm.psc.doc/tip_original/ttip_config_loadbal_trust.html

e.g. repeat the below steps from 1 to 5 for each WebGUI server:

1. Edit `ssl.client.props` properties file

/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/profile/properties/ssl.client.props

Uncomment the section that starts with **com.ibm.ssl.alias=AnotherSSLSettings** so that it looks like this:

```
#-----  
# Another SSL configuration (this is a template, uncomment and modify)  
# You can configure the dynamicSelectionInfo OR reference this alias  
# from another protocol (e.g., soap.client.props or sas.client.props)  
#-----  
com.ibm.ssl.alias=AnotherSSLSettings  
com.ibm.ssl.protocol=SSL_TLSv2  
com.ibm.ssl.securityLevel=HIGH  
com.ibm.ssl.trustManager=IbmX509  
com.ibm.ssl.keyManager=IbmX509  
com.ibm.ssl.contextProvider=IBMJSSE2  
com.ibm.ssl.enableSignerExchangePrompt=true  
com.ibm.ssl.keyStoreClientAlias=default  
com.ibm.ssl.customTrustManagers=  
com.ibm.ssl.customKeyManager=  
com.ibm.ssl.dynamicSelectionInfo=  
com.ibm.ssl.enabledCipherSuites=
```

2. Uncomment the section that starts with **com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreName=AnotherTrustStore** so that it looks like this:

```
# TrustStore information
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreName=AnotherTrustStore
com.ibm.ssl.trustStore=${user.root}/etc/trust.p12
com.ibm.ssl.trustStorePassword={xor}CDo9Hgw=
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreType=PKCS12
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreProvider=IBMJCE
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreFileBased=true
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreReadOnly=false
```

3. Update the location of the trust store that the signer should be added to in the **com.ibm.ssl.trustStore** property of **AnotherTrustStore** by replacing the default value **com.ibm.ssl.trustStore=\${user.root}/etc/trust.p12** with the correct path for your trust store. Example:

```
# TrustStore information
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreName=ClientDefaultTrustStore
com.ibm.ssl.trustStore=${user.root}/config/cells/JazzSMNode01Cell/nodes/JazzSMNode01/trust.p12
com.ibm.ssl.trustStorePassword={xor}CDo9Hgw=
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreType=PKCS12
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreProvider=IBMJCE
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreFileBased=true
com.ibm.ssl.trustStoreReadOnly=false
```

com.ibm.ssl.trustStore=\${user.root}/config/cells/JazzSMNode01Cell/nodes/JazzSMNode01/trust.p12

4. Save file.
5. Restart webgui.

Repeat the same steps from 1 to 5 on the other servers.

Afterwards, run the following command on each node for each *myremotehost* (that is, for every node that you want to enable trust with) in the cluster.

JazzSM_WAS_Profile/bin/retrieveSigners.sh NodeDefaultTrustStore AnotherTrustStore -host myremotehost -port remote_SOAP_port

where:

myremotehost is the name of the server to enable trust with;

remote_SOAP_port is the SOAP connector port number (16313 is the default). If you have installed with non-default ports, check *JazzSM_WAS_Profile/properties/portdef.props* for the value of **SOAP_CONNECTOR_ADDRESS** and use that.

So, on server 1: run the following command – the host added in command line is the one from the second server:

./retrieveSigners.sh NodeDefaultTrustStore AnotherTrustStore -host loaf1.castle.fyre.ibm.com -port 16313

```

[root@bazars1 ~]# cd /Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/profile/bin
[root@bazars1 bin]# ./retrieveSigners.sh NodeDefaultTrustStore AnotherTrustStore -host nappies1.castle.fyre.ibm.com -port 16313

```

Click **yes** to add the signer to the trust store:

*** SSL SIGNER EXCHANGE PROMPT ***

SSL signer from target host 172.20.20.12 is not found in trust store
/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/profile/config/cells/JazzSMNode01Cell/nodes/JazzSMNode01/trust.p12.

Here is the signer information (verify the digest value matches what is displayed at the server):

Subject DN:	CN=nappies1.castle.fyre.ibm.com, OU=JazzSMNode01 Cell, OU=JazzSMNode01, O=IBM, C=US
Issuer DN:	CN=nappies1.castle.fyre.ibm.com, OU=Root Certificate, OU=JazzSMNode01 Cell, OU=JazzSMNode01, O=IBM, C=US
Serial number:	1595468801601
Expires:	Fri Feb 14 07:44:24 PST 2020
SHA-1 Digest:	FD:DC:68:38:D4:B2:56:16:BE:CE:1D:B8:21:94:3F:02:2B:A5:37:DA
MD5 Digest:	7A:16:60:BD:BB:B7:20:A2:EA:0D:57:BE:33:B8:29:1B

Add signer to the trust store now? (y/n)

Enter **smadmin** credentials and click **ok**:

Login at the Target Server

Enter login information for <default>

Realm/Cell Name	<default>
User Identity	smadmin
User Password	*****

On **server 2** – run the same but add the host of the webgui **server1**, example:

`./retrieveSigners.sh NodeDefaultTrustStore AnotherTrustStore -host bazars1.castle.fyre.ibm.com -port 16313`

```

[root@nappies1 bin]# cd /Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/profile/bin
[root@nappies1 bin]# ./retrieveSigners.sh NodeDefaultTrustStore AnotherTrustStore -host bazars1.castle.fyre.ibm.com -port 16313

```

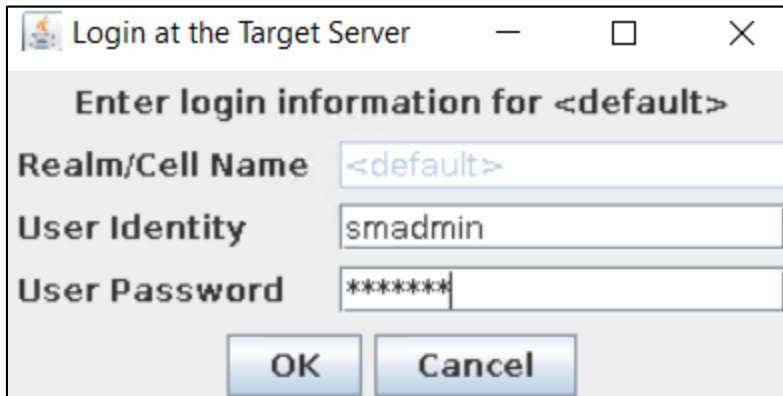
*** SSL SIGNER EXCHANGE PROMPT ***

SSL signer from target host 172.20.20.13 is not found in trust store
/Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/profile/config/cells/JazzSMNode01Cell/nodes/JazzSMNode01/trust.p12.

Here is the signer information (verify the digest value matches what is displayed at the server):

Subject DN:	CN=bazars1.castle.fyre.ibm.com, OU=JazzSMNode01 Cell, OU=JazzSMNode01, O=IBM, C=US
Issuer DN:	CN=bazars1.castle.fyre.ibm.com, OU=Root Certificate, OU=JazzSMNode01 Cell, OU=JazzSMNode01, O=IBM, C=US
Serial number:	1393481810424
Expires:	Fri Feb 14 07:41:26 PST 2020
SHA-1 Digest:	B8:55:51:DC:3B:EB:3F:E4:5D:E4:D7:A2:13:A4:FF:00:46:82:CD:26
MD5 Digest:	9B:8A:20:04:97:56:BD:13:A8:EB:73:4A:8D:36:63:32

Add signer to the trust store now? (y/n)

A screenshot of a 'Login at the Target Server' dialog box. The title bar shows a small icon, the text 'Login at the Target Server', and standard window controls (minimize, maximize, close). The main area has a header 'Enter login information for <default>'. Below this are three input fields: 'Realm/Cell Name' with the value '<default>', 'User Identity' with the value 'smadmin', and 'User Password' with the value '*****'. At the bottom are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Login at the Target Server

Enter login information for <default>

Realm/Cell Name: <default>

User Identity: smadmin

User Password: *****

OK Cancel

Restart all webgui servers again.

At the end, you will have your HA environment configured.

Check status by running on each webgui server the following command:

`./consolecli.sh ListHANodes --username smadmin --password netcool`

```
[root@bazars1 bin]# /Miha/opt/IBM/JazzSM/ui/bin/consolecli.sh ListHANodes --username smadmin --password netcool
NodeName                NodeStatus    NodeSync      NodeVersion
bazars1.castle.fyre.ibm.com:16311    ACTIVE        InSync        3.1.3.0
nappies1.castle.fyre.ibm.com:16311    ACTIVE        InSync        3.1.3.0

CTGWA4017I The command completed successfully.
```

Hope you'll find this useful for your HA configuration!