IBM Copy Services Manager Version 6.2.9.1

Project description

The release provides fixes on top of the Copy Services Manager 6.2.9.0 release. For more details on the 6.2.9.0 release see the Release Notes. https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6238012

Fixes provided in this release

APAR PH28077 – Planned or Unplanned z/OS HyperSwap issues with Copy Services Manager running a cascaded Metro Global Mirror or Metro Global Mirror with Practice session

Affected Domain

Copy Services Manager (CSM) managing a cascaded Metro Global Mirror (MGM) or Metro Global Mirror with Practice (MGM w/ Practice) session, with z/OS HyperSwap enabled on the following DS8000 Microcode levels 8870: R7.5 SP13 (87.52.44.0) 8880: R8.5 SP5.0 and R8.5 SP5.1 (88.55.9.0 and 88.55.9.1) 8900: R9.0 - R9.0 SP2.2 (89.0.214.0 to 89.2.40.1)

NOTE: Multi-Target three site and four site solutions are NOT affected by the issue.

Description

A DS8000 microcode problem exists on the microcode levels listed in the affected domain and affects z/OS environments where CSM is managing MGM and MGM w/ Practice. When a HyperSwap (planned or unplanned) is initiated, this will result in the HyperSwap failing, possibly leading to a loss of access and systems outage.

A CSM problem exists for ALL 8900 microcode levels where CSM is managing MGM or MGM w/ Practice. After a z/OS HyperSwap (planned or unplanned) is initiated, the Start command to get back to a three-site topology (ie Start H1->H2->H3 or Start H2->H1->H3) fails and leads to requiring a full copy of the data.

NOTE Multi-Target three site and four site solutions are NOT affected by the issue.

Mitigation

For 8870 environments	Install IOS APAR 0A60012*
For 8880 environments	Install IOS APAR 0A60012*
For 8900 environments	 Install IOS APAR 0A60012* For z/OS CSM installations install CSM APAR PH28077 (PTF UI71064) on z/OS LPARs For Distributed CSM installations upgrade to fix pack 6.2.9.1.

*Until the IOS APAR OA60012 is available on the IBM Fix Central site, open up a support case with the IOS support team and request the APAR.

Fix

Apply the mitigation above prior to installing the microcode fixes below

For 8870 environments	Install R7.5 SP13.1 (87.52.45.0)
For 8880 environments	Install R8.5 SP6 (88.56.9.0) or R8.5 SP5.2 (88.55.9.2)
For 8900 environments	Install R9.0 SP3 (89.3.6.0)

Recommendation

If customer is running CSM to manage an MGM or MGM w/ Practice session and has z/OS HyperSwap enabled, apply the mitigation or the fix as soon as possible.

IBM recommends refraining from performing any planned HyperSwap activities for machines in a cascaded MGM or MGM w/ Practice environment in the affected domain until applying either the mitigation or fix.

Remote CLI for Copy Services Manager running on Windows fails to start.

Affected Domain

The 6.2.9.0 Remote CLI for Copy Services Manager (CSM) running on a Windows system. The CSM server is not affected by this issue.

Description

The remote CLI zip file for Windows systems (Storage_CSM_CLI_6.2.9_Win.zip) was corrupted on Fix Central. The remote CLI for all other operating systems for the 6.2.9.0 download work properly.

Fix

Download and unzip the remote Copy Services Manager CLI for Windows (Storage_CSM_CLI_6.2.9.1_Win.zip).

Recommendation

Any customers needing to run the CSM CLI on a remote Windows system should download and extract the 6.2.9.1 Windows zip.