MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1 Release Notes

Abstract

This document lists the changes to the MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1 product, beginning with the most recent release. Each release section covers added or changed functionality, bug fixes, and known issues, if applicable. For information about changes in a different MySQL Enterprise Backup series, see the release notes for that series.

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Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.5 (2022-10-11)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Important Change: For copy-back-and-apply-log and other single-file operations except backup-to-image, when a relative path is specified for the --backup-image option, mysqlbackup takes the path as relative to the current working directory in which the mysqlbackup command is run. (Bug #29128662)
- The --rename option now works with both full and partial restores:
 - If the --include-tables and --exclude-tables options are not used, all tables in the backup are restored, with the table selected by the --rename option renamed as specified.
 - If the --include-tables and --exclude-tables options are used, all tables selected by the two options together are restored, with the table selected by the --rename option renamed as specified.

(Bug #31947026)

- When a server using the keyring_file, keyring_encrypted_file, or keyring_aws was backed up, if it did not contain any encrypted InnoDB tables, the keyring file was not included in the backup. That created a problem when, for example, mysqlbackup was used for a server upgrade, in which case the keyring file was not preserved in the process. mysqlbackup now always looks for the keyring data file and copies it when the above-mentioned keyring plugins are active on the server. (Bug #31820564)
- Encrypted InnoDB tables can now be included in partial backups and restores using transportable tablespaces (TTS). (Bug #31796017, WL #13604)
- The file backup_gtid_executed.sql was not included in a TTS backup for a replica server using GTIDs. The file is now included in a TTS backup as long as the --slave-info option is used. (Bug #30925447)
- An incremental backup failed if binary logging was disabled on the server during the last backup (on which the incremental backup was based on), but was subsequently enabled before the incremental backup was attempted. It was because mysqlbackup did not have the binary log information required to perform the incremental backup. With this fix, mysqlbackup skips copying the binary log for an incremental backup when the backup it is based on does not include the binary log.
 - Also, when restoring onto a server an incremental backup that does not contain the binary log, mysqlbackup renames any binary log files that have already been restored onto the server by adding to them the .old extension; the same thing happens when an incremental backup is restored with the --skip-binlog option. (Bug #30043100)
- A backup now fails when a binary or relay log file is purged while the backup is going on; it also fails when mysqlbackup finds a binary log file missing on the server (however, if a relay log file is missing, the backup continues). (Bug #29269039)

• The --incremental-base option now accepts a new value, history:last_full_backup, which makes it easy to create a differential backup. See the description of --incremental-base for details. (WL #14475)

- On Windows platform, if the --backup-dir option was not specified for the extract command, mysqlbackup quit unexpectedly. With this fix, an error is thrown instead in the situation. (Bug #34522095)
- On Windows platforms, when backing up a server with encrypted InnoDB tables that did not use the keyring_encrypted_file plugin, the operation failed when the --defaults-file or -- backup-dir option of the mysqlbackup command contained either spaces or a trailing backslash. (Bug #33085629)
- When an encrypted InnoDB table had been flushed and then dropped right before a backup-and-apply-log operation, the operation might fail with a Keyring service not initialized error. It was because while the encrypted table was not included in the backup, the redo log fragment included in the backup might contain the changes to the table, and the apply log operation failed to apply the changes because the keyring service had never been initialized. With this fix, mysqlbackup initializes the keyring service in the situation. (Bug #32461308)
- A backup operation was terminated with signal 6 if the backup involved InnoDB tables encrypted using any keyring plugin other than keyring_encrypted_file, but SSL has been disabled for connection to the server. It was because SSL is required for the keyring migration process, which was part of the backup operation. With this fix, before the keyring migration starts, mysqlbackup checks that SSL has been enabled on the server and throws a proper error if it has not. (Bug #32434668)
- A restore or validate operation for a compressed backup failed with an unexpected end of file error. (Bug #32163271)
- The --include-tables and --exclude-tables options were ignored during a restore of a TTS backup taken with full locking (i.e., with --use-tts=with-full-locking). (Bug #31947026)
- The --compress option is ignored in a backup-and-apply-log operation for a TTS backup with full locking (--use-tts=with-full-locking), resulting in a non-compressed backup. (Bug #31913304)
- When a restore failed for a compressed backup because the --compress-method option was used, mysqlbackup did not print a meaningful error message. With this fix, the error message indicates that the option is incompatible with the operation. (Bug #31861826)
- A partial backup operation in which an excluded table was stored in an external tablespace failed
 with the complaint that the .ibd file was too big. It was because of the mishandling of the .isl files
 involved, which has been corrected by this patch. (Bug #31724848)
- A restore of a compressed backup failed if the backed-up server did not use .ibd as the extension for InnoDB tablespaces. (Bug #31596356)
- During a backup operation, if mysqlbackup failed with its query for the server status variable Innodb_buffer_pool_dump_status, it ignored the error and then hung. (Bug #31445204)
- A restore for an incremental backup failed if the full backup it was based on was created with the
 --skip-relaylog option, but the incremental backup was created without using the option. (Bug
 #31124611)
- When backing up to a tape through a media management software (MMS), mysqlbackup always set a default value of 0000-00-00 00:00:00 for the file_creation_time and file_expiry_time values for the operation's entry in the backup_sbt_history table on the backed-up server. If the backup failed for some reasons, those zero values were then written to the table. If, later, the backup_sbt_history table was queried in NO_ZERO_DATE

or NO_ZERO_IN_DATE SQL mode, the server returned ERROR 1194 (HY000): Table 'backup_sbt_history' is marked as crashed and should be repaired. With this fix, in the case of a backup failure, mysqlbackup writes the current time during the backup to those values, so the time values will never be zeros. (Bug #30275637)

- In a backup-and-apply-log operation, the connection to the server was kept open even after the backup phase of the operation was over. With this fix, the connection is closed when the operation enters the apply-log phase, in order to free up resources. (Bug #30012743)
- When attempt was made to restore a backup created by a higher version of mysqlbackup, the
 operation failed with mysqlbackup giving a cryptic message. With this fix, the error message
 explains clearly that the issue is with version incompatibility. (Bug #29873900)
- When a backup created with the --incremental-with-redo-log-only option was restored, the binary log was missing on the restored server, so the server could not be started. (Bug #29861999)
- A backup failed when it involved encrypted InnoDB tables and the --skip-unused-pages option was used. (Bug #29861298)
- When a compressed backup was created with the backup-and-apply-log command and then
 restored using the copy-back-and-apply-log command, the redo log were missing from the
 restored server, causing an InnoDB error when the server was started. (Bug #29851603)
- When the --skip-binlog option was used with a restore operation of a TTS backup, the operation failed. With this fix, the option is ignored in the situation. (Bug #29813666)
- When the --compress-method option was set to none, the backup was finished without
 compression as expected, but mysqlbackup printed erroneous compression information and saved
 the InnoDB tablespace files with the .ibz extension. With this fix, the described behaviours of
 mysqlbackup no longer occur in the situation. (Bug #29806518)
- The --compress-level option took up a value of 0 instead of the default value of 1 when the --compress-method option was used without the --compress option. With this fix, the default value of the option is always honored (for the applicable compression methods). (Bug #29806518)
- When the server to be backed up has super_read_only=ON, mysqlbackup gave the warning that the backup operation could not be logged even if the --no-history-logging option has already been used with the backup command. This patch removes the unnecessary warning. (Bug #29742011)
- A backup-and-apply-log operation failed for a TTS backup if the --compress option was used. (Bug #29639871)
- During a partial backup, mysqlbackup mishandled some tables stored under the data directory as if
 they were stored in external tablespaces, when both types of tablespaces existed on the server. (Bug
 #29590235)
- Restore of an incremental backup failed when the backed-up server contained a partitioned table with partitions stored in different directories and the table was renamed before the incremental backup was taken, if any of the partitions was not altered after the table's name change. It was because mysqlbackup did not recreate all the .isl files for all table partitions after the restore, and this fix corrects the issue. (Bug #29297920)
- Backups for a server containing encrypted InnoDB tables failed when the server was of 64-bit and mysqlbackup was of 32-bit (or vice versa). It was due to the way keyring files were handled in the situation, which has been fixed by this patch. (Bug #29292085)
- A backup created on an EL7 platform containing InnoDB tables encrypted with MySQL Enterprise
 Transparent Data Encryption (TDE) could not be restored to a server on a Solaris platform. It was
 because in this case, the source and the target platforms of the backup used different byte ordering
 formats, causing difficulties in loading the encryption key from the backup. This fix prevents the issue
 by adding detection and conversion utilities for different system architectures. (Bug #28569367)

- A backup-and-apply-log operation running with the --compress option printed wrong
 information on the compression and at the wrong time. With this patch, correct information is printed
 after the compression is finished. (Bug #28428760)
- A restore operation failed for a backup image created with the backup-dir-to-image command from a directory backup, if the backed-up server used a keyring plugin other than keyring_encrypted_file for InnoDB table encryption. It was because the backup-dir-to-image operation mishandled the keyring_kef file in the backup, and this patch corrects the problem. (Bug #27874581)
- While changing the system variable <code>innodb_data_file_path</code> on the server in between a full and an incremental backup makes the incremental backup not restorable, <code>mysqlbackup</code> finished the incremental backup successfully under the situation. With this fix, an error is thrown in this case, to avoid the creation of an unrestorable incremental backup. (Bug #27580477)
- During an incremental backup, even tables that were unchanged were said to be copied in the output
 messages by mysqlbackup. With this fix, the messages say the tables are being checked instead.
 (Bug #27576904)
- After a backup operation, the entry for innodb_buffer_pool_filename appeared twice in the backup-my.cnf file. (Bug #27217884)
- An apply-log operation on a compressed directory backup created extra .ibd files in the backup directory. (Bug #26920318)

Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.4 (2020-01-24)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- When mysqlbackup fails to connect to a server, the warning returned by mysqlbackup now
 includes the hostname and port number for TCP connections, and the socket information for socket
 connections. This is particularly helpful for a Group Replication setup, for which mysqlbackup might
 attempt to connect to more than one host. (Bug #30040027)
- Before the current release, when backing up a server that used the keyring_okv plugin for InnoDB table encryption, mysqlbackup must not be run by a sudo user of its operating system. This restriction has now been removed. (Bug #29020232)
- A new option, --lock-wait-retry-count, can now be used to specify the maximum number of retries to be attempted by mysqlbackup after the FLUSH TABLES WITH READ LOCK statement, issued during the final stage of a backup to temporarily put the database into a read-only state, fails due to a timeout. See the description of the option for details. (Bug #26008480)
- The --uncompress option is now supported for the extract operation: Files from a compressed single-file backup can now be extracted and uncompressed with a single command. (WL #13233)

- A backup failed for a server containing encrypted InnoDB tables when mysqlbackup was connected to it with --socket option. It was because mysqlbackup did not pass the value of --keyring-migration-socket to the keyring migration server; this fix makes mysqlbackup pass the option whenever it connects to the server to be backed up with a Unix socket or Windows named pipe. (Bug #30082039)
- A compressed and encrypted single-file backup was sometimes corrupted if the backed-up server
 was configured with innodb file per table=OFF. (Bug #29798621)

- Backups on busy servers failed due to redo log overwrites, even when the redo log size was big.
 It was actually caused by a costly but unnecessary check for relay log overwrites, which has been removed by this fix. (Bug #29526337)
- When tables were altered in some ways during backup (for example, renamed, deleted and then replaced by tables of the same names, and so on), mysqlbackup reported success for the backup, but the backup could not be restored. This fix makes sure all those cases of table alterations are properly handled by mysqlbackup, so the backup can be restored. (Bug #29462340)
- A back up failed with mysqlbackup complaining that Error Log scan was only able to reach... if the server to be backed up was started with the system variable setting innodb_checksum_algorithm=none. (Bug #29285006)
- A restore operation failed with the error that the binary log index file could not be opened if the binary log base name for the backed-up server was a substring of the word "index". (Bug #29273947)
- When backing up a server that used the keyring_okv plugin for InnoDB table encryption, if the --host, --user, and --port options were not specified with the mysqlbackup command via the command line or a configuration file, the backup failed. It was because in that case, mysqlbackup had no values for those options it could use to connect to the server that took care of keyring operations. With this fix, default values are now set, so that mysqlbackup connects to the server on localhost as root and on port 3306 for keyring operations when those options are not specified. (Bug #29015923)
- A restore operation for a TTS backup failed if the backed-up server has ANSI_QUOTES as one of its SQL modes, as specified in its system variable sql-mode. (Bug #28979134)
- Attempts to extract binary log files from a compressed backup failed with a No such file or directory error when the size of the binary log files on the backed up server was greater than 16MB. (Bug #28787312)
- After restoring an incremental backup taken from a MySQL Community Server with encrypted InnoDB tables, the keyring file of the restored server became corrupted, so the server could not be started. (Bug #28422191)
- During the InnoDB buffer pool dump in a backup operation, mysqlbackup sometimes reported
 failure for the dump while it was actually still in progress. The fix prevents the problem by improving
 the way mysqlbackup checks for the status of the dump. (Bug #27185901)
- mysqlbackup tried to connect to a remote host specified by the --host option, while it was supposed to ignore the option (see Connection Options for details). With this fix, the option is now ignored.



Note

As a side-effect of this change, on Unix-like platforms, <code>mysqlbackup</code> command that used the <code>--host</code> option now needs to use the <code>--protocol=TCP</code> option to indicate explicitly that <code>mysqlbackup</code> is to connect to <code>localhost</code> using TCP/IP.

(Bug #25911987)

- Backups failed for database containing tables created with transparent page compression, with complaints of page corruption. It was because mysqlbackup did not perform decompression before data validation, and that has been corrected with this fix. (Bug #24366571)
- A backup failed at the step when mysqlbackup applied the FLUSH TABLES tbl_name [, tbl_name] ... WITH READ LOCK statement on all non-InnoDB tables if any table names contained reserved words or special characters. It was because mysqlbackup did not enclose table names in backticks when issuing the statement, and this fix makes sure that is done. (Bug #19709505, Bug #74144)

Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.3 (2019-02-15)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• In addition to the requirement that the target data directory for a restore specified by the --datadir option must be non-existent or empty, mysqlbackup now enforces the same rule for the --innodb_data_home_dir, --innodb_log_group_home_dir, and --innodb_undo_directory options (the --force option cannot be used to override the requirement on the three options). (WL #12665, WL #12407)

Bugs Fixed

- MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1 failed to backup a MySQL Server that has been backed up by MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.0 before. It was due to the way the backup_history table was queried, which has now been fixed. (Bug #29208386)
- When working with a Group Replication cluster, <code>mysqlbackup</code> might quit unexpectedly near the end of a backup operation when, in order to write to the <code>backup_history</code> table, it tried to connect with an unencrypted connection to one of the nodes on which the backup user had not logged on before. It happened when the backup user was created with the <code>caching_sha2_password</code> plugin plugin, so that it must log on with an encrypted connection when it connected to the server for the first time; the attempt to log on thus failed, and <code>mysqlbackup</code> could not handle the failure. With this fix, at such failures, <code>mysqlbackup</code> quits gracefully with the warning that the backup operation is finished without updates to the backup history. (Bug #28893180)
- Restoring an incremental backup image using the copy-back-and-apply-log command failed
 with mysqlbackup complaining that the server repository configuration (including, for example,
 value of innodb_data_file_path) was unknown for the target server, unless the configuration is
 explicitly supplied to mysqlbackup. With this fix, mysqlbackup gets the required information from
 the backup-my.cnf file already restored with the base backup of the incremental backup. (Bug
 #28411028)
- A restore operation could corrupt a backup when, by mistake, a user specified the source directory to become the target directory for restoring some files (for example, specifying what was the backup's --backup_innodb_data_home_dir value as the restore's --innodb_data_home_dir value). This fix prevents the problem by having mysqlbackup throw an error when the command options make the source and target file paths the same for any file copying during a restore. (Bug #28376873)
- On FreeBSD platforms, using the --show-progress option did not make mysqlbackup print progress reports. (Bug #28350122)
- After encrypted InnoDB tables have been restored, sometimes the restored server could not be started, or the encrypted InnoDB tables could not be opened after the server had been started.

This fix not only resolves the aforementioned issues, but also two other problems: the failure to restore a backup containing encrypted InnoDB tables that were row-compressed, and the failure to complete a backup when an encrypted InnoDB table was created in the middle of the backup operation. (Bug #28301281)

References: See also: Bug #28360241, Bug #27168458.

 While MySQL Server interprets the system variable setting --innodb_checksum_algorithm=0 to mean --innodb_checksum_algorithm=crc32, a mysqlbackup operation (except for backup) failed when --innodb_checksum_algorithm=0 was set as a configuration option on the backed up server. With this fix, mysqlbackup now takes --innodb_checksum_algorithm=0 as valid and interprets it as --innodb_checksum_algorithm=crc32. (Bug #28295519)

- The Windows version of MySQL Enterprise Backup did not display its build ID when invoked. (Bug #27916702)
- mysqlbackup quit unexpectedly when backing up a MySQL Server of release 4.1.2 or later for the first time if the ALTER privilege on the mysql.backup_history_new table had not been granted to the MySQL user with which mysqlbackup connected to the server. With this fix, mysqlbackup quits gracefully in the situation after throwing the proper error.

Also, the CREATE, INSERT, and DROP privileges on mysql.backup_history_old and CREATE, INSERT, DROP, and ALTER privileges on mysql.backup_history_new are now required only for backing up for the first time a MySQL Server that has been upgraded from 5.7.22 or earlier and has been backed up by MySQL Enterprise Backup before. (Bug #27879530, Bug #28546256)

- When the --show-progress=table option was used, mysqlbackup gave a warning in the error log on an aborted connection to the server near the end of the operation. It was because the connection to the server for writing to the backup_progress table had remained open. With this fix, the connection is properly closed after the mysqlbackup operation is finished. (Bug #27647283)
- A restore operation for an incremental backup failed when individual tablespaces with relative file paths were involved. (Bug #26442994)
- When the option --only-innodb-with-frm or --no-locking was used during a backup operation, the backup sometimes failed with mysqlbackup complaining that the highest LSN was larger in a copied page than on the backed-up server. It was because mysqlbackup did not perform a log flushing before copying the redo log when either of the mentioned options was used. With this fix, log flushing was always performed to prevent the error. (Bug #25412655)
- Partial backups sometimes failed because full-text index files had their file names matched by the regular expression provided by the --include-tables option, and the files were then handled as ordinary tablespace files by mysqlbackup. With this fix, mysqlbackup excludes any full-text index files from backups. (Bug #25044900)
- If, when a backup was in progress and mysqlbackup was reading the binary log (or the relay log) index file and the server tried to modify the index file (because, for example, a log flush or log purge just took place), the binary logging (or relay logging) stopped; the server also quit unexpected on Windows platforms. It was because mysqlbackup did not handle well the file sharing violation. With this fix, mysqlbackup now reads the index file using the local file system API, which handles the file sharing violation gracefully; also, mysqlbackup now copies the index file into its buffer and then closes it, instead of keeping it open for long, so the server can modify or delete the index file more easily. (Bug #22914974, Bug #26047119)

Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.2 (2018-07-27)

- Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Important Change: Starting from release 4.1.2, the storage engine of the mysql.backup_history table on a backed-up server has switched from CSV to InnoDB, and a new column for server UUIDs has been added to the table. See Backup History Table Update for the new user privileges required by mysqlbackup due to this change. (WL #12042)
- Important Change: When working with a Group Replication setup, mysqlbackup now makes the backup history available to all members of the server group by making sure that the backup_history table is updated on a primary node after each mysqlbackup operation. See Using MySQL Enterprise Backup with Group Replication for details.

With the implementation of this feature, the new user privilege of SELECT on performance_schema.replication_group_members is now required by mysqlbackup to work with any server, even when it does not belong to a Group Replication setup. See Grant MySQL Privileges to Backup Administrator for details. (WL #12042)

- The relay log for a backed-up slave server, instead of being restored always to the data directory on
 the target slave server, is now restored by default to the same location it was found on the backedup slave server. It can also be restored to a different location specified with the new --relay-log
 option. (Bug #25141738, Bug #83927, WL #12040)
- The binary log for a backed-up server, instead of being restored always to the data directory on the target server, is now restored by default to the same location it was found on the backed-up server. It can also be restored to a different location specified with the new --log-bin option. (Bug #25141738, Bug #83927, WL #12040)
- The backup_history table now includes a server_uuid column, which stores the value of the server_uuid of the backed up server. (WL #12043)
- OAuth is now supported for Oracle Cloud Storage client authentication. Two new options, --cloud-storage-url and --cloud-oauth-token, have been introduced for the purpose. See Cloud Storage Options for details. (WL #12041)

- During an --apply-incremental-backup operation, mysqlbackup attempted to delete the binary log of the backed-up, running server. (Bug #28377502)
- A mysqlbackup operation on an image stored on an OpenStack cloud storage service sometimes
 failed with a segmentation fault or a bad URL error. It was because of a race condition caused by an
 uninitiated variable, which has been eliminated by this fix. (Bug #28189239, Bug #28183729)
- Backups failed when the --log-bin option on the backed-up server contained a full-path pointing to a location under the server's data directory. (Bug #28044530)
- A mysqlbackup operation on an image stored on an OpenStack cloud storage service failed with a
 401 Unauthorized error when the operation took a long time and the authentication token for the
 cloud access expired. With this fix, a separate thread in mysqlbackup requests a new token from
 the OpenStack cloud service in that situation, so that the operation can continue. (Bug #27893174)
- The maximum value that could be set for the <code>--safe-slave-backup-timeout</code> option was 2700 (seconds), which automatically replaced any larger value. With this fix, there is no longer a maximum limit, even though a high value is not recommended; see the description of <code>--safe-slave-backup-timeout</code> for details. (Bug #27883020)
- When mysqlbackup performed sanity checks on InnoDB tablespaces and found a space ID mismatch for an FSP header and a page header, the name of the problematic tablespace was not given in the error report. (Bug #27752703)
- mysqlbackup issued a warning whenever the number of files specified in the system variable innodb_data_file_path of the server to be backed up exceeded 100. With this fix, a warning is issued only if the number of InnoDB data files to be opened exceeds the number specified by the system variable innodb_open_files. (Bug #27701402)
- An apply-incremental-backup operation failed when individual tablespaces with relative file paths were involved. (Bug #27278876)
- Backups created with the ---skip-unused-pages option failed validation by the mysqlbackup validate command. (Bug #27102697)
- mysqlbackup quit unexpectedly when the --disable-manifest option was used in a backup operation. (Bug #26861475)

• A restore operation for an incremental backup failed when individual tablespaces with relative file paths were involved. (Bug #26442994)

Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.1 (2018-04-27)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- For MySQL Server 5.7.21 and later: Servers' use of the keyring_encrypted_file and keyring_aws
 plugins is now supported. See Working with Encrypted InnoDB Tables for details. (Bug #27127898,
 WL #10217)
- Information on the executed GTIDs is now included in the mysqlbackup output and the backup log when the backed-up server has GTIDs enabled. (Bug #25978803)
- The buffer size for cloud transfers can now be specified using the new --cloud-buffer-size option. See Cloud Storage Options for details. (WL #11113)
- HTTP Basic Authentication and non-chunked transfer are now supported for backup and restore using OpenStack Swift-compatible object storage services. Two new options, --cloud-basicauth-url and --cloud-chunked-transfer, have been introduced for these purposes. See Cloud Storage Options for details. (WL #11112, WL #11113)

Bugs Fixed

- mysqlbackup failed to restore a TTS (transportable tablespace) backup if the row format of any
 TTS tables did not match the InnoDB default row format on the target server. This was because
 the row format of a table was not included in the backup if the table was created with the InnoDB
 default row format. With this fix, the row format is now always written to the backup, so that tables
 are always restored with the right row format. (Bug #27445546)
- mysqlbackup failed to backup to an Amazon S3 cloud storage. (Bug #27231229)
- mysqlbackup could not establish a connection to the server with a Unix socket using the option -protocol=SOCKET. (Bug #26977679)
- mysqlbackup did not indicate in its output whether an established connection with the server was encrypted or not. With this fix, the crucial information is now provided. (Bug #26919023)
- An apply-log operation failed when more than one process threads were used for the operation and the backup contained encrypted InnoDB tables. (Bug #26495013)
- On macOS, mysqlbackup failed to determine the relay log file name correctly if the relay log index file name was not specified. (Bug #25574605)
- mysqlbackup only accepts values for --ssl-mode in upper case. With this fix, the option's value
 has become case insensitive. (Bug #25548088)
- After restoring an incremental backup of a slave server, the file ibbackup_slave_info was missing from the meta folder under the backup directory on the target server. (Bug #25097753)
- When a compressed backup was restored with the --innodb_data_home_dir option pointing
 to a restore location outside of the data directory, .ibd files were still being copied into the data
 directory, causing an exception to be thrown at the attempt to start the restored server. (Bug
 #24826986)

Changes in MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1.0 (2017-03-03)

- Security Notes
- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Security Notes

 The linked OpenSSL library for MySQL Enterprise Backup 4.1 has been updated to version 1.0.2k. (Bug #25615449)

Functionality Added or Changed

• A backup became corrupted if, during the backup process, a DDL operation that took advantage of MySQL server's online DDL feature occurred. This was because mysqlbackup did not support the server feature—and it still does not. This fix avoids the error by having mysqlbackup turn the server's system variable old_alter_table to "1" at the beginning of a backup if it is "0," so that any DDL operations that take place during the backup are handled with the old table copy method. mysqlbackup then turns the variable back to "0" near the end of the backup operation.



Important

Notice that in cases where <code>mysqlbackup</code> quits unexpectedly and does not turn <code>old_alter_table</code> back to its original value, the user will have to turn the value back to "0" manually on the server, in order to return the server to its original configuration. This should be performed if the statement "Server system variable 'old_alter_table' was set to '0'. Setting it to '1" appears in the early output of <code>mysqlbackup</code>, but the statement "Server system variable 'old_alter_table' back to '0" does not appear before <code>mysqlbackup</code> quits.

(Bug #25217215)

- MySQL Enterprise Backup now supports the --ssl-mode option, which enables you to specify the
 security state of the connection to the server. It replaces the client side --ssl and --ssl-verifyserver-cert options, which are now deprecated. See the description of the --ssl-mode option in
 MySQL 5.7 Reference Manual for details. (Bug #23508228)
- A new option, --skip-final-rescan, makes mysqlbackup skip the final rescan for InnoDB tables that are modified by DDL operations after the database has been locked near the end of a backup operation. This potentially shortens the duration for the lock and reduces the backup's impact on the server's normal operation. See the description for --skip-final-rescan for details. (Bug #21094221)
- The output by mysqlbackup, which goes to the stderr stream and the message log, has now been improved to include the timestamps and thread IDs for all steps taken by mysqlbackup, in order to provide more information for debugging purposes. (Bug #20142619)
- During the final stage of a backup when MySQL Enterprise Backup tried to temporarily put the
 database into a read-only state using the FLUSH TABLES WITH READ LOCK statement in order
 to copy non-InnoDB files, if a long query was running on the server at the same time, the FLUSH
 TABLES WITH READ LOCK statement could be taking too long to finish, holding up further queries
 and eventually bringing down the server.

A new mysqlbackup option --lock-wait-timeout can now be used to specify the timeout in seconds for the FLUSH TABLES WITH READ LOCK statement. If the timeout is exceeded, the statement is failed and the lock on the tables is released, so that queries held up by the lock can then be executed. mysqlbackup then retries the statement and continues with the backup. Default value for --lock-wait-timeout is 60 [seconds]. (Bug #14339483)

- The backup_history table now includes the following new columns:
 - start_time_utc
 - end_time_utc
 - consistency_time_utc
 - meb_version

(WL #8416)

- A full set of exit codes have now been implemented for MySQL Enterprise Backup. Also, a new mysqlbackup command, print-message, returns an exit message for any given exit code supplied with the new option --error-code. See Exit codes of MySQL Enterprise Backup for details. (WL #8291)
- To increase the performance for hot backups, mysqlbackup now shortens the final phase of the
 backups by resizing the MyISAM key cache before it locks the database with a FLUSH TABLES
 WITH READ LOCK statement. The resize triggers a flush of the MyISAM key cache, which reduces
 the time it takes to run the FLUSH TABLES WITH READ LOCK statement. The MyISAM key cache
 size is changed back to its original value afterward. (WL #9311)
- Apply-log operations can now be performed with multiple worker threads in parallel, which can
 improve performance for the operations. The number of threads to be used can be specified with the
 --process-threads option. (WL #9368)
- The copying of redo log files into backups has been made faster, shortening the overall backup time in some cases and making it less likely that a backup fails because a redo log file has been overwritten before it is copied. (WL #9350)
- MySQL Enterprise Backup now supports optimistic incremental backup, in which mysqlbackup scans only those InnoDB data files that have been modified since the last backup for changed pages and then saves them into the incremental backup. It potentially makes incremental backups faster, and is performed by specifying --incremental=optimistic. See Full-scan versus Optimistic Incremental Backup for details. (WL #8416)
- In order to minimize the impact of a hot backup on the MySQL server, the copying of the buffer pool
 dump files and some of the metadata files is now performed before the final phase of the backup in
 which the server instance is locked. This shortens the duration for the lock and reduces the backup's
 impact on the server's normal operation.

Also, to minimize the resource used on a backup, the copying of the buffer pool dump files is no longer performed for partial and offline backups, for which the buffer pool dump is usually not very useful. (WL #9309, WL #9313)

- The Release number for the RPM packages of MySQL Enterprise Backup always said "1," instead of giving the release number of the Linux distribution for which the package was built. (Bug #25538798)
- An apply-log or apply-incremental-backup operation failed when, during the time the backup was created, any tables have been dropped and then recreated with the same name for more than once. (Bug #25334929)
- When creating a full image backup with the --no-locking option, mysqlbackup failed to write the binary log information to the backup history table and the backup_variables.txt file. The result was that when creating an incremental image backup based on the full backup, the attempt to copy the binary log files from the server into the incremental image backup (which is the default behavior) would fail, causing the incremental backup to stop. With this fix, the binary log information

is no longer missing after the full backup, so the incremental image backup no longer fails." (Bug #25296324)

References: See also: Bug #19915713.

A backup operation sometimes failed due to corruption of the copied redo log, and the
corruption occurred because checksum validation for redo logs was not activated for
mysqlbackup. This fix restores the checksum function, so that the validation is performed when
innodb_log_checksums=ON on the backed up server. When a chuck of redo log data fails the
validation, mysqlbackup tries to re-read the data from the server.

However, redo log checksum validation is not performed for offline backups, and online backups fail when the value of <code>innodb_log_checksums</code> is switched off on the server when the backup is in progress. (Bug #25057394)

- mysqlbackup logged double entries with wrong information into the backup_history table for optimistic backups. (Bug #24502876)
- Backups for a slave server in a multi-source replication setup using the --slave-info option failed. (Bug #24444950)

References: See also: Bug #21830316.

- If a backed up server was configured with innodb_undo_tablespaces being nonzero, during a backup, mysqlbackup emitted meaningless warning messages about the tablespaces already existing in the cache. This fix removes those messages. (Bug #24400230)
- During an apply-log or a copy-back-and-apply-log operation on a backup with encrypted InnoDB tables, if no value was specified for the --encrypt-password option used, the operation failed with the complaint that no encryption password was specified. With this fix, mysqlbackup asks the user for the encryption password when it is in the same situation. (Bug #24364442)
- An apply-log operation failed for a backup of a server that contained tablespaces outside of its data directory. It was because those tablespaces, unlike tablespaces in the data directory, were not loaded by mysqlbackup before the apply-log operation started. This fix ensures all tablespaces are loaded. (Bug #22026145)
- When running the backup-and-apply-log command without a connection to the MySQL server, mysqlbackup could not know the correct binary log file name and binary log position for the backup; yet, at the end of the backup-and-apply-log operation, mysqlbackup still printed out some values for the binary log file name and position, which were random in nature. (Bug #21623089)

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