VMware IOInsight

v1.0 User Guide



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Deploying IOInsight Virtual Appliance



- 1. In vSphere web client, right click on the host and select "Create/Register VM"
- 2. Select option "Deploy a virtual machine from an OVF or OVA file"
- 3. Follow steps in the Wizard to select the downloaded ova and complete the deployment
- 4. Power on the VM and access IOInsight via URL: https://<IP-address-of-vm>

IOInsight – Architecture



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UI Workflow





Supported Browsers: Chrome, Safari



Selecting Run Details



Result Visualization

First set of result graphs are generated 30 seconds after starting a run



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Once a run is stopped the result graphs can be downloaded or can start a new run.



Browse Previous Results

The **BROWSE RESULTS** link lead to this webpage.



Best Practices

- VM Configuration
 - vCPUs : Minimum 2, 4 if analyzers with heavy processing are added
 - Provisioned memory: >= 2GB
 - IOInsight VM should be ideally deployed in the same/closer network as the hosts being monitored.
 Otherwise, larger RTTs can result in slower response times
- Analysis/Run Configuration
 - We recommend selecting < 8 VMDKs for a single run as large number of parallel monitoring can result in high overhead, especially if IOPS is very high for those VMDKs
 - Recommended analysis duration is at least 10min (default 30:min)
 - Cache Simulation analyzer is CPU-intensive. We recommend running cache simulation for 1 or 2 cache configurations at a time for better performance. Increase the number of VCPUs for more parallel configurations.