DISK OPERATION ERROR in

AIX

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Last month, we noted errpt showing an error:

| 1 | [root@aix:/] errpt -a |
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| 2 3 | IDENTIFIER TIMESTAMP T C RESOURCE_NAME DESCRIPTION |
| 4 | DCB47997 1122091816 T H hdisk29 DISK OPERATION ERROR |
| 5 6 | F31FFAC3 1122091816 I H hdisk29 PATH HAS RECOVERED |
| 7 | DE3B8540 1122091816 P H hdisk29 PATH HAS FAILED |
| 8 9 | DCB47997 1122075216 T H hdisk26 DISK OPERATION ERROR |
| 10 | F31FFAC3 1122075216 I H hdisk26 PATH HAS RECOVERED |
| 11 | DE3B8540 1122075216 P H hdisk26 PATH HAS FAILED |
| | DCB47997 1122070516 T H hdisk31 DISK OPERATION ERROR |
| | F31FFAC3 1122070516 I H hdisk31 PATH HAS RECOVERED |

DE3B8540 1122070516 P H hdisk31 HAS FAILED

A way to find what's causing this error is using 'lsmpio' command to display detailed device statistics for the hdisks devices.

NOTE: Ismpio command was introduce in AIX 7.1 TL3 and 6.1 TL9.

| 1 | [root@aix:/] lsmpio -Sdl hdisk29 | |
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| 3 | Disk: hdisk29 | |
| 4 | Path statistics since Fri Dec 09 12:56:32 CET 2016 | |
| 5 | Path 0: (fscsi0:500a09829af63ecf,7000000000000) | |
| 6 | Path Selections: | 1282755 |
| 7 8 | Adapter Errors: | 0 |
| 9 | Software: | 0 |
| 10 | Hardware: | 0 |
| 11 | Transport Dead: Transport Busy: | 0 |
| 12 | Transport Busy: Transport Fault: | 0 |
| 13 | No Device Response: | 0 |
| 14 | | |

| 15 | Target Port ID Changed: | 0 |
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| 16 | Command Timeouts: | 0 |
| 17 | Reservation Conflicts: | 0 |
| 18 | SCSI Queue Full: | 0 |
| 19 | SCSI Busy: | 0 |
| 20 | SCSI ACA Active: | 0 |
| 21 | SCSI Task Aborted: | 0 |
| 22 | SCSI Aborted Command: | 0 |
| 23 | SCSI Check Condition: | 0 |
| 24 | Medium Error: 0 | |
| 25 | Hardware Error: 0 | |
| 26 | Not Ready: 0 | |
| 27 | Other: 0 | |
| 28 | Last Error: | N/A |
| 29 | Last Error Time: | N/A |
| 30 | Path Failure Count: | 0 |
| 31 | Due to Adapter Error: (|) |
| 32 | Due to I/O Error: 0 | |
| 33 | Due to Health Check: | 0 |
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| 34 | Due to SCSI Sense: | 0 |
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| 35 | Due to Qualifier Bit: | 0 |
| 36 | Due to Opening Error: | 0 |
| 37 | Last Path Failure: | N/A |
| 38 | Last Path Failure Time: | N/A |
| 39 | Disk: hdisk29 | |
| 40 | Path statistics since Fri Dec 09 2016 | 12:56:31 CET |
| 41 | Path 1: | |
| 42 | (fscsi1:500a09828af63ecf,700000 | 00000000) |
| 43 | Path Selections: | 1254441 |
| 44 | Adapter Errors: | 3 |
| 45 | Software: 0 | |
| 46 | Hardware: (|) |
| 47 | Transport Dead: | 0 |
| 48 | Transport Busy: | 0 |
| 49 | Transport Fault: | 0 |
| 50 | No Device Response: | 0 |
| 51 | Target Port ID Changed: | 0 |
| 52 | Command Timeouts: | 3 |
| | | |

| 53 | Reservation Conflicts: | 0 |
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| 54 | SCSI Queue Full: | 0 |
| 55 | SCSI Busy: | 0 |
| 56 | SCSI ACA Active: | 0 |
| 57 | SCSI Task Aborted: | 0 |
| 58 | SCSI Aborted Command: | 0 |
| 59 | SCSI Check Condition: | 0 |
| 60 | Medium Error: | 0 |
| 61 | Hardware Error: | 0 |
| 62 | Not Ready: 0 | |
| 63 | Other: 0 | |
| 64 | Last Error: | SCSI |
| 65 | Command Timeout | M D 10 |
| 66 | Last Error Time: 09:12:08 CET 2016 | Mon Dec 12 |
| 67 | Path Failure Count: | 0 |
| 68 | Due to Adapter Error: | 0 |
| 69 | Due to I/O Error: |) |
| 70 | Due to Health Check: | 0 |
| 71 | Due to SCSI Sense: | 0 |
| | | |

Due to Qualifier Bit: 0

Due to Opening Error: 0

Last Path Failure: N/A

Last Path Failure Time: N/A

As you can see in the output, the cause of the issue is "SCSI Command Timeout" on FC adapter. Please, check FC network (VIOS, NPIV, SAN zonning).

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