This document describes the ssh/rsync based replication available since Solr1.1. This mechanism only works on systems that support removing open hard links.

⚠️ These Scripts were superseded by the Replication-Handler Java implementation of index replication that works over HTTP and was introduced in Solr1.4, and are no longer actively maintained. ⚠️

- master Solr server
- slave Solr server

All distribution scripts reside in solr/bin. All distribution configuration files reside in solr/conf. For more information on the distribution scripts and configuration files, see SolrCollectionDistributionScripts. A more detailed description of the replication process can be found on CollectionDistribution. To learn how to monitor and debug that part of the system, see SolrCollectionDistributionStatusStats.

### master Solr server

- Enable the rsyncd daemon by running rsyncd-enable.
- Start the rsync daemon by running rsyncd-start.
- Snapshots are taken by the Solr server after each commit and optimize request. They can also be taken manually by running snapshooter.
- Snapshots older than a certain number of days old can be removed automatically by configuring cron to run snapcleaner regularly. If necessary, additional cleanup can be done by running snapcleaner manually.

### slave Solr server

- The user id under which the Solr distribution scripts run must be able to ssh/scp from the slave Solr server to the master Solr server without being prompted for a password. ssh is used to determine the lastest snapshot available on the master. scp is used to transfer distribution status and statistics back to the master.
- Enable the snappuller by running snappuller-enable.
- Configure cron to run snappuller regularly. It can also be run manually to pull the latest snapshot from the master on demand.
- Install the latest snapshot into Solr by running snapinstaller.
- Snapshots older than a certain number of days old can be removed automatically by configuring cron to run snapcleaner regularly. If necessary, additional cleanup can be done by running snapcleaner manually.