# ISSUE: Fail to connect VM disk by VDDK library. Error=Unknown (VMware VDDK backup)

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**Product Version:** 

AhsayOBM: 8.3.4.0 or above

**OS: Windows** 

## **Problem Description**

When performing a VMware guest VM backup in VDDK mode on VMware vCenter/ESXi v5.0.x, v5.1.x, and v5.5.x. The following error message is received in the backup report:

No. Type Timestamp			Log
*	info		
*	erro	YYYY/MM/DD hh:mm:ss	Fail to connect VM disk by VDDK library" error: "VDDK Mode Error Virtual Machine = "VM/Hard
			disk" Reason = "Fail to connect VM disk by VDDK library. Error=Unknown
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### Cause

The VMware VDDK 7 API used in AhsayOBM v8.3.4.0 or above no longer supports backup in VDDK mode for VMware vCenter/ESXi v5.0.x, v5.1.x, and v5.5.x

### Resolution

To workaround this issue replace the current VDDK 7 API with VDDK 6 API. Download the VDDK v6 API files from here

- 1. Stop the AhsayOBM services.
- 2. Stop the AhsayOBM NFS service.
- 3. Make a copy of the current folder **%OBM\_INSTALL%\bin\x64**.
- 4. Using Windows Explorer open folder **%OBM INSTALL%\bin\x64**.
- 5. Delete the following 13 .dll files from the %OBM INSTALL%\bin\x64 folder.
  - diskLibPlugin.dll
  - libexpat.dll
  - lookup-types.dll
  - o msvcp120.dll
  - o msvcr120.dll
  - pcre.dll

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- o salite3.dll
- ssoclient.dll
- vddkVimAccess.dll
- vim-types.dll
- vmacore.dll
- o vmomi.dll
- o zlib1.dll
- 6. Unzip the downloaded vddk.zip file and copy the contents **%OBM\_INSTALL%\bin\x64** folder.
- 7. Start the AhsayOBM services.
- 8. Start the AhsayOBM NFS service.

After the VDDK 7 API files are replaced with VDDK 6 API files. AhsayOBM v8.3.4.0 or above installation will no longer support backup of VMware vCenter/ESXi v7 backup sets.

#### List of VDDK 6 API files:

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glib-2.0.dll
gobject-2.0.dll
gthread-2.0.dll
gvmomi.dll
iconv.dll
intl.dll
libcurl.dll
libeay32.dll
liblber.dll
libldap.dll
libldap r.dll
libxml2.dll
ssleay32.dll
VddkJNI.dll
vixDiskLib.dll
vixDiskLibVim.dll
vixMntapi.dll
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# **Keywords**

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