Taking "Build Once, Run Anywhere" to the Edge

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Introduction

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What does "Build Once, Run Anywhere" mean?

- Originally coined by Sun Microsystems
- Ability to write Java code once and run it anywhere
- Expanded by the use of Containers Images
- Package the entire application and all of its dependencies



What do you need to "run a container"?

- Two base elements:
 - Container Image
 - Running Instructions
- The instructions format may vary:
 - Command line arguments
 - Docker-Compose file
 - Kubernetes YAML



podman kube play

- Using "podman kube play" users can reuse K8S YAML file
- "Build Once, Run Anywhere" can be employed for the running instructions



Podman is daemonless

- But, Podman is daemonless
- What will monitor the container?



Systemd and Podman

- Systemd already monitors processes
- If we ran Podman as a damon, we will need Systemd to monitor it
- Let's have Systemd monitor our containers
- Tools like "podman generate systemd" and soon
 - "Quadlet" facilitate the creation of systemd unit files



How do I bring it to the Edge?

- OSBuild is a tool for composing O/S images
- OSBuild allows embedding container images into the O/S image
- OSBuild allows embedding files such as the K8S YAML and Systemd unit into the O/S image
- OSBuild allows enabling of services in the image
- We can compose an image for an edge device with everything we need already embedded



OSBuild Steps

Embedding the container image

```
- type: org.osbuild.skopeo
  inputs:
     images:
      type: org.osbuild.containers
      origin: org.osbuild.source
      mpp-resolve-images:
        images:
           - source: registry.gitlab.com/centos/automotive/sample-images/demo/auto-apps
            tag: latest
           - source: registry.gitlab.com/centos/automotive/sample-images/demo/vsomeip
            tag: v0.1
  options:
     destination:
      type: containers-storage
      storage-path: /usr/share/containers/storage
```



OSBuild Steps

Embed the Unit and K8S YAML files

```
type: org.osbuild.copy
  inputs:
    ocp-vsomeip:
      type: org.osbuild.files
      origin: org.osbuild.source
      mpp-embed:
        id: vsomeip.yml
        path: ../files/ocp/vsomeip.yml
    unit-vsomeip:
      type: org.osbuild.files
      origin: org.osbuild.source
      mpp-embed:
        id: vsomeip.service
        path: ../files/ocp/vsomeip.service
  options:
    paths:
    - from:
        mpp-format-string: input://ocp-vsomeip/{embedded['vsomeip.yml']}
      to: tree:///demo/ocp/vsomeip.yml
    - from:
        mpp-format-string: input://unit-vsomeip/{embedded['vsomeip.service']}
      to: tree:///usr/lib/systemd/system/vsomeip.service
```



OSBuild Steps

Enable the Service

```
- type: org.osbuild.systemd
   options:
     enabled_services:
     - radio.service
```



Demo



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