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Setting up a Docker for the first time

Install brew (package manager on macOS)

```
/bin/bash -c "$(curl -fsSL
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/HEAD/install.sh)"
```

Follow instructions to add homebrew to your path

Install colima on our macOS

brew install qemu colima docker

Update the Colima Template to increase VM resources

colima template

Edit the following lines (8 cores and 12 Gb RAM):

```
cpu = 8
memory = 12
```

In case you are doing any Linux kernel development, you will need more space to compile the kernel (At least 200Gb total VM space):

```
disk = 200
```

Start Colima

This will setup colima to start after a laptop restart
brew services start Colima

```
# This starts the colima docker engine
colima start
```

Verify the docker is working properly

docker run hello-world

Install the required kernel modules for FRR topotest

```
# This enters the colima VM
colima ssh
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install linux-modules-extra-$(uname -r)
sudo modprobe vrf && sudo modprobe mpls_router && sudo modprobe team
exit
```

At this point, the colima VM engine is ready to start building and running FRR topotests.

Additional commands

How to show the currently running docker engine + resource allocation

colima list

How to stop the colima docker engine

colima stop

How to delete the colima docker engine to start from scratch

colima delete

Known Issues

"unsupported tracepoint" when running perf within the Colima VM

Problem

Resolution

This is a known upstream issue in Ubuntu: https://bugs.launchpad.net/ubuntu/+source/linux/+bug/2019247

The fix is to re-compile perf with the missing libtraceevent:

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install -y libeventtrace-dev build-essential flex bison libelf-
dev systemtap-sdt-dev libunwind-dev libssl-dev libslang2-dev libperl-dev
python3-dev python3-setuptools libcap-dev libnuma-dev libbabeltrace-dev
libpfm4-dev pkg-config binutils-dev
git clone -n https://github.com/torvalds/linux
cd linux
git checkout (kernel version - check `uname -r`)
cd tools/perf
make -j8
./perf ...
```

Colima Fails to start: exiting, status={Running:false Degraded:false Exiting:true Errors:[] SSHLocalPort:0} (hint: see

"/Users/mmallin/.colima/_lima/colima/ha.stderr.log")

Problem

When trying to start colima after a reboot, the following error message is seen:

```
> exiting, status={Running:false Degraded:false Exiting:true Errors:[]
SSHLocalPort:0} (hint: see
"/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/ha.stderr.log")
FATA[0002] error starting vm: error at 'starting': exit status 1
{"level":"fatal", "msg":"template: :1:21: executing \"\" at \u003cfd connect
\"/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/ networks/user-v2/user-v2 qemu.sock\"\u003e:
error calling fd connect: fd connect: dial unix
/Users/mmallin/.colima/_lima/_networks/user-v2/user-v2_qemu.sock: connect:
connection refused", "time": "2024-10-03T09:26:52-04:00"}
Full Logs:
MMALLIN-M-3K40:wb-frr-1 mmallin$ colima start
INFO[0000] starting colima
INFO[0000] runtime: docker
INFO[0000] starting ...
                                                          context=vm
> Using the existing instance "colima"
> Starting the instance "colima" with VM driver "qemu"
> QEMU binary "/opt/homebrew/bin/qemu-system-aarch64" seems properly signed
with the "com.apple.security.hypervisor" entitlement
> [hostagent] hostagent socket created at
/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/ha.sock
> [hostagent] Using system firmware ("/opt/homebrew/share/qemu/edk2-aarch64-
code.fd")
> exiting, status={Running:false Degraded:false Exiting:true Errors:[]
SSHLocalPort:0} (hint: see
"/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/ha.stderr.log")
FATA[0002] error starting vm: error at 'starting': exit status 1
MMALLIN-M-3K40:wb-frr-1 mmallin$ cat
/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/ha.stderr.log
{"level": "debug", "msg": "Creating iso file
/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/cidata.iso","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:51-
04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msg": "Using
/var/folders/nm/w4v8ycr14lxdms4t1302w98c0000gn/T/diskfs iso1594478071 as
workspace","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:51-04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msg": "Failed to detect CPU features. Assuming that AES
acceleration is available on this Apple silicon.", "time": "2024-10-
03T09:26:51-04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msg": "OpenSSH version 9.8.1 detected", "time": "2024-10-
03T09:26:51-04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msg": "AES accelerator seems available, prioritizing aes128-
gcm@openssh.com and aes256-gcm@openssh.com","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:51-
04:00"}
{"level": "info", "msg": "hostagent socket created at
/Users/mmallin/.colima/ lima/colima/ha.sock","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:51-
04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msg": "QEMU version 9.1.0 detected", "time": "2024-10-
03T09:26:52-04:00"}
{"level": "debug", "msq": "firmware candidates =
[/Users/mmallin/.local/share/gemu/edk2-aarch64-code.fd
```

```
/opt/homebrew/share/qemu/edk2-aarch64-code.fd /usr/share/AAVMF_AAVMF_CODE.fd
/usr/share/qemu-efi-aarch64/QEMU_EFI.fd]","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:52-04:00"}
{"level":"info","msg":"Using system firmware
(\"/opt/homebrew/share/qemu/edk2-aarch64-code.fd\")","time":"2024-10-
03T09:26:52-04:00"}
{"level":"fatal","msg":"template: :1:21: executing \"\" at \u003cfd_connect
\"/Users/mmallin/.colima/_lima/_networks/user-v2/user-v2_qemu.sock\"\u003e:
error calling fd_connect: fd_connect: dial unix
/Users/mmallin/.colima/_lima/_networks/user-v2/user-v2_qemu.sock: connect:
connection refused","time":"2024-10-03T09:26:52-04:00"}
```

Resolution

```
rm -rf ~/.colima/ lima/ networks
```

This is tracked upstream at: https://github.com/abiosoft/colima/issues/1116