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Install Kafka

Windows OS

1. Let's spin our Kafka cluster and give it a try!

The easiest way to set up Kafka just to mess around locally is to use Docker.

There are many Docker Images with Kafka.

I used Docker Desktop and Rancher Desktop.

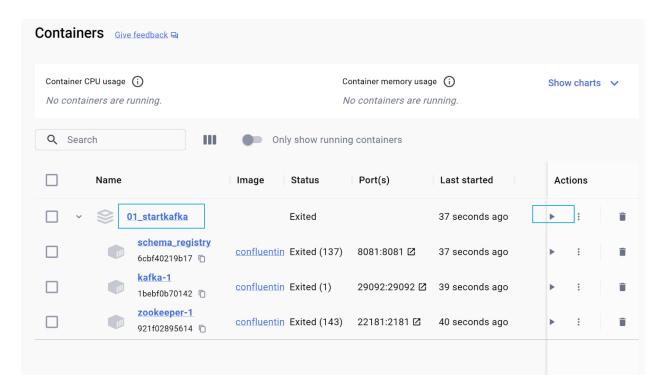
- Download and install Docker desktop.
 You might use also Rancher desktop. In this case WSL (Windows Subsystem for Linux) should to be installed.
 - (Containerization Explained YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qotVMX-J5s)
- 3. To make setup easier I've included docker-compose file, so you can make your kafka cluster up and running in seconds. Copy docker-compose.yml into your working folder.
- 4. Open a cmd command prompt line in your working directory, which contains the docker-compose.yml file:

Run command:

>docker-compose up

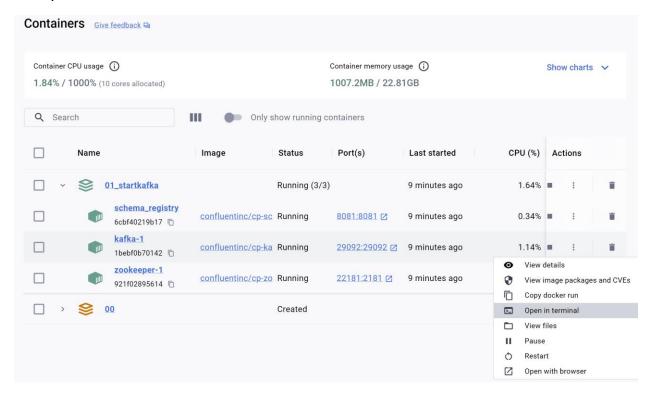
Logs should begin appear in the window.

5. You can also start docker desktop: start → Docker compose



In this example my working directory is 01-startkafka.

6. Open a kafka terminal



7. Create a new topic

/usr/bin/kafka-topics --create --bootstrap-server kafka:29092 localhost:29092 -- topic topicTest1

Logs Inspect Bind mounts Terminal Files Stats

sh-4.4\$ /usr/bin/kafka-topics --create --bootstrap-server kafka:29092 localhost:29092 --topic topicTest1
Created topic topicTest1.
sh-4.4\$ []

Linux OS - TBD (to be defined)

We can also install Kafka as a stand-alone application.

Create github account – if not already existing Link to create github account:

Signing up for a new GitHub account - GitHub Docs

Github account has NOT direct relationship with Kafka. 8)

In Github you will place the Kafka projects.