CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity

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Release Notes

These release notes contain supplemental information about the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity. Topics include:

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Revision history

The following table presents the revision history of this document.

Table 1 Revision history

Revision	Date	Description
02	April 2020	Updated for version 1.1.
01	November 2019	First release of the product.

Product description

This section describes the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity.

The CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity is a plug-in that is installed into Kubernetes to provide persistent storage using Dell EMC Unity storage systems.

The CSI Driver adheres to the Container Storage Interface (CSI) specification v1.1. It is compatible with Kubernetes version 1.14. The Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6 or CentOS 7.6 host operating systems are supported.

New features and changes

The driver supports the following features:

- Persistent volume (PV) capabilities:
 - Create
 - List
 - Delete
 - Mount
 - Unmount
- · Supports mounting volume as file system
- Supports snapshot creation
- Supports creation of a volume from a snapshot
- Supports static volumes and dynamic volumes
- Supports Bare Metal machine type
- Supports Virtual Machine type
- Supports SINGLE_NODE_WRITER access mode
- Supports CentOS 7.6 as host operating system
- Supports Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6 as host operating system
- Supports HELM charts installer
- Supports Dell EMC Storage CSI Operator Deployment
- Supports Kubernetes version 1.14

- Supports installation in OpenShift 4.2 environment by using Dell EMC Storage Operator
- Supports Unity OE 5.0
- Supports FC Protocol
- Supports iSCSI Protocol
- (i) Note: Volume Snapshots is an Alpha feature in Kubernetes. It is recommended for use only in short-lived testing clusters, as features in the Alpha stage have an increased risk of bugs and a lack of long-term support. See Kubernetes documentation for more information about feature stages.

Known problems and limitations

This section describes the known problems and limitations associated with this release of the product.

Known problems

Issue	Resolution or workaround, if known
526: Driver is crashing while doing install.unity with wrong unityUsername, wrong unityPassword, or both.	Uninstall the CSI driver installation and re-install using the proper username and password.
603: Volume and snapshot name cannot have more than 63 characters.	All volume names and snapshot names (including prefix) must be less than 63 characters.
677: After successful deletion of a pod, the Node log would contain the following error, even though unmount and pod deletion happens successfully. msg="NodeUnstageVolume error unmount stageTgt: unmount failed: exit status 32	This is a bug in logging and can be ignored.
670: While creating a new pod, if the multipath driver on Kubernetes nodes is not able to issue the dm-uuid-mpath device for a given PVC, the driver picks the wwn-0x standard device to perform the mount operation. This may lead to data unavailability.	Restart the multipath driver, and ensure all devices are claimed with dm-uuid-mpath.
632: Pod stuck at container creating state for over 1 minute. Pod description shows Unable to find device after multiple discovery attempts: rpc error: code = NotFound desc = Check for disk path /dev/disk/by-id/wwn-0xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	1. Check if the zoning is done correctly for the FC channel (if an FC-based volume is used), or that at least 1 iSCSI target is up on the array (if an iSCSI-based volume is used). 2. If the problem persists, execute /usr/bin/rescan-scsi-bus.sh -a -r. The script cleans up any stale devices present on the node. Install the sg3_utils package if the script is not present on the node.
659: unity namespace got deleted.	1. Re-create the unity namespace. 2. Uninstall the controller and node pods, and then reinstall the pods.

Issue	Resolution or workaround, if known
	You should be able to continue the creation and deletion of Kubernetes objects as usual.
566: When creating a PVC from a snapshot, the PVC is automatically given the attributes of the default storage class.	Create a new custom storage class. The new custom storage class should have the following properties with the same value as in the default storage class:
	storage pool
	thin provision
	data reduction
	• size
	You must provide this storage class when creating a PVC from an existing snapshot.
326: When the same machine has two hosts with different hostnames but with the same IQN, the CSI Driver for Unity (v1.1) gives the following error: REP 0125: unable to find host.	Ensure that each host has a unique initiator IQN, and that the correct IQN was added to the corresponding host object on the array.
532: Not able to find storage class with ${\tt xfs}$ filetype.	Create a custom storage class for this type of requirement. An example follows of a custom storage class (in yaml format) that can be created in order to mount pvcs as an xfs filesystem.
	<pre>apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1 kind: StorageClass metadata: name: sc-xfs-iscsi parameters: FsType: xfs isDataReductionEnabled: "false" storagepool: pool_1 thinProvisioned: "true" tieringPolicy: "3" protocol: "iSCSI" provisioner: csi-unity.dellemc.com reclaimPolicy: Delete.</pre>
After installing CSI Unity, the username/password of Unisphere changed.	1. Uninstall the current CSI Driver. 2. Delete the existing secret unity-creds by issuing the following command: kubectl delete secret unity-creds 3. Get the username and password encrypted with the following commands: echo -n 'new username' base64 echo -n 'new password' base64 4. Create a new secret (yaml file) in the below said format and specify user name and password: apiVersion: v1
	<pre>data: password: <encrypted new="" password="" string=""></encrypted></pre>

Issue	Resolution or workaround, if known
	<pre>username: <encrypted new="" string="" user=""> kind: Secret metadata: name: unity-creds namespace: unity type: Opaque</encrypted></pre>
	5. Create a new secret by issuing the command: kubectl create -f <secret-file-name></secret-file-name>
	6. Ensure whether secret has been created by issuing the command: kubectl get secrets -n unity
	7. Re-install the CSI Driver.
	Note: Based on the SSL setup (for example, if your unityInsecure key has value of 'false'), then you may have re-create the unity-certs secret. Refer to the "Certificate Validation for Unisphere REST API Calls" section of the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity Product Guide.

Software media, organization, and files

This section provides information about where you can find the software files for this release of the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity.

The software package is available for download from the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity GitHub page.

Additional resources

This section provides information about the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity, how to get support, and provide feedback.

Documentation

This section lists the related documentation for CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity.

The CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity is available on the CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity GitHub page. The documentation includes the following:

- CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity Release Notes (this document)
- CSI Driver for Dell EMC Unity Product Guide

Troubleshooting and getting help

Use the resources in this section to get help and support.

Product information

For documentation, release notes, software updates, and other information about Dell EMC products, go to Dell EMC Online Support.

Technical support

For any CSI driver configuration, setup issues, or questions, use the Dell EMC container forum. For any issues with Dell EMC Storage, contact Dell EMC Online Support.