NetApp ONTAP Cloud with SQL Server on Azure

Quick Start Reference Deployment

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Overview

This Quick Start reference deployment guide provides step-by-step instructions for deploying an environment with NetApp ONTAP Cloud and Microsoft SQL Server on Azure.

NetApp data storage systems are used by enterprises that require complete control, efficiency, durability, and resiliency of their data. NetApp ONTAP Cloud is a software-only version of Data ONTAP, which is the data management operating system from NetApp that is used on physical NetApp storage appliances.

The features of ONTAP Cloud include:

- Storage efficiencies that enable you to use less underlying storage capacity for your data needs
- Instant backup and recovery for data of all sizes
- Space-efficient, intuitive, bi-directional data transfer
- Instant, writable data clones that consume no additional storage capacity
- Ability to use multiple protocols (NFS, CIFS, and iSCSI) from the same storage system, at the same time

With ONTAP Cloud on Azure, you can spin up a new enterprise-class data management system in minutes on the cloud. This Quick Start automatically sets up a SQL Server 2014 – NetApp ONTAP Cloud with SQL Server on Azure.

Environment that receives its storage and enterprise-class data management capabilities from a NetApp ONTAP Cloud system running on Azure. The Quick Start uses NetAPP OnCommand Cloud Manager to deploy and configure ONTAP Cloud.

Costs and Licenses

This NetApp ONTAP Cloud is the PAYGO model and doesn't require the user to license it, it will be licensed automatically after the instance is launched first time and user will be charged hourly. Follow this link https://azuremarketplace.microsoft.com/en-us/marketplace/apps/netapp.netapp-ontap-cloud?tab=Overview for pricing details.

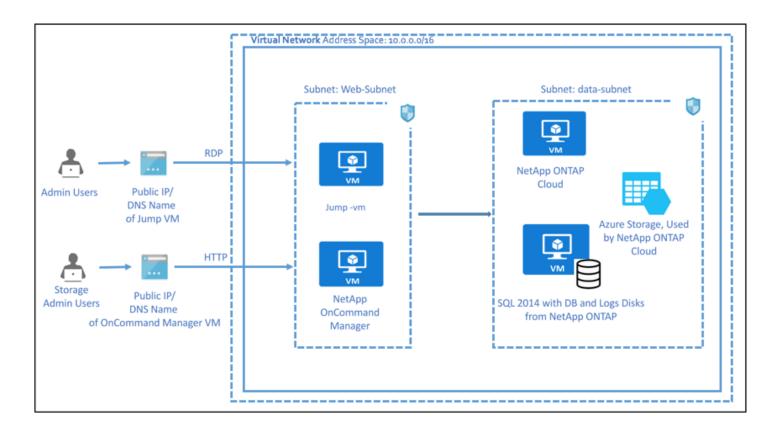
To deploy the Quick start template, enable programmatic deployments in the azure subscription. Instructions are provided in the Deployment Steps section.

This Quick Start template includes configuration parameters that you can customize. Some of these settings, such as database size, will affect the cost of deployment.

Architecture

This template will deploy:

- Six storage accounts
- One Virtual Network with two subnets
- 2 Public IP's, one for OnCommand Manager and one for the Jump VM
- One OnCommand Cloud Manager (BYOL) (for ONTAP Cloud)
- One Windows Server 2012 R2 VM.
- One SQL Server 2014 SP2 Enterprise on Windows Server 2012 R2 VM.
- One NetApp ONTAP Cloud VM



Prerequisites

Azure Subscription with specified payment method (NetApp ONTAP cloud is a market place product and requires payment method to be specified in Azure Subscription).

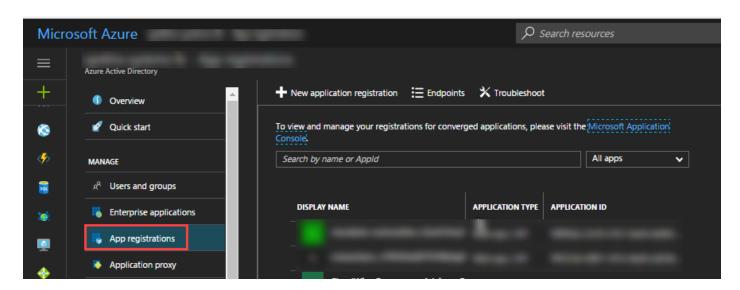
To deploy the Quick start template, programmatic deployments should be enables in the azure subscription. Instructions are provided in the Deployment Steps section.

An application key along with the application id is required for the deployment of this template. Instructions are provided in the Deployments Steps Section.

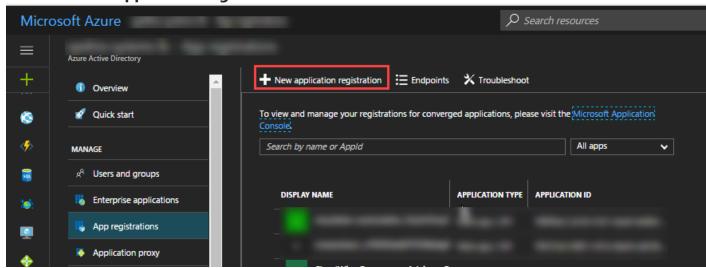
Deployment Steps

Step 1. Creating an Active Directory Application

1. In the Azure Portal go to the **Active Directory** and click on **App registrations**.



2. Click on +New application registration

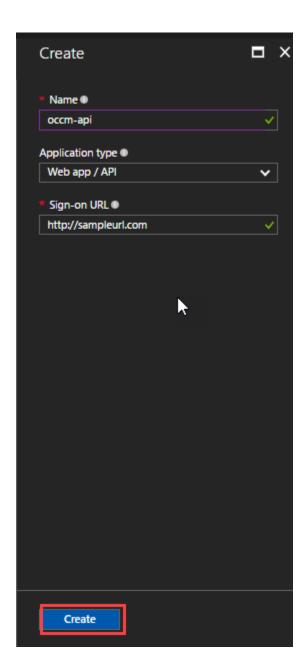


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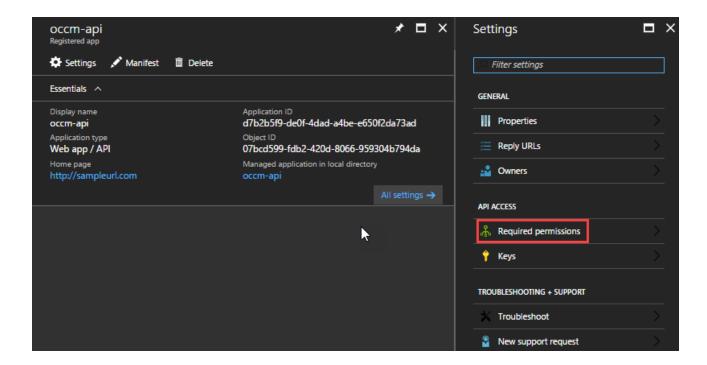
Name: occm-api

Application Type: **Web app/ API**Sign-on URL: http://sampleurl.com

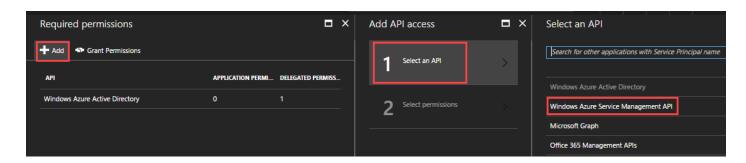
4. Click on Create.



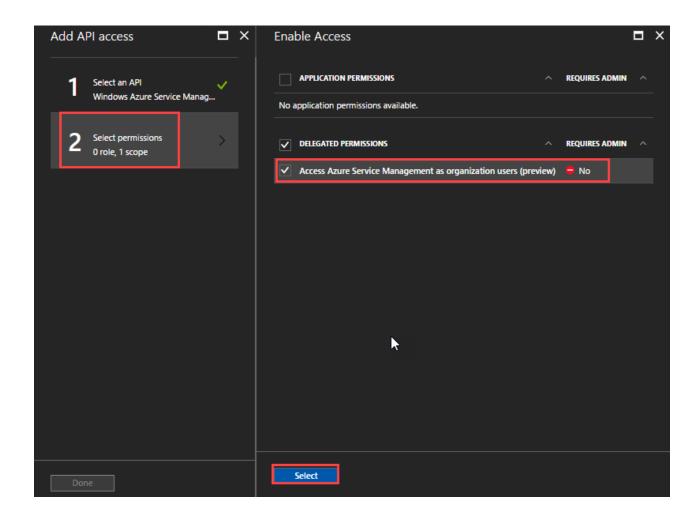
5. The application will get created. Copy and save the **Application ID** as you will need it during the deployment of the template. After the application **occm-api** gets created, click on **occm-api**. Click on **Required permissions.**



6. Click +Add on Required permissions page. Click on **Select an API**. Select **Windows Azure Service Management API**.

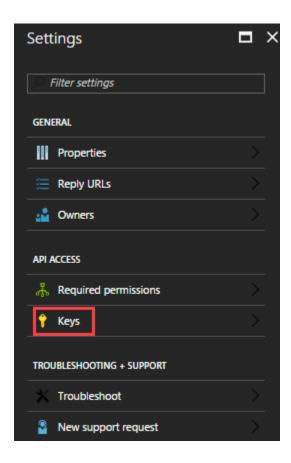


7. Click on Select permissions and select Access Azure Service Management as organization users (preview). Click on Select.



Step 2. Creating an Application Key.

1. Click on **Keys** under the **Settings** page for your application id.



2. Set an expiry and click on Save. The value of the key will be displayed after clicking on Save.

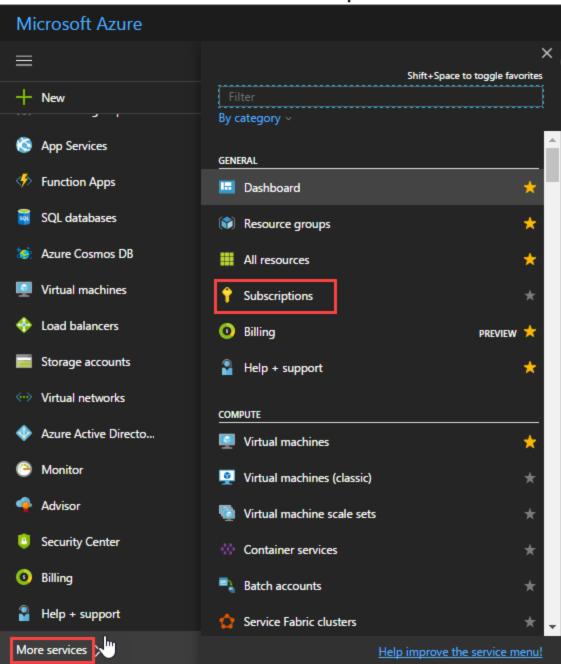


3. Make sure to copy the Value as you won't be able to retrieve after you leave the scope of the key creation. This value is used as application key for your Cloud Manager setup.

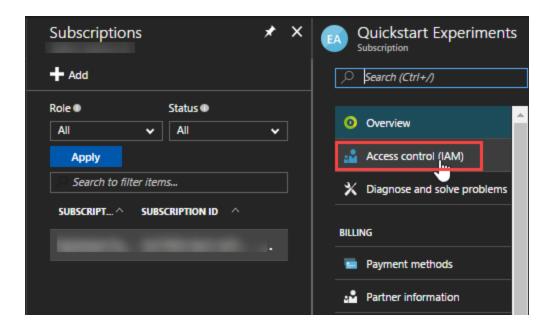


Step 3. Assigning the Cloud Manager role to AD application

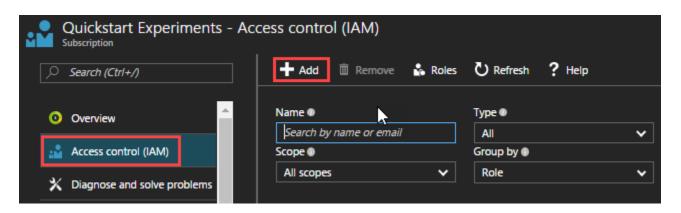
1. Click on **More services** and then click on **Subscriptions**.



2. Click on your **Subscription** and click **Access Control**(IAM)



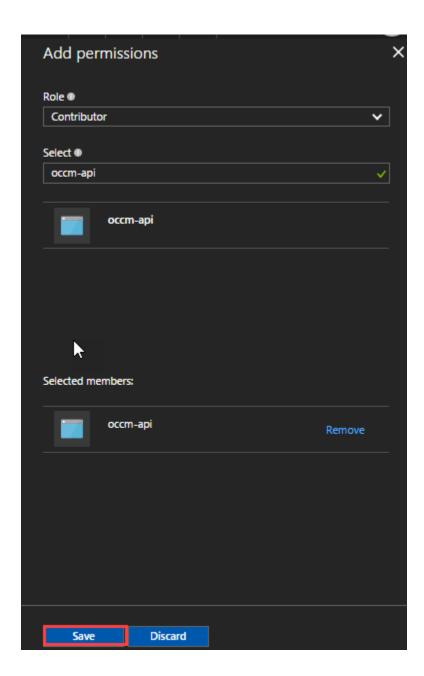
3. After clicking **Access Control**(IAM) -> click **Add** (+)



4. After clicking on **Add**, enter the following details:

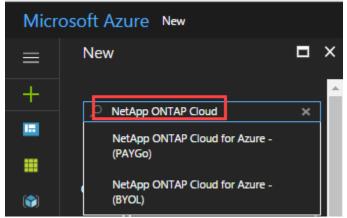
Role: **Contributor** Select: **occm-api**

5. Click on Save.

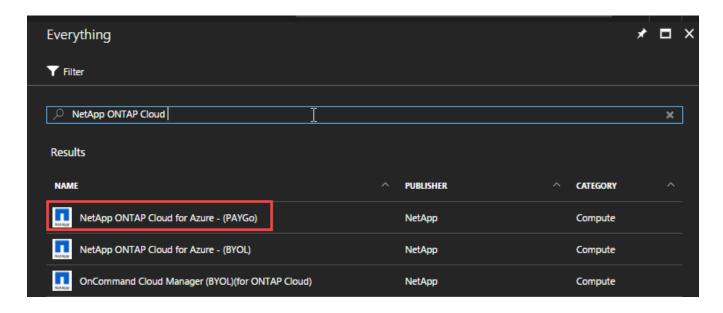


Step 4. Enable Programmatic Deployment

1. Search for NetApp ONTAP Cloud in Marketplace.



1. Click on NetApp ONTAP Cloud for Azure - (PAYGo)



2. Click on "Want to deploy programmatically? Get Started" link



NetApp ONTAP Cloud for Azure - (PAYGo)



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Free Trial enabled.

30 Day Free Trial Available - NetApp ONTAP Cloud, the leading enterprise storage operating system, is deployed using OnCommand Cloud Manager to deliver secure, proven NFS, CIFS and iSCSI data management for Azure cloud storage. A software-only storage service running the ONTAP storage operating system, ONTAP Cloud combines data control with enterprise-class storage features—such as data deduplication and compression—to minimize your Azure storage footprint. Take snapshots of your data without requiring additional storage or impacting your application's performance.

ONTAP Cloud can tie your cloud storage to your data center using the leading NetApp replication protocol, SnapMirror technology. OnCommand Cloud Manager handles deployment and management of ONTAP Cloud, giving you a simple point-and-click environment to manage your storage and ease control of your data.

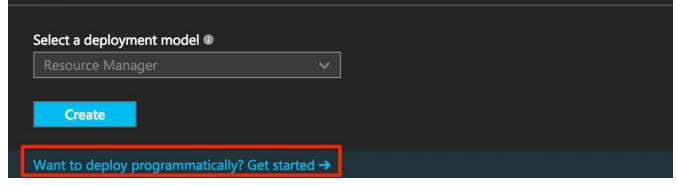
ONTAP Cloud offers you the power of ONTAP with flexible performance and Azure capacity options: Explore (2TB) and Standard (10TB).

Usage Instructions

Important: You must use OnCommand Cloud Manager to launch ONTAP Cloud environments. You cannot launch ONTAP Cloud directly from the Azure portal, as the ONTAP Cloud system will not be deployed correctly. At a high level, deploying OnCommand Cloud Manager and ONTAP Cloud involves these steps:

- 1. Prepare your Azure environment
- 2. Enable programmatic deployment on the ONTAP Cloud products you plan to use from the Azure Marketplace
- 3. Launch the OnCommand Cloud Manager software instance in Azure
- 4. Access Cloud Manager by entering the instance IP address in a web browser
- 5. Complete the Setup wizard
- 6. Use Cloud Manager to launch ONTAP Cloud instances

Support

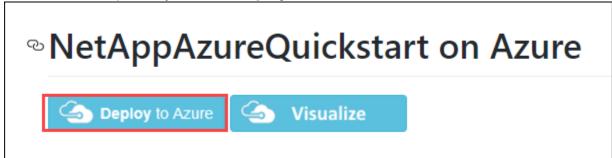


3. Toggle status from Disable to **Enable** for your subscription and click **save.**

Configure Programmatic Deployment Offer details NetApp ONTAP Cloud for Azure - (PAYGo) by NetApp Terms of use | privacy policy Pricing does not include Azure infrastructure costs (e.g., virtual machine compute time or storage) and is based on the pricing tier you select at the time of deployment. The pricing above applies only to Azure subscriptions purchased from Microsoft. For Azure subscriptions purchased from a reseller, contact your reseller for pricing. Neither subscription credits nor monetary commitment funds may be used to purchase non-Microsoft offerings. These purchases are billed separately. If any Microsoft products are included in the above offering(s) (e.g., Windows Server or SQL Server), such products are licensed by Microsoft and not by any third party. Terms of use By enabling programmatic purchases for the subscriptions selected below, I (a) agree to the legal terms and privacy statement(s) associated with each offering above, (b) for Azure subscriptions purchased from Microsoft, authorize Microsoft to charge or bill my current payment method for the fees associated with my use of the offering(s), including applicable taxes, with the same billing frequency as my Azure subscription, until I discontinue use of the offering(s), and (c) agree that Microsoft may share my contact information, and transaction details associated with my purchase of the above offering(s), with any third-party vendors, if listed above. Microsoft does not provide rights for third-party products or services. See the Azure Marketplace Terms for additional terms. Choose the subscriptions Select the Azure subscriptions for which you would like to enable programmatic deployments of the above offering(s) **STATUS** SUBSCRIPTION NAME SUBSCRIPTION ID Enable Disable Microsoft Azure Enterprise Discard Save

Step 5. Launch the Quick start template.

- 1. Navigate to https://github.com/SpektraSystems/NetAppAzureQuickstart/tree/master.
- 2. Launch the Template by click on **Deploy to Azure** button.



3. On clicking the Deploy to Azure button, you will be redirected to the Azure Portal. You have to enter the following details in the azure portal.

Subscription: Choose your subscription.

Resource group: Name of the resource group you wish to create.

Location: Location in which you wish to deploy the template.

Admin username: This Username will be used for all the VMs that are being created in this template.

Admin Email Address: Enter your email address.

Admin Email Password: Choose a strong password. This will be used for all the VMs.

Netapp ONTAP Cloud License Type: Standard/Premium

Azure AD Application ID: Enter the value of the application ID value.

Azure AD Application Secret: Enter the copied value of Application Key.

Sql Data Volume Size: Enter the required size for Volume to be attached to the sql-vm

via Netapp ONTAP cloud

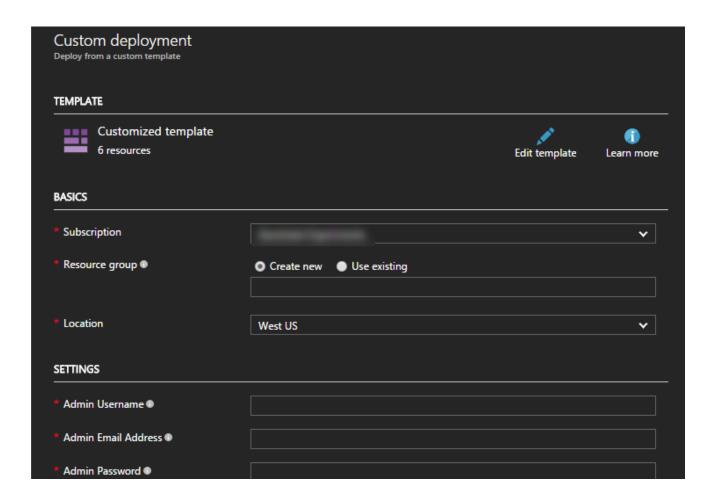
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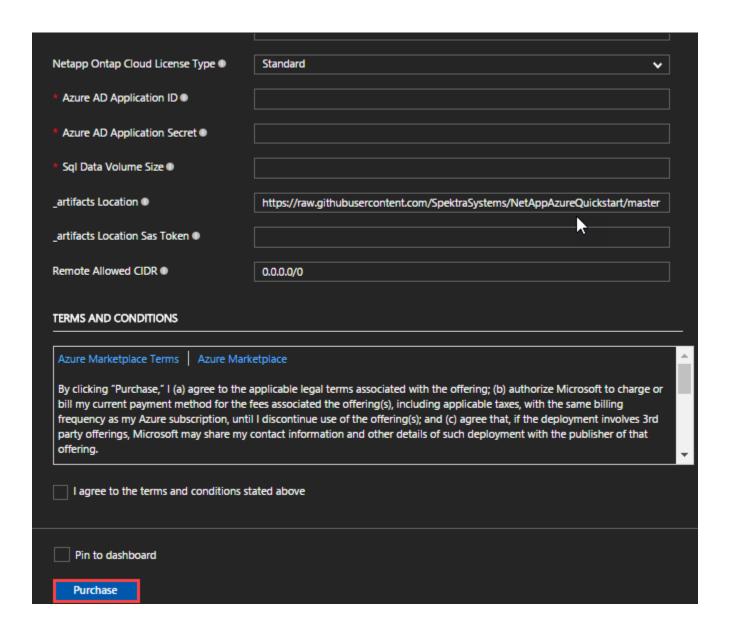
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Check mark the "I agree to the terms and conditions stated above"

4. After entering all the values, click on **Purchase.** This will start the deployment.





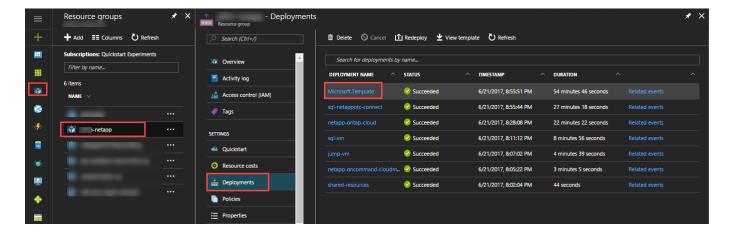
Deployment Time

The deployment takes about 1 hour.

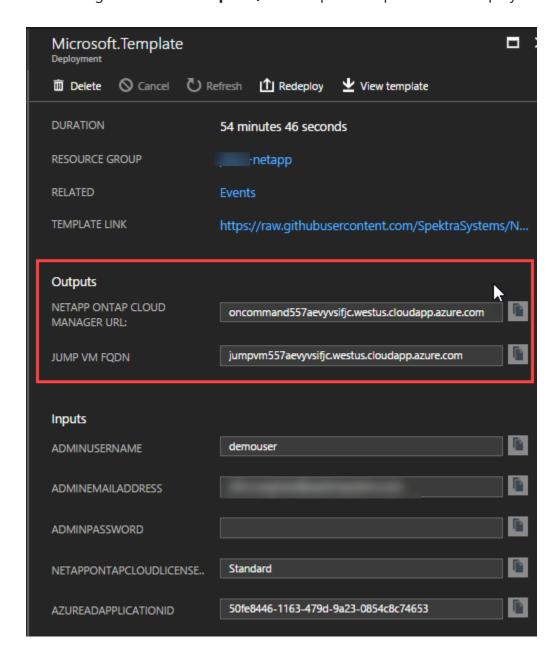
Post Deployment

Look at the Template output values

- 1. Go to the resource group in which the template was deployed.
- 2. In the Settings panel, click on Deployments and then click on Microsoft. Template

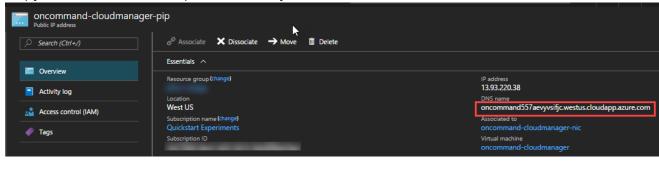


3. On clicking Microsoft.Template, the template outputs will be displayed.



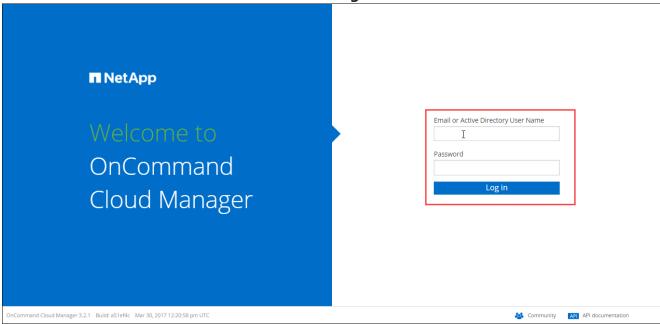
How to Access OnCommand Manager using GUI

- 1. Go to the resource group in which the template is deployed.
- 2. In the resource group click on **oncommand-cloudmanager-pip.**
- 3. Copy the DNS name and paste it on any browser.

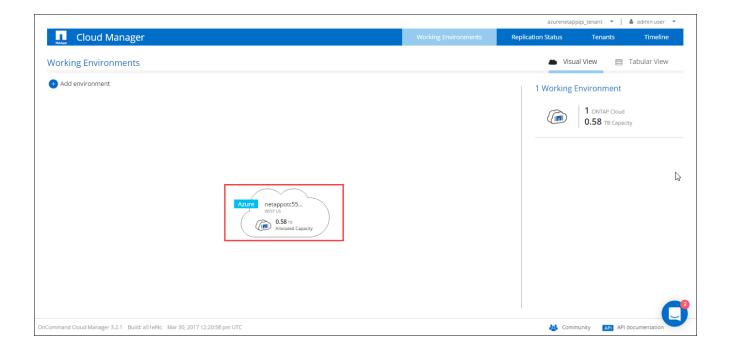




4. Enter the **Email ID** and **Password** and click on **Log In**.

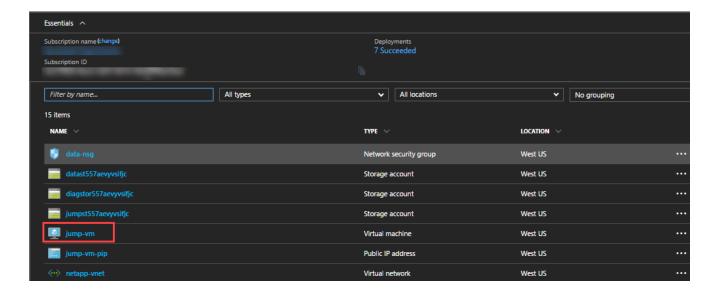


5. After logging, you will be directed to a page where the working environments are displayed. The working environment created by the Quick Start Template is displayed.

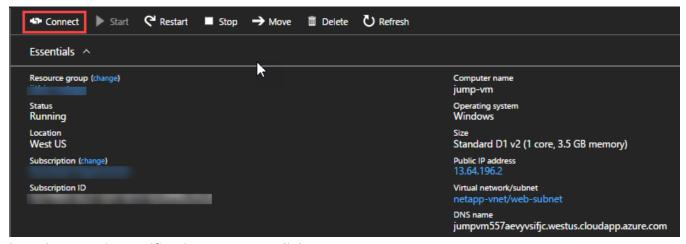


Access SQL VM and Verify NetApp Volumes

1. Go to the resource group that was created by the template. Click on the jump-vm.



- 2. Click on the **Connect** button on the top. This will download the rdp file for connecting to jump-vm.
- 3. Click on downloaded rdp file, click on **Connect** and login using the credentials provided during the template deployment. W



hen the security notification pops up, click on Yes.

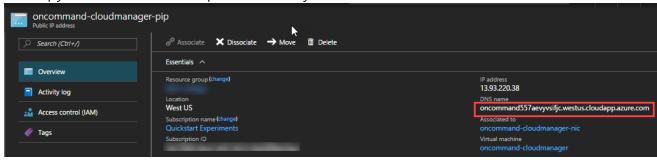


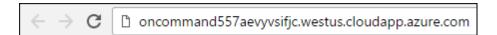
- 4. Now you are logged into the jump-vm. Inside the jump-vm search for **Remote Desktop Connection.**
- 5. In the rdp connection window, enter private ip address of the **sql-vm**. To get the private ip address of the sql-vm go to **Resource group (created via template)>sql-vm>properties.**
- 6. In the Remote Desktop Connection window, the username and password as provided during the time of deployment.
- 7. Once you are in the sql-vm go to **This PC.** Here you can see the two new netapp volumes mounted.

Creating Additional Volumes

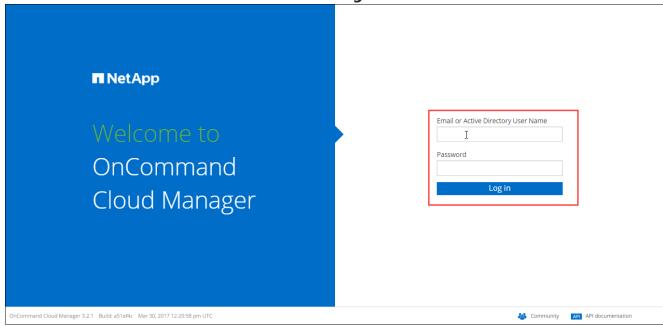
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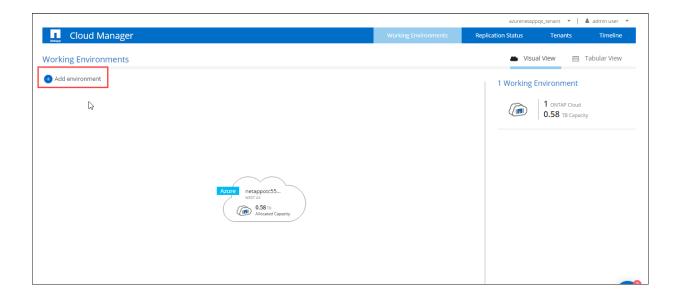




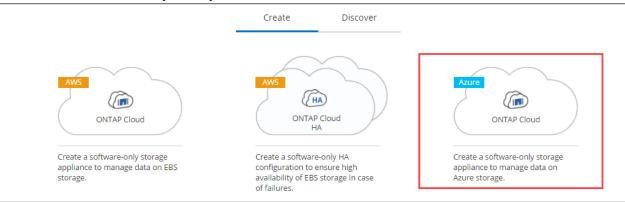
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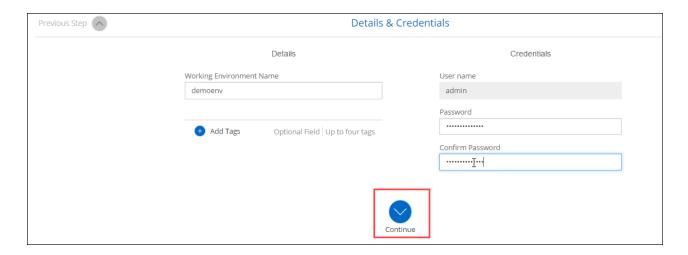
5. Now that you are logged into the OnCommand Manager, click on **Add environment.**



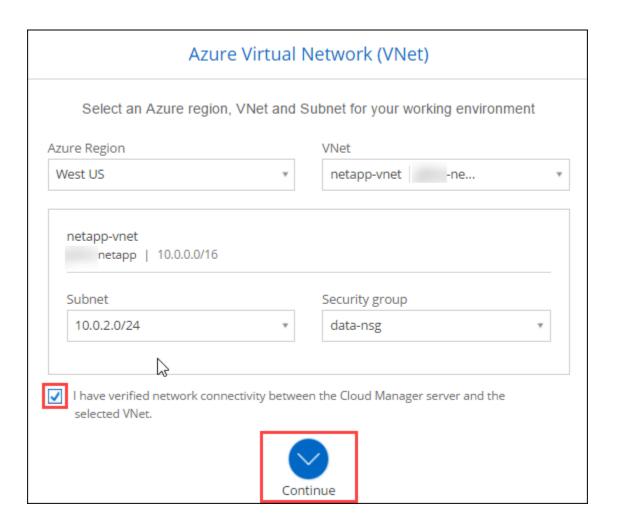
6. Choose ONTAP Cloud(Azure).



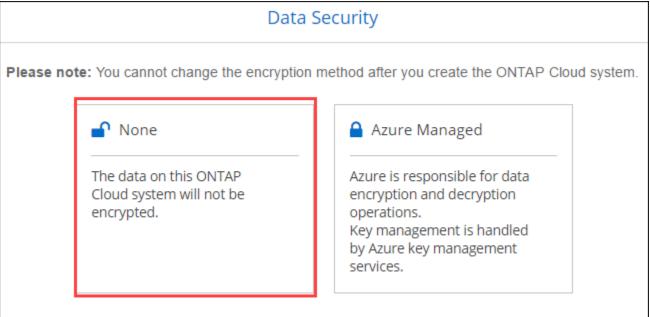
7. Enter the required details such as **Work Environment Name** and **Password.** After entering the details click on **Continue.**



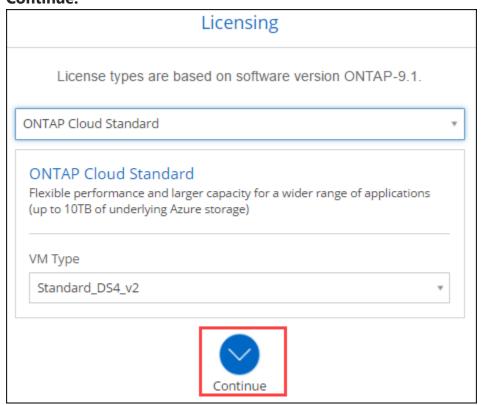
8. Select the **region** in which the Resource group (created by the template) is deployed. Choose the **Vnet** to which you want to add the ONTAP environment. Choose the **data-subnet** and **data-nsg**. Check the box and click on **Continue**.



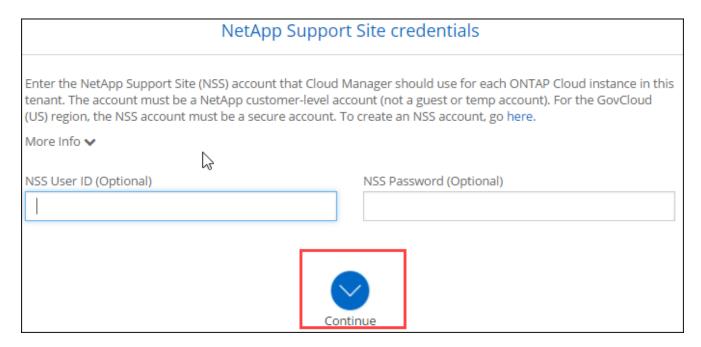
9. In the **Data Security** window, choose the encryption method you wish to choose. For the time being we choose **None.**



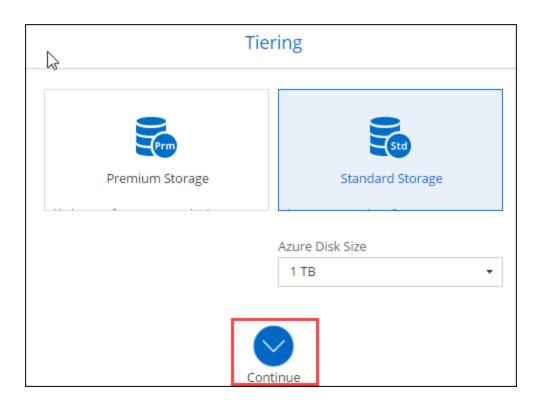
10. Choose the **License** that you wish to use. For demo purposes **ONTAP Cloud Standard** is chosen. Select the **VM Type.** For demo purposes **Standard_DS4_v2** is chosen. Click on **Continue.**



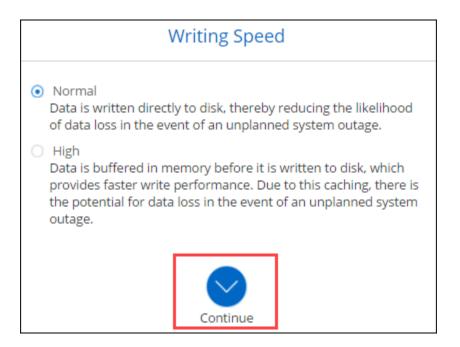
11. Provide the **NSS User ID** and **NSS Password**(Both are optional). Click on **Continue.**



12. Choose the Tiering **Standard/Premium** and provide the **Azure Disk Size.** Click on **Continue.**



13. Choose the writing speed **Normal/High** and click on **Continue.**



14. Enter the following details:

Volume Name: Name of the volume to be created.

Size: Size of the volume to be created.

Protocol: NFS/CIFS

Access control: Custom export policy

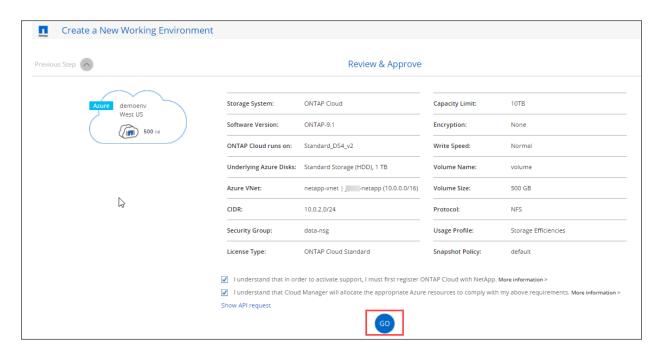
Snapshot Policy: default

Usage Profile: Storage Efficiencies.

Click on Continue.



15. Review and Approve all the values you have entered. Check mark the two conditions and click on **GO**.



16. Now the environment creation will start and it will take about 25 mins to get completed.

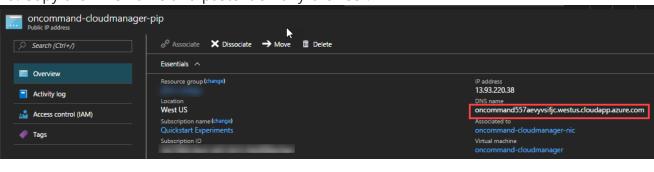


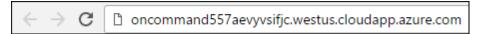
Cleaning Up

When you complete your work with ONTAP Cloud on Azure, you can clean up your account. Please follow the steps to clean up.

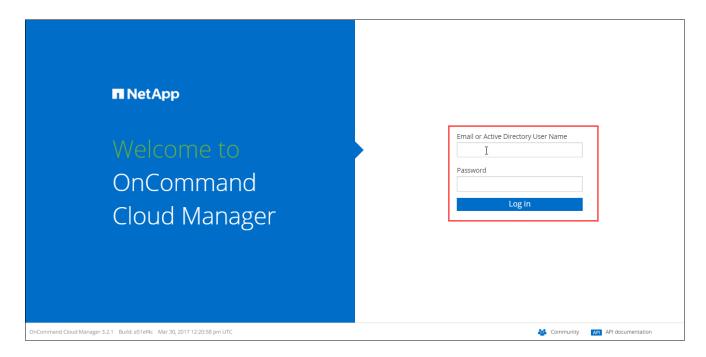
Removing the ONTAP Cloud System using GUI

- 17. Go to the resource group in which the template is deployed.
- 18. In the resource group click on **oncommand-cloudmanager-pip.**
- 19. Copy the DNS name and paste it on any browser.

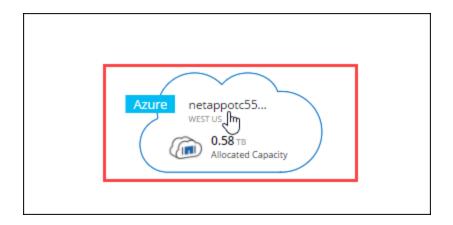




20. Enter the Email ID and Password and click on Log In.



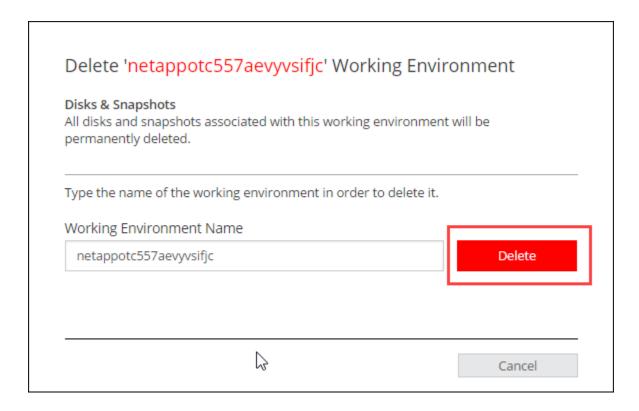
21. Double click on the ONTAP environment that was created using the template.



22. From the three-bar icon in the upper-right corner of the screen, choose the option to **Delete** the ONTAP Cloud system.

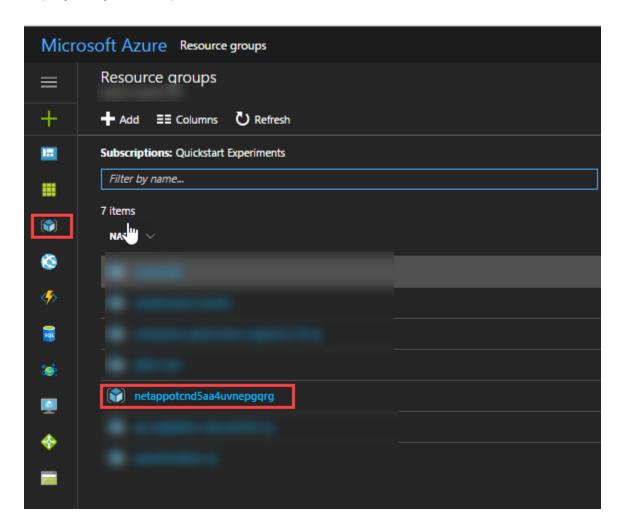


23. Enter the working environment name in the space provided and click on **Delete.** Deleting would take some time to happen.

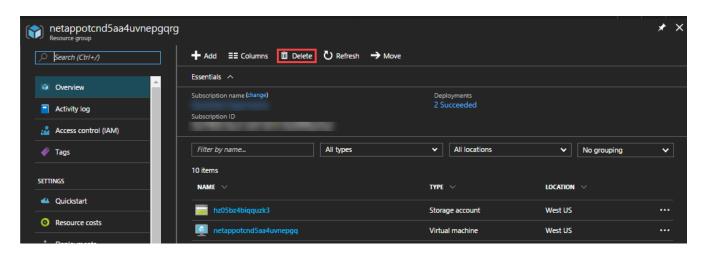


Deleting the Resource Groups from the Azure Portal

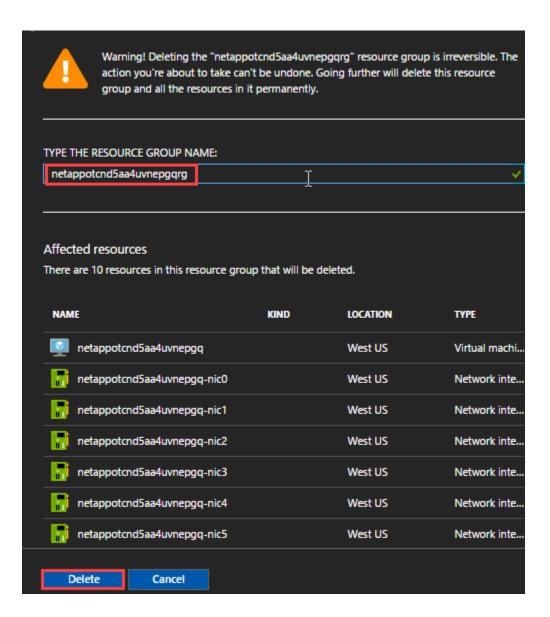
1. In the portal click on **Resource groups**, and click on the resource group that have been deployed by the template.



2. Click on **Delete** button on the top.



3. Type the resource group name in the space provided and click on **Delete.**



4. Similarly delete the other resource group which was created using the template.

Security

Network Security Groups

The template creates **Network Security Groups** in which you can specify set of rules that can protect the deployments. A security group acts as a firewall that controls the traffic for one or more instances.

This template deploys two resource groups: **data-nsg** and **web-nsg**. Following rules are created by the template in the web-nsg.

Direction	Source	Destination	Service	Action
Inbound	0.0.0.0/0	10.0.1.0/24	HTTP(TCP/80)	Allow
Inbound	0.0.0.0/0	10.0.1.0/24	RDP(TCP/3389)	Allow

In addition to the rules that are being created, by default azure creates certain security rules that will monitor and block traffic. Please click on this link to know more in detail.

Operating System Security

The root user on ONTAP Cloud and Cloud Manager can be accessed only by using the password specified during the deployment process. Azure doesn't store these passwords.

Operating system patches are your responsibility and should be performed on a periodic basis.

Troubleshooting

If you run into any problems deploying this Quick Start, review the following FAQ for troubleshooting tips and guidance.

Q: Where can I access the log files inside the sql-vm, in case the deploy-netapp-otc.sh script fails to complete execution?

A: In case if any script fails to execute for the sql-vm, the logs can be accessed from. First RDP to the jump-vm and from the jump-vm rdp to the sql-vm. Inside the sql-vm navigate to C:\WindowsAzure\Logs

Support

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