OpenStack Debugging Training – Student Lab Book

Setup

1. Setup Devstack VM prior to the class using instructions from https://github.com/txdev/OpenStack-Debugging

Using Devstack

Start the VM from VirtalBox by clicking on the "Start" button. The VM will boot up and automatically logs you in.

Starting Devstack

• Open xtem (start menu -> system tools -> xterm)



- Run following commands from the *xterm*
 - o cd ~/devstack
 - o ./restart-devstack.sh

Navigating Devstack Screens

In devstack, each OpenStack process is started in a virtual terminal called *screen*. You can navigate among screens using following keystrokes: (Eg: ctrl A + N means hold "control A" and press n)

- Go to next screen ctrl A + N
- Go to previous screen ctrl A + P
- List all screens ctrl A + "
- Detach from screen ctrl A + D
- Go to screen 9 ctrl A + 9

Using Horizon

- Open Firefox
- Goto URL http://localhost/horizon
- Login with admin/foundry123 (Login could be slow, be patient)
- Try options such as images, networks, instances

Using CLI

Openstack CLI provides tools to interact with various sub-systems

- Open a terminal and try commands such as
 - o nova list
 - o neutron net-list
 - o glance image-list

Using PyCharm

Open Terminal and run following commands to start PyCharm.

- cd ~/pycharm*
- bin/pycharm.sh &

PyCharm already has two projects configured – Neutron and Horizon. You can create a new project by simply opening the correct OpenStack folder. As an example, to create "Nova" project, run these commands from PyCharm

- File -> Open
- Select /opt/stack/nova folder

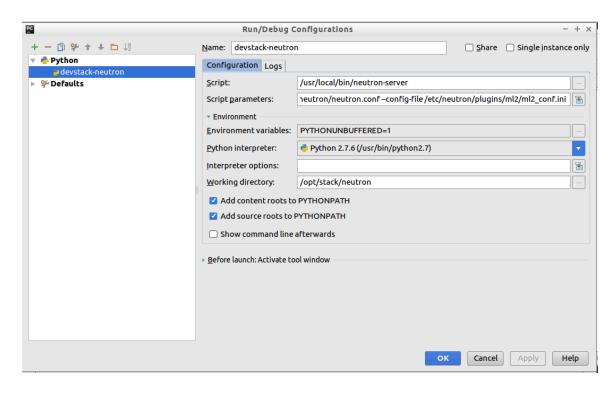
It may take a while to open the new project since PyCharm has to index all files.

• Open Neutron and Horizon projects

Setting up debug configuration

Exercise 1 - Debug Neutron "Create Network"

- Open Neutron project in PyCharm
- Make sure that following debug configuration is present. If not, create new one.



Configuration details:

```
script ->/usr/local/bin/neutron-server
script parameters -> --config-file /etc/neutron/neutron.conf -
config-file /etc/neutron/plugins/ml2/ml2_conf.ini
Working directory -> /opt/stack/neutron
```

- Discuss the monkey patch (check the file neutron/common/eventlet_utils.py line number 32)
- Put a break point at neutron/neutron/plugins/ml2/plugin.py in update_port() method
- Create a network and attach to VM using Horizon or CLI
- Work through the PyCharm debugger

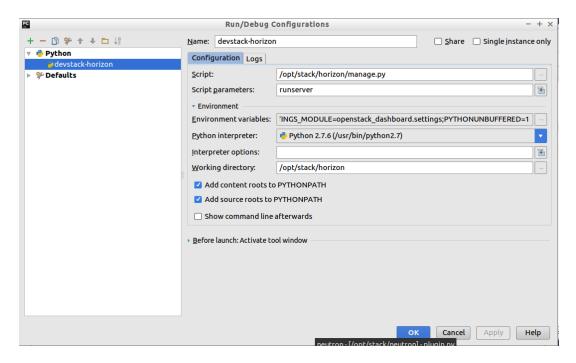
Exercise 2 - Debug Neutron "list network"

- Put a break point at neutron/neutron/plugins/ml2/plugin.py in get_networks() method
- List network from Horizon or CLI
- Work through the PyCharm debugger

Exercise 3 - Debug Horizon

When you start Horizon debugging from PyCharm, the websever will be started on port 8000. However, you still have to login to http://localhost to establish the session.

- Open Horizon project in PyCharm
- Check the debug configuration



Configuration details:

```
Script -> /opt/stack/horizon/manage.py
Script parameters -> runserver
Env variables ->
SETTINGS_MODULE=openstack_dashboard.settings;PYTHONUNBUFFERED=1
Python interpreter -> /usr/bin/python2.7
Working directory -> /opt/stack/horizon
```

- Put a break point at /opt/stack/horizon/openstack_dashboard/dashboards/project/network/ta bles.py
- Start the debugger

- Point the browser to http://localhost:8000 and login
- Work through the debugger

Exercise 4 – Debug using pdb

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- Stop the Neutron server from the screen
- Edit file *neutron/neutron/plugins/ml2/plugin.py* and add this code in the get_networks() method

```
import pdb
pdb.set_trace()
```

• Start the neutron from the screen by recalling the previous command

Exercise 5 – Development workflow

- Git clone "horizon" project
- Modify local.conf to clone from local Horizon branch
- Make changes to the local branch and show how it can be pushed to the server