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 VirtualBox by clicking on the "Start" button. The VM will boot up and automatically log 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 &

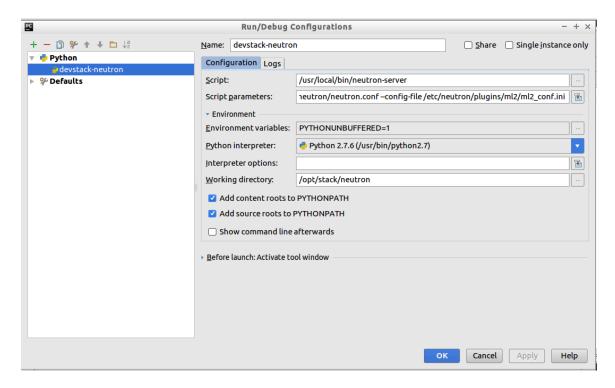
PyCharm already has two projects configured – Neutron and Horizon. You can create a new project by simply opening the correct OpenStack folder. As an example, to create "Nova" project, run these commands from PyCharm

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

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

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

Start Debugging

Go to the screen for "q-svc" and do Ctrl +C to stop the neutron server.

Start Neutron Debugging from PyCharm by clicking on the "Debug devstack-neutron" icon.

```
dow Help

| devstack-neutron | Market |
```

Create a VM:

A VM can be created using Horizon GUI or OpenStack command line.

To create from command line, gather information about the following:

- Image name
 - o Run "glance image-list" to get list of images
- Flavor name
 - o Run "nova flavor-list" to get list of flavors
- Network id
 - o Run "neutron net-list" to get list of networks

Run the following command to start a VM:

```
> nova boot --image <image name> --flavor <flavor name> --
nic net-id=<network-id> <VM Name>
```

Example:

```
>nova boot --image cirros-0.3.4-x86_64-uec --flavor m1.tiny
--nic net-id=01328cal-0c25-42ab-8da1-49c9f927aadae TestVM1
```

Work through the PyCharm debugger.

Exercise 2 - Debug Neutron "list network"

- Remove all existing break points by clicking "Run -> View Breakpoints" and unclicking all existing breakpoints
- Put a break point at get_networks() method in the file neutron/neutron/plugins/ml2/plugin.py in method
- Stop the existing debugging session and start new (Alternatively, you can try "Rerun Devstack" option)
- List network from Horizon or CLI (neutron net-list)
- Work through the PyCharm debugger

Cleanup:

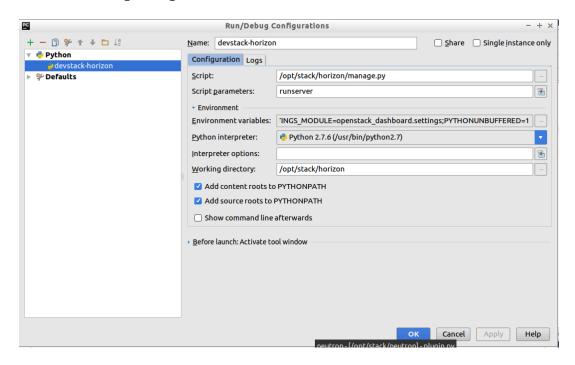
- Stop the Neutron debugger and close Neutron project
- From the neutron screen, restart the neutron service (Recall the previous command using up arrow key and hit enter)

Exercise 3 - Debug Horizon

Open Horizon project from PyCharm.

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 get _subnets() function at/opt/stack/horizon/openstack_dashboard/dashboards/project/networks/tables.py file
- Start the debugger
- Point the browser to http://localhost and login with username/password of admin/foundry123 to create the session.
- Point the browser to http://localhost:8000
- From the Horizon dashboard, click on Project -> Network -> Networks
- You will be automatically switched to the PyCharm debugger. Work through the debugger.

Cleanup

Close Horizon project from PyCharm by choosing File->Close Project

Exercise 4 – Debug using pdb

- 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
- Run the following command
 - o neutron net-list

Exercise 5 – Adding logging statements

OpenStack services use standard logging levels – DEBUG, INFO, AUDIT, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL and TRACE.

Adding a debug statement

Add a custom debug statement at get_networks() in the file neutron/neutron/plugins/ml2/plugin.py in method:

```
LOG.debug("entering get_networks")
```

Restart the neutron from the Screen and run the command "neutron net-list". Observe the console of screen to see the above message getting printed.

Exercise 6 – Development workflow

There are many ways to setup a development workflow to test your code changes using Devstack. As an easy solution, you can make the code changes directly under /opt/stack and restart services.

A better option is setting up your own local repository and pushing the changes to Devstack. Please see these instructions for one possible workflow.

- 1. Remove /opt/stack/horizon directory
 - a. mv /opt/stack/horizon /opt/stack/horizon.old
- 2. Create horizon.git repository
 - a. mkdir horizon.git
 - b. cd horizon.git
 - c. git init --bare
- 3. Clone horizon
 - a.cd
 - b. git clone

https://git.openstack.org/openstack/horizon

- 4. Add remote
 - a. git remote add remote
 file://home/foundry/horizon.git
- 5. Make code changes and commit
 - a.cd ~/horizon
 - b. Make code changes
 - c. git commit -am "comments"
 - d. git push remote master
- 6. Clone your repository
 - a.cd /opt/stack
 - b. git clone file:///home/foundry/horizon.git
- 7. On-going code updates
 - a. Update code using step 5
 - b. cd /opt/stack
 - c. git pull