



Jenkins Pipeline with SonarQube, Prometheus & Grafana and Mountain of Volumes

SonarQube Container

```
docker run -d --name sonarqube -p 9000:9000 -p 9092:9092 sonarqube
```

This command runs a Docker container with the name "sonarqube" and exposes ports 9000 and 9092. The container runs the "sonarqube" image, a tool for continuous code quality inspection. Port 9000 is used for accessing the SonarQube web interface, and port 9092 is used for communication between SonarQube and other tools in the CI/CD pipeline. The -d flag specifies that the container should run in detached mode, meaning it runs in the background.

SonarQube is an essential tool for DevOps engineers because it helps ensure the quality and security of the software development process.

Here are several reasons why SonarQube is valuable in a DevOps context:

- **Code Quality Analysis:** SonarQube performs static code analysis to identify bugs, code smells, and vulnerabilities in the source code. It checks for coding standards compliance, code complexity, and potential issues that could impact the reliability and maintainability of the software. Using SonarQube, DevOps engineers can identify and fix these issues early in development, resulting in higher-quality code.
- **Continuous Inspection:** SonarQube integrates seamlessly into the continuous integration and continuous delivery (CI/CD) pipeline, allowing DevOps teams to automate code analysis and inspection as part of their build and deployment process. This ensures that every code change is automatically checked for quality and adherence to coding standards, reducing the risk of introducing bugs or security vulnerabilities.
- **Security Vulnerability Detection:** SonarQube has built-in security analysis capabilities that help identify potential security vulnerabilities in the code. It can detect common security issues, such as cross-site scripting (XSS), SQL injection, and insecure authentication, which are critical concerns for DevOps engineers responsible for maintaining secure software systems.
- **Technical Debt Management:** SonarQube provides insights into the overall technical debt of a project. Technical debt refers to the accumulated cost of future rework or maintenance due to shortcuts or suboptimal solutions during development. By identifying and addressing technical debt early, DevOps engineers can maintain a more sustainable and manageable codebase, improving long-term project stability and reducing the risk of future issues.
- **Code Review and Collaboration:** SonarQube offers collaboration features that enable DevOps engineers to review code collectively and provide feedback on potential issues or improvements. It promotes teamwork and knowledge sharing within the development team, ensuring code quality is a shared responsibility.
- **Continuous Improvement:** SonarQube provides actionable insights and metrics on code quality trends. DevOps engineers can track improvement or deterioration in code quality,



identify problem areas, and continuously make data-driven decisions to enhance the development process.

Jenkins Container

Run Jenkins Server as a Container

```
sh
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docker run \
  -u root \
  --rm \
  -d \
  -p 8080:8080 \
  -p 50000:50000 \
  --name jenkins \
  -v /var/run/docker.sock:/var/run/docker.sock \
  -v $(which docker):/usr/bin/docker \
  -v /home/jenkins_home:/var/jenkins_home \
  jenkins/jenkins
```

Running Jenkins as a Docker container instead of a WAR file has several advantages:

- **Portability:** Jenkins running in a Docker container is highly portable and can be easily moved between environments, such as development, testing, and production.
- **Isolation:** Running Jenkins in a container provides an additional layer of isolation and security, as the container has its own filesystem, network, and process space.
- **Scalability:** Docker allows you to easily scale Jenkins horizontally by creating multiple containers running Jenkins and distributing the workload among them.
- **Easy Maintenance:** Docker simplifies the process of maintaining Jenkins, as you can easily update, roll back, or roll forward to a previous version of Jenkins by just starting a new container.
- **Flexibility:** Docker makes it easy to integrate Jenkins with other tools and services by allowing you to mount volumes and share resources between containers. For example, by mounting the Docker socket and binary, Jenkins can interact with the Docker engine running on the host, allowing it to build and deploy Docker images.

Monitoring of My Pipeline

Code Quality

- **SonarQube Container**

Jenkins Pipeline Data

- **Prometheus**



Mounting a Volume

Mounting a volume in Docker is important because it allows you to persist data and share files between the Docker container and the host system.

Commands

```
docker run -d -p 9090:9090 -v
/home/vagrant/prometheus.yml:/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml prom/prometheus
```

This command specifies that the `prometheus.yml` file located on the host system at `/home/ubuntu/prometheus.yml` should be mounted as a volume inside the Docker container at the path `/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml`. This means any changes made to the file from within the container will be reflected on the host system, and vice versa. In this specific case, the `prometheus.yml` file contains configuration information for Prometheus, a popular open-source monitoring and alerting system. By mounting the file as a volume, you can easily modify the configuration outside of the container and have those changes reflected in the running instance of Prometheus without having to rebuild the container image. The `-p` option maps the container's port 9090 to the host system's port 9090, allowing you to access the Prometheus web interface from your host system's browser. Overall, mounting volumes in Docker allows for data persistence, easy file sharing, and configuration management.

`prometheus.yml`

```
global:
  scrape_interval: 15s
  evaluation_interval: 15s
  scrape_timeout: 10s

# Alertmanager configuration
alerting:
  alertmanagers:
    - static_configs:
      - targets:
        # - alertmanager:9093

# Load rules once and periodically evaluate them according to the global
'evaluation_interval'.
rule_files:
  # - "first_rules.yml"
  # - "second_rules.yml"

# A scrape configuration containing exactly one endpoint to scrape:
# Here it's Prometheus itself.
scrape_configs:
  - job_name: 'prometheus'
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['localhost:9090']
  - job_name: 'jenkins'
    metrics_path: /prometheus/
```



```
static_configs:
- targets: ['192.168.32.13:8080']
```

Visualization

Grafana

```
docker run -d --name grafana -p 3000:3000 grafana/grafana
```

Monitoring with Prometheus

Prometheus is a powerful open-source monitoring and alerting toolkit designed for reliability and scalability. It is used to collect and store metrics as time series data, providing a flexible query language and customizable alerts.

Prometheus Container

To run Prometheus in a Docker container, use the following command:

```
docker run -d -p 9090:9090 -v
/home/vagrant/prometheus.yml:/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml prom/prometheus
```

This command does the following:

- Runs the Prometheus container in detached mode (-d).
- Maps port 9090 on the container to port 9090 on the host (-p 9090:9090).
- Mounts the Prometheus configuration file from the host system (/home/ubuntu/prometheus.yml) to the container (/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml).

prometheus.yml

Here is an example of the prometheus.yml configuration file:

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  scrape_interval: 15s
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  alertmanagers:
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scrape_configs:
- job_name: 'prometheus'
  static_configs:
  - targets: ['localhost:9090']
- job_name: 'jenkins'
  metrics_path: /prometheus/
  static_configs:
  - targets: ['192.168.32.13:8080']
```

- **Scrape Interval:** The global configuration sets the scrape interval and evaluation interval to 15 seconds and the scrape timeout to 10 seconds.
- **Scrape Configurations:** The `scrape_configs` section defines the endpoints Prometheus will scrape for metrics. In this example, Prometheus is set to scrape itself and Jenkins metrics.

Prometheus collects a wide range of metrics from Jenkins, which are exposed by the Prometheus Jenkins plugin. These metrics provide insights into various aspects of Jenkins performance and job execution. Here are some key metrics that Prometheus collects from Jenkins:

Build Metrics

1. **jenkins_builds:** The total number of builds.
 - Labels: job, result (success, failure, aborted)
2. **jenkins_build_duration_seconds:** The duration of builds in seconds.
 - Labels: job, result
3. **jenkins_builds_fail_count:** The total number of failed builds.
 - Labels: job

Queue Metrics

4. **jenkins_queue_size:** The current size of the build queue.
5. **jenkins_queue_waiting:** The number of jobs waiting in the queue.

Node Metrics

6. **jenkins_node_online:** Indicates whether a node is online (1) or offline (0).
 - Labels: node
7. **jenkins_node_count:** The total number of Jenkins nodes.
 - Labels: status (online, offline)

Executor Metrics

8. **jenkins_executor_count:** The total number of executors.
 - Labels: node, status (busy, idle, total)
9. **jenkins_executor_utilization:** The utilization of executors.
 - Labels: node



Job Metrics

10. **jenkins_jobs**: The total number of jobs.
 - Labels: type (pipeline, freestyle, etc.), status (enabled, disabled)
11. **jenkins_job_duration_seconds**: The duration of job runs in seconds.
 - Labels: job, result

Plugin Metrics

12. **jenkins_plugin_count**: The total number of installed plugins.
 - Labels: status (active, inactive)

Overall Jenkins Metrics

13. **jenkins_up**: Indicates whether Jenkins is up (1) or down (0).
14. **jenkins_health_score**: An overall health score for Jenkins.

Example Prometheus Scrape Configuration for Jenkins

Add the following configuration to your `prometheus.yml` to scrape Jenkins metrics:

```
scrape_configs:
- job_name: 'jenkins'
  metrics_path: /prometheus/
  static_configs:
  - targets: ['<jenkins-host>:8080']
```

Replace `<jenkins-host>` with the IP address or hostname of your Jenkins server.

Example Queries for Grafana

- **Total Builds**: `sum(jenkins_builds)`
- **Failed Builds**: `sum(jenkins_builds_fail_count)`
- **Average Build Duration**: `avg(jenkins_build_duration_seconds)`
- **Queue Size**: `jenkins_queue_size`
- **Online Nodes**: `sum(jenkins_node_online)`
- **Executor Utilization**: `avg(jenkins_executor_utilization)`

By collecting and analyzing these metrics, you can gain valuable insights into the performance and health of your Jenkins instance, identify bottlenecks, and ensure efficient operation of your CI/CD pipeline.

Visualizing Metrics with Grafana



Grafana is an open-source platform for monitoring and observability. It allows you to query, visualize, alert on, and explore your metrics, logs, and traces.

Grafana Container

To run Grafana in a Docker container, use the following command:

```
docker run -d --name grafana -p 3000:3000 grafana/grafana
```

This command does the following:

- Runs the Grafana container in detached mode (-d).
- Names the container "grafana" (--name grafana).
- Maps port 3000 on the container to port 3000 on the host (-p 3000:3000).

Setting Up Grafana

1. **Access Grafana:** After running the container, access the Grafana web interface by navigating to `http://localhost:3000` in your browser.
2. **Add Prometheus as a Data Source:**
 - Go to Grafana settings and add Prometheus as a data source.
 - Use `http://<your-prometheus-host>:9090` as the URL.
3. **Create Dashboards:** Use pre-built dashboards or create custom ones to visualize metrics collected by Prometheus. Grafana provides a variety of visualization options, such as graphs, tables, and heatmaps.

Example Grafana Dashboard

To visualize Jenkins metrics, you can use pre-built dashboards or create your own. Here's a link to Jenkins-related dashboards:

<https://grafana.com/grafana/dashboards/?search=jenkins>

Integrating Prometheus and Grafana in Your CI/CD Pipeline

1. **Continuous Monitoring:** By integrating Prometheus and Grafana, you can continuously monitor your CI/CD pipeline's health and performance. Prometheus scrapes metrics from various components (e.g., Jenkins, Docker) and stores them in a time series database.
2. **Alerting:** Configure alerts in Prometheus to notify you of any critical issues, such as high resource usage or failed builds. Alerts can be sent to various channels, including email, Slack, or other notification systems.
3. **Visualization:** Use Grafana to create dashboards that provide real-time insights into your pipeline's performance. Visualizations help identify trends, bottlenecks, and areas for improvement.



Example of Metrics Collection and Visualization

Running Jenkins with Prometheus Metrics

To enable Prometheus metrics in Jenkins, ensure you have the Prometheus plugin installed:

```
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  -v /home/jenkins_home:/var/jenkins_home \
  jenkins/jenkins
```

- Install the Prometheus plugin in Jenkins via the Jenkins plugin manager.
- Configure the plugin to expose metrics at `/prometheus/`.

Prometheus Scrape Configuration for Jenkins

Add the following to your `prometheus.yml`:

```
scrape_configs:
  - job_name: 'jenkins'
    metrics_path: /prometheus/
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['<jenkins-host>:8080']
```

Replace `<jenkins-host>` with the IP address or hostname of your Jenkins server.

Summary

Integrating Prometheus and Grafana into your CI/CD pipeline allows you to:

- Continuously monitor pipeline performance and health.
- Set up alerts for critical issues.
- Visualize key metrics to identify trends and bottlenecks.
- Make data-driven decisions to improve your DevOps processes.

By demonstrating your knowledge of Docker, Prometheus, and Grafana, you showcase your ability to manage and optimize a CI/CD pipeline effectively, a crucial skill for a DevOps role on Wall Street.

