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Configure backends

A backend defines the relationship between Astra Trident and a storage system. It tells Astra Trident how to communicate with that storage system and how Astra Trident should provision volumes from it.

Astra Trident automatically offers up storage pools from backends that match the requirements defined by a storage class. Learn how to configure the backend for your storage system.

- Configure an Azure NetApp Files backend
- Configure a Cloud Volumes Service for Google Cloud Platform backend
- Configure a NetApp HCI or SolidFire backend
- Configure a backend with ONTAP or Cloud Volumes ONTAP NAS drivers
- Configure a backend with ONTAP or Cloud Volumes ONTAP SAN drivers
- Use Astra Trident with Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

Azure NetApp Files

Configure an Azure NetApp Files backend

You can configure Azure NetApp Files (ANF) as the backend for Astra Trident. You can attach NFS and SMB volumes using an ANF backend.

- Preparation
- · Configuration options and examples

Considerations

- The Azure NetApp Files service does not support volumes smaller than 100 GB. Astra Trident automatically creates 100-GB volumes if a smaller volume is requested.
- Astra Trident supports SMB volumes mounted to pods running on Windows nodes only.
- · Astra Trident does not support Windows ARM architecture.

Prepare to configure an Azure NetApp Files backend

Before you can configure your Azure NetApp Files backend, you need to ensure the following requirements are met.

If you are using Azure NetApp Files for the first time or in a new location, some initial configuration is required.

- To set up Azure NetApp files and create an NFS volume, refer to Azure: Set up Azure NetApp Files and create an NFS volume.
- To configure Azure NetApp Files and add an SMB volume, refer to: Azure: Create an SMB volume for Azure NetApp Files.

Requirements

To configure and use an Azure NetApp Files backend, you need the following:

- subscriptionID from an Azure subscription with Azure NetApp Files enabled.
- tenantID, clientID, and clientSecret from an App Registration in Azure Active Directory with sufficient permissions to the Azure NetApp Files service. The App Registration should use either:
 - The Owner or Contributor role predefined by Azure
 - A custom Contributor role at the subscription level (assignableScopes) with the following
 permissions that are limited to only what Astra Trident requires. After creating the custom role, assign
 the role using the Azure portal.

```
"id": "/subscriptions/<subscription-
id>/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleDefinitions/<role-
definition-id>",
    "properties": {
        "roleName": "custom-role-with-limited-perms",
        "description": "custom role providing limited permissions",
        "assignableScopes": [
            "/subscriptions/<subscription-id>"
        ],
        "permissions": [
                "actions": [
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/read",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/write",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/read",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/write",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/delete",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/snapshots/read
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/snapshots/writ
e",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/snapshots/dele
te",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/subvolumes/rea
```

```
d",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/subvolumes/wri
te",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/subvolumes/del
ete",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/subvolumes/Get
Metadata/action",
"Microsoft.NetApp/netAppAccounts/capacityPools/volumes/MountTargets/r
ead",
                    "Microsoft.Network/virtualNetworks/read",
                    "Microsoft.Network/virtualNetworks/subnets/read",
"Microsoft.Features/featureProviders/subscriptionFeatureRegistrations
/read",
"Microsoft.Features/featureProviders/subscriptionFeatureRegistrations
/write",
"Microsoft.Features/featureProviders/subscriptionFeatureRegistrations
/delete",
                    "Microsoft.Features/features/read",
                    "Microsoft.Features/operations/read",
                    "Microsoft.Features/providers/features/read",
"Microsoft.Features/providers/features/register/action",
"Microsoft. Features/providers/features/unregister/action",
"Microsoft.Features/subscriptionFeatureRegistrations/read"
                "notActions": [],
                "dataActions": [],
                "notDataActions": []
            }
        1
    }
```

• The Azure location that contains at least one delegated subnet. As of Trident 22.01, the location parameter is a required field at the top level of the backend configuration file. Location values specified in virtual pools are ignored.

Additional requirements for SMB volumes

- A Kubernetes cluster with a Linux controller node and at least one Windows worker node running Windows Server 2019. Astra Trident supports SMB volumes mounted to pods running on Windows nodes only.
- At least one Astra Trident secret containing your Active Directory credentials so ANF can authenticate to Active Directory. To generate secret smbcreds:

```
kubectl create secret generic smbcreds --from-literal username=user
--from-literal password='pw'
```

 A CSI proxy configured as a Windows service. To configure a csi-proxy, refer to GitHub: CSI Proxy or GitHub: CSI Proxy for Windows for Kubernetes nodes running on Windows.

Azure NetApp Files backend configuration options and examples

Learn about NFS and SMB backend configuration options for ANF and review configuration examples.

Astra Trident uses your backend configuration (subnet, virtual network, service level, and location), to create ANF volumes on capacity pools that are available in the requested location and match the requested service level and subnet.



Astra Trident does not support Manual QoS capacity pools.

Backend configuration options

ANF backends provide these configuration options.

Parameter	Description	Default
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	"azure-netapp-files"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	Driver name + "_" + random characters
subscriptionID	The subscription ID from your Azure subscription	
tenantID	The tenant ID from an App Registration	
clientID	The client ID from an App Registration	
clientSecret	The client secret from an App Registration	
serviceLevel	One of Standard, Premium, or Ultra	"" (random)
location	Name of the Azure location where the new volumes will be created	

Parameter	Description	Default
resourceGroups	List of resource groups for filtering discovered resources	"[]" (no filter)
netappAccounts	List of NetApp accounts for filtering discovered resources	"[]" (no filter)
capacityPools	List of capacity pools for filtering discovered resources	"[]" (no filter, random)
virtualNetwork	Name of a virtual network with a delegated subnet	1111
subnet	Name of a subnet delegated to Microsoft.Netapp/volumes	1111
networkFeatures	Set of VNet features for a volume, may be Basic or Standard. Network Features is not available in all regions and might have to be enabled in a subscription. Specifying networkFeatures when the functionality is not enabled causes volume provisioning to fail.	1111
nfsMountOptions	Fine-grained control of NFS mount options. Ignored for SMB volumes. To mount volumes using NFS version 4.1, include nfsvers=4 in the comma-delimited mount options list to choose NFS v4.1. Mount options set in a storage class definition override mount options set in backend configuration.	"nfsvers=3"
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if the requested volume size is above this value	"" (not enforced by default)
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, \{"api": false, "method": true, "discovery": true}. Do not use this unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.	null

Parameter	Description	Default
nasType	Configure NFS or SMB volumes creation. Options are nfs, smb or null. Setting to null defaults to NFS volumes.	nfs



For more information on Network Features, refer to Configure network features for an Azure NetApp Files volume.

Required permissions and resources

If you receive a "No capacity pools found" error when creating a PVC, it is likely your app registration doesn't have the required permissions and resources (subnet, virtual network, capacity pool) associated. If debug is enabled, Astra Trident will log the Azure resources discovered when the backend is created. Verify an appropriate role is being used.

The values for resourceGroups, netappAccounts, capacityPools, virtualNetwork, and subnet can be specified using short or fully-qualified names. Fully-qualified names are recommended in most situations as short names can match multiple resources with the same name.

The resourceGroups, netappAccounts, and capacityPools values are filters that restrict the set of discovered resources to those available to this storage backend and may be specified in any combination. Fully-qualified names follow this format:

Туре	Format
Resource group	<resource group=""></resource>
NetApp account	<resource group="">/<netapp account=""></netapp></resource>
Capacity pool	<resource group="">/<netapp account="">/<capacity pool=""></capacity></netapp></resource>
Virtual network	<resource group="">/<virtual network=""></virtual></resource>
Subnet	<resource group="">/<virtual network="">/<subnet></subnet></virtual></resource>

Volume provisioning

You can control default volume provisioning by specifying the following options in a special section of the configuration file. Refer to Example configurations for details.

Parameter	Description	Default
exportRule	Export rules for new volumes. exportRule must be a commaseparated list of any combination of IPv4 addresses or IPv4 subnets in CIDR notation.	"0.0.0.0/0"
	Ignored for SMB volumes.	

Parameter	Description	Default
snapshotDir	Controls visibility of the .snapshot directory	"false"
size	The default size of new volumes	"100G"
unixPermissions	The unix permissions of new volumes (4 octal digits). Ignored for SMB volumes.	"" (preview feature, requires whitelisting in subscription)

Example configurations

Example 1: Minimal configuration

This is the absolute minimum backend configuration. With this configuration, Astra Trident discovers all of your NetApp accounts, capacity pools, and subnets delegated to ANF in the configured location, and places new volumes on one of those pools and subnets randomly. Because <code>nasType</code> is omitted, the <code>nfs</code> default applies and the backend will provision for NFS volumes.

This configuration is ideal when you are just getting started with ANF and trying things out, but in practice you are going to want to provide additional scoping for the volumes you provision.

```
"version": 1,
   "storageDriverName": "azure-netapp-files",
   "subscriptionID": "9f87c765-4774-fake-ae98-a721add45451",
   "tenantID": "68e4f836-edc1-fake-bff9-b2d865ee56cf",
   "clientID": "dd043f63-bf8e-fake-8076-8de91e5713aa",
   "clientSecret": "SECRET",
   "location": "eastus"
}
```

Example 2: Specific service level configuration with capacity pool filters

This backend configuration places volumes in Azure's eastus location in an Ultra capacity pool. Astra Trident automatically discovers all of the subnets delegated to ANF in that location and places a new volume on one of them randomly.

Example 3: Advanced configuration

This backend configuration further reduces the scope of volume placement to a single subnet, and also modifies some volume provisioning defaults.

```
{
        "version": 1,
        "storageDriverName": "azure-netapp-files",
        "subscriptionID": "9f87c765-4774-fake-ae98-a721add45451",
        "tenantID": "68e4f836-edc1-fake-bff9-b2d865ee56cf",
        "clientID": "dd043f63-bf8e-fake-8076-8de91e5713aa",
        "clientSecret": "SECRET",
        "location": "eastus",
        "serviceLevel": "Ultra",
        "capacityPools": [
            "application-group-1/account-1/ultra-1",
            "application-group-1/account-1/ultra-2"
],
        "virtualNetwork": "my-virtual-network",
        "subnet": "my-subnet",
        "networkFeatures": "Standard",
        "nfsMountOptions": "vers=3,proto=tcp,timeo=600",
        "limitVolumeSize": "500Gi",
        "defaults": {
            "exportRule": "10.0.0.0/24,10.0.1.0/24,10.0.2.100",
            "snapshotDir": "true",
            "size": "200Gi",
            "unixPermissions": "0777"
        }
    }
```

Example 4: Virtual pool configuration

This backend configuration defines multiple storage pools in a single file. This is useful when you have multiple capacity pools supporting different service levels and you want to create storage classes in Kubernetes that represent those. Virtual pool labels were used to differentiate the pools based on performance.

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "azure-netapp-files",
    "subscriptionID": "9f87c765-4774-fake-ae98-a721add45451",
    "tenantID": "68e4f836-edc1-fake-bff9-b2d865ee56cf",
    "clientID": "dd043f63-bf8e-fake-8076-8de91e5713aa",
    "clientSecret": "SECRET",
    "location": "eastus",
    "resourceGroups": ["application-group-1"],
    "networkFeatures": "Basic",
    "nfsMountOptions": "vers=3,proto=tcp,timeo=600",
    "labels": {
        "cloud": "azure"
    "location": "eastus",
    "storage": [
        {
            "labels": {
                "performance": "gold"
            },
            "serviceLevel": "Ultra",
            "capacityPools": ["ultra-1", "ultra-2"],
            "networkFeatures": "Standard"
        },
            "labels": {
                "performance": "silver"
            "serviceLevel": "Premium",
            "capacityPools": ["premium-1"]
        },
            "labels": {
                "performance": "bronze"
            } ,
            "serviceLevel": "Standard",
            "capacityPools": ["standard-1", "standard-2"]
        }
   1
}
```

Storage Class definitions

The following StorageClass definitions refer to the storage pools above.

Example definitions using parameter.selector field

Using parameter.selector you can specify for each StorageClass the virtual pool that is used to host a volume. The volume will have the aspects defined in the chosen pool.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: gold
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=gold"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: silver
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=silver"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: bronze
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=bronze"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
```

Example definitions for SMB volumes

Using nasType, node-stage-secret-name, and node-stage-secret-namespace, you can specify an SMB volume and provide the required Active Directory credentials.

Example 1: Basic configuration on default namespace

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
    name: anf-sc-smb
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
    backendType: "azure-netapp-files"
    trident.netapp.io/nasType: "smb"
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: "smbcreds"
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: "default"
```

Example 2: Using different secrets per namespace

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
    name: anf-sc-smb
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
    backendType: "azure-netapp-files"
    trident.netapp.io/nasType: "smb"
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: "smbcreds"
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: ${pvc.namespace}
```

Example 3: Using different secrets per volume

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
    name: anf-sc-smb
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
    backendType: "azure-netapp-files"
    trident.netapp.io/nasType: "smb"
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: ${pvc.name}
    csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: ${pvc.namespace}
```



nasType: `smb filters for pools which support SMB volumes. nasType: `nfs or nasType: `null filters for NFS pools.

Create the backend

After you create the backend configuration file, run the following command:

```
tridentctl create backend -f <backend-file>
```

If the backend creation fails, something is wrong with the backend configuration. You can view the logs to determine the cause by running the following command:

```
tridentctl logs
```

After you identify and correct the problem with the configuration file, you can run the create command again.

Configure a Cloud Volumes Service for Google Cloud backend

Learn how to configure NetApp Cloud Volumes Service for Google Cloud as the backend for your Astra Trident installation using the sample configurations provided.

Learn about Astra Trident support for Cloud Volumes Service for Google Cloud

Astra Trident can create Cloud Volumes Service volumes in one of two service types:

- CVS-Performance: The default Astra Trident service type. This performance-optimized service type is best suited for production workloads that value performance. The CVS-Performance service type is a hardware option supporting volumes with a minimum 100 GiB size. You can choose one of three service levels:
 - ° standard
 - ° premium
 - ° extreme
- CVS: The CVS service type provides high zonal availability with limited to moderate performance levels.
 The CVS service type is a software option that uses storage pools to support volumes as small as 1 GiB.
 The storage pool can contain up to 50 volumes where all volumes share the capacity and performance of the pool. You can choose one of two service levels:
 - ° standardsw
 - ° zoneredundantstandardsw

What you'll need

To configure and use the Cloud Volumes Service for Google Cloud backend, you need the following:

- · A Google Cloud account configured with NetApp Cloud Volumes Service
- Project number of your Google Cloud account

- \bullet Google Cloud service account with the <code>netappcloudvolumes.admin</code> role
- API key file for your Cloud Volumes Service account

Backend configuration options

Each backend provisions volumes in a single Google Cloud region. To create volumes in other regions, you can define additional backends.

Parameter	Description	Default
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	"gcp-cvs"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	Driver name + "_" + part of API key
storageClass	Optional parameter used to specify the CVS service type. Use software to select the CVS service type. Otherwise, Astra Trident assumes CVS-Performance service type (hardware).	
storagePools	CVS service type only. Optional parameter used to specify storage pools for volume creation.	
projectNumber	Google Cloud account project number. The value is found on the Google Cloud portal home page.	
hostProjectNumber	Required if using a shared VPC network. In this scenario, projectNumber is the service project, and hostProjectNumber is the host project.	
apiRegion	The Google Cloud region where Astra Trident creates Cloud Volumes Service volumes. When creating cross-region Kubernetes clusters, volumes created in an apiRegion can be used in workloads scheduled on nodes across multiple Google Cloud regions. Cross-region traffic incurs an additional cost.	

Parameter	Description	Default
apiKey	API key for the Google Cloud service account with the netappcloudvolumes.admin role. It includes the JSON-formatted contents of a Google Cloud service	
	account's private key file (copied verbatim into the backend configuration file).	
proxyURL	Proxy URL if proxy server required to connect to CVS account. The proxy server can either be an HTTP proxy or an HTTPS proxy.	
	For an HTTPS proxy, certificate validation is skipped to allow the usage of self-signed certificates in the proxy server.	
	Proxy servers with authentication enabled are not supported.	
nfsMountOptions	Fine-grained control of NFS mount options.	"nfsvers=3"
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if the requested volume size is above this value.	"" (not enforced by default)
serviceLevel	The CVS-Performance or CVS service level for new volumes.	CVS-Performance default is "standard".
	CVS-Performance values are standard, premium, or extreme.	CVS default is "standardsw".
	CVS values are standardsw or zoneredundantstandardsw.	
network	Google Cloud network used for Cloud Volumes Service volumes.	"default"
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, \{"api":false, "method":true}.	null
	Do not use this unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.	

Parameter	Description	Default
allowedTopologies	To enable cross-region access, your StorageClass definition for allowedTopologies must include all regions.	
	For example:	
	- key:	
	topology.kubernetes.io/reg	
	ion	
	values:	
	- us-east1	
	- europe-west1	

Volume provisioning options

You can control default volume provisioning in the defaults section of the configuration file.

Parameter	Description	Default
exportRule	The export rules for new volumes. Must be a comma-separated list of any combination of IPv4 addresses or IPv4 subnets in CIDR notation.	"0.0.0.0/0"
snapshotDir	Access to the .snapshot directory	"false"
snapshotReserve	Percentage of volume reserved for snapshots	"" (accept CVS default of 0)
size	The size of new volumes. CVS-Performance minimum is 100 GiB. CVS minimum is 1 GiB.	CVS-Performance service type defaults to "100GiB". CVS service type does not set a default but requires a 1 GiB minimum.

CVS-Performance service type examples

The following examples provide sample configurations for the CVS-Performance service type.

This is the minimum backend configuration using default CVS-Performance service type with the default "standard" service level.

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "gcp-cvs",
    "projectNumber": "012345678901",
    "apiRegion": "us-west2",
    "apiKey": {
        "type": "service account",
        "project id": "my-gcp-project",
        "private key id": "1234567890123456789012345678901234567890",
        "private key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY----
\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznH
czZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsr
rtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHis
IsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbO
quSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaP
IKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyA
ZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchR
AGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlz
ZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK
3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/q
p8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGz1zZE4jK3b1/qp8B4K
ws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX
5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9
m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nzn
HczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZs
rrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHi
sIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAb
OguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSa
PIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKey
AZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNch
RAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzl
zZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4j
K3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/
qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nXsYq6qyxy4zq7OlwWqLwGa==\n----END PRIVATE KEY----
\n'',
        "client email": "cloudvolumes-admin-sa@my-gcp-
project.iam.gserviceaccount.com",
        "client id": "123456789012345678901",
        "auth uri": "https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth",
        "token uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
        "auth provider x509 cert url":
```

This sample illustrates backend configuration options, including service level, and volume defaults.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "gcp-cvs",
    "projectNumber": "012345678901",
    "apiRegion": "us-west2",
    "apiKey": {
        "type": "service account",
        "project id": "my-gcp-project",
        "private key id": "1234567890123456789012345678901234567890",
        "private key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY----
\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznH
czZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsr
rtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHis
IsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbO
guSaPIKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaP
IKeyAZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOguSaPIKeyA
ZNchRAGzlzZE4jK3bl/qp8B4Kws8zX5ojY9m\nznHczZsrrtHisIsAbOquSaPIKeyAZNchR
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        "token uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
        "auth provider x509 cert url":
"https://www.googleapis.com/oauth2/v1/certs",
```

```
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sa%40my-gcp-project.iam.gserviceaccount.com"
    },
    "proxyURL": "http://proxy-server-hostname/",
    "nfsMountOptions": "vers=3,proto=tcp,timeo=600",
    "limitVolumeSize": "10Ti",
    "serviceLevel": "premium",
    "defaults": {
        "snapshotDir": "true",
        "snapshotReserve": "5",
        "exportRule": "10.0.0.0/24,10.0.1.0/24,10.0.2.100",
        "size": "5Ti"
    }
}
```

This sample uses storage to configure virtual pools and the StorageClasses that refer back to them. Refer to Storage class definitions to see how the storage classes were defined.

Here, specific defaults are set for all virtual pools, which set the <code>snapshotReserve</code> at 5% and the <code>exportRule</code> to 0.0.0.0/0. The virtual pools are defined in the <code>storage</code> section. Each individual virtual pool defines its own <code>serviceLevel</code>, and some pools overwrite the default values. Virtual pool labels were used to differentiate the pools based on <code>performance</code> and <code>protection</code>.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "gcp-cvs",
    "projectNumber": "012345678901",
    "apiRegion": "us-west2",
    "apiKey": {
        "type": "service account",
        "project id": "my-gcp-project",
        "private key id": "1234567890123456789012345678901234567890",
        "private key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY----
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\n'',
        "client email": "cloudvolumes-admin-sa@my-gcp-
project.iam.gserviceaccount.com",
```

```
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        "auth uri": "https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth",
        "token uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
        "auth provider x509 cert url":
"https://www.googleapis.com/oauth2/v1/certs",
        "client x509 cert url":
"https://www.googleapis.com/robot/v1/metadata/x509/cloudvolumes-admin-
sa%40my-gcp-project.iam.gserviceaccount.com"
    "nfsMountOptions": "vers=3,proto=tcp,timeo=600",
    "defaults": {
        "snapshotReserve": "5",
        "exportRule": "0.0.0.0/0"
    },
    "labels": {
        "cloud": "qcp"
    "region": "us-west2",
    "storage": [
            "labels": {
                "performance": "extreme",
                "protection": "extra"
            "serviceLevel": "extreme",
            "defaults": {
                "snapshotDir": "true",
                "snapshotReserve": "10",
                "exportRule": "10.0.0.0/24"
        },
            "labels": {
                "performance": "extreme",
                "protection": "standard"
            },
            "serviceLevel": "extreme"
        },
            "labels": {
                "performance": "premium",
                "protection": "extra"
            },
```

```
"serviceLevel": "premium",
            "defaults": {
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                 "snapshotReserve": "10"
            }
        },
        {
            "labels": {
                 "performance": "premium",
                 "protection": "standard"
            },
            "serviceLevel": "premium"
        },
        {
            "labels": {
                 "performance": "standard"
            },
            "serviceLevel": "standard"
        }
    ]
}
```

Storage class definitions

The following StorageClass definitions apply to the virtual pool configuration example. Using parameters.selector, you can specify for each StorageClass the virtual pool used to host a volume. The volume will have the aspects defined in the chosen pool.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-extreme-extra-protection
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "performance=extreme; protection=extra"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-extreme-standard-protection
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "performance=premium; protection=standard"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-premium-extra-protection
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "performance=premium; protection=extra"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-premium
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "performance=premium; protection=standard"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-standard
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "performance=standard"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
```

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: cvs-extra-protection
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection=extra"
allowVolumeExpansion: true
```

- The first StorageClass (cvs-extreme-extra-protection) maps to the first virtual pool. This is the only pool offering extreme performance with a snapshot reserve of 10%.
- The last StorageClass (cvs-extra-protection) calls out any storage pool which provides a snapshot reserve of 10%. Astra Trident decides which virtual pool is selected and ensures that the snapshot reserve requirement is met.

CVS service type examples

The following examples provide sample configurations for the CVS service type.

This is the minimum backend configuration using storageClass to specify the CVS service type and default standardsw service level.

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "gcp-cvs",
    "projectNumber": "012345678901",
    "storageClass": "software",
    "apiRegion": "us-east4",
    "apiKey": {
        "type": "service account",
        "project id": "my-gcp-project",
        "private key id": "1234567890123456789012345678901234567890",
        "private key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY----
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\n",
        "client email": "cloudvolumes-admin-sa@my-gcp-
project.iam.gserviceaccount.com",
        "client id": "123456789012345678901",
        "auth uri": "https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth",
        "token uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
```

This sample backend configuration uses storagePools to configure a storage pool.

```
"version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "gcp-cvs",
  "backendName": "gcp-std-so-with-pool",
  "projectNumber": "531265380079",
  "apiRegion": "europe-west1",
  "apiKey": {
    "type": "service account",
    "project id": "cloud-native-data",
    "private key id": "1234567890123456789012345678901234567890",
    "private key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY----
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    "token uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
    "auth provider x509 cert url":
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        "client_x509_cert_url":
"https://www.googleapis.com/robot/v1/metadata/x509/cloudvolumes-admin-sa%40cloud-native-data.iam.gserviceaccount.com"
    },
        "storageClass": "software",
        "zone": "europe-west1-b",
        "network": "default",
        "storagePools": ["lbc7f380-3314-6005-45e9-c7dc8c2d7509"],
        "serviceLevel": "Standardsw"
}
```

What's next?

After you create the backend configuration file, run the following command:

```
tridentctl create backend -f <backend-file>
```

If the backend creation fails, something is wrong with the backend configuration. You can view the logs to determine the cause by running the following command:

```
tridentctl logs
```

After you identify and correct the problem with the configuration file, you can run the create command again.

Configure a NetApp HCI or SolidFire backend

Learn about how to create and use an Element backend with your Astra Trident installation.

What you'll need

- A supported storage system that runs Element software.
- Credentials to a NetApp HCI/SolidFire cluster admin or tenant user that can manage volumes.
- All of your Kubernetes worker nodes should have the appropriate iSCSI tools installed. See worker node preparation information.

What you need to know

The solidfire-san storage driver supports both volume modes: file and block. For the Filesystem volumeMode, Astra Trident creates a volume and creates a filesystem. The filesystem type is specified by the StorageClass.

Driver	Protocol	VolumeMode	Access modes supported	File systems supported
solidfire-san	iSCSI	Block	RWO,ROX,RWX	No Filesystem. Raw block device.
solidfire-san	iSCSI	Block	RWO,ROX,RWX	No Filesystem. Raw block device.
solidfire-san	iSCSI	Filesystem	RWO,ROX	xfs, ext3, ext4
solidfire-san	iSCSI	Filesystem	RWO,ROX	xfs, ext3, ext4



Astra Trident uses CHAP when functioning as an enhanced CSI Provisioner. If you're using CHAP (which is the default for CSI), no further preparation is required. It is recommended to explicitly set the UseCHAP option to use CHAP with non-CSI Trident. Otherwise, see here.



Volume access groups are only supported by the conventional, non-CSI framework for Astra Trident. When configured to work in CSI mode, Astra Trident uses CHAP.

If neither AccessGroups or UseCHAP are set, one of the following rules applies:

- If the default trident access group is detected, access groups are used.
- If no access group is detected and Kubernetes version is 1.7 or later, then CHAP is used.

Backend configuration options

See the following table for the backend configuration options:

Parameter	Description	Default
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	Always "solidfire-san"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	"solidfire_" + storage (iSCSI) IP address
Endpoint	MVIP for the SolidFire cluster with tenant credentials	
SVIP	Storage (iSCSI) IP address and port	
labels	Set of arbitrary JSON-formatted labels to apply on volumes.	4439
TenantName	Tenant name to use (created if not found)	
InitiatorIFace	Restrict iSCSI traffic to a specific host interface	"default"

Parameter	Description	Default
UseCHAP	Use CHAP to authenticate iSCSI	true
AccessGroups	List of Access Group IDs to use	Finds the ID of an access group named "trident"
Types	QoS specifications	
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if requested volume size is above this value	"" (not enforced by default)
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, {"api":false, "method":true}	null



Do not use debugTraceFlags unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.

Example 1: Backend configuration for solidfire-san driver with three volume types

This example shows a backend file using CHAP authentication and modeling three volume types with specific QoS guarantees. Most likely you would then define storage classes to consume each of these using the IOPS storage class parameter.

Example 2: Backend and storage class configuration for solidfire-san driver with virtual pools

This example shows the backend definition file configured with virtual pools along with StorageClasses that refer back to them.

Astra Trident copies labels present on a storage pool to the backend storage LUN at provisioning. For convenience, storage administrators can define labels per virtual pool and group volumes by label.

In the sample backend definition file shown below, specific defaults are set for all storage pools, which set the type at Silver. The virtual pools are defined in the storage section. In this example, some of the storage pool sets their own type, and some pools overwrite the default values set above.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "solidfire-san",
    "Endpoint": "https://<user>:<password>@<mvip>/json-rpc/8.0",
    "SVIP": "<svip>:3260",
    "TenantName": "<tenant>",
    "UseCHAP": true,
    "Types": [{"Type": "Bronze", "Qos": {"minIOPS": 1000, "maxIOPS": 2000,
"burstIOPS": 4000}},
              {"Type": "Silver", "Qos": {"minIOPS": 4000, "maxIOPS": 6000,
"burstIOPS": 8000}},
              {"Type": "Gold", "Qos": {"minIOPS": 6000, "maxIOPS": 8000,
"burstIOPS": 10000}}],
    "type": "Silver",
    "labels":{"store":"solidfire", "k8scluster": "dev-1-cluster"},
    "region": "us-east-1",
    "storage": [
        {
            "labels":{"performance":"gold", "cost":"4"},
            "zone":"us-east-la",
            "type": "Gold"
        },
            "labels": { "performance": "silver", "cost": "3" },
            "zone": "us-east-1b",
            "type": "Silver"
        },
            "labels":{"performance":"bronze", "cost":"2"},
            "zone": "us-east-1c",
            "type": "Bronze"
        },
        {
            "labels":{"performance":"silver", "cost":"1"},
            "zone": "us-east-1d"
        }
    ]
}
```

The following StorageClass definitions refer to the above virtual pools. Using the parameters.selector

field, each StorageClass calls out which virtual pool(s) can be used to host a volume. The volume will have the aspects defined in the chosen virtual pool.

The first StorageClass (solidfire-gold-four) will map to the first virtual pool. This is the only pool offering gold performance with a Volume Type QoS of Gold. The last StorageClass (solidfire-silver) calls out any storage pool which offers a silver performance. Astra Trident will decide which virtual pool is selected and will ensure the storage requirement is met.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: solidfire-gold-four
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=gold; cost=4"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: solidfire-silver-three
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=silver; cost=3"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: solidfire-bronze-two
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=bronze; cost=2"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: solidfire-silver-one
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=silver; cost=1"
 fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: solidfire-silver
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
  selector: "performance=silver"
  fsType: "ext4"
```

Find more information

Volume access groups

Configure a backend with ONTAP SAN drivers

Learn about configuring an ONTAP backend with ONTAP and Cloud Volumes ONTAP SAN drivers.

- Preparation
- Configuration and examples

Astra Control provides seamless protection, disaster recovery, and mobility (moving volumes between Kubernetes clusters) for volumes created with the ontap-nas, ontap-nas-flexgroup, and ontap-san drivers. See Astra Control replication prerequisites for details.



- You must use ontap-nas for production workloads that require data protection, disaster recovery, and mobility.
- Use ontap-san-economy when anticipated volume usage is expected to be much higher than what ONTAP supports.
- Use ontap-nas-economy only where anticipated volume usage is expected to be much higher than what ONTAP supports, and the ontap-san-economy driver cannot be used.
- Do not use use ontap-nas-economy if you anticipate the need for data protection, disaster recovery, or mobility.

User permissions

Astra Trident expects to be run as either an ONTAP or SVM administrator, typically using the admin cluster user or a vsadmin SVM user, or a user with a different name that has the same role. For Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP deployments, Astra Trident expects to be run as either an ONTAP or SVM administrator, using the cluster fsxadmin user or a vsadmin SVM user, or a user with a different name that has the same role. The fsxadmin user is a limited replacement for the cluster admin user.



If you use the limitAggregateUsage parameter, cluster admin permissions are required. When using Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP with Astra Trident, the limitAggregateUsage parameter will not work with the vsadmin and fsxadmin user accounts. The configuration operation will fail if you specify this parameter.

While it is possible to create a more restrictive role within ONTAP that a Trident driver can use, we don't recommend it. Most new releases of Trident will call additional APIs that would have to be accounted for, making upgrades difficult and error-prone.

Prepare to configure backend with ONTAP SAN drivers

Learn about how to prepare to configure an ONTAP backend with ONTAP SAN drivers. For all ONTAP backends, Astra Trident requires at least one aggregate assigned to the SVM.

Remember that you can also run more than one driver, and create storage classes that point to one or the other. For example, you could configure a san-dev class that uses the ontap-san driver and a san-default class that uses the ontap-san-economy one.

All your Kubernetes worker nodes must have the appropriate iSCSI tools installed. See here for more details.

Authentication

Astra Trident offers two modes of authenticating an ONTAP backend.

- Credential-based: The username and password to an ONTAP user with the required permissions. It is
 recommended to use a pre-defined security login role, such as admin or vsadmin to ensure maximum
 compatibility with ONTAP versions.
- Certificate-based: Astra Trident can also communicate with an ONTAP cluster using a certificate installed on the backend. Here, the backend definition must contain Base64-encoded values of the client certificate, key, and the trusted CA certificate if used (recommended).

You can update existing backends to move between credential-based and certificate-based methods. However, only one authentication method is supported at a time. To switch to a different authentication method, you must remove the existing method from the backend configuration.



If you attempt to provide **both credentials and certificates**, backend creation will fail with an error that more than one authentication method was provided in the configuration file.

Enable credential-based authentication

Astra Trident requires the credentials to an SVM-scoped/cluster-scoped admin to communicate with the ONTAP backend. It is recommended to make use of standard, pre-defined roles such as admin or vsadmin. This ensures forward compatibility with future ONTAP releases that might expose feature APIs to be used by future Astra Trident releases. A custom security login role can be created and used with Astra Trident, but is not recommended.

A sample backend definition will look like this:

```
"version": 1,
"backendName": "ExampleBackend",
"storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
"managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
"svm": "svm_nfs",
"username": "vsadmin",
"password": "secret",
}
```

Keep in mind that the backend definition is the only place the credentials are stored in plain text. After the backend is created, usernames/passwords are encoded with Base64 and stored as Kubernetes secrets. The creation or update of a backend is the only step that requires knowledge of the credentials. As such, it is an admin-only operation, to be performed by the Kubernetes/storage administrator.

Enable certificate-based Authentication

New and existing backends can use a certificate and communicate with the ONTAP backend. Three parameters are required in the backend definition.

- clientCertificate: Base64-encoded value of client certificate.
- clientPrivateKey: Base64-encoded value of associated private key.
- trustedCACertificate: Base64-encoded value of trusted CA certificate. If using a trusted CA, this parameter must be provided. This can be ignored if no trusted CA is used.

A typical workflow involves the following steps.

Steps

1. Generate a client certificate and key. When generating, set Common Name (CN) to the ONTAP user to authenticate as.

```
openssl req -x509 -nodes -days 1095 -newkey rsa:2048 -keyout k8senv.key -out k8senv.pem -subj "/C=US/ST=NC/L=RTP/O=NetApp/CN=admin"
```

2. Add trusted CA certificate to the ONTAP cluster. This might be already handled by the storage administrator. Ignore if no trusted CA is used.

```
security certificate install -type server -cert-name <trusted-ca-cert-
name> -vserver <vserver-name>
ssl modify -vserver <vserver-name> -server-enabled true -client-enabled
true -common-name <common-name> -serial <SN-from-trusted-CA-cert> -ca
<cert-authority>
```

3. Install the client certificate and key (from step 1) on the ONTAP cluster.

```
security certificate install -type client-ca -cert-name <certificate-
name> -vserver <vserver-name>
security ssl modify -vserver <vserver-name> -client-enabled true
```

4. Confirm the ONTAP security login role supports cert authentication method.

```
security login create -user-or-group-name admin -application ontapi -authentication-method cert security login create -user-or-group-name admin -application http -authentication-method cert
```

Test authentication using certificate generated. Replace <ONTAP Management LIF> and <vserver name> with Management LIF IP and SVM name.

```
curl -X POST -Lk https://<ONTAP-Management-
LIF>/servlets/netapp.servlets.admin.XMLrequest_filer --key k8senv.key
--cert ~/k8senv.pem -d '<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?><netapp
xmlns="http://www.netapp.com/filer/admin" version="1.21"
vfiler="<vserver-name>"><vserver-get></vserver-get></netapp>'
```

6. Encode certificate, key and trusted CA certificate with Base64.

```
base64 -w 0 k8senv.pem >> cert_base64
base64 -w 0 k8senv.key >> key_base64
base64 -w 0 trustedca.pem >> trustedca_base64
```

7. Create backend using the values obtained from the previous step.

```
cat cert-backend.json
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
"backendName": "SanBackend",
"managementLIF": "1.2.3.4",
"dataLIF": "1.2.3.8",
"svm": "vserver test",
"clientCertificate": "Faaaakkkkeeee...Vaaalllluuuueeee",
"clientPrivateKey": "LSOtFaKE...OVaLuESOtLSOK",
"trustedCACertificate": "QNFinfO...SigOyN",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix_"
tridentctl create backend -f cert-backend.json -n trident
+----
+----+
| NAME | STORAGE DRIVER |
                                 UUID
STATE | VOLUMES |
+----
+----+
| SanBackend | ontap-san | 586b1cd5-8cf8-428d-a76c-2872713612c1 |
+----
+----+
```

Update authentication methods or rotate credentials

You can update an existing backend to use a different authentication method or to rotate their credentials. This

works both ways: backends that make use of username/password can be updated to use certificates; backends that utilize certificates can be updated to username/password based. To do this, you must remove the existing authentication method and add the new authentication method. Then use the updated backend json file containing the required parameters to execute tridentctl backend update.

```
cat cert-backend-updated.json
{
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
"backendName": "SanBackend",
"managementLIF": "1.2.3.4",
"dataLIF": "1.2.3.8",
"svm": "vserver test",
"username": "vsadmin",
"password": "secret",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix "
#Update backend with tridentctl
tridentctl update backend SanBackend -f cert-backend-updated.json -n
trident
+-----
+----+
| NAME | STORAGE DRIVER |
                             UUID
STATE | VOLUMES |
+----
+----+
online |
+----
+----+
```



When rotating passwords, the storage administrator must first update the password for the user on ONTAP. This is followed by a backend update. When rotating certificates, multiple certificates can be added to the user. The backend is then updated to use the new certificate, following which the old certificate can be deleted from the ONTAP cluster.

Updating a backend does not disrupt access to volumes that have already been created, nor impact volume connections made after. A successful backend update indicates that Astra Trident can communicate with the ONTAP backend and handle future volume operations.

Specify igroups

Astra Trident uses igroups to control access to the volumes (LUNs) that it provisions. Administrators have two options when it comes to specifying igroups for backends:

• Astra Trident can automatically create and manage an igroup per backend. If igroupName is not included in the backend definition, Astra Trident creates an igroup named trident-chackend-UUID> on the

SVM. This will ensure each backend has a dedicated igroup and handle the automated addition/deletion of Kubernetes node IQNs.

• Alternatively, pre-created igroups can also be provided in a backend definition. This can be done using the igroupName config parameter. Astra Trident will add/delete Kubernetes node IQNs to the pre-existing igroup.

For backends that have <code>igroupName</code> defined, the <code>igroupName</code> can be deleted with a <code>tridentctl</code> <code>backend</code> update to have Astra Trident auto-handle igroups. This will not disrupt access to volumes that are already attached to workloads. Future connections will be handled using the igroup Astra Trident created.



Dedicating an igroup for each unique instance of Astra Trident is a best practice that is beneficial for the Kubernetes admin as well as the storage admin. CSI Trident automates the addition and removal of cluster node IQNs to the igroup, greatly simplifying its management. When using the same SVM across Kubernetes environments (and Astra Trident installations), using a dedicated igroup ensures that changes made to one Kubernetes cluster don't influence igroups associated with another. In addition, it is also important to ensure each node in the Kubernetes cluster has a unique IQN. As mentioned above, Astra Trident automatically handles the addition and removal of IQNs. Reusing IQNs across hosts can lead to undesirable scenarios where hosts get mistaken for one another and access to LUNs is denied.

If Astra Trident is configured to function as a CSI Provisioner, Kubernetes node IQNs are automatically added to/removed from the igroup. When nodes are added to a Kubernetes cluster, trident-csi DaemonSet deploys a pod (trident-csi-xxxxx in versions prior to 23.01 or trident-node<operating system>-xxxx in 23.01 and later) on the newly added nodes and registers the new nodes it can attach volumes to. Node IQNs are also added to the backend's igroup. A similar set of steps handle the removal of IQNs when node(s) are cordoned, drained, and deleted from Kubernetes.

If Astra Trident does not run as a CSI Provisioner, the igroup must be manually updated to contain the iSCSI IQNs from every worker node in the Kubernetes cluster. IQNs of nodes that join the Kubernetes cluster will need to be added to the igroup. Similarly, IQNs of nodes that are removed from the Kubernetes cluster must be removed from the igroup.

Authenticate connections with bidirectional CHAP

Astra Trident can authenticate iSCSI sessions with bidirectional CHAP for the ontap-san and ontap-san-economy drivers. This requires enabling the useCHAP option in your backend definition. When set to true, Astra Trident configures the SVM's default initiator security to bidirectional CHAP and set the username and secrets from the backend file. NetApp recommends using bidirectional CHAP to authenticate connections. See the following sample configuration:

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
    "backendName": "ontap_san_chap",
    "managementLIF": "192.168.0.135",
    "svm": "ontap_iscsi_svm",
    "useCHAP": true,
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "FaKePaSsWoRd",
    "igroupName": "trident",
    "chapInitiatorSecret": "c19qxIm36DKyawxy",
    "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkesIpwxyz",
    "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRTOTCwxyz",
    "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
}
```



The useCHAP parameter is a Boolean option that can be configured only once. It is set to false by default. After you set it to true, you cannot set it to false.

In addition to useCHAP=true, the chapInitiatorSecret, chapTargetInitiatorSecret, chapTargetUsername, and chapUsername fields must be included in the backend definition. The secrets can be changed after a backend is created by running tridentctl update.

How it works

By setting useCHAP to true, the storage administrator instructs Astra Trident to configure CHAP on the storage backend. This includes the following:

- Setting up CHAP on the SVM:
 - If the SVM's default initiator security type is none (set by default) and there are no pre-existing LUNs already present in the volume, Astra Trident will set the default security type to CHAP and proceed to configuring the CHAP initiator and target username and secrets.
 - If the SVM contains LUNs, Astra Trident will not enable CHAP on the SVM. This ensures that access to LUNs that are already present on the SVM isn't restricted.
- Configuring the CHAP initiator and target username and secrets; these options must be specified in the backend configuration (as shown above).
- Managing the addition of initiators to the <code>igroupName</code> given in the backend. If unspecified, this defaults to <code>trident</code>.

After the backend is created, Astra Trident creates a corresponding tridentbackend CRD and stores the CHAP secrets and usernames as Kubernetes secrets. All PVs that are created by Astra Trident on this backend will be mounted and attached over CHAP.

Rotate credentials and update backends

You can update the CHAP credentials by updating the CHAP parameters in the backend.json file. This will require updating the CHAP secrets and using the tridentctl update command to reflect these changes.



When updating the CHAP secrets for a backend, you must use tridentctl to update the backend. Do not update the credentials on the storage cluster through the CLI/ONTAP UI as Astra Trident will not be able to pick up these changes.

```
cat backend-san.json
{
  "version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
  "backendName": "ontap san chap",
  "managementLIF": "192.168.0.135",
  "svm": "ontap iscsi svm",
  "useCHAP": true,
  "username": "vsadmin",
  "password": "FaKePaSsWoRd",
  "igroupName": "trident",
  "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxUpDaTeD",
  "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkeUpDaTeD",
  "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
  "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
}
./tridentctl update backend ontap san chap -f backend-san.json -n trident
+----
+----+
| NAME
           | STORAGE DRIVER |
                                  UUID
STATE | VOLUMES |
+----
+----+
online |
      7 |
+----
+----+
```

Existing connections will remain unaffected; they will continue to remain active if the credentials are updated by Astra Trident on the SVM. New connections will use the updated credentials and existing connections continue to remain active. Disconnecting and reconnecting old PVs will result in them using the updated credentials.

ONTAP SAN configuration options and examples

Learn about how to create and use ONTAP SAN drivers with your Astra Trident installation. This section provides backend configuration examples and details about how to map backends to StorageClasses.

Backend configuration options

See the following table for the backend configuration options:

Parameter	Description Default	
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	"ontap-nas", "ontap-nas-economy", "ontap-nas-flexgroup", "ontap-san", "ontap-san-economy"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	Driver name + "_" + dataLIF
managementLIF	IP address of a cluster or SVM management LIF For seamless MetroCluster switchover, you must specify an SVM management LIF. A fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) can be specified. Can be set to use IPv6 addresses if Astra Trident was installed using theuse-ipv6 flag. IPv6 addresses must be defined in square brackets, such as [28e8:d9fb:a825:b7bf:69a8:d02f:9e 7b:3555].	"10.0.0.1", "[2001:1234:abcd::fefe]"
dataLIF	IP address of protocol LIF. Do not specify for iSCSI. Astra Trident uses ONTAP Selective LUN Map to discover the iSCI LIFs needed to establish a multi path session. A warning is generated if dataLIF is explicitly defined.	Derived by the SVM
useCHAP	Use CHAP to authenticate iSCSI for ONTAP SAN drivers [Boolean]. Set to true for Astra Trident to configure and use bidirectional CHAP as the default authentication for the SVM given in the backend. Refer to Prepare to configure backend with ONTAP SAN drivers for details.	false
chapInitiatorSecret	CHAP initiator secret. Required if useCHAP=true ""	
labels	Set of arbitrary JSON-formatted labels to apply on volumes	4439
chapTargetInitiatorSecret	CHAP target initiator secret. Required if useCHAP=true	6617

Parameter	Description	Default
chapUsername	Inbound username. Required if useCHAP=true	6637
chapTargetUsername	Target username. Required if useCHAP=true	6639
clientCertificate	Base64-encoded value of client certificate. Used for certificate-based auth	4439
clientPrivateKey	Base64-encoded value of client private key. Used for certificate-based auth	439
trustedCACertificate	Base64-encoded value of trusted CA certificate. Optional. Used for certificate-based authentication.	439
username	Username needed to communicate with the ONTAP cluster. Used for credential-based authentication.	439
password	Password needed to communicate with the ONTAP cluster. Used for credential-based authentication.	437
svm	Storage virtual machine to use	Derived if an SVM managementLIF is specified
igroupName	Name of the igroup for SAN volumes to use. Refer to Details about igroupName for more information.	"trident- <backend-uuid>"</backend-uuid>
storagePrefix	Prefix used when provisioning new volumes in the SVM. Cannot be modified later. To update this parameter, you will need to create a new backend.	"trident"
limitAggregateUsage	Fail provisioning if usage is above this percentage. If you are using an Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP backend, do not specify limitAggregateUsage. The provided fsxadmin and vsadmin do not contain the permissions required to retrieve aggregate usage and limit it using Astra Trident.	"" (not enforced by default)

Parameter	Description	Default
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if requested volume size is above this value. Also restricts the maximum size of the volumes it manages for qtrees and LUNs.	"" (not enforced by default)
lunsPerFlexvol	Maximum LUNs per Flexvol, must be in range [50, 200]	"100"
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, {"api":false, "method":true} Do not use unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.	null
useREST	Boolean parameter to use ONTAP REST APIs. Tech preview useREST is provided as a tech preview that is recommended for test environments and not for production workloads. When set to true, Astra Trident will use ONTAP REST APIs to communicate with the backend. This feature requires ONTAP 9.11.1 and later. In addition, the ONTAP login role used must have access to the ontap application. This is satisfied by the pre-defined vsadmin and cluster-admin roles. useREST is not supported with MetroCluster.	false

Details about igroupName

igroupName can be set to an igroup that is already created on the ONTAP cluster. If unspecified, Astra Trident automatically creates an igroup named trident-cbackend-UUID>.

If providing a pre-defined igroupName, we recommend using one igroup per Kubernetes cluster, if the SVM is to be shared between environments. This is necessary for Astra Trident to automatically maintain IQN additions and deletions.

- igroupName can be updated to point to a new igroup that is created and managed on the SVM outside of Astra Trident.
- igroupName can be omitted. In this case, Astra Trident will create and manage an igroup named trident-
backend-UUID> automatically.

In both cases, volume attachments will continue to be accessible. Future volume attachments will use the updated igroup. This update does not disrupt access to volumes present on the backend.

Backend configuration options for provisioning volumes

You can control default provisioning using these options in the defaults section of the configuration. For an example, see the configuration examples below.

Parameter	Description	Default
spaceAllocation	Space-allocation for LUNs	"true"
spaceReserve	Space reservation mode; "none" (thin) or "volume" (thick)	"none"
snapshotPolicy	Snapshot policy to use	"none"
qosPolicy	QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool/backend. Using QoS policy groups with Astra Trident requires ONTAP 9.8 or later. We recommend using a non-shared QoS policy group and ensuring the policy group is applied to each constituent individually. A shared QoS policy group will enforce the ceiling for the total throughput of all workloads.	
adaptiveQosPolicy	Adaptive QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool/backend	437
snapshotReserve	Percentage of volume reserved for snapshots "0"	<pre>If snapshotPolicy is "none", else ""</pre>
splitOnClone	Split a clone from its parent upon creation "false"	
splitOnClone	Split a clone from its parent upon creation	"false"

Parameter	Description	Default
encryption	Enable NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE) on the new volume; defaults to false. NVE must be licensed and enabled on the cluster to use this option.	"false"
	If NAE is enabled on the backend, any volume provisioned in Astra Trident will be NAE enabled.	
	For more information, refer to: How Astra Trident works with NVE and NAE.	
luksEncryption	Enable LUKS encryption. Refer to Use Linux Unified Key Setup (LUKS).	""
securityStyle	Security style for new volumes	unix
tieringPolicy	Tiering policy to use "none"	"snapshot-only" for pre-ONTAP 9.5 SVM-DR configuration

Volume provisioning examples

Here's an example with defaults defined:

```
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
"managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
"svm": "trident svm",
"username": "admin",
"password": "password",
"labels": {"k8scluster": "dev2", "backend": "dev2-sanbackend"},
"storagePrefix": "alternate-trident",
"igroupName": "custom",
"debugTraceFlags": {"api":false, "method":true},
"defaults": {
    "spaceReserve": "volume",
    "qosPolicy": "standard",
    "spaceAllocation": "false",
    "snapshotPolicy": "default",
    "snapshotReserve": "10"
}
```



For all volumes created using the ontap-san driver, Astra Trident adds an extra 10 percent capacity to the FlexVol to accommodate the LUN metadata. The LUN will be provisioned with the exact size that the user requests in the PVC. Astra Trident adds 10 percent to the FlexVol (shows as Available size in ONTAP). Users will now get the amount of usable capacity they requested. This change also prevents LUNs from becoming read-only unless the available space is fully utilized. This does not apply to ontap-san-economy.

For backends that define snapshotReserve, Astra Trident calculates the size of volumes as follows:

```
Total volume size = [(PVC requested size) / (1 - (snapshotReserve percentage) / 100)] * 1.1
```

The 1.1 is the extra 10 percent Astra Trident adds to the FlexVol to accommodate the LUN metadata. For snapshotReserve = 5%, and PVC request = 5GiB, the total volume size is 5.79GiB and the available size is 5.5GiB. The volume show command should show results similar to this example:

Vserver	Volume	Aggregate	State	Type	Size	Available	Used%
							-
-	_pvc	_89f1c156_380	1_4de4_9f9d	_034d54c	395f4		
			online	RW	10GB	5.00GB	0%
	_pvc	e42ec6fe_3ba	a_4af6_996d	_134adbb	b8e6d		
	-		online	RW	5.79GB	5.50GB	0%
	_pvc	e8372153_9ad	9_474a_951a	_08ae15e	1c0ba		
			online	RW	1GB	511.8MB	0%
3 entries	were display	ed.					

Currently, resizing is the only way to use the new calculation for an existing volume.

Minimal configuration examples

The following examples show basic configurations that leave most parameters to default. This is the easiest way to define a backend.



If you are using Amazon FSx on NetApp ONTAP with Astra Trident, the recommendation is to specify DNS names for LIFs instead of IP addresses.

ontap-san driver with certificate-based authentication

This is a minimal backend configuration example. clientCertificate, clientPrivateKey, and trustedCACertificate (optional, if using trusted CA) are populated in backend.json and take the base64-encoded values of the client certificate, private key, and trusted CA certificate, respectively.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
    "backendName": "DefaultSANBackend",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.3",
    "svm": "svm iscsi",
    "useCHAP": true,
    "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxIm36DKyawxy",
    "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkesIpwxyz",
    "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
    "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
    "igroupName": "trident",
    "clientCertificate": "ZXR0ZXJwYXB...ICMgJ3BhcGVyc2",
    "clientPrivateKey": "vciwKIyAqZG...OcnksIGRlc2NyaX",
    "trustedCACertificate": "zcyBbaG...b3Igb3duIGNsYXNz"
}
```

ontap-san driver with bidirectional CHAP

This is a minimal backend configuration example. This basic configuration creates an ontap-san backend with useCHAP set to true.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.3",
    "svm": "svm iscsi",
    "labels": {"k8scluster": "test-cluster-1", "backend": "testcluster1-
sanbackend"},
    "useCHAP": true,
    "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxIm36DKyawxy",
    "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxiqXgkesIpwxyz",
    "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
    "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
    "igroupName": "trident",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret"
}
```

ontap-san-economy driver

```
"version": 1,
   "storageDriverName": "ontap-san-economy",
   "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
   "svm": "svm_iscsi_eco",
   "useCHAP": true,
   "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxIm36DKyawxy",
   "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkesIpwxyz",
   "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
   "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
   "igroupName": "trident",
   "username": "vsadmin",
   "password": "secret"
}
```

Examples of backends with virtual pools

In the sample backend definition file shown below, specific defaults are set for all storage pools, such as spaceReserve at none, spaceAllocation at false, and encryption at false. The virtual pools are defined in the storage section.

Astra Trident sets provisioning labels in the "Comments" field. Comments are set on the FlexVol. Astra Trident copies all labels present on a virtual pool to the storage volume at provisioning. For convenience, storage administrators can define labels per virtual pool and group volumes by label.

In this example, some of the storage pool sets their own spaceReserve, spaceAllocation, and encryption values, and some pools overwrite the default values set above.

```
{
    "version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-san",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.3",
    "svm": "svm iscsi",
    "useCHAP": true,
    "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxIm36DKyawxy",
    "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkesIpwxyz",
    "chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
    "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
    "igroupName": "trident",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret",
    "defaults": {
          "spaceAllocation": "false",
          "encryption": "false",
```

```
"qosPolicy": "standard"
    },
    "labels":{"store": "san store", "kubernetes-cluster": "prod-cluster-
1"},
    "region": "us east 1",
    "storage": [
        {
            "labels":{"protection":"gold", "creditpoints":"40000"},
            "zone": "us east 1a",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "true",
                "encryption": "true",
                "adaptiveQosPolicy": "adaptive-extreme"
        },
            "labels":{"protection":"silver", "creditpoints":"20000"},
            "zone":"us_east_1b",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "false",
                "encryption": "true",
                "qosPolicy": "premium"
            }
        },
            "labels":{"protection":"bronze", "creditpoints":"5000"},
            "zone": "us east 1c",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "true",
                "encryption": "false"
        }
   ]
}
```

Here is an iSCSI example for the ontap-san-economy driver:

```
"version": 1,
   "storageDriverName": "ontap-san-economy",
   "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
   "svm": "svm_iscsi_eco",
   "useCHAP": true,
   "chapInitiatorSecret": "cl9qxIm36DKyawxy",
   "chapTargetInitiatorSecret": "rqxigXgkesIpwxyz",
```

```
"chapTargetUsername": "iJF4heBRT0TCwxyz",
    "chapUsername": "uh2aNCLSd6cNwxyz",
    "igroupName": "trident",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret",
    "defaults": {
          "spaceAllocation": "false",
          "encryption": "false"
    },
    "labels":{"store":"san economy store"},
    "region": "us east 1",
    "storage": [
        {
            "labels":{"app":"oracledb", "cost":"30"},
            "zone": "us east 1a",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "true",
                "encryption": "true"
            }
        },
        {
            "labels":{"app":"postgresdb", "cost":"20"},
            "zone": "us east 1b",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "false",
                "encryption": "true"
            }
        },
            "labels": { "app": "mysqldb", "cost": "10" },
            "zone": "us east 1c",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceAllocation": "true",
                "encryption": "false"
            }
        }
    1
}
```

Map backends to StorageClasses

The following StorageClass definitions refer to the above virtual pools. Using the parameters.selector field, each StorageClass calls out which virtual pool(s) can be used to host a volume. The volume will have the aspects defined in the chosen virtual pool.

- The first StorageClass (protection-gold) will map to the first, second virtual pool in the ontap-nas-flexgroup backend and the first virtual pool in the ontap-san backend. These are the only pool offering gold level protection.
- The second StorageClass (protection-not-gold) will map to the third, fourth virtual pool in ontapnas-flexgroup backend and the second, third virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pools offering protection level other than gold.
- The third StorageClass (app-mysqldb) will map to the fourth virtual pool in ontap-nas backend and the third virtual pool in ontap-san-economy backend. These are the only pools offering storage pool configuration for mysqldb type app.
- The fourth StorageClass (protection-silver-creditpoints-20k) will map to the third virtual pool in ontap-nas-flexgroup backend and the second virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pools offering gold-level protection at 20000 creditpoints.
- The fifth StorageClass (creditpoints-5k) will map to the second virtual pool in ontap-nas-economy backend and the third virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pool offerings at 5000 creditpoints.

Astra Trident will decide which virtual pool is selected and will ensure the storage requirement is met.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-gold
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection=gold"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-not-gold
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection!=gold"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: app-mysqldb
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "app=mysqldb"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-silver-creditpoints-20k
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection=silver; creditpoints=20000"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: creditpoints-5k
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "creditpoints=5000"
  fsType: "ext4"
```

Configure an ONTAP NAS backend

Learn about configuring an ONTAP backend with ONTAP and Cloud Volumes ONTAP NAS drivers.

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Astra Control provides seamless protection, disaster recovery, and mobility (moving volumes between Kubernetes clusters) for volumes created with the ontap-nas, ontap-nas-flexgroup, and ontap-san drivers. See Astra Control replication prerequisites for details.



- You must use ontap-nas for production workloads that require data protection, disaster recovery, and mobility.
- Use ontap-san-economy when anticipated volume usage is expected to be much higher than what ONTAP supports.
- Use ontap-nas-economy only where anticipated volume usage is expected to be much higher than what ONTAP supports, and the ontap-san-economy driver cannot be used.
- Do not use use ontap-nas-economy if you anticipate the need for data protection, disaster recovery, or mobility.

User permissions

Astra Trident expects to be run as either an ONTAP or SVM administrator, typically using the admin cluster user or a vsadmin SVM user, or a user with a different name that has the same role. For Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP deployments, Astra Trident expects to be run as either an ONTAP or SVM administrator, using the cluster fsxadmin user or a vsadmin SVM user, or a user with a different name that has the same role. The fsxadmin user is a limited replacement for the cluster admin user.



If you use the limitAggregateUsage parameter, cluster admin permissions are required. When using Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP with Astra Trident, the limitAggregateUsage parameter will not work with the vsadmin and fsxadmin user accounts. The configuration operation will fail if you specify this parameter.

While it is possible to create a more restrictive role within ONTAP that a Trident driver can use, we don't recommend it. Most new releases of Trident will call additional APIs that would have to be accounted for, making upgrades difficult and error-prone.

Prepare to configure a backend with ONTAP NAS drivers

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Remember that you can also run more than one driver, and create storage classes that point to one or the other. For example, you could configure a Gold class that uses the ontap-nas driver and a Bronze class that uses the ontap-nas-economy one.

All your Kubernetes worker nodes must have the appropriate NFS tools installed. See here for more details.

Authentication

Astra Trident offers two modes of authenticating an ONTAP backend.

- Credential-based: The username and password to an ONTAP user with the required permissions. It is
 recommended to use a pre-defined security login role, such as admin or vsadmin to ensure maximum
 compatibility with ONTAP versions.
- Certificate-based: Astra Trident can also communicate with an ONTAP cluster using a certificate installed on the backend. Here, the backend definition must contain Base64-encoded values of the client certificate, key, and the trusted CA certificate if used (recommended).

You can update existing backends to move between credential-based and certificate-based methods. However, only one authentication method is supported at a time. To switch to a different authentication method, you must remove the existing method from the backend configuration.



If you attempt to provide **both credentials and certificates**, backend creation will fail with an error that more than one authentication method was provided in the configuration file.

Enable credential-based authentication

Astra Trident requires the credentials to an SVM-scoped/cluster-scoped admin to communicate with the ONTAP backend. It is recommended to make use of standard, pre-defined roles such as admin or vsadmin. This ensures forward compatibility with future ONTAP releases that might expose feature APIs to be used by future Astra Trident releases. A custom security login role can be created and used with Astra Trident, but is not recommended.

A sample backend definition will look like this:

```
"version": 1,
"backendName": "ExampleBackend",
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
"svm": "svm_nfs",
"username": "vsadmin",
"password": "secret"
}
```

Keep in mind that the backend definition is the only place the credentials are stored in plain text. After the backend is created, usernames/passwords are encoded with Base64 and stored as Kubernetes secrets. The creation/updation of a backend is the only step that requires knowledge of the credentials. As such, it is an admin-only operation, to be performed by the Kubernetes/storage administrator.

Enable certificate-based Authentication

New and existing backends can use a certificate and communicate with the ONTAP backend. Three parameters are required in the backend definition.

clientCertificate: Base64-encoded value of client certificate.

- clientPrivateKey: Base64-encoded value of associated private key.
- trustedCACertificate: Base64-encoded value of trusted CA certificate. If using a trusted CA, this parameter must be provided. This can be ignored if no trusted CA is used.

A typical workflow involves the following steps.

Steps

1. Generate a client certificate and key. When generating, set Common Name (CN) to the ONTAP user to authenticate as.

```
openssl req -x509 -nodes -days 1095 -newkey rsa:2048 -keyout k8senv.key -out k8senv.pem -subj "/C=US/ST=NC/L=RTP/O=NetApp/CN=vsadmin"
```

2. Add trusted CA certificate to the ONTAP cluster. This might be already handled by the storage administrator. Ignore if no trusted CA is used.

```
security certificate install -type server -cert-name <trusted-ca-cert-
name> -vserver <vserver-name>
ssl modify -vserver <vserver-name> -server-enabled true -client-enabled
true -common-name <common-name> -serial <SN-from-trusted-CA-cert> -ca
<cert-authority>
```

3. Install the client certificate and key (from step 1) on the ONTAP cluster.

```
security certificate install -type client-ca -cert-name <certificate-
name> -vserver <vserver-name>
security ssl modify -vserver <vserver-name> -client-enabled true
```

4. Confirm the ONTAP security login role supports cert authentication method.

```
security login create -user-or-group-name vsadmin -application ontapi -authentication-method cert -vserver <vserver-name> security login create -user-or-group-name vsadmin -application http -authentication-method cert -vserver <vserver-name>
```

Test authentication using certificate generated. Replace <ONTAP Management LIF> and <vserver name>
with Management LIF IP and SVM name. You must ensure the LIF has its service policy set to defaultdata-management.

```
curl -X POST -Lk https://<ONTAP-Management-
LIF>/servlets/netapp.servlets.admin.XMLrequest_filer --key k8senv.key
--cert ~/k8senv.pem -d '<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?><netapp
xmlns="http://www.netapp.com/filer/admin" version="1.21"
vfiler="<vserver-name>"><vserver-get></vserver-get></netapp>'
```

6. Encode certificate, key and trusted CA certificate with Base64.

```
base64 -w 0 k8senv.pem >> cert_base64
base64 -w 0 k8senv.key >> key_base64
base64 -w 0 trustedca.pem >> trustedca_base64
```

7. Create backend using the values obtained from the previous step.

```
cat cert-backend-updated.json
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"backendName": "NasBackend",
"managementLIF": "1.2.3.4",
"dataLIF": "1.2.3.8",
"svm": "vserver test",
"clientCertificate": "Faaaakkkkeeee...Vaaalllluuuueeee",
"clientPrivateKey": "LSOtFaKE...OVaLuESOtLSOK",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix "
#Update backend with tridentctl
tridentctl update backend NasBackend -f cert-backend-updated.json -n
trident
+----
+----+
  NAME | STORAGE DRIVER |
                                  UUID
STATE | VOLUMES |
+----
+----+
| NasBackend | ontap-nas | 98e19b74-aec7-4a3d-8dcf-128e5033b214 |
online | 9 |
+----
+----+
```

Update authentication methods or rotate credentials

You can update an existing backend to use a different authentication method or to rotate their credentials. This works both ways: backends that make use of username/password can be updated to use certificates; backends that utilize certificates can be updated to username/password based. To do this, you must remove the existing authentication method and add the new authentication method. Then use the updated backend.json file containing the required parameters to execute tridentctl backend update.

```
cat cert-backend-updated.json
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"backendName": "NasBackend",
"managementLIF": "1.2.3.4",
"dataLIF": "1.2.3.8",
"svm": "vserver test",
"username": "vsadmin",
"password": "secret",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix "
}
#Update backend with tridentctl
tridentctl update backend NasBackend -f cert-backend-updated.json -n
trident
+----
+----+
| NAME | STORAGE DRIVER |
                             UUID
STATE | VOLUMES |
+----
+----+
online | 9 |
+----
```



When rotating passwords, the storage administrator must first update the password for the user on ONTAP. This is followed by a backend update. When rotating certificates, multiple certificates can be added to the user. The backend is then updated to use the new certificate, following which the old certificate can be deleted from the ONTAP cluster.

Updating a backend does not disrupt access to volumes that have already been created, nor impact volume connections made after. A successful backend update indicates that Astra Trident can communicate with the ONTAP backend and handle future volume operations.

Manage NFS export policies

Astra Trident uses NFS export policies to control access to the volumes that it provisions.

Astra Trident provides two options when working with export policies:

- Astra Trident can dynamically manage the export policy itself; in this mode of operation, the storage
 administrator specifies a list of CIDR blocks that represent admissible IP addresses. Astra Trident adds
 node IPs that fall in these ranges to the export policy automatically. Alternatively, when no CIDRs are
 specified, any global-scoped unicast IP found on the nodes will be added to the export policy.
- Storage administrators can create an export policy and add rules manually. Astra Trident uses the default export policy unless a different export policy name is specified in the configuration.

Dynamically manage export policies

The 20.04 release of CSI Trident provides the ability to dynamically manage export policies for ONTAP backends. This provides the storage administrator the ability to specify a permissible address space for worker node IPs, rather than defining explicit rules manually. It greatly simplifies export policy management; modifications to the export policy no longer require manual intervention on the storage cluster. Moreover, this helps restrict access to the storage cluster only to worker nodes that have IPs in the range specified, supporting a fine-grained and automated management.



The dynamic management of export policies is only available for CSI Trident. It is important to ensure that the worker nodes are not being NATed.

Example

There are two configuration options that must be used. Here's an example backend definition:

```
"version": 1,
   "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
   "backendName": "ontap_nas_auto_export,
   "managementLIF": "192.168.0.135",
   "svm": "svm1",
   "username": "vsadmin",
   "password": "FaKePaSsWoRd",
   "autoExportCIDRs": ["192.168.0.0/24"],
   "autoExportPolicy": true
}
```



When using this feature, you must ensure that the root junction in your SVM has a previously created export policy with an export rule that permits the node CIDR block (such as the default export policy). Always follow NetApp's recommended best practice of dedicating a SVM for Astra Trident.

Here is an explanation of how this feature works using the example above:

• autoExportPolicy is set to true. This indicates that Astra Trident will create an export policy for the svm1 SVM and handle the addition and deletion of rules using autoExportCIDRs address blocks. For example, a backend with UUID 403b5326-8482-40db-96d0-d83fb3f4daec and autoExportPolicy set to true creates an export policy named trident-403b5326-8482-40db-96d0-d83fb3f4daec on the SVM.

• autoExportCIDRs contains a list of address blocks. This field is optional and it defaults to ["0.0.0.0/0", "::/0"]. If not defined, Astra Trident adds all globally-scoped unicast addresses found on the worker nodes.

In this example, the 192.168.0.0/24 address space is provided. This indicates that Kubernetes node IPs that fall within this address range will be added to the export policy that Astra Trident creates. When Astra Trident registers a node it runs on, it retrieves the IP addresses of the node and checks them against the address blocks provided in autoExportCIDRs. After filtering the IPs, Astra Trident creates export policy rules for the client IPs it discovers, with one rule for each node it identifies.

You can update autoExportPolicy and autoExportCIDRs for backends after you create them. You can append new CIDRs for a backend that is automatically managed or delete existing CIDRs. Exercise care when deleting CIDRs to ensure that existing connections are not dropped. You can also choose to disable autoExportPolicy for a backend and fall back to a manually created export policy. This will require setting the exportPolicy parameter in your backend config.

After Astra Trident creates or updates a backend, you can check the backend using tridentctl or the corresponding tridentbackend CRD:

```
./tridentctl get backends ontap nas auto export -n trident -o yaml
items:
- backendUUID: 403b5326-8482-40db-96d0-d83fb3f4daec
 confiq:
   aggregate: ""
   autoExportCIDRs:
   - 192.168.0.0/24
   autoExportPolicy: true
   backendName: ontap nas auto export
   chapInitiatorSecret: ""
    chapTargetInitiatorSecret: ""
    chapTargetUsername: ""
    chapUsername: ""
    dataLIF: 192.168.0.135
    debug: false
    debugTraceFlags: null
    defaults:
      encryption: "false"
      exportPolicy: <automatic>
      fileSystemType: ext4
```

As nodes are added to a Kubernetes cluster and registered with the Astra Trident controller, export policies of existing backends are updated (provided they fall in the address range specified in autoExportCIDRs for the backend).

When a node is removed, Astra Trident checks all backends that are online to remove the access rule for the node. By removing this node IP from the export policies of managed backends, Astra Trident prevents rogue mounts, unless this IP is reused by a new node in the cluster.

For previously existing backends, updating the backend with tridentctl update backend will ensure that Astra Trident manages the export policies automatically. This will create a new export policy named after the

backend's UUID and volumes that are present on the backend will use the newly created export policy when they are mounted again.



Deleting a backend with auto-managed export policies will delete the dynamically created export policy. If the backend is re-created, it is treated as a new backend and will result in the creation of a new export policy.

If the IP address of a live node is updated, you must restart the Astra Trident pod on the node. Astra Trident will then update the export policy for backends it manages to reflect this IP change.

ONTAP NAS configuration options and examples

Learn about how to create and use ONTAP NAS drivers with your Astra Trident installation. This section provides backend configuration examples and details about how to map backends to StorageClasses.

Backend configuration options

See the following table for the backend configuration options:

Parameter	Description	Default
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	"ontap-nas", "ontap-nas-economy", "ontap-nas-flexgroup", "ontap-san", "ontap-san-economy"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	Driver name + "_" + dataLIF
managementLIF	IP address of a cluster or SVM management LIF For seamless MetroCluster switchover, you must specify an SVM management LIF. A fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) can be specified. Can be set to use IPv6 addresses if Astra Trident was installed using theuse-ipv6 flag. IPv6 addresses must be defined in square brackets, such as [28e8:d9fb:a825:b7bf:69a8:d02f:9e 7b:3555].	"10.0.0.1", "[2001:1234:abcd::fefe]"

Parameter	Description	Default
dataLIF	IP address of protocol LIF. We recommend specifying dataLIF. If not provided, Astra Trident fetches data LIFs from the SVM. You can specify a fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) to be used for the NFS mount operations, allowing you to create a round-robin DNS to load-balance across multiple data LIFs. Can be changed after initial setting. Refer to Update dataLIF after initial configuration. Can be set to use IPv6 addresses if Astra Trident was installed using theuse-ipv6 flag. IPv6 addresses must be defined in square brackets, such as [28e8:d9fb:a825:b7bf:69a8:d02f:9e 7b:3555].	Specified address or derived from SVM, if not specified (not recommended)
autoExportPolicy	Enable automatic export policy creation and updating [Boolean]. Using the autoExportPolicy and autoExportCIDRs options, Astra Trident can manage export policies automatically.	false
autoExportCIDRs	List of CIDRs to filter Kubernetes' node IPs against when autoExportPolicy is enabled. Using the autoExportPolicy and autoExportCIDRs options, Astra Trident can manage export policies automatically.	["0.0.0.0/0", "::/0"]`
labels	Set of arbitrary JSON-formatted labels to apply on volumes	6639
clientCertificate	Base64-encoded value of client certificate. Used for certificate-based auth	653
clientPrivateKey	Base64-encoded value of client private key. Used for certificate-based auth	439

Parameter	Description	Default
trustedCACertificate	Base64-encoded value of trusted CA certificate. Optional. Used for certificate-based auth	433
username	Username to connect to the cluster/SVM. Used for credential-based auth	
password	Password to connect to the cluster/SVM. Used for credential-based auth	
svm	Storage virtual machine to use	Derived if an SVM managementLIF is specified
storagePrefix	Prefix used when provisioning new volumes in the SVM. Cannot be updated after you set it	"trident"
limitAggregateUsage	Fail provisioning if usage is above this percentage.	"" (not enforced by default)
	Does not apply to Amazon FSx for ONTAP	
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if requested volume size is above this value.	"" (not enforced by default)
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if requested volume size is above this value. Also restricts the maximum size of the volumes it manages for qtrees and LUNs, and the qtreesPerFlexvol option allows customizing the maximum number of qtrees per FlexVol.	"" (not enforced by default)
lunsPerFlexvol	Maximum LUNs per Flexvol, must be in range [50, 200]	"100"
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, {"api":false, "method":true} Do not use debugTraceFlags unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.	null

Parameter	Description	Default
nfsMountOptions	Comma-separated list of NFS mount options. The mount options for Kubernetespersistent volumes are normally specified in storage classes, but if no mount options are specified in a storage class, Astra Trident will fall back to using the mount options specified in the storage backend's configuration file. If no mount options are specified in the storage class or the configuration file, Astra Trident will not set any mount options on an associated persistent volume.	
qtreesPerFlexvol	Maximum Qtrees per FlexVol, must be in range [50, 300]	"200"
useREST	Boolean parameter to use ONTAP REST APIs. Tech preview useREST is provided as a tech preview that is recommended for test environments and not for production workloads. When set to true, Astra Trident will use ONTAP REST APIs to communicate with the backend. This feature requires ONTAP 9.11.1 and later. In addition, the ONTAP login role used must have access to the ontap application. This is satisfied by the pre-defined vsadmin and cluster-admin roles. useREST is not supported with MetroCluster.	false

Backend configuration options for provisioning volumes

You can control default provisioning using these options in the defaults section of the configuration. For an example, see the configuration examples below.

Parameter	Description	Default
spaceAllocation	Space-allocation for LUNs	"true"
spaceReserve	Space reservation mode; "none" (thin) or "volume" (thick)	"none"

Parameter	Description Default		
snapshotPolicy	Snapshot policy to use	"none"	
qosPolicy	QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool/backend	439	
adaptiveQosPolicy	Adaptive QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool/backend. Not supported by ontap-naseconomy.		
snapshotReserve	Percentage of volume reserved for snapshots "0"	<pre>If snapshotPolicy is "none", else ""</pre>	
splitOnClone	Split a clone from its parent upon creation	"false"	
encryption	Enable NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE) on the new volume; defaults to false. NVE must be licensed and enabled on the cluster to use this option. If NAE is enabled on the backend, any volume provisioned in Astra Trident will be NAE enabled. For more information, refer to: How Astra Trident works with NVE and NAE.	"false"	
tieringPolicy	Tiering policy to use "none"	"snapshot-only" for pre-ONTAP 9.5 SVM-DR configuration	
unixPermissions	Mode for new volumes	"777" for NFS volumes; empty (not applicable) for SMB volumes	
snapshotDir	Controls visibility of the "false" .snapshot directory		
exportPolicy	Export policy to use "default"		
securityStyle	Security style for new volumes. NFS supports mixed and unix security styles. SMB supports mixed and ntfs security styles.	NFS default is unix. SMB default is ntfs.	



Using QoS policy groups with Astra Trident requires ONTAP 9.8 or later. It is recommended to use a non-shared QoS policy group and ensure the policy group is applied to each constituent individually. A shared QoS policy group will enforce the ceiling for the total throughput of all workloads.

Volume provisioning examples

Here's an example with defaults defined:

```
{
  "version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
  "backendName": "customBackendName",
  "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
  "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
  "labels": {"k8scluster": "dev1", "backend": "dev1-nasbackend"},
  "svm": "trident svm",
  "username": "cluster-admin",
  "password": "password",
  "limitAggregateUsage": "80%",
  "limitVolumeSize": "50Gi",
  "nfsMountOptions": "nfsvers=4",
  "debugTraceFlags": {"api":false, "method":true},
  "defaults": {
    "spaceReserve": "volume",
    "gosPolicy": "premium",
    "exportPolicy": "myk8scluster",
    "snapshotPolicy": "default",
    "snapshotReserve": "10"
  }
}
```

For ontap-nas and ontap-nas-flexgroups, Astra Trident now uses a new calculation to ensure that the FlexVol is sized correctly with the snapshotReserve percentage and PVC. When the user requests a PVC, Astra Trident creates the original FlexVol with more space by using the new calculation. This calculation ensures that the user receives the writable space they requested for in the PVC, and not lesser space than what they requested. Before v21.07, when the user requests a PVC (for example, 5GiB), with the snapshotReserve to 50 percent, they get only 2.5GiB of writeable space. This is because what the user requested for is the whole volume and snapshotReserve is a percentage of that. With Trident 21.07, what the user requests for is the writeable space and Astra Trident defines the snapshotReserve number as the percentage of the whole volume. This does not apply to ontap-nas-economy. See the following example to see how this works:

The calculation is as follows:

```
Total volume size = (PVC requested size) / (1 - (snapshotReserve percentage) / 100)
```

For snapshotReserve = 50%, and PVC request = 5GiB, the total volume size is 2/.5 = 10GiB and the available size is 5GiB, which is what the user requested in the PVC request. The volume show command should show results similar to this example:

```
Vserver
          Volume
                                                                     Available Used%
                        Aggregate
                                      State
                                                   Type
                                                              Size
                   _pvc_89f1c156_3801_4de4_9f9d_034d54c395f4
                                      online
                                                  RW
                                                              10GB
                                                                        5.00GB
                                                                                   0%
                   _pvc_e8372153_9ad9_474a_951a_08ae15e1c0ba
                                      online
                                                  RW
                                                               1GB
                                                                       511.8MB
                                                                                   0%
2 entries were displayed.
```

Existing backends from previous installs will provision volumes as explained above when upgrading Astra Trident. For volumes that you created before upgrading, you should resize their volumes for the change to be observed. For example, a 2GiB PVC with snapshotReserve=50 earlier resulted in a volume that provides 1GiB of writable space. Resizing the volume to 3GiB, for example, provides the application with 3GiB of writable space on a 6 GiB volume.

Examples

Minimal configuration examples

The following examples show basic configurations that leave most parameters to default. This is the easiest way to define a backend.



If you are using Amazon FSx on NetApp ONTAP with Trident, the recommendation is to specify DNS names for LIFs instead of IP addresses.

Default options on ontap-nas-economy

```
"version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas-economy",
  "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
  "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
  "svm": "svm_nfs",
  "username": "vsadmin",
  "password": "secret"
}
```

Certificate-based authentication

This is a minimal backend configuration example. clientCertificate, clientPrivateKey, and trustedCACertificate (optional, if using trusted CA) are populated in backend.json and take the base64-encoded values of the client certificate, private key, and trusted CA certificate, respectively.

```
"version": 1,
"backendName": "DefaultNASBackend",
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.15",
"svm": "nfs_svm",
"clientCertificate": "ZXR0ZXJwYXB...ICMgJ3BhcGVyc2",
"clientPrivateKey": "vciwKIyAgZG...0cnksIGRlc2NyaX",
"trustedCACertificate": "zcyBbaG...b3Igb3duIGNsYXNz",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix_"
}
```

Auto export policy

These examples show you how you can instruct Astra Trident to use dynamic export policies to create and manage the export policy automatically. This works the same for the ontap-nas-economy and ontap-nas-flexgroup drivers.

ontap-nas driver

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
    "svm": "svm_nfs",
    "labels": {"k8scluster": "test-cluster-east-1a", "backend": "test-nasbackend"},
    "autoExportPolicy": true,
    "autoExportCIDRs": ["10.0.0.0/24"],
    "username": "admin",
    "password": "secret",
    "nfsMountOptions": "nfsvers=4",
}
```

ontap-nas-flexgroup driver

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas-flexgroup",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
    "labels": {"k8scluster": "test-cluster-east-lb", "backend": "test-ontap-cluster"},
    "svm": "svm_nfs",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret",
}
```

Using IPv6 addresses

This example shows managementLIF using an IPv6 address.

```
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"backendName": "nas_ipv6_backend",
"managementLIF": "[5c5d:5edf:8f:7657:bef8:109b:1b41:d491]",
"labels": {"k8scluster": "test-cluster-east-la", "backend": "test1-ontap-ipv6"},
"svm": "nas_ipv6_svm",
"username": "vsadmin",
"password": "netapp123"
}
```

ontap-nas-economy driver

```
"version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas-economy",
  "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
  "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
  "svm": "svm_nfs",
  "username": "vsadmin",
  "password": "secret"
}
```

ontap-nas driver for Amazon FSx for ONTAP using SMB volumes

```
"version": 1,
"backendName": "SMBBackend",
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"managementLIF": "example.mgmt.fqdn.aws.com",
"nasType": "smb",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.15",
"svm": "nfs_svm",
"clientCertificate": "ZXR0ZXJwYXB...ICMgJ3BhcGVyc2",
"clientPrivateKey": "vciwKIyAgZG...0cnksIGRlc2NyaX",
"trustedCACertificate": "zcyBbaG...b3Igb3duIGNsYXNz",
"storagePrefix": "myPrefix_"
}
```

Examples of backends with virtual pools

In the sample backend definition file shown below, specific defaults are set for all storage pools, such as spaceReserve at none, spaceAllocation at false, and encryption at false. The virtual pools are defined in the storage section.

Astra Trident sets provisioning labels in the "Comments" field. Comments are set on FlexVol for ontap-nas or FlexGroup for ontap-nas-flexgroup. Astra Trident copies all labels present on a virtual pool to the storage volume at provisioning. For convenience, storage administrators can define labels per virtual pool and group volumes by label.

In this example, some of the storage pool sets their own <code>spaceReserve</code>, <code>spaceAllocation</code>, and <code>encryption</code> values, and some pools overwrite the default values set above.

```
"version": 1,
"storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
"managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
"dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
"svm": "svm nfs",
"username": "admin",
"password": "secret",
"nfsMountOptions": "nfsvers=4",
"defaults": {
      "spaceReserve": "none",
      "encryption": "false",
      "qosPolicy": "standard"
},
"labels":{"store":"nas store", "k8scluster": "prod-cluster-1"},
"region": "us east 1",
"storage": [
    {
        "labels":{"app":"msoffice", "cost":"100"},
        "zone": "us east 1a",
        "defaults": {
            "spaceReserve": "volume",
            "encryption": "true",
            "unixPermissions": "0755",
            "adaptiveQosPolicy": "adaptive-premium"
    },
        "labels": { "app": "slack", "cost": "75" },
        "zone":"us east 1b",
        "defaults": {
            "spaceReserve": "none",
            "encryption": "true",
            "unixPermissions": "0755"
    },
        "labels": { "app": "wordpress", "cost": "50"},
        "zone":"us east 1c",
        "defaults": {
            "spaceReserve": "none",
```

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas-flexgroup",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
    "svm": "svm nfs",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret",
    "defaults": {
          "spaceReserve": "none",
          "encryption": "false"
    },
    "labels":{"store":"flexgroup store", "k8scluster": "prod-cluster-
1"},
    "region": "us east 1",
    "storage": [
        {
            "labels":{"protection":"gold", "creditpoints":"50000"},
            "zone":"us east 1a",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "volume",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0755"
        },
            "labels":{"protection":"gold", "creditpoints":"30000"},
            "zone": "us east 1b",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "none",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0755"
        },
            "labels":{"protection":"silver", "creditpoints":"20000"},
            "zone": "us east 1c",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "none",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0775"
            }
```

```
},
{
    "labels":{"protection":"bronze", "creditpoints":"10000"},
    "zone":"us_east_1d",
    "defaults": {
        "spaceReserve": "volume",
        "encryption": "false",
        "unixPermissions": "0775"
    }
}
```

```
"version": 1,
    "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas-economy",
    "managementLIF": "10.0.0.1",
    "dataLIF": "10.0.0.2",
    "svm": "svm nfs",
    "username": "vsadmin",
    "password": "secret",
    "defaults": {
          "spaceReserve": "none",
          "encryption": "false"
    },
    "labels":{"store":"nas economy store"},
    "region": "us east 1",
    "storage": [
            "labels":{"department":"finance", "creditpoints":"6000"},
            "zone": "us east 1a",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "volume",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0755"
        },
            "labels":{"department":"legal", "creditpoints":"5000"},
            "zone": "us east 1b",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "none",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0755"
        },
            "labels": { "department": "engineering",
"creditpoints": "3000"},
            "zone": "us east 1c",
            "defaults": {
                "spaceReserve": "none",
                "encryption": "true",
                "unixPermissions": "0775"
            }
```

Update dataLIF after initial configuration

You can change the data LIF after initial configuration by running the following command to provide the new backend JSON file with updated data LIF.

tridentctl update backend <backend-name> -f <path-to-backend-json-filewith-updated-dataLIF>



If PVCs are attached to one or multiple pods, you must bring down all corresponding pods and then bring them back up in order to for the new data LIF to take effect.

Map backends to StorageClasses

The following StorageClass definitions refer to the above virtual pools. Using the parameters.selector field, each StorageClass calls out which virtual pool(s) can be used to host a volume. The volume will have the aspects defined in the chosen virtual pool.

- The first StorageClass (protection-gold) will map to the first, second virtual pool in the ontap-nas-flexgroup backend and the first virtual pool in the ontap-san backend. These are the only pool offering gold level protection.
- The second StorageClass (protection-not-gold) will map to the third, fourth virtual pool in ontap-nas-flexgroup backend and the second, third virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pools offering protection level other than gold.
- The third StorageClass (app-mysqldb) will map to the fourth virtual pool in ontap-nas backend and the third virtual pool in ontap-san-economy backend. These are the only pools offering storage pool configuration for mysqldb type app.
- The fourth StorageClass (protection-silver-creditpoints-20k) will map to the third virtual pool in ontap-nas-flexgroup backend and the second virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pools offering gold-level protection at 20000 creditpoints.
- The fifth StorageClass (creditpoints-5k) will map to the second virtual pool in ontap-nas-economy backend and the third virtual pool in ontap-san backend. These are the only pool offerings at 5000

creditpoints. Astra Trident will decide which virtual pool is selected and will ensure the storage requirement is met.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-gold
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection=gold"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-not-gold
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection!=gold"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: app-mysqldb
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "app=mysqldb"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: protection-silver-creditpoints-20k
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "protection=silver; creditpoints=20000"
  fsType: "ext4"
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: creditpoints-5k
provisioner: netapp.io/trident
parameters:
  selector: "creditpoints=5000"
  fsType: "ext4"
```

Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

Use Astra Trident with Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP is a fully managed AWS service that enables customers to launch and run file systems powered by the NetApp ONTAP storage operating system. FSx for ONTAP enables you to leverage NetApp features, performance, and administrative capabilities you are familiar with, while taking advantage of the simplicity, agility, security, and scalability of storing data on AWS. FSx for ONTAP supports ONTAP file system features and administration APIs.

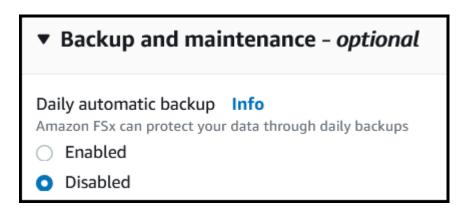
A file system is the primary resource in Amazon FSx, analogous to an ONTAP cluster on premises. Within each SVM you can create one or multiple volumes, which are data containers that store the files and folders in your file system. With Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP, Data ONTAP will be provided as a managed file system in the cloud. The new file system type is called **NetApp ONTAP**.

Using Astra Trident with Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP, you can ensure Kubernetes clusters running in Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS) can provision block and file persistent volumes backed by ONTAP.

Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP uses FabricPool to manage storage tiers. It enables you to store data in a tier, based on whether the data is frequently accessed.

Considerations

- SMB volumes:
 - · SMB volumes are supported using the ontap-nas driver only.
 - Astra Trident supports SMB volumes mounted to pods running on Windows nodes only.
 - · Astra Trident does not support Windows ARM architecture.
- Volumes created on Amazon FSx file systems that have automatic backups enabled cannot be deleted by Trident. To delete PVCs, you need to manually delete the PV and the FSx for ONTAP volume. To prevent this issue:
 - Do not use **Quick create** to create the FSx for ONTAP file system. The quick create workflow enables automatic backups and does not provide an opt-out option.
 - When using Standard create, disable automatic backup. Disabling automatic backups allows Trident to successfully delete a volume without further manual intervention.



Drivers

You can integrate Astra Trident with Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP using the following drivers:

- ontap-san: Each PV provisioned is a LUN within its own Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP volume.
- ontap-san-economy: Each PV provisioned is a LUN with a configurable number of LUNs per Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP volume.
- ontap-nas: Each PV provisioned is a full Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP volume.
- ontap-nas-economy: Each PV provisioned is a qtree, with a configurable number of qtrees per Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP volume.
- ontap-nas-flexgroup: Each PV provisioned is a full Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP FlexGroup volume.

For driver details, see ONTAP drivers.

Authentication

Astra Trident offers two modes of authentication.

- Certificate-based: Astra Trident will communicate with the SVM on your FSx file system using a certificate installed on your SVM.
- Credential-based: You can use the fsxadmin user for your file system or the vsadmin user configured for your SVM.



Astra Trident expects to be run as a vsadmin SVM user or as a user with a different name that has the same role. Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP has an fsxadmin user that is a limited replacement of the ONTAP admin cluster user. We strongly recommend using vsadmin with Astra Trident.

You can update backends to move between credential-based and certificate-based methods. However, if you attempt to provide **credentials and certificates**, backend creation will fail. To switch to a different authentication method, you must remove the existing method from the backend configuration.

For details on enabling authentication, refer to the authentication for your driver type:

- ONTAP NAS authentication
- ONTAP SAN authentication

Find more information

- Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP documentation
- Blog post on Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

Integrate Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

You can integrate your Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP file system with Astra Trident to ensure Kubernetes clusters running in Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS) can provision block and file persistent volumes backed by ONTAP.

Before you begin

In addition to Astra Trident requirements, to integrate FSx for ONTAP with Astra Trident, you need:

- An existing Amazon EKS cluster or self-managed Kubernetes cluster with kubect1 installed.
- An existing Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP file system and storage virtual machine (SVM) that is reachable from your cluster's worker nodes.
- Worker nodes that are prepared for NFS or iSCSI.



Ensure you follow the node preparation steps required for Amazon Linux and Ubuntu Amazon Machine Images (AMIs) depending on your EKS AMI type.

Additional requirements for SMB volumes

- A Kubernetes cluster with a Linux controller node and at least one Windows worker node running Windows Server 2019. Astra Trident supports SMB volumes mounted to pods running on Windows nodes only.
- At least one Astra Trident secret containing your Active Directory credentials. To generate secret smbcreds:

```
kubectl create secret generic smbcreds --from-literal username=user
--from-literal password='pw'
```

• A CSI proxy configured as a Windows service. To configure a csi-proxy, refer to GitHub: CSI Proxy or GitHub: CSI Proxy for Windows for Kubernetes nodes running on Windows.

ONTAP SAN and NAS driver integration



If you are configuring for SMB volumes, you must read Prepare to provision SMB volumes before creating the backend.

Steps

- 1. Deploy Astra Trident using one of the deployment methods.
- 2. Collect your SVM management LIF DNS name. For example, using the AWS CLI, find the DNSName entry under Endpoints → Management after running the following command:

```
aws fsx describe-storage-virtual-machines --region <file system region>
```

3. Create and install certificates for NAS backend authentication or SAN backend authentication.



You can log in to your file system (for example to install certificates) using SSH from anywhere that can reach your file system. Use the fsxadmin user, the password you configured when you created your file system, and the management DNS name from aws fsx describe-file-systems.

4. Create a backend file using your certificates and the DNS name of your management LIF, as shown in the sample below:

For information about creating backends, see these links:

- Configure a backend with ONTAP NAS drivers
- · Configure a backend with ONTAP SAN drivers

Results

After deployment, you can create a storage class, provision a volume, and mount the volume in a pod.

Prepare to provision SMB volumes

You can provision SMB volumes using the ontap-nas driver. Before you complete ONTAP SAN and NAS driver integration complete the following steps.

Steps

- Create SMB shares. You can create the SMB admin shares in one of two ways either using the Microsoft Management Console Shared Folders snap-in or using the ONTAP CLI. To create the SMB shares using the ONTAP CLI:
 - a. If necessary, create the directory path structure for the share.

The vserver cifs share create command checks the path specified in the -path option during share creation. If the specified path does not exist, the command fails.

b. Create an SMB share associated with the specified SVM:

```
vserver cifs share create -vserver vserver_name -share-name
share_name -path path [-share-properties share_properties,...]
[other_attributes] [-comment text]
```

c. Verify that the share was created:

```
vserver cifs share show -share-name share_name
```



Refer to Create an SMB share for full details.

2. When creating the backend, you must configure the following to specify SMB volumes. For all FSx for ONTAP backend configuration options, refer to FSx for ONTAP configuration options and examples.

Parameter	Description	Example
smbShare	Name of the SMB share created using Shared Folder Microsoft Management Console. For example "smb-share". Required for SMB volumes.	smb-share
nasType	Must set to smb. If null, defaults to nfs.	smb
securityStyle	Security style for new volumes. Must be set to ntfs or mixed for SMB volumes.	ntfs or mixed for SMB volumes
unixPermissions	Mode for new volumes. Must be left empty for SMB volumes.	111

FSx for ONTAP configuration options and examples

Learn about backend configuration options for Amazon FSx for ONTAP. This section provides backend configuration examples.

Backend configuration options

See the following table for the backend configuration options:

Parameter	Description	Example
version		Always 1
storageDriverName	Name of the storage driver	"ontap-nas", "ontap-nas-economy", "ontap-nas-flexgroup", "ontap-san", "ontap-san-economy"
backendName	Custom name or the storage backend	Driver name + "_" + dataLIF

Parameter	Description	Example
managementLIF	IP address of a cluster or SVM management LIF For seamless MetroCluster switchover, you must specify an SVM management LIF. A fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) can be specified. Can be set to use IPv6 addresses if Astra Trident was installed using theuse-ipv6 flag. IPv6 addresses must be defined in square brackets, such as [28e8:d9fb:a825:b7bf:69a8:d02f:9e 7b:3555].	"10.0.0.1", "[2001:1234:abcd::fefe]"
dataLIF	IP address of protocol LIF. ONTAP NAS drivers: We recommend specifying dataLIF. If not provided, Astra Trident fetches data LIFs from the SVM. You can specify a fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) to be used for the NFS mount operations, allowing you to create a round-robin DNS to load-balance across multiple data LIFs. Can be changed after initial setting. Refer to Update dataLIF after initial configuration. ONTAP SAN drivers: Do not specify for iSCSI. Astra Trident uses ONTAP Selective LUN Map to discover the iSCI LIFs needed to establish a multi path session. A warning is generated if dataLIF is explicitly defined. Can be set to use IPv6 addresses if Astra Trident was installed using theuse-ipv6 flag. IPv6 addresses must be defined in square brackets, such as [28e8:d9fb:a825:b7bf:69a8:d02f:9e7b:3555].	

Parameter	Description	Example
autoExportPolicy	Enable automatic export policy creation and updating [Boolean]. Using the autoExportPolicy and autoExportCIDRs options, Astra Trident can manage export policies automatically.	"false"
autoExportCIDRs	List of CIDRs to filter Kubernetes' node IPs against when autoExportPolicy is enabled. Using the autoExportPolicy and autoExportCIDRs options, Astra Trident can manage export policies automatically.	"["0.0.0.0/0", "::/0"]"
labels	Set of arbitrary JSON-formatted labels to apply on volumes	****
clientCertificate	Base64-encoded value of client certificate. Used for certificate-based auth	""
clientPrivateKey	Base64-encoded value of client private key. Used for certificate-based auth	""
trustedCACertificate	Base64-encoded value of trusted CA certificate. Optional. Used for certificate-based authentication.	""
username	Username to connect to the cluster or SVM. Used for credential-based authentication. For example, vsadmin.	
password	Password to connect to the cluster or SVM. Used for credential-based authentication.	
svm	Storage virtual machine to use	Derived if an SVM managementLIF is specified.
igroupName	Name of the igroup for SAN volumes to use. Refer to Details about igroupName.	"trident- <backend-uuid>"</backend-uuid>
storagePrefix	Prefix used when provisioning new volumes in the SVM. Cannot be modified after creation. To update this parameter, you will need to create a new backend.	"trident"

Parameter	Description	Example
limitAggregateUsage	Do not specify for Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP. The provided fsxadmin and vsadmin do not contain the permissions required to retrieve aggregate usage and limit it using Astra Trident.	Do not use.
limitVolumeSize	Fail provisioning if requested volume size is above this value. Also restricts the maximum size of the volumes it manages for qtrees and LUNs, and the qtreesPerFlexvol option allows customizing the maximum number of qtrees per FlexVol.	"" (not enforced by default)
lunsPerFlexvol	Maximum LUNs per Flexvol, must be in range [50, 200]. SAN only.	"100"
debugTraceFlags	Debug flags to use when troubleshooting. Example, {"api":false, "method":true} Do not use debugTraceFlags unless you are troubleshooting and require a detailed log dump.	null
nfsMountOptions	Comma-separated list of NFS mount options. The mount options for Kubernetespersistent volumes are normally specified in storage classes, but if no mount options are specified in a storage class, Astra Trident will fall back to using the mount options specified in the storage backend's configuration file. If no mount options are specified in the storage class or the configuration file, Astra Trident will not set any mount options on an associated persistent volume.	

Parameter	Description	Example
nasType	Configure NFS or SMB volumes creation. Options are nfs, smb, or null. Must set to smb for SMB volumes. Setting to null defaults to NFS volumes.	"nfs"
qtreesPerFlexvol	Maximum Qtrees per FlexVol, must be in range [50, 300]	"200"
smbShare	Name of the SMB share created using Shared Folder Microsoft Management Console. Required for SMB volumes.	"smb-share"
useREST	Boolean parameter to use ONTAP REST APIs. Tech preview useREST is provided as a tech preview that is recommended for test environments and not for production workloads. When set to true, Astra Trident will use ONTAP REST APIs to communicate with the backend. This feature requires ONTAP 9.11.1 and later. In addition, the ONTAP login role used must have access to the ontap application. This is satisfied by the pre-defined vsadmin and cluster-admin roles.	"false"

Details about igroupName

igroupName can be set to an igroup that is already created on the ONTAP cluster. If unspecified, Astra Trident automatically creates an igroup named trident-cbackend-UUID>.

If providing a pre-defined igroupName, we recommend using one igroup per Kubernetes cluster, if the SVM is to be shared between environments. This is necessary for Astra Trident to automatically maintain IQN additions and deletions.

- igroupName can be updated to point to a new igroup that is created and managed on the SVM outside of Astra Trident.
- igroupName can be omitted. In this case, Astra Trident will create and manage an igroup named trident-
backend-UUID> automatically.

In both cases, volume attachments will continue to be accessible. Future volume attachments will use the

updated igroup. This update does not disrupt access to volumes present on the backend.

Update dataLIF after initial configuration

You can change the data LIF after initial configuration by running the following command to provide the new backend JSON file with updated data LIF.

tridentctl update backend <backend-name> -f <path-to-backend-json-filewith-updated-dataLIF>



If PVCs are attached to one or multiple pods, you must bring down all corresponding pods and then bring them back up in order to for the new data LIF to take effect.

Backend configuration options for provisioning volumes

You can control default provisioning using these options in the defaults section of the configuration. For an example, see the configuration examples below.

Parameter	Description	Default
spaceAllocation	Space-allocation for LUNs	"true"
spaceReserve	Space reservation mode; "none" (thin) or "volume" (thick)	"none"
snapshotPolicy	Snapshot policy to use	"none"
qosPolicy	QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool or backend. Using QoS policy groups with Astra Trident requires ONTAP 9.8 or later. We recommend using a non-shared QoS policy group and ensuring the policy group is applied to each constituent individually. A shared QoS policy group will enforce the ceiling for the total throughput of all workloads.	
adaptiveQosPolicy	Adaptive QoS policy group to assign for volumes created. Choose one of qosPolicy or adaptiveQosPolicy per storage pool or backend. Not supported by ontap-nas-economy.	6437
snapshotReserve	Percentage of volume reserved for snapshots "0"	<pre>If snapshotPolicy is "none", else ""</pre>

Parameter	Description	Default
splitOnClone	Split a clone from its parent upon creation	"false"
encryption	Enable NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE) on the new volume; defaults to false. NVE must be licensed and enabled on the cluster to use this option. If NAE is enabled on the backend, any volume provisioned in Astra Trident will be NAE enabled. For more information, refer to: How Astra Trident works with NVE and NAE.	"false"
luksEncryption	Enable LUKS encryption. Refer to Use Linux Unified Key Setup (LUKS). SAN only.	····
tieringPolicy	Tiering policy to use "none"	"snapshot-only" for pre-ONTAP 9.5 SVM-DR configuration
unixPermissions	Mode for new volumes.	ш
	Leave empty for SMB volumes.	
securityStyle	Security style for new volumes. NFS supports mixed and unix security styles.	NFS default is unix. SMB default is ntfs.
	SMB supports mixed and ntfs security styles.	

Example

Using nasType, node-stage-secret-name, and node-stage-secret-namespace, you can specify an SMB volume and provide the required Active Directory credentials. SMB volumes are supported using the ontap-nas driver only.

```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
   name: nas-smb-sc
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
   backendType: "ontap-nas"
   trident.netapp.io/nasType: "smb"
   csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-name: "smbcreds"
   csi.storage.k8s.io/node-stage-secret-namespace: "default"
```

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