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Running Flatcar Container Linux on OpenStack

These instructions will walk you through downloading Flatcar Container Linux for OpenStack, importing it with the `glance` tool, and running your first cluster with the `nova` tool.

Import the image

These steps will download the Flatcar Container Linux image, uncompress it, and then import it into the glance image store.

Choosing a channel

Flatcar Container Linux is designed to be updated automatically with different schedules per channel. You can [disable this feature](#), although we don't recommend



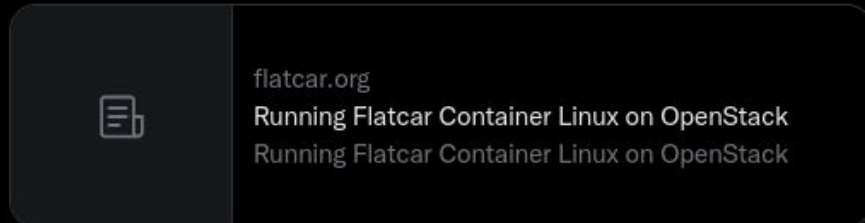
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So while @andrew_randall wondered if I had any feedback on the Flatcar images built for #openstack (I don't, yet!) flatcar.org/docs/latest/in... (1/2)



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Andy Randall 
@andrew_randall



En réponse à @beddari

I see the docs seem out of date (e.g. seems like one uses 'openstack server create', not 'nova boot' these days). Do feel free to contribute any updates as you work through it ;-)

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Devstack

- <https://opendev.org/openstack/devstack>

The screenshot shows the OpenStack dashboard interface. At the top left, the OpenStack logo and the text "openstack." are visible, along with a user menu for "admin". The breadcrumb navigation shows "Project / Compute / Instances". The main heading is "Instances". Below the heading, there is a search bar for "Instance ID" and buttons for "Filter" and "Launch Instance". A table with the following columns is present: Instance Name, Image Name, IP Address, Flavor, Key Pair, Status, Availability Zone, Task, Power State, Age, and Actions. The table currently displays "No items to display." The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with items: Project, API Access, Compute, Overview, Instances (highlighted), Images, Key Pairs, Server Groups, Volumes, Network, Admin, and Identity.

Project / Compute / Instances

Instances

Instance ID = Filter Launch Instance

Instance Name	Image Name	IP Address	Flavor	Key Pair	Status	Availability Zone	Task	Power State	Age	Actions
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Project
API Access
Compute
Overview
Instances
Images
Key Pairs
Server Groups
Volumes
Network
Admin
Identity

Testing Flatcar on Openstack

1. Import the Image

```
ore openstack create-image \  
  --name flatcar-lts-3033 \  
  --file https://lts.release.flatcar-linux.net/amd64-usr/current/flatcar_production_openstack_image.img.gz \  
  --config-file ./openstack.json
```

2. Run the test

```
kola run \  
  --platform openstack \  
  --openstack-network public \  
  --openstack-domain default \  
  --openstack-flavor m1.medium \  
  --openstack-user root \  
  --openstack-host 1.2.3.4 \  
  --openstack-keyfile keys/id_rsa \  
  --openstack-image "${IMAGE_ID}" \  
  --openstack-config-file ./openstack.json \  
  kubeadm.v1.22.7.cilium.base
```

Debug the instance

Instances

Instance ID = Filter [Launch Instance](#) [Delete Instances](#) [More Actions](#)

Displaying 1 item

Instance Name	Image Name	IP Address	Flavor	Key Pair	Status	Availability Zone	Task	Power State	Age	Actions
kola-7b13d615-4344e9845e	flatcar-lts-3033	172.24.4.140	m1.medium	kola-1101c294-797a-4b12-82fb-911aa4f8088a	Active	nova	None	Running	0 minutes	Create Snapshot

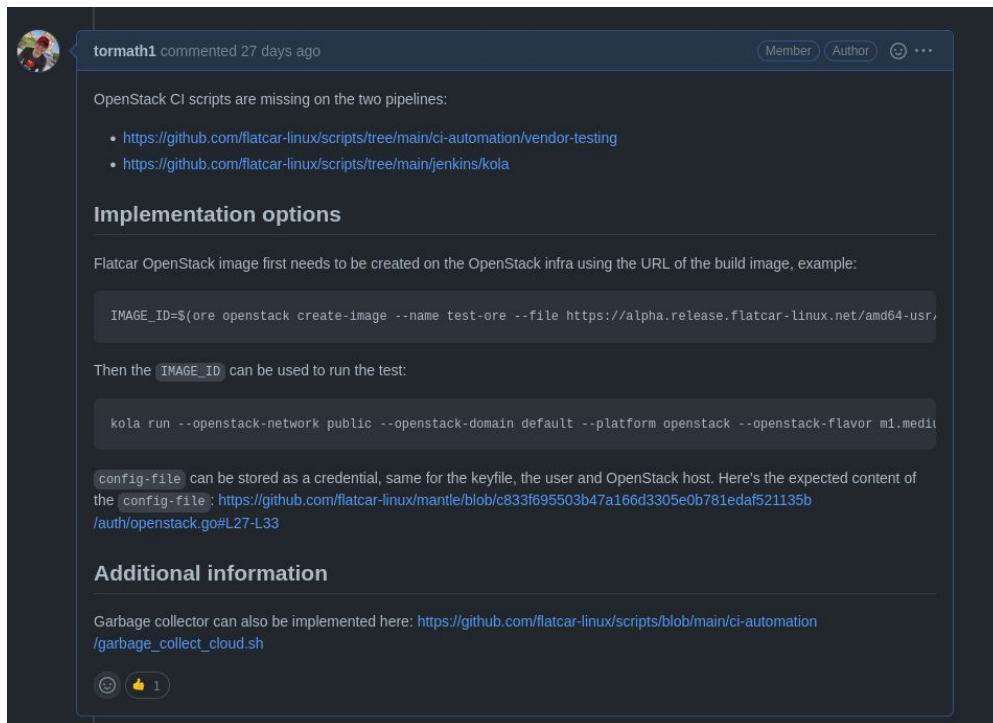
Displaying 1 item

- `ssh -J root@1.2.3.4 core@172.24.4.140`

```
core@kola-7b13d615-4344e9845e ~ $ cat /etc/motd
Flatcar Container Linux by Kinvolk lts 3033.3.5 for openstack
```

Next steps

- Plug with ci-automation (<https://github.com/flatcar-linux/Flatcar/issues/785>)



tormath1 commented 27 days ago

OpenStack CI scripts are missing on the two pipelines:

- <https://github.com/flatcar-linux/scripts/tree/main/ci-automation/vendor-testing>
- <https://github.com/flatcar-linux/scripts/tree/main/jenkins/kola>

Implementation options

Flatcar OpenStack image first needs to be created on the OpenStack infra using the URL of the build image, example:

```
IMAGE_ID=$(ore openstack create-image --name test-ore --file https://alpha.release.flatcar-linux.net/amd64-usr,
```

Then the `IMAGE_ID` can be used to run the test:

```
kola run --openstack-network public --openstack-domain default --platform openstack --openstack-flavor m1.medium
```

`config-file` can be stored as a credential, same for the keyfile, the user and OpenStack host. Here's the expected content of the `config-file`: <https://github.com/flatcar-linux/mantle/blob/c833f695503b47a166d3305e0b781edaf521135b/auth/openstack.go#L27-L33>

Additional information

Garbage collector can also be implemented here: https://github.com/flatcar-linux/scripts/blob/main/ci-automation/garbage_collect_cloud.sh

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