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About VMware GemFire® for VMs

VMware GemFire for VMs is a high-performance, high-availability caching layer for VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs). GemFire offers an in-memory key-value store. It delivers low-latency responses to a large number of concurrent data-access requests.

GemFire provides a service broker to create in-memory data clusters on demand. These clusters are dedicated to the TAS for VMs space and tuned for specific use cases defined by your service plan. Service operators can create multiple plans to support different use cases.

VMware GemFire for VMs uses VMware GemFire v9.10.13. The VMware GemFire API Documentation details the API for client access to data objects within VMware GemFire. GemFire supports writing JavaScript apps with the Node.js Client for VMware Tanzu™ GemFire®.

This documentation performs the following functions:

- Describes the features and architecture of GemFire
- Provides the VMware Application Service for VMs operator with instructions for installing, configuring, and maintaining GemFire
- Provides app developers instructions for choosing a service plan and creating and deleting GemFire service instances
- Provides app developers instructions for binding apps

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Product Snapshot and Version Compatibility

The following table provides version and version-support information about VMware GemFire for VMs:

Element	Details
Version	1.12.4
Release date	December 16, 2021
Software component version	VMware GemFire v9.10.13
Compatible Ops Manager version(s)	v2.10.x, v2.9.x
Compatible VMware Application Service for VMs version(s)	v2.10.x, v2.9.x
laaS support	AWS, Azure, GCP, OpenStack, vSphere

IPsec support	Yes
Required BOSH stemcell version	Xenial v621.183 or a more recent version
JDK shipped with Tanzu GemFire	1.8_242
Minimum Java buildpack version required for apps	v4.18 A v4.36 Java buildpack requires customization to work with an app that will be bound to a session replication service. For more information about customization, see Tomcat Session State Caching.

The following table identifies the Apache Geode or Tanzu GemFire version incorporated into the Tanzu GemFire for VMs version.

Tanzu GemFire for VMs version	Tanzu GemFire version	Apache Geode version
1.14.5	v1.15.1	
1.14.4		v1.14.4
1.14.3		v1.14.3
1.14.2		v1.14.2
1.14.1*		v1.14.1
1.14.0*		v1.14.0
1.13.7		v1.13.8
1.13.6		v1.13.7
1.13.5		v1.13.6
1.13.4*		v1.13.5
1.13.3*		v1.13.4
1.13.2*		v1.13.3
1.13.1*		v1.13.2
1.13.0*		v1.13.1
1.13.0 Beta*		Build 312 for v1.13
1.12.4	9.10.13	
1.12.3	9.10.8	
1.12.2	9.10.6	
1.12.1	9.10.5	
1.12.0	9.10.2	
1.11.3	9.9.5	
1.11.2	9.9.3	
1.11.1	9.9.2	

1.11.0	9.9.1
1.10.9	9.9.7
1.10.8	9.9.6
1.10.7	9.9.6
1.10.6*	9.9.6
1.10.5*	9.9.5
1.10.4*	9.9.4
1.10.3*	9.9.3
1.10.2*	9.9.2
1.10.1*	9.9.1
1.10.0*	9.9.0
1.9.2	9.8.6
1.9.1	9.8.4
1.9.0*	9.8.3

^{*} This version is not available on VMware Tanzu Network.

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VMware Tanzu GemFire and Other VMware Tanzu Application Service for VMs Services

As well as GemFire, other services offer *on-demand* service plans. These plans let developers provision service instances when they want.

These contrast with the older *pre-provisioned* service plans, which require operators to provision the service instances during installation and configuration through the service tile UI.

The following table lists which service tiles offer on-demand and pre-provisioned service plans:

Service tile	Standalone product related to the service	Supports on-demand	Supports pre-provisioned
RabbitMQ for VMware Tanzu [VMs]	Pivotal RabbitMQ	Yes	Yes. Only recommended for test environments.
Redis for VMware Tanzu	Redis	Yes	Yes (shared-VM plan). Only recommended for test environments.
VMware Tanzu SQL [MySQL]	MySQL	Yes	No
VMware Tanzu GemFire	VMware GemFire	Yes	No

For services that offer both on-demand and pre-provisioned plans, you can choose the plan you

want to use when configuring the tile.

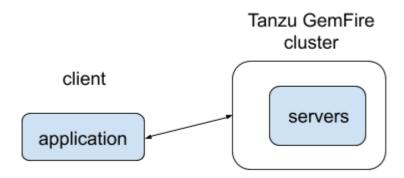
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VMware Tanzu GemFire Architecture

Tanzu GemFire Basics

VMware GemFire is the data store within VMware GemFire for VMs. A GemFire service instance requires a small amount of administrative VMware GemFire setup, and any app will use a limited portion of the VMware GemFire API.

The GemFire architectural model is a client-server model. The clients are apps or microservices, and the servers are a set of VMware GemFire servers maintained by a GemFire service instance. The VMware GemFire servers provide a low-latency, consistent, fault-tolerant data store within GemFire.



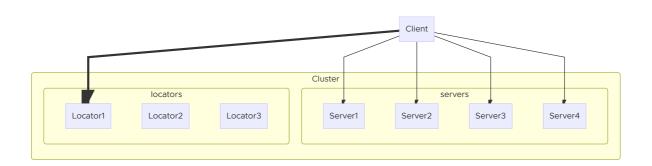
VMware GemFire holds data in key/value pairs. Each pair is called an **entry**. Entries are logically grouped into sets called **regions**. A region is a map (or dictionary) data structure.

The app (client) uses GemFire as a cache. A cache lookup (read) is a get operation on a VMware GemFire region. The cache operation of a cache write is a put operation on a VMware GemFire region. The VMware GemFire command-line interface, called gfsh, facilitates region administration. Use gfsh to create and destroy regions within the GemFire service instance.

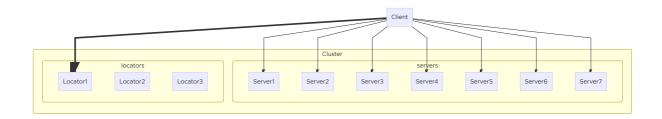
The GemFire Cluster

GemFire deploys cache clusters that use VMware GemFire to provide high availability, replication guarantees, and eventual consistency.

When you first spin up a cluster, you have three locators and at least four servers.

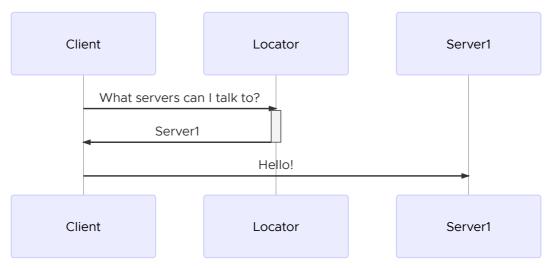


When you scale up the cluster, you have more servers, increasing the capacity of the cache. There are always three locators.

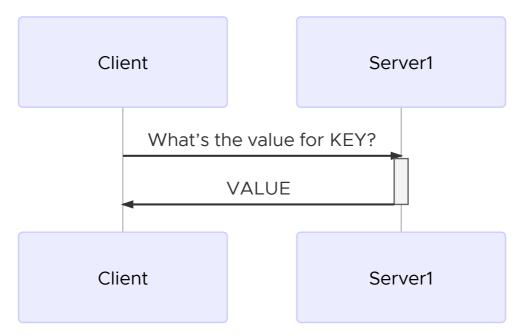


Member Communication

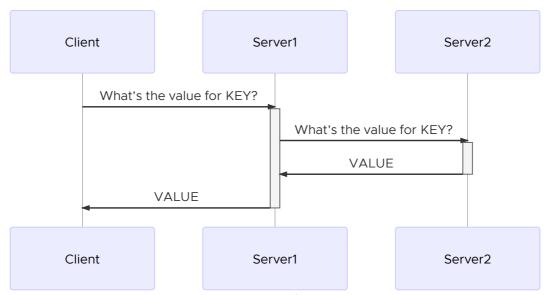
When a client connects to the cluster, it first connects to a locator. The locator replies with the IP address of a server for it to talk to. The client then connects to that server.



When the client wants to read or write data, it sends a request directly to the server.



If the server doesn't have the data locally, it fetches it from another server.



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Recommended Usage and Limitations

- See Design Patterns for descriptions of the variety of design patterns that VMware GemFire for VMs supports.
- GemFire stores objects in key/value format, where the value can be any object.
- See gfsh Command Restrictions for limitations on the use of gfsh commands.

Limitations

- GemFire does not support scaling down of the cluster.
- GemFire does not support plan migrations. The -p option to the cf update-service command is not supported.

- GemFire does not publish locator metrics for service instances created as Co-located Single VM plans or Co-located Multi VM plans.
- The VMware GemFire Developer REST API is not available for data operations.

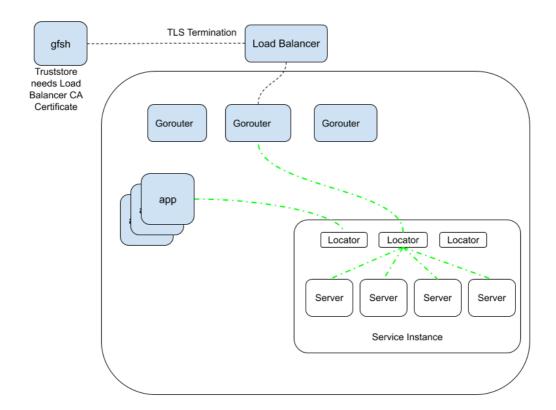
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Security

The security measures implemented for a VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) foundation and for VMware GemFire for VMs service instances within that foundation attempt to reduce harm from agents with foundation access. See Cloud Foundry Security for a general presentation on TAS for VMs security. Transport-Layer Security (TLS) encryption prevents easy access to communication between components, and role-based authentication and authorization limits access to data.

TLS Encryption for the GemFire Service Instance

Without TLS encryption with and within the GemFire service instance, the diagram below identifies via green dotted-and-dashed lines the unencrypted, plaintext communication that a bad agent with TAS for VMs foundation access could listen to without TLS encryption.



Each of these unencrypted communication paths may be TLS-encrypted. Enabling TLS encryption implements a one-way authentication of apps, verifying the identity of cluster members.

You must also secure gfsh communication. Follow directions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS.

Networking

To allow app access to the PCC network, create application security groups. Allow access on the following ports:

- 1099
- 8080
- 40404
- 55221

For more information, see TAS for VMs documentation on Restricting App Access to Internal PAS Components.

GemFire works with the IPsec Add-on for TAS for VMs (see Securing Data in Transit with the IPsec Add-on).

Security within the VMware GemFire Cluster

The VMware GemFire cluster within a GemFire service instance implements role-based authentication and authorizes cluster operations based upon the roles.

There are two sets of roles:

- One set has four roles for users that integrate an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA). See Configuring UAA Roles for a description of the roles and the configuration that completes the integration.
- The other set of roles defaults when there is no external authentication system integrated during the GemFire tile installation. The identifiers assigned for these roles are detailed in Create Service Keys. GemFire service instances are created with three default VMware GemFire user roles for interacting with clusters:
 - Cluster operator: manages the VMware GemFire cluster and can access region data. Has the permissions CLUSTER: MANAGE, CLUSTER: WRITE, CLUSTER: READ, DATA: MANAGE, DATA: WRITE, and DATA: READ.
 - Developer: can access region data. Has the permissions CLUSTER: READ, DATA: WRITE, and DATA: READ.
 - **Gateway sender:** propagates region data to another GemFire service instance. Has the permission DATA: WRITE.

Which set is used for a GemFire service instance depends on the options chosen during GemFire tile installation.

All gfsh and JMX clients must authenticate as one of these user roles to access the cluster. To authorize operations, each user role is given predefined permissions for cluster operations. To accomplish a cluster operation, the user authenticates using one of the roles. Prior to initiating the requested operation, there is a verification that the authenticated user role has permission to do the operation. Read more about these permissions in Implementing Authorization.

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Operator Guide

This document describes how a VMware Application Service for VMs operator can install, configure, and maintain VMware GemFire for VMs.

In this topic:

- Preparing for Installation
 - Networking for On-Demand-Services
 - Preparing for TLS
 - Create a UAA Client
- Installing and Configuring VMware GemFire for VMs
 - Configure Tile Properties
- Configuring User Account and Authentication (UAA) Roles
- Setting Service Instance Quotas
- Upgrading VMware GemFire for VMs
 - Enable Individual Service Instance Upgrades
- Updating VMware GemFire for VMs Plans
- Uninstalling VMware GemFire for VMs
- Backing Up and Restoring Service Instances
- Enable Service Instance Sharing
- Managing Certificates
- Restoring a WAN Connection

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Preparing for Installation

Work through these items prior to VMware GemFire for VMs tile installation.

- The Networking for On-Demand Services section describes networking requirements for GemFire.
- GemFire requires TLS encryption for using gfsh and Pulse. Follow the instructions in Preparing for TLS to set up TLS encryption.
- For systems that implement an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA), follow the instructions within such as LDAP, follow the instructions

within Create a UAA Client. There are also additional configuration steps to set up the system, as given within Configuring UAA Roles.

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Networking for On-Demand Services

- Service Network Requirement
 - Default Network and Service Network
 - Required Networking Rules for On-Demand Services
- GemFire Instances Across WAN

This section describes networking considerations for VMware GemFire for VMs.

Service Network Requirement

When you deploy VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs), you must create a statically defined network to host the component VMs that make up the infrastructure. Components, such as Cloud Controller and UAA, run on this infrastructure network.

On-demand services might require you to host them on a separate network from the default network. You can also deploy on-demand services on a separate service networks to meet your own security requirements.

TAS for VMs supports dynamic networking. Operators can use dynamic networking with asynchronous service provisioning to define dynamically-provisioned service networks. For more information, see Default Network and Service Network below.

On-demand services are enabled by default on all networks. Operators can optionally create separate networks to host services in BOSH Director. Operators can select which network hosts on-demand service instances when they configure the tile for that service.

Default Network and Service Network

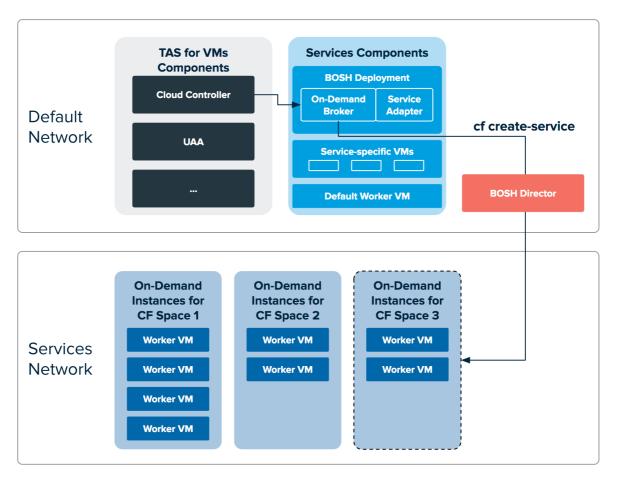
On-demand GemFire services use BOSH to dynamically deploy VMs and create single-tenant service instances in a dedicated network. On-demand services use the dynamically-provisioned service network to host single-tenant worker VMs. These worker VMs run as service instances within development spaces.

This on-demand architecture has the following advantages:

- Developers can provision laaS resources for their services instances when the instances are created. This removes the need for operators to pre-provision a fixed amount of laaS resources when they deploy the service broker.
- Service instances run on a dedicated VM and do not share VMs with unrelated processes.
 This removes the "noisy neighbor" problem, where an app monopolizes resources on a shared cluster.
- Single-tenant services can support regulatory compliances where sensitive data must be separated across different machines.

An on-demand service separates operations between the default network and the service network. Shared service components, such as executive controllers and databases, Cloud Controller, UAA, and other on-demand components, run on the default network. Worker pools deployed to specific spaces run on the service network.

The diagram below shows worker VMs in an on-demand service instance running on a separate services network, while other components run on the default network.



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Required Networking Rules for On-Demand Services

Before deploying a service tile that uses the on-demand service broker (ODB), you must create networking rules to enable components to communicate with ODB. For instructions for creating networking rules, see the documentation for your laaS.

The following table lists key components and their responsibilities in the on-demand architecture.

Key Components	Component Responsibilities
BOSH Director	Creates and updates service instances as instructed by ODB.
BOSH Agent	Adds an agent on every VM that it deploys. The agent listens for instructions from the BOSH Director and executes those instructions. The agent receives job specifications from the BOSH Director and uses them to assign a role or job to the VM.
BOSH UAA	Issues OAuth2 tokens for clients to use when they act on behalf of BOSH users.

VMware Application Service for VMs	Contains the apps that consume services.
ODB	Instructs BOSH to create and update services. Connects to services to create bindings.
Deployed service instance	Runs the given service. For example, a deployed GemFire service instance runs the GemFire service.

Regardless of the specific network layout, the operator must ensure network rules are set up so that connections are open as described in the table below.

This component	Must communicate with	Default TCP Port	Commu nicatio n directio n(s)	Notes
GemFire cluster members	GemFire cluster members	49152-65535	Two- way	Inclusive range. GemFire servers and locators communicate with each other using UDP and TCP.
GemFire Service Instance 1	GemFire Service Instance 2	5000-5499	Two- way	Inclusive range. Gateway receivers and gateway senders communicate across WAN-separated service instances. Each GemFire service instance uses VMware GemFire defaults for the gateway receiver ports.
ODB	 BOSH Director BOSH UAA 	 25555 (BOSH Director) 8443 (UAA) 8844 (CredHu b) 	One- way	The BOSH Director and BOSH UAA default ports are not configurable. The CredHub default port is configurable.
ODB	VMware Application Service for VMs	8443	One- way	The default port is not configurable.
Errand VMs	 VMware Applicati on Service for VMs ODB 	4438080	One- way	The default port is not configurable.
BOSH Agent	BOSH Director	4222	Two- way	The BOSH Agent runs on every VM in the system, including the BOSH Director VM. The BOSH Agent initiates the connection with the BOSH Director. The default port is not configurable.

Deployed apps on VMware Application	Deployed service instances	•	55221 (VMware GemFire locators)	Two- way	These port numbers are not configurable.
Service for VMs		•	40404 (VMware GemFire servers)		
VMware Application Service for VMs	 ODB Deployed service instances 	8080		One- way	PAS communicates with service instances because the Gorouter proxies gfsh requests to VMware GemFire clusters.
GemFire	GemFire	1053		Two- way	Allows DNS resolution for clusters communicating across a WAN-connected system.

GemFire Instances Across WAN

GemFire service instances running within distinct VMware Application Service for VMs foundations may communicate with each other across a WAN. In a topology such as this, the members within one service instance use their own private address space, as defined in RFC1918.

A VPN may be used to connect the private network spaces that lay across the WAN. The steps required to enable the connectivity by VPN are dependent on the laaS provider(s).

The private address space for each service instance's network must be configured with non-overlapping CIDR blocks. Configure the network prior to creating service instances. Locate directions for creating a network on the appropriate IAAS provider within the section titled Architecture and Installation Overview.

Open port 1053 to allow DNS resolution of other WAN-connected clusters.

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Preparing for Transport Layer Security (TLS)

This topic describes how to provide an existing Certificate Authority (CA) certificate to BOSH CredHub and how to generate a new CA certificate with BOSH CredHub, if you do not already have one.



WARNING: This procedure involves restarting all of the VMs in an existing VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) deployment in order to propagate a CA certificate. The operation can take a long time to complete.

Overview

Enabling TLS provisions VMware GemFire for VMs service instances with a certificate, so that apps, gfsh, and Pulse can establish encrypted connections with the GemFire service instance.

The certificate deployed on the GemFire service instance is a **server certificate**. The server certificate is generated by **CredHub**, a component designed for centralized credential management in TAS for VMs. CredHub is deployed on the same VM as the BOSH Director.

CredHub generates the server certificate using a **Certificate Authority (CA) certificate**. The CA certificate must be provided to CredHub by the operator or generated by CredHub.

Apps use the CA certificate to authenticate components of GemFire service instances. Apps that communicate with GemFire must have access to the CA certificate in order to validate that the server certificate can be trusted.



WARNING: An operator must rotate the CA certificate if it expires or if it becomes compromised. To rotate your CA certificate, see Managing Certificates. Do not attempt to rotate a CA certificate on your own. Contact Support and perform the procedure with their assistance.

Provide or Generate a CA Certificate

TLS authorization requires a credential generated by CredHub. You do not need to create a new User Account and Authentication (UAA) client for CredHub specifically to support TLS, as long as a UAA Client exists with credhub.write and credhub.read permissions. The client used in this section is one that was created during the Ops Manager installation process: the ops_manager client.

Perform the following steps to log in to CredHub and provide or generate a CA certificate:

1. From the Ops Manager VM, set the API target of the CredHub CLI to your CredHub server:

```
credhub api https://BOSH-DIRECTOR:8844 --ca-cert=/var/tempest/workspaces/default/root_c
a_certificate
```

Where BOSH-DIRECTOR is the IP address of the BOSH Director VM.

For example:

2. Log in to CredHub:

```
credhub login --client-name=CLIENT-NAME --client-secret=CLIENT-SECRET
```

Where:

- CLIENT-NAME is the client name, usually ops_manager or a CredHub-specific UAA client of your own creation.
- CLIENT-SECRET is the client secret. Locate this under the Credentials tab of the Ops Manager tile with the name Bosh Commandline Credentials.

For example:

```
$ credhub login \
    --client-name=ops_manager \
    --client-secret=abcdefghijklm123456789
```

3. Use the CredHub CLI to check whether a services CA certificate already is present:

```
credhub get --name="/services/tls_ca"
```

If you already have a certificate at the services/tls ca path, skip to step 5.

4. Use the CredHub CLI to generate a CA certificate or provide an existing one.



Note: Your deployment may have multiple CA certificates. VMware recommends that you use a dedicated CA certificate for services.

```
* If you do not have a CA certificate, use the CredHub CLI to generate one:

...

credhub generate \
--name="/services/tls_ca" \
--type="certificate" \
--no-overwrite \
--is-ca \
--common-name="rootCA"

...

* If you have an existing CA certificate that you want to use, create a new file named `root.p em` with the contents of the certificate. Then enter the following command, specifying the pat h to `root.pem` and the private key for the certificate:

...

credhub set \
--name="/services/tls_ca" \
--type="certificate" \
--certificate=./root.pem \
--private=ERKSOSMFF...

...

...
```

1. Use the BOSH CLI v2 to extract the certificate portion from the CA certificate and print it:

```
bosh2 interpolate <(credhub get --name=/services/tls_ca) \
    --path=/value/certificate</pre>
```

2. Record the output of the bosh2 interpolate command.

Add the CA Certificate to Ops Manager

Add the CA certificate to Ops Manager by adding it to the BOSH Director tile and the Tanzu Application Service tile.

Add the CA certificate to the BOSH Director tile:

- 1. Navigate to the Ops Manager Installation Dashboard and select the Ops Manager Director tile. Click Security.
- 2. Copy and paste the contents of the CA certificate into **Trusted Certificates**. If Trusted Certificates are already listed, append the new certificate to the existing content.
- 3. Click Save.

Add the CA certificate to the Tanzu Application Service tile

- 1. The CA certificate must also be added for the Gorouter. Navigate to the TAS tile's **Settings** tab.
- Click on Networking. Add the CA certificate to the box labeled Certificate Authorities Trusted by Gorouter.

Certificate Authorities trusted by the Gorouter

----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----

MIIDDzCCAfegAwiBAgIUQ3CrPtz8it/AxjpFROQ6kZy4vUgwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEL
BQAwFzEVMBMGA1UEAxMMVG9vbHNtaXRoc0NBMB4XDTIxMDUwNTE2NTkwMFoXDTIy
MDUwNTE2NTkwMFowFzEVMBMGA1UEAxMMVG9vbHNtaXRoc0NBMIIBIjANBgkqhkiG
9w0BAQEFAAOCAQ8AMIIBCgKCAQEAqpE61Nk0n1Pry8Z+mjHpL21DyEfwShZWkmkK

3. Scroll down and add the CA certificate to the box labeled **Certificate Authorities trusted** by the **HAProxy**.

Certificate Authorities trusted by the HAProxy

----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----

MIIDDzCCAfegAwIBAgIUQ3CrPtz8it/AxjpFROQ6kZy4vUgwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEL
BQAwFzEVMBMGA1UEAxMMVG9vbHNtaXRoc0NBMB4XDTIxMDUwNTE2NTkwMFoXDTIy
MDUwNTE2NTkwMFowFzEVMBMGA1UEAxMMVG9vbHNtaXRoc0NBMIIBIjANBgkqhkiG
9w0BAQEFAAOCAQ8AMIIBCgKCAQEAqpE61Nk0n1Pry8Z+mjHpL21DyEfwShZWkmkK

Additional Certificate Authorities used to validate certificates from incoming requests.

4. Click Save.

Save Your Changes

- 1. Return to the Installation Dashboard.
- 2. Click **Review Pending Changes**. For more information, see Reviewing Pending Product Changes in the VMware Tanzu Ops Manager documentation.
- 3. Click Apply Changes.

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Create a User Account and Authentication (UAA) Client

Extra configuration is required when defining users that have specific security roles with an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA).

Authenticating using an external authentication such as LDAP via UAA uses the UAA server. Access the UAA server through its command-line interface, UAAC.

When enabling the use of an external authentication such as LDAP via UAA during VMware GemFire for VMs tile configuration, you will specify a UAA client, as described in Security. This procedure creates that UAA client.

Create a UAA client for use in tile configuration with the command:

```
uaac client add cloudcache_gfsh --scope="PCC_*" --secret="THE-SECRET"
    --authorized_grant_types=password
```

Replace THE-SECRET with your chosen password (secret) for this UAA client. The remainder of the command is exactly as shown. The UAA client name is cloudcache gfsh.

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Installing and Configuring VMware Tanzu GemFire

With an Ops Manager role (detailed in Understand Roles in Ops Manager) that has the proper permissions to install and configure, follow these steps to install GemFire on VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs):

- 1. Download the tile from Tanzu Network.
- 2. Click **Import a Product** to import the tile into Ops Manager.
- 3. Click the + symbol next to the uploaded product description.
- 4. Click on the GemFire tile.
- 5. Complete all the configuration steps in the Configure Tile Properties section below.
- 6. Return to the Ops Manager Installation Dashboard. Click **Review Pending Changes** (see Reviewing Pending Product Changes).
- 7. Click **Apply Changes** to complete the installation of the GemFire tile.

Configure Tile Properties

Configure the sections listed on the left side of the page.

•	Assign AZs and Networks
•	Settings
•	Plan 1
•	Plan 2
•	Plan 3
•	Plan 4
•	Plan 5
•	Co-located Single VM Plan 1
•	Co-located Single VM Plan 2
•	Co-located Single VM Plan 3
•	Co-located Multi VM Plan 1
•	Co-located Multi VM Plan 2
•	Co-located Multi VM Plan 3
•	Syslog
•	Service Instance Upgrades
•	Security
•	Errands
•	Resource Config

As you complete a section, save it. A green check mark appears next to the section name. Each section name must show this green check mark before you can complete your installation.

- Assign AZs and Networks
- Settings
- All Service Plans
- Syslog
- Service Instance Upgrades
- Security
- Errands

Assign Availability Zones and Networks

To select AZs and networks for VMs used by GemFire, do the following:

- 1. Click Assign AZs and Networks.
- 2. Configure the fields on the **Assign AZs and Networks** pane as follows:

Field	Instructions
Place singleton jobs in	Select the region that you want for singleton VMs.
Balance other jobs in	Select the AZ(s) you want to use for distributing other VMware GemFire VMs. VMware recommends selecting all of them.
Network	Select your PAS (or Elastic Runtime) network.
Service Network	Select the network to be used for VMware GemFire VMs.

3. Click Save.

Settings

Settings: Smoke Test Plan

The smoke-tests errand that runs after tile installation. The errand verifies that your installation was successful. By default, the <code>smoke-test</code> errand runs on the <code>system</code> org and the <code>p-cloudcache-smoke-test</code> space.



Note: Smoke tests will fail unless you enable global default application security groups (ASGs). You can enable global default ASGs by binding the ASG to the system org without specifying a space. To enable global default ASGs, use cf bind-running-security-group.

To select which plan you want to use for smoke tests, do the following:

Select a plan to use when the smoke-tests errand runs.

Ensure the selected plan is enabled and configured. For information about configuring plans, see Configure Service Plans below. If the selected plan is not enabled, the smoke-tests errand fails.

VMware recommends that you use the smallest four-server plan for smoke tests. Because smoke tests create and later destroy this plan, using a very small plan reduces installation time.

lan to use for smoke test*	
O Plan 1	The selected plan will be used to run a smoke test to verify the tile works correctly after installation. Yo must make sure this plan is enabled, or the errand will fail.
O Plan 2	must make sure uns plants enabled, or the errand Will fall.
O Plan 3	
O Plan 4	
O Plan 5	
○ Co-located Single VM Plan 1	
○ Co-located Multi VM Plan 1	

Settings: Allow Outbound Internet Access Settings

By default, outbound internet access is not allowed from service instances.

If BOSH is configured to use an external blob store, you need allow outbound internet access from service instances. Log forwarding and backups, which require external endpoints, might also require internet access.

To allow outbound internet access from service instance, do the following:

Select Allow outbound internet access from service instances (laaS-dependent).



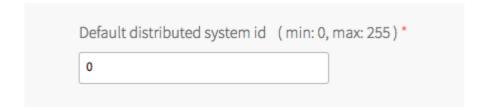


Note: Outbound network traffic rules also depend on your laaS settings. Consult your network or laaS administrator to ensure that your laaS allows outbound traffic to the external networks you need.

Settings: Default Distributed System ID

Every service instance has an integer identifier called a distributed system ID. The ID defaults to the value 0. Service instances that form a distributed system that communicates across a WAN will need distinct IDs. Those distinct ID values are set when creating the service instance.

To change the default distributed system ID value, replace the default value of 0 with your new default value. Acceptable values are integers greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to 255.



Configure Service Plans

You will configure 11 individual plans by selecting each of the tabs. There are Plan 1 through Plan 5, three plans that reside on a single VM (called Co-located Single VM Plan), and three plans that spread locators and servers among three VMs (called Co-located Multi VM Plan).

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The **Plan Enabled** option is selected by default. If you do not want to add this plan to the CF service catalog, select **Plan Disabled**. You must enable at least one plan.

The Plan Nane text field allows you to customize the name of the plan. This plan name is displayed to developers when they view the service in the Marketplace.

The **Plan Description** text field allows you to supply a plan description. The description is displayed to developers when they view the service in the Marketplace.

medium (cpu: 2, ram: 4 GB, disk: 8 GB)
The Enable metrics for service instances checkbox enables metrics for service instances created using the plan. Once enabled, the metrics are sent to the Loggregator Firehose.

The **CF service** Access drop-down menu gives you the option to display or not display the service plan in the Marketplace. **Enable Service Access** displays the service plan the Marketplace. **Disable Service Access** makes the plan unavailable in the Marketplace. If you choose this option, you cannot make the plan available at a later time. **Leave Service Access Unchanged** makes the plan unavailable in the Marketplace by default, but allows you to make it available at a later time.

The Maximum service instances field sets the maximum number of GemFire clusters that can exist simultaneously.

When developers create or update a service instance, they can specify the number of servers in the cluster. The **Maximum servers per cluster** field allows operators to set an upper bound on the number of servers developers can request. If developers do not explicitly specify the number of servers in a service instance, a new cluster has the number of servers specified in the **Default Number of Servers** field.

The **Availability zones for service instances** setting determines which AZs are used for a particular cluster. The members of a cluster are distributed evenly across AZs.



WARNING! After you've selected AZs for your service network, you cannot add additional AZs; doing so causes existing service instances to lose data on update.

The remaining fields control the VM type and persistent disk type for servers and locators. The total size of the cache is directly related to the number of servers and the amount of memory of the selected server VM type. We recommend the following configuration:

- For the VM type for the Locator VMs field, select a VM that has at least 2 CPUs, 1 GB of RAM and 4 GB of disk space.
- For the Persistent disk type for the Locator VMs field, select 10 GB or higher.
- For the VM type for the Server VMs field, select a VM that has at least 2 CPUs, 4 GB of RAM and 8 GB of disk space.
- For the Persistent disk type for the server VMs field, select 10 GB or higher.

For more information on how VM memory is allocated, see VM Memory Allocation.

When you finish configuring the plan, click Save to save your configuration options.

Configure a Co-located Multi VM Plan

Any of the Co-located Multi VM Plans use three VMs to implement a default plan with three locators and three servers. Each of the three VMs has one locator and one server. **Co-located**

Multi VM Plan 1 has a default plan name of small-footprint.

This type of plan is appropriate for production installations that can tolerate the diminished load-handling capacity and reduced resilience that would result from the loss of a VM. Installations needing resilience in the face of a VM loss should use a plan in which each GemFire cluster member resides within its own VM.

A GemFire service instance using a Co-located Multi VM Plan may be created with more servers than the default three servers. Follow the instructions within Creating a VMware GemFire for VMs Service Instance to increase the number of servers.

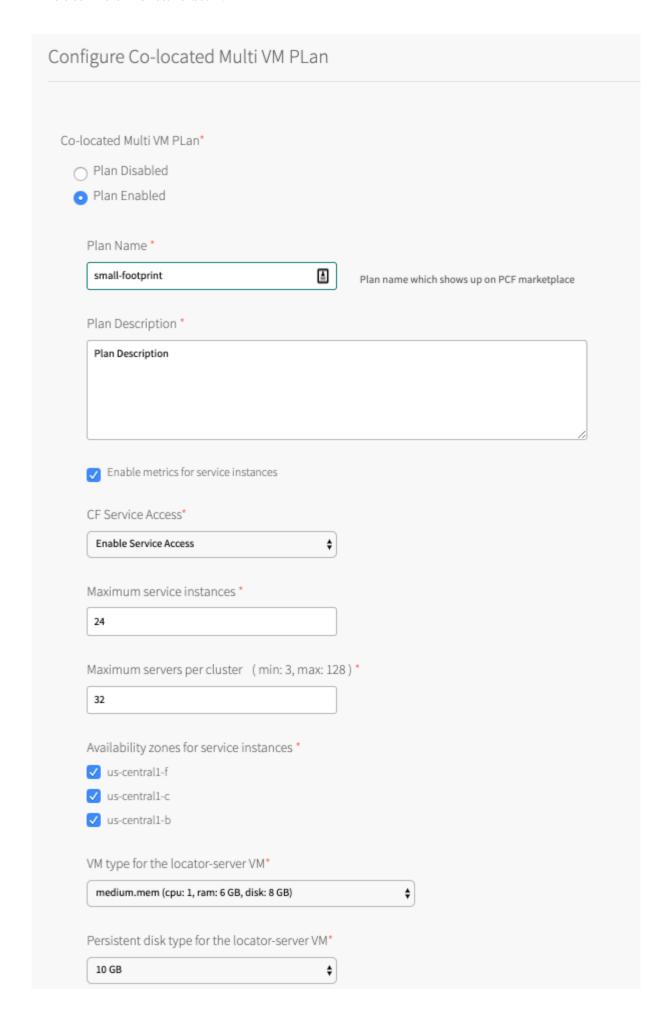
Scale up an existing service instance by increasing the number of servers, as specified in Updating a VMware GemFire for VMs Service Instance.

Whether creating a new service instance or updating an existing service instance to have more servers, each additional server will be within its own VM.

Scaling down the quantity of servers within an existing service instance is accomplished one server at a time to ensure redundancy is correctly maintained. To scale down, use the cf update-service command as described in Updating a VMware GemFire for VMs Service Instance to specify one server fewer than the total quantity of servers currently running.

An error message will be issued if an attempt is made to scale down by more than one server at a time, or if an attempt is made to reduce the number of servers below the minimum size of the default Co-located Multi VM Plan size of three servers.

To configure a Co-located Multi VM Plan, enable the plan with the Co-located Multi VM Plan tab.



Configure a Co-located Single VM Plan

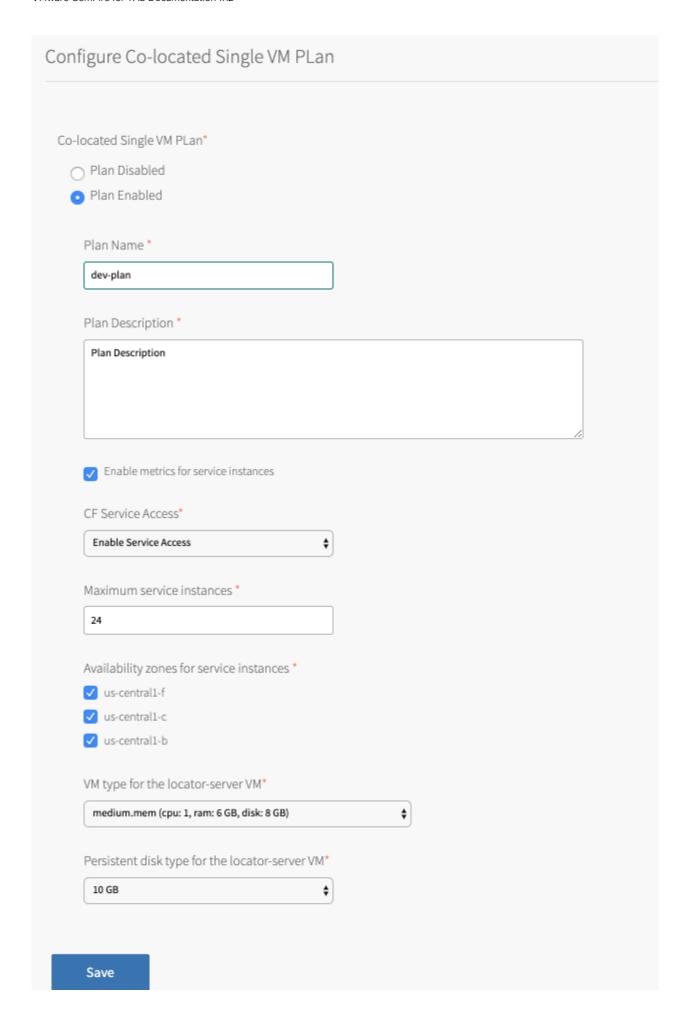
A Co-located Single VM Plan is a type of service plan. The plan provides a single locator and server, which are colocated within a single VM.



WARNING: Data loss results when the single VM this plan provides goes down or restarts.

The plan automatically creates a single region called <code>example_partition_region</code>. The region type is <code>partition</code>, a partitioned region without redundancy or persistence of entries. You can create other regions as desired with a Co-located Single VM Plan service instance.

There are three Co-located Single VM Plans to configure. The page for configuring this plan is similar to the page for configuring other service plans. To configure a Co-located Single VM Plan, input information in the fields and make selections from the options on each **Configure Co-located Single VM Plan** page.



Syslog

By default, syslog forwarding is not enabled in GemFire. However, GemFire supports forwarding syslog to an external log management service (for example, Papertrail, Splunk, or your custom enterprise log sink). The broker logs are useful for debugging problems creating, updating, and binding service instances.

To enable remote syslog for the service broker, do the following:

1. Click Syslog.



2. Configure the fields on the **Syslog** pane as follows:

Field	Instructions	
Enable Remote Syslog	Select to enable.	
External Syslog Address	Enter the address or host of the syslog server for sending logs, for example, logs.example.com.	
External Syslog Port	Enter the port of the syslog server for sending logs, for example,29279.	
Enable TLS for Syslog	Select to enable secure log transmission through TLS. Without this, remote syslog sends unencrypted logs. We recommend enabling TLS, as most syslog endpoints such as Papertrail and Logsearch require TLS.	
Permitted Peer for TLS Communication. This is required if TLS is enabled.	If there are several peer servers that can respond to remote syslog connections, then provide a regex, such as *.example.com.	
CA Certificate for TLS Communication	If the server certificate is not signed by a known authority, for example, an internal syslog server, provide the CA certificate of the log management service endpoint.	
Send service instance logs to external	By default, only the broker logs are forwarded to your configured log management service. If you want to forward server and locator logs from all service instances, select this. This lets you monitor the health of the clusters, although it generates a large volume of logs.	
	If you don't enable this, you get only the broker logs which include information about service instance creation, but not about on-going cluster health.	

3. Click Save.

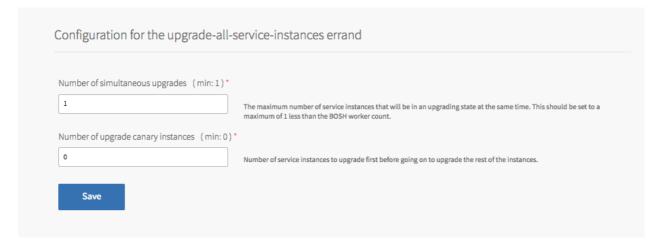
Service Instance Upgrades

A configurable number of service instances may be upgraded concurrently by entering a new value that is greater than one and less than the BOSH worker count for the **Number of**

simultaneous upgrades.

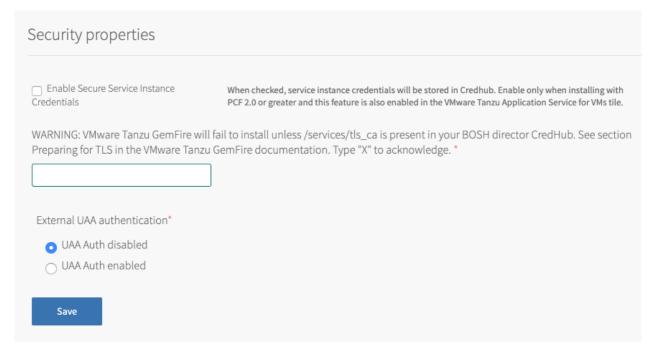
Specify a set of service instances to act as canaries for the upgrade process by changing the **Number of upgrade canary instances** to a value greater than 0. If all canary instances successfully upgrade, the remaining instances are upgraded. If any canary instance fails to upgrade, the upgrade fails and no further instances are upgraded.

Click Save after changing values.



Security

There are three configuration aspects to the Security settings. Each of the three must be considered and appropriately handled within these settings. Once the Security properties settings have been set, click **Save**. The Security properties Settings page appears as:



The three items in this page to handle are:

 The environment may be configured to more securely store service keys within CredHub, instead of within the cloud controller's data store. To enable this functionality, click on the box labeled Enable Secure Service Instance Credentials to enable use of CredHub. When

- service keys are stored within CredHub, output from the cf env APP-NAME command will not show credentials.
- 2. An 'X' is required in the text box to promote the understanding that the environment must be set up to handle TLS encryption. See Preparing for Transport Layer Security (TLS) for how to prepare the TAS for VMs environment.
- 3. If User Account and Authentication (UAA) of GemFire users will go through an external system, enable that with the radio button labeled **UAA Auth enabled**. With UAA enabled, create a UAA client before doing this tile installation as explained in Create a UAA Client. Also follow the instructions in Configuring UAA Roles to complete the configuration by setting up the user roles. With UAA enabled, two text boxes will appear. Fill the boxes with the UAA client name and that client's secret, which were set when the client was created.

Errands

By default, post-deploy and pre-delete errands always run. VMware recommends keeping these defaults. However, if necessary, you can change these defaults as follows.

For general information about errands in TAS for VMs, see Managing Errands in Ops Manager

- 1. Click Errands.
- 2. Change the setting for the errands.
- 3. Click Save.

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VM Memory Allocation

The service plans you choose determines how memory is allocated to the VMware GemFire processes. One consideration is how much memory is available in each VM.

Memory allocation depends on whether a plan is colocated or non-colocated:

- A colocated plan is one in which each VM hosts one locator and one server. For example, the default small-footprint plan comprises three locators and three servers hosted on three VMs.
- A non-colocated plan is one in which each locator or server runs in its own VM. For
 example, the default medium plan comprises three locators and four servers, each running
 in its own VM, for a total of seven VMs.

The following sections describe how VMware GemFire for VMs allocates memory based on the total memory of each VM.

Memory Allocation for Colocated Plans

- If total VM memory is 5GB or less, 512 MB is allocated for the locator Java heap; 90% of the remaining memory is allocated to the VMware GemFire server's Java heap, and the remainder is allocated to the OS.
- If total VM memory is greater than 5GB, 10% of total memory is allocated for the locator Java heap; 90% of the remaining memory is allocated to the VMware GemFire server's

Java heap, and the remainder is allocated to the OS.

Server heap is reduced to accommodate the **Anti-Virus** and **File Integrity Monitoring (FIM)** addons, if they are present.

Memory Allocation for Non-colocated Plans

Under non-colocated plans, each VM hosts one VMware GemFire member, either a locator or a server.

- If total VM memory is 2GB or less, 1GB is allocated for the locator or server Java heap, and the remainder to the OS.
- If total VM memory is between 2G and 8GB, 2GB is allocated to the OS, and the remainder to the locator or server Java heap.
- If total VM total memory is greater than 8G, 4GB is allocated to the OS, and the remainder to locator or server Java heap.

Server heap is reduced to accommodate the **Pivotal Anti-Virus** and **File Integrity Monitoring** (**FIM**) TAS for VMs add-ons, if they are present.

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Configuring User Account and Authentication (UAA) Roles

Extra configuration is required when defining users that have specific security roles from an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA).

Before VMware GemFire for VMs installation, create a UAA client as described in Create a UAA Client.

Complete the remainder of configuration in conjunction with choosing the **UAA Auth enabled** radio button on the Security properties page when installing the GemFire tile, as detailed in Security.

The Roles

A GemFire service instance internally defines four security roles. Each role is given predefined permissions for cluster operations. Each user is assigned security roles. As that user invokes a GemFire cluster operation using gfsh, the GemFire service's security manager verifies that the permission required for the cluster operation is one that the user's security role has.

The permissions assigned for each of the security roles:

- PCC_ADMIN has all permissions needed to manage the cluster and can access region data. This role has the VMware GemFire permissions CLUSTER: MANAGE, CLUSTER: WRITE, CLUSTER: READ, DATA: MANAGE, DATA: WRITE, and DATA: READ.
- PCC_OPERATOR has all permissions needed to manage the cluster. This role may not
 handle or see region data. This role has the VMware GemFire permissions CLUSTER: MANAGE,
 CLUSTER: WRITE, and CLUSTER: READ.

- PCC_DATA-ACCESS has all permissions needed to handle and see region data. This role has the VMware GemFire permissions CLUSTER: READ, DATA: WRITE, and DATA: READ.
- PCC_READ-ONLY has the single VMware GemFire permission DATA: READ to see region data.

Configuring the Roles

Configure the UAA server and your external authentication system (such as LDAP) with the spacespecific roles.

1. Acquire the Globally Unique Identifier (GUID) for the CF space that will host your GemFire service instance:

```
cf login -a REST-OF-ARGS-HERE
cf target -o NAME-OF-ORG
cf space --guid NAME-OF-SPACE
```

The form of the output GUID will be similar to the example:

```
03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
```

2. Create space-specific groups for each role within your Enterprise SSO system. The group name will take the form ROLE_GUID. For example, in the following group name:

```
PCC_ADMIN_03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
```

PCC ADMIN is the role, and 03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04 is the GUID.

- 3. Place users into the created space-specific groups you created within your Enterprise SSO system.
- 4. Use the UAA Command Line Interface (UAAC) to log in as admin client to your UAA server.
- 5. Use the UAAC to add each group name with:

```
$ uaac group add ROLE_GUID
```

Using the example GUID, the commands to add the four group names will be similar to:

```
$ uaac group add PCC_ADMIN_03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
$ uaac group add PCC_OPERATOR_03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
$ uaac group add PCC_DATA-ACCESS_03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
$ uaac group add PCC_READ-ONLY_03badc2a-4243-4251-84b5-c9bfba276f04
```

6. Use the UAAC to map each group name with uaac group map commands. The commands are described in Grant Admin Permissions to an External Group (SAML or LDAP). For LDAP:

```
$ uaac group map --name ROLE_GUID "GROUP-DISTINGUISHED-NAME"
```

where <code>GROUP-DISTINGUISHED-NAME</code> is the LDAP distinguished name of each space-specific group created in step 2. For example:

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Setting Service Instance Quotas

- Create Global-level Quotas
- Create Plan-level Quotas
- Create and Set Org-level Quotas
- Create and Set Space-level Quotas
- View Current Org and Space-level Quotas
- Monitor Quota Use and Service Instance Count
- Calculate Resource Costs for On-Demand Plans
 - Calculate Maximum Resource Cost Per On-Demand Plan
 - Calculate Maximum Resource Cost for All On-Demand Plans
 - Calculate Actual Resource Cost of all On-Demand Plans

On-demand provisioning is intended to accelerate app development by eliminating the need for development teams to request and wait for operators to create a service instance. However, to control costs, operations teams and administrators must ensure responsible use of resources.

There are several ways to control the provisioning of on-demand service instances by setting various **quotas** at these levels:

- Global
- Plan
- Org
- Space

After you set quotas, you can:

- View Current Org and Space-level Quotas
- Monitor Quota Use and Service Instance Count
- Calculate Resource Costs for On-Demand Plans

Create Global-level Quotas

Each on-demand service has a separate service broker. A global quota at the service level sets the maximum number of service instances that can be created by a given service broker. If a service has more than one plan, then the number of service instances for all plans combined cannot exceed the global quota for the service.

The operator sets a global quota for each service tile independently. For example, if you have two service tiles, you must set a separate global service quota for each of them.

When the global quota is reached for a service, no more instances of that service can be created unless the quota is increased, or some instances of that service are deleted.

Create Plan-level Quotas

A service may offer one or more plans. You can set a separate quota per plan so that instances of that plan cannot exceed the plan quota. For a service with multiple plans, the total number of instances created for all plans combined cannot exceed the global quota for the service.

When the plan quota is reached, no more instances of that plan can be created unless the plan quota is increased or some instances of that plan are deleted.

Create and Set Org-level Quotas

An org-level quota applies to all on-demand services and sets the maximum number of service instances an organization can create within their foundation. For example, if you set your org-level quota to 100, developers can create up to 100 service instances in that org using any combination of on-demand services.

When this quota is met, no more service instances of any kind can be created in the org unless the quota is increased or some service instances are deleted.

To create and set an org-level quota, do the following:

1. Run this command to create a quota for service instances at the org level:

```
cf create-quota QUOTA-NAME -m TOTAL-MEMORY -i INSTANCE-MEMORY -r ROUTES -s SERVICE-INST
ANCES --allow-paid-service-plans
```

Where:

- * `QUOTA-NAME`---A name for this quota
- * `TOTAL-MEMORY`---Maximum memory used by all service instances combined
- * `INSTANCE-MEMORY`---Maximum memory used by any single service instance
- * `ROUTES`---Maximum number of routes allowed for all service instances combined
- * `SERVICE-INSTANCES`---Maximum number of service instances allowed for the org

For example:

class="terminal">\$ cf create-quota myquota -m 1024mb -i 16gb -r 30 -s 50 --allow-paid-ser vice-plans

1. Associate the quota you created above with a specific org by running the following command:

```
cf set-quota ORG-NAME QUOTA-NAME
```

For example:

```
$ cf set-quota dev_org myquota
```

For more information on managing org-level quotas, see Creating and Modifying Quota Plans.

Create and Set Space-level Quotas

A space-level service quota applies to all on-demand services and sets the maximum number of service instances that can be created within a given space in a foundation. For example, if you set your space-level quota to 100, developers can create up to 100 service instances in that space using any combination of on-demand services.

When this quota is met, no more service instances of any kind can be created in the space unless the quota is updated or some service instances are deleted.

To create and set a space-level quota, do the following:

1. Run the following command to create the quota:

```
cf create-space-quota QUOTA-NAME -m TOTAL-MEMORY -i INSTANCE-MEMORY -r ROUTES -s SERVIC E-INSTANCES --allow-paid-service-plans
```

Where:

- * `QUOTA-NAME`---A name for this quota
- * `TOTAL-MEMORY`---Maximum memory used by all service instances combined
- * `INSTANCE-MEMORY`---Maximum memory used by any single service instance
- * `ROUTES`---Maximum number of routes allowed for all service instances combined
- * `SERVICE-INSTANCES`---Maximum number of service instances allowed for the org

For example:

class="terminal">\$ cf create-space-quota myspacequota -m 1024mb -i 16gb -r 30 -s 50 --all ow-paid-service-plans

1. Associate the quota you created above with a specific space by running the following command:

```
cf set-space-quota SPACE-NAME QUOTA-NAME
```

For example:

```
$ cf set-space-quota myspace myspacequota
```

For more information on managing space-level quotas, see Creating and Modifying Quota Plans.

View Current Org and Space-level Quotas

To view org quotas, run the following command.

```
cf org ORG-NAME
```

To view **space** quotas, run the following command:

```
cf space SPACE-NAME
```

For more information on managing org and space-level quotas, see the Creating and Modifying Quota Plans.

Monitor Quota Use and Service Instance Count

Service-level and plan-level quota use, and total number of service instances, are available through the on-demand broker metrics emitted to Loggregator. These metrics are listed below:

Metric Name	Description
on-demand-broker/SERVICE-NAME/quota_remaining	Quota remaining for all instances across all plans
on-demand-broker/SERVICE-NAME/PLAN-NAME/quota_remaining	Quota remaining for a specific plan
on-demand-broker/SERVICE-NAME/total_instances	Total instances created across all plans
on-demand-broker/SERVICE-NAME/PLAN-NAME/total_instances	Total instances created for a specific plan



Note: Quota metrics are not emitted if no quota has been set.

You can also view service instance usage information in Apps Manager. For more information, see Reporting Instance Usage with Apps Manager.

Calculate Resource Costs for On-Demand Plans

On-demand plans use dedicated VMs, disks, and various other resources from an laaS, such as AWS. To calculate maximum resource cost for plans individually or combined, you multiply the quota by the cost of the resources selected in the plan configuration(s). The specific costs depend on your laaS.

To view configurations for your GemFire on-demand plan, do the following:

1. Navigate to **Ops Manager Installation Dashboard > GemFire > Settings**.

The image below shows an example that includes the VM type and persistent disk selected for the server VMs, as well as the quota for this plan.



Note: Although operators can limit on-demand instances with plan quotas and a global quota, as described in the above topics, laaS resource usage still varies based on the number of on-demand instances provisioned.

Calculate Maximum Resource Cost Per On-Demand Plan

To calculate the maximum cost of VMs and persistent disk for each plan, do the following calculation:

plan quota x cost of selected resources

For example, if you selected the options in the above image, you have selected a VM type **micro** and a persistent disk type **20 GB**, and the plan quota is **15**. The VM and persistent disk types have an associated cost for the laaS you are using. Therefore, to calculate the maximum cost of resources for this plan, multiply the cost of the resources selected by the plan quota:

(15 x cost of micro VM type) + (15 x cost of 20 GB persistent disk) = max cost per plan

Calculate Maximum Resource Cost for All On-Demand Plans

To calculate the maximum cost for all plans combined, add together the maximum costs for each plan. This assumes that the sum of your individual plan quotas is less than the global quota.

Here is an example:

(plan1 quota x plan1 resource cost) + (plan2 quota x plan2 resource cost) = max cost for all plans

Calculate Actual Resource Cost of all On-Demand Plans

To calculate the current actual resource cost across all your on-demand plans:

- 1. Find the number of instances currently provisioned for each active plan by looking at the total instance metric for that plan.
- 2. Multiply the total_instance count for each plan by that plan's resource costs. Record the costs for each plan.
- 3. Add up the costs noted in Step 2 to get your total current resource costs.

For example:

(plan1 total_instances x plan1 resource cost) + (plan2 total_instances x plan2 resource cost) = current cost for all plans

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Upgrading VMware Tanzu GemFire

Upgrade minor release versions from your currently deployed version to the target version in sequential order. For example, VMware GemFire for VMs v1.2 must be upgraded to GemFire v1.3 prior to upgrading to GemFire v1.4. Note that each GemFire release is compatible with two VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) and Ops Manager versions, as specified in the Product Snapshot and Version Compatibility. Incorporate those upgrades to TAS for VMs and Ops Manager in your upgrade process as required to maintain compatibility, as described in Upgrading Ops Manager.

Follow the steps below to upgrade GemFire:

- 1. Download the new version of the tile from VMware Tanzu Network.
- 2. Upload the product to Ops Manager.
- 3. Click Add next to the uploaded product.
- 4. Click on the GemFire tile and configure the upgrade options.
 - To try the upgrade on a small number of service instances first, set the quantity of canary service instances as described in Service Instance Upgrades.
 - Set the number of instances that are to be upgraded in parallel as described in Service Instance Upgrades.

- Under the Errands section, choose the Default (On) value for the Upgrade All
 Service Instances post-deploy errand. Save the change.
- 5. Click **Review Pending Changes** (see Reviewing Pending Product Changes).
- 6. Click Apply Changes.

Enable Individual Service Instance Upgrades

The default upgrade path upgrades all service instances as a result of a tile upgrade. This operation can take a lengthy amount of time. To expedite upgrades, an operator can permit developers to upgrade their own service instances once the tile has been upgraded.

An operator enables individual service instance upgrades during tile installation. This feature requires TAS for VMs/Ops Manager 2.7 or a higher version and works for upgrading from GemFire 1.9.0 to a higher version.

Within the GemFire tile, in the **Errands** section, the default for the **Upgrade All Service Instances** errand, which upgrades all service instances, appears as:



To change the state of this errand such that individual service instance upgrades are enabled, choose **Off** for this errand:



Click Save.

Once individual service instance upgrades are enabled, the developer upgrades an individual service instance following the instructions in Upgrade a Single Service Instance.

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Updating VMware Tanzu GemFire

Follow the steps below to update plans in Ops Manager.

- 1. Click on the VMware GemFire for VMs tile.
- 2. Click on the plan you want to update under the Information section.
- 3. Edit the fields with the changes you want to make to the plan.
- 4. Click **Save** button on the bottom of the page.
- 5. Click on **Ops Manager** to navigate to the **Installation Dashboard**.
- 6. Click Review Pending Changes (see Reviewing Pending Product Changes).

7. Click Apply Changes.

Plan changes are not applied to existing services instances until you run the upgrade-all-service-instances BOSH errand. You must use the BOSH CLI to run this errand. Until you run this errand, developers cannot update service instances.

Changes to fields that can be overridden by optional parameters, for example $num_servers$ or $new_size_percentage$, change the default value of these instance properties, but do not affect existing service instances.

If you change the allowed limits of an optional parameter, for example the maximum number of servers per cluster, existing service instances in violation of the new limits are not modified.

When existing instances are upgraded, all plan changes are applied to them. Upgrades and updates to service instances can cause a rolling restart of VMware GemFire servers. Be aware that the rebalancing of data to maintain redundancy may impact the performance of the remainder of the servers within the service instance.



WARNING: Data loss may result from the restart of a cluster. See Restarting a Cluster for the conditions under which data loss occurs.

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Uninstalling VMware Tanzu GemFire

To uninstall VMware GemFire for VMs, follow the steps from below from the **Installation Dashboard**:

- 1. Click the trash can icon in the bottom-right-hand corner of the tile.
- 2. Click **Review Pending Changes** (see Reviewing Pending Product Changes).
- 3. Click Apply Changes.

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Backing Up and Restoring Service Instances

Both disaster recovery and system validation depend upon backups. A VMware GemFire for VMs service instance backup consists of the configuration for a GemFire service instance together with all region data that has been persisted to disk. A GemFire service instance backup may be used to restore the service on a new, but unconfigured GemFire service instance.

Before You Begin



WARNING: Consider each of these important items when preparing to back up and restore a GemFire service instance. Since recovery depends on a correct implemention, address each item during planning.

• The backup consists of data from regions that have been persisted to disk. All nonpersistent region data will be lost. A persistent region is one that writes its region entries to

disk.

- The backup and restoration process does not restore WAN replication configuration. A
 GemFire service instance that replicates data via WAN may be backed up. A restore of that
 GemFire service instance will contain all the persistent data. That GemFire service instance
 will be able to communicate with other WAN-connected service instances after further
 configuration.
- The disk size on the jumpbox VM must be large enough to hold the backup artifacts. The quantity of disk space needs to exceed the sum total of all disk space used within the GemFire service instance to be backed up. An approximation of that quantity of disk space may be calculated by looking at the fully populated GemFire service instance. Sum the disk space (in /var/vcap/store) used by each locator and server.
- The GemFire service instance needs to be quiescent when the backup is taken. An active cluster could have disk writes in progress, leading to a backup for which region data may or may not have been written to disk.
- The fresh GemFire service instance that is to be used for a restore must have same quantity
 of locators and servers as the GemFire service instance had when its backup was taken.
 The fresh GemFire service instance must have sufficient resources to hold the data that is in
 the backup.
- Do not configure the fresh GemFire service instance that is to be used for a restore after creation. It must be empty. Do not create any regions or start any gateway senders. The restore will create all regions, both persistent and not persistent. The non-persistent regions will be empty.
- Service keys are not part of the backup. Service keys will need to be created anew on a restored service instance.

Backing Up a GemFire Service Instance

- 1. Optional: Back up the VMware Application Service for VMs environment. For instructions, see Backing Up Deployments with BBR.
- 2. Optional: Compact the disk stores of the cluster to be backed up. Use the gfsh compact disk-store command after connecting to the cluster with a role that is authorized with the CLUSTER: MANAGE operation permission. See the documentation for gfsh compact disk-store
- 3. Optional: Acquire a region statistic that may be used for a minimal validation upon using this backup for subsequent restoration. Use the gfsh describe region command on each persistent region, after connecting to the cluster with a role that is authorized with the CLUSTER: READ operation permission.

describe region --name=REGION-NAME

For each persistent region (the data-policy will contain the string PERSISTENT), record the size of region. This size is the quantity of entries in the region. Assuming that activity on the region is quiescent, when this backup is used in a restoration, the quantity of region entries in the restored region forms a minimal validation of the region.

- 4. Ssh to the jumpbox. Assuming that the Ops Manager VM is being used as the jumpbox, follow directions at Log in to the Ops Manager VM with SSH.
- 5. Determine all needed credentials and parameters for the command that makes the backup:
 - BOSH-DIRECTOR-IP: Obtain the BOSH Director IP address by following the instructions at Step 4:Retrieve BOSH Director Address.
 - SERVICE-INSTANCE-DEPLOYMENT-NAME: Obtain the deployment name by following the instructions at Acquire the Deployment Name.
 - BOSH-CLIENT, BOSH-CLIENT-PASSWORD, and PATH-TO-BOSH-SERVER-CERTIFICATE: To learn all three of these values, open the Credentials tab of the BOSH Director tile in Ops Manager. Find and open Bosh Commandline Credentials. The path is the path to the root Certificate Authority (CA) certificate, and its value will be /var/tempest/workspaces/default/root_ca_certificate if Ops Manager and the jumpbox are on the same VM.
- 6. Make the backup. From the jumpbox, issue this command, substituting values acquired in the previous step:

```
BOSH_CLIENT_SECRET=BOSH-CLIENT-PASSWORD \
bbr deployment \
--target BOSH-DIRECTOR-IP \
--username BOSH-CLIENT \
--ca-cert PATH-TO-BOSH-SERVER-CERTIFICATE \
--deployment SERVICE-INSTANCE-DEPLOYMENT-NAME \
backup
```

BOSH_CLIENT_SECRET is an environment variable that is set only for the duration of the command.

The backup will be within a directory on the jumpbox named by the depoyment name and a timestamp.

7. Copy the backup to a permanent home for archiving. VMware recommends compressing and encrypting the files. Disaster recovery plans often recommend archiving multiple copies of each backup.

Restoring a GemFire Service Instance

- 1. Use SSH to connect to the jumpbox. Assuming that the Ops Manager VM is being used as the jumpbox, follow directions at Log in to the Ops Manager VM with SSH.
- 2. Transfer the archived backup to the jumpbox. Expand if compressed, and decrypt if encrypted.
- 3. Make a new, but empty service instance. See directions in Creating a VMware GemFire for VMs Service Instance. If the service instance to be restored was connected to a WAN, be sure to create the new instance with the same distributed system id as the old one.
- 4. Determine all needed credentials and parameters for the command that does the restore by following step 5 instructions from making the backup.

5. Do the restore. From the jumpbox, issue this command, substituting values acquired in the previous step:

```
$ BOSH_CLIENT_SECRET=BOSH-CLIENT-PASSWORD \
bbr deployment \
--target BOSH-DIRECTOR-IP \
--username BOSH-CLIENT \
--ca-cert PATH-TO-BOSH-SERVER-CERTIFICATE \
--deployment SERVICE-INSTANCE-DEPLOYMENT-NAME \
restore --artifact-path PATH-TO-SERVICE-INSTANCE-ARTIFACT
```

PATH-TO-SERVICE-INSTANCE-ARTIFACT is the path to the artifact for the instance that you are currently restoring.

- Create a new service key, as the service key was not an artifact that the backup created.
 For a stand-alone service instance (one that is not part of a WAN), follow the directions at Create a Service Key. For a WAN-connected service instance, see Restoring a WAN Connection.
- 7. If the region size was captured prior to making the backup, in order to do a minimal validation of the restored cluster, use the gfsh describe region command on each persistent region, after connecting to the cluster with a role that is authorized with the CLUSTER: READ operation permission.

```
describe region --name=REGION-NAME
```

For each persistent region, the size of the restored region should be the same as the value captured when the backup was made.

8. Rebind or restage all apps.

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Enable Service-Instance Sharing

The VMware GemFire for VMs implementation of instance sharing permits read-only access to a GemFire service instance within one space by an app within another space. A Cloud Foundry admin operator, or one with administrative privileges, may enable service-instance sharing for GemFire service instances.

Enable service-instance sharing across a foundation with:

```
$ cf enable-feature-flag service_instance_sharing
```

A developer will need to set up GemFire service-instance sharing as detailed in Service-Instance Sharing.

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Rotating Certificates

This section specifies the procedure to follow to check expiration dates and rotate certificates.

To rotate the Services TLS CA and its leaf certificates, for service instances that are *not* connected by WAN gateways, use one of the following procedures:

• If running Ops Manager 2.10, follow the procedure in Rotate the Services TLS CA and Its Leaf Certificates.



Warning: For apps that connect to the VMware GemFire cluster using TLS, at each step in the procedure that rebinds and restages apps, recreate the truststore following the directions at Create a Truststore prior to rebinding. Spring Boot Data Geode (SBDG) apps that set GemFire properties ssl-usedefault-context=true and ssl-endpoint-identification-enabled=false do *not* need to recreate a truststore.

• If running Ops Manager 2.9, follow the procedure in Rotate the Services TLS CA and Its Leaf Certificates.



Warning: For apps that connect to the VMware GemFire cluster using TLS, at each step in the procedure that rebinds and restages apps, recreate the truststore following the directions at Create a Truststore prior to rebinding. Spring Boot Data Geode (SBDG) apps that set GemFire properties ssl-usedefault-context=true and ssl-endpoint-identification-enabled=false do *not* need to recreate a truststore.

WAN-Connected Service Instances

Follow this procedure for rotating the certificates of foundations, when service instances connected via WAN gateways reside on distinct foundations.

The procedure assumes two foundations have service instances, one called foundation A and the other called foundation B. The procedure may be followed by installations that have more than two foundations. To expand the procedure to cover more foundations, in each place where foundation A and foundation B are identified, also apply the directions for a third foundation C, a fourth foundation D, and so on.

The procedure is broken into parts. Do the parts in the order listed. The parts are:

- Generate New TLS CA Certificates
- Collect All the Certificates
- Add All the Certificates to the Tiles
- Apply Changes for the First Time
- Set New Services TLS CA Certificate
- Apply Changes for the Second Time
- Remove the Old Services TLS CA Certificates
- Apply Changes for the Third Time

Generate New TLS CA Certificates

Follow these steps twice to obtain a new TLS CA certificate, once to generate a new TLS CA certificate for foundation A, and once to generate a new TLS CA certificate for foundation B.

1. Check if CredHub has a new temporary certificate from a previous rotation attempt. Run:

```
credhub get -n /services/new_ca
```



Note: This procedure assumes that /services/new_ca is the CredHub location used when generating the temporary certificate. If you used a different location, specify that location instead.

2. If an older temporary certificate already exists, delete that certificate by running:

```
credhub delete -n /services/new_ca
```

- 3. Do one of the following:
 - If you get your certificates from your CA: If you generate certificates from your own private or public CA, obtain a new certificate from that CA. You add this to the Ops Manager settings in the next high-level step.
 - If you use self-signed certificates: Generate a new self-signed certificate with a new name or path in CredHub:

```
credhub generate \
   --name="/services/new_ca" \
   --type="certificate" \
   --no-overwrite \
   --is-ca \
   --duration=1825 \
   --common-name="opsmgr-services-tls-ca"
```

where

- name is the CredHub path or name of the new certificate. You can use /services/new_ca or substitute a different name as long as you use the value consistently in the rest of the procedure.
- common-name is the common name of the generated certificate. You can use opsmgr-services-tls-ca or substitute a different common name as long as you use the value consistently in the rest of the procedure.
- duration is set to 1825, which is a recommended value of five years. If you
 do not specify a duration, the default value is 365 or one year.
- If you use an intermediate certificate signed by a root CA in CredHub:Generate a new certificate signed by the CredHub root CA by running:

```
credhub generate \
--name="/services/new_ca" \
--type="certificate" \
--no-overwrite \
```

```
--is-ca \
--duration=1825 \
--common-name="opsmgr-services-tls-ca" \
--ca=/PATH-TO-ROOT-CA
```

where

- name is the CredHub path or name of the new certificate. You can use /services/new_ca or substitute a different name as long as you use the value consistently in the rest of the procedure.
- common-name is the common name of the generated certificate. You can use opsmgr-services-tls-ca or substitute a different common name as long as you use the value consistently in the rest of the procedure.
- duration is set to 1825, which is a recommended value of five years. If you
 do not specify a duration, the default value is 365 or one year.
- ca is the path to the root CA for the new certificate. Replace PATH-TO-ROOT-CA with the appropriate path for the root CA.

Collect All the Certificates

Each of foundation A and foundation B has a current certificate and the newly generated one from the previous step, totalling four certificates across two foundations.

- 1. On foundation A, log in to CredHub.
- 2. On foundation A, get the *current* Services TLS CA certificate by capturing the certificate in the output of:

```
credhub get --name=/services/tls_ca -k ca
```

3. On foundation A, get the *new* Services TLS CA certificate either from a pre-existing file, or from your new CredHub location by capturing the certificate in the output of:

```
credhub get --name=/services/new_ca -k ca
```

- 4. On foundation B, log in to CredHub.
- 5. On foundation B, get the *current* Services TLS CA certificate by capturing the certificate in the output of:

```
credhub get --name=/services/tls_ca -k ca
```

6. On foundation B, get the *new* Services TLS CA certificate either from a pre-existing file, or from your new CredHub location by capturing the certificate in the output of:

```
credhub get --name=/services/new_ca -k ca
```

Add All the Certificates to the Tiles

This part adds all the certificates (current and new) to the tiles. For a distributed system with two foundations, the four certificates are:

- The current TLS CA certificate for foundation A (called /services/tls ca)
- The current TLS CA certificate for foundation B (also called /services/tls ca)
- The new TLS CA certificate for foundation A (called /services/new_ca)
- The new TLS CA certificate for foundation B (also called /services/new ca)
- On foundation A, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into the BOSH Director > Security > Trusted Certificates field. Click Save.
- On foundation A, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into two
 fields of the VMware Tanzu Application Service tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities
 trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the
 HAProxy. Click Save.
- 3. On foundation A, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into two fields of the Isolation Segment tile, if the environment has this optional tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the HAProxy. Click Save.
- 4. On foundation B, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into the BOSH Director > Security > Trusted Certificates field. Click Save.
- On foundation B, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into two
 fields of the VMware Tanzu Application Service tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities
 trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the
 HAProxy. Click Save.
- 6. On foundation B, paste all certificates (ordering of the certificates does not matter) into two fields of the Isolation Segment tile, if the environment has this optional tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the HAProxy. Click Save.

Apply Changes for the First Time



Warning: This procedure involves redeploying all of the VMs in your Ops Manager deployment to apply a CA certificate. The operation can take a long time to complete.

You may apply the changes to both foundation A and foundation B at the same time.

Follow these steps twice, once to apply the changes to foundation A, and once to apply the changes to foundation B.

- 1. Navigate back to the Installation Dashboard.
- 2. Click Review Pending Changes.
- 3. Ensure that all product tiles, including TAS for VMs, TAS for VMs [Windows], Isolation Segment, and partner tiles, are selected.
- 4. Identify which on-demand service tiles are using the Services TLS CA certificate. Run:

```
credhub curl -p /api/v1/certificates?name=%2Fservices%2Ftls_ca
```

From the returned list, identify which on-demand service tiles use TLS in your deployment, such as MySQL for VMware Tanzu, Tanzu GemFire for VMs, Redis for VMware Tanzu, and RabbitMQ for VMware Tanzu [VMs].

- 5. For each on-demand service tile that uses TLS:
 - 1. Expand the errands.
 - 2. Enable the errand to upgrade all service instances.



Note: The name of the upgrade all service instances errand may differ slightly between services.

6. Click Apply Changes.

Set New Services TLS CA Certificate

Set the new Services TLS CA certificate in CredHub. Do this on foundation A with foundation A's new TLS CA certificate, and do this on foundation B with foundation B's new TLS CA certificate.

Do one of the following:

• If you have an existing certificate: Obtain the CA certificate and private key file corresponding to the certificate that you got in the Get New TLS CA Certificates part of the procedure. Then, run:

```
credhub set \
--name="/services/tls_ca" \
--type="certificate" \
--certificate=PEM-PATH/root.pem \
--private=CERT-KEY
```

Where:

- certificate is the location of the root.pem file for the certificate. Replace PEM-PATH with the path of your certificate's root.pem file.
- private is the private key for the new certificate. Replace CERT-KEY with the value of the private key for your certificate.
- If you created a new self-signed or intermediary certificate: Set the /services/new_ca that you generated in the Get New TLS CA Certificates part of the procedure as the Services TLS CA:

```
credhub get -n /services/new_ca -k ca > new_ca.ca
credhub get -n /services/new_ca -k certificate > new_ca.certificate
credhub get -n /services/new_ca -k private_key > new_ca.private_key
credhub set -n /services/tls_ca \
--type=certificate \
--root=new_ca.ca \
--certificate=new_ca.certificate \
--private=new_ca.private_key
```

Apply Changes for the Second Time



Warning: This procedure involves redeploying all of the VMs in your Ops Manager deployment to apply a CA certificate. The operation can take a long time to complete.

You may apply the changes to both foundation A and foundation B at the same time.

In this step, you apply changes to ensure that all on-demand service instances generate new leaf certificates from the new Services TLS CA.

Follow these steps twice, once to apply the changes to foundation A, and once to apply the changes to foundation B.

- 1. Navigate back to the Installation Dashboard.
- 2. Click Review Pending Changes.
- 3. Ensure that all product tiles, including TAS for VMs, TAS for VMs [Windows], Isolation Segment, and partner tiles, are deselected in order to reduce deployment time.
- 4. Select only the on-demand services tiles that use TLS, such as MySQL for VMware Tanzu, Tanzu GemFire for VMs, Redis for VMware Tanzu, and RabbitMQ for VMware Tanzu [VMs].
- 5. For each on-demand service tile that uses TLS:
 - 1. Expand the errands.
 - 2. Enable the errand to upgrade all service instances.



Note: The name of the upgrade all service instances errand may differ slightly between services.

6. Click Apply Changes.

Remove the Old Services TLS CA Certificates

After your apps have reconnected to service instances with the certificates generated by the new CA, both of the old CA certificates may be removed. There will be one old CA certificate for foundation A and one old certificate for foundation B.

Follow these steps twice, once for foundation A, and once for foundation B.

- Delete the two old CA certificates from the BOSH Director tile Security > Trusted
 Certificates field. You will remove one old CA certificate for foundation A and one old
 certificate for foundation B. Click Save.
- Delete the two old CA certificates from the two fields of the VMware Tanzu Application Service tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the HAProxy. You will remove one old CA certificate for foundation A and one old certificate for foundation B. Click Save.

3. Delete the two old CA certificates from the two fields of the Isolation Segment tile, if the environment has this optional tile: Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the Gorouter and Networking > Certificate Authorities trusted by the HAProxy. You will remove one old CA certificate for foundation A and one old certificate for foundation B.
Click Save.

Apply Changes for the Third Time

As a security best practice, you should remove outdated certificates as soon as possible from your deployment. You can schedule this step to a convenient time, because for most deployments you will not lose any deployment functionality if you do not perform this step immediately.

For some deployments, you may encounter an error if you create a service instance in a deployment that contains an expired Services TLS CA certificate. For more information, see this Knowledgebase Article.



Warning: This procedure involves redeploying all of the VMs in your Ops Manager deployment to apply a CA certificate. The operation can take a long time to complete.

You may apply the changes to both foundation A and foundation B at the same time

Follow these steps twice, once to apply the changes to foundation A, and once to apply the changes to foundation B.

- 1. Navigate back to the **Installation Dashboard**.
- 2. Click Review Pending Changes.
- 3. Ensure that all product tiles, including TAS for VMs, TAS for VMs [Windows], Isolation Segment, and partner tiles, are selected.
- 4. Select only the on-demand services tiles that use TLS, such as MySQL for VMware Tanzu, Tanzu GemFire for VMs, Redis for VMware Tanzu, and RabbitMQ for VMware Tanzu [VMs].
- 5. For each on-demand service tile that uses TLS:
 - 1. Expand the errands.
 - 2. Enable the errand to upgrade all service instances.



Note: The name of the upgrade all service instances errand may differ slightly between services.

6. Click Apply Changes.

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Restoring a WAN Connection

This sequence of steps restores a bidirectional WAN connection to a service instance when the service instance has been restored from backup.

In this description, cluster A is an existing, running service instance that was formerly connected to cluster B over a WAN connection, and cluster B is the service that has been freshly restored from backup, and needs to be reconnected.

At this point in the process, cluster B should have the following characteristics:

- All data restored from backup
- The same distributed system id as its predecessor
- A freshly-generated service key

If the restored <code>distributed_system_id</code> matches that in the backup, then there is no need to recreate gateway senders and receivers; they are already defined. This procedure manually updates gateway senders with pointers to remote locators and credentials, re-enabling their ability to connect across the WAN without authentication errors.

 Obtain the service key for cluster A. The service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster B in this example) to communicate with Cluster A:

```
$ cf service-key A k1
```

The contents of the service key differ based upon the cluster configuration, such as whether an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA) has been configured. Here is sample output from cf service-key A k1:

```
Getting key k1 for service instance A as admin...
"distributed system id": "1",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "remote cluster info": {
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  1
  "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 1,
  "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
    "username": "gateway_sender_GHI"
   }
```

```
]
},
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
 "username": "cluster_operator_ABC"
 },
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer_DEF"
],
"wan": {}
```

2. Obtain the service key of cluster B:

```
$ cf service-key B k2
```

As above, the service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster A in this example) to communicate with Cluster B. Here is sample output from cf service-key B k2:

```
Getting key k2 for service instance destination as admin...
"distributed_system_id": "2",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
 "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 "remote cluster info": {
  "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
   "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
  1
  "remote locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
```

```
],
 "trusted_sender_credentials": [
  "password": "gws-PQR-password",
  "username": "gateway sender PQR"
1
},
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/gemfire/v1",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
 "username": "cluster_operator_JKL"
 "password": "dev-MNO-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer MNO"
}
],
"wan": {}
```

3. Update the Cluster A service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster B service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster A to communicate with Cluster B, and to accept data from Cluster B:

```
$ cf update-service A -c '
{
    "remote_clusters":[
    {
        "recursors": {
            "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
            "10.1.16.7:1053",
            "10.1.16.8:1053",
            "10.1.16.8:1053"
        ]
    },
    "remote_locators": [
        "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "trusted_sender_credentials": [
        {
                 "password": "gws-PQR-password",
                  "username": "gateway_sender_PQR"
```

```
    ]
    }
}
Updating service instance A as admin
```

4. To verify that a service instance has been correctly updated, delete and recreate the cluster service key. The recreated service key will have the same user identifiers and passwords as its predecessor, and will reflect the changes you specified in the recent of update-service commands. In particular, the wan{} element at the end of a cluster's service key should be populated with the other cluster's remote connection information. For example, to verify that the Cluster A service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster A administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster A service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key A k1
...
$ cf create-service-key A k1
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster A service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster B, including Cluster B's recursors array, remote locators array, and trusted sender credentials:

```
Getting key k1 for service instance A as admin...
 "distributed system id": "1",
 "gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
    "10.0.8.5:1053"
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
    "username": "gateway_sender_GHI"
  }
  ]
 },
```

```
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
 "username": "cluster operator ABC"
},
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer DEF"
],
"wan": {
"remote clusters": [
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
    "10.1.16.7:1053",
    "10.1.16.6:1053",
    "10.1.16.8:1053"
  "remote_locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted sender credentials": [
    "password": "gws-PQR-password",
    "username": "gateway sender PQR"
  ]
 }
]
}
```

5. Update the Cluster B service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster A service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster B to communicate with Cluster A, and to accept data from Cluster A:

```
$ cf update-service B -c '
{
   "remote_clusters":[
   {
      "recursors": {
```

```
"services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
    "10.0.8.5:1053",
    "10.0.8.6:1053",
    "10.0.8.6:1053"
]

"remote_locators":[
    "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
    "itrusted_sender_credentials":[
    {
        "username": "gateway_sender_GHI",
        "password":"gws-GHI-password"
    }]
}'
Updating service instance B as admin
```

6. To verify that the Cluster B service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster B administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster B service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key B k2
...
$ cf create-service-key B k2
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster B service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster A, including Cluster A's recursors array, remote locators array, and trusted sender credentials:

```
Getting key k1 for service instance B as admin...
 "distributed system id": "2",
 "gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 ],
 "remote_cluster_info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
   "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
  1
  },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
```

```
"password": "gws-PQR-password",
   "username": "gateway_sender_PQR"
]
},
"urls": {
 "qfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/qemfire/v1",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
},
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
 ],
 "username": "cluster operator JKL"
 "password": "dev-MNO-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 ],
  "username": "developer_MNO"
 }
],
"wan": {
 "remote clusters": [
   "recursors": {
    "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
    "10.0.8.6:1053",
    "10.0.8.7:1053",
    "10.0.8.5:1053"
   "remote locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
    "password": "gws-GHI-password",
    "username": "gateway sender GHI"
   ]
  }
 1
}
```

7. To verify that the connection has been successfully restored, see Verify Bidirectional WAN Setup.

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Working with Service Instances

This document describes how an app developer can choose a service plan, create and delete VMware GemFire for VMs service instances, and bind an app.

You must install the Cloud Foundry Command Line Interface (cf CLI) to run the commands in this topic.

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View Available Plans

Run of marketplace to view the installed VMware GemFire for VMs tile version and its associated VMware GemFire version. In this example, only a single plan is available:

```
% cf marketplace
Getting services from marketplace in org system / space system
  as admin...

service    plans    description
broker
p-cloudcache dev-plan    VMware Tanzu GemFire(version "1.11.0-build.78", VMware GemFire version
"9.9.1")    cloudcache-broker
```

Run of marketplace -s p-cloudcache to view all plans available for GemFire. The plan names displayed are configured by the operator during tile installation. In this example, a subset of the

available plans are enabled.

```
% cf marketplace -s p-cloudcache
Getting service plan information for service p-cloudcache
as admin...
service plan
             description
                             free or paid
extra-small
              Caching Plan 1 free
small
              Caching Plan 2 free
medium
              Caching Plan 3 free
dev-plan1
              Single-VM Plan free
dev-plan2 Single-VM Plan
                              free
small-footprint1 Multi-VM Plan
small-footprint2 Multi-VM Plan
                              free
```

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Create or Delete a Service Instance

Create a Service Instance

Run of create-service p-cloudcache PLAN-NAME SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME to create a service instance. Replace PLAN-NAME with the name from the list of available plans. Replace SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME with a name of your choice. Use this name to refer to your service instance with other commands. Service instance names can include alpha-numeric characters, hyphens, and underscores

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache extra-large my-cloudcache
```

Service instances are created asynchronously. Run the cf services command to view the current status of the service creation, and of other service instances in the current org and space:

```
$ cf services
Getting services in org my-org / space my-space as user...
OK

name service plan bound apps last operation
my-cloudcache p-cloudcache small create in progress
```

When completed, the status changes from create in progress to create succeeded.

Provide Optional Parameters

You can create a customized service instance by passing optional parameters to cf createservice using the -c flag. The -c flag accepts a valid JSON object containing service-specific configuration parameters, provided either in-line or in a file.

The VMware GemFire for VMs service broker supports the following parameters:

- tls: A boolean, that when true, enables TLS for all communication within the cluster.
- num_servers: An integer that specifies the number of server instances in the cluster. The minimum value is 4. The maximum and default values are configured by the operator.

- new_size_percentage: An integer that specifies the percentage of the heap to allocate to young generation. This value must be between 5 and 83. By default, the new size is 2 GB or 10% of heap, whichever is smaller.
- distributed_system_id: An integer that provides a unique identifier for a cluster that participates in a WAN.
- shared_write_access: A boolean, that when true, allows an app within a different space write access to the service instance when service-instance sharing is enabled.

This example enables TLS within the cluster:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small TLS-cluster -c '{"tls": true}'
```

This example creates the service with five service instances in the cluster:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small my-cloudcache -c '{"num_servers": 5}'
```

This example assigns the service a specific distributed system ID, which is important when restoring a WAN participant from backups:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small my-cloudcache -c '{"distributed_system_id": 2}'
```

This example creates a cluster that allows write access by an app in a different space when service-instance sharing is enabled.

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small my-cloudcache -c '{"shared_write_access":true}'
```

Enable Session State Caching with the Java Buildpack

When the session-replication tag is specified, the Java buildpack downloads all the required resources for session state caching. This feature is available in Java buildpack version 3.19 and higher, up to but not including version 4. It is then available again in version 4.3.

To enable session state caching, do *one* of the following items:

• Option 1: When creating your service instance name, specify the session-replication tag. For example:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small-plan my-service-instance -t session-replication
```

Option 2: Update your service instance, specifying the session-replication tag:

```
$ cf update-service new-service-instance -t session-replication
```

 Option 3: When creating the service, name the service instance name by appending it with the string -session-replication, for example my-service-instance-sessionreplication.

Enable Session State Caching Using Spring Session

To use Spring Session for session state caching for apps with GemFire, follow the steps below:

- 1. Make the following changes to the app:
 - Replace existing Spring Session @EnableXXXHttpSession annotation with @EnableGemFireHttpSession(maxInactiveIntervalInSeconds = N) where N is seconds.
 - Add the spring-session-data-geode and spring-data-geode dependencies to the build.
 - Add beans to the Spring app config.

For more information, see the spring-session-data-gemfire-example repository.

2. Create a region named ClusteredSpringSessions in gfsh when connected with a security role that can manage cluster data: create region --name=ClusteredSpringSessions -- type=PARTITION_HEAP_LRU

Single-VM Plans

The Colocated Single-VM Plan is a type of service plan that is useful for development and testing. This example creates a Colocated Single-VM Plan service instance:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache dev-plan my-dev-cloudcache
```

The plan provides a single locator and a single server colocated within a single VM. Because the VM is recycled when the service instance is updated or upgraded, all data within the region is lost upon update or upgrade.

When post-deploy scripts are enabled for Ops Manager, the service instance is created with a single sample region called <code>example_partition_region</code>. The region is of type <code>PARTITION_REDUNDANT_HEAP_LRU</code>, as described in Partitioned Region Types for Creating Regions on the Server.

If example_partition_region has **not** been created, it is probably because post-deploy scripts are not enabled for Ops Manager, as described in Configure a Co-located Single VM Plan.

Delete a Service Instance

You can delete service instances using the cf CLI. Before doing so, you must remove any existing service keys and app bindings.

- 1. Run cf delete-service-key SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME KEY-NAME to delete the service key.
- 2. Run of unbind-service APP-NAME SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME to unbind your app from the service instance.
- 3. Run of delete-service SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME to delete the service instance.

```
$ cf delete-service-key my-cloudcache my-service-key
$ cf unbind-service my-app my-cloudcache
$ cf delete-service my-cloudcache
```

Deletions are asynchronous. Run of services to view the current status of the service instance deletion.

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Upgrade a Single Service Instance

If individual service instance upgrades are permitted by the operator, and a newer tile has been made available, then developers may upgrade their own service instances by following the procedure here. Enable Individual Service Instance Upgrades describes how an operator enables developer upgrades of their own service instances.

The cf CLI, v6.46.0 or a more recent version, is a prerequisite for upgrading a VMware GemFire for VMs service instance.

To upgrade a single GemFire service instance:

1. Confirm that an upgrade is available for the service instance; the upgrade is available when the upgrade available column of the output says yes, as in the sample output:

```
$ cf services

Getting services in org system / space system as admin...

name service plan last operation broker upgrade available testSI p-cloudcache small-footprint create succeeded cloudcache-broker yes
```

1. Upgrade the service instance with a command of the form:

```
cf update-service SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME --upgrade
```

Replace SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME with the name of the instance to be upgraded. Confirm that you want to update when prompted.

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Updating a VMware Tanzu GemFire Service Instance

You can apply all optional parameters to an existing service instance using the cf update-service command. You can, for example, scale up a cluster by increasing the number of servers.

Previously specified optional parameters are persisted through subsequent updates. To return the service instance to default values, you must explicitly specify the defaults as optional parameters.

For example, if you create a service instance with five servers using a plan that has a default value of four servers:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small my-cloudcache -c '{"num_servers": 5}'
```

And you set the new_size_percentage to 50%:

```
$ cf update-service my-cloudcache -c '{"new_size_percentage": 50}'
```

Then the resulting service instance has 5 servers and new_size_percentage of 50% of heap.

Rebalancing a Cluster

When updating a cluster to increase the number of servers, the available heap size is increased. When this happens, VMware GemFire for VMs automatically rebalances data in the cache to distribute data across the cluster.

This automatic rebalancing does not occur when a server leaves the cluster and later rejoins, for example when a VM is re-created, or network connectivity lost and restored. In this case, you must manually rebalance the cluster using the gfsh rebalance command while connected to the cluster under a role that can manage a cluster's data.



Note: You must first Connect with gfsh over HTTPS before you can use the rebalance command.

Restarting a Cluster

Restarting a cluster stops and restarts each cluster member in turn, issuing a rebalance as each restarted server joins the cluster.



WARNING: Restart of a cluster may cause data loss.

There is a potential for data loss when restarting a cluster; the region type and number of servers in the cluster determine whether or not data is lost.

- All data is lost when restarting a cluster with these region types and number of servers:
 - Partitioned regions without redundancy or persistence. As each server is stopped, the region entries hosted in buckets on that stopped server are permanently lost.
 - Replicated regions without persistence on a cluster that has a single server.
 - A Colocated Single-VM Plan cluster loses all data, as there is a single server and no region persistence.
- No data is lost when restarting the cluster with these region types and number of servers:
 - Replicated regions for clusters with more than one server.
 - Persistent regions will not lose data, as all data is on the disk and available upon restart of a server.
 - Partitioned regions with redundancy. When the server with the primary copy of an entry is stopped, the redundant copy still exists on a running server.

To restart a cluster, use the VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) operator credentials to run the command:

```
cf update-service SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME -c '{"restart": true}'
```

For example:

```
$ cf update-service my-cluster -c '{"restart": true}'
```

Changes to the Service Plan

Your TAS for VMs operator can change details of the service plan available on the Marketplace. If your operator changes the default value of one of the optional parameters, this does not affect existing service instances.

However, if your operator changes the allowed values of one of the optional parameters, existing instances that exceed the new limits are not affected, but any subsequent service updates that change the optional parameter must adhere to the new limits.

For example, if the TAS for VMs operator changes the plan by decreasing the maximum value for num servers, any future service updates must adhere to the new num servers value limit.

You might see the following error message when attempting to update a service instance:

```
$ cf update-service my-cloudcache -c '{"num_servers": 5}'
Updating service instance my-cloudcache as admin...
FAILED
Server error, status code: 502, error code: 10001, message:
Service broker error: Service cannot be updated at this time,
please try again later or contact your operator for more information
```

This error message indicates that the operator has made an update to the plan used by this service instance. You must wait for the operator to apply plan changes to all service instances before you can make further service instance updates.

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Monitoring VMware Tanzu GemFire Service Instances

VMware GemFire for VMs clusters and brokers emit service metrics. You can use any tool that has a corresponding Cloud Foundry nozzle to read and monitor these metrics in real time.

As an app developer, when you opt to use a data service, you should be prepared to:

- monitor the state of that service
- triage issues that occur with that service
- be notified of any concerns

If you believe an issue relates to the underlying infrastructure (network, CPU, memory, or disk), you will need to capture evidence and notify your platform team. The metrics described in this section can help in characterizing the performance and resource consumption of your service instance.

GemFire does not publish locator metrics for service instances created as Co-located Single VM plans or Co-located Multi VM plans.

Service Instance Metrics

In the descriptions of the metrics, KPI stands for Key Performance Indicator.

Member Count

serviceinstance.MemberCount

Description	Returns the number of members in the distributed system.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	count
Warning Threshold	less than the manifest member count
Suggested Actions	This depends on the expected member count, which is available in the BOSH manifest. If the number expected is different from the number emitted, this is a critical situation that may lead to data loss, and the reasons for node failure should be investigated by examining the service logs.
Why a KPI?	Member loss due to any reason can potentially cause data loss.

Total Available Heap Size

serviceinstance.TotalHeapSize

Description	Returns the total available heap, in megabytes, across all instance members.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	pulse
Why a KPI?	If the total heap size and used heap size are too close, the system might see thrashing due to GC activity. This increases latency.

Total Used Heap Size

serviceinstance.UsedHeapSize

Description	Returns the total heap used across all instance members, in megabytes.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	pulse
Why a KPI?	If the total heap size and used heap size are too close, the system might see thrashing due to GC activity. This increases latency.

Total Available Heap Size as a Percentage

$\verb|service| instance. Unused \verb|HeapSizePercentage|$

Description	Returns the proportion of total available heap across all instance members, expressed as a percentage.
Metric Type	percent
Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	compound metric
Warning Threshold	40%
Critical Threshold	10%
Suggested Actions	If this is a spike due to eviction catching up with insert frequency, then customers need to keep a close watch that it should not hit the RED marker. If there is no eviction, then horizontal scaling is suggested.
Why a KPI?	If the total heap size and used heap size are too close, the system might see thrashing due to GC activity. This increases latency.

Per Member Metrics

Memory Used as a Percentage

${\tt member.UsedMemoryPercentage}$

Description	RAM being consumed.
Metric Type	percent
Suggested measurement	Average over last 10 minutes
Measurement Type	average
Warning Threshold	75%
Critical Threshold	85%

Count of Java Garbage Collections

${\tt member.GarbageCollectionCount}$

Description	The number of times that garbage has been collected over a rolling window of time. The rolling window is updated and the count is recalculated every second.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Sum over last 10 minutes
Measurement Type	count

Warning Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Critical Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Suggested Actions	Check the number of queries run against the system, which increases the deserialization of objects and increases garbage.
Why a KPI?	If the frequency of garbage collection is high, the system might see high CPU usage, which causes delays in the cluster.

CPU Utilization Percentage

member.HostCpuUsage

Description	This member's process CPU utilization, expressed as a percentage.
Metric Type	percent
Suggested measurement	Average over last 10 minutes
Measurement Type	average
Warning Threshold	85%
Critical Threshold	95%
Suggested Actions	If this is not happening with high GC activity, the system is reaching its limits. Horizontal scaling might help.
Why a KPI?	High CPU usage causes delayed responses and can also make the member non-responsive. This can cause the member to be kicked out of the cluster, potentially leading to data loss.

Average Latency of Get Operations

 ${\tt member.GetsAvgLatency}$

The average latency of cache get operations, in nanoseconds. number Average over last 10 minutes average
Average over last 10 minutes
average
Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
If this is not happening with high GC activity, the system is reaching its limit. Horizontal scaling might help.
It is a good indicator of the overall responsiveness of the system. If this number is high, the service administrator should diagnose the root cause.

Average Latency of Put Operations

member.PutsAvgLatency

Description	The average latency of cache put operations, in nanoseconds.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Average over last 10 minutes
Measurement Type	average
Warning Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Critical Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Suggested Actions	If this is not happening with high GC activity, the system is reaching its limit. Horizontal scaling might help.
Why a KPI?	It is a good indicator of the overall responsiveness of the system. If this number is high, the service administrator should diagnose the root cause.

JVM pauses

member.JVMPauses

Description	The quantity of JVM pauses.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Sum over 2 seconds
Measurement Type	count
Warning Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Critical Threshold	Dependent on the laaS and app use case.
Suggested Actions	Check the cached object size; if it is greater than 1 MB, you may be hitting the limitation on JVM to garbage collect this object. Otherwise, you may be hitting the utilization limit on the cluster, and will need to scale up to add more memory to the cluster.
Why a KPI?	Due to a JVM pause, the member stops responding to "are-you-alive" messages, which may cause this member to be kicked out of the cluster.

File Descriptor Limit

member.FileDescriptorLimit

Description	The maximum number of open file descriptors allowed for the member's host operating system.
Metric Type	number

Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	pulse
Why a KPI?	If the number of open file descriptors exceeds number available, it causes the member to stop responding and crash.

Open File Descriptors

member.TotalFileDescriptorOpen

The current number of open file descriptors.
number
Every second
pulse
If the number of open file descriptors exceeds number available, it causes the member to stop responding and crash.
_

Quantity of Remaining File Descriptors

member.FileDescriptorRemaining

Description	The number of available file descriptors.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Every second
Measurement Type	compound metric
Warning Threshold	1000
Critical Threshold	100
Suggested Actions	Scale horizontally to increase capacity.
Why a KPI?	If the number of open file descriptors exceeds number available, it causes the member to stop responding and crash.

Threads Waiting for a Reply

member.ReplyWaitsInProgress

Description	The quantity of threads currently waiting for a reply.
Metric Type	number
Suggested measurement	Average over the past 10 seconds

Measurement Type	pulse
Warning Threshold	1
Critical Threshold	10
Suggested Actions	If the value does not average to zero over the sample interval, then the member is waiting for responses from other members. There are two possible explanations: either another member is unhealthy, or the network is dropping packets. Check other members' health, and check for network issues.
Why a KPI?	Unhealthy members are excluded from the cluster, possibly leading to data loss.

Gateway Sender and Gateway Receiver Metrics

These are metrics emitted through the CF Nozzle for gateway senders and gateway receivers.

Queue Size for the Gateway Sender

gatewaySender.<sender-id>.EventQueueSize

Description	The current size of the gateway sender queue.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	count

Events Received at the Gateway Sender

gatewaySender.<sender-id>.EventsReceivedRate

Description	A count of the events coming from the region to which the gateway sender is attached. It is the count since the last time the metric was checked. The first time it is checked, the count is of the number of events since the gateway sender was created.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	count

Events Queued by the Gateway Sender

 $\verb|gatewaySender.<| sender-id>. EventsQueuedRate|$

Description	A count of the events queued on the gateway sender from the region. This quantity of events might be lower than the quantity of events received, as not all received events are queued. It is a count since the last time the metric was checked. The first time it is checked, the count is of the number of events since the gateway sender was created.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	count

Events Received by the Gateway Receiver

gatewayReceiver.EventsReceivedRate

A count of the events received from the gateway sender which will be applied to the region on the gateway receiver's site. It is the count since the last time the metric was checked. The first time it is checked, the count is of the number of events since the gateway receiver was created.
number
count

Disk Metrics

These are metrics emitted through the CF Nozzle for disks.

Average Latency of Disk Writes

diskstore.DiskWritesAvgLatency

Description	The average latency of disk writes in nanoseconds.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	time in nanoseconds

Quantity of Bytes on Disk

diskstore.TotalSpace

Description	The total number of bytes on the attached disk.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	count

Quantity of Available Bytes on Disk

diskstore.UseableSpace

Description	The total number of bytes of available space on the attached disk.
Metric Type	number
Measurement Type	count

Experimental Metrics

These metrics are experimental. Any of these metrics may be removed without advance notice, and the current name of any of these metrics may change. Expect changes to these metrics.

These experimental metrics are specific to a region (REGION-NAME):

- region.REGION-NAME.BucketCount
- region.REGION-NAME.CreatesRate
- region.REGION-NAME.DestroyRate

- region.REGION-NAME.EntrySize
- region.REGION-NAME.FullPath
- region.REGION-NAME.GetsRate
- region.REGION-NAME.NumRunningFunctions
- region.REGION-NAME.PrimaryBucketCount
- region.REGION-NAME.PutAllRate
- region.REGION-NAME.PutLocalRate
- region.REGION-NAME.PutRemoteRate
- region.REGION-NAME.PutsRate
- region.REGION-NAME.RegionType
- region.REGION-NAME.SystemRegionEntryCount
- region.REGION-NAME.TotalBucketSize
- region.REGION-NAME.TotalRegionCount
- region.REGION-NAME.TotalRegionEntryCount

These experimental metrics are specific to a member:

- member.AverageReads
- member.AverageWrites
- member.BytesReceivedRate
- member.BytesSentRate
- member.CacheServer
- member.ClientConnectionCount
- member.CreatesRate
- member.CurrentHeapSize
- member.DeserializationRate
- member.DestroysRate
- member.FunctionExecutionRate
- member.GetRequestRate
- member.GetsRate
- member.MaxMemory
- member.MemberUpTime
- member.NumThreads
- member.PDXDeserializationRate
- member.PutAllRate

- member.PutRequestRate
- member.PutsRate
- member.TotalBucketCount
- member.TotalHitCount
- member.TotalMissCount
- member.TotalPrimaryBucketCount

Total Memory Consumption

The BOSH mem-check errand calculates and outputs the quantity of memory used across all PCC service instances. This errand helps VMware GemFire for VMs (GemFire) operators monitor resource costs, which are based on memory usage.

From the director, run a BOSH command of the form:

```
bosh -d <service broker name> run-errand mem-check
```

With this command:

```
bosh -d cloudcache-service-broker run-errand mem-check
```

Here is an anonymized portion of example output from the mem-check errand for a two cluster deployment:

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Service-Instance Sharing

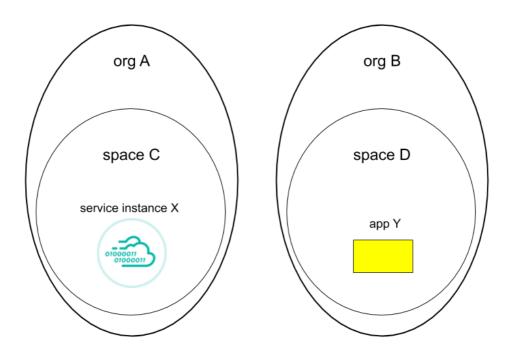
Service-instance sharing for VMware GemFire for VMs permits access to a GemFire service instance by an app within a different space. Read-only access of the data by the app is configured by default.

Follow these steps to set up sharing:

1. A Cloud Foundry operator enables instance sharing as detailed in Enable Service-Instance Sharing

- 2. (Optional) To give the app write access to the data, a developer creates the service instance with service instance sharing enabled as defined in Provide Optional Parameters.
- 3. A developer shares a service instance
- 4. A developer binds the app to the shared service instance

These instructions require identification of the org and the space of both the service instance and the app. The following diagram names the components for use in the configuration instructions. Service instance X resides within space C, which is part of org A. App Y resides within space D, which is part of org B.



Share a Service Instance

The GemFire service instance must be up and running prior to sharing.

To share the service instance:

- 1. An org A developer does a cf login with a space developer role. Target the space that contains the service to be shared: org A, space C.
- 2. The org A developer shares the space with a command of the form

```
cf share-service SERVICE-X -s SPACE-D -o ORG-B
```

Replace SERVICE-X with the GemFire service instance name. Replace SPACE-D with the space name where the app resides. Replace ORG-B with the org name where the app resides.

Bind an App to a Shared Service Instance

The app must be bound to the shared service instance prior to starting the app.

To bind the app to the shared service instance:

- 1. An org B developer does a cf login with a space developer role. Target the org and space that contains the app: org B, space D.
- 2. Verify that the GemFire service instance is available and shared across the spaces in the output of the command:

```
$ cf services
```

3. The org B developer binds the app with a command of the form

```
cf bind APP-Y SERVICE-X
```

Replace SERVICE-X with the GemFire service instance name. Replace APP-Y with the name of the app.

App Authentication

Apps that interact with a shared GemFire service instance which resides in a different space will be given a set of credentials. The app must acquire and use this set of credentials for authentication. Apps built with Spring Boot Data GemFire version 1.1.1 or a more recent version will automatically pick up the credentials, so these apps do not need to acquire the credentials.

By default, the role of these credentials is authorized only for read access of region data. If the cluster is created with the <code>shared_write_access</code> parameter, the cluster operator role will be used, authorizing the operations for that role, as defined in Security.

The set of credentials are in the VCAP_SERVICES environment variable, with a role of readonly or cluster_operator_XXX. The app must parse the VCAP_SERVICES environment variable to extract the credentials. The app uses the credentials to set a VMware GemFire property that then gets passed to the ClientCacheFactory for the purpose of authentication prior to creating the cache.

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Set Up Service Instances Across a Wide Area Network (WAN)

Two service instances may form a single distributed system across a WAN. The interaction of the two service instances may follow one of the patterns described in the section on Design Patterns.

Call the two service instances A and B. The VMware GemFire cluster within each service instance uses an identifier called a distributed_system_id. This example assigns distributed_system_id = 1 to cluster A and distributed_system_id = 2 to cluster B. VMware GemFire gateway senders provide the communication path and construct that propagates region operations from one cluster to another. On the receiving end are VMware GemFire gateway receivers. Creating a service instance also creates gateway receivers.

The procedures in this section assume that service instances communicate using TLS encryption.



Note: To set up more than two service instances across a WAN, set up the interaction between the first two service instances A and B following the directions in either Set Up a Bidirectional System or Set Up a Unidirectional System, as appropriate. After that, set up the interaction between service instance A and another service instance (called C) following the directions in either Set Up an Additional Bidirectional Interaction or Set Up an Additional Unidirectional Interaction, as appropriate.

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Establishing Mutually Trusted TLS Credentials

In order for services instances in two foundations to communicate using TLS encryption, the CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate must be trusted in both foundations; otherwise, WAN connections with TLS will fail.

Assumptions

- You have two VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) foundations, A and B, with a network connection between them.
- You wish to establish a TLS-encrypted WAN connection between a service instance on Foundation A and a service instance on Foundation B.
- The Preparing for TLS procedure has been followed for each foundation, establishing a CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate for each.

Establish Mutual Trust

In order for services instances in two foundations to communicate with TLS, the CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate must be trusted in both foundations; otherwise, WAN connections requiring TLS will fail.

To be trusted in both foundations, their certificates must be signed by:

- a single CA that is identical in both foundations, or
- two CAs, one in each foundation, which is trusted by the other foundation.

If one of these conditions is satisfied, mutually trusted credentials are already in place; there is no need to execute the following procedure.

If the two foundations have different "/services/tls_ca" certificates that are not already mutually trusted, follow these steps to establish mutual trust.

Assuming you have two different TAS for VMs foundations, A and B, connected by a WAN:

- 1. Access the CredHub of Foundation A using instructions from Access BOSH CredHub
- 2. Fetch the certificate from Foundation A using CredHub:

credhub get -n /services/tls ca -k certificate

- 3. Record the output.
- 4. Navigate to the **Ops Manager Installation Dashboard** of **Foundation B** and click the **BOSH Director** tile.
- 5. Click Security.
- 6. Append the contents of the new CA certificate to the old CA certificate under **Trusted**Certificates. Do not remove the old CA certificate.
- 7. Click Save.
- 8. Distribute the new CA certificate to your VMware GemFire for VMs VMs and regenerate each server certificate using the new CA:
 - Navigate back to the Installation Dashboard.
 - Click Review Pending Changes.
 - Click ERRANDS.
 - Select Upgrade All Service Instances.
- 9. Return to the Installation Dashboard in Ops Manager and click Apply Changes.

Repeat Steps 2 - 9 for Foundation B to put its services CA into Foundation A.

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Set Up a Bidirectional System

This section describes how to set up a bidirectional WAN connection, using TLS encryption, between two VMware GemFire for VMs service instances in two different foundations. A bidirectional connection like this is needed if you wish to implement an active-active pattern, as described in Bidirectional Replication Across a WAN.

Assumptions

- You have two VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) foundations, A and B, with a network connection between them.
- You wish to establish a TLS-encrypted WAN connection between a service instance on Foundation A and a service instance on Foundation B.
- The connection will be bidirectional, such that operations in each cluster can be replicated in the other.
- The Preparing for TLS procedure has been followed for each foundation, establishing a CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate for each.
- The Establishing Mutually Trusted TLS Credentials procedure has been followed, establishing mutually trusted TLS credentials between Foundations A and B.

Create Clusters

1. Log into Foundation A using Foundation A Cloud Foundry credentials.

2. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster A in this example. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option with the argument "tls": true to enable TLS. This example also uses the -c option to set the distributed system id of Cluster A to "1":

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache wan-cluster wan1 -c '{
"tls" : true,
"distributed_system_id" : 1 }'
```

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

- 3. Log into Foundation B using Foundation B Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 4. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster B. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option with the argument "tls": true to enable TLS. This example also uses the -c option to set the distributed system id of Cluster B to "2":

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache wan-cluster wan2 -c '{
"tls" : true,
"distributed_system_id" : 2 }'
```

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

Create Service Keys

 While logged in to Foundation A, create a service key for Cluster A. The contents of the service key differ based upon the cluster configuration, such as whether an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA) has been configured.

```
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
Creating service key wan1 for service instance k1 ...
OK
```

The service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster B in this example) to communicate with Cluster A:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 ...

{
  "distributed_system_id": "1",
  "gfsh_login_string": "connect
  --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
  --user=cluster_operator_user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
  "locators": [
```

```
"id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
"remote_cluster_info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
  "10.0.8.7:1053",
  "10.0.8.5:1053"
 ]
 "remote_locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "trusted sender credentials": [
  "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
 }
]
},
"tls-enabled": "true",
"urls": {
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
},
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
  "username": "cluster operator ABC"
 },
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer DEF"
],
"wan": {}
```

2. While logged in to Foundation B, create a service key for Cluster B:

```
$ cf create-service-key wan2 k2
Creating service key wan2 for service instance k2 ...
OK
```

As above, the service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster A in this example) to communicate with Cluster B:

```
$ cf service-key wan2 k2
Getting key k2 for service instance wan2 ...
"distributed system id": "2",
 "gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
   "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
 },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-PQR-password",
   "username": "gateway sender PQR"
  }
 ]
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
  "roles": [
   "cluster_operator"
  ],
  "username": "cluster operator JKL"
 },
  "password": "dev-MNO-password",
  "roles": [
   "developer"
  "username": "developer_MNO"
 }
],
 "wan": {}
```

Establish a Bidirectional Connection

To establish bidirectional communication between Clusters A and B, The remote_clusters element in each must be updated with the contents of the other's remote_cluster_info, which contains three elements:

- The recursors array and the remote_locators array enable communication between clusters
- The trusted_sender_credentials element identifies a cluster from which data can be accepted for replication. For example, when Cluster B has been updated with Cluster A's trusted_sender_credentials, then Cluster B can accept and store data sent from Cluster Δ

In order to implement a bidirectional WAN connection between two clusters, each must have the trusted sender credentials of the other.

1. While logged in to Foundation A, update the Cluster A service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster B service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster A to communicate with Cluster B, and to accept data from Cluster B:

```
$ cf update-service wan1 -c '
  "remote_clusters":[
    "recursors": {
     "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
      "10.1.16.7:1053",
     "10.1.16.6:1053",
     "10.1.16.8:1053"
    ]
    "remote_locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
     "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
    "trusted sender credentials": [
     "password": "gws-PQR-password",
      "username": "gateway sender PQR"
    1
   }
1
Updating service instance wan1 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

2. While logged in to Foundation B, update the Cluster B service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster A service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster B to communicate with Cluster A, and to accept data from Cluster A:

```
$ cf update-service wan2 -c '
  "remote clusters": [
      "recursors": {
       "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
         "10.0.8.5:1053",
          "10.0.8.7:1053",
         "10.0.8.6:1053"
       ]
      },
      "remote_locators": [
       "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
       "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
       "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
      "trusted sender credentials": [
       {
          "username": "gateway_sender_GHI",
          "password": "gws-GHI-password"
      1
 ]
Updating service instance wan2 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

3. To verify that a service instance has been correctly updated, delete and recreate the cluster service key. The recreated service key will have the same user identifiers and passwords as its predecessor, and will reflect the changes you specified in the recent of update-service commands. In particular, the wan{} element at the end of a cluster's service key should be populated with the other cluster's remote connection information. For example, to verify that the Cluster A service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster A administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster A service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan1 k1
...
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster A service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster B, including Cluster B's remote_locators array and trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 ...
 "distributed system id": "1",
"gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 ],
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  1
 },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
  {
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
  }
 ]
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
   "roles": [
   "cluster operator"
  "username": "cluster operator ABC"
  },
  "password": "dev-DEF-password",
  "roles": [
   "developer"
  "username": "developer DEF"
 ],
 "wan": {
  "remote clusters": [
   "remote_locators": [
```

```
"id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
],
    "trusted_sender_credentials": [
    "gateway_sender_PQR"
]
}
```

Similarly, to verify that the Cluster B service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster B administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster B service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan2 k2
...
$ cf create-service-key wan2 k2
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster B service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster A, including Cluster A's remote_locators array, and trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan2 k2
Getting key k2 for service instance wan2 ...
"distributed system id": "2",
"gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster_operator_user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
],
 "remote cluster info": {
  "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
   "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
  ]
  "remote locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "password": "gws-PQR-password",
   "username": "gateway sender PQR"
 ]
 },
```

```
"tls-enabled": "true",
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
{
 "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
 "username": "cluster_operator_JKL"
 "password": "dev-MNO-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer MNO"
],
"wan": {
 "remote_clusters": [
   "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "gateway sender GHI"
   ]
 }
 ]
```

Create Gateway Senders and Regions

On each cluster, create a gateway sender that sends to the other cluster, then create regions on each cluster that have the same name and type. Note: the gateway sender must be created before the region that uses it, so there is a window of time in which region operations that occur after the region is created on Cluster A, but before the corresponding region is created on Cluster B, will be lost.

- 1. While logged in to Foundation A, use gfsh to create the Cluster A gateway sender and the region.
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the Cluster A gateway sender. The required remote-distributed-system-id option identifies the distributed-system-id of the destination cluster. It is 2 for this example:

```
{\tt gfsh>create~gateway-sender~--id=send\_to\_2~--remote-distributed-system-id=2~--en} \\ {\tt able-persistence=true}
```

Create the Cluster A region. The gateway-sender-id associates region operations
with a specific gateway sender. The region must have an associated gateway
sender in order to propagate region events across the WAN.

```
gfsh>create region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send_to_2 --type=PARTITIO N_REDUNDANT
```

- 2. While logged in to Foundation B, use gfsh to create the Cluster B gateway sender and region.
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the Cluster B gateway sender:

```
gfsh>create gateway-sender --id=send_to_1 --remote-distributed-system-id=1 --en
able-persistence=true
```

Create the Cluster B region:

```
\label{lem:gfsh} $$ gfsh>create region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send\_to\_1 --type=PARTITIO N\_REDUNDANT
```

Verify Bidirectional WAN Setup

This verification uses gfsh to put a region entry into each of Cluster A and Cluster B, in order to observe that the entry appears in the other cluster.

- 1. While logged in to Foundation A, run gfsh and connect following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 2. Verify that Cluster A has a complete set of gateway senders and gateway receivers:

```
gfsh>list gateways
```

Also verify that there are no queued events in the gateway senders.

- 3. Log in to Foundation B in a separate terminal window, then run gfsh and connect following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 4. Verify that Cluster B has a complete set of gateway senders and gateway receivers:

```
gfsh>list gateways
```

Also verify that there are no queued events in the gateway senders.

5. From the Cluster A gfsh connection, use gfsh to perform a put operation. This example assumes that both the key and the value for the entry are strings. The gfsh help put

command shows the put command's options. Here is an example:

```
gfsh>put --region=regionX --key=mykey1 --value=stringvalue1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1
Value Class : java.lang.String
Old Value : null
```

6. Wait approximately 30 seconds, then use the Cluster B gfsh connection to perform a get of the same key that was put into the region on Cluster A.

```
gfsh>get --region=regionX --key=mykey1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1
Value Class : java.lang.String
Value : "stringvalue1"
```

You should see that Cluster B has the value.

- 7. Repeat steps 5 and 6 to perform a put operation on Cluster B and verify that the entry is sent to Cluster A.
- 8. Remove both test entries from both clusters with two gfsh commands, issuing the commands on one of the clusters. WAN replication will cause the removal of the test entries on the other cluster.

```
gfsh>remove --region=regionX --key=mykey1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1

gfsh>remove --region=regionX --key=mykey2
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey2
```

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Set Up a Unidirectional System with TLS

This section describes how to set up a unidirectional WAN connection, using TLS encryption, between two VMware GemFire for VMs instances in two different foundations, such that all operations in Cluster A are replicated in Cluster B. Two design patterns that use unidirectional replication are described in Blue-Green Disaster Recovery and CQRS Pattern Across a WAN.

Assumptions

- You have two VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) foundations, A and B, with a network connection between them.
- You wish to establish a TLS-encrypted WAN connection between a service instance on Foundation A and a service instance on Foundation B.

- The connection will be unidirectional, such that all operations in Cluster A are replicated in Cluster B, but Cluster B does not send operations to Cluster A.
- The Preparing for TLS procedure has been followed for each foundation, establishing a CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate for each.
- The Establishing Mutually Trusted TLS Credentials procedure has been followed, establishing mutually trusted TLS credentials between Foundations A and B.

Create Clusters

- 1. Log into Foundation A using Foundation A Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 2. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster A in this example. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option with the argument "tls": true to enable TLS. This example also uses the -c option to set the distributed system id of Cluster A to "1":

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache wan-cluster wan1 -c '{
"tls" : true,
"distributed_system_id" : 1 }'
```

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

- 3. Log into Foundation B using Foundation B Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 4. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster B. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option with the argument "tls": true to enable TLS. This example also uses the -c option to set the distributed system id of Cluster B to "2":

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache wan-cluster wan2 -c '{
"tls" : true,
"distributed_system_id" : 2 }'
```

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

Create Service Keys

 While logged in to Foundation A, create a service key for Cluster A. The contents of the service key differ based upon the cluster configuration, such as whether an external authentication such as LDAP via User Account and Authentication (UAA) has been configured.

```
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
Creating service key wan1 for service instance k1 ...
OK
```

The service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster B in this example) to communicate with Cluster A:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 as admin...
 "distributed system id": "1",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  1
  "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 ],
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
  }
 ]
 },
 "tls-enabled": "true",
  "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
  "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
  "roles": [
   "cluster operator"
   "username": "cluster operator ABC"
  },
  "password": "dev-DEF-password",
  "roles": [
   "developer"
  "username": "developer DEF"
  }
 ],
```

```
"wan": {}
}
```

2. While logged in to Foundation B, create a service key for Cluster B:

```
$ cf create-service-key wan2 k2
Creating service key wan2 for service instance k2 ...
OK
```

As above, the service key contains generated credentials, in a JSON element called remote_cluster_info, that enable other clusters (Cluster A in this example) to communicate with Cluster B:

```
$ cf service-key wan2 k2
Getting key k2 for service instance destination as admin...
 "distributed system id": "2",
"gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 ],
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
    "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
  1
  },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
  {
   "password": "gws-PQR-password",
   "username": "gateway sender PQR"
  }
 ]
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
   "roles": [
   "cluster_operator"
   "username": "cluster operator JKL"
```

```
},
{
    "password": "dev-MNO-password",
    "roles": [
        "developer"
],
    "username": "developer_MNO"
}

],
    "wan": {}
}
```

Establish a Unidirectional TLS Connection

To establish unidirectional communication between Clusters A and B, The <code>remote_clusters</code> element in each must be updated with selected contents of the other's <code>remote_cluster_info</code>, which contains three elements:

- The recursors array and the remote_locators array enable communication between clusters.
- The trusted_sender_credentials element identifies a cluster from which data can be accepted for replication. For example, when Cluster B has been updated with Cluster A's trusted_sender_credentials, then Cluster B can accept and store data sent from Cluster A.

In order to implement a unidirectional WAN connection in which Cluster A sends data to Cluster B:

- Each cluster must be updated with the recursors array and the remote_locators array of the other.
- Cluster B must be updated with the trusted sender credentials of Cluster A.
- Cluster A must NOT be updated with the trusted sender credentials of Cluster B.

Follow these steps to configure a unidirectional connection in which Cluster A is the active member, and Cluster B accepts data for replication, but does not send operations to Cluster A:

1. While logged into Foundation A, update the Cluster A service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster B service key remote_cluster_info element, including Cluster B's recursors array and the remote_locators array, but NOT Cluster B's trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster A to send messages to Cluster B, but blocks data flow from Cluster B to Cluster A.

```
"id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
    ]
}
Updating service instance wan1 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

2. While logged in to Foundation B, update the Cluster B service instance, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster A service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster B to communicate with Cluster A, and to accept data from Cluster A:

```
$ cf update-service wan2 -c '
  "remote clusters": [
      "recursors": {
        "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
          "10.0.8.5:1053".
         "10.0.8.7:1053",
          "10.0.8.6:1053"
       ]
      },
      "remote locators":[
        "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
        "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
      1,
      "trusted sender credentials":[
          "username": "gateway sender GHI",
          "password": "gws-GHI-password"
      1
    }
 1
Updating service instance wan2 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

3. To verify that each service instance has been correctly updated, delete and recreate the cluster service key. The recreated service key will have the same user identifiers and passwords as its predecessor, and will reflect the changes you specified in the recent of update-service commands. In particular the wan{} elements at the end of each cluster's service key should be populated with the other cluster's remote connection information.

For example, to verify that the Cluster A service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster A administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster A service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan1 k1
...
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster A service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster B, including Cluster B's remote_locators array, but **NOT** Cluster B's trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 ...
"distributed system id": "1",
"gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 ],
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  ]
 },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
  }
 1
 },
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
  "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
   "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
   "roles": [
   "cluster_operator"
   "username": "cluster operator ABC"
```

```
{
    "password": "dev-DEF-password",
    "roles": [
    "developer"
],
    "username": "developer_DEF"
}

],
    "wan": {
    "remote_clusters": [
        "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "]
        }
    }
}
```

Similarly, to verify that the Cluster B service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster B administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster B service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan2 k2
...
$ cf create-service-key wan2 k2
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster B service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster A, including Cluster A's remote_locators array and trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan2 k2
Getting key k2 for service instance wan2 ...
 "distributed system id": "2",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
   "10.1.16.7:1053",
   "10.1.16.6:1053",
   "10.1.16.8:1053"
  ]
  "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
```

```
"id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
 "trusted sender credentials": [
  "password": "gws-PQR-password",
   "username": "gateway sender PQR"
]
},
"tls-enabled": "true",
"urls": {
 "qfsh": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/gemfire/v1",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-2.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-JKL-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
 "username": "cluster operator JKL"
},
 "password": "dev-MNO-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer MNO"
],
"wan": {
"remote clusters": [
  "remote_locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted sender credentials": [
   "gateway sender GHI"
  1
 }
 ]
}
```

Create a Gateway Sender and Regions

Create a gateway sender on the active cluster that sends to the passive cluster, then create regions on each cluster that have the same name and type. Note: the gateway sender must be created before the region that uses it, so there is a window in which region operations that occur after the region is created on Cluster A, but before the corresponding region is created on Cluster B, will be lost.

1. While logged in to Foundation A, use gfsh to create the Cluster A gateway sender and the region.

- Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the Cluster and the data.
- Create the Cluster A gateway sender. The required remote-distributed-system-id option identifies the distributed-system-id of the destination cluster. It is 2 for this example:

```
{\tt gfsh>create\ gateway-sender\ --id=send\_to\_2\ --remote-distributed-system-id=2\ --en} \\ able-persistence={\tt true}
```

Create the Cluster A region. The gateway-sender-id associates region operations
with a specific gateway sender. The region must have an associated gateway
sender in order to propagate region events across the WAN.

```
\label{lem:gfsh} $$ gfsh>create region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send\_to\_2 --type=PARTITIO N\_REDUNDANT
```

- 2. While logged in to Foundation B, use gfsh to create the Cluster B region. (Because Cluster B is the passive member in this unidirectional connection, it does not need a gateway sender.)
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the Cluster B region:

```
gfsh>create region --name=regionX --type=PARTITION_REDUNDANT
```

Verify Unidirectional WAN Setup

This verification uses gfsh to put a region entry into Cluster A, in order to observe that the entry appears in Cluster B.

- While logged in to Foundation A, run gfsh and connect following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 2. Verify that Cluster A has a complete set of gateway senders and gateway receivers:

```
gfsh>list gateways
```

Also verify that there are no queued events in the gateway senders.

- 3. Log in to Foundation B in a separate terminal window, then run gfsh and connect following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 4. Verify that Cluster B has a complete set of gateway receivers (Cluster B should have no gateway senders):

```
gfsh>list gateways
```

5. From the Cluster A gfsh connection, use gfsh to perform a put operation. This example assumes that both the key and the value for the entry are strings. The gfsh help put command shows the put command's options. Here is an example:

```
gfsh>put --region=regionX --key=mykey1 --value=stringvalue1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1
Value Class : java.lang.String
Old Value : null
```

6. Wait approximately 30 seconds, then use the Cluster B gfsh connection to perform a get of the same key that was put into the region on Cluster A.

```
gfsh>get --region=regionX --key=mykey1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1
Value Class : java.lang.String
Value : "stringvalue1"
```

You should see that Cluster B has the value.

7. From the Cluster A gfsh connection, remove the test entry from Cluster A. WAN replication will cause the removal of the test entry from Cluster B.

```
gfsh>remove --region=regionX --key=mykey1
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : mykey1
```

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Set Up an Additional Bidirectional Interaction

This section describes how to add a bidirectional TLS-encrypted WAN connection to an additional VMware GemFire for VMs service instance, once an initial setup is in place for a first pair of GemFire service instances.

Call the first pair of GemFire service instances Cluster A and Cluster B, which reside on Foundation A and Foundation B, respectively. This set of directions sets up an interaction between Cluster A and and a third service instance, Cluster C, which resides on third foundation, Foundation C.

Assumptions

- You have already established a TLS-encrypted WAN connection between a service instance on Foundation A, referred to here as Cluster A, and a service instance on Foundation B, which we'll call Cluster B, following the Set Up a Bidirectional System procedure.
- You wish to add an additional TLS-encrypted WAN connection between Cluster A and a third service instance on Foundation C, which we will call Cluster C.

- The connection will be bidirectional, such that an operation on either cluster can be replicated in the other.
- The Preparing for TLS procedure has been followed for Foundation C, establishing a CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate.
- The Establishing Mutually Trusted TLS Credentials procedure has been followed, establishing mutually trusted TLS credentials between Foundations A and C.

Get Cluster A's Remote Credentials

- 1. Log into Foundation A using Foundation A Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 2. View the Cluster A service key and save a copy of the remote_cluster_info element, which includes the remote_locators array and trusted_sender_credentials. These are the credentials that enable other clusters to communicate with Cluster A.

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 as admin...
 "distributed system id": "1",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
 "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  ]
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
    "username": "gateway_sender_GHI"
 ]
},
"tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
  "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
  "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
  {
```

```
"password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
 ],
 "username": "cluster operator ABC"
{
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer_DEF"
],
"wan": {
"remote_clusters": [
  "remote locators": [
   "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "gateway_sender_PQR"
  ]
 }
]
}
```

Create the New Cluster

The VMware GemFire cluster within each service instance uses an identifier called a distributed_system_id. This example assumes the assignment of distributed_system_id = 1 for cluster A, distributed system id = 2 for cluster B, and distributed system id = 3 for cluster C.

- 1. Log into Foundation C using Foundation C Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 2. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster C in this example. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option to specify the following arguments:
 - "tls" : true to enable TLS
 - "distributed_system_id" : 3 to set the distributed system id of Cluster C to "3"
 - remote_clusters" : [CLUSTER-A-CREDENTIALS] to enable communication with Cluster A, where CLUSTER-A-CREDENTIALS are the contents of Cluster A's remote cluster info element.

The following command specifies the Cluster A credentials you copied in an earlier step, enabling Cluster C to communicate with and receive data from Cluster A:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache wan-cluster wan3 -c '{
"tls" : true,
"distributed_system_id" : 3,
    "remote_clusters":[
```

```
"recursors": {
     "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
       "10.0.8.5:1053",
       "10.0.8.7:1053",
        "10.0.8.6:1053"
    },
    "remote_locators":[
     "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
     "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
    "trusted sender credentials":[
     "username": "gateway sender GHI",
     "password": "gws-GHI-password"
    } ]
 } ]
} '
```

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

3. While logged in to Foundation C, create a service key for Cluster C.

```
$ cf create-service-key wan3 k3
Creating service key wan3 for service instance k3 ...
OK
```

Display the service key and save a copy of the remote_cluster_info element, which includes the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. These are the credentials that enable other clusters to communicate with Cluster C.

```
$ cf service-key wan3 k3
Getting key k3 for service instance destination as admin...
 "distributed system id": "3",
 "gfsh_login_string": "connect
 --{\tt url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1}
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh": [
   "10.2.32.7:1053",
   "10.2.32.6:1053",
   "10.2.32.8:1053"
   ]
  },
```

```
"remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted sender credentials": [
  {
   "username": "gateway_sender_XYZ",
   "password": "gws-XYZ-password"
 ]
 },
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-3.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-3.example.com/pulse"
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-STU-password",
  "roles": [
   "cluster operator"
  ],
  "username": "cluster_operator_STU"
 },
  "password": "dev-VWX-password",
  "roles": [
   "developer"
  ],
  "username": "developer VWX"
],
 "wan": {
  "remote clusters": [
  {
   "remote locators": [
     "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
     "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
    "gateway sender GHI"
   1
  }
 ]
 }
}
```

4. While logged in to Foundation A, update the Cluster A service instance to add the Cluster C credentials, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster C service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster A to communicate with Cluster C, and to accept data from Cluster C.

IMPORTANT: You must also retain the credentials for all clusters with which Cluster A interacts, in this example those of Cluster B. The existing credentials can be copied from

the remote_cluster_info entry in Cluster B's service key, before updating the Cluster A service instance to append credentials for the additional cluster.

The following example adds Cluster C's credentials to Cluster A's remote_clusters element:

```
$ cf update-service wan1 -c '
  "remote_clusters":[
  {
    "recursors": {
     "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
     "10.1.16.7:1053",
     "10.1.16.6:1053",
     "10.1.16.8:1053"
    1
    "remote locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
    1,
    "trusted_sender_credentials": [
     "username": "gateway sender PQR",
     "password": "gws-PQR-password"
    }
   ]
   },
    "recursors": {
     "services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh": [
      "10.2.32.7:1053",
      "10.2.32.6:1053",
     "10.2.32.8:1053"
    },
    "remote_locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
     "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
   ],
    "trusted sender credentials": [
      "username": "gateway_sender_XYZ",
     "password": "gws-XYZ-password"
    1
   }
]
} '
Updating service instance wan1 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

5. To verify that a service instance has been correctly updated, delete and recreate the cluster service key. The recreated service key will have the same user identifiers and passwords as its predecessor, and will reflect the changes you specified in the recent of update-service commands. In particular, the wan{} element at the end of a cluster's service key should be populated with the other cluster's remote connection information. For example, to verify that the Cluster A service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster A administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster A service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan1 k1
...
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster A service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster B, including Cluster B's remote_locators array and trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 as admin...
"distributed system id": "1",
"gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
],
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  1
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  1,
  "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
  }
 ]
 "tls-enabled": "true",
"urls": {
 "gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
```

```
"password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
  "username": "cluster operator ABC"
 },
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer_DEF"
],
"wan": {
 "remote clusters":[
   "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "gateway sender PQR"
  },
   "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
    "gateway sender XYZ"
 ]
```

Create Gateway Senders and Regions

- 1. While logged in to Foundation A, use gfsh to create the cluster A gateway sender and alter the existing region.
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the cluster A gateway sender. The required remote-distributed-system-id option identifies the distributed-system-id of the destination cluster. It is 3 for this example:

```
gfsh>create gateway-sender --id=send_to_3 --remote-distributed-system-id=3 --en
able-persistence=true
```

 Alter the existing cluster A region so that it specifies all gateway senders associated with the region. There are two gateway senders in this example, one that goes to cluster B and a second that goes to cluster C.

```
gfsh>alter region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send_to_2,send_to_3
```

- 2. While logged in to Foundation C, use gfsh to create the cluster C gateway sender and region.
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the cluster C gateway sender:

```
gfsh>create gateway-sender --id=send_to_1 --remote-distributed-system-id=1 --en
able-persistence=true
```

Create the cluster C region:

```
gfsh>create region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send_to_1 --type=PARTITIO N_REDUNDANT
```

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Set Up an Additional Unidirectional Interaction

This section describes how to add a unidirectional TLS-encrypted WAN connection to an additional VMware GemFire for VMs service instance, once an initial setup is in place for a first pair of GemFire service instances.

Call the first pair of GemFire service instances Cluster A and Cluster B, which reside on Foundation A and Foundation B, respectively. This set of directions sets up an interaction between Cluster A and and a third service instance, Cluster C, which resides on a third foundation, Foundation C.

Assumptions

- You have already established a TLS-encrypted WAN connection between a service instance on Foundation A, referred to here as Cluster A, and a service instance on Foundation B, which we'll call Cluster B, following the Set Up a Unidirectional System procedure.
- You wish to add an additional TLS-encrypted WAN connection between Cluster A and a third service instance on Foundation C, which we will call Cluster C.
- The connection will be unidirectional, such that all operations in Cluster A are replicated in Cluster C, but Cluster C does not send operations to Cluster A.
- The Preparing for TLS procedure has been followed for Foundation C, establishing a CredHub "/services/tls_ca" certificate.
- The Establishing Mutually Trusted TLS Credentials procedure has been followed, establishing mutually trusted TLS credentials between Foundations A and C.

Get Cluster A's Remote Credentials

- 1. Log into Foundation A using Foundation A Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 2. View the Cluster A service key and save a copy of the remote_cluster_info element, which includes the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. These are the credentials that enable other clusters to communicate with Cluster A.

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1
Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 as admin...
"distributed system id": "1",
 "gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "remote_cluster_info": {
  "recursors": {
   "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
   "10.0.8.7:1053",
   "10.0.8.5:1053"
  ]
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
  "trusted sender credentials": [
   "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
  }
 1
 },
 "tls-enabled": "true",
 "urls": {
  \verb"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
  "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
 },
 "users": [
  "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
  "roles": [
   "cluster_operator"
   "username": "cluster operator ABC"
 },
  "password": "dev-DEF-password",
  "roles": [
    "developer"
```

```
"username": "developer_DEF"

}

,

"wan": {
    "remote_clusters": [
        "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
        ]
      }
    }
}
```

Create the New Cluster

The VMware GemFire cluster within each service instance uses an identifier called a distributed_system_id. This example assumes the assignment of distributed_system_id = 1 for cluster A, distributed_system_id = 2 for cluster B, and distributed_system_id = 3 for cluster C.

- 1. Log into Foundation C using Foundation C Cloud Foundry credentials.
- 2. Use the cf create-service command to create a service instance, which we will call Cluster C in this example. In the cf create-service command, use the -c option to specify the following arguments:
 - "tls" : true to enable TLS
 - "distributed system id" : 3 to set the distributed system id of Cluster C to "3"
 - remote_clusters" : [CLUSTER-A-CREDENTIALS] to enable communication with Cluster A, where CLUSTER-A-CREDENTIALS are the contents of Cluster A's remote_cluster_info element.

The following command specifies the Cluster A credentials you copied in an earlier step, enabling Cluster C to communicate with and receive data from Cluster A:

Verify the completion of service creation prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as create succeeded when service creation is completed.

3. While logged in to Foundation C, create a service key for Cluster C.

```
$ cf create-service-key wan3 k3
Creating service key wan3 for service instance k3 ...
OK
```

Display the service key and save a copy of the remote_cluster_info element, which includes the recursors array, remote_locators array, and trusted_sender_credentials. These are the credentials that enable other clusters to communicate with Cluster C.

```
$ cf service-key wan3 k3
Getting key k3 for service instance destination as admin...
"distributed_system_id": "3",
"gfsh login string": "connect
 --url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
 "locators": [
  "id1.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
 "remote cluster info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh": [
   "10.2.32.7:1053",
   "10.2.32.6:1053",
   "10.2.32.8:1053"
 },
  "remote locators": [
  "idl.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
  "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
  ],
  "trusted_sender_credentials": [
   "username": "gateway sender XYZ",
   "password": "gws-XYZ-password"
  }
 ]
 },
 "tls-enabled": "true",
```

```
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-3.example.com/gemfire/v1",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-3.example.com/pulse"
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-STU-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster operator"
 "username": "cluster operator STU"
},
 "password": "dev-VWX-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer VWX"
],
"wan": {
"remote clusters": [
   "remote locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted sender credentials": [
   "gateway_sender_GHI"
  ]
 }
1
}
```

4. While logged in to Foundation A, update the Cluster A service instance to add the Cluster C credentials, using the -c option to specify a remote_clusters element that includes the contents of the Cluster C service key remote_cluster_info element, including the recursors array and the remote_locators array, but **NOT** the trusted_sender_credentials. This allows Cluster A to send messages to Cluster C, but blocks data flow from Cluster C to Cluster A.

IMPORTANT: You must also retain the credentials for all clusters with which Cluster A interacts, in this example those of Cluster B. The existing remote_locators and recursors credentials can be copied from the remote_cluster_info entry in Cluster B's service key, before updating the Cluster A service instance to append credentials for the additional cluster. Do not include Cluster B's trusted sender credentials.

The following example adds Cluster C's credentials to Cluster A's remote_clusters element:

```
$ cf update-service wan1 -c '
{
   "remote_clusters":[
```

```
"recursors": {
     "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
      "10.1.16.7:1053",
     "10.1.16.6:1053",
     "10.1.16.8:1053"
    },
    "remote locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
     "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
   },
    "recursors": {
    "services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh": [
     "10.2.32.7:1053",
     "10.2.32.6:1053",
     "10.2.32.8:1053"
    },
    "remote_locators": [
    "idl.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
    "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
     "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
]
} '
Updating service instance wan1 as admin
```

Verify the completion of the service update prior to continuing to the next step. Output from the cf services command will show the last operation as update succeeded when service update is completed.

5. To verify that a service instance has been correctly updated, delete and recreate the cluster service key. The recreated service key will have the same user identifiers and passwords as its predecessor, and will reflect the changes you specified in the recent of update-service commands. In particular, the wan{} element at the end of a cluster's service key should be populated with the other cluster's remote connection information. For example, to verify that the Cluster A service key was updated correctly, log in as Cluster A administrator and issue these commands to delete and recreate the Cluster A service key:

```
$ cf delete-service-key wan1 k1
...
$ cf create-service-key wan1 k1
```

Verify that the wan{} field of the Cluster A service key contains a remote_clusters element which specifies contact information for Cluster B, including Cluster B's remote_locators array, but **NOT** trusted sender credentials:

```
$ cf service-key wan1 k1

Getting key k1 for service instance wan1 as admin...
```

```
"distributed system id": "1",
"gfsh login string": "connect
--url=https://cloudcache-url.com/gemfire/v1
--user=cluster operator user --password=pass --skip-ssl-validation",
"locators": [
 "id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
"id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
"remote_cluster_info": {
"recursors": {
 "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
   "10.0.8.6:1053",
  "10.0.8.7:1053",
  "10.0.8.5:1053"
 ]
},
 "remote_locators": [
 "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
  "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "trusted sender credentials": [
  "password": "gws-GHI-password",
  "username": "gateway_sender_GHI"
 }
]
},
"tls-enabled": "true",
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
},
"users": [
 "password": "cl-op-ABC-password",
 "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
 "username": "cluster operator ABC"
},
 "password": "dev-DEF-password",
 "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer DEF"
],
"wan": {
"remote clusters": [
   "remote_locators": [
   "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
    "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
```

```
}

},

{
    "remote_locators": [
        "id1.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
        "id2.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]",
        "id3.locator.services-subnet-3.service-instance-id-3.bosh[55221]"
        ]
    }
}
```

Create Gateway Senders and Regions

- 1. While logged in to Foundation A, use gfsh to create the cluster A gateway sender and alter the existing region.
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the cluster A gateway sender. The required remote-distributed-system-id option identifies the distributed-system-id of the destination cluster. It is 3 for this example:

```
gfsh>create gateway-sender --id=send_to_3 --remote-distributed-system-id=3 --en
able-persistence=true
```

 Alter the existing cluster A region so that it specifies all gateway senders associated with the region. There are two gateway senders in this example, one that goes to cluster B and a second that goes to cluster C.

```
gfsh>alter region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send_to_2,send_to_3
```

- 2. While logged in to Foundation C, use gfsh to create the cluster C region. (Because Cluster C is a passive member in this unidirectional connection, it does not need a gateway sender.)
 - Connect using gfsh following the instructions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
 - Create the cluster C region:

```
gfsh>create region --name=regionX --gateway-sender-id=send_to_1 --type=PARTITIO N_REDUNDANT
```

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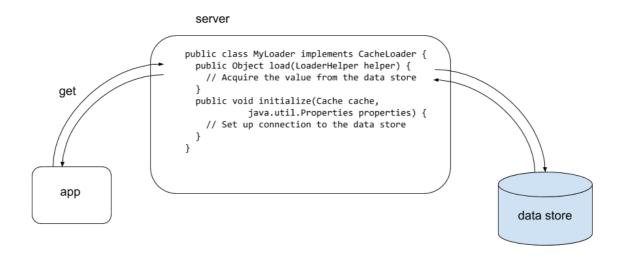
Setting Up Servers for an Inline Cache

See The Inline Cache for an introductory description of an inline cache. The implementation of an inline cache requires custom code deployed on the VMware GemFire servers to interact with the backend data store for read misses and for writes.

The custom code always implements a cache loader for read misses. The custom code and configuration setup differs for writes. A write-behind implementation uses an asynchronous event queue (AEQ) and an AEQ listener. A write-through implementation uses a cache writer.

Implement a Cache Loader for Read Misses

An app's get operation is a cache read. If the desired entry is in the region, it is a cache hit, and the value is quickly returned to the app. If the desired entry is not in the region, it is a cache miss. For an inline cache, that value is acquired from the backend data store. You implement the CacheLoader interface to handle cache misses. Each cache miss invokes the CacheLoader.load method. The CacheLoader.load method must acquire and return the value for the specified key. See the VMware GemFire API Documentation for the interface's details.



The value returned from the <code>CacheLoader.load</code> method will be put into the region and then returned to the waiting app, completing the app's get operation. Since the app blocks while waiting for the result of the get operation, design the <code>CacheLoader.load</code> method to acquire the value as quickly as possible.

The CacheLoader implementation must be thread-safe. You will deploy the implementation to the servers during configuration.

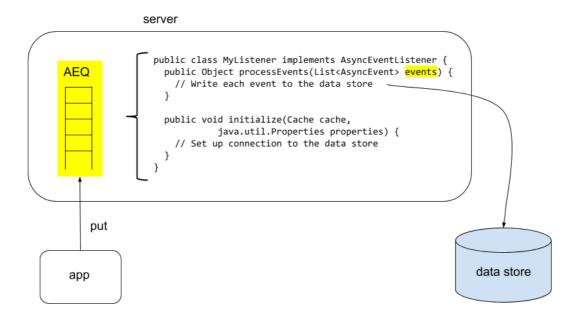
The CacheLoader.load method queries the backend data store for the desired entry. That communication between the server process and the backend data store requires a connection, and establishing a connection is likely to use a set of credentials. You provide a custom implementation of the CacheLoader.initialize method to establish the connection.

You specify the credentials during configuration with the gfsh create region command by adding the JSON description to the --cache-loader option. The credentials will be passed as parameters to the invoked Cacheloader.initialize method as part of the Cacheloader instance construction.

Implement an Asynchronous Event Queue and Cache Listener for Write Behind

An app's put operation is a cache write. For a write-behind implementation, the value is placed into the region, and it will also be asynchronously written to the backend data store, allowing the app's write operation to complete without waiting for the backend-data-store write to complete.

An asynchronous event queue (AEQ) to queue the write events together with an implementation of the AsyncEventListener interface provides the desired behavior. See the VMware GemFire API Documentation for the interface's details.



With a configured AEQ, all put operations first create or update the entry in the hosted region on the server and then add the event to the AEQ.

You provide a custom implementation of the AsyncEventListener interface. Your AsyncEventListener.processEvents method's task is to iterate through the events in the AEQ, writing each newly created or updated entry in the AEQ to the backend data store. The AsyncEventListener.processEvents method is invoked when either the AEQ holds a configured quantity of events, or a configured quantity of time has elapsed since the earliest entry entered the AEQ.

The communication between the server process and the backend data store to do the writes requires a connection, and establishing a connection is likely to use a set of credentials. You provide a custom implementation of the <code>AsyncEventListener.initialize</code> method to establish the connection.

You specify the credentials during configuration in the gfsh create async-event-queue command with the --listener-param option as described in Configure Using gfsh for Write Behind. The credentials will be passed as parameters to the invoked AsyncEventListener.initialize method as part of AsyncEventListener instance construction.

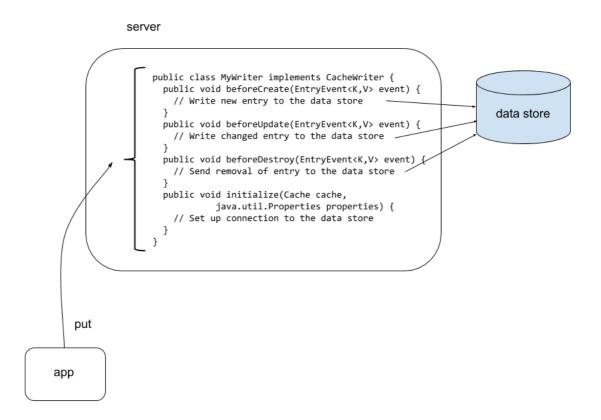
Your configuration will specify the AEQ as persistent, such that it does not lose queued backend-data-store writes across unexpected server restarts.

Implement a Cache Writer for Write Through

An app's put operation is a cache write. For a write-through implementation, the value will be written to the backend data store prior to being placed into the region. After both writes, the app's put operation completes.

An implementation of the CacheWriter interface implementation provides the correct behavior for write through. See the VMware GemFire API Documentation for the interface's details. You provide a custom implementation of the CacheWriter.beforeCreate method to handle backend-data-store writes for put operations that add a new entry to the region. You provide a custom implementation of the CacheWriter.beforeUpdate method to handle backend-data-store writes for put operations that modify an existing entry in the region. You provide a custom implementation of CacheWriter.beforeDestroy, as appropriate, to handle an update of the backend data store for a region operation that removes an entry.

The CacheWriter implementation must be thread-safe. You will deploy the implementation to the servers during configuration.



Communication between the server process and the backend data store to do the writes requires a connection, and establishing a connection is likely to use a set of credentials. You provide a custom implementation of the CacheWriter.initialize method to establish the connection.

Specify the credentials in the gfsh create region command during configuration as described in Configure Using gfsh for Write Through. Add the JSON description to the --cache-writer option.

The credentials will be passed as parameters to the invoked <code>CacheWriter.initialize</code> method as part of the <code>CacheWriter</code> instance construction.

Configure Using gfsh for Write Behind

Follow this procedure to deploy your custom implementations of the interfaces to the servers, create the AEQ, and configure the region to use the AEQ and the deployed interface implementations.

- 1. Follow the directions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS to connect to the cluster with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 2. Deploy the cache loader and the AEQ listener code to the servers within the VMware GemFire for VMs service instance:

```
gfsh>deploy --jars=/path/to/MyLoader.jar,/path/to/MyListener.jar
```

3. Create the AEQ, assigning a name for the AEQ (called WB-AEQ in this example), specifying the AEQ listener, and specifying the AEQ listener's parameters:

```
gfsh>create async-event-queue --id=WB-AEQ \
    --parallel=true --persistent \
    --listener=com.myCompany.MyListener \
    --listener-param=url#jdbc:db2:SAMPLE,username#admin,password#gobbledeegook
```

The persistence of the AEQ uses the default disk store, since no disk store is specified in this command.

4. Create the region, specifying the cache loader and the assigned AEQ name.

```
gfsh>create region --name=myRegion --type=PARTITION_REDUNDANT \
    --cache-loader=com.myCompany.MyLoader{'url':'jdbc:db2:SAMPLE','username':'admin',pass
word:'gobbledeegook'}
    --async-event-queue-id=WB-AEQ
```

Configure Using gfsh for Write Through

Follow this procedure to deploy your custom implementations of the interfaces to the servers, and configure the region to use the deployed interface implementations.

- 1. Follow the directions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS to connect to the cluster with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.
- 2. Deploy the cache loader and the cache writer code to the servers within the GemFire service instance:

```
gfsh>deploy --jars=/path/to/MyLoader.jar,/path/to/MyWriter.jar
```

3. Create the region, specifying the cache loader and the cache writer:

```
gfsh>create region --name=myRegion --type=PARTITION_REDUNDANT \
    --cache-loader=com.myCompany.MyLoader{'url':'jdbc:db2:SAMPLE','username':'admin',pass
word:'gobbledeegook'}
```

```
--cache-writer=com.myCompany.MyWriter{'url':'jdbc:db2:SAMPLE','username':'admin',pass word:'gobbledeegook'}
```

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Accessing a Service Instance

After you have created a service instance, you can access it. The gfsh command line tool provides cluster maintenance and data access functionality. Many gfsh commands require an authenticated connection that can be set up with the gfsh connect command.

Connecting requires these one-time, setup steps:

- 1. Create a service key.
- 2. Create a truststore.
- 3. Acquire the correct version of gfsh.
- 4. Set a JAVA ARGS environment variable.

Create a Service Key

A service key provides a way to access your service instance outside the scope of a deployed app. Run of create-service-key service-instance-name key-name to create a service key. Replace service-instance-name with the name you chose for your service instance. Replace key-name with a name of your choice. You can use this name to refer to your service key with other commands.

```
$ cf create-service-key my-cloudcache my-service-key
```

View a Service Key

To view a service key, run cf service-key SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME KEY-NAME.

```
$ cf service-key my-cloudcache my-service-key
```

The service key reveals the configuration of your service instance. It shows addresses and ports of its locators, and contains an element called <code>remote_cluster-info</code> that provides fields by which the service instance can be reached from other service instances. The service key specifies two URLs, one URL used to connect the gfsh client to the service instance, and another URL used to view the Pulse dashboard in a web browser, which allows monitoring of the service instance status.

View a Service Key with External Authentication

If external authentication such as LDAP through User Account and Authentication (UAA) is in place, the external authentication system handles user credentials, and they will not appear in the service key.

If an external authentication system has been configured, then the cf service-key command returns output in the following format, without role-based login credentials:

```
"distributed system id": "0",
"gfsh_login_string": "connect
--url=https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1
 --user=\u003cusername\u003e --password=\u003cpassword\u003e",
"locators": [
"id1.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
"id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
"id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
1,
"remote_cluster_info": {
 "recursors": {
  "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
  "10.0.8.6:1053",
  "10.0.8.7:1053",
  "10.0.8.5:1053"
 1
 },
 "remote locators": [
 "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "trusted sender credentials": [
  "password": "gws-GHI-password",
   "username": "gateway sender GHI"
 }
]
},
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
 \verb|"management": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/management/docs",
 "pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
},
"wan": {
"remote_clusters": [
  "recursors": {
    "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
    "10.1.16.7:1053",
    "10.1.16.6:1053",
    "10.1.16.8:1053"
   1
  },
   "remote locators": [
   "id1.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
  1,
   "trusted_sender_credentials": [
    "password": "gws-PQR-password",
     "username": "gateway sender PQR"
  }
```

```
}
}
```

View a Service Key without External Authentication

If external authentication such as LDAP through User Account and Authentication (UAA) has not been configured, the service key shows role-based login credentials as username/password pairs.

The \mbox{cf} service-key command returns output in the following format and includes role-based login credentials:

```
"distributed system id": "0",
"gfsh_login_string": "connect
--url=https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1
--user=cluster operator XXX --password=cluster operator-password --skip-ssl-validation",
"locators": [
"idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
"id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
"remote_cluster_info": {
"recursors": {
 "services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh": [
  "10.0.8.6:1053",
  "10.0.8.7:1053",
  "10.0.8.5:1053"
 },
 "remote locators": [
 "idl.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id2.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]",
 "id3.locator.services-subnet.service-instance-id.bosh[55221]"
 "trusted sender credentials": [
  "password": "gws-GHI-password",
  "username": "gateway sender GHI"
 }
1
},
"urls": {
"gfsh": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1",
"management": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/management/docs",
"pulse": "https://cloudcache-1.example.com/pulse"
},
"users": [
 "password": "developer-password",
  "roles": [
  "developer"
 "username": "developer XXX"
 },
 "password": "cluster operator-password",
  "roles": [
  "cluster_operator"
```

```
],
  "username": "cluster_operator_XXX"
  }
],
"wan": {
 "remote clusters": [
  {
   "recursors": {
    "services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh": [
    "10.1.16.7:1053",
    "10.1.16.6:1053",
    "10.1.16.8:1053"
   },
   "remote locators": [
   "idl.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id2.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]",
   "id3.locator.services-subnet-2.service-instance-id-2.bosh[55221]"
   "trusted sender credentials": [
     "password": "gws-PQR-password",
     "username": "gateway_sender_PQR"
   ]
  }
}
```

This service key for a VMware GemFire for VMs installation in which an external authentication such as LDAP via UAA has not been configured specifies these user roles that are predefined, for interacting with and within the cluster:

- The cluster operator administers the pool, performing operations such as creating and destroying regions, and creating gateway senders. The identifier assigned for this role is of the form cluster_operator_xxx, where xxx is a unique string generated upon service instance creation and incorporated in this user role's name.
- The developer does limited cluster administration such as region creation, and the
 developer role is expected to be used by applications that are interacting with region
 entries. The developer does CRUD operations on regions. The identifier assigned for this
 role is of the form developer_xxx, where xxx is a unique string generated upon service
 instance creation and incorporated in this user role's name.

Connect with gfsh over HTTPS

When connecting over HTTPS, you must use the same certificate you use to secure traffic into VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs); that is, the certificate you use where your TLS termination occurs. See Determine Your TLS Termination.

Before you can connect, you must create a truststore.

Create a Truststore

To create a truststore, use the same certificate you used to configure TLS termination. We suggest using the keytool command line utility to create a truststore file.

- Locate the certificate you use to configure TLS termination. See Determine Your TLS Termination.
- 2. Using your certificate, run the keytool command:

```
keytool -import -file CERTIFICATE.CER -keystore TRUSTSTORE-FILE-PATH -storetype JKS
```

where

- CERTIFICATE.CER is your certificate file
- TRUSTSTORE-FILE-PATH is the path to the location where you want to create the truststore file, including the name you want to give the file
- 3. When you run this command, you are prompted to enter a keystore password. Create a password and remember it!
- 4. When prompted for the certificate details, enter **yes** to trust the certificate.

The following example shows how to run keytool and what the output looks like:

```
$ keytool -import -file /tmp/loadbalancer.cer -keystore /tmp/truststore/prod.myTrustStore -sto
retype JKS
Enter keystore password:
Re-enter new password:
Owner: CN=*.url.example.com, OU=Cloud Foundry, O=Pivotal, L=New York, ST=New York, C=US
Issuer: CN=*.url.example.com, OU=Cloud Foundry, O=Pivotal, L=New York, ST=New York, C=US
Serial number: bd84912917b5b665
Valid from: Sat Jul 29 09:18:43 EDT 2017 until: Mon Apr 07 09:18:43 EDT 2031
Certificate fingerprints:
  MD5: A9:17:B1:C9:6C:0A:F7:A3:56:51:6D:67:F8:3E:94:35
  SHA1: BA:DA:23:09:17:C0:DF:37:D9:6F:47:05:05:00:44:6B:24:A1:3D:77
   SHA256: A6:F3:4E:B8:FF:8F:72:92:0A:6D:55:6E:59:54:83:30:76:49:80:92:52:3D:91:4D:61:1C:A1:2
9:D3:BD:56:57
   Signature algorithm name: SHA256withRSA
   Version: 3
Extensions:
#1: ObjectId: 2.5.29.10 Criticality=true
BasicConstraints:[
  CA:true
  PathLen:0
]
#2: ObjectId: 2.5.29.11 Criticality=false
SubjectAlternativeName [
  DNSName: *.sys.url.example.com
  DNSName: *.apps.url.example.com
  DNSName: *.uaa.sys.url.example.com
  DNSName: *.login.sys.url.example.com
  DNSName: *.url.example.com
  DNSName: *.ws.url.example.com
1
```

```
Trust this certificate? [no]: yes
Certificate was added to keystore
```

Establish the Connection with HTTPS

After you have created the truststore, you can use the VMware GemFire command line interface, qfsh, to connect to the cluster over HTTPS.

1. Acquire the correct gfsh by downloading the correct VMware GemFire ZIP archive from VMware Tanzu Network. See View Available Plans to identify the correct VMware GemFire version. Note that a JDK or JRE will also be required.



Note: An attempt to use the wrong gfsh version will result in an error message indicating that there is a version mismatch.

- 2. Unzip the VMware GemFire ZIP archive. gfsh is within the bin directory in the expanded VMware GemFire. Use gfsh with Unix or gfsh.bat with Windows.
- 3. Run gfsh, and then issue a connect command of the form:

```
connect --use-http=true --url=HTTPS-gfsh-URL
--trust-store=TRUSTSTORE-FILE-PATH --trust-store-password=PASSWORD
--user=USER-NAME --password=USER-PASSWORD
```

The HTTPS-gfsh-URL is the gfsh URL from the service key. See Create Service Keys for instructions on how to view the service key. TRUSTSTORE-FILE-PATH is the path to the trustStore file you created in Create a Truststore, and PASSWORD is the associated password you created. If you omit the --trust-store-password option from the command line, you will be prompted to enter the password.

For an installation configured *without* an external authentication such as LDAP via UAA, the <code>user-name</code> and <code>user-password</code> are taken from the service key, and they will either be for the developer role or for the cluster operator role, depending on the gfsh operations to be performed.

For an installation configured *with* an external authentication such as LDAP via UAA, the USER-NAME and USER-PASSWORD are your credentials as issued and set up by your organization within your system.

Establish the Connection with HTTPS in a Development Environment

When working in a non-production, development environment, a developer may choose to work in a less secure manner by eliminating the truststore and SSL mutual authentication.

The steps to establish the gfsh connection become:

- Acquire gfsh by downloading the correct VMware GemFire ZIP archive from VMware Tanzu Network. See View Available Plans to identify the correct VMware GemFire version. Note that a JDK or JRE will also be required, as specified in the release notes.
- 2. Unzip the VMware GemFire ZIP archive. gfsh is within the bin directory in the expanded VMware GemFire. Use gfsh with Unix or gfsh.bat with Windows.

- 3. Acquire the connect command (the gfsh_login_string) from the service key. This command will connect as the cluster_operator role. This connect command assumes that the installation is configured *without* an external authentication system such as LDAP via UAA.
- 4. Run gfsh, and then issue the acquired connect command:

```
gfsh>connect --url=https://cloudcache-1.example.com/gemfire/v1
    --user=cluster_operator_XXX --password=cluster_operator-password
    --skip-ssl-validation
```

At each of the nine gfsh prompts that ask for keystore, truststore, and SSL details, hit Enter to step through the prompts and connect.

Determine Your TLS Termination

To connect your VMware GemFire for VMs service instance using gfsh, you will need the certificate from where your TLS termination occurs. The TLS termination may be at the Gorouter, at the HAProxy, or at your load balancer. Request the needed certificate from your VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs) operator.

The TAS for VMs operator determines the location of your TLS termination:

- 1. Bring up the Ops Manager dashboard.
- 2. Click on the TAS for VMs product tile.
- 3. Click on the Networking section under the Settings tab.

The choice of TLS termination is labeled with Configure support for the X-Forwarded-Client-Cert.

If the choice names the **Router** or **HAProxy**, the certificate is in the same section, labeled with **Certificate and Private Key for HAProxy and Router**.

If the choice names the **infrastructure load balancer**, then the TAS for VMs operator can retrieve the certificate from the load balancer.

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Using gfsh

gfsh Command Restrictions

Developers may invoke all gfsh commands. Given credentials with sufficient permissions, those gfsh command will be executed. However, not all gfsh commands are supported. An invocation of an unsupported command may lead to incorrect results. Those results range from ineffective results to inconsistent region entries. Do not use these listed gfsh commands; each has an explanation why it must not be used.

These gfsh start commands will bring up members contrary to the configured plan. Their configuration will be wrong, and their existence is likely to contribute to data loss. Since they are not part of the configured plan, any upgrade will not include them, and if they were to stop or crash, the BOSH Director will not restart them.

- gfsh start locator
- gfsh start server

These cluster stop commands will temporarily stop the member or cluster. However, the BOSH Director will notice that members are not running and restart them. So, these commands will be ineffective:

- gfsh stop locator
- gfsh stop server
- gfsh shutdown

These Lucene-related commands are not supported:

- gfsh create lucene index
- gfsh describe lucene index
- gfsh destroy lucene index
- gfsh list lucene indexes
- gfsh search lucene

These JNDI binding-related commands are not supported:

- gfsh create jndi-binding
- gfsh describe jndi-binding
- gfsh destroy jndi-binding
- gfsh list jndi-binding

This configure command will instill configuration contrary to the already-configured plan. Since it is not part of the configured plan, any upgrade will not include it. Therefore, do not use:

gfsh configure pdx

The create of a gateway receiver will never be appropriate for any situation. The VMware GemFire for VMs cluster will already have gateway receivers, and there is no situation in which the cluster can benefit from creating more. Therefore, do not use:

• gfsh create gateway receiver

Do Not Export from a VMware GemFire Cluster to a GemFire Cluster

While the expectation is that configuration and data can be exported from a VMware GemFire cluster and then imported into a GemFire cluster, this does **not** work. Using export and import commands will not have the desired effect of migration from one cluster to another. The import of cluster configuration requires a state that cannot be provided by a GemFire cluster. The GemFire cluster will already have its configuration, and upon restart or upgrade, that same configuration will be used. Given that the configuration cannot be imported, data import is problematic. Therefore, do not use:

- gfsh import cluster-configuration
- gfsh import data

Create Regions

After connecting with gfsh with a role that is able to manage a cluster's data, you can define a new cache region.

The following command creates a partitioned region with a single redundant copy:

See Region Design for guidelines on choosing a region type.

You can test the newly created region by writing and reading values with gfsh:

```
gfsh>put --region=/my-cache-region --key=test --value=thevalue
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : test
Value Class : java.lang.String
Old Value : NULL

gfsh>get --region=/my-cache-region --key=test
Result : true
Key Class : java.lang.String
Key : test
Value Class : java.lang.String
Key : test
Value Class : java.lang.String
Value : thevalue
```

In practice, you should perform these get/put operations from a deployed app. To do this, you must bind the service instance to these apps.

Working with Disk Stores

Persistent regions and regions that overflow upon eviction use disk stores. Use gfsh to create or destroy a disk store.

Create a Disk Store

To create a disk store for use with a persistent or overflow type of region:

- 1. Use the directions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS to connect to the GemFire service instance with a role that is able to manage a cluster's data.
- 2. Create the disk store with a gfsh command of the form:

```
create disk-store --name=<name-of-disk-store>
  --dir=<relative/path/to/diskstore/directory>
```

Specify a relative path for the disk store location. That relative path will be created within \(\text{var/vcap/store/gemfire-server/}. \) For more details on further options, see the VMware GemFire create disk-store Command Reference Page.

Destroy a Disk Store

To destroy a disk store:

- 1. Use the directions in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS to connect to the GemFire service instance with a role that is able to manage a cluster's data.
- 2. Destroy the disk store with a gfsh command of the form:

```
destroy disk-store --name=<name-of-disk-store>
```

For more details on further options, see the VMware GemFire destroy disk-store Command Reference Page.

Use the Pulse Dashboard

You can access the Pulse dashboard for a service instance in a web browser using the Pulse URL specified in the service key you created following the directions in Create Service Keys.

Access Service Instance Metrics

To access service metrics, you must have **Enable Plan** selected under **Service Plan Access** on the page where you configure your tile properties. (For details, see the Configure Service Plans page.)

GemFire service instances output metrics to the Loggregator Firehose. You can use the Firehose plugin to view metrics output on the cf CLI directly. For more information about using the Firehose plugin, see Installing the Loggregator Firehose Plugin for CLI.

You can also connect the output to a Firehose nozzle. Nozzles are programs that consume data from the Loggregator Firehose. For example, to connect the output to the nozzle for Datadog, see Datadog Firehose Nozzle on GitHub.

GemFire supports metrics for the whole cluster and metrics for each member. Each server and locator in the cluster outputs metrics.

Service Instance (Cluster-wide) Metrics

- serviceinstance.MemberCount: the number of VMs in the cluster
- serviceinstance. Total Heap Size: the total MBs of heap available in the cluster
- serviceinstance.UsedHeapSize: the total MBs of heap in use in the cluster

Member (per-VM) Metrics

- member.GarbageCollectionCount: the number of JVM garbage collections that have occurred on this member since startup
- member.CpuUsage: the percentage of CPU time used by the VMware GemFire process

- member.GetsAvgLatency: the avg latency of GET requests to this VMware GemFire member
- member.PutsAvgLatency: the avg latency of PUT requests to this VMware GemFire member
- member.JVMPauses: the number of JVM pauses that have occurred on this member since startup
- member.FileDescriptorLimit: the number of files this member allows to be open at once
- member.TotalFileDescriptorOpen: the number of files this member has open now
- member.FileDescriptorRemaining: the number of files that this member could open before hitting its limit
- member.TotalHeapSize: the number of megabytes allocated for the heap
- member.UsedHeapSize: the number of megabytes currently in use for the heap
- member.UnusedHeapSizePercentage: the percentage of the total heap size that is not currently being used

Access Service Broker Metrics

Service broker metrics are on by default and can be accessed through the Loggregator Firehose CLI plugin. For more information, see Installing the Loggregator Firehose Plugin for CLI. For more information about broker metrics, see On Demand Broker Metrics.

Export qfsh Logs

You can get logs and .gfs stats files from your GemFire service instances using the export logs command in gfsh.

- 1. Use the Connect with gfsh over HTTPS procedure to connect to the service instance for which you want to see logs. Use a role that can read cluster information.
- 2. Run export logs. If you see a message of the form

```
Estimated exported logs expanded file size = 289927115, file-size-limit = 104857600. To deactivate exported logs file size check use option "--file-size-limit=0".
```

your logs exceed an expanded size of 100 megabytes, and they were not exported. To export in this case, use the gfsh command:

```
export logs --file-size-limit=0
```

3. Find the ZIP file in the directory where you started gfsh. This file contains a folder for each member of the cluster. The member folder contains the associated log files and stats files for that member.

For more information about the gfsh export command, see the gfsh export documentation.

Deploy an App JAR File to the Servers

You can deploy or redeploy an app JAR file to the servers in the cluster.

To do an initial deploy of an app JAR file after connecting within gfsh using credentials that can manage the cluster, run this gfsh command:

```
deploy --jar=PATH-TO-JAR/FILENAME.jar
```

For example,

```
gfsh>deploy --jar=working-directory/myJar.jar
```

To redeploy an app JAR file after connecting within gfsh using credentials that can manage the cluster, do the following:

1. Run this gfsh command to deploy the updated JAR file:

```
deploy --jar=PATH-TO-UPDATED-JAR/FILENAME.jar
```

For example,

```
gfsh>deploy --jar=newer-jars/myJar.jar
```

2. Run this command to restart the cluster and load the updated JAR file:

```
cf update-service SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME -c '{"restart": true}'
```

For example,

```
$ cf update-service my-service-instance -c '{"restart": true}'
```

Scripting Common Operations

Gfsh commands may be placed into files, providing a way to script common maintenance operations. Scripting operations reduces errors that might occur when manually entering commands, and can be especially useful for running test cases and in deployment automation.

Running a gfsh Script

The gfsh run command invokes the gfsh commands that are in a file. Start up the gfsh command line interface first, and then invoke the command with:

```
gfsh>run --file=thecommands.gfsh
```

To see the gfsh run options, invoke:

```
gfsh>help run
```

File specification can be a relative or absolute path and file name. Scripted commands are not interactive; any command that would have prompted for input will instead use default values.

In order to eliminate placing cleartext passwords within a script, run gfsh and connect to the cluster prior to running a script with the gfsh run command. The password will appear on the command line, but it will not appear in the file that logs and captures gfsh commands.

Example Scripts

Tightly focussed scripts will ease cluster maintenance. Most of these scripts will do cluster management operations, so connect to the cluster with a role that is able to manage both the cluster and the data.

A common operation will be creating the regions hosted on the servers. This example gfsh script contents creates two regions:

```
create region --name=sessions --type=PARTITION_REDUNDANT
create region --name=customers --type=REPLICATE
```

This example gfsh script contents deploys a app JAR file to the cluster servers:

```
deploy --jar=/path/to/app-classes.jar
```

This example gfsh script contents creates the disk store needed for persistent regions:

```
create disk-store --name=all-regions-disk --dir=regions
```

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Connecting a Spring Boot App to VMware Tanzu GemFire with Session State Caching

This section describes the two ways in which you can connect a Spring Boot app to VMware GemFire for VMs:

- Using a Tomcat app with a WAR file. This is the default method for Tomcat apps.
- Using the spring-session-data-gemfire library. This method requires that you use the correct version of these libraries.

Use the Tomcat App

To get a Spring Boot app running with session state caching (SSC) on GemFire, you must create a WAR file using the spring-boot-starter-tomcat plugin instead of the spring-boot-maven plugin to create a JAR file.

For example, if you want your app to use SSC, you cannot use <code>spring-boot-maven</code> to build a JAR file and push your app to VMware Application Service for VMs (TAS for VMs), because the Java buildpack does not pull in the necessary JAR files for SSC when it detects a Spring JAR file.

To build your WAR file, add this dependency to your pom.xml:

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-tomcat</artifactId>
   <scope>provided</scope>
  </dependency>
```

For a full example of running a Spring Boot app that connects with SSC, run this app and use the following for your pom.xml:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
-instance"
 xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/maven-4.0.
 <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
 <groupId>io.pivotal.gemfire.demo</groupId>
 <artifactId>HttpSessionCaching-Webapp</artifactId>
 <version>0.0.1-SNAPSHOT</version>
  <packaging>war</packaging>
 <name>HttpSessionCaching-Webapp
 <description>Demo project for GemFire Http Session State caching</description>
 <parent>
   <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
   <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-parent</artifactId>
   <version>2.1.8.RELEASE
   <relativePath/> <!-- lookup parent from repository -->
 </parent>
 properties>
   cproject.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
   ject.reporting.outputEncoding>UTF-8/project.reporting.outputEncoding>
   <java.version>1.8</java.version>
 </properties>
 <dependencies>
     <groupId>org.springframework.boot
     <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-thymeleaf</artifactId>
   </dependency>
   <dependency>
     <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
     <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-tomcat</artifactId>
     <scope>provided</scope>
   </dependency>
   <dependency>
     <groupId>org.springframework.boot</groupId>
     <artifactId>spring-boot-starter-test</artifactId>
     <scope>test</scope>
   </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</project>
```

Use a Spring Session Data GemFire App

You can connect your Spring app to GemFire to do session state caching. Use the correct version of the <code>spring-session-data-gemfire</code> library; apps built for GemFire v1.6.0 and later versions are compatible with Spring Session Data GemFire v2.1.5.RELEASE and later versions.

Upgrade GemFire and Spring Session Data GemFire

- 1. Before your operator upgrades GemFire, stop your app. This avoids breaking the app in this upgrade process.
- 2. Upgrade GemFire. See Upgrading VMware GemFire for VMs for details.
- 3. Rebuild your app using a build.gradle file that depends on the correct version of VMware GemFire. Here is an example build.gradle file:

```
version = '0.0.1-SNAPSHOT'
buildscript {
 ext {
   springBootVersion = '2.1.8.RELEASE'
 repositories {
   mavenCentral()
   maven { url "https://repo.spring.io/snapshot" }
   maven { url "https://repo.spring.io/milestone" }
 dependencies {
   classpath("org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-gradle-plugin:${springBootVersio
n}")
 }
apply plugin: 'java'
apply plugin: 'org.springframework.boot'
apply plugin: 'idea'
idea{
 module{
   downloadSources = true
    downloadJavadoc = true
}
sourceCompatibility = 1.8
targetCompatibility = 1.8
repositories {
 mavenCentral()
 maven { url "https://repo.spring.io/libs-milestone" }
 maven { url "https://repo.spring.io/milestone" }
 maven { url "http://repo.springsource.org/simple/ext-release-local" }
 maven { url "http://repo.spring.io/libs-release/" }
 maven { url "https://repository.apache.org/content/repositories/snapshots" }
dependencies {
 compile("org.springframework.boot:spring-boot-starter-web:2.1.8.RELEASE")
 compile("org.springframework.session:spring-session-data-gemfire:2.1.5.RELEASE")
  compile("org.springframework.geode:spring-gemfire-starter:1.1.0.RELEASE")
}
```

- 4. Clear the session state region.
- 5. Start the rebuilt app.

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Creating Continuous Queries Using Spring Data GemFire

To create continuous queries with the Spring Data GemFire library, you must have the following:

- Spring Data GemFire v2.1.0+
- Spring Boot v2.1.0+

To create continuous queries, do the following items:

• Specify attributes subscriptionEnabled and readyForEvents for the ClientCacheApplication annotation. Apply this annotation to the Spring Boot client application class:

```
@ClientCacheApplication(name = "GemFireSpringApplication", readyForEvents = true,
    subscriptionEnabled = true)
```

The annotation for a durable event queue for continuous queries also sets the durableClientId and keepAlive attributes. For example:

```
@ClientCacheApplication(name = "GemFireSpringApplication",
  durableClientId = "durable-client-id", keepAlive = true,
  readyForEvents = true, subscriptionEnabled = true)
```

• Annotate the method that handles the events to specify the query. To make the event queue durable across server failures and restarts, include the durable = true attribute in the annotation, as is done in the example:

The class that contains the method with the @ContinuousQuery annotation must have the @Component annotation, such that the continuous query is wired up correctly for the server.

For more information, see the Spring Data GemFire documentation.

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Application Development

An app that interacts with a VMware GemFire for VMs service instance will use the VMware GemFire cluster within that service instance. Architecting the data storage for the app requires some familiarity with VMware GemFire.

This section introduces design patterns for structuring app design. It presents a minimal view of VMware GemFire data organization to help with data architecture design. A complete presentation of VMware GemFire's capabilities is in the VMware GemFire Documentation.

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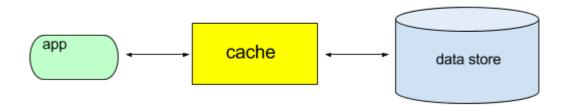
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Design Patterns

The design patterns in this section are intended as overviews of common and useful configurations. Effective implementations will require planning—consult with a system architect to fill in the design details for your app.

The Inline Cache

An inline cache places the caching layer between the app and the backend data store.



The app will want to accomplish CRUD (create, read, update, delete) operations on its data. The app's implementation of the CRUD operations result in cache operations that break down into cache lookups (reads) and/or cache writes.

The algorithm for a cache lookup quickly returns the cache entry when the entry is in the cache. This is a cache hit. If the entry is not in the cache, it is a cache miss, and code on the cache server retrieves the entry from the backend data store. In the typical implementation, the entry returned from the backend data store on a cache miss is written to the cache, such that subsequent cache lookups of that same entry result in cache hits.

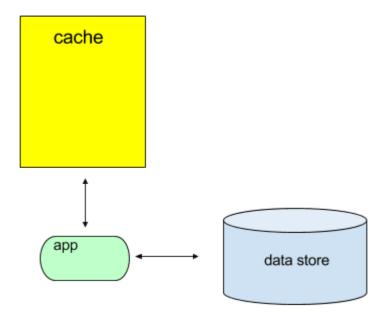
The implementation for a cache write typically creates or updates the entry within the cache. It also creates or updates the data store in one of the following ways:

- Synchronously, in a write-through manner. Each write operation from the app is sent on to be written to the backend data store. After the backend data store write finishes, the value is also written to the cache. The app blocks until the writes to both the backend data store and the cache complete.
- Asynchronously, in a write-behind manner. The cache gets updated, and the value to be
 written to the backend data store gets queued. Control then returns to the app, which
 continues independent of the write to the backend data store.

Developers design the server code to implement this inline-caching pattern. See Setting Up Servers for an Inline Cache for details about the custom server code and how to configure an inline cache.

The Cache-Aside Cache

The cache-aside pattern of caching places the app in charge of communication with both the cache and the backend data store.



The app will want to accomplish CRUD (CREATE, READ, UPDATE, DELETE) operations on its data. That data may be

- in both the data store and the cache
- in the data store, but not in the cache
- not in either the data store or the cache

The app's implementation of the CRUD operations result in cache operations that break down into cache lookups (reads) and/or cache writes.

The algorithm for a cache lookup returns the cache entry when the entry is in the cache. This is a cache hit. If the entry is not in the cache, it is a cache miss, and the app attempts to retrieve the entry from the data store. In the typical implementation, the entry returned from the backend data store is written to the cache, such that subsequent cache lookups of that same entry result in cache hits.

The cache-aside pattern of caching leaves the app free to implement whatever it chooses if the data store does not have the entry.

The algorithm for a cache write implements one of these:

- The entry is either updated or created within the data store, and the entry is updated within or written to the cache.
- The entry is either updated or created within the backend data store, and the copy currently within the cache is invalidated.



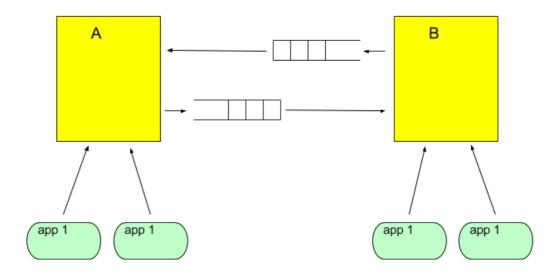
Note: SDG (Spring Data GemFire) supports the cache-aside pattern, as detailed at Configuring Spring's Cache Abstraction.

Bidirectional Replication Across a WAN

Two VMware GemFire for VMs service instances may be connected across a WAN to form a single distributed system with asynchronous communication. The cluster within each of the GemFire service instances will host the same region. Updates to either GemFire service instance are propagated across the WAN to the other GemFire service instance. The distributed system implements an eventual consistency of the region that also handles write conflicts which occur when a single region entry is modified in both GemFire service instances at the same time.

In this active-active system, an external entity implements load-balancing by directing app connections to one of the two service instances. If one of the GemFire service instances fails, apps may be redirected to the remaining service instance.

This diagram shows multiple instances of an app interacting with one of the two GemFire service instances, cluster A and cluster B. Any change made in cluster A is sent to cluster B, and any change made in cluster B is sent to cluster A.

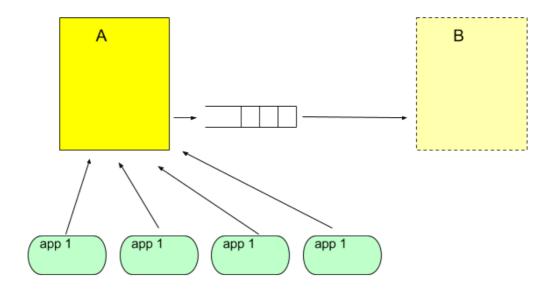


Blue-Green Disaster Recovery

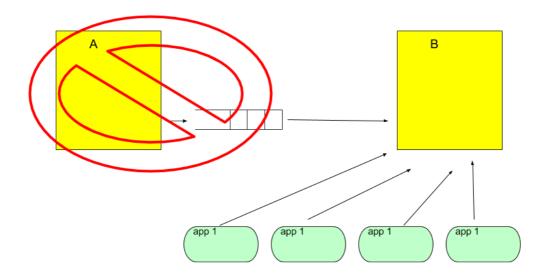
Two GemFire service instances may be connected across a WAN to form a single distributed system with asynchronous communication. An expected use case propagates all changes to a region's data from the cluster within one service instance (the primary) to the other, where both service instances reside in the same foundation. The replicate increases the fault tolerance of the

system by acting as a "hot" spare. In the scenario of the failure of an entire data center or an availability zone, you can rebind apps to the replicate and restage them. The replicate then takes over as the primary.

In this diagram, cluster A is primary, and it replicates all data across a WAN to cluster B.



If cluster A fails, you can manually rebind and restage the apps so that cluster B takes over.

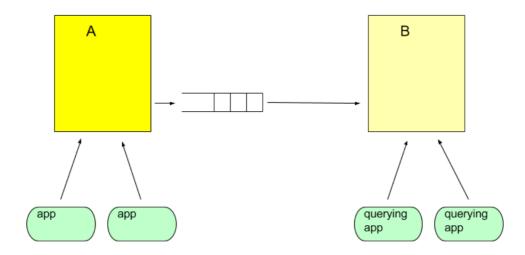


CQRS Pattern Across a WAN

Two GemFire service instances may be connected across a WAN to form a single distributed system that implements a CQRS (Command Query Responsibility Segregation) pattern. Within this pattern, commands are those that change the state, where state is represented by region contents. All region operations that change state are directed to the cluster within one GemFire

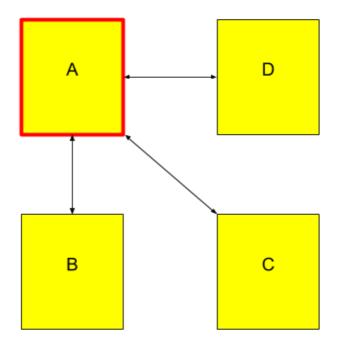
service instance. The changes are propagated asynchronously to the cluster within the other GemFire service instance via WAN replication, and that other cluster provides only query access to the region data.

This diagram shows an app that may update the region within the GemFire service instance of cluster A. Changes are propagated across the WAN to cluster B. The app bound to cluster B may only query the region data; it will not create entries or update the region.



Hub-and-Spoke Topology with WAN Replication

Multiple GemFire service instances connected across a WAN form a single hub and a set of spokes. This diagram shows GemFire service instance A is the hub, and GemFire service instances B, C, and D are spokes.



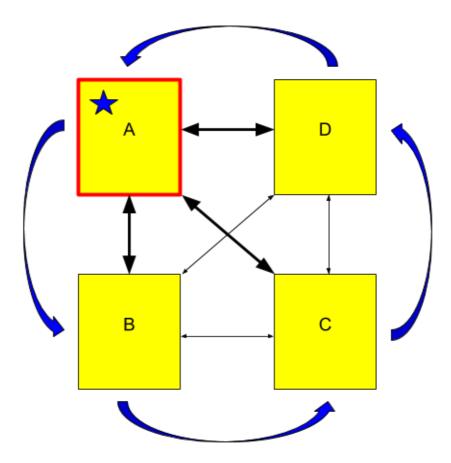
A common implementation that uses this topology directs all app operations that write or update region contents to the hub. Writes and updates are then propagated asynchronously across the WAN from the hub to the spokes.

Follow-the-Sun Pattern

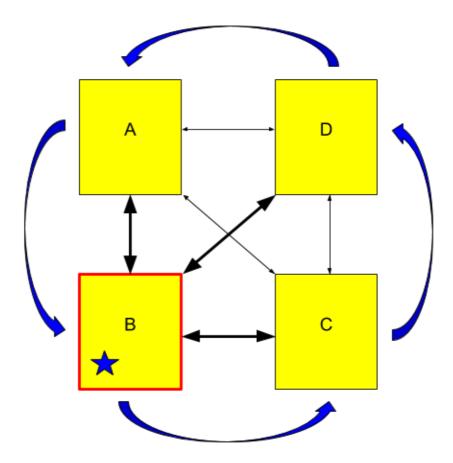
Performance improves when operation requests originate in close proximity to the service instance that handles those requests. Yet many data sets are relevant and used all over the world. If the most active location for write and update operations moves over the course of a day, then a performant design pattern is a variation on the hub-and-spoke implementation that changes which GemFire service instance is the hub to the most active location.

Form a ring that contains each GemFire service instance that will act as the hub. Define a token to identify the hub. Over time, pass the token from one GemFire service instance to the next, around the ring.

This diagram shows GemFire service instance A is the hub, as it has the token, represented in this diagram as a star. GemFire service instances B, C, and D are spokes. Write and update operations are directed to the hub.



This diagram shows that the token has passed from A to B, and B has become the hub.



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Region Design

Cached data are held in VMware GemFire regions. Each entry within a region is a key/value pair. The choice of key and region type affect the performance of the design. There are two basic types of regions: partitioned and replicated. The distinction between the two types is based on how entries are distributed among servers that host the region.

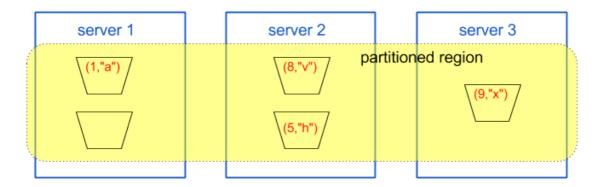
Keys

Each region entry must have a unique key. Use a wrapped primitive type of String, Integer, or Long. Experienced designers have a slight preference of String over Integer or Long. Using a String key enhances the development and debugging environment by permitting the use of a REST API (Swagger UI), as it only works with String types.

Partitioned Regions

A partitioned region distributes region entries across servers by using hashing. The hash of a key maps an entry to a bucket. A fixed number of buckets are distributed across the servers that host the region.

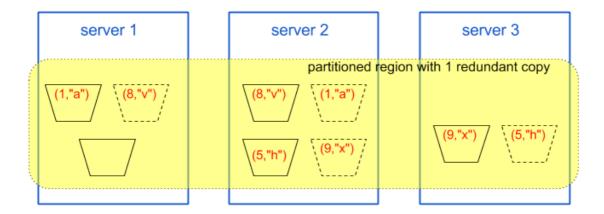
Here is a diagram that shows a single partitioned region (highlighted) with very few entries to illustrate partitioning.



A partitioned region is the proper type of region to use when one or both of these situations exist:

- The region holds vast quantities of data. There may be so much data that you need to add more servers to scale the system up. VMware GemFire for VMs can be scaled up without downtime; to learn more, see Updating a VMware GemFire for VMs Service Instance.
- Operations on the region are write-heavy, meaning that there are a lot of entry updates.

Redundancy adds fault tolerance to a partitioned region. Here is that same region, but with the addition of a single redundant copy of each each entry. The buckets drawn with dashed lines are redundant copies. Within the diagram, the partitioned region is highlighted.



With one redundant copy, the VMware GemFire cluster can tolerate a single server failure or a service upgrade without losing any region data. With one less server, VMware GemFire revises which server holds the primary copy of an entry.

A partitioned region without redundancy permanently loses data during a service upgrade or if a server goes down. All entries hosted in the buckets on the failed server are lost.

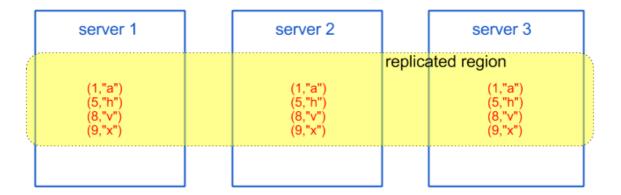
Partitioned Region Types for Creating Regions on the Server

Region types associate a name with a particular region configuration. The type is used when creating a region. Although more region types than these exist, use one of these types to ensure that no region data is lost during service upgrades or if a server fails. These partitioned region types are supported:

- PARTITION_REDUNDANT Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across
 all servers hosting the region. In addition, VMware GemFire keeps and maintains a
 declared number of redundant copies of all entries. The default number of redundant
 copies is 1.
- PARTITION_REDUNDANT_HEAP_LRU Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across all servers hosting the region. VMware GemFire keeps and maintains a declared number of redundant copies. The default number of redundant copies is 1. As a server (JVM) reaches a heap usage of 75% of available heap, the server destroys entries as space is needed for updates. The oldest entry in the bucket where a new entry lives is the one chosen for destruction.
- PARTITION_PERSISTENT Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across all servers hosting the region, and all servers persist all entries to disk.
- PARTITION_REDUNDANT_PERSISTENT Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across all servers hosting the region, and all servers persist all entries to disk. In addition, VMware GemFire keeps and maintains a declared number of redundant copies of all entries. The default number of redundant copies is 1.
- PARTITION_REDUNDANT_PERSISTENT_OVERFLOW Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across all servers hosting the region, and all servers persist all entries to disk. In addition, VMware GemFire keeps and maintains a declared number of redundant copies of all entries. The default number of redundant copies is 1. As a server (JVM) reaches a heap usage of 75% of available heap, the server overflows entries to disk when it needs to make space for updates.
- PARTITION_PERSISTENT_OVERFLOW Region entries are placed into the buckets that are distributed across all servers hosting the region, and all servers persist all entries to disk. As a server (JVM) reaches a heap usage of 75% of available heap, the server overflows entries to disk when it needs to make space for updates.

Replicated Regions

Here is a replicated region with very few entries (four) to illustrate the distribution of entries across servers. For a replicated region, all servers that host the region have a copy of every entry.



VMware GemFire maintains copies of all region entries on all servers. VMware GemFire takes care of distribution and keeps the entries consistent across the servers.

A replicated region is the proper type of region to use when one or more of these situations exist:

- The region entries do not change often. Each write of an entry must be propagated to all servers that host the region. As a consequence, performance decreases when many concurrent write accesses cause subsequent writes to all other servers hosting the region.
- The overall quantity of entries is not so large as to push the limits of memory space for a single server. The TAS for VMs service plan sets the server memory size.
- The entries of a region are frequently accessed together with entries from other regions.
 The entries in the replicated region are always available on the server that receives the access request, leading to better performance.

Replicated Region Types for Creating Regions on the Server

Region types associate a name a particular region configuration. These replicated region types are supported:

- REPLICATE All servers hosting the region have a copy of all entries.
- REPLICATE_HEAP_LRU All servers hosting the region have a copy of all entries. As a server (JVM) reaches a heap usage of 75% of available heap, the server destroys entries as it needs to make space for updates.
- REPLICATE_PERSISTENT All servers hosting the region have a copy of all entries, and all servers persist all entries to disk.
- REPLICATE_PERSISTENT_OVERFLOW All servers hosting the region have a copy of all entries. As a server (JVM) reaches a heap usage of 75% of available heap, the server overflows entries to disk as it need to make space for updates.

Persistence

Persistence adds a level of fault tolerance to a GemFire service instance by writing all region updates to local disk. Disk data, hence region data, is not lost upon cluster failures that exceed redundancy failure tolerances. Upon cluster restart, regions are reloaded from the disk, avoiding the slower method of restart that reacquires data using a database of record.

Creating a region with one of the region types that includes PERSISTENT in its name causes the instantiation of local disk resources with these default properties:

- Synchronous writes. All updates to the region generate operating system disk writes to update the disk store.
- The disk size is part of the instance configuration. See Configure Service Plans for details on setting the persistent disk types for the server. Choose a size that is at least twice as large as the expected maximum quantity of region data, with an absolute minimum size of 2 GB. Region data includes both the keys and their values.
- Warning messages are issued when a 90% disk usage threshold is crossed.

Overflow

Region overflow is an eviction action that keeps heap memory space usage below a fixed threshold of 75% of available heap memory space. For a region that pushes at the limits of memory usage, overflow reduces the number of or eliminates pauses for stop-the-world garbage collection.

The action of overflow writes one or more least recently used region entries to disk to make room in memory for another entry. The least recently used entry within the bucket to which new entry maps is the chosen overflow victim. The key of the victim remains in memory, but the value of the entry is written to disk. An operation on an entry that has overflowed to disk causes the entry to be swapped back into memory.

If using a region type with overflow, be sure to configure a plan with sufficient disk space for the Server VM, allocating at least the minimums given for the *Persistent disk type for the Server VMs*, as described in Configure Tile Properties.

If no disk store is created, region creation with a region type that uses a disk store will cause the creation of one called DEFAULT with a default size (2 Gbyte). Alternatively, create the disk store using gfsh, as described in Working with Disk Stores. Then, create the region using the --disk-store option to specify the created disk store. If the disk store has been created, but the gfsh region creation command neglects to specify a disk store, a new DEFAULT disk store will be created and used. For more details on region creation options, see the VMware GemFire create region Command Reference Page.

Regions as Used by the App

The client accesses regions hosted on the servers by creating a cache and the regions. The type of the client region determines if data is only on the servers or if it is also cached locally by the client in addition to being on the servers. Locally cached data can introduce consistency issues, because region entries updated on a server are not automatically propagated to the client's local cache.

Client region types associate a name with a particular client region configuration.

PROXY forwards all region operations to the servers. No entries are locally cached. Use this
client region type unless there is a compelling reason to use one of the other types. Use
this type for all Twelve-Factor apps in order to assure stateless processes are
implemented. Not caching any entries locally prevents the app from accidentally caching
state.

- CACHING PROXY forwards all region operations to the servers, and entries are locally cached.
- CACHING_PROXY_HEAP_LRU forwards all region operations to the servers, and entries are locally cached. Locally cached entries are destroyed when the app's usage of cache space causes its JVM to hit the threshold of being low on memory.

An Example to Demonstrate Region Design

Assume that on servers, a region holds entries representing customer data. Each entry represents a single customer. With an ever-increasing number of customers, this region data is a good candidate for a partitioned region.

Perhaps another region holds customer orders. This data also naturally maps to a partitioned region. The same could apply to a region that holds order shipment data or customer payments. In each case, the number of region entries continues to grow over time, and updates are often made to those entries, making the data somewhat write heavy.

A good candidate for a replicated region would be the data associated with the company's products. Each region entry represents a single product. There are a limited number of products, and those products do not often change.

Consider that as the client app goes beyond the most simplistic of cases for data representation, the GemFire instance hosts all of these regions such that the app can access all of these regions. Operations on customer orders, shipments, and payments all require product information. The product region benefits from access to all its entries available on all the cluster's servers, again pointing to a region type choice of a replicated region.

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Handling Events

The VMware GemFire cluster within a VMware GemFire for VMs service instance can handle events. An app registers interest in a particular event, and when the server detects the event, an app-defined callback (also called a handler or a listener) is invoked to handle the event.

There are three aspects to configuring and implementing an event:

- the app defines or specifies the event
- the app registers the event with or identifies the event to the system component that will detect the event
- the app defines the callback, which handles the event

Continuous Queries

Continuous queries use a VMware GemFire OQL query on region data to define an event. A change in query results is the event. The app registers both the query and the callback to set up a continuous query. Each region operation invokes the query, leading to the naming of this type of event handling as continuous.

See Querying with OQL for details on the Object Query Language (OQL) and generating queries.

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Example Applications

These example applications provide insight into aspects of app design for VMware GemFire for VMs.

In this topic:

- A Simple Java App
- A Spring Boot App

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An Example Java App

The sample Java client app at https://github.com/cf-gemfire-org/cloudcache-sample-app.git demonstrates how to connect an app to a service instance.

These instructions assume:

- A GemFire service instance is running.
- You have Cloud Foundry credentials for accessing the GemFire service instance.
- You have a service key for the GemFire service instance.
- You have a login on the Pivotal Commercial Maven Repository at https://commercialrepo.pivotal.io.
- You have a gfsh client of the same version as is used within your GemFire service instance.

Follow these instructions to run the app.

- 1. Clone the sample Java app from https://github.com/cf-gemfire-org/cloudcache-sample-app.git.
- 2. Update your clone of the sample Java app to work with your GemFire service instance:
 - Modify the manifest in manifest.yml by replacing service0 with the name of your GemFire service instance.
 - Replace the username and password in the gradle.properties file with your username and password for the Pivotal Commercial Maven Repository.
 - Update the VMware GemFire version in the dependencies section of the build.gradle file to be the same as the version within your GemFire service instance.
- 3. Build the app with

```
$ ./gradlew clean build
```

- 4. In a second shell, run gfsh.
- 5. Use gfsh to connect to the GemFire service instance as described in Connect with gfsh over HTTPS.
- 6. Use gfsh to create a region named test as described in Create Regions. This sample app places a single entry into the region, so the region type is not important.

PARTITION REDUNDANT is a good choice.

7. In the shell where the app was built, deploy and run the app with

```
cf push -f manifest.yml
```

8. After the app starts, there will be an entry of ("1", "one") in the test region. you can see that there is one entry in the region with the gfsh command:

```
gfsh>describe region --name=test
```

For this very small region, you can print the contents of the entire region with a gfsh query:

```
gfsh>query --query='SELECT * FROM /test'
```

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An Example Spring Boot App

The versioned example Spring Boot Data GemFire app at PCC-Sample-App-PizzaStore uses the VMware GemFire for VMs service instance as a system of record. Directions for running the app are in the GitHub repository's README.md file. The app is versioned, and branches of the repository represent GemFire versions. For GemFire v1.12, use the branch named release/1.12.

The app uses Spring Boot Data GemFire. The documentation for this opinionated extension of Spring Data GemFire is at Spring Boot for Apache Geode & Pivotal GemFire Reference Guide.

The app saves pizza orders within the VMware GemFire servers of a GemFire service instance. A REST interface provides a way for the app to take orders for pizza toppings and sauces.

In addition, the app demonstrates two distinct features of GemFire:

- Running an app on a TLS-enabled cluster.
- VMware GemFire continuous queries as used by a Spring Boot app.

Top Down Explanation

In this opinionated version of Spring Boot Data GemFire, at the topmost level of the app, the @SpringBootApplication annotation causes the app to have a ClientCache instance. Within the example app's CloudcachePizzaStoreApplication class, place the annotation at the class definition level:

```
@SpringBootApplication
@EnableEntityDefinedRegions
public class CloudcachePizzaStoreApplication
```

The <code>@EnableEntityDefinedRegions</code> annotation enables a runtime scan of classes that define the regions.

This app is the client within a standard client/server architecture. The GemFire cluster contains the servers. The client cache is a driver for interactions with the servers.

The Spring repository construct is the preferred choice to use for the data storage, which will be a VMware GemFire region. To implement it, annotate this example's PizzaRepository implementation with @Repository:

```
@Repository
public interface PizzaRepository extends CrudRepository<Pizza, String>
```

A VMware GemFire region underlies the Spring repository, storing the ordered pizzas. Annotate the Pizza class model with @Region:

```
@Region("Pizza")
public class Pizza {
```

Within the Pizza class, identify the key of the VMware GemFire region entries with the @Id annotation. It is the name field in this example:

```
@Getter @Id @NonNull private final String name;
```

The @springBootApplication annotation results in a chain of opinionated defaults, all of which are appropriate for this app. It identifies the app as a client. The client receives a VMware GemFire client cache. Any regions will default to type PROXY. A proxy type of region forwards all region operations to the Gemfire servers; no data is stored within the app's client cache.

See Configuring Regions for Spring details. See Region Design for GemFire details on regions.

The App Contoller

The AppController class implements the REST interface, by annotating the class with @RestController:

```
@RestController
public class AppController
```

As pizzas are ordered, a <code>CrudRepository.save()</code> operation causes a VMware GemFire <code>put</code> operation that updates the region on the VMware GemFire server.

TLS-Enabled Cluster Demonstration

The app operates in one of two ways:

- 1. Communication with and within the VMware GemFire cluster uses TLS encryption.
- 2. Communication with and within the VMware GemFire cluster does not use TLS encryption.

The operation of the running app is unchanged whether TLS encryption is enabled within the Gemfire cluster or not.

Setting up this app with TLS encryption enabled demonstrates one way to set the needed VMware GemFire properties detailed in Developing an App Under TLS. It uses Spring profiles. The manifest that sets the tls profile incorporates the VMware GemFire properties from file

/resources/application-tls.properties.

Continuous Queries in the App

The app defines two continuous queries (CQ). See Handling Events for a brief introduction to continuous queries.

The first CQ queries for any (and every) pizza order. Its callback logs the order.

The second CQ queries for pizzas with a PESTO sauce. When a pesto-sauced pizza is ordered, the callback adds that pizza to a second region called Name.

Within a Spring Boot Data GemFire app, to specify a continuous query:

• annotate the class that defines the queries with @Component:

```
@Component
public class PizzaQueries
```

 annotate the callback method with @continuousQuery and define the query, as in the app's pesto pizza order example:

```
@ContinuousQuery(name = "PestoPizzaOrdersQuery", durable = true,
   query = "SELECT * FROM /Pizza p WHERE p.sauce.name = 'PESTO'")
public void handlePestoPizzaOrder(CqEvent event)
```

The annotation causes an implementation of all three needed items for this type of event handling. It defines the query, registers the query as a continuous query event, and it identifies the callback method to invoke when the event occurs.

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Steps to Run an App

Java Build Pack Requirements

To ensure that your app can use all the features from VMware GemFire for VMs, use the latest buildpack. The buildpack is available on GitHub at cloudfoundry/java-buildpack.

Bind an App to a Service Instance

Binding your apps to a service instance enables the apps to connect to the service instance and read or write data to the region. Run of bind-service APP-NAME SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME to bind an app to your service instance. Replace APP-NAME with the name of the app. Replace SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME with the name you chose for your service instance.

```
$ cf bind-service my-app my-cloudcache
```

Binding an app to the service instance provides connection information through the VCAP_SERVICES environment variable. Your app can use this information to configure components, such as the GemFire client cache, to use the service instance.

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Developing an App Under TLS

Apps that connect to a TLS-enabled VMware GemFire for VMs service instance must set properties to configure the communication with the VMware GemFire components within the GemFire service instance.

Ensure that the cluster-level prerequisite step of Preparing for TLS has been completed.

For a Spring Data GemFire app with a Spring Data GemFire library dependency of 2.2.0.BUILD-SNAPSHOT or a more recent version, attach the <code>@EnableSsl</code> annotation to your configuration class to enable the TLS encryption for all VMware GemFire components. Also set these VMware GemFire properties:

```
ssl-use-default-context=true
ssl-endpoint-identification-enabled=false
```

For other apps, the VMware GemFire properties should be

```
ssl-enabled-components=all
ssl-use-default-context=true
ssl-endpoint-identification-enabled=false
```

An app may set these properties with the ClientCacheFactory.set() method, prior to creating a ClientCache instance.

The build and cf push of the app does not require any changes to work with a TLS-enabled GemFire service instance.

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Tomcat Session State Caching

Enable Session State Caching

By default, the Tomcat instance is configured to store all sessions and their data in memory. Under certain circumstances it may be appropriate to persist the sessions and their data to a repository. When this is the case (small amounts of data that should survive the failure of any individual instance), the buildpack can automatically configure Tomcat to do so by binding an appropriate service. In this case, the service is VMware GemFire for VMs.

When the session-replication tag is specified, the sessions will be stored in the GemFire service instance, thus moving the data out of Tomcat. An application bound to this service will start running in a Tomcat instance. A region for storing sessions will be created. The region will be named gemfire_modules_sessions. A 30-minute expiration for sessions will be automatically configured.

For session state caching, use a version 4.3 or more recent Java buildpack.

To enable Tomcat session state caching, do *one* of these options:

• Option 1: When creating your service instance name, specify the session-replication tag. For example:

```
$ cf create-service p-cloudcache small-plan my-service-instance -t session-replication
```

Option 2: Update your service instance, specifying the session-replication tag:

```
$ cf update-service new-service-instance -t session-replication
```

• Option 3: When creating the service, include the substring session-replication anywhere within the service instance name. An example with the substring is my-service-instance-session-replication.

Do not mix Tomcat session state caching (as described here) with Spring Session caching as described in Spring Session Caching. Mixing the two is problematic.

Java Buildpack Version Incompatibility

The Cloud Foundry Java buildpack specifies a Geode Tomcat Session Store that corresponds to your GemFire version. If your version of the Cloud Foundry Java buildpack specifies a <code>geode_store</code> version that is more recent than your tile's version of GemFire, you will need to specify a different version of VMware GemFire for VMs than is provided by the Java buildpack. The complete list of <code>geode_store</code> versions is given in https://java-buildpack-tomcat-gemfire-store.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/index.yml.

There are three ways to specify and/or use a different buildpack. Choose and implement one of these three ways.

- Replace the Tanzu Application Service (TAS) environment's Java buildpack.
 - 1. After a of login targeting the correct org and space, delete the current TAS environment's offline Java buildpack:

```
cf delete-buildpack java_buildpack_offline
```

- 2. Download the replacement Java buildpack (offline) from Tanzu Network.
- 3. Upload the replacement Java buildpack (offline) to your TAS environment. This example specifies a version 4.37 buildpack:

```
cf create-buildpack java_buildpack_offline /PATH/TO/java-buildpack-offline-v4.3 7.zip POSITION
```

where POSITION is the order in which this buildpack will be selected.

- Specify both a geode_store version environment variable and an online buildpack for your application. Each of these can be accomplished in either of two ways.
 - Specify a geode store version environment variable in one of two ways:
 - Set the geode_store version environment variable in your application's manifest.yml file. For details on how to specify configuration values through environment variable in the Java Buildpack, see Cloud Foundry Java Buildpack. You can find the buildpack's geode_store version in file /config/tomcat.yml. For example:

```
env:
    JBP_CONFIG_TOMCAT: '{ geode_store: { version: 1.12.0 } }'
```

- Set the geode_store version environment variable with the cf set-env command.
- Specify an online buildpack in one of two ways:
 - Specify an online buildpack in your application's manifest.yml file, as in the example:

```
buildpacks:
   - https://github.com/cloudfoundry/java-buildpack.git#v4.37
```

- Specify an online buildpack in the cf push of your application.
- Create a custom buildpack which specifies the version as described in Create a Custom Buildpack.

Tomcat Versions Incompatibility

This Tomcat session state caching warning issued during app deployment may indicate a version incompatibility:

```
WARNING: Tomcat version X does not match Geode Tomcat Y module. If you encounter compatibility issues, please make sure these versions match.
```

This warning indicates an issue that needs to be addressed if your version of Tomcat is significantly older (such as a Tomcat version prior to version 8) than the current default Tomcat version specifications.

You can fix this warning by changing the version of Tomcat being used by the Java buildpack in one of two ways:

- Create a Custom Buildpack and modify the version of Tomcat in your custom buildpack.
- Specify the online buildpack in the app's manifest.yml file, and set an environment variable in the app's manifest.yml file as described in Cloud Foundry Java Buildpack Configuration and Extension. For example:

```
buildpacks:
   - https://github.com/cloudfoundry/java-buildpack.git#v4.37
env:
   JBP_CONFIG_TOMCAT: '{ tomcat: { version: 9.0.+ } }'
```

For a full list of environment variables related to configuring Tomcat in the Java buildpack, see Tomcat Container Configuration.

Deactivate Near Caching Within the App

Near caching is when an app locally caches data. Near caching uses an embedded cache within the app. Web apps that deploy Tomcat with VMware GemFire session state caching have near caching by default. To keep an app stateless, deactivate near caching.

If you are not using an external repository for configuration, Create a Custom Buildpack to deactivate near caching.

Create a Custom Buildpack

If your VMware GemFire for VMs version is not compatible with the dependencies included in the Java buildpack, you can create a custom buildpack.

1. Clone the Cloud Foundry Java buildpack repository:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:cloudfoundry/java-buildpack.git
```

2. Change directories to the newly-created repository clone:

```
$ cd java-buildpack
```

- 3. Check out the desired version or release of the java-buildpack repository on a local branch. Use v4.36 or the most recent version available.
- 4. To change the version of VMware GemFire for VMs used by the buildpack, edit the /config/tomcat.yml configuration file to specify the geode_store. Here is the portion of the file to be changed, with the string to change in bold:

```
geode_store:
    version: 1.13.+
    repository_root: https://java-buildpack-tomcat-gemfire-store.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.c
    om
```

Change the geode store version to 1.12.0 for VMware GemFire for VMs version 1.12.

Change the geode store version to 1.11.0 for VMware GemFire for VMs version 1.11.

Change the <code>geode_store</code> version to 0.0.2 for all previous VMware GemFire for VMs versions. The complete list of <code>geode_store</code> versions is given in https://java-buildpacktomcat-gemfire-store.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/index.yml.

5. If you changed the version of VMware GemFire for VMs used by the buildpack, you may also need to change the version of the Geode Session State Module used by the buildpack. Edit the following line in the java-buildpack repository file

lib/java_buildpack/container/tomcat/tomcat_geode_store.rb to specify the appropriate version of Tomcat for your current geode store version:

```
SESSION_MANAGER_CLASS_NAME = 'org.apache.geode.modules.session.catalina.Tomcat9DeltaSes
sionManager'
```

For versions of geode_store that are 1.11 or greater, use <code>Tomcat9DeltaSessionManager</code>. For versions of <code>geode_store</code> previous to 1.11 and those with <code>geode_store</code> version 0.0.2, use <code>Tomcat8DeltaSessionManager</code>.

6. To deactivate near caching within the custom buildpack, edit the java-buildpack repository file lib/java_buildpack/container/tomcat/tomcat_geode_store.rb such that it deactivates caching within the app. Change the string true to instead be false. Before the change, here is the portion of the file to be changed, with the string to change highlighted:

After changing the highlighted string from true to false, here is the portion of the file with the change highlighted:

- 7. Commit the changes to your local branch.
- 8. Create your custom Java buildpack on the platform with a command of the form:

```
cf create-buildpack BUILDPACK-NAME PATH POSITION
```

where Buildpack-Name is the name you choose for your buildpack, PATH is the location of your local Java buildpack directory, and Position is the order in which your buildpack will be selected.

9. After building your application, push it such that it uses your buildpack:

```
cf push -f ./manifest.yml -b BUILDPACK-NAME
```

where Buildpack-Name is the name you chose for your buildpack.

- 10. Bind your app as described in Bind an App to a Service Instance.
- 11. Restage the app to ensure proper configuration:

```
cf restage APP-NAME
```

where APP-NAME is the name you chose for app.

Use an External Repository for Configuration

The Tomcat container can be customized if you place the custom configuration in a repository. Using an external repository for configuration also facilitates having a single configuration that may be used by a variety of apps.

There are two parts to using an external repository:

- Part 1: Build a repository to hold the configuration, and then push the repository to the space, such that the app will have access.
- Part 2: Change the app such that it uses the external repository.

Part 1 builds the repository:

1. Make a directory to hold the configuration:

```
$ mkdir tomcat-config
```

2. Make other needed files and directories within the newly created directory:

```
$ cd tomcat-config
$ mkdir public
$ mkdir -p tomcat-1.0.0/conf
$ touch Staticfile
```

3. Edit Staticfile to contain:

```
root: public directory: visible
```

4. Create a tomcat-1.0.0/conf/context.xml file. This example content specifies Tomcat version 9 and deactivates near caching:

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
< ! --
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~ Licensed under the Apache License, Version 2.0 (the "License");
~ you may not use this file except in compliance with the License.
~ You may obtain a copy of the License at
      http://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0
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~ distributed under the License is distributed on an "AS IS" BASIS,
~ WITHOUT WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF ANY KIND, either express or implied.
\sim See the License for the specific language governing permissions and
~ limitations under the License.
<Context>
   <Resources allowLinking='true'/>
    <Manager className='org.apache.geode.modules.session.catalina.Tomcat9DeltaSessionMa</pre>
nager' enableLocalCache='false' regionAttributesId='PARTITION REDUNDANT HEAP LRU'/>
</Context>
```

You can customize Tomcat further by placing custom configuration files within the tomcat-1.0.0/conf directory.

5. Place a compressed TAR format version of the tomcat-1.0.0 directory into the public directory:

```
$ tar -czf tomcat-1.0.0.tar.gz tomcat-1.0.0/
$ cp tomcat-1.0.0.tar.gz public/
```

6. With a current working directory of tomcat-config, use cf push to place the configuration into the VMware Application Service for VMs space that will host the app:

```
$ cf push tomcat-config
```

7. Issue the command

```
$ cf apps
```

to acquire the URL of the tomcat-config app. Prepend the listed URL with http:// to have the URL that will identify the location of the configuration needed by the app.

For example, your complete URL will look something like http://tomcat-config.apps.yellow-green.cf-app.com.

8. Within the tomcat-config directory, edit public/index.yml to have URL-specific contents. Using the example URL as a guide, the contents of this public/index.yml file will contain:

```
---
1.0.0: http://tomcat-config.apps.yellow-green.cf-app.com/tomcat-1.0.0.tar.gz
```

9. Push the configuration a second time with its completed configuration:

```
cf push tomcat-config
```

Part 2 modifies the app to configure the use of the external repository:

1. Edit the manifest.yml file by appending this URL-specific configuration to the applications section of the manifest.yml file:

```
env:
    JBP_CONFIG_TOMCAT: "{ tomcat: { external_configuration_enabled: true }, external_co
nfiguration: { repository_root: "http://tomcat-config.apps.yellow-green.cf-app.com" }
}"
```

Substitute your complete URL for the URL in this example.

A complete manifest.yml file will appear similar to:

```
applications:
    name: http-session-caching
    path: build/libs/http-session-caching-0.0.1.war
    buildpack: java_buildpack_offline
    env:
        JBP_CONFIG_TOMCAT: "{ tomcat: { external_configuration_enabled: true }, external_co
    nfiguration: { repository_root: "http://tomcat-config.apps.yellow-green.cf-app.com" }
}"
```

2. Push, but do not start, your app:

```
cf push -f ./manifest.yml --no-start -b BUILDPACK-NAME
```

where Buildpack-Name is the name you chose for your custom buildpack, or it is the URL of the most recent Java buildpack version, if you did not create a custom buildpack.

The specification of the buildpack on the cf push command line takes precedence over specification within the manifest.

For VMware GemFire for VMs version 1.12 or 1.11, use the URL for the v4.35 buildpack if you did not create a custom buildpack. For the v4.35 buildpack, the cf push command becomes:

```
$ cf push -f ./manifest.yml --no-start -b https://github.com/cloudfoundry/java-buildpac
k.git#v4.35
```

3. Bind and start your app:

```
cf bind-service APP-NAME SERVICE-INSTANCE-NAME

cf start APP-NAME
```

4. To verify that near caching is deactivated for the app, use cf ssh to access the app and visually verify that enableLocalCache='false' appears within the context.xml file. Use this sequence of commands:

```
cf ssh APP-NAME

cat app/.java-buildpack/tomcat/conf/context.xml
```

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Spring Session Caching

To use Spring Session for Apache Geode for session state caching for apps with GemFire, follow these steps:

- 1. Make the following changes to the app:
 - Replace the existing Spring Session @EnableXXXHttpSession annotation with @EnableGemFireHttpSession(maxInactiveIntervalInSeconds = N) Where N is in units of seconds.
 - Add the spring-session-data-geode and spring-data-geode dependencies to the build.
 - Add beans to the Spring app configuration.
- 2. Use gfsh to create a region on the cluster servers named <code>ClusteredSpringSessions</code>, when connected with a security role that can manage cluster data:

```
gfsh>create region --name=ClusteredSpringSessions --type=PARTITION_HEAP_LRU
```

Do not enable Tomcat session state caching as described in Enable Session State Caching. Mixing Tomcat session state caching with Spring Session caching is problematic.

The Session State Code Example demonstrates session state caching.

Find reference documentation at Spring Session.

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Troubleshooting

Here are problems and fixes related to using VMware GemFire for VMs.

Acquire Artifacts for Troubleshooting

Gather VMware GemFire Logs

VMware GemFire statistics and log files may be obtained by using the gfsh export logs command. See Export gfsh Logs for details.

View Statistics Files and Logs

You can visualize the performance of your cluster by downloading the statistics files from your servers. These files are located in the persistent store on each VM. To copy these files to your workstation, run the command:

```
bosh2 -e \ BOSH-ENVIRONMENT -d \ DEPLOYMENT-NAME \ scp \ server/0:/var/vcap/store/gemfire-server/statistics.gfs \ /tmp
```

See the VMware GemFire Installing and Running VSD topic for information about loading the statistics files into VMware GemFire VSD.

Acquire Thread Dumps

Thread dumps may be useful for debugging. Take at least three thread dumps on each VM, separating them by about one second.

1. To list your VMs, run:

```
bosh -e ENV -d DEPLOYMENT vms
```

Acquire the Deployment Name instructs how to acquire the string to substitute for DEPLOYMENT.

2. Use the VM in a bosh ssh command to ssh in to the GemFire VM where you want to produce the thread dumps. GemFire VMs can be referenced using a 0-based index, for example server/0, or locator/2:

```
bosh -e ENV -d DEPLOYMENT ssh server/0
```

3. Get into the Bosh Process Manager (bpm) shell by running

```
sudo /var/vcap/packages/bpm/bin/bpm shell JOB-NAME
```

where JOB-NAME is either gemfire-server or gemfire-locator, depending on which GemFire VM you are on.

4. Find the process ID (PID) that is running the VMware GemFire Java process by running

```
ps -aux | grep java
```

Typically, the PID is 1.

5. As you take multiple thread dumps, redirect the output of each to a uniquely named file. This example uses the file name threaddump1.txt:

```
/var/vcap/packages/jdk8/bin/jcmd 1 Thread.print > /tmp/threaddump1.txt
```

Files in /tmp will be accessible on the VM in directory /var/vcap/data/gemfire-server/tmp or /var/vcap/data/gemfire-locator/tmp.

6. Move the files to the /tmp directory on the VM by running

```
mv /var/vcap/data/gemfire-server/tmp/threaddump1.txt /tmp/
```

or

```
mv /var/vcap/data/gemfire-locator/tmp/threaddump1.txt /tmp/
```

7. Files can be copied to your local machine using bosh scp command. From your local machine, run:

```
bosh -d DEPLOYMENT scp VM:/tmp/threaddump1.txt .
```

For example:

```
\ bosh -d service-instance_1fd2850e-b754-4c5e-aa5c-ddb54ee301e6 scp server/0:/tmp/threa ddump1.txt .
```

Acquire the Deployment Name

The DEPLOYMENT name is needed in several troubleshooting procedures. To acquire the DEPLOYMENT name:

- 1. Use the Cloud Foundry CLI. Target the space where the service instance runs.
- 2. Discover the globally unique identifier (GUID) for the service instance:

```
cf service INSTANCE-NAME --guid
```

The output is the GUID. For example:

```
$ cf service dev-instance --guid
1fd2850e-b754-4c5e-aa5c-ddb54ee301e6
```

3. Prefix the GUID with the string service-instance_ to obtain the DEPLOYMENT name. For the example GUID, the DEPLOYMENT name is service-instance_1fd2850e-b754-4c5e-aa5c-ddb54ee301e6.

Troubleshooting for Operators

Smoke Test Failures

• Error message: "Creating p-cloudcache SERVICE-NAME failed"

Cause of the Problem: The smoke tests could not create an instance of GemFire.

Action: To troubleshoot why the deployment failed, use the CF CLI to create a new service instance using the same plan and download the logs of the service deployment from BOSH.

• Error message: "Deleting SERVICE-NAME failed"

Cause of the Problem: The smoke test attempted to clean up a service instance it created and failed to delete the service using the cf delete-service command.

Action: Run BOSH logs to view the logs on the broker or the service instance to see why the deletion may have failed.

Error message: "Cannot connect to the cluster SERVICE-NAME"

Cause of the Problem: The smoke test was unable to connect to the cluster.

Action: Review the logs of your load balancer, and review the logs of your CF Router to ensure the route to your GemFire cluster is properly registered.

You also can create a service instance and try to connect to it using the gfsh CLI. This requires creating a service key.

• Error message: "Could not perform create/put on locator LOCATOR-ADDRESS"

Cause of the Problem: LOCATOR-ADDRESS is the BOSH DNS name of the locator. The smoke test was unable to write data to the cluster. The user may not have permissions to create a region or write data.

General Connectivity

Problem: Client-to-server communication

Cause of the Problem: GemFire clients communicate to GemFire servers on port 40404 and with locators on port 55221. Both of these ports must be reachable from the VMware Application Service for VMs network to service the network.

• Problem: Membership port range

Cause of the Problem: GemFire servers and locators communicate with each other using UDP and TCP. The current port range for this communication is 49152-65535.

Solution: If you have a firewall between VMs, ensure this port range is open.

Problem: Port range usage across a WAN

Cause of the Problem: Gateway receivers and gateway senders communicate across WAN-separated service instances. Each GemFire service instance uses VMware GemFire defaults for the gateway receiver ports. The default is the inclusive range of port numbers 5000 to 5499.

Solution: Ensure this port range is open when WAN-separated service instances will communicate.

Troubleshooting for Developers

• **Problem:** An error occurs when creating a service instance or when running a smoke test. The service creation issues an error message that starts with

```
Instance provisioning failed: There was a problem completing your request.
```

VMware GemFire server logs at /var/vcap/sys/log/gemfire-server/gemfire/server-<N>.log will contain a disk-access error with the string

```
A DiskAccessException has occurred
```

and a stack trace similar to this one that begins with

```
org.apache.geode.cache.persistence.ConflictingPersistentDataException
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.persistence.PersistenceAdvisorImpl.checkMyStateO
nMembers(PersistenceAdvisorImpl.java:743)
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.persistence.PersistenceAdvisorImpl.getInitialIma
geAdvice(PersistenceAdvisorImpl.java:819)
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.persistence.CreatePersistentRegionProcessor.getI
nitialImageAdvice(CreatePersistentRegionProcessor.java:52)
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.DistributedRegion.getInitialImageAndRecovery(Dis
tributedRegion.java:1178)
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.DistributedRegion.initialize(DistributedRegion.j
ava:1059)
    at org.apache.geode.internal.cache.GemFireCacheImpl.createVMRegion(GemFireCacheImp
l.java:3089)
```

Cause of the Problem: The GemFire VMs are underprovisioned; the quantity of disk space is too small.

Solution: Use Ops Manager to provision VMs of at least the minimum size. See Configure Service Plans for minimum-size details.

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VMware Tanzu GemFire Release Notes

v1.12.4

Release Date: December 16, 2021

• VMware GemFire for VMs runs VMware GemFire v9.10.13

VMware GemFire for VMs v1.12.4 resolves the following issues:

• **GEODE-9888**, **GEODE-9898**, **GEM-3478**, **GEM-3486**: Upgraded log4j to v2.16.0 to address CVE-2021-44228 and CVE-2021-45046. For more information on these vulnerabilities and their impact on VMware products please see VMSA-2021-0028.

v1.12.3

Release Date: June 25, 2021

VMware GemFire for VMs runs VMware GemFire v9.10.8.

Version 1.12.3 of VMware GemFire for VMs addresses an important upgrade issue:

• **GEODE-9289**, **GEM-3253**: Addressed an issue with deserialization of configuration information from old locators during rolling upgrade.

v1.12.2

Release Date: February 25, 2021

• VMware GemFire for VMs runs VMware GemFire v9.10.6.

VMware GemFire v9.10.6 includes a fix for issues **GEODE-8799** and **GEM-3041**, providing a performance improvement by increasing the defaults for maximum number of pooled message processor threads and maximum partitioned region message processor threads.

NOTE: If your system had been hitting the old, lower default maximums, then upgrading may cause increased use of system resources as the system is no longer constrained to the old values. If your system depends on constraining system resources to the old default values, you can set these properties explicitly using DistributionManager.MAX_THREADS and DistributionManager.MAX_PR_THREADS, respectively.

The following table shows the old and new maximum values.

System Resource	Old Default Value	New Default Value
DistributionManager.MAX_THREADS	100	1000
DistributionManager.MAX_PR_THREADS	The greater of (CPUs * 4) or 16	The greater of (CPUs * 32) or 200

v1.12.1

Release Date: November 9, 2020

Features included in this release:

- GemFire supports VMware Application Service for VMs versions 2.10 and 2.9.
- VMware GemFire for VMs runs VMware GemFire v9.10.5.
- Improved performance by tuning the number of simultaneous handshakes that the Tanzu GemFire cluster performs.

v1.12.0

Release Date: July 31, 2020

Features included in this release:

- GemFire supports VMware Application Service for VMs versions 2.10 and 2.9.
- VMware GemFire for VMs runs VMware GemFire v9.10.2.

Known Issues

A v4.36 Java buildpack is incompatible with an app that will be bound to a session replication service. Any Tanzu Application Service (TAS) upgrade to version

- 2.10.12, 2.10.11
- 2.9.20, 2.9.19
- 2.8.26, 2.8.25
- 2.7.32, 2.7.31

will contain a v4.36 Java buildpack. Apps with this issue will fail to start due to a version mismatch between the app and the GemFire cluster servers. See Java Buildpack Version Incompatibility for details on how to fix the issue.

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