Starting a Blockchain Network and Deploying a Chaincode

This tutorial demonstrates how a blockchain network is setup.

In addition, it shows how a chaincode is deployed.

Open the network, wallet, chaincode, client, and REST API server terminals.

We will be using Git Bash terminal to run several scripts.

The scripts are located in different subfolders.

Instead of moving from one subfolder to another, we will just open several terminals, each one is dedicated to run scripts in a particular subfolder.

- 1. Open a Git Bash terminal.
- 2. Go to the root directory of the training workspace.

```
> cd /c/blockchain-training
```

Note: Command may differ depending where you placed your training workspace.

3. Go to the blockchain-tutorial subfolder.

```
> cd blockchain-tutorial
```

4. Go to the network subfolder.

```
> cd network
```

In this tutorial, this will be referred to as a network terminal.

You will know that a command should be executed in a network terminal when you see the following prompt in the instruction:

```
network>
```

5. Open the terminals for the other subfolders. To do this, follow the steps above. However, instead of going to the network subfolder, go to the respective subfolders of each terminal.

Please refer to the information below regarding the details of each terminal.

Terminal Name	Command	Prompt
network	cd network	network>
wallet	cd wallet	wallet>
chaincode	cd chaincode	chaincode>
blue coin client	cd client /blue-coin	bc-client>
blue coin UTXO client	cd client /blue-coin-utxo	bc-utxo-client>
blue coin REST API server	cd rest-api-server/blue-coin	bc-rest>

Clear the Blockchain Setup

Just in case you have run this tutorial before, this will remove any running docker containers and files related to the tutorial.

1. Ensure that there are no existing blockchain network by stopping all docker containers.

```
network> ./stop-network.sh
```

The stop-network.sh script stops all docker containers. In addition, it removes all blockchain artifacts, certificates and private keys.

2. Confirm that there are no running docker containers.

```
network> docker ps
```

3. Confirm that the subfolder config, which will contain the blockchain artifacts, is empty.

```
network> ls config
```

4. Confirm that the subfolder crypto-config, which will contain the certificates and private keys, is empty.

```
network> ls crypto-config
```

5. Ensure that there are no wallet contents.

```
wallet> ./clear-wallet.sh
```

6. Confirm that the wallet subfolder contains no subfolder like org1, org2, etc.

```
wallet> ls
```

Starting the Blockchain Setup

The setup involves creation of the blockchain artifacts, certificates and private keys for peers, orderer, and certificate authorities.

It also creates a customized docker-compose.yml file based on the docker-compose-template.yml file.

Lastly, it starts the necessary docker containers to start a blockchain network.

1. Generate blockchain artifacts, certificates and private keys, and docker-compose.yml file.

```
network> ./generate-and-replace.sh
```

2. Confirm that the the subfolders config and crypto-config are not anymore empty.

```
network> ls config
network> ls crypto-config
```

3. Confirm that there is a docker-compose.yml file.

```
network> ls docker-compose.yml
```

4. Start the blockchain network.

```
network> ./start-network.sh
```

5. Confirm that the necessary docker containers are up.

```
network> docker ps
```

The following docker containers should be up:

- Orderer
 - orderer.example.com
- o Org1

- Peers
 - peer0.org1.example.com
 - peer1.org1.example.com
- CouchDB
 - couchdb0.org1
 - couchdb1.org1
- Certificate Authority
 - ca1.example.com
- o Org2
 - Peers
 - peer0.org2.example.com
 - peer1.org2.example.com
 - CouchDB
 - couchdb0.org2
 - couchdb1.org2
 - Certificate Authority
 - ca2.example.com
- 6. Start the CLI docker containers needed to access the peers.

```
network> ./start-cli.sh
```

7. Confirm that the necessary docker containers are up.

```
network> docker ps
```

The following additional docker containers should be up:

- o Org1
 - CLI
 - cli0.org1
 - cli1.org1
- o Org2
 - CLI
 - cli0.org2
 - cli1.org2

Installing and Instantiating Chaincode

1. Check the subfolders under the chaincode subfolder.

```
chaincode> ls
```

Notice that there are three (3) subfolders:

```
• blue-coin-no-acl
```

- o blue-coin
- blue-coin-utxo

Each of this subfolder contains a chaincode. Although all of these three (3) chaincodes demonstrate the implementation of cryptocurrency in a Hyerledger Fabric blockchain, the three have their differences.

2. Install the chaincode found in the subfolder blue-coin-no-acl.

```
chaincode> ./install-chaincode.sh 1 0 blue-coin-no-acl blue-coin 1.0
chaincode> ./install-chaincode.sh 1 1 blue-coin-no-acl blue-coin 1.0
chaincode> ./install-chaincode.sh 2 0 blue-coin-no-acl blue-coin 1.0
chaincode> ./install-chaincode.sh 2 1 blue-coin-no-acl blue-coin 1.0
```

The install-chaincode.sh script accepts three parameters:

- o org index index of organization
- o peer index index of peer
- o folder name location of the chaincode
- o chaincode name name of the chaincode
- chaincode version version of the chaincode

The org index and peer index determine in which docker container a chaincode is installed. For example, if org index is 1 and peer index is 0 then the chaincode is installed in peer0.org1.example.com.

The folder name is one of the three chaincode subfolders mentioned in the previous step.

The chaincode name can be any name. In this tutorial, we use the name blue-coin. You may choose any other name, however, you need to adjust some of the scripts since they are configured to use the name blue-coin.

The chaincode version usually starts with 1.0. This is increased to a higher number when a chaincode is upgraded.

The script copied the chaincode found in the subfolder blue-coin-no-ac1 to the following peers:

- o peer0.org1.example.com
- o peer1.org1.example.com
- o peer0.org2.example.com
- peer1.org2.example.com

Each peer refers to this copy as blue-coin.

3. Check that there are no additional docker containers created yet.

```
chaincode> docker ps
```

The installation of the chaincode will eventually create later an additional docker container for each peer installed with the chaincode.

An additional container for a peer will be created once the following happens:

- o chaincode gets instantiated
- CLI of peer is used to instantiate, invoke, or query a chaincode
- 4. Instantiate the chaincode blue-coin.

```
chaincode> ./instantiate-chaincode.sh 1 0 blue-coin 1.0
```

The instantiate-chaincode.sh script accepts two parameters:

- o org index index of organization
- o peer index index of peer
- o chaincode name name of the chaincode
- chaincode version version of the chaincode

The org index and peer index determine which peer is used to instantiate the chaincode. For example, if org index is 1 and peer index is 0 then the chaincode is instantiated through peer0.org1.example.com.

The chaincode name and chaincode version should be the same name and version used when the chaincode is installed.

The script uses the CLI of peer0.org1.example.com (i.e., cli0.org1) to instantiate the chaincode.

Take note that the target of the instantiation of a chaincode is a channel and not a particular peer. We just used peer0.org1.example.com to perform the instantiation. However, we could have used any of the other peers where the blue-coin chaincode was previously installed.

Note: Instantation will create an additional docker container for peer0.org1.example.com since we used the CLI for this peer to instantiate the chaincode.

This will take several minutes.

5. Confirm that an additional docker container for peer0.org1.example.com is created.

```
chaincode> docker ps
```

Notice that a docker container with the following name is created:

o dev-peer0.org1.example.com-blue-coin-1.0

This docker container, which we refer to as a chaincode container, contains the running chaincode blue-coin and is owned by the docker container peer0.org1.example.com. The number 1.0 pertains to the version of the chaincode.

You may treat this newly created chaincode container as an extension of the docker container peer0.org1.example.com. This is used everytime the said peer needs to execute or query the chaincode blue-coin.

Note that there are no additional chaincode containers created for the other peers. As mentioned in the previous steps, an additional docker container is created once the chaincode is instantiated (which we have done already) and once an instantiate, execute, or query is done through a peer. Since peer0.oq1.example.com is used to do the instantiation, a chaincode container is created for this peer.

The other peers will have its own chaincode container once an execute or query is done to the chaincode. This will be shown in the succeeding steps.

Test the Chaincode

1. Generate initial coins for org1.

```
chaincode> docker exec cli0.org1 peer chaincode invoke \
  -o orderer.example.com:7050 \
  -C mychannel -n blue-coin \
  -c '{"function":"generateInitialCoin","Args":["Org1MSP"]}'
```

This is an invoke command that invokes the generateInitialCoin function.

This provides 500 blue coins to org1.

Although the org names in the tutorial are org1, org2, etc., we use as their identifier their membership service provider (MSP) ID (e.g., Org1MSP, Org2MSP).

2. Confirm that the blue coins are saved by opening a browser and checking the contents of couchdb of peer0.org1.example.com

```
browser> http://localhost:5984/_utils/
```

3. In the web management of couchdb, click mychannel_blue-coin and click the entry with the key Org1MSP.

Notice that the following value is saved:

```
{
"_id": "Org1MSP",

"_rev": "<may differ>",

"amt": 500,

"mspId": "Org1MSP",
```

```
"~version": "<may differ>"
}
```

4. Confirm that the blue coins of org1 is replicated in the couchdb of the other peers.

Follow the previous steps but change the port in the URL from 5984 to the following:

```
    6984 - for peer1.org1.example.com (http://localhost:6984/_utils/)
    7984 - for peer0.org2.example.com (http://localhost:7984/_utils/)
    8984 - for peer1.org2.example.com (http://localhost:8984/_utils/)
```

5. Query the balance of org1.

```
chaincode> docker exec cli0.org1 peer chaincode query \
  -C mychannel -n blue-coin \
  -c '{"function":"getBalance","Args":["Org1MSP"]}'
```

This is a query command that queries using the getBalance function.

Notice that it shows the same blue coins shown in the previous steps.

6. Query again the balance of org1 but this time using the CLI of peer1.org1.example.com.

```
chaincode> docker exec cli1.org1 peer chaincode query \
  -C mychannel -n blue-coin \
  -c '{"function":"getBalance","Args":["Org1MSP"]}'
```

Since this is the first time that an invoke or query command is used in the CLI of peer.org1.example.com, it will take some time before a response is shown. This is due to a chaincode container for the said peer is being created.

7. Confirm that an additional docker container for peer1.org1.example.com is created.

```
chaincode> docker ps
```

Notice that a docker container with the following name is created:

- o dev-peer1.org1.example.com-blue-coin-1.0
- 8. Query again the balance of org1 but this time using the CLIs of peer0.org2.example.com and peer1.org2.example.com.

```
chaincode> docker exec cli0.org2 peer chaincode query \
  -C mychannel -n blue-coin \
  -c '{"function":"getBalance","Args":["Org1MSP"]}'
```

```
chaincode> docker exec cli1.org2 peer chaincode query \
  -C mychannel -n blue-coin \
  -c '{"function":"getBalance","Args":["Org1MSP"]}'
```

9. Confirm that additional docker containers for peer0.org2.example.com and peer1.org2.example.com are created.

```
chaincode> docker ps
```

Notice that docker containers with the following names are created:

- o dev-peer0.org2.example.com-blue-coin-1.0
- o dev-peer1.org2.example.com-blue-coin-1.0

Quick Setup

Since clearing of blockchain setup, starting blockchain setup, and installing and instantiating the chaincode are done frequently in this tutorial, a quick-setup.sh script is created that performs all the said processes.

1. Run the quick setup.

```
chaincode> ./quick-setup.sh blue-coin-no-acl blue-coin 1.0
```

The quick-setup.sh script accepts three parameters:

- folder name location of the chaincode
- o chaincode name name of the chaincode
- chaincode version version of the chaincode