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Abstract

This document provides instructions for the various ways to create and manage instances of user-provisioned applications running on OpenShift Container Platform. This includes working with projects and provisioning applications using the Open Service Broker API.

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CHAPTER 1. PROJECTS

1.1. WORKING WITH PROJECTS

A *project* allows a community of users to organize and manage their content in isolation from other communities.

1.1.1. Creating a project using the web console

If allowed by your cluster administrator, you can create a new project.

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to **Home** → **Projects**.
- 2. Click Create Project.
- 3. Enter your project details.
- 4. Click Create.

1.1.2. Creating a project using the Developer perspective in the web console

You can use the **Developer** perspective in the OpenShift Container Platform web console to create a project in your namespace.

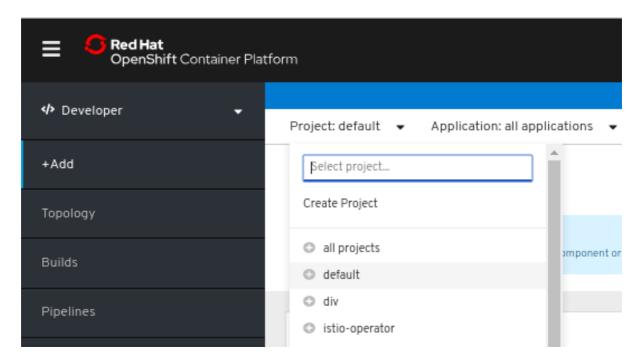
Prerequisites

• Ensure that you have the appropriate roles and permissions to create projects, applications, and other workloads in OpenShift Container Platform.

Procedure

You can create a project using the **Developer** perspective, as follows:

1. In the **Add** view, click the **Project** drop-down menu to see a list of all available projects. Select **Create Project**.



- 2. In the **Create Project** dialog box, enter a unique name for the **Name** field. For example, enter **myproject** as the name of the project in the **Name** field.
- 3. Optionally, add the **Display Name** and **Description** details for the Project.
- 4. Click Create.

Your project is now created and you can add applications and other workloads in to this project.

1.1.3. Creating a project using the CLI

If allowed by your cluster administrator, you can create a new project.

Procedure

1. Run:

\$ oc new-project cription="<description>" --display-name="<display_name>"

For example:

\$ oc new-project hello-openshift \

- --description="This is an example project" \
- --display-name="Hello OpenShift"



NOTE

The number of projects you are allowed to create may be limited by the system administrator. After your limit is reached, you might have to delete an existing project in order to create a new one.

1.1.4. Viewing a project using the web console

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to **Home** → **Projects**.
- Select a project to view.On this page, click the Workloads button to see workloads in the project.

1.1.5. Viewing a project using the CLI

When viewing projects, you are restricted to seeing only the projects you have access to view based on the authorization policy.

Procedure

- 1. To view a list of projects, run:
 - \$ oc get projects
- 2. You can change from the current project to a different project for CLI operations. The specified project is then used in all subsequent operations that manipulate project-scoped content:
 - \$ oc project <project_name>

1.1.6. Adding to a project

Procedure

- 1. Select **Developer** from the context selector at the top of the web console navigation menu.
- 2. Click +Add
- 3. At the top of the page, select the name of the project that you want to add to.
- 4. Click on a method for adding to your project, and then follow the workflow.

1.1.7. Checking project status using the web console

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to **Home** → **Projects**.
- 2. Select a project to see its status.

1.1.8. Checking project status using the CLI

Procedure

1. Run:

\$ oc status

This command provides a high-level overview of the current project, with its components and their relationships.

1.1.9. Deleting a project using the web console

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to **Home** → **Projects**.
- 2. Locate the project that you want to delete from the list of projects.
- 3. On the far right side of the project listing, select **Delete Project** from the menu. If you do not have permissions to delete the project, the **Delete Project** option is grayed out and the option is not clickable.

1.1.10. Deleting a project using the CLI

When you delete a project, the server updates the project status to **Terminating** from **Active**. Then, the server clears all content from a project that is in the **Terminating** state before finally removing the project. While a project is in **Terminating** status, you cannot add new content to the project. Projects can be deleted from the CLI or the web console.

Procedure

1. Run:

\$ oc delete project <project_name>

1.2. CREATING A PROJECT AS ANOTHER USER

Impersonation allows you to create a project as a different user.

1.2.1. API impersonation

You can configure a request to the OpenShift Container Platform API to act as though it originated from another user. For more information, see <u>User impersonation</u> in the Kubernetes documentation.

1.2.2. Impersonating a user when you create a project

You can impersonate a different user when you create a project request. Because **system:authenticated:oauth** is the only bootstrap group that can create project requests, you must impersonate that group.

Procedure

• To create a project request on behalf of a different user:

\$ oc new-project croject> --as=<user> \
 --as-group=system:authenticated --as-group=system:authenticated:oauth

1.3. CONFIGURING PROJECT CREATION

In OpenShift Container Platform, *projects* are used to group and isolate related objects. When a request is made to create a new project using the web console or **oc new-project** command, an endpoint in OpenShift Container Platform is used to provision the project according to a template, which can be customized.

As a cluster administrator, you can allow and configure how developers and service accounts can create, or self-provision, their own projects.

1.3.1. About project creation

The OpenShift Container Platform API server automatically provisions new projects based on the project template that is identified by the **projectRequestTemplate** parameter in the cluster's project configuration resource. If the parameter is not defined, the API server creates a default template that creates a project with the requested name, and assigns the requesting user to the **admin** role for that project.

When a project request is submitted, the API substitutes the following parameters into the template:

Table 1.1. Default project template parameters

Parameter	Description
PROJECT_NAME	The name of the project. Required.
PROJECT_DISPLAYNAME	The display name of the project. May be empty.
PROJECT_DESCRIPTION	The description of the project. May be empty.
PROJECT_ADMIN_USER	The user name of the administrating user.
PROJECT_REQUESTING_U SER	The user name of the requesting user.

Access to the API is granted to developers with the **self-provisioner** role and the **self-provisioners** cluster role binding. This role is available to all authenticated developers by default.

1.3.2. Modifying the template for new projects

As a cluster administrator, you can modify the default project template so that new projects are created using your custom requirements.

To create your own custom project template:

Procedure

- Log in as a user with cluster-admin privileges.
- 2. Generate the default project template:

\$ oc adm create-bootstrap-project-template -o yaml > template.yaml

- 3. Use a text editor to modify the generated **template.yaml** file by adding objects or modifying existing objects.
- 4. The project template must be created in the **openshift-config** namespace. Load your modified template:

\$ oc create -f template.yaml -n openshift-config

- 5. Edit the project configuration resource using the web console or CLI.
 - Using the web console:
 - i. Navigate to the **Administration** → **Cluster Settings** page.
 - ii. Click Global Configuration to view all configuration resources.
 - iii. Find the entry for Project and click Edit YAML.
 - Using the CLI:
 - i. Edit the project.config.openshift.io/cluster resource:
 - \$ oc edit project.config.openshift.io/cluster
- 6. Update the **spec** section to include the **projectRequestTemplate** and **name** parameters, and set the name of your uploaded project template. The default name is **project-request**.

Project configuration resource with custom project template

```
apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: Project
metadata:
...
spec:
projectRequestTemplate:
name: <template_name>
```

7. After you save your changes, create a new project to verify that your changes were successfully applied.

1.3.3. Disabling project self-provisioning

You can prevent an authenticated user group from self-provisioning new projects.

Procedure

- 1. Log in as a user with **cluster-admin** privileges.
- 2. View the **self-provisioners** cluster role binding usage by running the following command:

\$ oc describe clusterrolebinding.rbac self-provisioners

Name: self-provisioners

Labels: <none>

Annotations: rbac.authorization.kubernetes.io/autoupdate=true

Role: Kind: ClusterRole

Name: self-provisioner Subjects:

Kind Name Namespace

---- ----

Group system:authenticated:oauth

Review the subjects in the **self-provisioners** section.

- 3. Remove the **self-provisioner** cluster role from the group **system:authenticated:oauth**.
 - If the **self-provisioners** cluster role binding binds only the **self-provisioner** role to the **system:authenticated:oauth** group, run the following command:

\$ oc patch clusterrolebinding.rbac self-provisioners -p '{"subjects": null}'

• If the **self-provisioners** cluster role binding binds the **self-provisioner** role to more users, groups, or service accounts than the **system:authenticated:oauth** group, run the following command:

```
$ oc adm policy \
  remove-cluster-role-from-group self-provisioner \
  system:authenticated:oauth
```

- 4. Edit the **self-provisioners** cluster role binding to prevent automatic updates to the role. Automatic updates reset the cluster roles to the default state.
 - To update the role binding using the CLI:
 - i. Run the following command:

\$ oc edit clusterrolebinding.rbac self-provisioners

ii. In the displayed role binding, set the **rbac.authorization.kubernetes.io/autoupdate** parameter value to **false**, as shown in the following example:

```
apiVersion: authorization.openshift.io/v1
kind: ClusterRoleBinding
metadata:
annotations:
rbac.authorization.kubernetes.io/autoupdate: "false"
...
```

• To update the role binding by using a single command:

\$ oc patch clusterrolebinding.rbac self-provisioners -p '{ "metadata": { "annotations": {
"rbac.authorization.kubernetes.io/autoupdate": "false" } }'

5. Login as an authenticated user and verify that it can no longer self-provision a project:

\$ oc new-project test

Error from server (Forbidden): You may not request a new project via this API.

Consider customizing this project request message to provide more helpful instructions specific to your organization.

1.3.4. Customizing the project request message

When a developer or a service account that is unable to self-provision projects makes a project creation request using the web console or CLI, the following error message is returned by default:

You may not request a new project via this API.

Cluster administrators can customize this message. Consider updating it to provide further instructions on how to request a new project specific to your organization. For example:

- To request a project, contact your system administrator at **projectname@example.com**.
- To request a new project, fill out the project request form located at https://internal.example.com/openshift-project-request.

To customize the project request message:

Procedure

- 1. Edit the project configuration resource using the web console or CLI.
 - Using the web console:
 - i. Navigate to the **Administration** → **Cluster Settings** page.
 - ii. Click Global Configuration to view all configuration resources.
 - iii. Find the entry for Project and click Edit YAML.
 - Using the CLI:
 - i. Log in as a user with **cluster-admin** privileges.
 - ii. Edit the **project.config.openshift.io/cluster** resource:
 - \$ oc edit project.config.openshift.io/cluster
- 2. Update the **spec** section to include the **projectRequestMessage** parameter and set the value to your custom message:

Project configuration resource with custom project request message

```
apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: Project
metadata:
...
spec:
projectRequestMessage: <message_string>
```

For example:

apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1

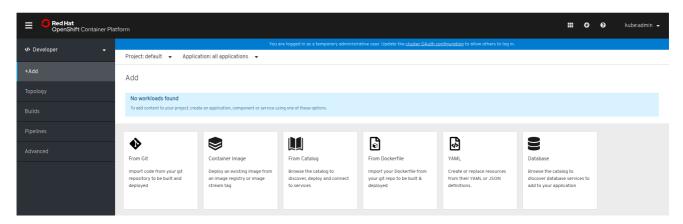
kind: Project
metadata:
...
spec:
projectRequestMessage: To request a project, contact your system administrator at
projectname@example.com.

3. After you save your changes, attempt to create a new project as a developer or service account that is unable to self-provision projects to verify that your changes were successfully applied.

CHAPTER 2. APPLICATION LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT

2.1. CREATING APPLICATIONS USING THE DEVELOPER PERSPECTIVE

The **Developer** perspective in the web console provides you the following options from the **Add** view to create applications and associated services and deploy them on OpenShift Container Platform:



- From Git Use this option to import an existing codebase in a Git repository to create, build, and deploy an application on OpenShift Container Platform.
- **Container Image**: Use existing images from an image stream or registry to deploy it on to OpenShift Container Platform.
- From Catalog: Explore the **Developer Catalog** to select the required applications, services, or source to image builders and add it to your project.
- From Dockerfile: Import a dockerfile from your Git repository to build and deploy an application.
- YAML: Use the editor to add YAML or JSON definitions to create and modify resources.
- Add Database: See the Developer Catalog to select the required database service and add it to your application.



NOTE

The serverless sections in the above options are displayed only if the **Serverless Operator** is installed in your cluster. OpenShift Serverless is a Technology Preview feature.

Prerequisites

To create applications using the **Developer** perspective ensure that:

- You have logged in to the web console.
- You are in the Developer perspective.
- You have the appropriate roles and permissions in a project to create applications and other workloads in OpenShift Container Platform.

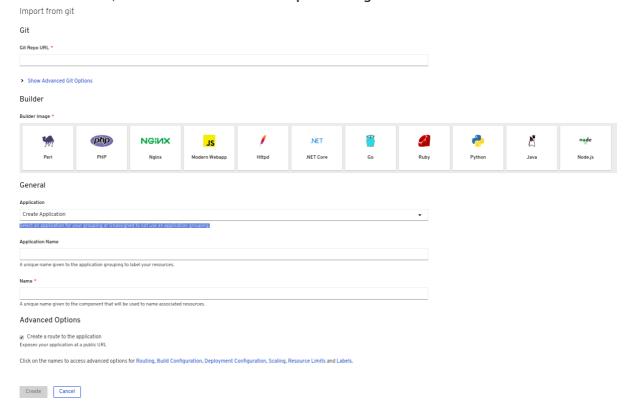
2.1.1. Importing a codebase from Git to create an application

The following procedure walks you through the **Import from Git** option in the **Developer** perspective to create an application.

Create, build, and deploy an application on OpenShift Container Platform using an existing codebase in GitHub as follows:

Procedure

1. In the Add view, click From Git to see the Import from git form.



- 2. In the **Git** section, enter the Git repository URL for the codebase you want to use to create an application. For example, enter the URL of this sample nodejs application **https://github.com/sclorg/nodejs-ex**.
- 3. Optionally, you can click **Show Advanced Git Options** to add details such as:
 - **Git Reference** to point to code in a specific branch, tag, or commit to be used to build the application.
 - **Context Dir** to specify the subdirectory for the application source code you want to use to build the application.
 - **Source Secret** to create a **Secret Name** with credentials for pulling your source code from a private repository.
- 4. In the **Builder** section, select the required builder image to see the details of the builder image. If required, you can change the version using the **Builder Image Version** drop-down list. For example, select the **Node.js** builder image.
- 5. In the **General** section:
 - a. In the **Application Name** field, enter a unique name for the application grouping, for example, **myapp**. Ensure that the application name is unique in a namespace.

b. The **Name** field to identify the resources created for this application is automatically populated.



NOTE

The resource name must be unique in a namespace. Modify the resource name if you get an error.

6. In the **Serverless** section, select **Enable scaling to zero when idle**to create a serverless application that automatically scales your Pods to zero to prevent consumption of resources when idle.



NOTE

The Serverless section is displayed in the Import from git form only if the Serverless Operator is installed in your cluster. For further details refer to documentation on installing OpenShift Serverless.

- 7. In the **Advanced Options** section, the **Create a route to the application** is selected by default so that you can access your application using a publicly available URL. You can clear the check box if you do not want to expose your application on a public route.
- 8. Optionally, you can use the following advanced options to further customize your application:

Routing

Click the **Routing** link to:

- Customize the hostname for the route.
- Specify the path the router watches.
- Select the target port for the traffic from the drop-down list.
- Secure your route by selecting the Secure Route check box. Select the required TLS termination type and set a policy for insecure traffic from the respective drop-down lists

For serverless applications, the Knative Service manages all the routing options above. However, you can customize the target port for traffic, if required. If the target port is not specified, the default port of **8080** is used.

Build and Deployment Configuration

Click the **Build Configuration** and **Deployment Configuration** links to see the respective configuration options. Some of the options are selected by default; you can customize them further by adding the necessary triggers and environment variables. For serverless applications, the **Deployment Configuration** option is not displayed as the Knative configuration resource maintains the desired state for your deployment instead of a DeploymentConfig.

Scaling

Click the **Scaling** link to define the number of Pods or instances of the application you want to deploy initially.

For serverless applications, you can:

• Set the upper and lower limit for the number of pods that can be set by the autoscaler. If the lower limit is not specified, it defaults to zero.

- Define the soft limit for the required number of concurrent requests per instance of the application at a given time. It is the recommended configuration for autoscaling. If not specified, it takes the value specified in the cluster configuration.
- Define the hard limit for the number of concurrent requests allowed per instance of the application at a given time. This is configured in the revision template. If not specified, it defaults to the value specified in the cluster configuration.

Resource Limit

Click the **Resource Limit** link to set the amount of **CPU** and **Memory** resources a container is guaranteed or allowed to use when running.

Labels

Click the Labels link to add custom labels to your application.

9. Click **Create** to create the application and see its build status in the **Topology** view.

2.2. CREATING APPLICATIONS FROM INSTALLED OPERATORS

Operators are a method of packaging, deploying, and managing a Kubernetes application. You can create applications on OpenShift Container Platform using Operators that have been installed by a cluster administrator.

This guide walks developers through an example of creating applications from an installed Operator using the OpenShift Container Platform web console.

Additional resources

• See the Operators guide for more on how Operators work and how the Operator Lifecycle Manager is integrated in OpenShift Container Platform.

2.2.1. Creating an etcd cluster using an Operator

This procedure walks through creating a new etcd cluster using the etcd Operator, managed by the Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

Prerequisites

- Access to an OpenShift Container Platform 4.2 cluster.
- The etcd Operator already installed cluster-wide by an administrator.

Procedure

- 1. Create a new project in the OpenShift Container Platform web console for this procedure. This example uses a project called **my-etcd**.
- Navigate to the Operators → Installed Operators page. The Operators that have been installed
 to the cluster by the cluster administrator and are available for use are shown here as a list of
 ClusterServiceVersions (CSVs). CSVs are used to launch and manage the software provided by
 the Operator.

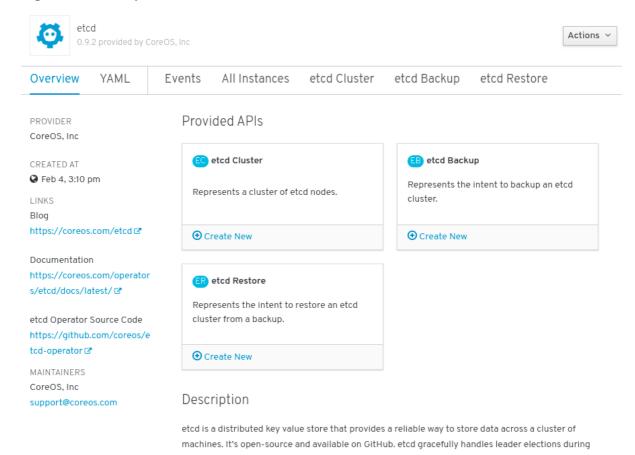
TIP

You can get this list from the CLI using:

\$ oc get csv

3. On the **Installed Operators** page, click **Copied**, and then click the etcd Operator to view more details and available actions:

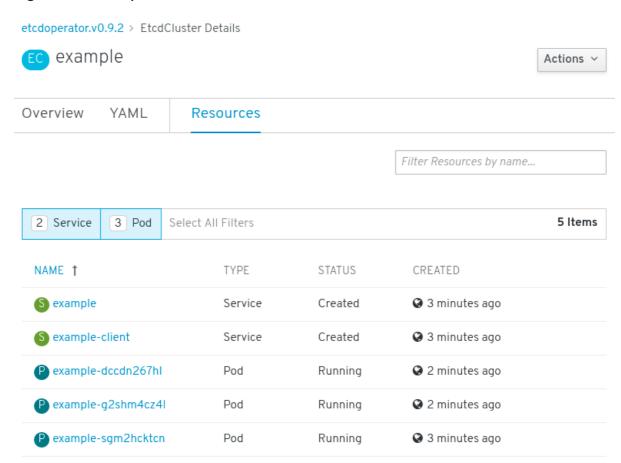
Figure 2.1. etcd Operator overview



As shown under **Provided APIs**, this Operator makes available three new resource types, including one for an **etcd Cluster** (the **EtcdCluster** resource). These objects work similar to the built-in native Kubernetes ones, such as **Deployments** or **ReplicaSets**, but contain logic specific to managing etcd.

- 4. Create a new etcd cluster:
 - a. In the etcd Cluster API box, click Create New.
 - b. The next screen allows you to make any modifications to the minimal starting template of an **EtcdCluster** object, such as the size of the cluster. For now, click **Create** to finalize. This triggers the Operator to start up the Pods, Services, and other components of the new etcd cluster.
- 5. Click the **Resources** tab to see that your project now contains a number of resources created and configured automatically by the Operator.

Figure 2.2. etcd Operator resources



Verify that a Kubernetes service has been created that allows you to access the database from other Pods in your project.

6. All users with the **edit** role in a given project can create, manage, and delete application instances (an etcd cluster, in this example) managed by Operators that have already been created in the project, in a self-service manner, just like a cloud service. If you want to enable additional users with this ability, project administrators can add the role using the following command:

\$ oc policy add-role-to-user edit <user> -n <target_project>

You now have an etcd cluster that will react to failures and rebalance data as Pods become unhealthy or are migrated between nodes in the cluster. Most importantly, cluster administrators or developers with proper access can now easily use the database with their applications.

2.3. CREATING APPLICATIONS USING THE CLI

You can create an OpenShift Container Platform application from components that include source or binary code, images, and templates by using the OpenShift Container Platform CLI.

The set of objects created by **new-app** depends on the artifacts passed as input: source repositories, images, or templates.

2.3.1. Creating an application from source code

With the **new-app** command you can create applications from source code in a local or remote Git repository.

The **new-app** command creates a build configuration, which itself creates a new application image from your source code. The **new-app** command typically also creates a deployment configuration to deploy the new image, and a service to provide load-balanced access to the deployment running your image.

OpenShift Container Platform automatically detects whether the **Pipeline** or **Source** build strategy should be used, and in the case of **Source** builds, detects an appropriate language builder image.

2.3.1.1. Local

To create an application from a Git repository in a local directory:

\$ oc new-app /<path to source code>



NOTE

If you use a local Git repository, the repository must have a remote named **origin** that points to a URL that is accessible by the OpenShift Container Platform cluster. If there is no recognized remote, running the **new-app** command will create a binary build.

2.3.1.2. Remote

To create an application from a remote Git repository:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/sclorg/cakephp-ex

To create an application from a private remote Git repository:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/youruser/yourprivaterepo --source-secret=yoursecret



NOTE

If you use a private remote Git repository, you can use the **--source-secret** flag to specify an existing source clone secret that will get injected into your **BuildConfig** to access the repository.

You can use a subdirectory of your source code repository by specifying a **--context-dir** flag. To create an application from a remote Git repository and a context subdirectory:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world.git#beta4

2.3.1.3. Build strategy detection

If a **Jenkinsfile** exists in the root or specified context directory of the source repository when creating a new application, OpenShift Container Platform generates a Pipeline build strategy.

Otherwise, it generates a Source build strategy.

Override the build strategy by setting the **--strategy** flag to either **pipeline** or **source**.

\$ oc new-app /home/user/code/myapp --strategy=docker



NOTE

The **oc** command requires that files containing build sources are available in a remote Git repository. For all source builds, you must use **git remote -v**.

2.3.1.4. Language Detection

If you use the **Source** build strategy, **new-app** attempts to determine the language builder to use by the presence of certain files in the root or specified context directory of the repository:

Table 2.1. Languages Detected by new-app

Language	Files
dotnet	project.json, *.csproj
jee	pom.xml
nodejs	app.json, package.json
perl	cpanfile, index.pl
php	composer.json, index.php
python	requirements.txt, setup.py
ruby	Gemfile, Rakefile, config.ru
scala	build.sbt
golang	Godeps, main.go

After a language is detected, **new-app** searches the OpenShift Container Platform server for imagestreamtags that have a **supports** annotation matching the detected language, or an imagestream that matches the name of the detected language. If a match is not found, **new-app** searches the Docker Hub registry for an image that matches the detected language based on name.

You can override the image the builder uses for a particular source repository by specifying the image, either an imagestream or container specification, and the repository with a \sim as a separator. Note that if this is done, build strategy detection and language detection are not carried out.

For example, to use the **myproject/my-ruby** imagestream with the source in a remote repository:

\$ oc new-app myproject/my-ruby~https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world.git

To use the `openshift/ruby-20-centos7:latest `container imagestream with the source in a local repository:

\$ oc new-app openshift/ruby-20-centos7:latest~/home/user/code/my-ruby-app



NOTE

Language detection requires the Git client to be locally installed so that your repository can be cloned and inspected. If Git is not available, you can avoid the language detection step by specifying the builder image to use with your repository with the **<image>~ <repository>** syntax.

The -i <image> <repository> invocation requires that new-app attempt to clone repository in order to determine what type of artifact it is, so this will fail if Git is not available.

The **-i <image> --code <repository>** invocation requires **new-app** clone **repository** in order to determine whether **image** should be used as a builder for the source code, or deployed separately, as in the case of a database image.

2.3.2. Creating an application from an image

You can deploy an application from an existing image. Images can come from imagestreams in the OpenShift Container Platform server, images in a specific registry, or images in the local Docker server.

The **new-app** command attempts to determine the type of image specified in the arguments passed to it. However, you can explicitly tell **new-app** whether the image is a container image using the **--docker-image** argument or an imagestream using the **-i|--image** argument.



NOTE

If you specify an image from your local Docker repository, you must ensure that the same image is available to the OpenShift Container Platform cluster nodes.

2.3.2.1. DockerHub MySQL image

Create an application from the DockerHub MySQL image, for example:

\$ oc new-app mysql

2.3.2.2. Image in a private registry

Create an application using an image in a private registry, specify the full container image specification:

\$ oc new-app myregistry:5000/example/myimage

2.3.2.3. Existing imagestream and optional imagestreamtag

Create an application from an existing imagestream and optional imagestreamtag:

\$ oc new-app my-stream:v1

2.3.3. Creating an application from a template

You can create an application from a previously stored template or from a template file, by specifying the name of the template as an argument. For example, you can store a sample application template and use it to create an application.

Create an application from a stored template, for example:

\$ oc create -f examples/sample-app/application-template-stibuild.json \$ oc new-app ruby-helloworld-sample

To directly use a template in your local file system, without first storing it in OpenShift Container Platform, use the **-f**|**--file** argument. For example:

\$ oc new-app -f examples/sample-app/application-template-stibuild.json

2.3.3.1. Template Parameters

When creating an application based on a template, use the **-p|--param** argument to set parameter values that are defined by the template:

\$ oc new-app ruby-helloworld-sample \
-p ADMIN_USERNAME=admin -p ADMIN_PASSWORD=mypassword

You can store your parameters in a file, then use that file with **--param-file** when instantiating a template. If you want to read the parameters from standard input, use **--param-file=-**:

\$ cat helloworld.params
ADMIN_USERNAME=admin
ADMIN_PASSWORD=mypassword
\$ oc new-app ruby-helloworld-sample --param-file=helloworld.params
\$ cat helloworld.params | oc new-app ruby-helloworld-sample --param-file=-

2.3.4. Modifying application creation

The **new-app** command generates OpenShift Container Platform objects that build, deploy, and run the application that is created. Normally, these objects are created in the current project and assigned names that are derived from the input source repositories or the input images. However, with **new-app** you can modify this behavior.

Table 2.2. new-app output objects

Object	Description
BuildConfig	A BuildConfig is created for each source repository that is specified in the command line. The BuildConfig specifies the strategy to use, the source location, and the build output location.
ImageStreams	For BuildConfig , two ImageStreams are usually created. One represents the input image. With Source builds, this is the builder image. With Docker builds, this is the FROM image. The second one represents the output image. If a container image was specified as input to new-app , then an imagestream is created for that image as well.

Object	Description
DeploymentCon fig	A DeploymentConfig is created either to deploy the output of a build, or a specified image. The new-app command creates emptyDir volumes for all Docker volumes that are specified in containers included in the resulting DeploymentConfig .
Service	The new-app command attempts to detect exposed ports in input images. It uses the lowest numeric exposed port to generate a service that exposes that port. In order to expose a different port, after new-app has completed, simply use the oc expose command to generate additional services.
Other	Other objects can be generated when instantiating templates, according to the template.

2.3.4.1. Specifying environment variables

When generating applications from a template, source, or an image, you can use the **-e|--env** argument to pass environment variables to the application container at run time:

\$ oc new-app openshift/postgresql-92-centos7 \

- -e POSTGRESQL_USER=user \
- -e POSTGRESQL_DATABASE=db \
- -e POSTGRESQL PASSWORD=password

The variables can also be read from file using the **--env-file** argument:

\$ cat postgresql.env POSTGRESQL_USER=user POSTGRESQL_DATABASE=db POSTGRESQL_PASSWORD=password \$ oc new-app openshift/postgresql-92-centos7 --env-file=postgresql.env

Additionally, environment variables can be given on standard input by using --env-file=-:

\$ cat postgresql.env | oc new-app openshift/postgresql-92-centos7 --env-file=-



NOTE

Any **BuildConfig** objects created as part of **new-app** processing are not updated with environment variables passed with the **-e**|--env or --env-file argument.

2.3.4.2. Specifying build environment variables

When generating applications from a template, source, or an image, you can use the **--build-env** argument to pass environment variables to the build container at run time:

\$ oc new-app openshift/ruby-23-centos7 \

- --build-env HTTP PROXY=http://myproxy.net:1337/ \
- --build-env GEM_HOME=~/.gem

The variables can also be read from a file using the **--build-env-file** argument:

```
$ cat ruby.env

HTTP_PROXY=http://myproxy.net:1337/

GEM_HOME=~/.gem

$ oc new-app openshift/ruby-23-centos7 --build-env-file=ruby.env
```

Additionally, environment variables can be given on standard input by using --build-env-file=-:

\$ cat ruby.env | oc new-app openshift/ruby-23-centos7 --build-env-file=-

2.3.4.3. Specifying labels

When generating applications from source, images, or templates, you can use the **-I|--label** argument to add labels to the created objects. Labels make it easy to collectively select, configure, and delete objects associated with the application.

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world -I name=hello-world

2.3.4.4. Viewing the output without creation

To see a dry-run of running the **new-app** command, you can use the **-o|--output** argument with a **yaml** or **json** value. You can then use the output to preview the objects that are created or redirect it to a file that you can edit. After you are satisfied, you can use **oc create** to create the OpenShift Container Platform objects.

To output **new-app** artifacts to a file, edit them, then create them:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world \
 -o yaml > myapp.yaml
\$ vi myapp.yaml
\$ oc create -f myapp.yaml

2.3.4.5. Creating objects with different names

Objects created by **new-app** are normally named after the source repository, or the image used to generate them. You can set the name of the objects produced by adding a **--name** flag to the command:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world --name=myapp

2.3.4.6. Creating objects in a different project

Normally, **new-app** creates objects in the current project. However, you can create objects in a different project by using the **-n**|**-namespace** argument:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world -n myproject

2.3.4.7. Creating multiple objects

The **new-app** command allows creating multiple applications specifying multiple parameters to **new-app**. Labels specified in the command line apply to all objects created by the single command. Environment variables apply to all components created from source or images.

To create an application from a source repository and a Docker Hub image:

\$ oc new-app https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world mysql



NOTE

If a source code repository and a builder image are specified as separate arguments, **new-app** uses the builder image as the builder for the source code repository. If this is not the intent, specify the required builder image for the source using the ~ separator.

2.3.4.8. Grouping images and source in a single Pod

The **new-app** command allows deploying multiple images together in a single Pod. In order to specify which images to group together, use the **+** separator. The **--group** command line argument can also be used to specify the images that should be grouped together. To group the image built from a source repository with other images, specify its builder image in the group:

\$ oc new-app ruby+mysql

To deploy an image built from source and an external image together:

```
$ oc new-app \
  ruby~https://github.com/openshift/ruby-hello-world \
  mysql \
  --group=ruby+mysql
```

2.3.4.9. Searching for images, templates, and other inputs

To search for images, templates, and other inputs for the **oc new-app** command, add the **--search** and **--list** flags. For example, to find all of the images or templates that include PHP:

\$ oc new-app --search php

2.4. VIEWING APPLICATION COMPOSITION USING THE TOPOLOGY VIEW

The **Topology** view in the **Developer** perspective of the web console provides a visual representation of all the applications within a project, their build status, and the components and services associated with them.

Prerequisites

To view your applications in the **Topology** view and interact with them, ensure that:

- You have logged in to the web console.
- You are in the **Developer** perspective.

- You have the appropriate roles and permissions in a project to create applications and other workloads in OpenShift Container Platform.
- You have created and deployed an application on OpenShift Container Platform using the **Developer** perspective.

2.4.1. Viewing the topology of your application

You can navigate to the **Topology** view using the left navigation panel in the **Developer** perspective. After you create an application, you are directed automatically to the **Topology** view where you can see the status of the application Pods, quickly access the application on a public URL, access the source code to modify it, and see the status of your last build. You can zoom in and out to see more details for a particular application.

A serverless application is visually indicated with the Knative symbol ().



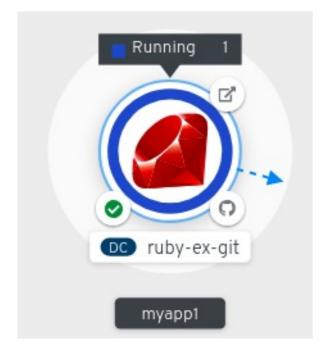


NOTE

Serverless applications take some time to load and display on the **Topology** view. When you create a serverless application, it first creates a service resource and then a revision. After that it is deployed and displayed on the Topology view. If it is the only workload, you might be redirected to the Add page. Once the revision is deployed, the serverless application is displayed on the Topology view.

The status or phase of the Pod is indicated by different colors and tooltips as **Running** (), **Not** Ready (), Warning), Failed (), Pending (), Succeeded (), Terminating (), or **Unknown**(). For more information about pod status, see the Kubernetes documentation.

After you create an application and an image is deployed, the status is shown as **Pending**. After the application is built, it is displayed as Running.



The application resource name is appended with indicators for the different types of resource objects as follows:

DC: DeploymentConfigs

- **D**: Deployment
- SS: StatefulSet
- DS: Daemonset

2.4.2. Interacting with the application

The **Topology** view in the **Developer** perspective of the web console provides the following options to interact with the application:

- Click Open URL () to see your application exposed by the route on a public URL.
- Click Edit Source code to access your source code and modify it.



NOTE

This feature is available only when you create applications using the **From Git**, **From Catalog**, and the **From Dockerfile** options.

If the **Eclipse Che** Operator is installed in your cluster, a Che workspace () is created and you are directed to the workspace to edit your source code. If it is not installed, you will be directed to the Git repository () your source code is hosted in.

Hover your cursor over the lower left icon on the Pod to see the name of the latest build and its status. The status of the application build is indicated as New (), Pending (), Running (), Completed (), Failed (), and Canceled ().

2.4.3. Scaling application pods and checking builds and routes

The **Topology** view provides the details of the deployed components in the **Overview** panel. You can use the **Overview** and **Resources** tabs to scale the application Pods, check build status, services, and routes as follows:

- Click on the component node to see the Overview panel to the right. Use the Overview tab to:
 - Scale your Pods using the up and down arrows to increase or decrease the number of instances of the application manually. For serverless applications, the Pods are automatically scaled down to zero when idle and scaled up depending on the channel traffic.
 - Check the Labels, Annotations, and Status of the application.
- Click the **Resources** tab to:
 - See the list of all the Pods, view their status, access logs, and click on the Pod to see the Pod details.
 - See the builds, their status, access logs, and start a new build if needed.
 - See the services and routes used by the component.

For serverless applications, the **Resources** tab provides information on the revision, routes, and the configurations used for that component.

2.4.4. Grouping multiple components within an application

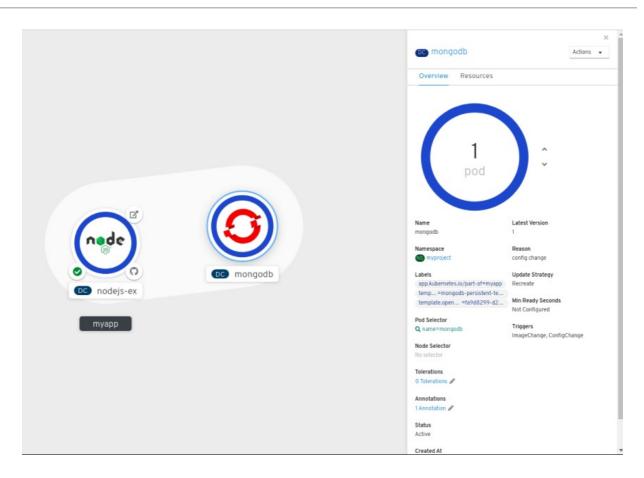
You can use the **Add** page to add multiple components or services to your project and use the **Topology** page to group applications and resources within an application group. The following procedure adds a MongoDB database service to an existing application with a Node.js component.

Prerequisites

• Ensure that you have created and deployed a Node.js application on OpenShift Container Platform using the **Developer** perspective.

Procedure

- 1. Create and deploy the MongoDB service to your project as follows:
 - a. In the **Developer** perspective, navigate to the **Add** view and select the **Database** option to see the **Developer Catalog**, which has multiple options that you can add as components or services to your application.
 - b. Click on the MongoDB option to see the details for the service.
 - c. Click **Instantiate Template** to see an automatically populated template with details for the MongoDB service, and click **Create** to create the service.
- 2. On the left navigation panel, click **Topology** to see the MongoDB service deployed in your project.
- 3. To add the MongoDB service to the existing application group, select the **mongodb** Pod and drag it to the application; the MongoDB service is added to the existing application group.
- 4. Dragging a component and adding it to an application group automatically adds the required labels to the component. Click on the MongoDB service node to see the label app.kubernetes.io/part-of=myapp added to the Labels section in the Overview Panel.



Alternatively, you can also add the component to an application as follows:

- 1. To add the MongoDB service to your application, click on the **mongodb** Pod to see the **Overview** panel to the right.
- 2. Click the **Actions** drop-down menu on the upper right of the panel and select **Edit Application Grouping**.
- 3. In the **Edit Application Grouping** dialog box, click the **Select an Application** drop-down list, and select the appropriate application group.
- 4. Click **Save** to see the MongoDB service added to the application group.

2.4.5. Connecting components within an application and across applications

In addition to grouping multiple components within an application, you can also use the **Topology** view to connect components with each other. You can connect a MongoDB service with a Node.js application as follows:

Prerequisites

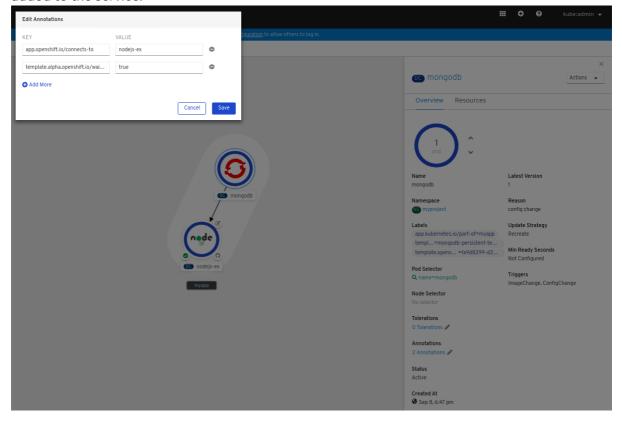
- Ensure that you have created and deployed a Node.js application on OpenShift Container Platform using the **Developer** perspective.
- Ensure that you have created and deployed a MongoDB service on OpenShift Container Platform using the **Developer** perspective.

Procedure

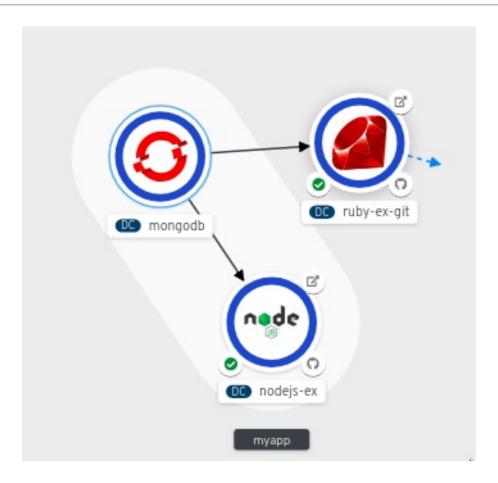
1. Hover over the MongoDB service to see a dangling arrow on the node.



- 2. Click and drag the arrow towards the Node.js component to connect the MongoDB service with it.
- 3. Click on the MongoDB service to see the **Overview** Panel. In the **Annotations** section, click the edit icon to see the **Key = app.openshift.io/connects-to** and **Value = nodejs-ex** annotation added to the service.



Similarly you can create other applications and components and establish connections between them.



2.4.6. Labels and annotations used for the Topology view

The **Topology** view uses the following labels and annotations:

Icon displayed in the node

Icons in the node are defined by looking for matching icons using the **app.openshift.io/runtime** label, followed by the **app.kubernetes.io/name** label. This matching is done using a predefined set of icons.

Link to the source code editor or the source

The **app.openshift.io/vcs-uri** annotation is used to create links to the source code editor.

Node Connector

The app.openshift.io/connects-to annotation is used to connect the nodes.

App grouping

The **app.kubernetes.io/part-of=<appname>** label is used to group the applications, services, and components.

For detailed information on the labels and annotations OpenShift Container Platform applications must use, see Guidelines for labels and annotations for OpenShift applications.

CHAPTER 3. SERVICE BROKERS

3.1. INSTALLING THE SERVICE CATALOG



IMPORTANT

The service catalog is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

3.1.1. About the service catalog

When developing microservices-based applications to run on cloud native platforms, there are many ways to provision different resources and share their coordinates, credentials, and configuration, depending on the service provider and the platform.

To give developers a more seamless experience, OpenShift Container Platform includes a *service* catalog, an implementation of the Open Service Broker API (OSB API) for Kubernetes. This allows users to connect any of their applications deployed in OpenShift Container Platform to a wide variety of service brokers.

The service catalog allows cluster administrators to integrate multiple platforms using a single API specification. The OpenShift Container Platform web console displays the cluster service classes offered by service brokers in the service catalog, allowing users to discover and instantiate those services for use with their applications.

As a result, service users benefit from ease and consistency of use across different types of services from different providers, while service providers benefit from having one integration point that gives them access to multiple platforms.

The service catalog is not installed by default in OpenShift Container Platform 4.

3.1.2. Installing service catalog

If you plan on using any of the services from the OpenShift Ansible Broker or Template Service Broker, you must install the service catalog by completing the following steps.

The custom resources for the service catalog's API server and controller manager are created by default in OpenShift Container Platform, but initially have a **managementState** of **Removed**. To install the service catalog, you must change the **managementState** for these resources to **Managed**.

- 1. Enable the service catalog API server.
 - a. Use the following command to edit the service catalog API server resource.
 - \$ oc edit servicecatalogapiservers
 - b. Under spec, set the managementState field to Managed:

spec:

logLevel: Normal

managementState: Managed

c. Save the file to apply the changes.

The Operator installs the service catalog API server component. As of OpenShift Container Platform 4, this component is installed into the **openshift-service-catalog-apiserver** namespace.

- 2. Enable the service catalog controller manager.
 - a. Use the following command to edit the service catalog controller manager resource.

\$ oc edit servicecatalogcontrollermanagers

b. Under spec, set the managementState field to Managed:

spec

logLevel: Normal

managementState: Managed

c. Save the file to apply the changes.

The Operator installs the service catalog controller manager component. As of OpenShift Container Platform 4, this component is installed into the **openshift-service-catalog-controller-manager** namespace.

3.2. INSTALLING THE TEMPLATE SERVICE BROKER

You can install the Template Service Broker to gain access to the template applications that it provides.



IMPORTANT

The Template Service Broker is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

Prerequisites

Install the service catalog

3.2.1. About the Template Service Broker

The Template Service Broker gives the service catalog visibility into the default Instant App and Quickstart templates that have shipped with OpenShift Container Platform since its initial release. The Template Service Broker can also make available as a service anything for which an OpenShift Container Platform template has been written, whether provided by Red Hat, a cluster administrator or user, or a third-party vendor.

By default, the Template Service Broker shows objects that are globally available from the **openshift** project. It can also be configured to watch any other project that a cluster administrator chooses.

The Template Service Broker is not installed by default in OpenShift Container Platform 4.

3.2.2. Installing the Template Service Broker Operator

Prerequisites

• You have installed the service catalog.

Procedure

The following procedure installs the Template Service Broker Operator using the web console.

- 1. Create a namespace.
 - a. Navigate in the web console to Administration → Namespaces and click Create Namespace.
 - b. Enter **openshift-template-service-broker** in the **Name** field and click **Create**.



NOTE

The namespace must start with openshift-.

- 2. Navigate to the **Operators** → **OperatorHub** page. Verify that the **openshift-template-service-broker** project is selected.
- 3. Select Template Service Broker Operator.
- 4. Read the information about the Operator and click Install.
- 5. Review the default selections and click Subscribe.

Next, you must start the Template Service Broker in order to access the template applications it provides.

3.2.3. Starting the Template Service Broker

After you have installed the Template Service Broker Operator, you can start the Template Service Broker using the following procedure.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the service catalog.
- You have installed the Template Service Broker Operator.

- Navigate in the web console to Operators → Installed Operators and select the openshifttemplate-service-broker project.
- 2. Select the **Template Service Broker Operator**.
- 3. Under Provided APIs, click Create New for Template Service Broker.
- 4. Review the default YAML and click Create.
- 5. Verify that the Template Service Broker has started.

After the Template Service Broker has started, you can view the available template applications by navigating to **Catalog** → **Developer Catalog** and selecting the **Service Class** checkbox. Note that it may take a few minutes for the Template Service Broker to start and the template applications to be available.

If you do not yet see these Service classes, you can check the status of the following items:

- Template Service Broker Pod status
 - From the Workloads → Pods page for the openshift-template-service-broker project, verify that the Pod that starts with apiserver- has a status of Running and readiness of Ready.
- Cluster service broker status
 - From the Catalog → Broker Management → Service Brokers page, verify that the template-service-broker service broker has a status of Ready.
- Service catalog controller manager Pod logs
 - From the Workloads → Pods page for the openshift-service-catalog-controller-manager project, review the logs for each of the Pods and verify that you see a log entry with the message Successfully fetched catalog entries from broker.

3.3. PROVISIONING TEMPLATE APPLICATIONS

3.3.1. Provisioning template applications

The following procedure provisions an example PostgreSQL template application that was made available by the Template Service Broker.

Prerequisites

- The service catalog is installed.
- The Template Service Broker is installed.

- 1. Create a project.
 - a. Navigate in the web console to **Home** → **Projects** and click **Create Project**.
 - b. Enter **test-postgresql** in the **Name** field and click **Create**.
- 2. Create a service instance.
 - a. Navigate to the Catalog → Developer Catalog page.
 - b. Select the **PostgreSQL (Ephemeral)** template application and click **Create Service Instance**.
 - c. Review the default selections and set any other required fields, and click Create.
 - d. Go to Catalog → Provisioned Services and verify that the postgresql-ephemeral service instance is created and has a status of Ready.

You can check the progress on the **Home** → **Events** page. After a few moments, you should see an event for **postgresql-ephemeral** with the message "The instance was provisioned successfully".

- 3. Create a service binding.
 - a. From the **Provisioned Services** page, click **postgresql-ephemeral** and click **Create Service Binding**.
 - Review the default service binding name and click Create.
 This creates a new secret for binding using the name provided.
- 4. Review the secret that was created.
 - a. Navigate to **Workloads** → **Secrets** and verify that a secret named **postgresql-ephemeral** was created
 - b. Click **postgresql-ephemeral** and review the key-value pairs in the **Data** section, which are used for binding to other apps.

3.4. UNINSTALLING THE TEMPLATE SERVICE BROKER

You can uninstall the Template Service Broker if you no longer require access to the template applications that it provides.



IMPORTANT

The Template Service Broker is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

3.4.1. Uninstalling the Template Service Broker

The following procedure uninstalls the Template Service Broker and its Operator using the web console.



WARNING

Do not uninstall the Template Service Broker if there are any provisioned services from it in your cluster, otherwise you might encounter errors when trying to manage the services.

Prerequisites

• The Template Service Broker is installed.

Procedure

This procedure assumes that you installed the Template Service Broker into the **openshift-template-service-broker** project.

1. Uninstall the Template Service Broker.

- a. Navigate to **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the **openshift-template-service-broker** project from the drop-down menu.
- b. Click Template Service Broker Operator.
- c. Select the **Template Service Broker** tab.
- d. Click template-service-broker.
- e. From the Actions drop-down menu, select Delete Template Service Broker.
- f. Click **Delete** from the confirmation pop-up window. The Template Service Broker is now uninstalled, and template applications will soon be removed from the Developer Catalog.
- 2. Uninstall the Template Service Broker Operator.
 - a. From the **Operators** → **Installed Operators** page, scroll or type a keyword into the **Filter** by name to find the Template Service Broker Operator, then click on it.
 - b. On the right-hand side of the **Operator Details** page, select **Uninstall Operator** from the **Actions** drop-down menu.
 - c. When prompted by the Remove Operator Subscription window, optionally select the Also completely remove the Operator from the selected namespace check box if you want all components related to the installation to be removed. This removes the CSV, which in turn removes the Pods, Deployments, CRDs, and CRs associated with the Operator.
 - d. Select **Remove**. This Operator will stop running and no longer receive updates. The Template Service Broker Operator is no longer installed in your cluster.

After the Template Service Broker is uninstalled, users will no longer have access to the template applications provided by the Template Service Broker.

3.5. INSTALLING THE OPENSHIFT ANSIBLE BROKER

You can install the OpenShift Ansible Broker to gain access to the service bundles that it provides.



IMPORTANT

The OpenShift Ansible Broker is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

Prerequisites

Install the service catalog

3.5.1. About the OpenShift Ansible Broker

The OpenShift Ansible Broker is an implementation of the Open Service Broker (OSB) API that manages applications defined by Ansible playbook bundles (APBs). APBs provide a method for defining and distributing container applications in OpenShift Container Platform, and consist of a bundle of Ansible playbooks built into a container image with an Ansible runtime. APBs leverage Ansible to create a standard mechanism to automate complex deployments.

The OpenShift Ansible Broker follows this basic workflow:

- 1. A user requests the list of available applications from the service catalog using the OpenShift Container Platform web console.
- 2. The service catalog requests the list of available applications from the OpenShift Ansible Broker.
- 3. The OpenShift Ansible Broker communicates with a defined container image registry to learn which APBs are available.
- 4. The user issues a request to provision a specific APB.
- 5. The OpenShift Ansible Broker fulfills the user's provision request by invoking the provision method on the APB.

The OpenShift Ansible Broker is not installed by default in OpenShift Container Platform 4.

3.5.1.1. Ansible playbook bundles

An Ansible playbook bundle (APB) is a lightweight application definition that allows you to leverage existing investment in Ansible roles and playbooks.

APBs use a simple directory with named playbooks to perform OSB API actions, such as provision and bind. Metadata defined in the **apb.yml** file contains a list of required and optional parameters for use during deployment.

Additional resources

Ansible playbook bundle repository

3.5.2. Installing the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator

Prerequisites

• You have installed the service catalog.

Procedure

The following procedure installs the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator using the web console.

- 1. Create a namespace.
 - a. Navigate in the web console to Administration → Namespaces and click Create Namespace.
 - b. Enter openshift-ansible-service-broker in the Name field and openshift.io/cluster-monitoring=true in the Labels field and click Create.



NOTE

The namespace must start with openshift-.

- 2. Create a cluster role binding.
 - a. Navigate to Administration → Role Bindings and click Create Binding.

- b. For the Binding Type, select Cluster-wide Role Binding (ClusterRoleBinding).
- c. For the Role Binding, enter ansible-service-broker in the Name field.
- d. For the Role, select admin.
- e. For the **Subject**, choose the **Service Account** option, select the **openshift-ansible-service-broker** namespace, and enter **openshift-ansible-service-broker-operator** in the **Subject Name** field.
- f. Click Create.
- 3. Create a secret to connect to the Red Hat Container Catalog.
 - a. Navigate to Workloads → Secrets. Verify that the openshift-ansible-service-broker project is selected.
 - b. Click Create → Key/Value Secret.
 - c. Enter **asb-registry-auth** as the **Secret Name**.
 - d. Add a Key of username and a Value of your Red Hat Container Catalog user name.
 - e. Click **Add Key/Value** and add a **Key** of **password** and a **Value** of your Red Hat Container Catalog password.
 - f. Click Create.
- 4. Navigate to the **Operators** → **OperatorHub** page. Verify that the **openshift-ansible-service-broker** project is selected.
- 5. Select OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.
- 6. Read the information about the Operator and click Install.
- 7. Review the default selections and click **Subscribe**.

Next, you must start the OpenShift Ansible Broker in order to access the service bundles it provides.

3.5.3. Starting the OpenShift Ansible Broker

After you have installed the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator, you can start the OpenShift Ansible Broker using the following procedure.

Prerequisites

- You have installed the service catalog.
- You have installed the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.

- Navigate in the web console to Operators → Installed Operators and select the openshiftansible-service-broker project.
- 2. Select the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.

- 3. Under Provided APIs, click Create New for Automation Broker.
- 4. Add the following to the **spec** field in the default YAML provided:

registry:

- name: rhcc type: rhcc

url: https://registry.redhat.io

auth_type: secret

auth_name: asb-registry-auth

This references the secret that was created when installing the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator, which allows you to connect to the Red Hat Container Catalog.

- 5. Set any additional OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options and click **Create**.
- 6. Verify that the OpenShift Ansible Broker has started.

 After the OpenShift Ansible Broker has started, you can view the available service bundles by navigating to Catalog → Developer Catalog and selecting the Service Class checkbox. Note that it may take a few minutes for the OpenShift Ansible Broker to start and the service bundles to be available.

If you do not yet see these Service classes, you can check the status of the following items:

- OpenShift Ansible Broker Pod status
 - From the Workloads → Pods page for the openshift-ansible-service-broker project, verify that the Pod that starts with asb- has a status of Running and readiness of Ready.
- Cluster service broker status
 - From the Catalog → Broker Management → Service Brokers page, verify that the ansible-service-broker service broker has a status of Ready.
- Service catalog controller manager Pod logs
 - From the Workloads → Pods page for the openshift-service-catalog-controller-manager project, review the logs for each of the Pods and verify that you see a log entry with the message Successfully fetched catalog entries from broker.

3.5.3.1. OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options

You can set the following options for your OpenShift Ansible Broker.

Table 3.1. OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options

YAML key	Description	Default value
brokerName	The name used to identify the broker instance.	ansible-service- broker
brokerNamespace	The namespace where the broker resides.	openshift-ansible- service-broker

YAML key	Description	Default value
brokerImage	The fully qualified image used for the broker.	docker.io/ansiblepla ybookbundle/origin- ansible-service- broker:v4.0
brokerlmagePullPoli cy	The pull policy used for the broker image itself.	IfNotPresent
brokerNodeSelector	The node selector string used for the broker's deployment.	"
registries	Expressed as a yaml list of broker registry configs, allowing the user to configure the image registries the broker will discover and source its APBs from.	See the default registries array.
logLevel	The log level used for the broker's logs.	info
apbPullPolicy	The pull policy used for APB Pods.	IfNotPresent
sandboxRole	The role granted to the service account used to execute APBs.	edit
keepNamespace	Whether the transient namespace created to run the APB is deleted after the conclusion of the APB, regardless of the result.	false
keepNamespaceOnE rror	Whether the transient namespace created to run the APB is deleted after the conclusion of the APB, only in the event of an error result.	false
bootstrapOnStartup	Whether or not the broker should run its bootstrap routine on startup.	true
refreshInterval	The interval of time between broker bootstraps, refreshing its inventory of APBs.	600s
launchApbOnBind	Experimental: Toggles the broker executing APBs on bind operations.	false
autoEscalate	Whether the broker should escalate the permissions of a user while running the APB. This should typically remain false since the broker performs originating user authorization to ensure that the user has permissions granted to the APB sandbox.	false

YAML key	Description	Default value
outputRequest	Whether to output the low level HTTP requests that the broker receives.	false

Default array for registries

type: rhcc name: rhcc

url: https://registry.redhat.io

white_list: - ".*-apb\$"

auth_type: secret

auth_name: asb-registry-auth

3.6. CONFIGURING THE OPENSHIFT ANSIBLE BROKER



IMPORTANT

The OpenShift Ansible Broker is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

3.6.1. Configuring the OpenShift Ansible Broker

The following procedure customizes the settings for your OpenShift Ansible Broker.

Prerequisites

• You have installed and started the OpenShift Ansible Broker.

Procedure

This procedure assumes that you used **ansible-service-broker** both as the OpenShift Ansible Broker name and the project that it was installed into.

- Navigate in the web console to Operators → Installed Operators and select the ansibleservice-broker project.
- 2. Select the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.
- 3. On the **Automation Broker** tab, select **ansible-service-broker**.
- 4. On the **YAML** tab, add or update any OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options under the **spec** field.

For example:

spec:

keepNamespace: true sandboxRole: edit

5. Click **Save** to apply these changes.

3.6.1.1. OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options

You can set the following options for your OpenShift Ansible Broker.

Table 3.2. OpenShift Ansible Broker configuration options

YAML key	Description	Default value
brokerName	The name used to identify the broker instance.	ansible-service- broker
brokerNamespace	The namespace where the broker resides.	openshift-ansible- service-broker
brokerImage	The fully qualified image used for the broker.	docker.io/ansiblepla ybookbundle/origin- ansible-service- broker:v4.0
brokerlmagePullPoli cy	The pull policy used for the broker image itself.	IfNotPresent
brokerNodeSelector	The node selector string used for the broker's deployment.	"
registries	Expressed as a yaml list of broker registry configs, allowing the user to configure the image registries the broker will discover and source its APBs from.	See the default registries array.
logLevel	The log level used for the broker's logs.	info
apbPullPolicy	The pull policy used for APB Pods.	IfNotPresent
sandboxRole	The role granted to the service account used to execute APBs.	edit
keepNamespace	Whether the transient namespace created to run the APB is deleted after the conclusion of the APB, regardless of the result.	false
keepNamespaceOnE rror	Whether the transient namespace created to run the APB is deleted after the conclusion of the APB, only in the event of an error result.	false
bootstrapOnStartup	Whether or not the broker should run its bootstrap routine on startup.	true
refreshInterval	The interval of time between broker bootstraps, refreshing its inventory of APBs.	600s

YAML key	Description	Default value
launchApbOnBind	Experimental: Toggles the broker executing APBs on bind operations.	false
autoEscalate	Whether the broker should escalate the permissions of a user while running the APB. This should typically remain false since the broker performs originating user authorization to ensure that the user has permissions granted to the APB sandbox.	false
outputRequest	Whether to output the low level HTTP requests that the broker receives.	false

Default array for registries

 type: rhcc name: rhcc

url: https://registry.redhat.io

white_list:
- ".*-apb\$"

auth_type: secret

auth_name: asb-registry-auth

3.6.2. Configuring monitoring for the OpenShift Ansible Broker

In order for Prometheus to monitor the OpenShift Ansible Broker, you must create the following resources to grant Prometheus permission to access the namespace where the OpenShift Ansible Broker was installed.

Prerequisites

• The OpenShift Ansible Broker is installed.



NOTE

This procedure assumes that you installed the OpenShift Ansible Broker into the **openShift-ansible-service-broker** namespace.

Procedure

- 1. Create the role.
 - a. Navigate to **Administration** → **Roles** and click **Create Role**.
 - b. Replace the YAML in the editor with the following:

apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1

kind: Role metadata:

name: prometheus-k8s

namespace: openshift-ansible-service-broker

rules:

- apiGroups:
 - 1111

resources:

- services
- endpoints
- pods

verbs:

- get
- list
- watch
- c. Click Create.
- 2. Create the role binding.
 - a. Navigate to Administration → Role Bindings and click Create Binding.
 - b. For the Binding Type, select Namespace Role Binding (RoleBinding)
 - c. For the Role Binding, enter prometheus-k8s in the Name field and openshift-ansible-service-broker in the Namespace field.
 - d. For the Role, select prometheus-k8s.
 - e. For the **Subject**, choose the **Service Account** option, select the **openshift-monitoring** namespace, and enter **prometheus-k8s** in the **Subject Name** field.
 - f. Click Create.

Prometheus will now have access to OpenShift Ansible Broker metrics.

3.7. PROVISIONING SERVICE BUNDLES

3.7.1. Provisioning service bundles

The following procedure provisions an example PostgreSQL service bundle (APB) that was made available by the OpenShift Ansible Broker.

Prerequisites

- The service catalog is installed.
- The OpenShift Ansible Broker is installed.

- 1. Create a project.
 - a. Navigate in the web console to **Home** → **Projects** and click **Create Project**.
 - b. Enter **test-postgresql-apb** in the **Name** field and click **Create**.

- 2. Create a service instance.
 - a. Navigate to the **Catalog** → **Developer Catalog** page.
 - b. Select the PostgreSQL (APB) service bundle and click Create Service Instance.
 - c. Review the default selections and set any other required fields, and click Create.
 - d. Go to Catalog → Provisioned Services and verify that the dh-postgresql-apb service instance is created and has a status of Ready.

You can check the progress on the **Home** → **Events** page. After a few moments, you should see an event for **dh-postgresql-apb** with the message "The instance was provisioned successfully".

- 3. Create a service binding.
 - a. From the **Provisioned Services** page, click **dh-postgresql-apb** and click **Create Service Binding**.
 - b. Review the default service binding name and click **Create**. This creates a new secret for binding using the name provided.
- 4. Review the secret that was created.
 - a. Navigate to **Workloads** → **Secrets** and verify that a secret named **dh-postgresql-apb** was created.
 - b. Click **dh-postgresql-apb** and review the key-value pairs in the **Data** section, which are used for binding to other apps.

3.8. UNINSTALLING THE OPENSHIFT ANSIBLE BROKER

You can uninstall the OpenShift Ansible Broker if you no longer require access to the service bundles that it provides.



IMPORTANT

The OpenShift Ansible Broker is deprecated in OpenShift Container Platform 4. Equivalent and better functionality is present in the Operator Framework and Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM).

3.8.1. Uninstalling the OpenShift Ansible Broker

The following procedure uninstalls the OpenShift Ansible Broker and its Operator using the web console.



WARNING

Do not uninstall the OpenShift Ansible Broker if there are any provisioned services from it in your cluster, otherwise you might encounter errors when trying to manage the services.

Prerequisites

• The OpenShift Ansible Broker is installed.

Procedure

This procedure assumes that you installed the OpenShift Ansible Broker into the **openShift-ansible-service-broker** project.

- 1. Uninstall the OpenShift Ansible Broker.
 - a. Navigate to **Operators** → **Installed Operators** and select the **openshift-ansible-service-broker** project from the drop-down menu.
 - b. Click OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.
 - c. Select the **Automation Broker** tab.
 - d. Click ansible-service-broker.
 - e. From the **Actions** drop-down menu, select **Delete Automation Broker**.
 - f. Click **Delete** from the confirmation pop-up window.

 The OpenShift Ansible Broker is now uninstalled, and service bundles will soon be removed from the Developer Catalog.
- 2. Uninstall the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator.
 - a. From the Operators → Installed Operators page, scroll or type a keyword into the Filter by name to find the OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator, then click on it.
 - b. On the right-hand side of the **Operator Details** page, select **Uninstall Operator** from the **Actions** drop-down menu.
 - c. When prompted by the Remove Operator Subscription window, optionally select the Also completely remove the Operator from the selected namespace check box if you want all components related to the installation to be removed. This removes the CSV, which in turn removes the Pods, Deployments, CRDs, and CRs associated with the Operator.
 - d. Select Remove. This Operator will stop running and no longer receive updates.

The OpenShift Ansible Service Broker Operator is no longer installed in your cluster.

After the OpenShift Ansible Broker is uninstalled, users will no longer have access to the service bundles provided by the OpenShift Ansible Broker.

CHAPTER 4. DEPLOYMENTS

4.1. UNDERSTANDING DEPLOYMENTS AND DEPLOYMENTCONFIGS

Deployments and DeploymentConfigs in OpenShift Container Platform are API objects that provide two similar but different methods for fine-grained management over common user applications. They are composed of the following separate API objects:

- A DeploymentConfig or a Deployment, either of which describes the desired state of a particular component of the application as a Pod template.
- DeploymentConfigs involve one or more *ReplicationControllers*, which contain a point-in-time record of the state of a DeploymentConfig as a Pod template. Similarly, Deployments involve one or more *ReplicaSets*, a successor of ReplicationControllers.
- One or more Pods, which represent an instance of a particular version of an application.

4.1.1. Building blocks of a deployment

Deployments and DeploymentConfigs are enabled by the use of native Kubernetes API objects ReplicationControllers and ReplicaSets, respectively, as their building blocks.

Users do not have to manipulate ReplicationControllers, ReplicaSets, or Pods owned by DeploymentConfigs or Deployments. The deployment systems ensures changes are propagated appropriately.

TIP

If the existing deployment strategies are not suited for your use case and you must run manual steps during the lifecycle of your deployment, then you should consider creating a Custom deployment strategy.

The following sections provide further details on these objects.

4.1.1.1. ReplicationControllers

A ReplicationController ensures that a specified number of replicas of a Pod are running at all times. If Pods exit or are deleted, the ReplicationController acts to instantiate more up to the defined number. Likewise, if there are more running than desired, it deletes as many as necessary to match the defined amount.

A ReplicationController configuration consists of:

- The number of replicas desired (which can be adjusted at runtime).
- A Pod definition to use when creating a replicated Pod.
- A selector for identifying managed Pods.

A selector is a set of labels assigned to the Pods that are managed by the ReplicationController. These labels are included in the Pod definition that the ReplicationController instantiates. The ReplicationController uses the selector to determine how many instances of the Pod are already running in order to adjust as needed.

The ReplicationController does not perform auto-scaling based on load or traffic, as it does not track either. Rather, this requires its replica count to be adjusted by an external auto-scaler.

The following is an example definition of a ReplicationController:

apiVersion: v1

kind: ReplicationController

metadata:

name: frontend-1

spec:

replicas: 1 1 selector: 2 name: frontend template: 3

metadata: labels: 4

name: frontend 5

spec:

containers:

- image: openshift/hello-openshift

name: helloworld

ports:

 containerPort: 8080 protocol: TCP restartPolicy: Always

- The number of copies of the Pod to run.
- The label selector of the Pod to run.
- A template for the Pod the controller creates.
- Labels on the Pod should include those from the label selector.
- The maximum name length after expanding any parameters is 63 characters.

4.1.1.2. ReplicaSets

Similar to a ReplicationController, a ReplicaSet is a native Kubernetes API object that ensures a specified number of pod replicas are running at any given time. The difference between a ReplicaSet and a ReplicationController is that a ReplicaSet supports set-based selector requirements whereas a replication controller only supports equality-based selector requirements.



NOTE

Only use ReplicaSets if you require custom update orchestration or do not require updates at all. Otherwise, use Deployments. ReplicaSets can be used independently, but are used by deployments to orchestrate pod creation, deletion, and updates. Deployments manage their ReplicaSets automatically, provide declarative updates to pods, and do not have to manually manage the ReplicaSets that they create.

The following is an example **ReplicaSet** definition:

apiVersion: apps/v1 kind: ReplicaSet metadata: name: frontend-1 labels: tier: frontend spec: replicas: 3 selector: 1 matchLabels: 2 tier: frontend matchExpressions: 3 - {key: tier, operator: In, values: [frontend]} template: metadata: labels: tier: frontend spec: containers: - image: openshift/hello-openshift name: helloworld ports: - containerPort: 8080 protocol: TCP restartPolicy: Always

- A label query over a set of resources. The result of **matchLabels** and **matchExpressions** are logically conjoined.
- 2 Equality-based selector to specify resources with labels that match the selector.
- 3 Set-based selector to filter keys. This selects all resources with key equal to **tier** and value equal to **frontend**.

4.1.2. DeploymentConfigs

Building on ReplicationControllers, OpenShift Container Platform adds expanded support for the software development and deployment lifecycle with the concept of *DeploymentConfigs*. In the simplest case, a DeploymentConfig creates a new ReplicationController and lets it start up Pods.

However, OpenShift Container Platform deployments from DeploymentConfigs also provide the ability to transition from an existing deployment of an image to a new one and also define hooks to be run before or after creating the ReplicationController.

The DeploymentConfig deployment system provides the following capabilities:

- A DeploymentConfig, which is a template for running applications.
- Triggers that drive automated deployments in response to events.
- User-customizable deployment strategies to transition from the previous version to the new version. A strategy runs inside a Pod commonly referred as the deployment process.
- A set of hooks (lifecycle hooks) for executing custom behavior in different points during the lifecycle of a deployment.

- Versioning of your application in order to support rollbacks either manually or automatically in case of deployment failure.
- Manual replication scaling and autoscaling.

When you create a DeploymentConfig, a ReplicationController is created representing the DeploymentConfig's Pod template. If the DeploymentConfig changes, a new ReplicationController is created with the latest Pod template, and a deployment process runs to scale down the old ReplicationController and scale up the new one.

Instances of your application are automatically added and removed from both service load balancers and routers as they are created. As long as your application supports graceful shutdown when it receives the **TERM** signal, you can ensure that running user connections are given a chance to complete normally.

The OpenShift Container Platform **DeploymentConfig** object defines the following details:

- 1. The elements of a **ReplicationController** definition.
- 2. Triggers for creating a new deployment automatically.
- 3. The strategy for transitioning between deployments.
- 4. Lifecycle hooks.

Each time a deployment is triggered, whether manually or automatically, a deployer Pod manages the deployment (including scaling down the old ReplicationController, scaling up the new one, and running hooks). The deployment pod remains for an indefinite amount of time after it completes the Deployment in order to retain its logs of the Deployment. When a deployment is superseded by another, the previous ReplicationController is retained to enable easy rollback if needed.

Example DeploymentConfig definition

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: DeploymentConfig
metadata:
 name: frontend
spec:
 replicas: 5
 selector:
  name: frontend
 template: { ... }
 triggers:
 - type: ConfigChange 1
 - imageChangeParams:
   automatic: true
   containerNames:
   - helloworld
   from:
     kind: ImageStreamTag
     name: hello-openshift:latest
  type: ImageChange (2)
 strategy:
  type: Rolling
```

- A **ConfigChange** trigger causes a new Deployment to be created any time the ReplicationController template changes.
- 2 An **ImageChange** trigger causes a new Deployment to be created each time a new version of the backing image is available in the named imagestream.
- The default **Rolling** strategy makes a downtime-free transition between Deployments.

4.1.3. Deployments

Kubernetes provides a first-class, native API object type in OpenShift Container Platform called *Deployments*. Deployments serve as a descendant of the OpenShift Container Platform-specific DeploymentConfig.

Like DeploymentConfigs, Deployments describe the desired state of a particular component of an application as a Pod template. Deployments create ReplicaSets, which orchestrate Pod lifecycles.

For example, the following Deployment definition creates a ReplicaSet to bring up one **hello-openshift** Pod:

Deployment definition

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: hello-openshift
spec:
 replicas: 1
 selector:
  matchLabels:
   app: hello-openshift
 template:
  metadata:
   labels:
     app: hello-openshift
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: hello-openshift
     image: openshift/hello-openshift:latest
     ports:
     - containerPort: 80
```

4.1.4. Comparing Deployments and DeploymentConfigs

Both Kubernetes Deployments and OpenShift Container Platform-provided DeploymentConfigs are supported in OpenShift Container Platform; however, it is recommended to use Deployments unless you need a specific feature or behavior provided by DeploymentConfigs.

The following sections go into more detail on the differences between the two object types to further help you decide which type to use.

4.1.4.1. Design

One important difference between Deployments and DeploymentConfigs is the properties of the CAP theorem that each design has chosen for the rollout process. DeploymentConfigs prefer consistency, whereas Deployments take availability over consistency.

For DeploymentConfigs, if a node running a deployer Pod goes down, it will not get replaced. The process waits until the node comes back online or is manually deleted. Manually deleting the node also deletes the corresponding Pod. This means that you can not delete the Pod to unstick the rollout, as the kubelet is responsible for deleting the associated Pod.

However, Deployments rollouts are driven from a controller manager. The controller manager runs in high availability mode on masters and uses leader election algorithms to value availability over consistency. During a failure it is possible for other masters to act on the same Deployment at the same time, but this issue will be reconciled shortly after the failure occurs.

4.1.4.2. DeploymentConfigs-specific features

Automatic rollbacks

Currently, Deployments do not support automatically rolling back to the last successfully deployed ReplicaSet in case of a failure.

Triggers

Deployments have an implicit **ConfigChange** trigger in that every change in the pod template of a deployment automatically triggers a new rollout. If you do not want new rollouts on pod template changes, pause the deployment:

\$ oc rollout pause deployments/<name>

Lifecycle hooks

Deployments do not yet support any lifecycle hooks.

Custom strategies

Deployments do not support user-specified Custom deployment strategies yet.

4.1.4.3. Deployments-specific features

Rollover

The deployment process for Deployments is driven by a controller loop, in contrast to DeploymentConfigs which use deployer pods for every new rollout. This means that a Deployment can have as many active ReplicaSets as possible, and eventually the deployment controller will scale down all old ReplicaSets and scale up the newest one.

DeploymentConfigs can have at most one deployer pod running, otherwise multiple deployers end up conflicting while trying to scale up what they think should be the newest ReplicationController. Because of this, only two ReplicationControllers can be active at any point in time. Ultimately, this translates to faster rapid rollouts for Deployments.

Proportional scaling

Because the Deployment controller is the sole source of truth for the sizes of new and old ReplicaSets owned by a Deployment, it is able to scale ongoing rollouts. Additional replicas are distributed proportionally based on the size of each ReplicaSet.

DeploymentConfigs cannot be scaled when a rollout is ongoing because the DeploymentConfig controller will end up having issues with the deployer process about the size of the new ReplicationController.

Pausing mid-rollout

Deployments can be paused at any point in time, meaning you can also pause ongoing rollouts. On the other hand, you cannot pause deployer pods currently, so if you try to pause a DeploymentConfig in the middle of a rollout, the deployer process will not be affected and will continue until it finishes.

4.2. MANAGING DEPLOYMENT PROCESSES

4.2.1. Managing DeploymentConfigs

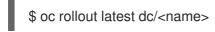
DeploymentConfigs can be managed from the OpenShift Container Platform web console's **Workloads** page or using the **oc** CLI. The following procedures show CLI usage unless otherwise stated.

4.2.1.1. Starting a deployment

You can start a *rollout* to begin the deployment process of your application.

Procedure

1. To start a new deployment process from an existing DeploymentConfig, run the following command:





NOTE

If a deployment process is already in progress, the command displays a message and a new ReplicationController will not be deployed.

4.2.1.2. Viewing a deployment

You can view a deployment to get basic information about all the available revisions of your application.

Procedure

- To show details about all recently created ReplicationControllers for the provided DeploymentConfig, including any currently running deployment process, run the following command:
 - \$ oc rollout history dc/<name>
- 2. To view details specific to a revision, add the **--revision** flag:
 - \$ oc rollout history dc/<name> --revision=1
- 3. For more detailed information about a deployment configuration and its latest revision, use the **oc describe** command:
 - \$ oc describe dc <name>

4.2.1.3. Retrying a deployment

If the current revision of your DeploymentConfig failed to deploy, you can restart the deployment process.

Procedure

1. To restart a failed deployment process:



If the latest revision of it was deployed successfully, the command displays a message and the deployment process is not be retried.



NOTE

Retrying a deployment restarts the deployment process and does not create a new deployment revision. The restarted ReplicationController has the same configuration it had when it failed.

4.2.1.4. Rolling back a deployment

Rollbacks revert an application back to a previous revision and can be performed using the REST API, the CLI, or the web console.

Procedure

1. To rollback to the last successful deployed revision of your configuration:

\$ oc rollout undo dc/<name>

The DeploymentConfig's template is reverted to match the deployment revision specified in the undo command, and a new ReplicationController is started. If no revision is specified with **--to-revision**, then the last successfully deployed revision is used.

2. Image change triggers on the DeploymentConfig are disabled as part of the rollback to prevent accidentally starting a new deployment process soon after the rollback is complete.

To re-enable the image change triggers:

\$ oc set triggers dc/<name> --auto



NOTE

DeploymentConfigs also support automatically rolling back to the last successful revision of the configuration in case the latest deployment process fails. In that case, the latest template that failed to deploy stays intact by the system and it is up to users to fix their configurations.

4.2.1.5. Executing commands inside a container

You can add a command to a container, which modifies the container's startup behavior by overruling the image's **ENTRYPOINT**. This is different from a lifecycle hook, which instead can be run once per deployment at a specified time.

1. Add the **command** parameters to the **spec** field of the DeploymentConfig. You can also add an **args** field, which modifies the **command** (or the **ENTRYPOINT** if **command** does not exist).

```
spec:
containers:
-
name: <container_name>
image: 'image'
command:
- '<command>'
args:
- '<argument_1>'
- '<argument_2>'
- '<argument_3>'
```

For example, to execute the **java** command with the **-jar** and **/opt/app-root/springboots2idemo.jar** arguments:

```
spec:
containers:
-
name: example-spring-boot
image: 'image'
command:
- java
args:
- '-jar'
- /opt/app-root/springboots2idemo.jar
```

4.2.1.6. Viewing deployment logs

Procedure

1. To stream the logs of the latest revision for a given DeploymentConfig:

```
$ oc logs -f dc/<name>
```

If the latest revision is running or failed, the command returns the logs of the process that is responsible for deploying your pods. If it is successful, it returns the logs from a Pod of your application.

2. You can also view logs from older failed deployment processes, if and only if these processes (old ReplicationControllers and their deployer Pods) exist and have not been pruned or deleted manually:

```
$ oc logs --version=1 dc/<name>
```

4.2.1.7. Deployment triggers

A DeploymentConfig can contain triggers, which drive the creation of new deployment processes in response to events inside the cluster.



WARNING

If no triggers are defined on a DeploymentConfig, a **ConfigChange** trigger is added by default. If triggers are defined as an empty field, deployments must be started manually.

ConfigChange deployment triggers

The **ConfigChange** trigger results in a new ReplicationController whenever configuration changes are detected in the Pod template of the DeploymentConfig.



NOTE

If a **ConfigChange** trigger is defined on a DeploymentConfig, the first ReplicationController is automatically created soon after the DeploymentConfig itself is created and it is not paused.

ConfigChange deployment trigger

triggers:

- type: "ConfigChange"

ImageChange deployment triggers

The **ImageChange** trigger results in a new ReplicationController whenever the content of an imagestreamtag changes (when a new version of the image is pushed).

ImageChange deployment trigger

triggers:

 type: "ImageChange" imageChangeParams: automatic: true

from:

kind: "ImageStreamTag"

name: "origin-ruby-sample:latest"

namespace: "myproject"

containerNames:
- "helloworld"

1 If the imageChangeParams.automatic field is set to false, the trigger is disabled.

With the above example, when the **latest** tag value of the **origin-ruby-sample** imagestream changes and the new image value differs from the current image specified in the DeploymentConfig's **helloworld** container, a new ReplicationController is created using the new image for the **helloworld** container.



NOTE

If an **ImageChange** trigger is defined on a DeploymentConfig (with a **ConfigChange** trigger and **automatic=false**, or with **automatic=true**) and the **ImageStreamTag** pointed by the **ImageChange** trigger does not exist yet, then the initial deployment process will automatically start as soon as an image is imported or pushed by a build to the **ImageStreamTag**.

4.2.1.7.1. Setting deployment triggers

Procedure

1. You can set deployment triggers for a DeploymentConfig using the **oc set triggers** command. For example, to set a **ImageChangeTrigger**, use the following command:

```
$ oc set triggers dc/<dc_name> \
    --from-image=<project>/<image>:<tag> -c <container_name>
```

4.2.1.8. Setting deployment resources



NOTE

This resource is available only if a cluster administrator has enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview. This feature is disabled by default.

A deployment is completed by a Pod that consumes resources (memory, CPU, and ephemeral storage) on a node. By default, Pods consume unbounded node resources. However, if a project specifies default container limits, then Pods consume resources up to those limits.

You can also limit resource use by specifying resource limits as part of the deployment strategy. Deployment resources can be used with the Recreate, Rolling, or Custom deployment strategies.

Procedure

1. In the following example, each of **resources**, **cpu**, **memory**, and **ephemeral-storage** is optional:

```
type: "Recreate"
resources:
limits:
cpu: "100m" 1
memory: "256Mi" 2
ephemeral-storage: "1Gi" 3
```

- **cpu** is in CPU units: **100m** represents 0.1 CPU units (100 * 1e-3).
- memory is in bytes: **256Mi** represents 268435456 bytes (256 * 2 ^ 20).
- **ephemeral-storage** is in bytes: **1Gi** represents 1073741824 bytes (2 ^ 30). This applies only if your cluster administrator enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview.

However, if a quota has been defined for your project, one of the following two items is required:

• A resources section set with an explicit requests:

type: "Recreate"
resources:
requests: 1
cpu: "100m"
memory: "256Mi"
ephemeral-storage: "1Gi"

- The **requests** object contains the list of resources that correspond to the list of resources in the quota.
- A limit range defined in your project, where the defaults from the **LimitRange** object apply to Pods created during the deployment process.

To set deployment resources, choose one of the above options. Otherwise, deploy Pod creation fails, citing a failure to satisfy quota.

4.2.1.9. Scaling manually

In addition to rollbacks, you can exercise fine-grained control over the number of replicas by manually scaling them.



NOTE

Pods can also be autoscaled using the oc autoscale command.

Procedure

- 1. To manually scale a DeploymentConfig, use the **oc scale** command. For example, the following command sets the replicas in the **frontend** DeploymentConfig to **3**.
 - \$ oc scale dc frontend --replicas=3

The number of replicas eventually propagates to the desired and current state of the deployment configured by the DeploymentConfig **frontend**.

4.2.1.10. Accessing private repositories from DeploymentConfigs

You can add a Secret to your DeploymentConfig so that it can access images from a private repository. This procedure shows the OpenShift Container Platform web console method.

- 1. Create a new project.
- 2. From the **Workloads** page, create a Secret that contains credentials for accessing a private image repository.
- 3. Create a DeploymentConfig.
- 4. On the DeploymentConfig editor page, set the **Pull Secret** and save your changes.

4.2.1.11. Assigning pods to specific nodes

You can use node selectors in conjunction with labeled nodes to control Pod placement.

Cluster administrators can set the default node selector for a project in order to restrict Pod placement to specific nodes. As a developer, you can set a node selector on a Pod configuration to restrict nodes even further.

Procedure

1. To add a node selector when creating a pod, edit the Pod configuration, and add the **nodeSelector** value. This can be added to a single Pod configuration, or in a Pod template:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
spec:
nodeSelector:
disktype: ssd
```

Pods created when the node selector is in place are assigned to nodes with the specified labels. The labels specified here are used in conjunction with the labels added by a cluster administrator.

For example, if a project has the **type=user-node** and **region=east** labels added to a project by the cluster administrator, and you add the above **disktype: ssd** label to a Pod, the Pod is only ever scheduled on nodes that have all three labels.



NOTE

Labels can only be set to one value, so setting a node selector of **region=west** in a Pod configuration that has **region=east** as the administrator-set default, results in a Pod that will never be scheduled.

4.2.1.12. Running a Pod with a different service account

You can run a Pod with a service account other than the default.

Procedure

1. Edit the DeploymentConfig:

```
$ oc edit dc/<deployment_config>
```

2. Add the **serviceAccount** and **serviceAccountName** parameters to the **spec** field, and specify the service account you want to use:

```
spec:
  securityContext: {}
  serviceAccount: <service_account>
  serviceAccountName: <service_account>
```

4.3. USING DEPLOYMENT CONFIG STRATEGIES

A deployment strategy is a way to change or upgrade an application. The aim is to make the change without downtime in a way that the user barely notices the improvements.

Because the end user usually accesses the application through a route handled by a router, the deployment strategy can focus on DeploymentConfig features or routing features. Strategies that focus on the DeploymentConfig impact all routes that use the application. Strategies that use router features target individual routes.

Many deployment strategies are supported through the DeploymentConfig, and some additional strategies are supported through router features. DeploymentConfig strategies are discussed in this section.

Choosing a deployment strategy

Consider the following when choosing a deployment strategy:

- Long-running connections must be handled gracefully.
- Database conversions can be complex and must be done and rolled back along with the application.
- If the application is a hybrid of microservices and traditional components, downtime might be required to complete the transition.
- You must have the infrastructure to do this.
- If you have a non-isolated test environment, you can break both new and old versions.

A deployment strategy uses readiness checks to determine if a new Pod is ready for use. If a readiness check fails, the DeploymentConfig retries to run the Pod until it times out. The default timeout is 10m, a value set in **TimeoutSeconds** in **dc.spec.strategy.*params**.

4.3.1. Rolling strategy

A rolling deployment slowly replaces instances of the previous version of an application with instances of the new version of the application. The Rolling strategy is the default deployment strategy used if no strategy is specified on a DeploymentConfig.

A rolling deployment typically waits for new pods to become ready via a readiness check before scaling down the old components. If a significant issue occurs, the rolling deployment can be aborted.

When to use a Rolling deployment:

- When you want to take no downtime during an application update.
- When your application supports having old code and new code running at the same time.

A Rolling deployment means you to have both old and new versions of your code running at the same time. This typically requires that your application handle N-1 compatibility.

Example Rolling strategy definition

strategy: type: Rolling rollingParams:

updatePeriodSeconds: 1 1

intervalSeconds: 1 2 timeoutSeconds: 120 3 maxSurge: "20%" 4 maxUnavailable: "10%" 5

pre: {} **6** post: {}

- The time to wait between individual Pod updates. If unspecified, this value defaults to 1.
- The time to wait between polling the deployment status after update. If unspecified, this value defaults to 1.
- The time to wait for a scaling event before giving up. Optional; the default is **600**. Here, *giving up* means automatically rolling back to the previous complete deployment.
- **maxSurge** is optional and defaults to **25%** if not specified. See the information below the following procedure.
- **maxUnavailable** is optional and defaults to **25%** if not specified. See the information below the following procedure.
- **pre** and **post** are both lifecycle hooks.

The Rolling strategy:

- 1. Executes any **pre** lifecycle hook.
- 2. Scales up the new ReplicationController based on the surge count.
- 3. Scales down the old ReplicationController based on the max unavailable count.
- 4. Repeats this scaling until the new ReplicationController has reached the desired replica count and the old ReplicationController has been scaled to zero.
- 5. Executes any **post** lifecycle hook.



IMPORTANT

When scaling down, the Rolling strategy waits for Pods to become ready so it can decide whether further scaling would affect availability. If scaled up Pods never become ready, the deployment process will eventually time out and result in a deployment failure.

The **maxUnavailable** parameter is the maximum number of Pods that can be unavailable during the update. The **maxSurge** parameter is the maximum number of Pods that can be scheduled above the original number of Pods. Both parameters can be set to either a percentage (e.g., **10%**) or an absolute value (e.g., **2**). The default value for both is **25%**.

These parameters allow the deployment to be tuned for availability and speed. For example:

- maxUnavailable*=0 and maxSurge*=20% ensures full capacity is maintained during the update and rapid scale up.
- maxUnavailable*=10% and maxSurge*=0 performs an update using no extra capacity (an inplace update).

 maxUnavailable*=10% and maxSurge*=10% scales up and down quickly with some potential for capacity loss.

Generally, if you want fast rollouts, use **maxSurge**. If you have to take into account resource quota and can accept partial unavailability, use **maxUnavailable**.

4.3.1.1. Canary deployments

All Rolling deployments in OpenShift Container Platform are *canary deployments*; a new version (the canary) is tested before all of the old instances are replaced. If the readiness check never succeeds, the canary instance is removed and the DeploymentConfig will be automatically rolled back.

The readiness check is part of the application code and can be as sophisticated as necessary to ensure the new instance is ready to be used. If you must implement more complex checks of the application (such as sending real user workloads to the new instance), consider implementing a Custom deployment or using a blue-green deployment strategy.

4.3.1.2. Creating a Rolling deployment

Rolling deployments are the default type in OpenShift Container Platform. You can create a Rolling deployment using the CLI.

- 1. Create an application based on the example deployment images found in DockerHub:
 - \$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example
- 2. If you have the router installed, make the application available via a route (or use the service IP directly)
 - \$ oc expose svc/deployment-example
- 3. Browse to the application at **deployment-example.<project>.<router_domain>** to verify you see the **v1** image.
- 4. Scale the DeploymentConfig up to three replicas:
 - \$ oc scale dc/deployment-example --replicas=3
- 5. Trigger a new deployment automatically by tagging a new version of the example as the **latest** tag:
 - \$ oc tag deployment-example:v2 deployment-example:latest
- 6. In your browser, refresh the page until you see the **v2** image.
- 7. When using the CLI, the following command shows how many Pods are on version 1 and how many are on version 2. In the web console, the Pods are progressively added to v2 and removed from v1:
 - \$ oc describe dc deployment-example

During the deployment process, the new ReplicationController is incrementally scaled up. After the new Pods are marked as **ready** (by passing their readiness check), the deployment process continues.

If the Pods do not become ready, the process aborts, and the DeploymentConfig rolls back to its previous version.

4.3.2. Recreate strategy

The Recreate strategy has basic rollout behavior and supports lifecycle hooks for injecting code into the deployment process.

Example Recreate strategy definition

```
strategy:
type: Recreate
recreateParams: 1
pre: {} 2
mid: {}
post: {}
```

- recreateParams are optional.
- pre, mid, and post are lifecycle hooks.

The Recreate strategy:

- 1. Executes any **pre** lifecycle hook.
- 2. Scales down the previous deployment to zero.
- 3. Executes any **mid** lifecycle hook.
- 4. Scales up the new deployment.
- 5. Executes any **post** lifecycle hook.



IMPORTANT

During scale up, if the replica count of the deployment is greater than one, the first replica of the deployment will be validated for readiness before fully scaling up the deployment. If the validation of the first replica fails, the deployment will be considered a failure.

When to use a Recreate deployment:

- When you must run migrations or other data transformations before your new code starts.
- When you do not support having new and old versions of your application code running at the same time.
- When you want to use a RWO volume, which is not supported being shared between multiple replicas.

A Recreate deployment incurs downtime because, for a brief period, no instances of your application are running. However, your old code and new code do not run at the same time.

4.3.3. Custom strategy

The Custom strategy allows you to provide your own deployment behavior.

Example Custom strategy definition

```
strategy:
type: Custom
customParams:
image: organization/strategy
command: [ "command", "arg1" ]
environment:
- name: ENV_1
value: VALUE_1
```

In the above example, the **organization**/**strategy** container image provides the deployment behavior. The optional **command** array overrides any **CMD** directive specified in the image's **Dockerfile**. The optional environment variables provided are added to the execution environment of the strategy process.

Additionally, OpenShift Container Platform provides the following environment variables to the deployment process:

Environment variable	Description
OPENSHIFT_DEPLOYMENT_ NAME	The name of the new deployment (a ReplicationController).
OPENSHIFT_DEPLOYMENT_ NAMESPACE	The name space of the new deployment.

The replica count of the new deployment will initially be zero. The responsibility of the strategy is to make the new deployment active using the logic that best serves the needs of the user.

Alternatively, use **customParams** to inject the custom deployment logic into the existing deployment strategies. Provide a custom shell script logic and call the **openshift-deploy** binary. Users do not have to supply their custom deployer container image; in this case, the default OpenShift Container Platform deployer image is used instead:

```
strategy:
type: Rolling
customParams:
command:
- /bin/sh
- -c
- |
set -e
openshift-deploy --until=50%
```

echo Halfway there openshift-deploy echo Complete

This results in following deployment:

Started deployment #2

--> Scaling up custom-deployment-2 from 0 to 2, scaling down custom-deployment-1 from 2 to 0 (keep 2 pods available, don't exceed 3 pods)

Scaling custom-deployment-2 up to 1

--> Reached 50% (currently 50%)

Halfway there

--> Scaling up custom-deployment-2 from 1 to 2, scaling down custom-deployment-1 from 2 to 0 (keep 2 pods available, don't exceed 3 pods)

Scaling custom-deployment-1 down to 1

Scaling custom-deployment-2 up to 2

Scaling custom-deployment-1 down to 0

--> Success

Complete

If the custom deployment strategy process requires access to the OpenShift Container Platform API or the Kubernetes API the container that executes the strategy can use the service account token available inside the container for authentication.

4.3.4. Lifecycle hooks

The Rolling and Recreate strategies support *lifecycle hooks*, or deployment hooks, which allow behavior to be injected into the deployment process at predefined points within the strategy:

Example pre lifecycle hook

pre:

failurePolicy: Abort execNewPod: {}

execNewPod is a Pod-based lifecycle hook.

Every hook has a **failurePolicy**, which defines the action the strategy should take when a hook failure is encountered:

Abort	The deployment process will be considered a failure if the hook fails.
Retry	The hook execution should be retried until it succeeds.
Ignore	Any hook failure should be ignored and the deployment should proceed.

Hooks have a type-specific field that describes how to execute the hook. Currently, Pod-based hooks are the only supported hook type, specified by the **execNewPod** field.

Pod-based lifecycle hook

Pod-based lifecycle hooks execute hook code in a new Pod derived from the template in a DeploymentConfig.

The following simplified example DeploymentConfig uses the Rolling strategy. Triggers and some other minor details are omitted for brevity:

```
kind: DeploymentConfig
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
 name: frontend
spec:
 template:
  metadata:
   labels:
    name: frontend
  spec:
   containers:
    - name: helloworld
      image: openshift/origin-ruby-sample
 replicas: 5
 selector:
  name: frontend
 strategy:
  type: Rolling
  rollingParams:
   pre:
    failurePolicy: Abort
    execNewPod:
      containerName: helloworld 1
      command: [ "/usr/bin/command", "arg1", "arg2" ] 2
      env: 3
       - name: CUSTOM VAR1
        value: custom value1
      volumes:
       - data 4
```

- The helloworld name refers to spec.template.spec.containers[0].name.
- This command overrides any ENTRYPOINT defined by the openshift/origin-ruby-sample image.
- **env** is an optional set of environment variables for the hook container.
- **volumes** is an optional set of volume references for the hook container.

In this example, the **pre** hook will be executed in a new Pod using the **openshift/origin-ruby-sample** image from the **helloworld** container. The hook Pod has the following properties:

- The hook command is /usr/bin/command arg1 arg2.
- The hook container has the **CUSTOM_VAR1=custom_value1** environment variable.
- The hook failure policy is **Abort**, meaning the deployment process fails if the hook fails.
- The hook Pod inherits the **data** volume from the DeploymentConfig Pod.

4.3.4.1. Setting lifecycle hooks

You can set lifecycle hooks, or deployment hooks, for a DeploymentConfig using the CLI.

Procedure

1. Use the **oc set deployment-hook** command to set the type of hook you want: **--pre**, **--mid**, or **--post**. For example, to set a pre-deployment hook:

\$ oc set deployment-hook dc/frontend \
 --pre -c helloworld -e CUSTOM_VAR1=custom_value1 \
 -v data --failure-policy=abort -- /usr/bin/command arg1 arg2

4.4. USING ROUTE-BASED DEPLOYMENT STRATEGIES

Deployment strategies provide a way for the application to evolve. Some strategies use DeploymentConfigs to make changes that are seen by users of all routes that resolve to the application. Other advanced strategies, such as the ones described in this section, use router features in conjunction with DeploymentConfigs to impact specific routes.

The most common route-based strategy is to use a *blue-green deployment*. The new version (the blue version) is brought up for testing and evaluation, while the users still use the stable version (the green version). When ready, the users are switched to the blue version. If a problem arises, you can switch back to the green version.

A common alternative strategy is to use A/B versions that are both active at the same time and some users use one version, and some users use the other version. This can be used for experimenting with user interface changes and other features to get user feedback. It can also be used to verify proper operation in a production context where problems impact a limited number of users.

A canary deployment tests the new version but when a problem is detected it quickly falls back to the previous version. This can be done with both of the above strategies.

The route-based deployment strategies do not scale the number of Pods in the services. To maintain desired performance characteristics the deployment configurations might have to be scaled.

4.4.1. Proxy shards and traffic splitting

In production environments, you can precisely control the distribution of traffic that lands on a particular shard. When dealing with large numbers of instances, you can use the relative scale of individual shards to implement percentage based traffic. That combines well with a *proxy shard*, which forwards or splits the traffic it receives to a separate service or application running elsewhere.

In the simplest configuration, the proxy forwards requests unchanged. In more complex setups, you can duplicate the incoming requests and send to both a separate cluster as well as to a local instance of the application, and compare the result. Other patterns include keeping the caches of a DR installation warm, or sampling incoming traffic for analysis purposes.

Any TCP (or UDP) proxy could be run under the desired shard. Use the **oc scale** command to alter the relative number of instances serving requests under the proxy shard. For more complex traffic management, consider customizing the OpenShift Container Platform router with proportional balancing capabilities.

4.4.2. N-1 compatibility

Applications that have new code and old code running at the same time must be careful to ensure that data written by the new code can be read and handled (or gracefully ignored) by the old version of the code. This is sometimes called *schema evolution* and is a complex problem.

This can take many forms: data stored on disk, in a database, in a temporary cache, or that is part of a user's browser session. While most web applications can support rolling deployments, it is important to test and design your application to handle it.

For some applications, the period of time that old code and new code is running side by side is short, so bugs or some failed user transactions are acceptable. For others, the failure pattern may result in the entire application becoming non-functional.

One way to validate N-1 compatibility is to use an A/B deployment: run the old code and new code at the same time in a controlled way in a test environment, and verify that traffic that flows to the new deployment does not cause failures in the old deployment.

4.4.3. Graceful termination

OpenShift Container Platform and Kubernetes give application instances time to shut down before removing them from load balancing rotations. However, applications must ensure they cleanly terminate user connections as well before they exit.

On shutdown, OpenShift Container Platform sends a **TERM** signal to the processes in the container. Application code, on receiving **SIGTERM**, stop accepting new connections. This ensures that load balancers route traffic to other active instances. The application code then waits until all open connections are closed (or gracefully terminate individual connections at the next opportunity) before exiting.

After the graceful termination period expires, a process that has not exited is sent the **KILL** signal, which immediately ends the process. The **terminationGracePeriodSeconds** attribute of a Pod or Pod template controls the graceful termination period (default 30 seconds) and may be customized per application as necessary.

4.4.4. Blue-green deployments

Blue-green deployments involve running two versions of an application at the same time and moving traffic from the in-production version (the green version) to the newer version (the blue version). You can use a Rolling strategy or switch services in a route.

Because many applications depend on persistent data, you must have an application that supports *N-1* compatibility, which means it shares data and implements live migration between the database, store, or disk by creating two copies of the data layer.

Consider the data used in testing the new version. If it is the production data, a bug in the new version can break the production version.

4.4.4.1. Setting up a blue-green deployment

Blue-green deployments use two DeploymentConfigs. Both are running, and the one in production depends on the service the route specifies, with each DeploymentConfig exposed to a different service.



NOTE

Routes are intended for web (HTTP and HTTPS) traffic, so this technique is best suited for web applications.

You can create a new route to the new version and test it. When ready, change the service in the production route to point to the new service and the new (blue) version is live.

If necessary, you can roll back to the older (green) version by switching the service back to the previous version.

Procedure

1. Create two copies of the example application:

\$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example:v1 --name=example-green \$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example:v2 --name=example-blue

This creates two independent application components: one running the **v1** image under the **example-green** service, and one using the **v2** image under the **example-blue** service.

- 2. Create a route that points to the old service:
 - \$ oc expose svc/example-green --name=bluegreen-example
- 3. Browse to the application at **example-green.<project>.<router_domain>** to verify you see the **v1** image.
- 4. Edit the route and change the service name to **example-blue**:
 - \$ oc patch route/bluegreen-example -p '{"spec":{"to":{"name":"example-blue"}}}'
- 5. To verify that the route has changed, refresh the browser until you see the **v2** image.

4.4.5. A/B deployments

The A/B deployment strategy lets you try a new version of the application in a limited way in the production environment. You can specify that the production version gets most of the user requests while a limited fraction of requests go to the new version.

Because you control the portion of requests to each version, as testing progresses you can increase the fraction of requests to the new version and ultimately stop using the previous version. As you adjust the request load on each version, the number of Pods in each service might have to be scaled as well to provide the expected performance.

In addition to upgrading software, you can use this feature to experiment with versions of the user interface. Since some users get the old version and some the new, you can evaluate the user's reaction to the different versions to inform design decisions.

For this to be effective, both the old and new versions must be similar enough that both can run at the same time. This is common with bug fix releases and when new features do not interfere with the old. The versions require N-1 compatibility to properly work together.

OpenShift Container Platform supports N-1 compatibility through the web console as well as the CLI.

4.4.5.1. Load balancing for A/B testing

The user sets up a route with multiple services. Each service handles a version of the application.

Each service is assigned a **weight** and the portion of requests to each service is the **service_weight** divided by the **sum_of_weights**. The **weight** for each service is distributed to the service's endpoints so that the sum of the endpoint **weights** is the service **weight**.

The route can have up to four services. The **weight** for the service can be between **0** and **256**. When the **weight** is **0**, the service does not participate in load-balancing but continues to serve existing persistent connections. When the service **weight** is not **0**, each endpoint has a minimum **weight** of **1**. Because of this, a service with a lot of endpoints can end up with higher **weight** than desired. In this case, reduce the number of Pods to get the desired load balance **weight**.

Procedure

To set up the A/B environment:

1. Create the two applications and give them different names. Each creates a DeploymentConfig. The applications are versions of the same program; one is usually the current production version and the other the proposed new version:

\$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example --name=ab-example-a \$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example --name=ab-example-b

Both applications are deployed and services are created.

2. Make the application available externally via a route. At this point, you can expose either. It can be convenient to expose the current production version first and later modify the route to add the new version.

\$ oc expose svc/ab-example-a

Browse to the application at **ab-example-<project>.<router_domain>** to verify that you see the desired version.

3. When you deploy the route, the router balances the traffic according to the weights specified for the services. At this point, there is a single service with default weight=1 so all requests go to it. Adding the other service as an alternateBackends and adjusting the weights brings the A/B setup to life. This can be done by the oc set route-backends command or by editing the route. Setting the oc set route-backend to 0 means the service does not participate in load-balancing, but continues to serve existing persistent connections.



NOTE

Changes to the route just change the portion of traffic to the various services. You might have to scale the DeploymentConfigs to adjust the number of Pods to handle the anticipated loads.

To edit the route, run:

\$ oc edit route <route_name>
...
metadata:

name: route-alternate-service

annotations:

haproxy.router.openshift.io/balance: roundrobin

spec:

host: ab-example.my-project.my-domain

to:

kind: Service

name: ab-example-a

weight: 10

alternateBackends:

- kind: Service

name: ab-example-b

weight: 15

...

4.4.5.1.1. Managing weights using the web console

Procedure

- 1. Navigate to the Route details page (Applications/Routes).
- 2. Select Edit from the Actions menu.
- 3. Check Split traffic across multiple services
- 4. The **Service Weights** slider sets the percentage of traffic sent to each service. For traffic split between more than two services, the relative weights are specified by integers between 0 and 256 for each service.

Traffic weightings are shown on the **Overview** in the expanded rows of the applications between which traffic is split.

4.4.5.1.2. Managing weights using the CLI

Procedure

1. To manage the services and corresponding weights load balanced by the route, use the **oc set route-backends** command:

```
$ oc set route-backends ROUTENAME \
[--zero|--equal] [--adjust] SERVICE=WEIGHT[%] [...] [options]
```

For example, the following sets **ab-example-a** as the primary service with **weight=198** and **ab-example-b** as the first alternate service with a **weight=2**:

\$ oc set route-backends ab-example ab-example-a=198 ab-example-b=2

This means 99% of traffic is sent to service **ab-example-a** and 1% to service **ab-example-b**.

This command does not scale the DeploymentConfigs. You might be required to do so to have enough Pods to handle the request load.

2. Run the command with no flags to verify the current configuration:

```
$ oc set route-backends ab-example
NAME KIND TO WEIGHT
routes/ab-example Service ab-example-a 198 (99%)
routes/ab-example Service ab-example-b 2 (1%)
```

3. To alter the weight of an individual service relative to itself or to the primary service, use the **-- adjust** flag. Specifying a percentage adjusts the service relative to either the primary or the first alternate (if you specify the primary). If there are other backends, their weights are kept proportional to the changed.

For example:

\$ oc set route-backends ab-example --adjust ab-example-a=200 ab-example-b=10 \$ oc set route-backends ab-example --adjust ab-example-b=5% \$ oc set route-backends ab-example --adjust ab-example-b=+15%

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The **--equal** flag sets the **weight** of all services to **100**:

\$ oc set route-backends ab-example --equal

The **--zero** flag sets the **weight** of all services to **0**. All requests then return with a 503 error.



NOTE

Not all routers may support multiple or weighted backends.

4.4.5.1.3. One service, multiple DeploymentConfigs

Procedure

- 1. Create a new application, adding a label **ab-example=true** that will be common to all shards:
 - \$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example --name=ab-example-a

The application is deployed and a service is created. This is the first shard.

- 2. Make the application available via a route (or use the service IP directly):
 - \$ oc expose svc/ab-example-a --name=ab-example
- 3. Browse to the application at **ab-example-<project>.<router_domain>** to verify you see the **v1** image.
- 4. Create a second shard based on the same source image and label as the first shard, but with a different tagged version and unique environment variables:
 - \$ oc new-app openshift/deployment-example:v2 \
 --name=ab-example-b --labels=ab-example=true \
 SUBTITLE="shard B" COLOR="red"
- 5. At this point, both sets of Pods are being served under the route. However, because both browsers (by leaving a connection open) and the router (by default, through a cookie) attempt to preserve your connection to a back-end server, you might not see both shards being returned to you.

To force your browser to one or the other shard:

- a. Use the **oc scale** command to reduce replicas of **ab-example-a** to **0**.
 - \$ oc scale dc/ab-example-a --replicas=0

Refresh your browser to show **v2** and **shard B** (in red).

b. Scale ab-example-a to 1 replica and ab-example-b to 0:

\$ oc scale dc/ab-example-a --replicas=1; oc scale dc/ab-example-b --replicas=0

Refresh your browser to show **v1** and **shard A** (in blue).

6. If you trigger a deployment on either shard, only the Pods in that shard are affected. You can trigger a deployment by changing the **SUBTITLE** environment variable in either DeploymentConfig:

\$ oc edit dc/ab-example-a

or

\$ oc edit dc/ab-example-b

CHAPTER 5. QUOTAS

5.1. RESOURCE QUOTAS PER PROJECT

A resource quota, defined by a ResourceQuota object, provides constraints that limit aggregate resource consumption per project. It can limit the quantity of objects that can be created in a project by type, as well as the total amount of compute resources and storage that may be consumed by resources in that project.

This guide describes how resource quotas work, how cluster administrators can set and manage resource quotas on a per project basis, and how developers and cluster administrators can view them.

5.1.1. Resources managed by quotas

The following describes the set of compute resources and object types that can be managed by a quota.



NOTE

A pod is in a terminal state if status.phase in (Failed, Succeeded) is true.

Table 5.1. Compute resources managed by quota

Resource Name	Description
cpu	The sum of CPU requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. cpu and requests.cpu are the same value and can be used interchangeably.
memory	The sum of memory requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. memory and requests.memory are the same value and can be used interchangeably.
ephemeral-storage	The sum of local ephemeral storage requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. ephemeral-storage and requests.ephemeral-storage are the same value and can be used interchangeably. This resource is available only if you enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview. This feature is disabled by default.
requests.cpu	The sum of CPU requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. cpu and requests.cpu are the same value and can be used interchangeably.
requests.memory	The sum of memory requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. memory and requests.memory are the same value and can be used interchangeably.

Resource Name	Description
requests.ephemeral- storage	The sum of ephemeral storage requests across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. ephemeral-storage and requests.ephemeral-storage are the same value and can be used interchangeably. This resource is available only if you enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview. This feature is disabled by default.
limits.cpu	The sum of CPU limits across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value.
limits.memory	The sum of memory limits across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value.
limits.ephemeral- storage	The sum of ephemeral storage limits across all pods in a non-terminal state cannot exceed this value. This resource is available only if you enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview. This feature is disabled by default.

Table 5.2. Storage resources managed by quota

Resource Name	Description
requests.storage	The sum of storage requests across all persistent volume claims in any state cannot exceed this value.
persistentvolumeclaim s	The total number of persistent volume claims that can exist in the project.
<pre><storage-class- name="">.storageclass.st orage.k8s.io/requests. storage</storage-class-></pre>	The sum of storage requests across all persistent volume claims in any state that have a matching storage class, cannot exceed this value.
<pre><storage-class- name="">.storageclass.st orage.k8s.io/persistent volumeclaims</storage-class-></pre>	The total number of persistent volume claims with a matching storage class that can exist in the project.

Table 5.3. Object counts managed by quota

Resource Name	Description
pods	The total number of pods in a non-terminal state that can exist in the project.
replicationcontrollers	The total number of ReplicationControllers that can exist in the project.
resourcequotas	The total number of resource quotas that can exist in the project.

Resource Name	Description
services	The total number of services that can exist in the project.
services.loadbalancers	The total number of services of type LoadBalancer that can exist in the project.
services.nodeports	The total number of services of type NodePort that can exist in the project.
secrets	The total number of secrets that can exist in the project.
configmaps	The total number of ConfigMap objects that can exist in the project.
persistentvolumeclaim s	The total number of persistent volume claims that can exist in the project.
openshift.io/imagestre ams	The total number of imagestreams that can exist in the project.

5.1.2. Quota scopes

Each quota can have an associated set of *scopes*. A quota only measures usage for a resource if it matches the intersection of enumerated scopes.

Adding a scope to a quota restricts the set of resources to which that quota can apply. Specifying a resource outside of the allowed set results in a validation error.

Scope	Description
Terminating	Match pods where spec.activeDeadlineSeconds >= 0 .
NotTerminating	Match pods where spec.activeDeadlineSeconds is nil .
BestEffort	Match pods that have best effort quality of service for either cpu or memory .
NotBestEffort	Match pods that do not have best effort quality of service for cpu and memory .

A **BestEffort** scope restricts a quota to limiting the following resources:

pods

A **Terminating**, **NotTerminating**, and **NotBestEffort** scope restricts a quota to tracking the following resources:

pods

- memory
- requests.memory
- limits.memory
- cpu
- requests.cpu
- limits.cpu
- ephemeral-storage
- requests.ephemeral-storage
- limits.ephemeral-storage



NOTE

Ephemeral storage requests and limits apply only if you enabled the ephemeral storage technology preview. This feature is disabled by default.

5.1.3. Quota enforcement

After a resource quota for a project is first created, the project restricts the ability to create any new resources that may violate a quota constraint until it has calculated updated usage statistics.

After a quota is created and usage statistics are updated, the project accepts the creation of new content. When you create or modify resources, your quota usage is incremented immediately upon the request to create or modify the resource.

When you delete a resource, your quota use is decremented during the next full recalculation of quota statistics for the project. A configurable amount of time determines how long it takes to reduce quota usage statistics to their current observed system value.

If project modifications exceed a quota usage limit, the server denies the action, and an appropriate error message is returned to the user explaining the quota constraint violated, and what their currently observed usage statistics are in the system.

5.1.4. Requests versus limits

When allocating compute resources, each container might specify a request and a limit value each for CPU, memory, and ephemeral storage. Quotas can restrict any of these values.

If the quota has a value specified for **requests.cpu** or **requests.memory**, then it requires that every incoming container make an explicit request for those resources. If the quota has a value specified for **limits.cpu** or **limits.memory**, then it requires that every incoming container specify an explicit limit for those resources.

5.1.5. Sample resource quota definitions

core-object-counts.yaml

apiVersion: v1

kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: core-object-counts
spec:
hard:
configmaps: "10" 1
persistentvolumeclaims: "4" 2
replicationcontrollers: "20" 3
secrets: "10" 4
services: "10" 5
services.loadbalancers: "2" 6

- The total number of ConfigMap objects that can exist in the project.
- The total number of persistent volume claims (PVCs) that can exist in the project.
- The total number of ReplicationControllers that can exist in the project.
- The total number of secrets that can exist in the project.
- The total number of services that can exist in the project.
- The total number of services of type **LoadBalancer** that can exist in the project.

openshift-object-counts.yaml

apiVersion: v1
kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: openshift-object-counts
spec:
hard:
openshift.io/imagestreams: "10"

The total number of imagestreams that can exist in the project.

compute-resources.yaml

apiVersion: v1
kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: compute-resources
spec:
hard:
pods: "4" 1
requests.cpu: "1" 2
requests.memory: 1Gi 3
requests.ephemeral-storage: 2Gi 4
limits.cpu: "2" 5
limits.memory: 2Gi 6
limits.ephemeral-storage: 4Gi 7

- The total number of pods in a non-terminal state that can exist in the project.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of CPU requests cannot exceed 1 core.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of memory requests cannot exceed 1Gi.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of ephemeral storage requests cannot exceed 2Gi.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of CPU limits cannot exceed 2 cores.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of memory limits cannot exceed 2Gi.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of ephemeral storage limits cannot exceed 4Gi.

besteffort.yaml

apiVersion: v1

kind: ResourceQuota

metadata:

name: besteffort

spec:

hard:

pods: "1" 1

scopes:

- BestEffort 2
- The total number of pods in a non-terminal state with **BestEffort** quality of service that can exist in the project.
- Restricts the quota to only matching pods that have **BestEffort** quality of service for either memory or CPU.

compute-resources-long-running.yaml

apiVersion: v1

kind: ResourceQuota

metadata:

name: compute-resources-long-running

spec:

hard:

pods: "4" 1

limits.cpu: "4" 2

limits.memory: "2Gi" (3)

limits.ephemeral-storage: "4Gi" 4

scopes:

- NotTerminating 5
- The total number of pods in a non-terminal state.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of CPU limits cannot exceed this value.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of memory limits cannot exceed this value.

- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of ephemeral storage limits cannot exceed this value.
- Restricts the quota to only matching pods where **spec.activeDeadlineSeconds** is set to **nil**. Build pods will fall under **NotTerminating** unless the **RestartNever** policy is applied.

compute-resources-time-bound.yaml

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: compute-resources-time-bound
spec:
hard:
pods: "2" 1
limits.cpu: "1" 2
limits.memory: "1Gi" 3
limits.ephemeral-storage: "1Gi" 4
scopes:
- Terminating 5
```

- The total number of pods in a non-terminal state.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of CPU limits cannot exceed this value.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of memory limits cannot exceed this value.
- Across all pods in a non-terminal state, the sum of ephemeral storage limits cannot exceed this value.
- Restricts the quota to only matching pods where **spec.activeDeadlineSeconds** >=**0**. For example, this quota would charge for build or deployer pods, but not long running pods like a web server or database.

storage-consumption.yaml

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: storage-consumption
spec:
hard:
persistentvolumeclaims: "10" 1
requests.storage: "50Gi" 2
gold.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/requests.storage: "10Gi" 3
silver.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/requests.storage: "20Gi" 4
silver.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/persistentvolumeclaims: "5" 5
bronze.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/requests.storage: "0" 6
bronze.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/persistentvolumeclaims: "0" 7
```

The total number of persistent volume claims in a project

- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the sum of storage requested cannot exceed this value.
- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the sum of storage requested in the gold storage class cannot exceed this value.
- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the sum of storage requested in the silver storage class cannot exceed this value.
- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the total number of claims in the silver storage class cannot exceed this value.
- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the sum of storage requested in the bronze storage class cannot exceed this value. When this is set to **0**, it means bronze storage class cannot request storage.
- Across all persistent volume claims in a project, the sum of storage requested in the bronze storage class cannot exceed this value. When this is set to **0**, it means bronze storage class cannot create claims.

5.1.6. Creating a quota

You can create a quota to constrain resource usage in a given project.

Procedure

- 1. Define the quota in a file.
- 2. Use the file to create the quota and apply it to a project:
 - \$ oc create -f <file> [-n <project_name>]

For example:

\$ oc create -f core-object-counts.yaml -n demoproject

5.1.6.1. Creating object count quotas

You can create an object count quota for all OpenShift Container Platform standard namespaced resource types, such as **BuildConfig**, and **DeploymentConfig**. An object quota count places a defined quota on all standard namespaced resource types.

When using a resource quota, an object is charged against the quota if it exists in server storage. These types of quotas are useful to protect against exhaustion of storage resources.

Procedure

To configure an object count quota for a resource:

1. Run the following command:

\$ oc create quota <name> \
 --hard=count/<resource>.<group>=<quota>,count/<resource>.<group>=<quota> 1



<resource> is the name of the resource, and <group> is the API group, if applicable. Use
the oc api-resources command for a list of resources and their associated API groups.

For example:

This example limits the listed resources to the hard limit in each project in the cluster.

2. Verify that the quota was created:

```
$ oc describe quota test
Name: test
Namespace: quota
Resource Used Hard
------
count/deployments.extensions 0 2
count/pods 0 3
count/replicasets.extensions 0 4
count/secrets 0 4
```

5.1.6.2. Setting resource quota for extended resources

Overcommitment of resources is not allowed for extended resources, so you must specify **requests** and **limits** for the same extended resource in a quota. Currently, only quota items with the prefix **requests**. is allowed for extended resources. The following is an example scenario of how to set resource quota for the GPU resource **nvidia.com/gpu**.

Procedure

1. Determine how many GPUs are available on a node in your cluster. For example:

```
# oc describe node ip-172-31-27-209.us-west-2.compute.internal | egrep 'Capacity|Allocatable|gpu' openshift.com/gpu-accelerator=true

Capacity: nvidia.com/gpu: 2

Allocatable: nvidia.com/gpu: 2

nvidia.com/gpu 0 0
```

In this example, 2 GPUs are available.

2. Set a quota in the namespace **nvidia**. In this example, the quota is **1**:

```
# cat gpu-quota.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ResourceQuota
metadata:
name: gpu-quota
```

namespace: nvidia spec: hard: requests.nvidia.com/gpu: 1

3. Create the quota:

oc create -f gpu-quota.yaml resourcequota/gpu-quota created

4. Verify that the namespace has the correct quota set:

oc describe quota gpu-quota -n nvidia
Name: gpu-quota
Namespace: nvidia
Resource Used Hard
----requests.nvidia.com/gpu 0 1

5. Run a pod that asks for a single GPU:

oc create -f gpu-pod.yaml

apiVersion: v1 kind: Pod metadata: generateName: gpu-podnamespace: nvidia spec: restartPolicy: OnFailure containers: - name: rhel7-gpu-pod image: rhel7 env: - name: NVIDIA_VISIBLE_DEVICES value: all - name: NVIDIA_DRIVER_CAPABILITIES value: "compute,utility" - name: NVIDIA_REQUIRE_CUDA value: "cuda>=5.0" command: ["sleep"] args: ["infinity"] resources: limits: nvidia.com/gpu: 1

6. Verify that the pod is running:

oc get pods
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
gpu-pod-s46h7 1/1 Running 0 1m

7. Verify that the quota **Used** counter is correct:

oc describe quota gpu-quota -n nvidia

Name: gpu-quota Namespace: nvidia Resource Used Hard

requests.nvidia.com/gpu 1 1

8. Attempt to create a second GPU pod in the **nvidia** namespace. This is technically available on the node because it has 2 GPUs:

oc create -f gpu-pod.yaml Error from server (Forbidden): error when creating "gpu-pod.yaml": pods "gpu-pod-f7z2w" is forbidden: exceeded quota: gpu-quota, requested: requests.nvidia.com/gpu=1, used:

This **Forbidden** error message is expected because you have a quota of 1 GPU and this pod

requests.nvidia.com/gpu=1, limited: requests.nvidia.com/gpu=1

tried to allocate a second GPU, which exceeds its quota.

5.1.7. Viewing a quota

You can view usage statistics related to any hard limits defined in a project's quota by navigating in the web console to the project's **Quota** page.

You can also use the CLI to view quota details.

Procedure

1. Get the list of quotas defined in the project. For example, for a project called **demoproject**:

\$ oc get quota -n demoproject NAME AGE besteffort 11m compute-resources 2m core-object-counts 29m

2. Describe the quota you are interested in, for example the **core-object-counts** quota:

\$ oc describe quota core-object-counts -n demoproject

Name: core-object-counts Namespace: demoproject Resource Used Hard

configmaps 3 10 persistent volume claims 0 4 replication controllers 3 20

secrets 9 10 services 2 10

5.1.8. Requiring explicit quota to consume a resource

If a resource is not managed by quota, a user has no restriction on the amount of resource that can be consumed. For example, if there is no quota on storage related to the gold storage class, the amount of gold storage a project can create is unbounded.

For high-cost compute or storage resources, administrators might want to require an explicit quota be granted in order to consume a resource. For example, if a project was not explicitly given quota for storage related to the gold storage class, users of that project would not be able to create any storage of that type.

Procedure

To require explicit quota to consume a particular resource:

1. Add the following stanza to the master configuration:

admissionConfig:

pluginConfig:

ResourceQuota:

configuration:

apiVersion: resourcequota.admission.k8s.io/v1alpha1

kind: Configuration limitedResources:

- resource: persistentvolumeclaims 1

matchContains:

- gold.storageclass.storage.k8s.io/requests.storage 2
- 1 The group/resource to whose consumption is limited by default.
- The name of the resource tracked by quota associated with the group/resource to limit by default.

In the above example, the quota system intercepts every operation that creates or updates a **PersistentVolumeClaim**. It checks what resources understood by quota would be consumed, and if there is no covering quota for those resources in the project, the request is denied.

In this example, if a user creates a **PersistentVolumeClaim** that uses storage associated with the gold storage class, and there is no matching quota in the project, the request is denied.

5.1.9. Configuring quota synchronization period

When a set of resources are deleted, but before quota usage is restored, a user might encounter problems when attempting to reuse the resources. The synchronization time frame of resources is determined by the **resource-quota-sync-period** setting, which can be configured by a cluster administrator.

Adjusting the regeneration time can be helpful for creating resources and determining resource usage when automation is used.



NOTE

The **resource-quota-sync-period** setting is designed to balance system performance. Reducing the sync period can result in a heavy load on the master.

Procedure

To configure the quota synchronization period:

1. Edit the Kubernetes controller manager.

\$ oc edit kubecontrollermanager cluster

2. Change the **unsupportedconfigOverrides** field to have the following settings, specifying the amount of time, in seconds, for the **resource-quota-sync-period** field:

```
unsupportedConfigOverrides:
extendedArguments:
resource-quota-sync-period:
- 60s
```

5.2. RESOURCE QUOTAS ACROSS MULTIPLE PROJECTS

A multi-project quota, defined by a ClusterResourceQuota object, allows quotas to be shared across multiple projects. Resources used in each selected project are aggregated and that aggregate is used to limit resources across all the selected projects.

This guide describes how cluster administrators can set and manage resource quotas across multiple projects.

5.2.1. Selecting multiple projects during quota creation

When creating quotas, you can select multiple projects based on annotation selection, label selection, or both.

Procedure

1. To select projects based on annotations, run the following command:

```
$ oc create clusterquota for-user \
    --project-annotation-selector openshift.io/requester=<user_name> \
    --hard pods=10 \
    --hard secrets=20
```

This creates the following ClusterResourceQuota object:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ClusterResourceQuota
metadata:
 name: for-user
spec:
 quota: 1
  hard:
   pods: "10"
   secrets: "20"
 selector:
  annotations: 2
   openshift.io/requester: <user name>
  labels: null 3
status:
 namespaces: 4
 - namespace: ns-one
  status:
   hard:
```

```
pods: "10"
secrets: "20"
used:
pods: "1"
secrets: "9"
total: 5
hard:
pods: "10"
secrets: "20"
used:
pods: "1"
secrets: "9"
```

- The **ResourceQuotaSpec** object that will be enforced over the selected projects.
- A simple key-value selector for annotations.
- A label selector that can be used to select projects.
- A per-namespace map that describes current quota usage in each selected project.
- The aggregate usage across all selected projects.

This multi-project quota document controls all projects requested by **<user_name>** using the default project request endpoint. You are limited to 10 pods and 20 secrets.

2. Similarly, to select projects based on labels, run this command:

```
$ oc create clusterresourcequota for-name \ 1 --project-label-selector=name=frontend \ 2 --hard=pods=10 --hard=secrets=20
```

- Both clusterresourcequota and clusterquota are aliases of the same command. forname is the name of the ClusterResourceQuota object.
- To select projects by label, provide a key-value pair by using the format **--project-label-selector=key=value**.

This creates the following ClusterResourceQuota object definition:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ClusterResourceQuota
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: null
    name: for-name
spec:
    quota:
    hard:
    pods: "10"
    secrets: "20"
selector:
    annotations: null
```

labels: matchLabels: name: frontend

5.2.2. Viewing applicable ClusterResourceQuotas

A project administrator is not allowed to create or modify the multi-project quota that limits his or her project, but the administrator is allowed to view the multi-project quota documents that are applied to his or her project. The project administrator can do this via the **AppliedClusterResourceQuota** resource.

Procedure

1. To view quotas applied to a project, run:

\$ oc describe AppliedClusterResourceQuota

For example:

5.2.3. Selection granularity

secrets 9 20

Because of the locking consideration when claiming quota allocations, the number of active projects selected by a multi-project quota is an important consideration. Selecting more than 100 projects under a single multi-project quota can have detrimental effects on API server responsiveness in those projects.

CHAPTER 6. IDLING APPLICATIONS

Cluster administrators can idle applications to reduce resource consumption. This is useful when the cluster is deployed on a public cloud where cost is related to resource consumption.

If any scalable resources are not in use, OpenShift Container Platform discovers and idles them by scaling their replicas to **0**. The next time network traffic is directed to the resources, the resources are unidled by scaling up the replicas, and normal operation continues.

Applications are made of services, as well as other scalable resources, such as DeploymentConfigs. The action of idling an application involves idling all associated resources.

6.1. IDLING APPLICATIONS

Idling an application involves finding the scalable resources (deployment configurations, replication controllers, and others) associated with a service. Idling an application finds the service and marks it as idled, scaling down the resources to zero replicas.

You can use the **oc idle** command to idle a single service, or use the **--resource-names-file** option to idle multiple services.

6.1.1. Idling a single service

Procedure

1. To idle a single service, run:

\$ oc idle <service>

6.1.2. Idling multiple services

Idling multiple services is helpful if an application spans across a set of services within a project, or when idling multiple services in conjunction with a script in order to idle multiple applications in bulk within the same project.

Procedure

- 1. Create a file containing a list of the services, each on their own line.
- 2. Idle the services using the **--resource-names-file** option:

\$ oc idle --resource-names-file <filename>



NOTE

The **idle** command is limited to a single project. For idling applications across a cluster, run the **idle** command for each project individually.

6.2. UNIDLING APPLICATIONS

Application services become active again when they receive network traffic and are scaled back up their previous state. This includes both traffic to the services and traffic passing through routes.

Applications can also be manually unidled by scaling up the resources.

Procedure

1. To scale up a DeploymentConfig, run:

\$ oc scale --replicas=1 dc <dc_name>



NOTE

Automatic unidling by a router is currently only supported by the default HAProxy router.

CHAPTER 7. PRUNING OBJECTS TO RECLAIM RESOURCES

Over time, API objects created in OpenShift Container Platform can accumulate in the cluster's etcd data store through normal user operations, such as when building and deploying applications.

Cluster administrators can periodically prune older versions of objects from the cluster that are no longer required. For example, by pruning images you can delete older images and layers that are no longer in use, but are still taking up disk space.

7.1. BASIC PRUNING OPERATIONS

The CLI groups prune operations under a common parent command:

\$ oc adm prune <object_type> <options>

This specifies:

- The <object_type> to perform the action on, such as groups, builds, deployments, or images.
- The **<options>** supported to prune that object type.

7.2. PRUNING GROUPS

To prune groups records from an external provider, administrators can run the following command:

\$ oc adm prune groups \
 --sync-config=path/to/sync/config [<options>]

Table 7.1. Prune groups CLI configuration options

Options	Description
confirm	Indicate that pruning should occur, instead of performing a dry-run.
blacklist	Path to the group blacklist file.
whitelist	Path to the group whitelist file.
sync-config	Path to the synchronization configuration file.

To see the groups that the prune command deletes:

\$ oc adm prune groups --sync-file=Idap-sync-config.yaml

To perform the prune operation:

 $\$ oc adm prune groups --sync-file=ldap-sync-config.yaml --confirm

7.3. PRUNING DEPLOYMENTS

In order to prune deployments that are no longer required by the system due to age and status, administrators can run the following command:

\$ oc adm prune deployments [<options>]

Table 7.2. Prune deployments CLI configuration options

Option	Description
confirm	Indicate that pruning should occur, instead of performing a dry-run.
orphans	Prune all deployments that no longer have a DeploymentConfig, has status is Complete or Failed , and has a replica count of zero.
keep-complete= <n></n>	Per DeploymentConfig, keep the last $\bf N$ deployments that have a status of $\bf Complete$ and replica count of zero. (default $\bf 5$)
keep-failed= <n></n>	Per DeploymentConfig, keep the last $\bf N$ deployments that have a status of $\bf Failed$ and replica count of zero. (default $\bf 1$)
keep-younger-than= <duration></duration>	Do not prune any object that is younger than <duration></duration> relative to the current time. (default 60m) Valid units of measurement include nanoseconds (ns), microseconds (us), milliseconds (ms), seconds (s), minutes (m), and hours (h).

To see what a pruning operation would delete:

```
\ oc adm prune deployments --orphans --keep-complete=5 --keep-failed=1 \ --keep-younger-than=60m
```

To actually perform the prune operation:

```
\ oc adm prune deployments --orphans --keep-complete=5 --keep-failed=1 \ --keep-younger-than=60m --confirm
```

7.4. PRUNING BUILDS

In order to prune builds that are no longer required by the system due to age and status, administrators can run the following command:

\$ oc adm prune builds [<options>]

Table 7.3. Prune builds CLI configuration options

Option	Description
confirm	Indicate that pruning should occur, instead of performing a dry-run.

Option	Description
orphans	Prune all builds whose Build Configuration no longer exists, status is complete, failed, error, or canceled.
keep-complete= <n></n>	Per Build Configuration, keep the last ${\bf N}$ builds whose status is complete (default ${\bf 5}$).
keep-failed= <n></n>	Per Build Configuration, keep the last ${\bf N}$ builds whose status is failed, error, or canceled (default ${\bf 1}$).
keep-younger-than= <duration></duration>	Do not prune any object that is younger than <duration></duration> relative to the current time (default 60m).

To see what a pruning operation would delete:

```
$ oc adm prune builds --orphans --keep-complete=5 --keep-failed=1 \ --keep-younger-than=60m
```

To actually perform the prune operation:

```
$ oc adm prune builds --orphans --keep-complete=5 --keep-failed=1 \ --keep-younger-than=60m --confirm
```



NOTE

Developers can enable automatic build pruning by modifying their Build Configuration.

Additional resources

Performing advanced builds → Pruning builds

7.5. PRUNING IMAGES

In order to prune images that are no longer required by the system due to age, status, or exceed limits, administrators can run the following command:

\$ oc adm prune images [<options>]

Currently, to prune images you must first log in to the CLI as a user with an access token. The user must also have the cluster role **system:image-pruner** or greater (for example, **cluster-admin**).

Pruning images removes data from the integrated registry unless **--prune-registry=false** is used. For this operation to work properly, the registry must be configured with **storage:delete:enabled** set to **true**.

Pruning images with the **--namespace** flag does not remove images, only image streams. Images are non-namespaced resources. Therefore, limiting pruning to a particular namespace makes it impossible to calculate their current usage.

By default, the integrated registry caches blobs metadata to reduce the number of requests to storage,

and increase the speed of processing the request. Pruning does not update the integrated registry cache. Images pushed after pruning that contain pruned layers will be broken, because the pruned layers that have metadata in the cache will not be pushed. Therefore, it is necessary to clear the cache after pruning. This can be accomplished by redeploying the registry:

\$ oc rollout latest dc/docker-registry

If the integrated registry uses a Redis cache, you must clean the database manually.

If redeploying the registry after pruning is not an option, then you must permanently disable the cache.

oc adm prune images operations require a route for your registry. Registry routes are not created by default. See Image Registry Operator in OpenShift Container Platform for information on how to create a registry route and see Exposing the registry for details on how to expose the registry service.

Table 7.4. Prune images CLI configuration options

Option	Description
all	Include images that were not pushed to the registry, but have been mirrored by pullthrough. This is on by default. To limit the pruning to images that were pushed to the integrated registry, passall=false.
certificate-authority	The path to a certificate authority file to use when communicating with the OpenShift Container Platform-managed registries. Defaults to the certificate authority data from the current user's configuration file. If provided, a secure connection is initiated.
confirm	Indicate that pruning should occur, instead of performing a dry-run. This requires a valid route to the integrated container image registry. If this command is run outside of the cluster network, the route must be provided using registry-url .
force-insecure	Use caution with this option. Allow an insecure connection to the container registry that is hosted via HTTP or has an invalid HTTPS certificate.
keep-tag-revisions= <n></n>	For each imagestream, keep up to at most ${\bf N}$ image revisions per tag (default ${\bf 3}$).
keep-younger-than= <duration></duration>	Do not prune any image that is younger than <duration></duration> relative to the current time. Do not prune any image that is referenced by any other object that is younger than <duration></duration> relative to the current time (default 60m).
prune-over-size-limit	Prune each image that exceeds the smallest limit defined in the same project. This flag cannot be combined with keep-tag-revisions nor keep-younger-than .

Option	Description
registry-url	The address to use when contacting the registry. The command attempts to use a cluster-internal URL determined from managed images and imagestreams. In case it fails (the registry cannot be resolved or reached), an alternative route that works needs to be provided using this flag. The registry host name can be prefixed by https:// or https:// or https:// which enforces particular connection protocol.
prune-registry	In conjunction with the conditions stipulated by the other options, this option controls whether the data in the registry corresponding to the OpenShift Container Platform image API object is pruned. By default, image pruning processes both the image API objects and corresponding data in the registry. This options is useful when you are only concerned with removing etcd content, possibly to reduce the number of image objects (but are not concerned with cleaning up registry storage) or intend to do that separately by hard pruning the registry, possibly during an appropriate maintenance window for the registry.

7.5.1. Image prune conditions

- Remove any image "managed by OpenShift Container Platform" (images with the annotation openshift.io/image.managed) that was created at least --keep-younger-than minutes ago and is not currently referenced by:
 - any Pod created less than **--keep-younger-than** minutes ago.
 - any imagestream created less than **--keep-younger-than** minutes ago.
 - o any running Pods.
 - any pending Pods.
 - any ReplicationControllers.
 - any DeploymentConfigs.
 - any Build Configurations.
 - o any Builds.
 - the --keep-tag-revisions most recent items in stream.status.tags[].items.
- Remove any image "managed by OpenShift Container Platform" (images with the annotation openshift.io/image.managed) that is exceeding the smallest limit defined in the same project and is not currently referenced by:
 - o any running Pods.
 - any pending Pods.
 - any ReplicationControllers.
 - any DeploymentConfigs.

- any Build Configurations.
- o any Builds.
- There is no support for pruning from external registries.
- When an image is pruned, all references to the image are removed from all imagestreams that have a reference to the image in **status.tags**.
- Image layers that are no longer referenced by any images are removed.



NOTE

The **--prune-over-size-limit** flag cannot be combined with **--keep-tag-revisions** nor **--keep-younger-than** flags. Doing so returns information that this operation is not allowed.

Separating the removal of OpenShift Container Platform image API objects and image data from the Registry by using **--prune-registry=false** followed by hard pruning the registry narrows some timing windows and is safer when compared to trying to prune both through one command. However, timing windows are not completely removed.

For example, you can still create a Pod referencing an image as pruning identifies that image for pruning. You should still keep track of an API Object created during the pruning operations that might reference images, so you can mitigate any references to deleted content.

Also, keep in mind that re-doing the pruning without the **--prune-registry** option or with **--prune-registry=true** does not lead to pruning the associated storage in the image registry for images previously pruned by **--prune-registry=false**. Any images that were pruned with **--prune-registry=false** can only be deleted from registry storage by hard pruning the registry.

7.5.2. Running the image prune operation

Procedure

- 1. To see what a pruning operation would delete:
 - a. Keeping up to three tag revisions, and keeping resources (images, image streams and Pods) younger than sixty minutes:
 - \$ oc adm prune images --keep-tag-revisions=3 --keep-younger-than=60m
 - b. Pruning every image that exceeds defined limits:
 - \$ oc adm prune images --prune-over-size-limit
- 2. To actually perform the prune operation with the options from the previous step:
 - \$ oc adm prune images --keep-tag-revisions=3 --keep-younger-than=60m --confirm
 - \$ oc adm prune images --prune-over-size-limit --confirm

7.5.3. Using secure or insecure connections

The secure connection is the preferred and recommended approach. It is done over HTTPS protocol with a mandatory certificate verification. The **prune** command always attempts to use it if possible. If it is not possible, in some cases it can fall-back to insecure connection, which is dangerous. In this case, either certificate verification is skipped or plain HTTP protocol is used.

The fall-back to insecure connection is allowed in the following cases unless **--certificate-authority** is specified:

- 1. The **prune** command is run with the **--force-insecure** option.
- 2. The provided **registry-url** is prefixed with the **http:**// scheme.
- 3. The provided **registry-url** is a local-link address or **localhost**.
- 4. The configuration of the current user allows for an insecure connection. This can be caused by the user either logging in using **--insecure-skip-tls-verify** or choosing the insecure connection when prompted.



IMPORTANT

If the registry is secured by a certificate authority different from the one used by OpenShift Container Platform, it must be specified using the **--certificate-authority** flag. Otherwise, the **prune** command fails with an error.

7.5.4. Image pruning problems

Images not being pruned

If your images keep accumulating and the **prune** command removes just a small portion of what you expect, ensure that you understand the image prune conditions that must apply for an image to be considered a candidate for pruning.

Ensure that images you want removed occur at higher positions in each tag history than your chosen tag revisions threshold. For example, consider an old and obsolete image named **sha:abz**. By running the following command in namespace **N**, where the image is tagged, the image is tagged three times in a single imagestream named **myapp**:

When default options are used, the image is never pruned because it occurs at position **0** in a history of **myapp:v2.1-may-2016** tag. For an image to be considered for pruning, the administrator must either:

Specify --keep-tag-revisions=0 with the oc adm prune images command.

CAUTION

This action effectively removes all the tags from all the namespaces with underlying images, unless they are younger or they are referenced by objects younger than the specified threshold.

- Delete all the **istags** where the position is below the revision threshold, which means **myapp:v2.1** and **myapp:v2.1-may-2016**.
- Move the image further in the history, either by running new Builds pushing to the same **istag**, or by tagging other image. Unfortunately, this is not always desirable for old release tags.

Tags having a date or time of a particular image's Build in their names should be avoided, unless the image must be preserved for an undefined amount of time. Such tags tend to have just one image in its history, which effectively prevents them from ever being pruned.

Using a secure connection against insecure registry

If you see a message similar to the following in the output of the **oadm prune images** command, then your registry is not secured and the **oadm prune images** client attempts to use a secure connection:

error: error communicating with registry: Get https://172.30.30.30:5000/healthz: http://server.gave HTTP response to HTTPS client

1. The recommend solution is to secure the registry. Otherwise, you can force the client to use an insecure connection by appending **--force-insecure** to the command, however this is not recommended.

Using an insecure connection against a secured registry

If you see one of the following errors in the output of the **oadm prune images** command, it means that your registry is secured using a certificate signed by a certificate authority other than the one used by **oadm prune images** client for connection verification:

error: error communicating with registry: Get http://172.30.30.30:5000/healthz: malformed HTTP response " $\x15\x03\x01\x00\x02\x02$ "

error: error communicating with registry: [Get https://172.30.30.30:5000/healthz: x509: certificate signed by unknown authority, Get http://172.30.30.30:5000/healthz: malformed HTTP response " $x15\x03\x01\x00\x02\x02$ "]

By default, the certificate authority data stored in the user's configuration file are used; the same is true for communication with the master API.

Use the **--certificate-authority** option to provide the right certificate authority for the container image registry server.

Using the wrong certificate authority

The following error means that the certificate authority used to sign the certificate of the secured container image registry is different than the authority used by the client:

error: error communicating with registry: Get https://172.30.30.30:5000/: x509: certificate signed by unknown authority

Make sure to provide the right one with the flag --certificate-authority.

As a workaround, the --force-insecure flag can be added instead. However, this is not recommended.

Additional resources

- Accessing the registry
- Exposing the registry

7.6. HARD PRUNING THE REGISTRY

The OpenShift Container Registry can accumulate blobs that are not referenced by the OpenShift Container Platform cluster's etcd. The basic pruning images procedure, therefore, is unable to operate on them. These are called *orphaned blobs*.

Orphaned blobs can occur from the following scenarios:

- Manually deleting an image with oc delete image <sha256:image-id> command, which only removes the image from etcd, but not from the registry's storage.
- Pushing to the registry initiated by **docker** daemon failures, which causes some blobs to get uploaded, but the image manifest (which is uploaded as the very last component) does not. All unique image blobs become orphans.
- OpenShift Container Platform refusing an image because of quota restrictions.
- The standard image pruner deleting an image manifest, but is interrupted before it deletes the related blobs.
- A bug in the registry pruner, which fails to remove the intended blobs, causing the image objects referencing them to be removed and the blobs becoming orphans.

Hard pruning the registry, a separate procedure from basic image pruning, allows cluster administrators to remove orphaned blobs. You should hard prune if you are running out of storage space in your OpenShift Container Registry and believe you have orphaned blobs.

This should be an infrequent operation and is necessary only when you have evidence that significant numbers of new orphans have been created. Otherwise, you can perform standard image pruning at regular intervals, for example, once a day (depending on the number of images being created).

Procedure

To hard prune orphaned blobs from the registry:

1. Log in.

Log in to the cluster with the CLI as a user with an access token.

2. Run a basic image prune

Basic image pruning removes additional images that are no longer needed. The hard prune does not remove images on its own. It only removes blobs stored in the registry storage. Therefore, you should run this just before the hard prune.

3. Switch the registry to read-only mode.

If the registry is not running in read-only mode, any pushes happening at the same time as the prune will either:

- fail and cause new orphans, or
- succeed although the images cannot be pulled (because some of the referenced blobs were deleted).

Pushes will not succeed until the registry is switched back to read-write mode. Therefore, the hard prune must be carefully scheduled.

To switch the registry to read-only mode:

a. Set the following environment variable:

```
$ oc set env -n default \
  dc/docker-registry \
  'REGISTRY_STORAGE_MAINTENANCE_READONLY={"enabled":true}'
```

b. By default, the registry automatically redeploys when the previous step completes; wait for the redeployment to complete before continuing. However, if you have disabled these triggers, you must manually redeploy the registry so that the new environment variables are picked up:

```
$ oc rollout -n default \
latest dc/docker-registry
```

4. Add the system:image-pruner role.

The service account used to run the registry instances requires additional permissions in order to list some resources.

a. Get the service account name:

```
$ service_account=$(oc get -n default \
   -o jsonpath=$'system:serviceaccount:{.metadata.namespace}:
{.spec.template.spec.serviceAccountName}\n' \
   dc/docker-registry)
```

b. Add the **system:image-pruner** cluster role to the service account:

```
$ oc adm policy add-cluster-role-to-user \
    system:image-pruner \
    ${service_account}
```

5. (Optional) Run the pruner in dry-run mode.

To see how many blobs would be removed, run the hard pruner in dry-run mode. No changes are actually made:

```
$ oc -n default \
  exec -i -t "$(oc -n default get pods -l deploymentconfig=docker-registry \
  -o jsonpath=$'{.items[0].metadata.name}\n')" \
  -- /usr/bin/dockerregistry -prune=check
```

Alternatively, to get the exact paths for the prune candidates, increase the logging level:

```
$ oc -n default \
  exec "$(oc -n default get pods -l deploymentconfig=docker-registry \
  -o jsonpath=$'{.items[0].metadata.name}\n')" \
  -- /bin/sh \
  -c 'REGISTRY LOG LEVEL=info /usr/bin/dockerregistry -prune=check'
```

Truncated sample output

```
$ oc exec docker-registry-3-vhndw \
-- /bin/sh -c 'REGISTRY_LOG_LEVEL=info /usr/bin/dockerregistry -prune=check'
```

time="2017-06-22T11:50:25.066156047Z" level=info msg="start prune (dry-run mode)" distribution_version="v2.4.1+unknown" kubernetes_version=v1.6.1+\$Format:%h\$ openshift version=unknown time="2017-06-22T11:50:25.092257421Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:00043a2a5e384f6b59ab17e2c3d3a3d0a7de01b2cabeb606243e468acc663fa5" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 time="2017-06-22T11:50:25.092395621Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:0022d49612807cb348cabc562c072ef34d756adfe0100a61952cbcb87ee6578a" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 time="2017-06-22T11:50:25.092492183Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:0029dd4228961086707e53b881e25eba0564fa80033fbbb2e27847a28d16a37c" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 time="2017-06-22T11:50:26.673946639Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:ff7664dfc213d6cc60fd5c5f5bb00a7bf4a687e18e1df12d349a1d07b2cf7663" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 time="2017-06-22T11:50:26.674024531Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:ff7a933178ccd931f4b5f40f9f19a65be5eeec207e4fad2a5bafd28afbef57e" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 time="2017-06-22T11:50:26.674675469Z" level=info msg="Would delete blob: sha256:ff9b8956794b426cc80bb49a604a0b24a1553aae96b930c6919a6675db3d5e06" go.version=go1.7.5 instance.id=b097121c-a864-4e0c-ad6c-cc25f8fdf5a6 Would delete 13374 blobs Would free up 2.835 GiB of disk space Use -prune=delete to actually delete the data

6. Run the hard prune.

Execute the following command inside one running instance of a **docker-registry** pod to run the hard prune:

```
$ oc -n default \
   exec -i -t "$(oc -n default get pods -l deploymentconfig=docker-registry -o
jsonpath=$'{.items[0].metadata.name}\n')" \
   -- /usr/bin/dockerregistry -prune=delete
```

Sample output

\$ oc exec docker-registry-3-vhndw \
-- /usr/bin/dockerregistry -prune=delete

Deleted 13374 blobs Freed up 2.835 GiB of disk space

7. Switch the registry back to read-write mode.

After the prune is finished, the registry can be switched back to read-write mode by executing:

\$ oc set env -n default dc/docker-registry REGISTRY_STORAGE_MAINTENANCE_READONLY-

7.7. PRUNING CRON JOBS

Cron jobs can perform pruning of successful jobs, but might not properly handle failed jobs. Therefore, the cluster administrator should perform regular cleanup of jobs manually. They should also restrict the

access to cron jobs to a small group of trusted users and set appropriate quota to prevent the cron job from creating too many jobs and pods.

Additional resources

- Running tasks in pods using jobs
- Resource quotas across multiple projects
- Using RBAC to define and apply permissions