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Executive Summary

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Cisco Validated Designs (CVDs) deliver systems and solutions that are designed, tested, and documented to facilitate and improve customer deployments. These designs incorporate a wide range of technologies and products into a portfolio of solutions that have been developed to address the business needs of the customers and to guide them from design to deployment.

Customers looking to deploy applications using a shared datacenter infrastructure face several challenges. A recurring infrastructure challenge is to achieve the required levels of IT agility and efficiency that can effectively meet the company's business objectives. Addressing these challenges requires having an optimal solution with the following key characteristics:

- Availability: Help ensure applications and services availability at all times with no single point of failure
- Flexibility: Ability to support new services without requiring underlying infrastructure modifications
- Efficiency: Facilitate efficient operation of the infrastructure through re-usable policies
- Manageability: Ease of deployment and ongoing management to minimize operating costs
- Scalability: Ability to expand and grow with significant investment protection
- Compatibility: Minimize risk by ensuring compatibility of integrated components

Cisco and NetApp have partnered to deliver a series of FlexPod solutions that enable strategic datacenter platforms with the above characteristics. FlexPod solution delivers an integrated architecture that incorporates compute, storage, and network design best practices thereby minimizing IT risks by validating the integrated architecture to ensure compatibility between various components. The solution also addresses IT pain points by providing documented design guidance, deployment guidance and support that can be used in various stages (planning, designing and implementation) of a deployment.

Red Hat[®] OpenShift[®] is an enterprise ready Kubernetes container platform to manage hybrid cloud and multicloud deployments. Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform includes everything needed for hybrid cloud, enterprise container and Kubernetes development and deployments. It includes an enterprise-grade Linux operating system, container runtime, networking, monitoring, container registry, authentication, and authorization solutions.

Combining Red Hat OpenShift with FlexPod Datacenter solution can simplify the deployment and the management of the container infrastructure. Customers can benefit from improved efficiency, better data protection, lower risk, and the flexibility to scale this highly available enterprise-grade infrastructure stack to accommodate new business requirements. The pre-validated converged solution approach helps organizations achieve the speed, flexibility, and scale required for all of their application modernization and digital transformation initiatives.

Solution Overview

Introduction

The FlexPod Datacenter solution is a pre-designed, integrated, and validated architecture for data center that combines Cisco UCS servers, Cisco Nexus family of switches, Cisco MDS fabric switches and NetApp ONTAP storage arrays into a single, flexible architecture. FlexPod solutions are designed for high availability, with no single points of failure, while maintaining cost-effectiveness and flexibility in the design to support a wide variety of workloads. FlexPod design can support different hypervisor options, bare metal servers, and can also be sized and optimized based on customer workload requirements.

To help customers, business partners, and other deployment teams with their digital transformation and to enhance their cloud-native and application modernization practices, this document provides a reference architecture that includes design guidance, best practices, and other recommendations for deploying Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) 4 on FlexPod DC architecture.

This document is a detailed walk through of the solution build out for deploying OCP 4 on FlexPod DC and provides step by step deployment instructions for various components.

Audience

The intended audience of this document includes but is not limited to data scientists, IT architects, sales engineers, field consultants, professional services, IT managers, partner engineering, and customers who want to take advantage of an infrastructure built to deliver IT efficiency and enable IT innovation.

What's New in this Release?

The following design elements distinguish this version of FlexPod from previous models:

- Deploying Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform (OCP) 4.4 on FlexPod Datacenter infrastructure running vSphere 6.7 Update 3.
- Showcase NetApp storage integration with the underlying container orchestration using NetApp Trident to provision and manage persistent volumes for the containerized applications.

Solution Design

Architecture

FlexPod Datacenter for OCP comprises of the following core hardware components:

- Cisco UCS Manager on Cisco 4th generation 6454 Fabric Interconnects to support 10GbE, 25GbE and 100GbE connectivity from various components.
- Cisco UCS 5108 Chassis with Cisco UCS B200 M5 blade servers and Cisco UCS C220 M5 rack servers to support VMware vSphere environment where Red Hat OCP is deployed.
- High-Speed Cisco NxOS based Nexus 9336C-FX2 switching design to support up to 100GbE connectivity.
- NetApp AFF A800 NVMe storage with 100GbE connectivity to Cisco Nexus switching fabric.

The FlexPod Datacenter solution for OCP closely aligns with latest NxOS based FlexPod CVD: <u>FlexPod Datacenter</u> with NetApp ONTAP 9.7, Cisco Intersight, and VMware vSphere 6.7 U3 Design Guide and meets the following general design requirements:

- 1. Resilient design across all layers of the infrastructure with no single point of failure.
- 2. Scalable design with the flexibility to add compute capacity, storage, or network bandwidth as needed.
- 3. Modular design that can be replicated to expand and grow as the needs of the business grow.
- 4. Flexible design that can support components beyond what is validated and documented in this guide.
- 5. Simplified design with ability to automate and integrate with external automation and orchestration tools.

For Red Hat OCP 4 integration into a traditional FlexPod Datacenter solution, the following specific design considerations are also observed:

- 1. High Availability of master nodes with a minimum of 3 master node VMs deployed.
- 2. A minimum of 4 worker node VMs with ability to increase the nodes as the load requirements increase.
- 3. Automating the OCP installation by utilizing Terraform scripts provided by Red Hat to simplify the installation and reduce the deployment time.
- 4. Present persistent storage (volumes) to the containerized applications by utilizing the NetApp Trident storage orchestrator.

Physical Topology

The physical topology for FlexPod Datacenter for OCP 4 deployment is shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1 FlexPod for OpenShift Container Platform - Physical Topology

To validate the design, an environment with the following components was setup:

- Cisco UCS 6454 Fabric Interconnects (FI) to support Cisco UCS 5108 chassis and Cisco UCS C220 M5 servers.
- Cisco UCS 5108 chassis connected to FIs using 2208XP IOMs.
- Cisco Nexus 9336C running in NxOS mode provides the switching fabric.
- Cisco UCS 6454 FI's 100GbE uplink ports were connected to Nexus 9336C as port-channels.
- NetApp AFF A800 controllers connected to Nexus 9336C switch using 100GbE port-channels.
- VMware 6.7 Update 3 ESXi software installed on Cisco UCS B200 M5 and C220 M5* servers.

* The solution was validated using both Cisco UCS B200 M5 and Cisco C220 M5 servers to show the versatility of the Cisco UCS platform. Customers can choose to deploy OCP on just the Cisco UCS B-Series or Cisco UCS C-Series servers depending on their requirements.

Base Infrastructure

The reference architecture described in this document leverages the components explained in <u>FlexPod</u>. <u>Datacenter with NetApp ONTAP 9.7</u>, <u>Cisco Intersight</u>, and <u>VMware vSphere 6.7 U3 Design Guide</u>. The FlexPod Datacenter for OCP extends the virtual infrastructure architecture by deploying RedHat OpenShift Container Platform Virtual Machines (VM) over the VMware vSphere infrastructure as shown in Figure 2:



Figure 2 OpenShift Container Platform on a FlexPod Datacenter

This deployment guide explains the OCP setup and relevant storage configuration.

This deployment guide explains the OCP setup including the infrastructure prerequisites and appropriate storage configuration. However, the base virtual machine infrastructure configuration and setup is beyond the scope of this document. Customers are encouraged to refer to the <u>FlexPod</u> <u>Datacenter with NetApp ONTAP 9.7. Cisco Intersight, and VMware vSphere 6.7 U3</u> the for step-by-step configuration procedures.

Hardware and Software Revisions

Table 1 lists the software versions for hardware and software components used in this solution. Each version used has been certified within interoperability matrixes supported by Cisco, NetApp, and VMware. For more information about supported versions, consult the following sources:

- <u>Cisco UCS Hardware and Software Interoperability Tool</u>
- NetApp Interoperability Matrix
- <u>VMware Compatibility Guide</u>

Table 1Hardware and Software Revisions

Component		Software
Network	Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2	7.0(3)17(6)
Compute	Cisco UCS Fabric Interconnect 6454	4.0(4g)
	Cisco UCS B-Series and C-Series M5 Servers	4.0(4g)
	VMware ESXi	6.7 U3
	ESXi ENIC Driver	1.0.29.0

Component		Software
	VMware vCenter Appliance	6.7 U3
Storage	NetApp ONTAP	9.7
	NetApp NFS Plugin for VMware VAAI	1.1.2-3
	NetApp Virtual Storage Console	9.7
	NetApp Trident	20.04
Software	OpenShift Container Platform	4.4.12
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS	4.4.3

Required VLANs

Table 2 list various VLANs configured for setting up the FlexPod environment including their specific usage.

VLAN ID	Name	Usage
2	Native-VLAN	Use VLAN 2 as Native VLAN instead of default VLAN (1)
20	OOB-MGMT-VLAN	Out of Band Management VLAN to connect the management ports for various devices
120	IB-MGMT-VLAN	In Band Management VLAN utilized for all the OCP components. This VLAN is also used for accessing NetApp SVMs for NFS volumes
3100	vMotion	VMware vMotion traffic
3111 (Fabric A only)	iSCSI-A	iSCSI-A path for supporting boot-from-san for both Cisco UCS B- Series and Cisco UCS C-Series servers
3121 (Fabric B only)	iSCSI-B	iSCSI-B path for supporting boot-from-san for both Cisco UCS B- Series and Cisco UCS C-Series servers
3151	NFS-VLAN	NFS VLAN for mounting ESXi datastores to host VMs

Table 2 VLAN Usage

Some of the key highlights of VLAN usage are as follows:

- VLAN 20 allows customers to manage and access out of band management interfaces of various devices.
- VLAN 120 is used for all the OCP infrastructure (DNS, DHCP, and so on) as well as OCP cluster VMs. This VLAN is also utilized for providing access to the dedicated NetApp Storage Virtual Machine (OCP–SVM) used by NetApp Trident for configuring persistent volumes.
- VLAN 3151 provides ESXi hosts access to the NFS datastores hosted on the NetApp Controllers for deploying VMs.
- A pair of iSCSI VLANs (3111 and 3121) are configured to provide access to boot LUNs for ESXi hosts. These VLANs are defined on individual Fabric Interconnects.

Physical Infrastructure

FlexPod Cabling

The information in this section is provided as a reference for cabling the physical equipment in a FlexPod environment. Customers can adjust the ports according to their individual setup. This document assumes that out-of-band management ports are plugged into an existing management infrastructure at the deployment sites. The interfaces shown in Figure 3 will be used in various configuration steps. Additional 1Gb management connections will be needed for an out-of-band network switch that sits apart from the FlexPod infrastructure. Each Cisco UCS fabric interconnect, Cisco Nexus switch and NetApp AFF controller is connected to the out-of-band network switch. Layer 3 network connectivity is required between the Out-of-Band (OOB) and In-Band (IB) Management Subnets.





VMware Infrastructure Design

In FlexPod Datacenter deployments, each Cisco UCS server (B-Series or C-Series), equipped with a Cisco Virtual Interface Card (VIC), is configured for multiple virtual interfaces (vNICs) which appear as standards-compliant PCle endpoints to the OS. The service profile configuration for an ESXi host is shown in Figure 4.



Figure 4 ESXi Service Profile

Each ESXi service profile supports:

- Managing the ESXi hosts using a common management segment
- Diskless SAN boot using iSCSI with persistent operating system installation for true stateless computing
- Six vNICs where:
 - 2 redundant vNICs (vSwitch0-A and vSwitch0-B) carry out-of-band management, in-band management, and ESXi host NFS datastore VLANs. The MTU value for this interface is set as a Jumbo MTU (9000).
 - 2 redundant vNICs (VDS-A and VDS-B) are used by the vSphere Distributed switch and carry VMware vMotion traffic and customer application data traffic. The MTU for these interfaces is set to Jumbo MTU (9000).
 - 1 iSCSI-A vNIC utilizes iSCSI-A VLAN (defined only on Fabric A) to provide access to iSCSI-A path. The MTU value for this interface is set as a Jumbo MTU (9000).
 - 1 iSCSI-B vNIC utilizes iSCSI-B VLAN (defined only on Fabric B) to provide access to iSCSI-B path. The MTU value for this interface is set as a Jumbo MTU (9000).
- Each ESXi host (blade) accesses NFS datastores hosted on NetApp A800 controllers to be used for deploying virtual machines.
- Each ESXi host provides access to the OCP image registry NFS volume using the in-band management network.
- Each ESXi host also provides access to a dedicated NetApp SVM utilized by NetApp Trident using in-band management VLAN.

Storage Design

To provide the necessary data segregation and management, two separate SVMs are configured for this design. These SVMs are as follows:

- Infra-SVM
 - This SVM hosts:
 - ESXi boot LUNs
 - NFS datastores for vSphere environment
 - NFS volume for OCP image registry

The volumes, VLANs, and Interface (LIFs) details are shown in Figure 5. The Infra-SVM setup is captured in the <u>FlexPod Datacenter with NetApp ONTAP 9.7. Cisco Intersight, and VMware vSphere 6.7 U3</u>. The setup for OCP Image Registry volume is covered in this deployment guide.



Figure 5 NetApp A800 - Infra-SVM

• OCP-SVM

This SVM is used by NetApp Trident to deploy persistent volumes for the container applications.

The persistent volumes are dynamically created by NetApp Trident as needed for the containers. The VLAN and Interface (LIF) details are shown in Figure 6. A single LIF is created in this instance to access the persistent storage volumes. Failover is enabled for this LIF to protect against controller failures.

Figure 6 NetApp A800 OCP-SVM

Storage Controller-1	Storage Controller-2
ocp_svm_nfs VLAN 120 10.1.169.249	
NFS Mount Point volume: <created by="" trident=""></created>	

OpenShift Container Platform Design

OCP 4.4 is deployed on the VMware infrastructure as a set of VMs. Three master nodes and four worker nodes are deployed in the validation environment and additional worker nodes can easily be added to increase the scalability of the solution. Figure 7 shows various VMs used for deploying and managing a Red Hat OCP cluster: The specific role and sizing guidelines for these VMs is explained in the next section.

OpenShift Container Platform Deployment

The FlexPod Datacenter for OCP was built on a 4-node ESXi Cluster using two Cisco UCS B200 M5 and two Cisco UCS C220 M5 servers. A high-level overview of the VMs and their connectivity is covered in Figure 7:



For detailed installation instruction, refer to:: <u>https://docs.openshift.com/container-</u>

<u>platform/4.4/welcome/index.html</u>. Choose the correct version of the documentation by selecting the appropriate version of OCP being deployed from the drop-down list:

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OpenShift Container Platform - Networking Configuration

OpenShift Container Platform Management Connectivity

Master nodes and Worker nodes have management connectivity using the in-band management VLAN (120) as shown in Figure 7. This VLAN is defined on vSwitch0 of all the ESXi hosts and customer routing and switching network provides network access to the Internet for downloading various packages during OCP installation. In the lab validation, the in-band management network was utilized to deploy all the VMs and associated services including access to storage. Customers can also choose to deploy the OCP VMs using an application data VLAN on the ESXi Virtual Distributed Switch (VDS).

All the Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) machines require network access during initial boot to fetch lgnition config files from the Machine Config Server. During the initial boot, the machines require either a DHCP server or that static IP addresses be set in order to establish a network connection to download their Ignition config files.

While installing all the prerequisites needed to deploy the OpenShift Container Platform configuration, all the nodes in this deployment require Internet access to complete the following actions:

- Download the installation program
- Obtain the packages required to install and update the cluster
- Perform subscription management

The in-band management subnet is configured for Internet access and a DHCP server is deployed to provide IP addresses to the OCP VMs. A DNS server with appropriate DNS records is also deployed in the same subnet. Details of DHCP and DNS servers is provided in the upcoming sections.

OpenShift Container Platform Storage Connectivity

The OpenShift Container Platform virtual machines require access to the NetApp storage system for the following two types of storage configurations:

- An NFS volume to host Image Registry in the Infra-SVM.
- Management and data (NFS) access to a dedicated SVM (OCP-SVM) for NetApp Trident. NetApp Trident accesses the NetApp A800 controller and provisions the persistent volumes in the OCP-SVM as needed for various applications.

As shown in Figure 7, this connectivity is achieved by defining data and management LIFs in the in-band management subnet over VLAN 120. All the VMs and Trident then have direct access to NFS mount points and NetApp Trident can access the A800 Management interface for persistent volume configurations.

OpenShift Container Platform – Installation Requirements

The FlexPod Datacenter for OCP utilizes *user-provisioned infrastructure* (UPI) cluster configuration for OCP installation therefore when provisioning and managing the FlexPod DC infrastructure, you must provide all of the supporting cluster infrastructure and resources, including the bootstrap machine, networking, load balancing, storage, and individual cluster machines.

The following supporting cluster resources are required for the UPI installation:

• The control plane and compute machines that make up the cluster

- Load balancer(s)
- Cluster networking, including the DNS records and required subnets
- Storage for the cluster infrastructure and applications

For the user-provisioned infrastructure, RHEL based worker virtual machines can also be deployed however for this validation, RHCOS was used for both the control and worker VMs.

Infrastructure Virtual Machines

The following infrastructure service VMs were deployed to support the OCP cluster:

- 1 DNS server (RHEL 7.6)
- 1 HA Proxy Load Balancer (RHEL 7.6)
- 1 Web/HTTP Server (RHEL 7.6)
- 1 DHCP Server (RHEL 7.6)
- 1 Management VM (RHEL 7.6) to setup and manage OCP environment.

The deployment details for these VMs are listed in Table 3.

Machine	OS	VCPU	RAM (GB)	Storage (GB)	Comment
DNS	RHEL 7.6*	2	8	100	DNS servers for the lab validation
DHCP	RHEL 7.6*	2	4	100	DHCP server for the lab validation
HTTP	RHEL 7.6*	2	4	100	Apache Server on RHEL
MGMT	RHEL 7.6*	2	8	100	This node is used to deploy and manage OCP. Various packages including terraform are installed
HA Proxy	RHEL 7.6*	2	16	100	Single Load Balancer instance for the lab validation

Table 3 Infrastructure services VM Details

The virtual machines sizes listed above are for lab deployment only. Customers should size their VMs according to their individual requirements.

* While RHEL 7.6 was utilized during this validation, customers can use the latest RHEL versions for their specific deployments. Most of these services should already be deployed in the customer environments.

OpenShift Container Platform Virtual Machines

The following OCP Virtual Machines were set up by the terraform scripts for the cluster deployment:

- 1 Bootstrap VM (Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS RHCOS)
- 3 Control Plane VMs (RHCOS)

• 4 Compute Node VMs (RHCOS)

The bootstrap virtual machines can be safely deleted once the OCP cluster is installed. These virtual machines are deployed using a VMware OVA therefore the resources required are automatically set by the OVA and the OCP installer. Table 4 lists the number of virtual machines and their specifications as deployed in this validation.

Machine	Number of Nodes	OS	VCPU	RAM (GB)	Storage (GB)	Comment
Bootstrap	1	RHCOS	4	16	60	Bootstrap node
Control plane	3	RHCOS	4	16	60	Control plane/Master nodes
Compute	4	RHCOS	4	8	60	Compute/Worker nodes

Table 4 OCP VM Details

Virtual Machine Hostnames and IP addresses

Table 5 shows the hostnames and IP addresses of all the virtual machines used in this deployment guide. These hostnames and IP addresses will be used throughout this document. Customers should plan all the hostnames and IP addresses before initiating the installation process.

Hostname	IP address	Description	
ocp-mgmt	10.1.169.5	Management host used for setting up OCP	
ocp-dns	10.1.162.10	DNS server	
ocp-dhcp	10.1.162.253	DHCP Server	
ocp-http	10.1.162.9	Web server to host config file(s)	
loadbalancer	10.1.162.100	Load-Balancer (HA-Proxy)	
control-plane-0	10.1.169.11	Master Node	
control-plane-1	10.1.169.12	Master Node	
control-plane-2	10.1.169.13	Master Node	
compute-0	10.1.169.21	Compute Node	
compute-1	10.1.169.22	Compute Node	
compute-2	10.1.169.23	Compute Node	
compute-3	10.1.169.24	Compute Node	

Table 5 Virtual Machine Information

OpenShift Container Platform – Infrastructure Setup

This section describes the setting up the user provisioned infrastructure services for deploying RedHat OCP. The following steps need to be completed for setting up the infrastructure:

1. Configure DNS

- 2. Configure DHCP
- 3. Configure Web Server
- 4. Configure Load Balancer
- 5. Prepare the management host by installing Terraform and other software dependencies

All the infrastructure nodes are configured as virtual machines on the FlexPod Infrastructure. The ocp-mgmt virtual machine is the management host used to run the openshift-installer program and to host the terraform platform for automating the installation.

OpenShift Container Platform requires a fully functional DNS server in the environment. A set of records must be configured in the DNS to provide name resolution for hosts and containers running on the platform.

The required bootstrap Ignition configuration files and the raw installation images were hosted on a locally configured web server (ocp-http) used as the Machine Config Server.

The following domain and OCP cluster names are used in this deployment guide:

- Base Domain: ocp.local
- OCP Cluster Name: rtp

Deploy Infrastructure Virtual Machines in VMware

Log into the VMware vCenter and deploy 5 infrastructure virtual machines as shown in Table 3. Make sure all the virtual machines are added to the in-band network. Install the RHEL 7.6 operating system on all the VMs and assign them an IP address and hostname. The host names and IP addresses for these VMs can be obtained from Table 5.

Install and Configure the DNS Server

In this deployment, a RHEL 7.6 based virtual machine was used to setup and configure a DNS server. To install and configure the DNS server, follow these steps:

1. Log into the DNS Linux VM as root and make sure subscription manager is up to date:

[root@OCP-DNS	~]#	subscription-manager	attach	-auto
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2. Install bind and bind-utils:

[root@OCP-DNS ~] # yum install bind bind-utils

3. Update the /etc/named.conf as well as the forward and reverse zone configuration files in /var/named. The DNS needs to be updated with the following values:

Table 6 DNS Values

Name	Record	Destination	Notes
Kubernetes API	ietes API api.< <i>cluster_name</i> >.< <i>base_name</i> >.		Must be resolvable by
		Admin Load	all external clients and
		Balancer	cluster nodes

Name	Record	Destination	Notes
Kubernetes Internal	api-int.< <i>cluster_name>.<base_name>.</base_name></i>	OpenShift Admin Load Balancer	Must be resolvable by all cluster nodes
Application Routes	*.apps. < <i>cluster_name</i> >. <base_name>.</base_name>	OpenShift Application Ingress	Must be resolvable by all external clients and cluster nodes
Master nodes	etcd- <index>.<<i>cluster_name>.<base_name>.</base_name></i></index>	Master nodes	Must be resolvable by all cluster nodes
SSL Server	_etcd-server-ssltcp. < <i>cluster_name</i> >. <base_name>.</base_name>	Master nodes	Refer below.

In Table 6, the following variables are used:

- <index> the number of the master node. Starting at 0. For example, the first master node would be etcd-0.
- <cluster name> the domain name used for the cluster (rtp).
- <base name> the base domain name for the intranet (ocp.local).

The complete files used in the lab configuration are included in the <u>Appendix-DNS Configuration</u> <u>Files</u> for your reference. When creating the forward and reverse zone files, verify the file permissions are set correctly.

4. Make sure the DNS requests are allowed through the firewall:

```
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# firewall-cmd --permanent --add-port=53/udp
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# firewall-cmd reload
```

5. Alternately, the firewall services can be stopped and disabled:

```
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# systemctl stop firewalld
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# systemctl disable firewalld
```

6. Start the named services:

```
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# systemctl enable named
Created symlink from /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/named.service to
/usr/lib/systemd/system/named.service.
[root@OCP-DNS ~]# systemctl start named
[root@OCP-DNS ~]#
```

7. You may need to restart the VM for these changes to take effect.

For detailed configuration steps, please refer to: <u>https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/red_hat_enterprise_linux/7/html/networking_quide/sec-bind</u>

Install and Configure the DHCP Server

Dynamic IP address allocation is required during the creation of cluster nodes by Terraform to access the ignition files. In this deployment, a RHEL 7.6 based VM was used to setup and configure a DHCP server. To install and configure the DHCP server, follow these steps:

1. Log into the DHCP Linux VM as root and install dhcp:

[root@OCP-DHCP ~] # yum install dhcp

2. Configure the DHCP server by updating the IP subnet and various parameters in the configuration file /etc/dhcp/dhcpd.conf.

The complete file used in the lab configuration are included in the <u>Appendix-DHCP Configuration</u> <u>File</u> for your reference.

3. Make sure the DHCP requests are allowed through the firewall:

[root@OCP-DHCP ~]# firewall-cmd --permanent --add-service=dhcp [root@OCP-DHCP ~]# firewall-cmd reload

Alternately, the firewall services can be stopped and disabled:

[root@OCP-DHCP ~] # systemctl stop firewalld [root@OCP-DHCP ~] # systemctl disable firewalld

4. Enable and start or restart the dhcpd service:

[root@OCP-DHCP ~]# systemctl enable dhcpd [root@OCP-DHCP ~]# systemctl start dhcpd

Install and Configure Web Server

In this deployment, a RHEL 7.6 based virtual machine was used to setup and configure a web server. No specific configuration is required for the OCP installation other than creating a directory to hold the ignition files. To install and configure the Apache web server, follow these steps:

1. Log into the DHCP Linux VM as root and install httpd:

[root@ocp-http ~] # yum install httpd

- 2. Update the configuration file /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf as listed in "Appendix: Web Server config File".
- 3. Add the following firewall rules to allow clients connection to HTTP server:

[root@ocp-http ~]# firewall-cmd --zone=public --permanent --add-service=http
[root@ocp-http ~]# firewall-cmd -reload



[root@ocp-http ~]# firewall-cmd --zone=public --permanent --add-port 8080/tcp

4. Alternately, the firewall services can be stopped and disabled:

[root@ocp-http ~] # systemctl stop firewalld [root@ocp-http ~] # systemctl disable firewalld

5. Start or restart the web server and enable the httpd service:

```
[root@ocp-http ~]# systemctl restart httpd
[root@ocp-http ~]# systemctl enable httpd
```

Install and Configure Load Balancer

In this lab deployment, a RHEL 7.6 based VM was used to setup and configure as an external load balancer. Customers can configure an existing load-balancer if the service already exists. To install and configure the haproxy server, follow these steps:

1. Log into the loadbalancer Linux VM as root and install haproxy:

[root@loadbalancer ~] # yum install haproxy

2. Update the configuration files /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg with the following information:

Description	Incoming Port	Mode	Destination	Dest. Port	Balance
OpenShift Admin	6443	ТСР	Master Nodes	6443	Source
OpenShift Installation (Removed once built)	22623	TCP	Bootstrap and Master Nodes	22623	Source
OpenShift Application	80	TCP	Worker Nodes	80	Source
Ingress	443	TCP	Worker Nodes	443	Source



The complete file used in the lab configuration is included in the <u>Appendix – Load Balancer Configu-</u> ration File for your reference.

3. Add the following firewall rules to allow client connections to HAProxy server:

```
[root@loadbalancer ~] firewall-cmd --permanent --add-service=haproxy
[root@loadbalancer ~] firewall-cmd --reload
```

4. Alternately, the firewall services can be stopped and disabled:

[root@loadbalancer ~]# systemctl stop firewalld
[root@loadbalancer ~]# systemctl disable firewalld

5. Start or restart the haproxy service:

[root@loadbalancer ~]# systemctl restart haproxy
[root@loadbalancer ~]# systemctl enable haproxy



If the haproxy service does not start and SELinux is enabled, run the following command to allow haproxy to bind to non-standard ports: setsebool -P haproxy_connect_any on

Verify Infrastructure Services

The status of all the infrastructure services can be verified using the commands below. Verify that all the services are up and running before proceeding with the OpenShift Container Platform installation.

```
[root@OCP-DNS named] # systemctl status named
• named.service - Berkeley Internet Name Domain (DNS)
  Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/named.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled)
  Active: active (running) since Fri 2020-05-08 15:29:30 EDT; 2 months 1 days ago
  Process: 21991 ExecReload=/bin/sh -c /usr/sbin/rndc reload > /dev/null 2>&1 || /bin/kill -HUP $MAINPID
(code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
  Process: 6079 ExecStart=/usr/sbin/named -u named -c ${NAMEDCONF} $OPTIONS (code=exited,
status=0/SUCCESS)
 Process: 6059 ExecStartPre=/bin/bash -c if [ ! "$DISABLE ZONE CHECKING" == "yes" ]; then
/usr/sbin/named-checkconf -z "$NAMEDCONF"; else echo "Checking of zone files is disabled"; fi
(code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
Main PID: 6088 (named)
  CGroup: /system.slice/named.service
           -6088 /usr/sbin/named -u named -c /etc/named.conf
Jul 09 15:33:37 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:34:35 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:35:19 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:36:00 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:36:29 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:37:58 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:38:17 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:38:38 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:39:13 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
Jul 09 15:40:09 OCP-DNS.ocp.local named[6088]: resolver priming query complete
```

```
[root@OCP-DHCP ~] # systemctl status dhcpd
• dhcpd.service - DHCPv4 Server Daemon
  Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/dhcpd.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled)
  Active: active (running) since Wed 2020-05-13 17:38:00 EDT; 1 months 26 days ago
    Docs: man:dhcpd(8)
         man:dhcpd.conf(5)
Main PID: 10311 (dhcpd)
  Status: "Dispatching packets..."
  CGroup: /system.slice/dhcpd.service
           -10311 /usr/sbin/dhcpd -f -cf /etc/dhcp/dhcpd.conf -user dhcpd -group dhcpd --no-pid
Jul 09 07:05:49 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPACK on 10.1.169.108 to 00:50:56:a0:c3:7f (OCP-Jump) via ens192
Jul 09 08:55:31 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: Wrote 8 leases to leases file.
Jul 09 08:55:31 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPREQUEST for 10.1.169.109 from 00:50:56:a0:f2:bd (Al-Jump) via
ens192
Jul 09 08:55:31 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPACK on 10.1.169.109 to 00:50:56:a0:f2:bd (Al-Jump) via ens192
Jul 09 13:05:49 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: Wrote 8 leases to leases file.
Jul 09 13:05:49 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPREQUEST for 10.1.169.108 from 00:50:56:a0:c3:7f (OCP-Jump) via
ens192
Jul 09 13:05:49 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPACK on 10.1.169.108 to 00:50:56:a0:c3:7f (OCP-Jump) via ens192
Jul 09 14:55:33 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: Wrote 8 leases to leases file.
Jul 09 14:55:33 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPREQUEST for 10.1.169.109 from 00:50:56:a0:f2:bd (Al-Jump) via
ens192
Jul 09 14:55:33 OCP-DHCP dhcpd[10311]: DHCPACK on 10.1.169.109 to 00:50:56:a0:f2:bd (Al-Jump) via ens192
 _____
[root@ocp-http ~] # systemctl status httpd
• httpd.service - The Apache HTTP Server
  Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/httpd.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled)
  Active: active (running) since Fri 2020-05-08 16:17:12 EDT; 2 months 1 days ago
    Docs: man:httpd(8)
         man:apachectl(8)
 Process: 4181 ExecReload=/usr/sbin/httpd $OPTIONS -k graceful (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
Main PID: 5930 (httpd)
  Status: "Total requests: 0; Current requests/sec: 0; Current traffic: 0 B/sec"
  CGroup: /system.slice/httpd.service
           -4182 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND
           -4183 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND
           -4184 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND
```

-4185 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND -4186 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND -5930 /usr/sbin/httpd -DFOREGROUND Jun 07 03:31:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloading The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 07 03:31:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloaded The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 14 03:47:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloading The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 14 03:47:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloaded The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 21 03:20:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloading The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 21 03:20:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloaded The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 28 03:31:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloading The Apache HTTP Server. Jun 28 03:31:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloaded The Apache HTTP Server. Jul 05 03:32:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloading The Apache HTTP Server. Jul 05 03:32:01 ocp-http systemd[1]: Reloaded The Apache HTTP Server. [root@loadbalancer ~]# systemctl status haproxy • haproxy.service - HAProxy Load Balancer Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/haproxy.service; enabled; vendor preset: disabled) Active: active (running) since Wed 2020-05-13 11:13:48 EDT; 1 months 26 days ago Main PID: 9733 (haproxy-systemd) CGroup: /system.slice/haproxy.service -9733 /usr/sbin/haproxy-systemd-wrapper -f /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg -p /run/haproxy.pid -9734 /usr/sbin/haproxy -f /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfq -p /run/haproxy.pid -Ds _9735 /usr/sbin/haproxy -f /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg -p /run/haproxy.pid -Ds May 13 11:13:48 loadbalancer systemd[1]: Stopped HAProxy Load Balancer. May 13 11:13:48 loadbalancer systemd[1]: Started HAProxy Load Balancer. May 13 11:13:48 loadbalancer haproxy-systemd-wrapper[9733]: haproxy-systemd-wrapper: executing /usr/sbin/hapr...-Ds Hint: Some lines were ellipsized, use -1 to show in full. [root@loadbalancer ~] # netstat -ltnp Active Internet connections (only servers) Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address Foreign Address State PID/Program name 0 0.0.0.0:6443 LISTEN 0.0.0.0:* tcp 6991/haproxy 0 0 0.0.0.0:80 0 0 0.0.0.0:22 0 0 0.0.0.0:443 0 0 0.0.0.0:22623 0 0 :::22 tcp 0.0.0.0:* LISTEN 6991/haproxy LISTEN 0.0.0.0:* tcp 6311/sshd 6991/haproxy 0.0.0.0:* LISTEN tcp 0.0.0.0:* LISTEN 6991/haproxy tcp tcp6 :::* LISTEN 6311/sshd

Set Up the Management Host

In the following section, the installation steps are performed on the management VM (ocp-mgmt) to prepare the VM for OCP installation.

Install Terraform

Terraform is an Infrastructure as Code tool developed by HashiCorp for building, changing, and versioning infrastructure safely and efficiently. In this deployment, Terraform is used to fully automate the VM provisioning of the OCP cluster nodes.

The installer github template was developed with Terraform version 11 therefore the appropriate version of Terraform was installed on the management host.

Terraform consists of following components:

• Configuration files(.tf). Terraform uses its own configuration language, designed to allow concise descriptions of infrastructure. The Terraform language is declarative, describing an intended goal rather than the steps to reach that goal.

- The Terraform binary (executable) file, which is written and compiled in the GO language. To install Terraform, find the appropriate package for your system and download it from: <u>https://releases.hashicorp.com/terraform/0.11.14/</u>
- Terraform state file (.tfstate), a JSON file with running configuration.

To install Terraform, run the following commands on the management host:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # mkdir terraform
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # export TERRAFORM VERSION=0.11.14
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # cd terraform/
[root@OCP-MGMT terraform] # wget
https://releases.hashicorp.com/terraform/${TERRAFORM_VERSION}/terraform_${TERRAFORM_VERSION}_linux_amd64.
zip
https://releases.hashicorp.com/terraform/0.11.14/terraform 0.11.14 linux amd64.zip
Resolving releases.hashicorp.com (releases.hashicorp.com)... 151.101.1.183, 151.101.65.183,
151.101.129.183, ...
Connecting to releases.hashicorp.com (releases.hashicorp.com) |151.101.1.183|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 12569267 (12M) [application/zip]
Saving to: 'terraform 0.11.14 linux amd64.zip'
100%[=====>] 12,569,267 40.5MB/s
                                                                                 in 0.3s
2020-05-08 18:04:05 (40.5 MB/s) - `terraform 0.11.14 linux amd64.zip' saved [12569267/12569267]
[root@OCP-MGMT terraform]# unzip terraform ${TERRAFORM VERSION} linux amd64.zip -d ~/bin/
Archive: terraform 0.11.14 linux amd64.zip
 inflating: /root/bin/terraform
[root@OCP-MGMT terraform]# terraform -v
Terraform v0.11.14
Your version of Terraform is out of date! The latest version
is 0.12.24. You can update by downloading from www.terraform.io/downloads.html
```

Generate an SSH Private Key and Add it to the Agent

In order to perform installation debugging, or disaster recovery on the OpenShift cluster, an SSH key must be added to both *ssh-agent* and to the installation program. This key can be used to SSH into the cluster nodes as the user core since during cluster deployment, the key is added to the core user's ~/.ssh/authorized_keys list and enables password-less access between the cluster nodes.

To generate the SSH key for password-less authentication, on the management host, follow these steps:

1. Run the following command and specify the path and file name:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -N '' -f ~/.ssh/id rsa
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Your identification has been saved in /root/.ssh/id rsa.
Your public key has been saved in /root/.ssh/id rsa.pub.
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:W60YYTG1EQD/6yDOZ81fKF0cJQqXFq0ZYQlntIxs3pE root@OCP-MGMT.rtp.ocp.local
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 4096]----+
      ..*=%B. .
       0 @=*.0
        B.E+.
        + + + + .
        S + +
         * =
       ..=.= .
     o .=+ .
00.0
+----[SHA256]----+
```

- 2. Running the above command generates an SSH key that does not require a password when connecting to the cluster VMs from the management host ocp-mgmt.
- 3. Start the ssh-agent process as a background task:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# eval "$(ssh-agent -s)"
Agent pid 7758
```

4. Specify the path and file name for your SSH private key, such as ~/.ssh/id rsa

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# ssh-add ~/.ssh/id_rsa
Identity added: /root/.ssh/id_rsa (/root/.ssh/id_rsa)
```

During OpenShift Container Platform installation, the SSH public key needs to be provided to the installation program. Since we are installing the cluster on user provided infrastructure, the key we just generated will be provided to the cluster machines.

OpenShift Container Platform - Installation

Obtain the Installation Programs

To download the OCP 4.4 installation files on the management host, access the URLs listed below and download the appropriate packages.



All the files listed below can be downloaded from the portal page: <u>https://cloud.redhat.com/openshift/install/vsphere/user-provisioned</u>, however these files install the latest version of OCP (4.5 currently). To download an older OCP (4.4) release, you need to access the URLs listed below. The stable release for 4.4 keeps getting updated and its recommended to use the latest stable release. At the time of validation, the latest stable release was 4.4.12.

- 1. On the management host (OCP-MGMT), create a directory to host all the install files (/root/install_files)
- 2. Access the following URL: <u>https://cloud.redhat.com/openshift/install/vsphere/user-provisioned</u>, log in with RedHat user ID and download the Pull Secret file by saving it in the txt format.

pull-secret.txt

<mark> R</mark> ed Hat	\$
Red Hat OpenShift Cluster Manager	directory where you will store the installation configuration files. Note: The OpenShift install program is only available for Linux and macOS at this time.
	Linux Download installer
	Developer Preview Download pre-release builds
	Pull secret
	Download or copy your pull secret. The install program will prompt you for your pull secret during installation.
	Download pull secret
back	Command line interface Download the OpenShift command-line tools and add them to your PATH.
	Linux
	When the installer is complete you will see the console URL and credentials for accessing your new
	cluster. A kubeconfig file will also be generated for you to use with the oc CLI tools you
	downloaded.

Access the following URL to download the RHCOS for VMware: <u>https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-v4/dependencies/rhcos/4.4/latest/</u>. Download the OVA on the management host which can access the vCenter and upload the OVA for virtual machine template creation.

rhcos-4.4.3-x86 64-vmware.x86 64.ova

4. Access the following URL: <u>https://mirror.openshift.com/pub/openshift-v4/clients/ocp/stable-4.4/</u> to download the OpenShift install and client programs:

```
openshift-install-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
openshift-client-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
```

```
ø
```

The current most stable version of OCP is 4.4.12. This version is frequently updated by RedHat.

5. Extract the installation program at the location of your choice (/root/install_files):

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# tar xvf openshift-install-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
README.md
openshift-install
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]#
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# ls -1
total 1408884
-rw-r-r-- 1 root root 25285926 Jul 6 01:52 openshift-client-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 354095104 Jul 6 01:56 openshift-install
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 83895994 Jul 6 01:56 openshift-install-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 706 Jul 23 08:24 pull-secret.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 706 Jul 6 01:56 README.md
[root@OCP-MGMT install files]#
```



The installation program creates several files on the management host that are required to install the cluster. You need to keep both the installation program and the files that the installation program creates after we finish installing the cluster.

Create the Installation Configuration File

For installations of OpenShift Container Platform that uses user-provisioned infrastructure, an installation configuration file must be added. Follow these steps to create an installation configuration file:

1. Create an installation directory on the management host to store the installation assets:

root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# mkdir ocp44

Some installation assets, like bootstrap X.509 certificates have short expiration intervals therefore the installation directory (ocp44 in this example) cannot be reused. If you want to reuse the files you are creating, copy them into a different (new) directory. Since the file names for the installation assets might change between releases, use caution when copying installation files from an earlier OpenShift Container Platform version.

2. Manually create an installation configuration file and name this file install-config.yaml:

[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# touch install-config.yaml

- 3. For the details of the install-config.yaml file, go to: <u>https://docs.openshift.com/container-</u> <u>platform/4.4/installing/installing_vsphere/installing-vsphere.html#installation-vsphere-config-yaml_installing-vsphere</u>. The following input is required to create the file:
 - base domain
 - OCP cluster id
 - OCP pull secret
 - ssh public key (~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub)
 - vCenter host
 - vCenter user
 - vCenter password
 - vCenter datacenter
 - vCenter datastore

A sample install-config.yaml file is provided below.

Sample install-config.yaml file for VMware vSphere

Customize the install-config.yaml file below to match your installation requirements:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# more install-config.yaml
apiVersion: v1
baseDomain: ocp.local
compute:
```

```
- hyperthreading: Enabled
  name: worker
  replicas: 0
controlPlane:
 hyperthreading: Enabled
 name: master
  replicas: 3
metadata:
  name: rtp
platform:
  vsphere:
    vcenter: 192.168.169.100
    username: administrator@vsphere.local
    password: <password>
    datacenter: FlexPod-DC
    defaultDatastore: infra datastore 1
fips: <false>
pullSecret:'{"auths":{"cloud.openshift.com <SNIP> }'
sshKey: 'ssh-rsa <SNIP> == root@OCP-MGMT.rtp.ocp.local'
```

The sample file and the explanation of all the parameters are covered here: <u>https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/4.4/installing/installing_vsphere/installing-vsphere.html#installation-vsphere-config-yaml_installing-vsphere.</u>

Use extreme caution when adding the pull secret and rsa keys to the file to make sure there are no unnecessary line breaks. The installation will fail if the installer cannot read these strings correctly.

Back up the install-config.yaml file so that it can be used to install multiple clusters (if required). The installconfig.yaml file gets deleted at the end of installation. The file can be backed up using the following command.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# cp install-config.yaml install-config.`date '+%s'`.bak
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# ls
install-config.1589318105.bak install-config.yaml
```

Create the Ignition Configuration Files

The previously downloaded OpenShift installer is used to create the Ignition configuration files. The installer expects the YAML formatted configuration file created in the last step to generate the cluster configuration information. To modify cluster definition files and to manually start the cluster machines, Kubernetes manifest and ignition config files are generated.

To create the ignition configuration files, follow these steps:

1. Generate the Kubernetes manifests for the cluster which defines the objects bootstrap nodes will have to create initially:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# ./openshift-install create manifests --dir=./ocp44
INFO Consuming Install Config from target directory
WARNING Making control-plane schedulable by setting MastersSchedulable to true for Scheduler cluster
settings
```

The installation directory in the command above (ocp44) contains the install-config.yaml. The warning can safely be ignored because compute machines are created later in the installation process.



The Ignition config files that the installation program generates contain certificates that expire after 24 hours. You must complete your cluster installation and keep the cluster running for 24 hours in a non-degraded state to ensure that the first certificate rotation has finished.

- 2. Modify the manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml Kubernetes manifest file to prevent Pods from being scheduled on the control plane machines:
 - a. Open the manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml file.
 - b. Locate the "masters Schedulable" parameter and set its value to "False".
 - c. Save and exit the file.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# more manifests/cluster-scheduler-02-config.yml
apiVersion: config.openshift.io/v1
kind: Scheduler
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: null
    name: cluster
spec:
    mastersSchedulable: False
    policy:
        name: ""
status: {}
```

3. Create the Ignition config files. Ignition is the utility that is used by RHCOS to manipulate disks during initial configuration. It completes common disk tasks, including partitioning disks, formatting partitions, writing files, and configuring users. On first boot, Ignition reads its configuration from the installation media or the location specified and applies the configuration to the machines.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# ./openshift-install create ignition-configs --dir=./ocp44
INFO Consuming Worker Machines from target directory
INFO Consuming Master Machines from target directory
INFO Consuming Openshift Manifests from target directory
INFO Consuming Common Manifests from target directory
INFO Consuming OpenShift Install (Manifests) from target directory
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]#
```

The installation directory in the command above (ocp44) contains the install_config.yml.

4. Verify the following files were generated in the installation directory (ocp44). You can install the tree command using "yum install tree" or use "Is" command to verify the contents of the directory.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# tree ocp44
ocp44
auth
kubeadmin-password
kubeconfig
bootstrap.ign
install-config.1589318657.bak
master.ign
metadata.json
worker.ign
1 directory, 7 files
```



The ignition files are valid for 24 hours - so if the installation takes longer than 24 hours due to any reason, new ignition files need to be generated.

5. Change permissions and copy the generated bootstrap.ign file to web server to make sure the file can be downloaded using http:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# chmod 777 bootstrap.ign
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# scp bootstrap.ign root@ocp-http:/var/www/html
root@ocp-http's password: *****
```

```
bootstrap.ign
18.4MB/s 00:00
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]#
```

100% 291KB

6. Verify, downloading file from http server works:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# cd ..
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# wget ocp-http:8080/bootstrap.ign
--2020-05-12 17:35:58-- http://ocp-http:8080/bootstrap.ign
Resolving ocp-http (ocp-http)... 10.1.169.9
Connecting to ocp-http (ocp-http)|10.1.169.9|:8080... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 298087 (291K)
Saving to: 'bootstrap.ign'
100%[=============>] 298,087 --.-K/s in 0.001s
2020-05-12 17:35:58 (212 MB/s) - 'bootstrap.ign' saved [298087/298087]
```

Create Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS (RHCOS) VM Template

For installing the OCP cluster on VMware vSphere, RHCOS machines will be deployed using a VM template on vSphere. To create the virtual machine template using the previously downloaded RHCOS OVA, follow these steps:



The RHCOS images might not change with every release of OpenShift Container Platform. You must download an image with the highest version that is less than or equal to the OpenShift Container Platform version that you install. Use the image version that matches your OpenShift Container Platform version if it is available.

- 1. Log into the VMware vCenter using a web browser.
- 2. From the Hosts and Clusters tab, right-click the cluster's name and click Deploy OVF Template.
- 3. On the Select an OVF tab, select the RHCOS OVA file that was locally downloaded.
- 4. On the Select a name and folder tab, set a Virtual machine name, such as RHCOS, click the name of your vSphere cluster.
- 5. On the Select a compute resource tab, select the name of the vSphere cluster.
- 6. On the Select storage tab, configure the storage options for your virtual machine.
- 7. Select Thin Provision.
- 8. Select the datastore (infra_datastore_1) that was specified in install-config.yaml file.
- 9. On the Select network tab, specify the in-band management network (or a network of your choice).
- 10. Do not specify values for the Customize template tab.
- 11. Verify the selected parameters and Click Finish.



In a typical FlexPod Datacenter deployment, all ESXi hosts synchronize their time with an NTP server. To avoid any certificate validation issues due to mismatched time, this virtual machine is set to synchronize its time with the ESXi host.

- 12. Right Click the VM name and select Edit Settings.
- 13. Click on VM Options and expand VMware Tools.
- 14. Check the box: Synchronize guest time with host.
- 15. Click OK.
- 16. Right-click the newly created VM, and in the resulting context menu, select Template > Convert to Template.
- 17. Click Yes to proceed with the template creation by confirming at the displayed message.

Install the OpenShift CLI by Downloading the Binary

To install the OpenShift CLI (oc) on the management host in order to interact with OpenShift Container Platform using a command-line interface, follow these steps:

- 1. The client software (openshift-client-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz) was previously downloaded on the management host in the directory: install_files.
- 2. Extract the compressed file:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# tar xvf openshift-client-linux-4.4.12.tar.gz
README.md
oc
kubectl
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]#
```

3. Copy oc and kubectl executable files to a directory in your PATH (for example, ~/bin/):

[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# cp oc ~/bin
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# cp kubectl ~/bin

After the CLI is installed, it is available using the oc command:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# oc
OpenShift Client
This client helps you develop, build, deploy, and run your applications on any
OpenShift or Kubernetes cluster. It also includes the administrative
commands for managing a cluster under the 'adm' subcommand
<SNIP>
```

Prepare the Terraform Installer

Download the Terraform installer used in this validation from the following location:

https://github.com/ucs-compute-solutions/openshift43-installer

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The code reference to the installer can be found at Cisco DevNet Exchange: https://developer.cisco.com/codeexchange/github/repo/ucs-compute-solutions/openshift43installer. This installer automates the OCP node virtual machine deployment and has been tested with OCP 4.3 and 4.4. If the installer does not work in your environment or you do not want to use terraform to automate the VM deployment, refer to the manual VM creation procedure covered in RedHat documentation: <u>https://docs.openshift.com/container-</u> <u>platform/4.4/installing/installing_vsphere/installing-vsphere.html#installation-vsphere-</u> machines_installing-vsphere.

To prepare the Terraform installer, follow these steps:

1. Create a directory on the management host to store required terraform repo:

[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # mkdir TFscripts [root@OCP-MGMT ~] # cd TFscripts [root@OCP-MGMT TFscripts] #

2. Clone the repo and change to the install directory:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT TFscripts ]# git clone https://github.com/ucs-compute-solutions/openshift43-installer
https://github.com/ucs-compute-solutions/openshift43-installer
Cloning into 'installer'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 109463, done.
remote: Total 109463 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 109463 Receiving objects: 100%
(109463/109463), 95.26 MiB | 32.13 MiB/s, done. Resolving deltas: 100% (67555/67555), done.
```

3. There is an example terraform.tfvars file in this directory named terraform.tfvars.example. Copy the file and adjust the variables according to your environment.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT TFscripts]# cd openshift43-installer
[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-installer]# cp terraform.tfvars.example terraform.tfvars
```

4. The sample config file used in this installation is shown below. Update the variables according to your environment:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-installer]# more terraform.tfvars
// ID identifying the cluster to create. Use your username so that resources created can be tracked back
to you.
cluster_id = "rtp"
// Domain of the cluster. This should be "${cluster id}.${base domain}".
cluster_domain = "rtp.ocp.local"
// Base domain from which the cluster domain is a subdomain.
base_domain = "ocp.local"
// Name of the vSphere server. The dev cluster is on "vcsa.vmware.devcluster.openshift.com".
vsphere server = "192.168.169.100"
// User on the vSphere server.
vsphere user = "administrator@vsphere.local"
// Password of the user on the vSphere server.
vsphere_password = "<PASSWORD>"
// Name of the vSphere cluster. The dev cluster is "devel".
vsphere cluster = "FlexPod"
```

// Name of the vSphere data center. The dev cluster is "dc1". vsphere datacenter = "FlexPod-DC" // Name of the vSphere data store to use for the VMs. The dev cluster uses "nvme-ds1". vsphere datastore = "infra_datastore_1" // Name of the network to use for the VMs. The dev cluster uses "ocp-network". vm network = "10-1-169-NET" // Name of the VM template to clone to create VMs for the cluster. The dev cluster has a template named "rhcos-latest". vm template = "RHCOS44" // The machine cidr where IP addresses will be assigned for cluster nodes. // Additionally, IPAM will assign IPs based on the network ID.
machine cidr = "10.1.169.0/24" // The number of control plane VMs to create. Default is 3. control plane count = 3// The number of compute VMs to create. Default is 3. compute count = 4// URL of the bootstrap ignition. This needs to be publicly accessible so that the bootstrap machine can pull the ignition. bootstrap ignition url = "http://10.1.169.9:8080/bootstrap.ign" // Ignition config for the control plane machines. You should copy the contents of the master.ign generated by the installer. control plane ignition = <<END OF MASTER IGNITION {"ignition":{"config":{"append":[{"source":"https://apiint.rtp.ocp.local:22623/config/master","verificati on":{}}]}, "security": {"tls": {"certificateAuthorities": [{"source": "data:text/plain; charset=utf-8;base64,LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBDRVJUSUZJQ0FURS0tLS0t <SNTP> VJUSUZJQ0FURS0tLS0tCg==","verification":{}}]},"timeouts":{},"version":"2.2.0"},"networkd":{},"passwd":{} ,"storage":{},"systemd":{}} END OF MASTER IGNITION // Ignition config for the compute machines. You should copy the contents of the worker.ign generated by the installer. compute ignition = <<END OF WORKER IGNITION {"ignition":{"config":{"append":[{"source":"https://apiint.rtp.ocp.local:22623/config/worker","verificati on":{}}]}, "security": {"tls": {"certificateAuthorities": [{"source": "data:text/plain; charset=utf-8;base64,LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBDRVJUSUZJQ0FURS0tLS0tC <SNIP> N2tUUWI0PQotLS0tLUVORCBDRVJUSUZJQ0FURS0tLS0tCq==","verification":{}}]}},"timeouts":{},"version":"2.2.0"}, "networkd":{},"passwd":{},"storage":{},"systemd":{}} END OF WORKER IGNITION // Set bootstrap ip, control plane ip, and compute ip if you want to use static // IPs reserved someone else, rather than the IPAM server. // Update the IP address to assign to the bootstrap VM. bootstrap_ip = "10.1.169.20" $\ensuremath{\prime\prime}\xspace$ // The IP addresses to assign to the control plane VMs. The length of this list $//\mbox{ must match the value of control_plane_count and update the IP Addresses.$ control plane ips = ["10.1.169.11", "10.1.169.12", "10.1.169.13"] // The IP addresses to assign to the compute VMs. The length of this list must // match the value of compute count and update the IP Addresses. compute_ips = ["10.1.169.21", "10.1.169.22", "10.1.169.23", "10.1.169.24"]

5. Configure the Gateway and DNS in the TFscripts/openshift43-installer/machine/ignition.tf file:

GATEWAY= 10.1.169.254

DNS1=10.1.169.10

At this time, all the necessary prerequisites are completed and the OpenShift installation can start.

OCP Installation

Because each machine in the cluster requires information about the cluster when it is provisioned, OCP uses a temporary bootstrap VM during initial configuration to provide the required information to the permanent control plane. This VM boots by using the Ignition config file that describes how to create the cluster. The bootstrap machine creates the master machines that make up the control plane; create the control plane machines then create the compute machines. Figure 8 illustrates this process:

Figure 8 Creating the Bootstrap, Master and Worker Machines



Bootstrapping a cluster involves the following high-level steps:

- The bootstrap machine boots and starts hosting the remote resources required for the master machines to boot.
- The master machines fetch the remote resources from the bootstrap machine and finish booting.
- The master machines use the bootstrap machine to form an etcd cluster.
- The bootstrap machine starts a temporary Kubernetes control plane using the new etcd cluster.
- The temporary control plane schedules the production control plane to the master machines.
- The temporary control plane shuts down and passes control to the production control plane.
- The bootstrap machine injects OpenShift Container Platform components into the production control plane.
- The control plane sets up the worker nodes.
- The control plane installs additional services in the form of a set of Operators.
- Customers can manually delete the bootstrap machine when the installation completes.

To start the OCP installation process, from the management host follow these steps:
1. Make sure you are still in the OpenShift installer directory, where the terraform files (*.tf) exists:

[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-installer]# pwd
/root/TFscripts/openshift43-installer

2. Initialize terraform directory to download all the required providers:

For more info on terraform init and terraform providers refer to the terraform documentation: <u>https://www.terraform.io/docs/</u>.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-installer]# terraform init
Initializing modules...
- module.folder
 Getting source "./folder"
- module.resource_pool
 Getting source "./resource pool"
- module.bootstrap
 Getting source "./machine"
- module.control plane
 Getting source "./machine"
- module.compute
 Getting source "./machine"
Initializing provider plugins...
- Checking for available provider plugins on https://releases.hashicorp.com...
- Downloading plugin for provider "vsphere" (1.18.1)...
- Downloading plugin for provider "ignition" (1.1.0)...
- Downloading plugin for provider "external" (1.2.0)...
- Downloading plugin for provider "template" (2.1.2)...
- Downloading plugin for provider "null" (2.1.2)...
The following providers do not have any version constraints in configuration,
so the latest version was installed.
To prevent automatic upgrades to new major versions that may contain breaking
changes, it is recommended to add version = "..." constraints to the
corresponding provider blocks in configuration, with the constraint strings
suggested below.
* provider.external: version = "~> 1.2"
* provider.null: version = "~> 2.1"
* provider.template: version = "~> 2.1"
* provider.vsphere: version = "~> 1.18"
Terraform has been successfully initialized!
You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see
any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands
should now work.
If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform,
rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other
commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.
```

 The terraform plan command is used to create an execution plan. Terraform performs a refresh, unless explicitly disabled, and then determines what actions are necessary to achieve the desired state specified in the configuration files. Run Terraform Plan and check what resources will be provisioned.

[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-installer]# terraform plan

4. Create all the resources using terraform by invoking apply:

[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-Installer]# terraform apply -auto-approve

<SNTP> vapp.0.properties.guestinfo.ignition.config.data.encoding: "" => "base64" "" => "1" vapp transport.#: "" => "com.vmware.guestInfo" vapp transport.0: "" => "<computed>" vmware tools status: "" => "<computed>" vmx path: "" => "0" wait for guest ip timeout: "" => "false" wait_for_guest_net_routable: "" => "0" wait for guest net timeout: module.compute.vsphere_virtual machine.vm.3: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm.1: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm.1: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.bootstrap.vsphere virtual machine.vm: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm.0: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.control_plane.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm.0: Still creating... (10s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm[1]: Creation complete after 10s (ID: 42209cf6-6d09-06d2-79b1-47a0cb276d44) module.bootstrap.vsphere virtual machine.vm: Creation complete after 11s (ID: 4220afa6-1c36-bf64-834c-831d4ac037e7) module.compute.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[3]: Creation complete after 11s (ID: 42202bd6-40d4-802d-44bbce8cb5da7c26) module.control_plane.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[1]: Creation complete after 12s (ID: 42200fd9-cf55-1bc4a168-cf3dc71ed18e) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (20s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm.0: Still creating... (20s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (20s elapsed) module.control_plane.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm.0: Still creating... (20s elapsed) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (30s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm.0: Still creating... (30s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm.2: Still creating... (30s elapsed) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm.0: Still creating... (30s elapsed) module.compute.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[2]: Creation complete after 37s (ID: 4220060f-9757-730d-1011-135848021d5a) module.compute.vsphere virtual machine.vm[0]: Creation complete after 37s (ID: 422010aa-fde0-6aea-83f2-5a9df304198f) module.control plane.vsphere virtual machine.vm[0]: Creation complete after 37s (ID: 422064b8-04a6-f577-90b5-16f75d65be49) module.control_plane.vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[2]: Creation complete after 37s (ID: 422041e2-7daa-cd9c-7c96-fa85365fb7fb) Apply complete! Resources: 10 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

5. After successful completion of the terraform apply command, check the resources created in VMware environment:

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If you run into configuration issues and need to delete all the OpenShift virtual machines and run the terraform installer again to recreate the virtual machines, remember to delete the terraform.tfstate file under the installer directory. This file contains state information and can cause problems when trying to delete and re-deploy the OCP nodes.

7. The bootstrap node sets up the OCP cluster. The cluster configuration succeeds when the Kubernetes API server signals that it has been bootstrapped on the control plane machines. Verify the bootstrap process is complete:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files] pwd
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files] /root/install_files
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files] ./openshift-install --dir=./ocp44 wait-for bootstrap-complete --log-level
debug
<SNIP>
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for bootstrapping to complete...
DEBUG Bootstrap status: complete
INFO It is now safe to remove the bootstrap resources
```



More details about the installer's progress can be found in the ".install.openshift_install.log" file in the installation directory.

- 6. After the bootstrap process is complete, remove the bootstrap machine from the load balancer by commenting or removing the entries from /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg and restarting the HAproxy service.
- 7. Remove the bootstrap node using Terraform:

```
[root@OCP44-MGMT openshift43-installer]# pwd
/root/TFscripts/openshift43-installer
[root@OCP-MGMT openshift43-Installer]# terraform apply -auto-approve -var 'bootstrap complete=true'
<SNTP>
vsphere resource pool.resource pool: Refreshing state... (ID: resgroup-445)
vsphere virtual machine.vm: Refreshing state... (ID: 42204afd-acdc-bfcd-4980-657314a8807a)
vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[0]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42204509-4bfa-6125-2351-8c0858a0c479)
vsphere virtual machine.vm[1]: Refreshing state... (ID: 4220d9d6-b278-9941-3839-bca52fa5a0b6)
vsphere_virtual_machine.vm[2]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42202708-67f8-aedf-3ca7-b83951e0bf52)
vsphere virtual machine.vm[0]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42204cfc-027b-df71-3348-7eb78b42b040)
vsphere virtual machine.vm[1]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42204c21-7c7e-b094-4332-02e6e86b4ffd)
vsphere virtual machine.vm[2]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42203168-bc66-a10f-1058-39911e75aaac)
vsphere virtual machine.vm[3]: Refreshing state... (ID: 42209bcf-1e39-fb08-adf7-a01dcac053ec)
module.bootstrap.vsphere virtual machine.vm: Destroying... (ID: 42204afd-acdc-bfcd-4980-657314a8807a)
module.bootstrap.vsphere virtual machine.vm: Still destroying... (ID: 42204afd-acdc-bfcd-4980-
657314a8807a, 10s elapsed)
module.bootstrap.vsphere virtual machine.vm: Destruction complete after 11s
```

Apply complete! Resources: 0 added, 0 changed, 1 destroyed.

Log into the Cluster

Login to the cluster as a default system user by exporting the cluster kubeconfig file. The kubeconfig file contains information about the cluster that is used by the CLI to connect a client to the correct cluster and API server. The file is specific to a cluster and is created during OpenShift Container Platform installation.

To login to your newly created cluster, follow these steps:

1. Export the kubeadmin credentials by specifying the path to the directory where the installation files are stored:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# pwd
/root/install_files/ocp44
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# export KUBECONFIG=/root/install_files/ocp44/auth/kubeconfig
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]#
```

2. Verify you can run oc commands successfully using the exported configuration:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# oc whoami
system:admin
```

The credentials to log into the cluster using the user "kubeadmin" are saved in /root/install_files/ocp44/auth/kubeadmin-password. You can use "oc login" command and provide "kubeadmin" as the username and the password stored in the above file

Approve the Certificate Signing Requests

When machines (nodes) are added to a cluster, two pending certificates signing request (CSRs) are generated for each machine that got added. You may have to approve these requests if their status does not show "approved."

To approve the certificate signing requests, follow these steps:

1. To review the pending certificate signing requests (CSRs), issue the following command:

[root@OCP-M	IGMT oc	p44]# oc get csr	
NAME	AGE	REQUESTOR	CONDITION
csr-7bnnz	27m	system:node:compute-1	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-88qkr	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-c7kdp	27m	system:node:compute-0	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-f7f5b	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-fvcsf	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-ggg4h	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-gvqw8	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-hbphp	28m	system:node:control-plane-1	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-hz4x6	27m	system:node:control-plane-2	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-ncsnf	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-vk46n	27m	system:node:compute-2	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-vqcqk	28m	system:serviceaccount:openshift-machine-config-operator:node-bootstrapper	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-wv4cf	27m	system:node:control-plane-0	
Approved, Is	sued		
csr-zj8qs	27m	system:node:compute-3	
Approved, Is	sued		
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Since the CSRs rotate automatically, approve the CSRs within an hour of adding the machines to the cluster. If you do not approve them within an hour, the certificates will rotate, and more than two certificates will be present for each node. You must approve all of these certificates. After you approve the initial CSRs, the subsequent node client CSRs are automatically approved by the cluster kubecontroller-manager. You must implement a method of automatically approving the kubelet serving certificate requests

2. If the CSRs show Pending status, approve the CSRs for your cluster machines. To approve the CSRs individually, run the following command for each valid CSR:

```
oc adm certificate approve <csr_name>
<csr_name> is the name of a CSR from the list of current CSRs.
```

3. To approve all pending CSRs, run the following command:

```
oc get csr -o go-template='{{range .items}}{{if not .status}}{{.metadata.name}}{{"n"}}{{end}}' | xargs oc adm certificate approve
```

Log into OpenShift Container Platform

After the control plane initializes, wait for the cluster operators to come online before logging into the OCP portal. To log into the OpenShift container platform, follow these steps:

1. Verify the cluster operators to come online using the following command:

[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# oc get co					
NAME	VERSION	AVAILABLE	PROGRESSING	DEGRADED	SINCE
authentication		False	True	False	3m27s
cloud-credential	4.4.12	True	False	False	23m
cluster-autoscaler	4.4.12	True	False	False	13m
console	4.4.12	True	False	False	53s
csi-snapshot-controller	4.4.12	True	False	False	3m40s
dns	4.4.12	True	False	False	21m
etcd	4.4.12	True	False	False	17m
image-registry	4.4.12	True	False	False	15m
ingress	4.4.12	True	False	False	119s
insights	4.4.12	True	False	False	14m
kube-apiserver	4.4.12	True	True	False	17m
kube-controller-manager	4.4.12	True	False	False	18m
kube-scheduler	4.4.12	True	False	False	16m
kube-storage-version-migrator	4.4.12	True	False	False	2m9s
machine-api	4.4.12	True	False	False	14m
machine-config	4.4.12	True	False	False	21m
marketplace	4.4.12	True	False	False	13m
monitoring	4.4.12	True	False	False	115s
network	4.4.12	True	False	False	22m
node-tuning	4.4.12	True	False	False	22m
openshift-apiserver	4.4.12	True	False	False	14m
openshift-controller-manager	4.4.12	True	False	False	14m
openshift-samples	4.4.12	True	False	False	13m
operator-lifecycle-manager	4.4.12	True	False	False	21m
operator-lifecycle-manager-catalog	4.4.12	True	False	False	21m
operator-lifecycle-manager-packageserver	4.4.12	True	False	False	13m
service-ca	4.4.12	True	False	False	22m
service-catalog-apiserver	4.4.12	True	False	False	22m
service-catalog-controller-manager	4.4.12	True	False	False	22m
storage	4.4.12	True	False	False	15m
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]#					

2. Check the status of the cluster nodes:

[root@OCP-MGMT	ocp44]# oc	get nodes		
NAME	STATUS	ROLES	AGE	VERSION
compute-0	Ready	worker	5m34s	v1.17.1+a1af596
compute-1	Ready	worker	5m32s	v1.17.1+a1af596
compute-2	Ready	worker	5m35s	v1.17.1+a1af596
compute-3	Ready	worker	5m41s	v1.17.1+a1af596
control-plane-) Ready	master	23m	v1.17.1+a1af596
control-plane-	l Ready	master	23m	v1.17.1+a1af596
control-plane-2	2 Ready	master	23m	v1.17.1+a1af596

3. The cluster creation process continues with the creation of many OpenShift operators:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ocp44]# cd ..
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# ./openshift-install --dir=./ocp44 wait-for install-complete
INFO Waiting up to 30m0s for the cluster at https://api.rtp.ocp.local:6443 to initialize...
INFO Waiting up to 10m0s for the openshift-console route to be created...
INFO Install complete!
INFO To access the cluster as the system:admin user when using 'oc', run 'export
KUBECONFIG=/root/install_files/ocp44/auth/kubeconfig'
INFO Access the OpenShift web-console here: https://console-openshift-console.apps.rtp.ocp.local
INFO Login to the console with user: kubeadmin, password: xxxxx-xxxxx-xxxxx
```

- 4. On successful completion of the installation, message with access information will be displayed as shown above.
- 5. Point your browser to your web-console URL to login to OCP. Use kubeadmin for the username and displayed password in Step 3 to log into the system.
- 6. The OCP Dashboard is loaded upon successful login:

Red Hat OpenShift Container Platt	orm	
◆\$ Administrator →	Dashboards	
Home Y	Overview	
Dashboards		
Projects		
Search	Details View settings Status	
Explore	Cluster API Address	
Events	https://api.rtp.ocp.local:6443	*

Setup NFS Volume for Image Registry on NetApp

In this procedure, a 500GB NFS volume is setup in the Infrastructure Storage Virtual Machine (SVM). This volume will be used by OCP as Image Registry. Since all the OCP VMs in this deployment are part of the in-band management network (VLAN 120; Subnet 10.1.169.0/24), two data LIFs are created in the same subnet so the VMs have direct access to the NFS volume. Figure 9 shows the overview of the storage systems:



Figure 9 NetApp – Image Registry Volume

To setup the NFS volume, log into the NetApp A800 controller and follow these steps.

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It is possible that some of the configuration is already present on the controller depending on the VLANs and interfaces in use. If the configuration is already present, skip the appropriate steps.

1. Create a broadcast domain if the broadcast domain does not exist:

aa14-a800::> network port broadcast-domain create -broadcast-domain OCP_NFS -mtu 1500

2. Create the port VLAN if the vlan does not exist:

aal4-a800::> network port vlan create -node aal4-a800-1 -vlan-name a0a-120
aal4-a800::> network port vlan create -node aal4-a800-2 -vlan-name a0a-120

3. Add the ports to the broadcast domain:

aa14-a800::> network port broadcast-domain add-ports -broadcast-domain OCP_NFS -ports aa14-a800-1:a0a-120, aa14-a800-2:a0a-120

 Verify that the ports were correctly added to the broadcast domain and the MTU is set correctly. In this deployment, an MTU value of 1500 was used to match the MTU on the VMs.

aa14-a8	00::> network	port	broadcast-domain show	-broadcast-domain OCP_NFS
IPspace	Broadcast			Update
Name	Domain Name	MTU	Port List	Status Details
Default	OCP NFS	1500		
	_		aa14-a800-1:a0a-120 aa14-a800-2:a0a-120	complete complete

5. Create the volume to host the Image Registry:

aa14-a800::> volume create -vserver Infra-SVM -volume ocp_images -aggregate aggr1_node01 -size 500GB state online -policy default -junction-path /ocp_images -space-guarantee none -percent-snapshot-space 0
[Job 10626] Job succeeded: Successful

Notice: Volume ocp_images now has a mount point from volume Infra-SVM_root_vol. The load sharing (LS) mirrors of volume Infra-SVM_root_vol will be updated according to the SnapMirror schedule in place for volume Infra-SVM_root_vol. Volume ocp_images will not be visible in the global namespace until the LS mirrors of volume Infra-SVM_root_vol have been updated.

6. Update the root volume mirrors:

```
aa14-a800::> snapmirror update-ls-set -source-path Infra-SVM:Infra-SVM_root_vol
[Job 10629] Job is queued: snapmirror update-ls-set for source "aal4-a800://Infra-SVM/Infra-
SVM root vol".
```

7. Create two LIFs, one for each controller.

Customers can choose to configure a single LIF if they do not plan to create additional volumes in the future to be accessed from either of the two controllers.

aa14-a800::> network interface create -vserver Infra-SVM -lif ocpNFS-lif01 -role data -data-protocol nfs
-home-node aa14-a800-1 -home-port a0a-120 -address 10.1.169.251 -netmask 255.255.255.0 -status-admin up failover-policy broadcast-domain-wide -firewall-policy data -auto-revert true

aa14-a800::> network interface create -vserver Infra-SVM -lif ocpNFS-lif02 -role data -data-protocol nfs -home-node aa14-a800-2 -home-port a0a-120 -address 10.1.169.252 -netmask 255.255.255.0 -status-admin up failover-policy broadcast-domain-wide -firewall-policy data -auto-revert true

8. Create an export control policy to allow OCP VM network to access the NFS volume just created

aa14-a800::> vserver export-policy rule create -vserver Infra-SVM -policyname default -ruleindex 3 protocol nfs -clientmatch 10.1.169.0/24 -rorule sys -rwrule sys -superuser sys -allow-suid false

aa14-a800::> volume modify -vserver Infra-SVM -volume ocp_images -policy default Volume modify successful on volume ocp_images of Vserver AI-ML-SVM.

Setup Image Registry in OCP

For production deployments, a private image registry should be configured with persistent storage. The persistent storage must support ReadWriteMany access mode and the NFS volume created on NetApp controller will be setup as the Image Registry in this deployment. The image-registry Operator is not initially available for platforms that do not provide default storage therefore after installation, the registry must be configured so the Registry Operator can be made available. Log into the management host to complete the following steps. You can consult the RedHat documentation for sample files and details of setting up the image registry: https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/4.4/installing/installing_vsphere/installing-vsphere.html#registry-configuring-storage-vsphere

To setup the image registry in OCP, follow these steps:

1. Verify the image registry operator is running in the openshift-image-registry namespace:

[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# oc get pod -n open:	shift-ima	age-regist:	сy	
NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
cluster-image-registry-operator-86476f46bc-psrng	2/2	Running	0	20h

2. Change ManagementState Image Registry Operator configuration from Removed to Managed:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# oc patch configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io cluster --type merge
--patch '{"spec":{"managementState": "Managed"}}'
config.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io/cluster patched
```

Wait until the initialization completes; if executed before the Image Registry Operator initializes its components, the 'oc patch' command will fail with an error.

3. To add a new storage class to a PV, create a YML file. This file was created under the install_files directory.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# more create_pv.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
    name: image-registry-pv
spec:
    capacity:
    storage: 500Gi
    accessModes:
        - ReadWriteMany
    nfs:
        path: /ocp_images
        server: 10.1.169.251
    persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Retain
    storageClassName: ocp-images
```

4. Use the following command to create the storage class using the YML file created in the last step:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# oc create -f create_pv.yaml
persistentvolume/image-registry-pv created
```

5. Verify the status of PV using the following commands:

[root@OCP-MGMT insta	all files]#	oc get pv					
NAME	CAPACITY	ACCESS MODES	RECLAIM POLICY	STATUS	CLAIM	STORAGECLASS	REASON
AGE							
image-registry-pv 24s	500Gi	RWX	Retain	Available		ocp-images	
[root@OCP-MGMT insta	all_files]#						

6. To set up the PVC, create another YML file. This file was created under the install_files directory

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# more create_pvc.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
metadata:
    name: image-registry-pvc
spec:
    accessModes:
    - ReadWriteMany
    resources:
        requests:
        storage: 500Gi
    storageClassName: ocp-images
    volumeMode: Filesystem
```

7. Use the following command to create the PVC using the YML file created in the last step:

[root@OCP-MGMT install_files]# oc create -n openshift-image-registry -f create_pvc.yaml
persistentvolumeclaim/image-registry-pvc created

8. Verify the status of the newly created PVC:

[root@OCP-MGMT i	install_files]	oc get pvc -n o	penshift-image	-registry		
NAME	STATUS	VOLUME	CAPACITY	ACCESS MODES	STORAGECLASS	AGE
image-registry-p	ovc Bound	image-registry-p	ov 500Gi	RWX	ocp-images	14s

9. Add the name of the PVC using following command and editing the lines shown in bold:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install files]# oc edit configs.imageregistry.operator.openshift.io -o yaml
apiVersion: imageregistry.operator.openshift.io/v1
kind: Config
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: "2020-05-13T21:55:38Z"
 finalizers:
  - imageregistry.operator.openshift.io/finalizer
 generation: 3
 name: cluster
 resourceVersion: "365572"
  selfLink: /apis/imageregistry.operator.openshift.io/v1/configs/cluster
  uid: 3f26f43f-f1e1-4773-b16e-abf9ac1288db
spec:
 defaultRoute: false
  disableRedirect: false
 httpSecret:
eaae1e56b365cc395fe14bf5c5f4646982beb388311b9d0ff522adffdefa4629af384c48b6c6d6e51178d3bb7f4010560a8c43d4d
350dd5b238f2f93c1fe193b
  logging: 2
 managementState: Managed
 proxy:
   http: ""
   https: ""
   noProxy: ""
 readOnly: false
  replicas: 1
  requests:
   read:
     maxInOueue: 0
     maxRunning: 0
     maxWaitInQueue: 0s
   write:
     maxInQueue: 0
     maxRunning: 0
     maxWaitInQueue: 0s
  storage:
   pvc:
```

claim: image-registry-pvc
<SNIP>

10. Verify the cluster operator status by executing the following commands:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT install files]# oc get clusteroperator image-registry
NAME
                 VERSION AVAILABLE PROGRESSING DEGRADED
                                                               SINCE
image-registry
                 4.4.12
                           True
                                       False
                                                     False
                                                                8s
[root@OCP-MGMT install files]# oc get pod -n openshift-image-registry
                                                   READY
                                                          STATUS
                                                                     RESTARTS
                                                                                AGE
NAME
cluster-image-registry-operator-86476f46bc-psrng
                                                   2/2
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                                                                                21h
image-registry-84c4fbbcb5-zqkdn
                                                   1/1
                                                           Running
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                                                   1/1
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node-ca-gkm46
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node-ca-jtpx7
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                                                           Running 0
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node-ca-nb57g
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node-ca-pgdb7
                                                   1/1
                                                           Running
                                                                     0
                                                                                3m43s
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node-ca-sbv4l
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                                                                                3m43s
                                                           Running
node-ca-vh7lr
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                                                           Running
                                                                    0
                                                                                3m43s
node-ca-vkbts
                                                   1/1
                                                                     0
                                                                                3m43s
                                                           Running
[root@OCP-MGMT install files]# oc describe pod image-registry-84c4fbbcb5-zgkdn -n openshift-image-
registry | grep -i volumes -A 4
Volumes:
  registry-storage:
                PersistentVolumeClaim (a reference to a PersistentVolumeClaim in the same namespace)
    Type:
    ClaimName: image-registry-pvc
    ReadOnly:
                false
```

VMware Configuration for OCP Virtual Machines

Multiple master nodes are required in a high availability environment to allow for failover if the leading master host fails. Each of these nodes should be deployed on a separate ESXi host for redundancy and VMware anti-affinity rules need to be configured to keep these VMs distributed at all times. To set the anti-affinity rules, follow these steps:

- 1. Log into VMware vCenter.
- 2. Go to Hosts and Clusters and expand the Datacenter and the Click on the Cluster where the Master Nodes (VMs) are deployed.
- 3. Click Configure in the main panel and select VM/Host Rules under Configuration.

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- 4. Click + Add.
- 5. Provide a name for the Rule (Distribute OCP Masters).
- 6. From the drop-down list, select Separate Virtual Machines.

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e listed Virtual Mach	ines must be run on separate hosts.
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7. Click +Add and add all three control plane machines.

Name	Distribute OCP Masters Zenable
Туре	Separate Virtual Machines
ription:	

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🔂 control-plane-1	
control-plane-0	

- 8. Click OK.
- 9. Optional: Repeat these steps to create a rule for separating all the OCP worker VMs as well to distribute the load across all the ESXi servers.

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192.168.169.93 • Configuration	Name	Туре	Enabled	Conflicts	Defined By
192.168.169.94 Quickstart	B Distribute OCP Masters	Separate Virtual Machines	Yes	0	User
> AIML General	S Distribute OCP Workers	Separate Virtual Machines	Yes	0	User



Although not a hard requirement, the worker VMs were also distributed across the 4 ESXi servers in this deployment for evenly distributing the load and to increase resiliency in case of ESXi server failure.

During deployment, if two control plane virtual machines were installed on the same ESXi host, VMware vCenter will vMotion the virtual machines to different hosts.

Storage Configuration for NetApp Trident

When deploying Trident, a dedicated SVM is created for provisioning persistent container volumes. The data LIF in this SVM is made accessible to the OCP nodes through direct layer-2 access. Since the volumes are created ondemand, it is recommended to use a dedicated SVM for ease of management and to allow for segregation from the infrastructure workloads.

In this section, a new Storage Virtual Machine is configured to be used with Trident as shown in Figure 10:

Figure 10 Dedicated SVM for NetApp Trident



Create SVM

To create an SVM to be used by Trident, follow these steps:

1. Run the vserver create command.

```
aa14-a800::> vserver create -vserver OCP-SVM -rootvolume ocp_svm_root -aggregate aggr1_node01 -
rootvolume-security-style unix
[Job 10720] Job succeeded:
Vserver creation completed.
```

2. Remove the unused data protocols from the SVM:

aa14-a800::> vserver remove-protocols -vserver OCP-SVM -protocols fcp cifs

3. Add the two data aggregates to the SVM aggregate list.

aal4-a800::> vserver modify -vserver OCP-SVM -aggr-list aggr1_node01, aggr1_node02

4. Enable and run the NFS protocol.

aa14-a800::> vserver nfs create -vserver OCP-SVM -udp disabled

5. Set the SVM vstorage parameter.

aa14-a800::> vserver nfs modify -vserver OCP-SVM -vstorage enabled

```
aa14-a800::> vserver nfs show -fields vstorage
vserver vstorage
```

```
Infra-SVM enabled
OCP-SVM enabled
2 entries were displayed.
```

Create Load-Sharing Mirrors of SVM Root Volume

To create a load-sharing mirror of an SVM root volume, follow these steps:

1. Create a volume to be the load-sharing mirror of the AI-ML-SVM root volume on each node.

```
aa14-a800::> volume create -vserver OCP-SVM -volume ocp_svm_root_m01 -aggregate aggr1_node01 -size 1GB -
type DP
[Job 10722] Job succeeded: Successful
aa14-a800::> volume create -vserver OCP-SVM -volume ocp_svm_root_m02 -aggregate aggr1_node02 -size 1GB -
type DP
[Job 10724] Job succeeded: Successful
```

 If the schedule was not previously created, create a job schedule to update the root volume mirror relationships every 15 minutes.

aa14-a800::> job schedule interval create -name 15min -minutes 15

3. Create the mirroring relationships.

```
aa14-a800::> snapmirror create -source-path OCP-SVM:ocp_svm_root -destination-path OCP-
SVM:ocp_svm_root_m01 -type LS -schedule 15min
[Job 10726] Job is queued: snapmirror create for the relationship with destination "aa14-a800://OCP-
SVM/ocp_svm_roo[Job 10726] Job succeeded: SnapMirror: done
aa14-a800::> snapmirror create -source-path OCP-SVM:ocp_svm_root -destination-path OCP-
SVM:ocp_svm_root_m02 -type LS -schedule 15min
[Job 10728] Job is queued: snapmirror create for the relationship with destination "aa14-a800://OCP-
SVM/ocp_svm_roo[Job 10728] Job succeeded: SnapMirror: done
```

4. Initialize the mirroring relationship.

```
aa14-a800::> snapmirror initialize-ls-set -source-path OCP-SVM:ocp_svm_root
[Job 10729] Job is queued: snapmirror initialize-ls-set for source "aa14-a800://OCP-SVM/ocp_svm_root".
```

You can use the "snapmirror show -type Is" command to verify the snapmirror status.

Configure NFSv3

To configure NFSv3, follow these steps:

1. Create a new rule for the infrastructure NFS subnet in the default export policy.

aa14-a800::> vserver export-policy rule create -vserver OCP-SVM -policyname default -ruleindex 1 protocol nfs -clientmatch 10.1.169.0/24 -rorule sys -rwrule sys -superuser sys -allow-suid false

2. Assign the export policy to the root volume.

aa14-a800::> volume modify -vserver OCP-SVM -volume ocp_svm_root -policy default

Create NFS LIF

To create an NFS LIFs for the SVM, run the following commands:

The new SVM is now ready to be used by Trident.

Make sure the NetApp controller Management IP address is accessible from the OpenShift pod network. Trident uses the ONTAP management IP to perform administrative actions for the persistent volumes even though the volumes themselves are accessed over the NFS data LIFs. In this deployment, the in-band management network interface on NetApp controller was in the same subnet as the OCP VMs and no additional routing configuration was needed.

Download and Install Trident

In a FlexPod environment, Trident is utilized to allow end users to dynamically provision and manage persistent volumes for containers backed by FlexVols and LUNs hosted on NetApp A800. Beginning with version 20.04, NetApp Trident is available to install with an operator. The following procedure details the steps required to install and configure Trident to manage persistent storage for containers in the OpenShift on FlexPod solution.

1. Ensure that the user that is logged in to the OCP cluster has sufficient privileges for installing Trident:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# oc auth can-i '*' '*' --all-namespaces
yes
```

2. Verify that you can download an image from the registry and access both the cluster management LIF and the NFS data LIF in your Trident SVM from the ONTAP system in your FlexPod:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # oc run -i --tty ping --image=busybox --restart=Never --rm -- ping 10.1.169.250
If you don't see a command prompt, try pressing enter.
64 bytes from 10.1.169.250: seq=1 ttl=63 time=0.195 ms
64 bytes from 10.1.169.250: seq=2 ttl=63 time=0.167 ms
64 bytes from 10.1.169.250: seg=3 ttl=63 time=0.158 ms
^C
--- 10.1.169.250 ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.158/0.325/0.782 ms
pod "ping" deleted
[root@OCP-MGMT ~] # oc run -i --tty ping --image=busybox --restart=Never --rm -- ping 10.1.169.249
If you don't see a command prompt, try pressing enter.
64 bytes from 10.1.169.249: seq=1 ttl=63 time=0.340 ms
64 bytes from 10.1.169.249: seq=2 ttl=63 time=0.288 ms
64 bytes from 10.1.169.249: seq=3 ttl=63 time=0.244 ms
^C
--- 10.1.169.249 ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.244/0.413/0.780 ms
pod "ping" deleted
```

3. Download the Trident installer bundle using the below commands and extract it to a directory:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# wget https://github.com/NetApp/trident/releases/download/v20.04.0/trident-installer-
20.04.0.tar.gz
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# tar -xvf trident-installer-20.04.0.tar.gz
[root@OCP-MGMT ~]# cd trident-installer
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]#
```

4. The Trident installer folder extracted from the archive contains several manifests which can be used to install Trident. OpenShift 4.4 is based on Kubernetes 1.16, so you will need to use the manifest for that version (file-name containing post1.16) and create the TridentProvisioner custom resource definition:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f
deploy/crds/trident.netapp.io_tridentprovisioners_crd_post1.16.yaml
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/tridentprovisioners.trident.netapp.io created
```

5. Create a 'trident' namespace which is required for the Trident operator:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create namespace trident
namespace/trident created
```

6. Create the resources required for Trident operator deployment, i.e. a ServiceAccount for the operator, a ClusterRole and ClusterRoleBinding to the ServiceAccount, a dedicated PodSecurityPolicy, and the Operator itself.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc kustomize deploy/ > deploy/bundle.yaml
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f deploy/bundle.yaml
serviceaccount/trident-operator created
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/trident-operator created
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/trident-operator created
deployment.apps/trident-operator created
podsecuritypolicy.policy/tridentoperatorpods created
```

7. Verify that the Trident operator is deployed:

[root@OCP-MGMT tri	dent-ins	taller] # oc	get de	ployment	-n trident	it	
NAME	READY	UP-TO-DATE	AVAI	LABLE A	AGE		
trident-operator	1/1	1	1	2	26s		
[root@OCP-MGMT tri	dent-ins	taller]# oc	get po	ds -n tri	ident		
NAME		RE.	ADY S'	TATUS	RESTARTS	AGE	
trident-operator-5	64d7d66f	-rvp8p 1/	1 RI	unning	0	19s	

8. Once the Trident operator is installed, the next step is to install Trident itself using the operator. To do this, the TridentProvisioner custom resource (CR) needs to be created. The Trident installer includes the definitions for creating a TridentProvisioner CR:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f deploy/crds/tridentprovisioner_cr.yaml
tridentprovisioner.trident.netapp.io/trident created
```

 Approve any outstanding CSR certificates for the OpenShift install. You can approve all the CSR certificates using the following command:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc get csr -o name | xargs oc adm certificate approve
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-457fh approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-4jkwc approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-5bgj7 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-5k9lp approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-5k9lp approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-67ki8 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-67ki8 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-67p7 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-6rp7 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-6rp97 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-72j7t approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-74p9 approved
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certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-74p9 approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-784g approved
certificatesigningrequest.certificates.k8s.io/csr-84p5q approved
```

10. Verify that Trident 20.04 is installed using the TridentProvisioner CR.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc get tprov -n trident
NAME
         AGE
trident
         6m9s
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc describe tprov trident -n trident
            trident
Name:
Namespace:
             trident
Labels:
             <none>
Annotations: <none>
API Version: trident.netapp.io/v1
Kind:
             TridentProvisioner
Metadata:
 Creation Timestamp: 2020-06-18T13:51:50Z
  Generation:
                      1
```

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```
Resource Version: 14315192
 Self Link:
                     /apis/trident.netapp.io/v1/namespaces/trident/tridentprovisioners/trident
 UID:
                     c71f1187-885d-4c74-933b-8970a9912d15
Spec:
 Debug: true
Status:
 Message: Trident installed *
 Status: Installed
 Version: v20.04
Events:
 Type
         Reason
                    Aqe
                                           From
                                                                      Message
         _____
                     ____
                                           ____
                                                                      _____
  ____
 Normal
         Installing 7m12s
                                           trident-operator.netapp.io Installing Trident
 Normal Installed 4m14s (x5 over 6m37s) trident-operator.netapp.io Trident installed
```

* Instead of "Trident installed", you may see following error message: "Failed to install Trident; err: could not create the Trident service account; could not create service account". This issue is due to a bug related to incorrect handling of k8s major/minor version. If you issue "oc version" command to verify the Kubernetes version and the version includes "major+minor" fields such as "Kubernetes Version: v1.17.1+a1af596", you will need to install trident using tridentctl as shown below. Follow this step only if the NetApp Trident installation fails in step 8.

```
[root@OCP44-MGMT trident-installer]# ls
deploy extras sample-input tridentctl
[root@OCP44-MGMT trident-installer]# ./tridentctl install -n trident
INFO Starting Trident installation.
                                                   namespace=trident
INFO Created service account.
INFO Created cluster role.
INFO Created cluster role binding.
INFO Created Trident's security context constraint. scc=trident user=trident-csi
INFO Created custom resource definitions.
                                                  namespace=trident
INFO Created Trident pod security policy.
INFO Added finalizers to custom resource definitions.
INFO Created Trident service.
INFO Created Trident secret.
INFO Created Trident deployment.
INFO Created Trident daemonset.
INFO Waiting for Trident pod to start.
INFO Trident pod started.
                                                   namespace=trident pod=trident-csi-79f5bcfcd5-dzzdv
INFO Waiting for Trident REST interface.
INFO Trident REST interface is up.
                                                   version=20.04.0
INFO Trident installation succeeded.
[root@OCP44-MGMT trident-installer]#
```

11. Verify that the pods related to Trident are up and verify the version of Trident:

[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]	# oc get	pods -n ti	rident	
NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
trident-csi-2v8mg	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-588qm	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-69966f55d8-k99ht	4/4	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-6bwkk	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-ccc88	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-jw4qq	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-vkwt6	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-csi-vvsb9	2/2	Running	0	6m35s
trident-operator-564d7d66f-rvp8p	1/1	Running	0	14m
<pre>[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer] ++</pre>	# ./tride -+ -+ -+ -+	entctl vers	sion -n tric	lent

12. Create a storage backend that will be used by Trident to provision volumes. The storage backend is specific to the NetApp storage system in the solution and the protocol being used. In this deployment, these values are ONTAP and NAS specifically. The sample backend.json files available in the sample-input folder can be used to create a customized backend:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# cp sample-input/backend-ontap-nas.json ./backend.json
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# vi backend.json
{
  "version": 1,
  "storageDriverName": "ontap-nas",
  "backendName": "nas-backend",
  "managementLIF": "10.1.169.250"
  "dataLIF": "10.1.169.249",
  "svm": "OCP-SVM",
  "username": "admin",
  "password": "adminpass"
1
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# ./tridentctl create backend -f backend.json -n trident
NAME | DRIVER |
                              UUID
                                             | STATE | VOLUMES |
+----+
| nas-backend | ontap-nas | 5314744c-666f-4ef8-8437-746617bdb9ec | online | 0 |
    _____+
```

Modify the backend.json to accommodate the details/requirements of your environment for the following values:

backendName: The name you would like to refer to this backend as in the additional steps that follow.

managementLIF: The cluster management LIF for the ONTAP cluster in the FlexPod.

dataLIF: The NFS data LIF in the SVM created to manage Trident.

svm: The name of the SVM created to manage Trident.

username: The cluster admin username.

password: The cluster admin password.

13. Create a StorageClass based on a sample storage class template in the sample-inputs folder that specifies Trident as the provisioner and the storage backend as ontap-nas.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# cp sample-input/storage-class-basic.yaml.templ ./storage-class.yaml
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# vi storage-class.yaml
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
    name: basic
provisioner: csi.trident.netapp.io
parameters:
    backendType: "ontap-nas"
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f storage-class.yaml
storageclass.storage.k8s.io/basic created
```



In this case, the StorageClass created is basic and set as a default. An OpenShift administrator can define multiple storage classes corresponding to different requirements based upon the applications being deployed. Trident selects a storage backend that can satisfy all the criteria specified in the pa-

rameters section in the storage class definition. End users can then provision storage as needed, without administrative intervention.

14. With the backend and storageclass configured, we can provision our first volume. In the sample inputs folder, there is also a file for creating a basic persistent volume. This file does not have to be modified for our example and can used as is to create the volume:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f sample-input/pvc-basic.yaml
persistentvolumeclaim/basic created
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc get pvc basic
       STATUS VOLUME
                                                           CAPACITY
                                                                      ACCESS MODES
                                                                                     STORAGECLASS
NAME
                                                                                                    AGE
                pvc-3b032ce6-9572-4a58-b0bf-0c8a2cccb161
basic
       Bound
                                                                                     basic
                                                                                                    15s
                                                           1Gi
                                                                      RWO
```

15. The volume created in the last step can now be mounted to a pod to test functionality. A simple example pod, running the nginx webserver, with the persistent volume mounted at /usr/share/nginx/html can be deployed as follows:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# cat task-pv-pod.yaml
kind: Pod
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
 name: task-pv-pod
spec:
  volumes:
    - name: task-pv-storage
     persistentVolumeClaim:
      claimName: basic
  containers:
    - name: task-pv-container
      image: nginx
      ports:
        - containerPort: 80
         name: "http-server"
      volumeMounts:
        - mountPath: "/usr/share/nginx/html"
         name: task-pv-storage
```

In this example pod, the value for *claimName* is set to the name of the PVC we created in the previous step.

16. Create the pod using the *oc create* command and use *oc describe* to confirm that volume attachment was successful.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc create -f task-pv-pod.yaml
pod/task-pv-pod created
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc describe pod task-pv-pod
Name:
           task-pv-pod
Namespace:
             default
Priority:
             0
             compute-1/10.1.169.22
Node:
Start Time: Thu, 18 Jun 2020 11:31:41 -0400
Labels:
              <none>
Annotations: k8s.v1.cni.cncf.io/networks-status:
                [ {
                    "name": "openshift-sdn",
                    "interface": "eth0",
                    "ips": [
                        "10.130.2.110"
                    1,
```

```
"dns": {},
                    "default-route": [
                        "10.130.2.1"
                    1
               }]
             Running
Status:
             10.130.2.110
TP:
IPs:
 IP: 10.130.2.110
Containers:
  task-pv-container:
   Container ID: cri-o://68855bc249d4691f850a34274e20da488ab7491ba381c9272b790856fc2d48d1
   Image:
                   nginx
    Image ID:
docker.io/library/nginx@sha256:0efad4d09a419dc6d574c3c3baacb804a530acd61d5eba72cb1f14e1f5ac0c8f
   Port:
                   80/TCP
    Host Port:
                   0/TCP
   State:
                   Running
     Started:
                  Thu, 18 Jun 2020 11:31:50 -0400
   Readv:
                   True
   Restart Count: 0
   Environment:
                   <none>
   Mounts:
     /usr/share/nginx/html from task-pv-storage (rw)
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from default-token-w69kt (ro)
Conditions:
                   Status
  Type
  Initialized
                   True
 Ready
                   True
 ContainersReady
                   True
  PodScheduled
                   True
Volumes:
 task-pv-storage:
               PersistentVolumeClaim (a reference to a PersistentVolumeClaim in the same namespace)
   Type:
   ClaimName: basic
   ReadOnly: false
 default-token-w69kt:
   Type:
                Secret (a volume populated by a Secret)
   SecretName: default-token-w69kt
   Optional: false
OoS Class:
                BestEffort
Node-Selectors: <none>
Tolerations: node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute for 300s
               node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute for 300s
Events:
 Туре
         Reason
                                  Aae
                                            From
                                                                     Message
         _____
  ____
                                  ____
                                             ____
                                                                      _____
                                 <unknown> default-scheduler
                                                                     Successfully assigned default/task-
 Normal Scheduled
pv-pod to compute-1
 Normal Pulling
                                 46s
                                            kubelet, compute-1
                                                                     Pulling image "nginx"
 Normal Pulled
                                  42s
                                            kubelet, compute-1
                                                                     Successfully pulled image "nginx"
 Normal Created
Normal Started
                                  42s
                                            kubelet, compute-1
                                                                     Created container task-pv-container
                                            kubelet, compute-1
                                  41s
                                                                      Started container task-pv-container
 Normal SuccessfulAttachVolume 9s
                                            attachdetach-controller AttachVolume.Attach succeeded for
volume "pvc-3b032ce6-9572-4a58-b0bf-0c8a2cccb161"
```

17. Connect to the pod directly and verify the NFS volume from ONTAP system is mounted as the /usr/share/nginx/html directory.

```
[root@OCP-MGMT trident-installer]# oc exec -it task-pv-pod -- df -h /usr/share/nginx/html
Filesystem Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
10.1.169.249:/trident_pvc_3b032ce6_9572_4a58_b0bf_0c8a2cccb161 1.0G 256K 1.0G 1%
/usr/share/nginx/html
```

Access the OCP Web Console

The OpenShift Container Platform web console is a user interface accessible from a web browser. Developers can use the web console to visualize, browse, and manage the contents of projects. The web console runs as a pod on the master. The static assets required to run the web console are served by the pod. Once OpenShift Container Platform is successfully installed, find the URL for the web console and login credentials for your installed cluster in the CLI output of the installation program as covered in Log into OpenShift Container Platform.

This section provides a very high-level overview of the web console. Customers are encouraged to consult RedHat <u>documentation</u> to get an in-depth understanding of the console.

If you misplaced the credentials to log into the web console, you can use "kubeadmin" as the user and password saved in the install directory/auth/ kubeadmin-password:

```
[root@OCP-MGMT auth]# pwd
/root/install_files/ocp44/auth
[root@OCP-MGMT auth]# cat kubeadmin-password
xxxxx-xxxxx-xxxxxx
[root@OCP-MGMT auth]
```

OCP Web Console - Dashboard

Access the OpenShift Container Platform dashboard, which captures high-level information about the cluster, by navigating to Home > Dashboards > Overview from the OpenShift Container Platform web console.



The OpenShift Container Platform dashboard provides various cluster information, captured in individual dashboard cards. The OpenShift Container Platform dashboard consists of the following cards:

Details: provides a brief overview of informational cluster details.

Status: information includes ok, error, warning, in progress, and unknown. Resources can add custom status names.

Activity: outlines any ongoing activity.

Cluster Inventory: details number of resources and associated statuses.

Cluster Utilization shows the capacity of various resources over a specified period.

OCP Web Console - Compute Nodes

This OCP dashboard provides an overview and status of both compute nodes. From the navigation menu on the left, follow Compute > Nodes.

Red Hat OpenShift Container Pla	tform			Ø	≡ (9 0	kube:admin 🚽
¢€ Administrator 👻	You are logged in as a te	emporary administrative user. Upo	date the <u>cluster OAuth configuration</u> to	allow o	others to lo	g in.	
Home >	Nodes						
Operators >					Filter by	name	/
Workloads >	7 Ready 0 Not Ready Select All Filters						7 Items
Networking >							
Storage >	Name †	Status 🗍	Role 1	Ma	chine 🗍		
Builds >	🚫 compute-0	🖉 Ready	worker				:
Monitoring >	δ compute-1	🕏 Ready	worker				:
Compute 🗸	🔇 compute-2	🕏 Ready	worker				:
Nodes	🚺 compute-3	🤣 Ready	worker				1
Machines	🚯 control-plane-0	🕏 Ready	master				:
Machine Autoscalers	🚫 control-plane-1	🕑 Ready	master				:
Machine Health Checks	Scontrol-plane-2	🖉 Ready	master				:

Figure 12 OCP Node Details

OCP Web Console - Persistent Volumes

This OCP dashboard provides an overview and status of configured persistent volumes in the system. From the navigation menu on the left, follow Storage > Persistent Volumes:

Figure 13 OCP Persistent Volumes

Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform					•		kube:admin 🔻
🛠 Administrator 🗸	* -	You are logged	in as a temporary administrative user.	Update the <u>cluster OAuth</u>	configuration to allow others to	log in.	
Home 🗸	Persistent Volume	es					
Overview	Create Persistent Volume	Ì				Filter by name	
Projects						122	
Search	Name 1	Status 1	Claim 1	Capacity 1	Labels 1	Created 1	
Events	(EV) image-registry-pv	Sound	(FVC) image-registry-pvc	500Gi	No labels	3 Jul 27, 6:24 pm	I
Operators >	ev-ddf40d0a-a28f- 4205-b973- cb6fea8a85e7	O Bound	eve basic	1Gi	No labels	3 Jul 28, 2:38 pm	I
Workloads >							
Networking >							
Storage ~							
Persistent Volumes							

OCP Web Console - Operators

Operators are a method of packaging, deploying, and managing a Kubernetes application. OCP dashboard provides an Operator Hub to deploy Operators from the Kubernetes community and RedHat partners. From the navigation menu on the left, follow Operators > OperatorHub:

Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform		ø		Ð	Ø	kube:admin 🔻
#0 Administrator	You are logged in as a temporary administrative user. Update the <u>cluster OAuth configuration</u> to all	low others 1	to log in.			
	Project: default 💌					
Home						
Overview	OperatorHub					
Projects	Discover Operators from the Kubernetes community and Red Hat partners, curated by Red Hat. You can purchase commercial software throu	ugh Red Ha	t Marketpla	ce 💅. You	ı can insta	all Operators on
Search	your clusters to provide optional add-ons and shared services to your developers. After installation, the Operator capabilities will appear in the	e Develope	er Catalog p	roviding	a self-ser	vice experience.
Explore	All Items All Items					
Events						2EE itoms
0	Al/Machine Learning Filter by keyword					555 items
Operators	Application Runtime					
OperatorHub	Big Data					
Installed Operators	Cloud Provider Community					
	Database 🛞 😴	3				
Workloads >	Developer Tools 3scale API Management ActiveMQ Artemis Adv	ranced Clu	ster Manag	ement		
Networking >	Integration & Delivery provided by Red Hat provided by Red Hat, Inc. for H	Kubernetes	S			
	Logging & Tracing 3scale Operator to provision ActiveMQ Artemis Operator	loed by Neu	nat			
Storage	Adva Monitoring Sscale and publish/manage APIs provides the ability to deploy and Adva manage stateful ActiveMO man	anced provi	isioning and f OpenShift	and		
Persistent Volumes	Networking Kuba	ernetes clu	sters			
Persistent Volume Claims	OpenShift Optional					

Figure 14 OCP OperatorHub

For more details about the OCP Web Console, consult the RedHat documentation.

Summary

The FlexPod Datacenter for Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4 delivers seamless integration of Red Hat's enterprise grade container platform into the current FlexPod portfolio to enable repeatable, successful customer deployments using:

- FlexPod Portfolio: Pre-validated infrastructure for a wide variety of customer workloads.
- Red Hat's OpenShift Container Platform: Open-source, enterprise-grade Kubernetes environment that empowers developers and DevOps engineers to each respectively focus on creating robust applications and deploy them at scale.
- NetApp Trident: Fully supported open-source project that integrates natively with Kubernetes and its Persistent Volume framework to seamlessly provision and manage volumes from storage systems running NetApp's ONTAP.

Appendix

This section includes the configuration files used to deploy the infrastructure services during the validation of this solution. These files are presented as a reference.

DNS Configuration Files

/etc/named.conf

```
[root@OCP-DNS ~] # more /etc/named.conf
11
// named.conf
11
// Provided by Red Hat bind package to configure the ISC BIND named(8) DNS
// server as a caching only nameserver (as a localhost DNS resolver only).
11
// See /usr/share/doc/bind*/sample/ for example named configuration files.
11
// See the BIND Administrator's Reference Manual (ARM) for details about the
// configuration located in /usr/share/doc/bind-{version}/Bv9ARM.html
options {
        listen-on port 53 { 10.1.169.10; };
        listen-on-v6 port 53 { ::1; };
#
        forwarders { 208.67.222.222; 208.67.220.220; };
        directory
                        "/var/named";
                        "/var/named/data/cache_dump.db";
        dump-file
        statistics-file "/var/named/data/named stats.txt";
        memstatistics-file "/var/named/data/named mem stats.txt";
        recursing-file
                        "/var/named/data/named.recursing";
#
        secroots-file
                        "/var/named/data/named.secroots"
                        { localhost; 127.0.0.1; 10.1.169.0/24; 192.168.169.0/24; };
        allow-query
        /*
         - If you are building an AUTHORITATIVE DNS server, do NOT enable recursion.
         - If you are building a RECURSIVE (caching) DNS server, you need to enable
           recursion.
         - If your recursive DNS server has a public IP address, you MUST enable access
           control to limit queries to your legitimate users. Failing to do so will
           cause your server to become part of large scale DNS amplification
           attacks. Implementing BCP38 within your network would greatly
           reduce such attack surface
        * /
        recursion yes;
        allow-recursion { localhost; 127.0.0.1; 10.1.169.0/24; 192.168.169.0/24; };
        dnssec-enable no;
        dnssec-validation no;
        /* Path to ISC DLV key */
        bindkeys-file "/etc/named.root.key";
        managed-keys-directory "/var/named/dynamic";
        pid-file "/run/named/named.pid";
        session-keyfile "/run/named/session.key";
};
logging {
        channel default debug {
                file "data/named.run";
                severity dynamic;
        };
};
zone "." IN {
```

```
type hint;
file "named.ca";
};
zone "rtp.ocp.local" IN {
type master;
file "forward.rtp.ocp";
allow-update { none; };
};
zone "169.1.10.in-addr.arpa" IN {
type master;
file "reverse.rtp.ocp";
allow-update { none; };
};
include "/etc/named.rfc1912.zones";
include "/etc/named.root.key";
```

/var/named/forward.rtp.ocp

[root@OCP-DNS named]# more /var/named/forward.rtp.ocp								
	0 r	mam	e invalid (
e in son	GT	mani	e.invaiiu. (0		sor	rial	
				1 D	΄.	ref	fresh	
				1H		rot		
				1 W		exp	nire	
				3H)	;	min	nimum	
0 IN NS			ocp-dns.ocp.loc	al.	,			
ocp-mgmt	IN	A	10.1.169.5					
ocp-dns	IN	A	10.1.169.10					
ocp-http	ΙN	A	10.1.169.9					
loadbalancer	ΙN	A	10.1.169.100					
ocp-dhcp	ΙN	A	10.1.169.253					
control-plane-0	IN	A	10.1.169.11					
control-plane-1	ΙN	A	10.1.169.12					
control-plane-2	ΙN	A	10.1.169.13					
bootstrap-0	1N TN	A	10.1.169.20					
compute-0	1 N	A	10.1.169.21					
compute-1	1N TN	A	10.1.169.22					
compute-2	TN	A	10.1.169.23					
compute-s	T N	A	10.1.169.24					
etca-u	T N	A	10.1.169.11					
	T IN	A	10.1.169.12					
etca-z	T N	A	10.1.169.13					
api int	T N	A	10.1.169.100					
api-int	1N TN	A	10.1.169.100					
^.apps	T IN	А	10.1.169.100					
etcd-server-ss.	1. t	.cp.	rtp.ocp.local. IN	SRV 0	10	2380	0 etcd-0.rtp.ocp.local.	
etcd-server-ss.	1. t	cp.	rtp.ocp.local. IN	SRV 0	10	2380) etcd-1.rtp.ocp.local.	
etcd-server-ss	1t	.cp.	rtp.ocp.local. IN	SRV 0	10	2380	0 etcd-2.rtp.ocp.local.	

/var/named/reverse.rtp.ocp

```
[root@OCP-DNS named] # more /var/named/reverse.rtp.ocp
$TTL 3H
Q
       IN SOA @ rname.invalid. (
                                       0
                                              ; serial
                                       1D
                                              ; refresh
                                       1H
                                              ; retry
                                       1W
                                              ; expire
                                       3H )
                                               ; minimum
g
       IN NS
                       ocp-dns.ocp.local.
Ø
       IN PTR
                       ocp.local.
```

9	IN	PTR	ocp-http.rtp.ocp.local
10	IN	PTR	ocp-dns.ocp.local
11	IN	PTR	control-plane-0.rtp.ocp.local
12	IN	PTR	control-plane-1.rtp.ocp.local
13	IN	PTR	control-plane-2.rtp.ocp.local
20	IN	PTR	bootstrap-0.rtp.ocp.local
21	IN	PTR	compute-0.rtp.ocp.local
22	IN	PTR	compute-1.rtp.ocp.local
23	IN	PTR	compute-2.rtp.ocp.local
24	IN	PTR	compute-3.rtp.ocp.local
100	IN	PTR	loadbalancer.rtp.ocp.local
253	IN	PTR	ocp-dhcp.rtp.ocp.local

DHCP Configuration File

/etc/dhcp/dhcpd.conf

```
[root@OCP-DHCP ~] # more /etc/dhcp/dhcpd.conf
# DHCP Server Configuration file.
    see /usr/share/doc/dhcp*/dhcpd.conf.example
#
#
    see dhcpd.conf(5) man page
#
subnet 10.1.169.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 {
        option routers
                                        10.1.169.254;
        option subnet-mask
                                        255.255.255.0;
        option domain-search
                                        "rtp.ocp.local", "ocp.local";
        option domain-name-servers
                                        10.1.169.10;
                                        10.1.169.254;
        option ntp-servers
        range 10.1.169.101 10.1.169.120;
```

Web Server Configuration File

/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf

```
[root@ocp-http ~] # more /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
# This is the main Apache HTTP server configuration file. It contains the
\ensuremath{\texttt{\#}} configuration directives that give the server its instructions.
# See <URL:http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/> for detailed information.
# In particular, see
# <URL:http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/mod/directives.html>
# for a discussion of each configuration directive.
# Do NOT simply read the instructions in here without understanding
# what they do. They're here only as hints or reminders. If you are unsure
# consult the online docs. You have been warned.
# Configuration and logfile names: If the filenames you specify for many
# of the server's control files begin with "/" (or "drive:/" for Win32), the
# server will use that explicit path. If the filenames do *not* begin
# with "/", the value of ServerRoot is prepended -- so 'log/access log'
# with ServerRoot set to '/www' will be interpreted by the
# server as '/www/log/access_log', where as '/log/access_log' will be
# interpreted as '/log/access log'.
# ServerRoot: The top of the directory tree under which the server's
# configuration, error, and log files are kept.
# Do not add a slash at the end of the directory path. If you point
# ServerRoot at a non-local disk, be sure to specify a local disk on the
# Mutex directive, if file-based mutexes are used. If you wish to share the
```

```
# same ServerRoot for multiple httpd daemons, you will need to change at
# least PidFile.
#
ServerRoot "/etc/httpd"
# Listen: Allows you to bind Apache to specific IP addresses and/or
# ports, instead of the default. See also the <VirtualHost>
# directive.
# Change this to Listen on specific IP addresses as shown below to
# prevent Apache from glomming onto all bound IP addresses.
#Listen 12.34.56.78:80
Listen 8080
# Dynamic Shared Object (DSO) Support
# To be able to use the functionality of a module which was built as a DSO you
# have to place corresponding `LoadModule' lines at this location so the
# directives contained in it are actually available before they are used.
# Statically compiled modules (those listed by `httpd -l') do not need
# to be loaded here.
# Example:
# LoadModule foo module modules/mod foo.so
#
Include conf.modules.d/*.conf
# If you wish httpd to run as a different user or group, you must run
# httpd as root initially and it will switch.
# User/Group: The name (or #number) of the user/group to run httpd as.
# It is usually good practice to create a dedicated user and group for
# running httpd, as with most system services.
User apache
Group apache
# 'Main' server configuration
# The directives in this section set up the values used by the 'main'
# server, which responds to any requests that aren't handled by a
# <VirtualHost> definition. These values also provide defaults for
# any <VirtualHost> containers you may define later in the file.
# All of these directives may appear inside <VirtualHost> containers,
# in which case these default settings will be overridden for the
# virtual host being defined.
#
\ensuremath{\texttt{\#}} ServerAdmin: Your address, where problems with the server should be
# e-mailed. This address appears on some server-generated pages, such
# as error documents. e.g. admin@your-domain.com
#
ServerAdmin root@localhost
# ServerName gives the name and port that the server uses to identify itself.
# This can often be determined automatically, but we recommend you specify
# it explicitly to prevent problems during startup.
# If your host doesn't have a registered DNS name, enter its IP address here.
ServerName 10.1.169.9
# Deny access to the entirety of your server's filesystem. You must
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# explicitly permit access to web content directories in other
# <Directory> blocks below.
#
<Directory />
   AllowOverride none
   Require all denied
</Directory>
# Note that from this point forward you must specifically allow
# particular features to be enabled - so if something's not working as
# you might expect, make sure that you have specifically enabled it
# below.
#
# DocumentRoot: The directory out of which you will serve your
# documents. By default, all requests are taken from this directory, but
# symbolic links and aliases may be used to point to other locations.
DocumentRoot "/var/www/html"
# Relax access to content within /var/www.
#
<Directory "/var/www">
   AllowOverride None
    # Allow open access:
   Require all granted
</Directory>
# Further relax access to the default document root:
<Directory "/var/www/html">
    # Possible values for the Options directive are "None", "All",
   # or any combination of:
      Indexes Includes FollowSymLinks SymLinksifOwnerMatch ExecCGI MultiViews
   #
   # Note that "MultiViews" must be named *explicitly* --- "Options All"
   # doesn't give it to you.
   # The Options directive is both complicated and important. Please see
   # http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/mod/core.html#options
    # for more information.
   Options Indexes FollowSymLinks
   # AllowOverride controls what directives may be placed in .htaccess files.
    # It can be "All", "None", or any combination of the keywords:
       Options FileInfo AuthConfig Limit
    #
   AllowOverride None
    #
   # Controls who can get stuff from this server.
   Require all granted
</Directory>
# DirectoryIndex: sets the file that Apache will serve if a directory
# is requested.
#
<IfModule dir module>
   DirectoryIndex index.html
</IfModule>
# The following lines prevent .htaccess and .htpasswd files from being
# viewed by Web clients.
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<Files ".ht*">
   Require all denied
</Files>
# ErrorLog: The location of the error log file.
# If you do not specify an ErrorLog directive within a <VirtualHost>
# container, error messages relating to that virtual host will be
# logged here. If you *do* define an error logfile for a <VirtualHost>
# container, that host's errors will be logged there and not here.
ErrorLog "logs/error log"
# LogLevel: Control the number of messages logged to the error log.
# Possible values include: debug, info, notice, warn, error, crit,
# alert, emerg.
#
LogLevel warn
<IfModule log config module>
   #
    # The following directives define some format nicknames for use with
   # a CustomLog directive (see below).
   LogFormat "%h %l %u %t \"%r\" %>s %b \"%{Referer}i\" \"%{User-Agent}i\"" combined
   LogFormat "%h %l %u %t \"%r\" %>s %b" common
   <IfModule logio module>
      # You need to enable mod logio.c to use %I and %O
     LogFormat "%h %l %u %t \"%r\" %>s %b \"%{Referer}i\" \"%{User-Agent}i\" %I %O" combinedio
    </IfModule>
    # The location and format of the access logfile (Common Logfile Format).
   # If you do not define any access logfiles within a <VirtualHost>
    # container, they will be logged here. Contrariwise, if you *do*
    # define per-<VirtualHost> access logfiles, transactions will be
    # logged therein and *not* in this file.
    #CustomLog "logs/access log" common
    # If you prefer a logfile with access, agent, and referer information
    # (Combined Logfile Format) you can use the following directive.
   CustomLog "logs/access log" combined
</IfModule>
<IfModule alias module>
   #
    # Redirect: Allows you to tell clients about documents that used to
    # exist in your server's namespace, but do not anymore. The client
   # will make a new request for the document at its new location.
    # Example:
    # Redirect permanent /foo http://www.example.com/bar
   # Alias: Maps web paths into filesystem paths and is used to
    # access content that does not live under the DocumentRoot.
   # Example:
   # Alias /webpath /full/filesystem/path
    # If you include a trailing / on /webpath then the server will
   # require it to be present in the URL. You will also likely
    # need to provide a <Directory> section to allow access to
    # the filesystem path.
    # ScriptAlias: This controls which directories contain server scripts.
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# ScriptAliases are essentially the same as Aliases, except that
   \ensuremath{\texttt{\#}} documents in the target directory are treated as applications and
   # run by the server when requested rather than as documents sent to the
   # client. The same rules about trailing "/" apply to ScriptAlias
   # directives as to Alias.
   ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/ "/var/www/cgi-bin/"
</IfModule>
# "/var/www/cgi-bin" should be changed to whatever your ScriptAliased
# CGI directory exists, if you have that configured.
#
<Directory "/var/www/cgi-bin">
   AllowOverride None
   Options None
   Require all granted
</Directory>
<IfModule mime module>
   # TypesConfig points to the file containing the list of mappings from
   # filename extension to MIME-type.
   TypesConfig /etc/mime.types
   # AddType allows you to add to or override the MIME configuration
   # file specified in TypesConfig for specific file types.
   #AddType application/x-gzip .tgz
   # AddEncoding allows you to have certain browsers uncompress
   # information on the fly. Note: Not all browsers support this.
   #AddEncoding x-compress .Z
   #AddEncoding x-gzip .gz .tgz
   # If the AddEncoding directives above are commented-out, then you
   # probably should define those extensions to indicate media types:
   AddType application/x-compress .Z
   AddType application/x-gzip .gz .tgz
   # AddHandler allows you to map certain file extensions to "handlers":
   # actions unrelated to filetype. These can be either built into the server
   # or added with the Action directive (see below)
   # To use CGI scripts outside of ScriptAliased directories:
   # (You will also need to add "ExecCGI" to the "Options" directive.)
   #AddHandler cgi-script .cgi
    # For type maps (negotiated resources):
   #AddHandler type-map var
   # Filters allow you to process content before it is sent to the client.
   # To parse .shtml files for server-side includes (SSI):
   # (You will also need to add "Includes" to the "Options" directive.)
   AddType text/html .shtml
   AddOutputFilter INCLUDES .shtml
</TfModule>
# Specify a default charset for all content served; this enables
# interpretation of all content as UTF-8 by default. To use the
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# default browser choice (ISO-8859-1), or to allow the META tags
# in HTML content to override this choice, comment out this
# directive:
AddDefaultCharset UTF-8
<IfModule mime magic module>
    # The mod_mime_magic module allows the server to use various hints from the
    # contents of the file itself to determine its type. The MIMEMagicFile
    # directive tells the module where the hint definitions are located.
   MIMEMagicFile conf/magic
</IfModule>
# Customizable error responses come in three flavors:
# 1) plain text 2) local redirects 3) external redirects
#
# Some examples:
#ErrorDocument 500 "The server made a boo boo."
#ErrorDocument 404 /missing.html
#ErrorDocument 404 "/cgi-bin/missing_handler.pl"
#ErrorDocument 402 http://www.example.com/subscription info.html
# EnableMMAP and EnableSendfile: On systems that support it,
# memory-mapping or the sendfile syscall may be used to deliver
# files. This usually improves server performance, but must
# be turned off when serving from networked-mounted
# filesystems or if support for these functions is otherwise
# broken on your system.
# Defaults if commented: EnableMMAP On, EnableSendfile Off
#EnableMMAP off
EnableSendfile on
# Supplemental configuration
# Load config files in the "/etc/httpd/conf.d" directory, if any.
IncludeOptional conf.d/*.conf
```

Load Balancer Configuration File

/etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg

```
[root@loadbalancer ~]# more /etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg
#-----
                               _____
# Example configuration for a possible web application. See the
# full configuration options online.
#
  http://haproxy.1wt.eu/download/1.4/doc/configuration.txt
#
#
#_____
#-----
              _____
# Global settings
global
  # to have these messages end up in /var/log/haproxy.log you will
  # need to:
  # 1) configure syslog to accept network log events. This is done
  #
      by adding the '-r' option to the SYSLOGD OPTIONS in
      /etc/sysconfig/syslog
  #
   #
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# 2) configure local2 events to go to the /var/log/haproxy.log
   #
      file. A line like the following can be added to
      /etc/sysconfig/syslog
   #
   #
   #
       local2.*
                                  /var/log/haproxy.log
            127.0.0.1 local2
   loq
   chroot
             /var/lib/haproxy
   pidfile
             /var/run/haproxy.pid
             4000
   maxconn
   user
             haproxy
   group
             haproxy
   daemon
   # turn on stats unix socket
   stats socket /var/lib/haproxy/stats
#-----
# common defaults that all the 'listen' and 'backend' sections will
# use if not designated in their block
#-----
defaults
   mode
                       tcp
                       qlobal
   loa
   option
                       httplog
   option
                       dontlognull
   option http-server-close
   option forwardfor
                      except 127.0.0.0/8
#
   option
                      redispatch
   retries
                       3
   timeout http-request 10s
   timeout queue
                      1m
                      10s
1m
   timeout connect
   timeout client
   timeout server
                      1m
   timeout http-keep-alive 10s
   timeout check 10s
   maxconn
                       3000
#-----
# main frontend which proxys to the backends
#-----
frontend openshift-api-server
   bind *:6443
   default backend openshift-api-server
   mode tcp
   option tcplog
backend openshift-api-server
   balance source
   mode tcp
   server bootstrap-0 10.1.169.20:6443 check
   server control-plane-0 10.1.169.11:6443 check
   server control-plane-1 10.1.169.12:6443 check
   server control-plane-2 10.1.169.13:6443 check
frontend machine-config-server
   bind *:22623
   default backend machine-config-server
   mode tcp
   option tcplog
backend machine-config-server
   balance source
   mode tcp
   server bootstrap-0 10.1.169.20:22623 check
   server control-plane-0 10.1.169.11:22623 check
   server control-plane-1 10.1.169.12:22623 check
   server control-plane-2 10.1.169.13:22623 check
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frontend ingress-http
   bind *:80
   default_backend ingress-http
   mode tcp
   option tcplog
backend ingress-http
   balance source
   mode tcp
   server compute-0 10.1.169.21:80 check
   server compute-1 10.1.169.22:80 check
   server compute-2 10.1.169.23:80 check
   server compute-3 10.1.169.24:80 check
frontend ingress-https
   bind *:443
    default_backend ingress-https
   mode tcp
   option tcplog
backend ingress-https
   balance source
   mode tcp
   option ssl-hello-chk
   server compute-0 10.1.169.21:443 check
   server compute-1 10.1.169.22:443 check
   server compute-2 10.1.169.23:443 check
    server compute-3 10.1.169.24:443 check
```

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